

Recipients Of Social Security To Get More Oct. 3

Nearly every family in the Fayetteville area now getting old-age and survivors insurance payments will receive more money beginning with the September payments due about October 3. If the increase does not show on a check when it arrives early in October, and an increase is due, a later check will make up the difference. It is not necessary for people already receiving benefits to apply for the increased payments.

Vernon D. Herbert, manager of the Fayetteville social security office, stated today that the recent amendments to the law will mean monthly pay increases ranging from \$5 to \$8.60 for practically all of the 1,400 retired insured workers in the Fayetteville area. The average increase for retired workers will be about \$6. In general, benefit payments to wives, widows, children, or parents will be increased proportionately; Herbert pointed out, however, that the increases for dependents and survivors would be less than those for retired workers. In most cases, these increases will be about \$2 to \$5.

"The reason for this," Herbert explained, "is that the law has always provided limits to the total of benefits which may be paid any one family in a month. In some cases, the increased benefits of the retired worker alone will absorb all of the permissible increase. Under these circumstances the full increase will be given in the check to the retired worker and the benefits to the remaining members of his family will remain unchanged."

The 1952 amendments to the law also provide for larger payments to future beneficiaries, Herbert declared. Until now, the law has provided for payments to most such newly retired persons, equal to 50% of the first \$100 of his

average monthly wage after 1950, plus 15% of the next \$200. The new law just passed provides for a benefit of 55% of the first \$100 of average monthly earnings, plus 15% of the next \$200. The effect is an increase of up to \$5 a month. Proportionate increases for dependents and survivors' benefits will be based on that of the worker. The revised formula will apply generally to most persons who will become eligible for benefit payments in the future, Herbert said.

Test Farm Aims Blow At Major Problem

Tidewater Test Farm will be striking at one of North Carolina's major farm problems when it conducts a drainage field day at Plymouth September 25 from 9 a. m. until 4 p. m., according to G. W. Giles, head of the department of agricultural engineering at N. C. State College, and Cecil Thomas, in charge of the division of test farms, State Department of Agriculture.

It has been pointed out that over 7 million acres of land in North Carolina are unsuited for farming because of inadequate drainage and water control. The situation is particularly acute in Hyde, Washington, Beaufort, Tyrrell, Martin, Dare, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Bertie and Camden Counties.

J. L. Rea of the farm will have charge of the program which is being conducted in cooperation with the Agricultural Extension Service, N. C. Experiment Station, Soil Conservation Service and State Department of Agriculture.

Approximately 400 farmers are expected to attend the demonstrations. L. Y. Ballentine, commissioner of agriculture, R. W. Cummings, director of the N. C. Experiment Station, and E. B. Garrett, in charge of the State Soil Conservation Service, will be present.

The most important feature

scheduled, according to Giles, is a tiling demonstration that will show methods of establishing the grade, digging the ditch, laying tile, back filling, and construction of tile outlet. Other top demonstrations planned are open ditch maintenance and demonstration of the application of anhydrous ammonia and liquid nitrogen.

Tomato Is Resistant To Fusarium Wilt

Seed of Homestead, a new highly-productive, fusarium wilt-resistant tomato are available to North Carolina farmers and gardeners for spring planting, according to W. S. Barham, vegetable breeder for the N. C. State College horticulture department.

The Homestead tomato has been tested for five years by the North Carolina Experiment Station and has proved satisfactory; however it is not resistant to bacterial wilt. No bacterial wilt tomato has yet been developed, Barham says.

The Homestead was developed at the U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) laboratory at Charleston, S. C., and has been tested in Florida. The tomato is named for the town of Homestead, Fla., location of the Sub-Tropical Experiment Station of the University of Florida, where the principal trials of its commercial possibilities were conducted.

On wilt-infested land in south Florida, a region in which 12,000 acres of tomatoes are grown each year, mostly for green shipment, local growers were impressed with the results of trials over 3 years.

In creating this new variety, the Laboratory plant breeders used a series of crosses involving the well-known varieties Victor, Pan America, and Rutgers, and the less common variety Dobbie's Champion. The subsequent trials were carried on mostly by the USDA and the Florida Agricultural Experiment Station, although it has been included in Experiment Sta-

tion trials in practically every State in the South, with favorable results in most cases.

Observers in south Florida say that when picked green, Homestead ripens firmer than Rutgers; it has the Pan American's near-immunity to fusarium wilt, and it meets the needs of the area better than other wilt-resistant varieties available.

The Department of Agriculture has no seed for distribution. A list of the seed firms expected to have Homestead seed this fall will be furnished by the U. S. Vegetable Breeding Laboratory, Charleston, S. C., or the Plant Industry Section, Beltsville, Md.

RABIES INFECTIONS IN NEIGHBORING COUNTIES

A bulletin from the State Board of Health reports 122 cases of rabies for the first seven months of the year in the State. No cases were reported for Hoke or Moore counties.

Cases in nearby counties are

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listed as follows: Harnett 1, Cumberland 1; Bladen 8; Robeson 6; Scotland 6; and Richmond 5. This would indicate that Hoke's greatest danger comes from Robeson Scotland and Richmond counties.

Dixie Bright 101 and 102 tobacco varieties are resistant to both Granville wilt and black shank diseases.

STATEMENT	
PACIFIC COAST FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY	
Vancouver, B. C., Canada	
Condition December 31, 1951, as Shown by Statement Filed.	
Income—From Policyholders	\$1,181,826.97
Miscellaneous	89,750.19
Total	1,271,577.16
Disbursements—To Policyholders	581,310.17
Miscellaneous	611,932.23
Total	1,193,242.40
ASSETS	
Bonds	1,346,041.51
Stocks	993,570.00
Collateral loans	375,369.53
Agents' balances or uncollected premiums	\$216,808.23
Less ceded reinsurance balances payable	69,008.67
Reinsurance recoverable on loss payments	27,693.43
Interest, dividends and real estate income due and accrued	8,518.84
All other assets as detailed in statement	25,077.48
Total admitted assets	\$2,924,070.35
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Losses unpaid	\$ 334,491.40
Loss adjustment expenses unpaid	20,768.65
Contingent commissions and other similar charges	20,900.00
Other expenses (excluding taxes, licenses and fees)	Underwriting \$ 3,236.54
Investment	3,236.54
Taxes, licenses and fees (excluding Federal income taxes)	Underwriting \$35,093.13
Investment	35,093.13
Unearned premiums	1,107,569.14
Funds held by company under reinsurance treaties	17,780.71
Unearned premiums on reinsurance in unauthorized companies	8,449.18
Reinsurance on paid losses and on unpaid losses due from unauthorized companies	8,764.46
Total liabilities	\$1,557,052.61
Statutory deposit	\$500,000.00
Unassigned funds (surplus)	867,017.74
Surplus as regards policyholders	1,367,017.74
Total	2,924,070.35
U. S. Mgr. Lawrence J. Tillman U. S. Home Office, 111 John St., New York 38, N. Y.	

Attorney for service: WALDO C. CHEEK, Commissioner of Insurance, Raleigh, N. C.
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, INSURANCE DEPARTMENT, Raleigh, June 25th, 1952.
I, WALDO C. CHEEK, Commissioner of Insurance, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Pacific Coast Fire Insurance Company, of Vancouver, B. C., filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1951.
Witness my hand and official seal, the day and date above written.
WALDO C. CHEEK,
Commissioner of Insurance.

STATEMENT	
PACIFIC EMPLOYERS INSURANCE COMPANY	
Los Angeles, Calif.	
Condition December 31, 1951, as Shown by Statement Filed.	
Income—From Policyholders	\$24,483,022.19
Miscellaneous	628,726.68
Total	25,089,748.87
Disbursements—To Policyholders	13,802,090.00
Miscellaneous	10,480,651.20
Total	24,282,741.20
ASSETS	
Bonds	\$20,729,033.35
Real Estate	604,543.56
Cash and bank deposits	5,055,483.52
Agents' balances or uncollected premiums	\$3,426,821.86
Less ceded reinsurance balances payable	104,691.00
Interest, dividends and real estate income due and accrued	46,574.75
All other assets as detailed in statement	19,475.00
Total admitted assets	\$29,777,241.04
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Losses unpaid	\$17,670,409.00
Loss adjustment expenses unpaid	832,649.00
Other expenses (excluding taxes, licenses and fees)	Underwriting \$ 52,200.50
Investment	52,200.50
Taxes, licenses and fees (excluding Federal income taxes)	Underwriting \$681,405.91
Investment	681,405.91
Unearned premiums	5,613,186.00
Dividends declared and unpaid: Policyholders	406,026.14
Amounts withheld or retained by company for account of others	193.50
All other Liabilities, as detailed in statement	333,065.04
Total liabilities	\$25,589,135.09
Special surplus funds:	
Capital paid up	\$1,350,000.00
Unassigned funds (surplus)	2,838,105.95
Surplus as regards policyholders	4,188,105.95
Total	\$29,777,241.04

BUSINESS IN NORTH CAROLINA DURING 1951		
Line of Business	Net Premiums	Net Losses Incurred
Workmen's compensation	\$10,002.00	\$5,533.00
Liability other than auto	498.00	342.00
Auto liability	694.00	1,597.00
Auto property damage	570.00	1,381.00
Auto collision	10.00	297.00
Property damage other than auto	5.00	
Miscellaneous	5.00	
Surety	2.00	
Burglary and theft	839.00	20.00
Fidelity		118.00
Total	\$10,958.00	\$2,054.00
President Victor Montgomery; Secretary Victor Montgomery, Jr. Home Office 1033 S. Hoje St., Los Angeles 15, Calif. Attorney for service: WALDO C. CHEEK, Commissioner of Insurance, Raleigh, N. C.		
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA		
Insurance Department		
Raleigh, June 18th, 1952.		
I, WALDO C. CHEEK, Commissioner of Insurance, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Pacific Employers Insurance Company, of Los Angeles, Cal., filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1951. Witness my hand and official seal, the day and date above written. WALDO C. CHEEK, Commissioner of Insurance.		



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