

A Proclamation

WHEREAS, the basic need in our Nation today is the preservation of Constitutional Government; and WHEREAS, in order to protect our priceless heritage under our unique form of government, it is essential to support our Constitution, "The most wonderful work ever struck off at a given time by the brain and purpose of man," and WHEREAS, for its proper support, it is necessary that our citizens understand its provisions and principles and appreciate its values and benefits as "The greatest document for human liberty in two thousand years of recorded history," and WHEREAS, the Daughters of the American Revolution are sponsoring the observance of Constitution Week, September 17-23, 1956, in commemoration of the 169 Anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution;

NOW, therefore, I, G. A. Bridges, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Kings Mountain, in the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim the week of September 17-23, 1956, as

CONSTITUTION WEEK

In the City of Kings Mountain, and urge all our citizens to pay special attention during the week to our Federal Constitution and the advantages of American citizenship, honoring United States Flags and especially emphasizing the purposes of Good Government as set forth in the Constitution's Preamble and the duty of all persons in our Republic to protect our Constitution and the freedoms in its Bill of Rights, so that it may continue to protect us and our posterity in "This Nation under God."

G. A. Bridges, Mayor

Walsh Explains New Provisions Of Social Security For Women

By Joseph P. Walsh (Manager of the Gastonia Social Security Office)

Today, I'm addressing my discussion of the new social security law to women—to wives of retired insured workers, to widows of deceased insured workers, to women workers who are in employment or self-employment that counts toward old-age and survivors insurance benefits, and to those dependent mothers who might become eligible for survivors payments if an insured son or daughter should die.

The 1956 amendments to the law lower the age at which women can receive benefits. Beginning with November of this year (1956) women can start getting payments at age 62.

Widows and (in case there is no surviving child or spouse entitled to benefit payments) dependent mothers, may begin getting survivors benefit payments when they reach age 62. They will get the same monthly benefit that they would have started to get at age 65 under the old law.

Wives of retired insured workers and retired insured working women can, if they choose, start getting benefit payments at age 62. However, the monthly benefit amount payable to them will be somewhat less than the amounts of the benefits they would have received had they waited until age 65. In case a wife or an insured working woman elects to start getting benefits before age 65, she will con-

tinue to receive a reduced amount after she reaches that age. The longer a woman waits after reaching age 62 and before age 65 to start getting payments, the less the reduction in the amount of the monthly benefit.

Let's take the example of a woman who has been employed in work covered by social security long enough to become insured. Assume that her full monthly benefit amount, based on her average earnings in covered work, is \$78.00. If she waits until she reaches age 65 to retire, she will get that full amount every month from then on. But she will reach 62 in November 1956. If she decides to retire then she can get old-age payments starting with November. The amount she will receive will be 80 percent of the monthly amount she would receive if she waited until she reached 65. This will be \$62.40 monthly instead of \$78.00 per month. If she waits until she is 63 to start getting retirement payments, her benefit amount will be \$67.60 monthly. Every year, and every month within a year in which she puts off receiving retirement benefits up to age 65, will increase her benefit amount slightly. I want to point out again, however, that once she starts getting reduced payments, she will not be able to qualify later for the full payment.

The above example applies also the wife of a retired insured worker receiving benefits. In her case, however, the amount of the monthly benefit she would get, if she chose to claim payments at age 62, would be 75 percent of what she would get if she waited until she reached age 65. As in the case of the woman worker, the wife's monthly payments will be a little larger each month she defers claiming benefits after her 62nd birthday and before she reaches 65. However, if her retired insured husband should die at any time after she has begun to receive her reduced benefits she will begin receiving full widow's benefits plus the lump-sum death payment.

Now that the starting age for women beneficiaries is 62 instead of 65, less time in work covered by social security may be required in some cases for a woman worker to become insured. Generally, the required time is one-half the time elapsing after 1950 up to the time she reaches age 62 instead of age 65, with a minimum of at least 1 1/4 years of covered work. Under the amended law, a person who works continuously after 1953 can become insured with fewer quarters of coverage.

I mentioned insured status for women workers because it is important not only to those now 62 or nearing that age, but also to certain survivors (dependent children, widowers, or parents) of some women workers who reached age 65 or died after June 30, 1954, without having enough covered work to be insured under the old law. If they had enough work to be insured under the amended law, they or their survivors may be able to qualify for benefit payments.

Today, I've explained how age 62 has become important to women under the new social security law. In my next article I'll tell why age 50 is of great significance to many now disabled workers formerly in employment or self-employment that counts toward old-age and survivors insurance benefits.

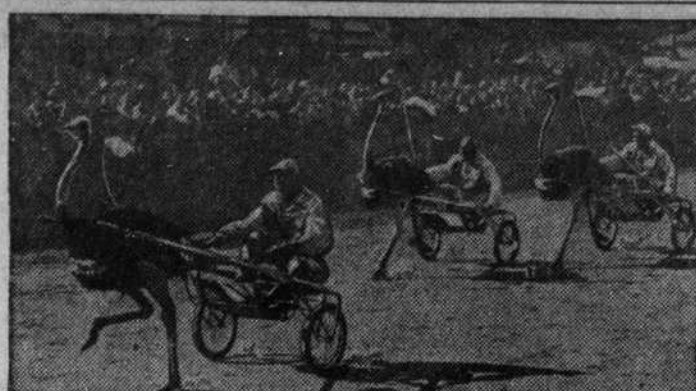
Kiwanians Hear Convention Talk

President B. S. Peeler, Jr., spoke to the Kings Mountain Kiwanis Club on his trip to the San Francisco Kiwanis Convention at the club's regular meeting Thursday night.

Mr. Peeler told of the four days of activities that transpired at the convention prior to his return home, due to the illness of his father, Harold Coggins, the other Kings Mountain delegate, was also scheduled to give a report, but illness made it impossible for Mr. Coggins to attend the meeting Thursday night.

The convention was highlighted by a nation-wide television covered speech by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, Mr.

Peeler reported following the program to discuss Members of the club met with their committees and directors the Kiwanis Carnival which is scheduled to be held October 6.



NEW RACERS AT FAIR—Ostriches are the largest birds in the world. They stand 7 feet high, and can run at a speed of 50 miles an hour. Ostrich Racing is the newest sport in the world and will be seen in connection with Gene Holter's Ostrich Races and Wild Animal show in front of the Grandstand at the Cleveland County Fair, Shelby, one afternoon only on September 20th.

Rites Conducted Mrs. Scruggs

Funeral rites for Mrs. Lula Henderson Scruggs, 79, of Gaffney, S. C., mother of Horace Scruggs, of Kings Mountain, were conducted Monday at 4 p. m. from Gaffney Church of God.

Rev. J. D. Free, Rev. Joe Belcher, and Rev. Flay Payne officiated, and interment was in Grassy Pond Baptist church cemetery. Mrs. Scruggs had been in declining health for six years and had been seriously ill for the past two weeks.

Surviving, in addition to her son here, are three sons, Paul D. Scruggs, Alapaha, Ga., Robert Scruggs, Baltimore, Md., and Jessie Scruggs, of the home, two daughters, Mrs. Will Cody and

Mrs. Glenn Farley, both of Gaffney, S. C., three brothers, James A. Henderson, Joe Henderson, both of Gaffney, S. C., and Tom Henderson, of Greenville, S. C., 14 grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren.

NOTICE OF SALE:

The City of Kings Mountain will receive sealed bids for the sale of the following pieces of equipment:

One (1) Addressograph machine

One (1) Graphotype machine

Bids will be opened at the regular meeting of the City Board of Commissioners October 4, 1956.

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Gene Mitchem, city clerk

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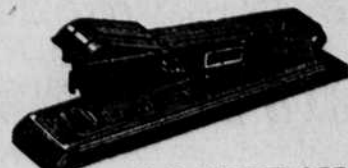
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