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125 Hoke People Get Social Security Benefits Monthly

Newly available data released today by the Fayetteville social security office show that at the beginning of 1954 nearly 125 persons in Hoke County were receiving \$3,800 each month as beneficiaries of the Federal old-age and survivors insurance program.

Malcolm A. George, manager of the Fayetteville social security office, said that year-end summaries for 1953 reveal a substantial increase during the year in the amounts of social security benefits paid to residents of Hoke County. "This is not only due to increases provided late in 1952 by changes in the law, but also because more people were receiving payments than in any other year," George said. "I estimate that about \$50,000 will be paid to Hoke County beneficiaries during 1954," he added.

Half the monthly benefits in the county were paid to retired workers and their families, the rest going to survivors of workers who died insured under the social security program. Over 40 Hoke County children were receiving an average monthly payment of \$26 at the beginning of 1954.

Benefits under the Federal old-age and survivors insurance program include monthly payments to retired workers and their families, and to survivors of deceased workers.

Mr. George said that an inquiry should be made at the local social security office as soon as possible after an individual retires after age 65, or dies, if he or she had worked in employment or self-employment covered by the social security law.

Farmers Buy 75 Irrigation Systems

"From none to 75 in a single year," is the way C. T. Dean, Jr., Franklin County farm agent, tells the story of the growth of irrigation in his county.

A year ago there were no irrigation systems in Franklin County. Now there are 75.

Douglas Seymore of Zebulon, Route 2, was the first farmer in Franklin to buy an irrigation system. He purchased his outfit on July 25, 1953. He watered his tobacco three times, says Dean, putting on a little more than an inch each time. "Even at this late date the six acres of tobacco on the Seymore farm sold for \$735 per acre, or \$300 more per acre than average tobacco in the same community," explains Dean. Such results did not go unnoticed.

The 75 systems in operation now are scattered throughout the county with the largest number concentrated in Dunn, Harris and Youngsville Townships.

Tobacco is the chief crop being irrigated this summer, said Dean, but several farmers are experimenting with other crops. N. H. Griffin of Louisburg, Route 2, has tried irrigation on some of his corn and pastures. "As yet it is difficult to accurately measure the value of the pasture irrigation," said Dean, "but one has only to ride by and see that the fernal growth and see that the animals will graze the irrigated portion much better than the non-irrigated."

Several farmers have stated that the irrigated tobacco on their farms this summer is a good one-third better than the non-irrigated, said Dean. B. W. Young of Youngsville, Route 1, estimates that much of his irrigated tobacco will average 2,000 pounds per acre.

United States wheat plantings jumped from 53 million acres in 1942 to 78 million acres in 1947, as average prices climbed from \$1.10 per bushel to \$2.29.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE

Getting Along With Others Is A Skill That You Learn

"Everyone needs friends," says Corinne Justice Grimsley, State College extension family relations specialist. There is a kind of understanding that exists among friends that is different from the understanding you'll get from parents or teachers.

If you're beginning to wonder just what sort of person you really are, check these questions:

When you don't win—in games, debates, or other competitions—do you congratulate your opponents? Do you often offer to help with the dirty work? Can you take criticism without getting angry? When your friends win honors or get invitations that you would like to have gotten yourself, do you like them just as well and show it? How do you receive your own tributes and honors—do you brag about them? Do you make sure everyone knows your good fortune?

Are you always glad to take part in activities even though you know your part is only a minor one? Do you stick at a job until you have finished what you started out to do? Do you enter into what a group wants to do even though you don't particularly want to? When you are disappointed or discouraged because things do not go your way, do you make the best of it anyhow? Are you careful not to take more than your share of credit for things done?

How did you rate? What kind of a person are you—selfish? Considerate? understanding? If you are beginning to dislike yourself, Mrs. Grimsley says it's not too

late to work on your personality. Getting along with other people is an acquired skill; you must practice it every day.

Hints To Homemakers

Buffet Party Summer Style

A cottage Cheese Tomato Gelatin Mold is a thing of beauty for a summer buffet party, easy to make, delicious to eat. Using unflavored gelatin in this ruby red and snow white summer main dish allows you to have real tomato flavor spiced exactly as you please with piquant accents like chopped celery leaves, peppercorns and herbs.

Tomato Cottage Cheese Mold

- 3 1/2 cups tomato juice
- 8 pepper corns
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 sprig of parsley
- 2 envelopes unflavored gelatin
- 1/2 cup cold water
- 2 tablespoons mayonnaise
- 1 medium onion, sliced
- 8 whole cloves
- 1 cup coarsely cut celery leaves
- 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
- 1 cup cream style cottage cheese
- 2 tablespoons onion or 1 teaspoon cut chives

In a saucepan put 2 cups of tomato juice, sliced onion, pepper corns, cloves, bay leaf, celery leaves, parsley and 1 1/2 teaspoons of the salt; bring to a boil slowly and let simmer for 10 minutes; strain. There should be 1 1/2 cups; Soften gelatin in cold water; place over boiling water and stir until gelatin is dissolved. Mix cottage cheese, mayonnaise, onion and remaining 1/4 teaspoon salt. Blend in 1 tablespoon of the dis-

solved gelatin. Turn into 1 1/2 qt. mold; chill until almost firm. Add remaining dissolved gelatin to seasoned tomato juice and remaining 1 1/2 cups tomato juice. Chill until mixture is the consistency of unbeaten egg whites. Turn into mold on top of cottage cheese layer. Chill until firm. Unmold on lettuce and serve plain or with mayonnaise. Yield: 8 servings.

HINTS TO FARM HOMEMAKERS STATE COLLEGE

TREATMENT FOR RUG MISHAPS — Use white paper towels to absorb as much of the spills as possible. Place an old bath towel or cloth (unbleached) under the stained area. Press.

Always begin removing stain at the outer edges of the stained area, and gradually work in from the edges toward the center. (If you work from the center out you may enlarge the stained area). Do not at any time brush or rub a stained area vigorously as this action tends to distort the pile. The disturbed pile may be more objectionable than the stain will respond at all to treatment. It will respond readily without harsh rubbing.

Quick Formula to Use: 1 teaspoonful of neutral (non alkaline) synthetic, soapless detergent such as those widely advertised for safe washing of fine fabrics; 1/2 pint lukewarm water. Put the detergent in a jar, mixing bowl, or other container. Add the water and stir vigorously until you have obtained a clear solution without residue. The amount of suds has no bearing on the effectiveness of the formula.

Cotton Support Set At 31.58 Cents

The average loan rate for 1954 upland cotton, basis middling 7/8 inch, will be 31.58 cents per pound, gross weight, according to F. R. Keith, chairman of the state ASC committee.

Price support on 1954-crop upland cotton is mandatory at the higher of the minimum prices previously announced, or 90 per cent of their parity prices as of August 1. The minimum price previously announced for upland cotton was 31.25 cents per pound, basis middling 7/8 inch.

The average rate for middling 15/16 inch cotton, the base quality, will be 1.65 cents per pound above the average rate for middling 7/8 inch cotton, or 33.23 cents per pound, gross weight. The chairman said that premiums and discounts for the various other grade and staple length combinations of upland cotton under the 1954 loan program will be calculated in relation to the price support rate for middling 15/16 inch cotton.

Loan rates for upland cotton will also vary according to location. The rate for middling 15/16 inch cotton, gross weight, will vary from a high of 34.26 cents per pound in the concentrated mill area of the Carolinas to a low of 32.43 cents per pound in California and Arizona.

Mill areas in North Carolina that will carry the 34.26 cent rate

will include all counties west of Granville, Wake, Harnett, Hoke, and Scotland. Other North Carolina counties (all counties east of Person, Durham, Chatham, Lee, Moore, and Richmond) will carry a loan rate of 34.16 cents per pound basis middling 15/16 inch cotton, gross weight.

Flora Macdonald Has New Voice Professor

Lawrence M. Skinner of Columbus, Ohio, will succeed James Cobb as head of the voice department and director of the college choral club, at Flora Macdonald College, it has been announced by Dr. Charles G. Vardell, Dean of the Conservatory of Music. Mr. Cobb left after a three-year tenure, to enter the Army.

Mr. Skinner, who comes to Flora Macdonald with high recommendations, received his degrees in bachelor of science, bachelor of music, and master of arts, from Ohio State University, and has done graduate work at the Navy School of Music in Washington, D. C.

His experience includes one year as director of vocal music at Ann Arbor senior high school and two years as instructor at the University of Northern Ohio.

Tar Heel sweet potato growers expect to harvest 40,000 acres of yams this year, 5,000 acres less than in 1953.

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