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### Wider Base Is Needed

We have no quarrel with the general purpose of Social Security and think the care afforded the elderly as a result of its creation makes it one of the finest social institutions ever created by our government. Neither do we have any criticism of the administration of the system under the rules set up by the Congress.

But we do have a definite quarrel with these rules under which the system operates and think the interpretation and administration of the system is an injustice to a large segment of our society.

It was our understanding, possibly mistakenly, that when the program was inaugurated it was an insurance program whereby laboring people could create a retirement fund, commensurate with the amount of payments they and their employers had paid into the fund. But many reaching 65 have found that this is not the case, and that although they have paid into the fund many thousands of dollars they can not obtain any benefits under the program, because earning necessary to maintain a decent standing of living is so much that the person becomes ineligible to receive any payments.

If Social Security is an insurance program, it seems to us that the insured person should be able to collect the full amount that his premiums have earned with no regard to his financial status. This would be the case were that person dealing with a private insurance company.

We also fail to find any fairness in a rule under which a person who is still making a real contribution to society through his labors can not draw social security, but that a person who draws his income through stocks, bonds and other investments can draw the full amount of his payments.

If Social Security is a worker's

retirement insurance program then workers should be paid their full premiums at the retirement age whether they retire or choose to keep on working. If Social Security is a program to aid in the care of the elderly, then its cost should be borne by a general tax of all the people. It seems hardly fair to us that only workers and business men should be taxed to support a program that is intended for all the people, including retired persons with sufficient income from investments as not to be dependent upon all the premiums.

The Social Security system has proven its worth in its service to the older people of this nation, and incidentally has proven a boon to the economy in many of the poorer sections of the nation. Since the care of the elderly must be met in many cases through either welfare or social security payments, we think that it might be well for the government to make social security payments to all the people over 65 and to levy a general tax for its payment.

Social Security withholding taxes have already reached a 8.8 per cent mark, with promise that it will still be further increased. Of this amount 4.4% is paid by employers and has become a real burden on business. Actually, since wages must be based on a take-home basis, the business men of the nation find themselves for all real purposes bearing the entire cost of the program. A tax of nearly 10 per cent on businesses of the country has become a real problem, and with other taxes it is becoming increasingly hard for the small business man to conduct a successful business. Certainly it is a factor in the rising cost of living.

The Social Security system, in our opinion, needs a thorough study and revamping and a much wider base than is provided by the working people of this country.

## Yellow Jackets Take Two From Gaston

John Graham Yellow Jackets took a double-header win from visiting Gaston on last Friday night, the girls winning 43 to 25, and the boys taking a 43 to 39 victory.

The Gaston girls took a 9 to 8 lead in the first quarter, but John Graham went ahead and held it all the way. The last half was all Warrenton as the local girls netted 28 points while holding the visitors for 12.

Martha Hawkins and Gayle Serls, with 12 points each, were high scorers for John Graham. Others playing were Charlotte Wood 4, Miles, Sandra Wood 3, Cates, Thompson 3, M. Thompson, Loyd 9, J. Connell, B. Connell, Hobgood. Colston led Gaston with 13 points. Others playing were Clements 1, Spicer 7, Gilliland, Smith, Burnette, Honey-suckle, Willy 4, Massey.

### Boys Game

Gaston took a 12 to 9 lead in the first quarter and were leading until the final minutes of the last quarter. Down 17 to 21 at the half, the Jackets evened the score momentarily in the third quarter and fell back in the final quarter. With two minutes and thirty-five seconds in the last frame, the Jackets pulled even and then went ahead to win with good shooting from the foul line.

Ellington and Shearin, with 10 points each, led John Graham. Others playing were Schnurr 9, J. Rivers 9, Edmonds 4, R. Rivers 1.

Guthrie of Gaston, with 19 points, was high scorer for the visitors. Others playing were J. Tolbert 8, Allen 2, Rook, Powell 8, Martin 4.

### Warrenton, Littleton Split Double-Header

John Graham Yellow Jackets split games at Littleton Wednesday night with the boys winning 46 to 42 and the girls losing 32 to 39.

The games, originally scheduled for Tuesday night, was postponed on account of weather.

The John Graham girls, behind one point in the first quarter, pulled ahead and led 21 to 18 at the half. Warrenton ran out of steam in the last half as Littleton rallied to take the victory.

Gayle Serls led John Graham with 16 points. Others playing were Sandra Wood 7, Anne Thompson, Phyllis Loyd 3, Martha Hawkins 5, Melba Thompson, Helen Holt and Jane Connell.

Johnston and Clark were the big guns for Littleton. Johnston netted 21 points and Clark

14. Others playing were Jule Gray, F. Isles 2, J. West, Robertson 2, Halthcock.

### Boys Game

Jerry Ellington netted 20 points to lead Warrenton to its victory. Others playing were Robert Shearin 7, Schnurr 4, Jimmy Rivers, 5, Edmonds 4, and Robert Rivers 6.

Salmon was high scorer for Littleton with 18 points, followed by Spraggins with 15. Lewis also hit in double figures with 10 points. Alston netted 5 and Alston 3.

### Junior Varsity Takes Game From Littleton

John Graham Junior Varsity girls basketball game rallied in the fourth quarter at Littleton on Wednesday of last week to give the Warrenton team a 11-point victory, 33 to 22. John Graham took a 4 to 0 lead in the first five minutes of play but saw the lead reduced in the second quarter. John Graham led by 5 points at the end of the third quarter, and coasted to victory in the final frame by scoring 10 points to their opponents' 4.

Scoggin Jones and Judy Peoples, with 8 points each, were high scorers for John Graham. Jean Drake followed with 6 points. Others playing were Jennifer Taylor 1, June Stegall 6, Verlene Thompson 3, Kay Thompson, Linda Fleming, Jennie Hunter, Lisa Coleman, Ann Rooker, Myra Johnson, Bonnie Clayton.

The individual scores of the Littleton girls were not made available to this newspaper.

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### Norlina Wins Both Games In Games Played At Davie

Norlina won both games of a double-header at William R. Davie on last Friday night, the girls winning 25 to 16, and the boys 62 to 54.

The Norlina and Gaston girls were on even terms, with 11-all, at the end of the first half. Leading by only one point at the end of the third quarter, the visitors pulled ahead 8 to 2 in the final frame for the victory.

Peggy Lynch led Norlina with 10 points. Others playing were Lloyd 2, Ingle 2, Hicks 2, Knight 5, Richardson 1. Claypool led Davie with 8 points. Others playing were Allen 1, Rhome 2, Carlyle 4.

### Boys Game

The first half of the boys game was a nip and tuck affair, with Davie leading by one point at the break. Norlina took

### Town 'N Country Garden Club Meets

The Town 'N Country Garden Club held its regular monthly meeting, Wednesday, Feb. 1, with Mrs. Jesse Harris, Norlina Road, as hostess. Mrs. A. M. Alston, president, presided.

After the business session a demonstration on the planting of an indoor Window Garden was given by Mrs. Harris. A social period followed with a delicious service of crab salad, Russian tea and

stuffed dates. The members present were Mesdames A. M. Alston, V. C. Henderson, E. M. Brown, S. H. Brown, C. G. Hawkins, M. H. Powell, E. J. Ransom, and one guest, Mrs. Jessie Walton.

Each hair has a small muscle attached below the oil glands. Its function is the erection of the hair when a person is frightened or cold. That's what goose bumps are.

a two-point lead in the third quarter, and spurred ahead in the final quarter, 17 to 11, for the win.

Hege was high scorer for Norlina with 18 points, followed by Macon with 13 and Draffin with 10. Others playing were Hicks 9, Hawks 1, Smiley 4.

Bryant netted 22 points in a losing cause for Davie, followed by Barnes with 15. Others playing were G. Walker 5, Garner 3, A. Walker 4, Harris 2, and Lancaster 3.

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### Telephone Co. Warns Firms About Claims

Carolina Telephone yesterday cautioned local business subscribers not to make payments to a Los Angeles firm in the belief that such payments will apply to telephone directory Yellow Page advertising.

Howard Pitts, area commercial manager for Carolina Telephone, stated that a large number of local business firms have recently received mail resembling bills for "classified directory" listings. "These mailings are not from Carolina Telephone," he warned, "and we hope none of our subscribers or advertisers will send the requested \$57 believing this material to come from us."

Pitts added that the telephone company has heard from Hill Directory Company, publisher of many City Directories in this area, and that they are quite concerned about the possibility of a misunderstanding also.

The mailings involved carry a return address of Classified Directory Publishing Company, P. O. Box 25967, Los Angeles, California, and they invite checks to be made payable in that manner in the amount of \$57. The telephone manager said that the matter is being called to the attention of Postal Authorities.

Miss Elizabeth Allen and Mrs. C. P. Allen visited Miss Louise Allen in Maria Parham Hospital on Wednesday.

Mrs. Herbert Scoggin of Lenoir visited Mrs. Arthur Petar Wednesday in Warren General Hospital.

Mrs. H. P. Reid returned Saturday after spending ten days in Dillon and Bennettsville, S. C. Bill Reid accompanied her home and spent several days here.

Better Business Bureaus, and Chambers of Commerce.

"We don't know anything about the California firm," Pitts said, "but we know they don't represent us and we want to avoid possible confusion."

### Office

(Continued from page 1) bor used in the renovation without cost to the county.

Acoustical tile has been placed in the ceiling and the floor is covered with vinyl tile. The office has been painted and curtains are being made. To complete the decor, Sheriff Davis is hunting pictures of former sheriffs to decorate the walls of the office.

### Timber

(Continued from page 1) the 1969 appraisal for Warren County. He said that his company has just completed a re-appraisal in Northampton County and were now working in Person County.

He and the commissioners agreed that that price paid the last appraisers may have been partly responsible for the low value placed on timber as a thorough check on tracts was not made.

Chinault, while making no bid, said that he believed that the cost of the appraisal would run from \$4.00 to \$4.50 a tract on the some 10,000 tracts in Warren County. He asked that the commissioners in awarding the contract to his or any other appraisal firm, not to award the con-

Napoleon's cavalry marshal Michel Ney earned the sobriquet, "The Bravest of the Brave."

tract on a low bid basis. There are other factors to be considered, he said. While the price charged for the work by his company is higher than for some other appraisal firms, his company, he feels, does a first class job. Chinault said that he would send specification forms to the commissioners and in turn would receive specifications from the Warren board before making any definite bid for the job. He asked that the commissioners check their work in Northampton and other counties where his firm has worked.

He said that if his firm was given the contract, it would like to start work as soon after July 1 this year as possible.

### Cards Of Thanks

I wish to thank my relatives and friends who remembered me with prayers, visits, cards, flowers, gifts and accommodations during my stay in the hospital and since my return home. I especially appreciate Dr. Noel, Dr. Burwell and nurses at Maria Parham hospital for their kindness and wonderful medical services. May God Bless each one of you.

Sincerely,  
Egerton B. Ridout

The family of James E. High wishes to extend our heartfelt thanks to our many friends and relatives who expressed their sympathy to us in so many ways during our recent bereavement. The food, flowers, cards, calls and other acts of kindness will always be remembered.  
His parents and children