

WHAT'S WHAT ABOUT SOCIAL SECURITY

As another service to its readers, The Perquimans Weekly each week will give authoritative answers to questions on the Social Security Law. By special arrangement with Mr. George N. Adams in Rocky Mount, N. C., the Social Security Board has consented to pass on the accuracy of answers to questions on Social Security, which may be asked by employees, employers, and others, through The Perquimans Weekly. Answers will be given here in the order in which questions are received. This is an informational service and is not legal advice or service. In keeping with Social Security Board policy names will not be published.

Question: When will unemployment compensation benefits be paid?

Answer: This depends entirely upon the State law. It just so happens that in Region IV, comprising North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, District of Columbia, and Maryland, benefits commence in 1938 under the State Unemployment Compensation law.

Question: What is necessary to be eligible for an unemployment compensation benefit?

Answer: The requirements of most state laws are that a worker must have been employed during a minimum number of weeks, which varies with different state laws, and in an employment which is included under the state act. Monthly benefits are based on the number of weeks worked and the amount of wages earned.

Question: I have been receiving old-age assistance but it has recently been stopped. Is there any action I should take?

Answer: If you feel you have not been treated fairly you have the right of appeal to your state department of public welfare.

Question: My employer will not make a note of my account number or deduct the one percent tax which I understand he should do. What steps do you advise me taking?

Answer: You should report the facts as you have stated them to me to the collector of internal revenue in your state, or a deputy collector in your city. All matters involving taxes come under the bureau of internal revenue.

Question: I was 65 years old on November 9 and have been employed all of this year. Am I entitled to anything under the Social Security Act and do I have to stop working to get any money that is due me?

Answer: If you have been employed in an employment which is not specifically excepted from the Social Security Act you are entitled to 3 1/2 percent of the amount of wages you have earned since January 1, 1937. You do not have to stop work to get this money.

Question: I am an employer, having just started in business. How often do I have to make reports and pay taxes under the Social Security Act?

Answer: The Bureau of Internal Revenue collects all taxes. Until December 31 a monthly report on Form 58-I, with the amount of money to cover your tax, is required, un-

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DOORMEN OF STRAW

ON guard at the entrance of a little shop in Mexico City these straw men salute the turista. Within, is a tempting array of native handicraft—Mexican glassware, colorful jugs and jars, exquisite featherwork and embroidery, baskets, the inevitable sombreros, and the hand-woven sarapes the Indians wear round their shoulders—articles which are eagerly bargained for by travelers taking the cruise-tours to Mexico City by way of Central America.

The natives all love a good bargaining bout and when there's a really exciting one in progress it attracts as curious an audience as our

summer resort boardwalk auctions—with the difference that the prices go down instead of up. Marketplaces fairly ring with cries of *barato*, the magic word "cheap," as shop and stall keepers make a brave show of trying to convince the buyer that their merchandise is worth much more than they're asking. However, in all but the city stores, where the one-price practice prevails, the *turista*, if his vocabulary can stand the strain, often is able to lower the asking price thirty or forty percent. The vendor will doubtless complain that the price is breaking his heart, but down in that same heart he cherishes a deep respect for the buyer clever enough to achieve such a bargain.

der Title VIII of the Act. After January 1, 1938, this report will be made every three months. You have to report annually on Form 940 the amount of tax you are liable for under Title IX of the Social Security Act. This is due in the hands of the Collector of Internal Revenue on January 31 the following year.

WHITESTON NEWS

Mrs. Jephtha R. Winslow has returned to her home in Elizabeth City, after a week's visit here with her sister, Mrs. H. L. Williams, and her nephew, S. N. Riddick.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Cullipher, from near Colerain, spent several days recently with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Riddick.

Mrs. A. N. Winslow spent two days last week in Lakeview Hospital, Suffolk, Va., for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Asbell, of Edenton, were guests of relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood White, of Bagley Swamp, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. White.

Mr. and Mrs. Rollo Lane and their daughter, of Wilmington, Del., are visiting his brothers, J. T. Leonidas, and J. L. Lane and families.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wiggins, of Trotville, spent last week-end with Mrs. Wiggins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen U. Winslow.

Charlie E. Winslow, Jr., has returned to his home in Norfolk, Va.,

after a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie E. Winslow, Sr.

Dolan Winslow, Otis Winslow and Dorothy Jean Winslow are confined to their home with chicken pox.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Stallings and baby, of Trotville, were week-end guests of relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Curt Chappell, of Belvidere; Mr. and Mrs. Alvah Jordan and D. Spivey, of Hertford, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Winslow on Sunday.

Mrs. Mary S. Winslow, of Norfolk, Va., was a recent visitor to relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Perry and two children, of Ballahack, were guests of Mrs. Perry's mother, Mrs. Lizzie Jolliff, Saturday.

Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Walston, of Center Hill, visited in the community Monday.

Rev. and Mrs. Ben Millikin, from near Liberty, have concluded a successful series of meetings at a Super River Friends Church and returned to their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Winslow and Miss Sallie Riddick spent Sunday with Mrs. Virginia Perry, near Suffolk, Va.

Barbara and Betty Jean Winslow, of Hertford, spent Saturday with their aunt, Miss Winnie Winslow.

Firemen of Murray, Ia., called to the home of Art Bales, dashed to their truck to find that petty thieves had drained the gasoline tank. Bales' home was destroyed.

Timely Questions On Farm Answered

Question: Should hogs be fed immediately before killing?

Answer: No—the animals should not be fed for at least 24 hours before they are killed, but should have plenty of water. This gives the hog time to get rid of all the contents of the stomach and intestines. It is also easier to get a good bleed when the system is not gorged with food and the meat always cures much better when the small blood vessels are free from food and blood. Never overheat or excite the animal before killing as this produces a feverish condition which prevents proper bleeding and causes the meat to sour while in cure.

Question: How much land should be prepared for the home garden?

Answer: The size of the garden will depend primarily upon the size of the family, but ordinarily one-tenth of an acre will produce an abundance of vegetables for one person. If such crops as cantaloupes, watermelons, Irish and sweet potatoes are grown in the garden, then a slightly larger acreage will be necessary. If these are grown outside the garden, half an acre will produce enough vegetables for a family of five. Family tastes will, of course, determine to a large extent just how much row space should be planted to each crop. Extension Circular No. 122 gives the approximate feet to plant of each vegetable for a family of five and this will be sent free upon application to the Agricultural Editor at State College.

Question: Should the poultry

breeding flock receive any extra attention not given to the laying flock?

Answer: Where careful management and feeding is practiced, the requirements for the breeding flock are met. However, to secure maximum performance, the breeders must be in good body weight, free from parasites, and must not be crowded. The diet should be carefully balanced and a liberal increment of milk products should be incorporated in the ration as well as alfalfa leaf meal and a potent reinforcing oil. All breeding birds must be in the best of health if a healthful progeny is to be expected.

Question: What is the smallest number of cows that will pay a profit from sales of milk and cream?

Answer: While the number of cows must be determined by the amount of roughage, feed, and pasture grown on the farm it is not advisable to keep less than five animals. The return from less than five cows will not justify the expense of the simple equipment needed to handle the product and the cost of delivery of a two or three cow herd will be practically double the larger unit. In planning the herd, however, be sure that all animals can be fed largely from home-grown feeds.

Question: How much fertilizer should I use on my tobacco bed?

Answer: Two hundred pounds of a 4-8-3 mixture for each 100 yards of bed is sufficient. However, if a lower grade fertilizer is used it should be supplemented with from 50 to 100 pounds of cottonseed meal provided the meal is thoroughly mixed with the soil. Broadcast the fertilizer and thoroughly mix it with the upper three or four inches of soil. If manure is used be sure that it con-

tains no tobacco leaves, stalks, or roots and do not place any tobacco trash on the beds as this will carry diseases such as mosaic, black root rot, and Granville wilt.

Question: When should grain be fed the laying hen for maximum production?

Answer: Most poultrymen in North Carolina are getting high production by feeding a small amount of grain in the morning and the remainder at night, while some are feeding a small amount at different intervals during the day. This latter practice overcomes idleness in the bird and increases the activity. Where grain is fed twice a day about one pound of grain is fed in the morning and eight to ten pounds for each 100 hens fed late in the afternoon. There is a growing tendency to feed the grain in troughs in the afternoon and this is a good practice especially where infectious diseases or internal parasites are present. Care and attention to details in feeding are essentials for high production.

When Hippo Is Dangerous
The hippopotamus is naturally timid, though subject to fits of panic or rage. When wounded or enraged this animal is regarded by sportsmen as perhaps the most dangerous beast to be encountered.

Reward in Hereafter
The more a man denies himself the heaven he shall receive from here.—Horace.

Early Elephants, Dinosaurs
Elephants are said by scientists to have inhabited the earth at least 50,000 years before man, and dinosaurs are believed to have lived 20,000,000 years before the elephant.

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