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THAT'S A FACT

BEWARE OF CLAMS!

THERE IS A VARIETY OF GIANT CLAM FOUND IN THE WATERS AROUND MALAYSIA WHICH CAN SWALLOW A MAN! SOME MEASURE MORE THAN 4 FEET ACROSS AND WEIGH OVER 500 POUNDS!



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Quarterhorse Show Here July 12

The Sterling County Quarter Horse Show will be held here July 12. Site for the show is the Sterling County Roping Arena 1 mile west of town.

Don Smith of Talpa will be judge. Alvie Cole is show manager and Mrs. Cole is the secretary and will take the entries. A barbecue dinner is to be served at the grounds for \$1.60 a plate.

There have been 38 classes set up, including youth classes. Ribbons are to be awarded through six places. First place winners will receive trophies.

Rules governing the show are as set forth in AQHA handbook, it was said.

Get Summer Study Awards

LUBBOCK — Richard Traweck of Crowell and Bill Bauer of Sterling City have been named recipients of the Clarence Kincaid Jr. Award for study at Texas Techs Summer Art Workshop at Taos, New Mexico.

They are the first to receive the recently-established \$125 scholarships named for Dr. Kincaid, professor of art at Tech and director of the workshop currently in session in New Mexico. Nominees are selected on a basis of potential ability in art.

"Both are outstanding students," Kincaid said. "It is a real pleasure to make these awards to two such deserving young men."

Traweck, a Tech senior, is working toward a bachelor of fine arts degree in studio art. He is the son of J. H. Traweck of Crowell.

Bauer, a graduate student, received a bachelor of science degree in art education last May. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Bauer Jr. of Sterling City.

BILL WIEMERS THROUGH HERE THIS WEEK

Captain (Chaplain) William R. Wiemers of the United States Air Force, was through here Tuesday of this week with his wife and children.

Capt. Wiemers has been on duty as an Air Force Chaplain in Viet Nam for the past year. He is now being transferred to such duty at Randolph Air Force Base, San Antonio.

Bill calls Sterling City his home and keeps his church membership in the Methodist Church here.

W. H. SPRAGGINS DIES HERE

On Thursday morning of last week, W. H. (Bill) Spraggins, died in the Sterling County Hospital. He had been ill for a long time. His home was in San Angelo but he had been a patient here in the local hospital off and on for several years.

Services were held in San Angelo. He was a brother of Mrs. Sam Simmons of Sterling City.

It would take regimentation throughout our economy, such as a freeze on wages, prices, profits and interest on borrowed money and maybe even a guarantee against nature's elements, to put him in the economic position with industry.

The present farm program is far from perfect. For years the idea has been to devise a balance between production and demand; to stabilize the agricultural economy and at the same time give the consumer a break in the cost of food and fiber. This goal will be sought in the future but solutions are not easy or simple.

MANY DRUNKS HAVE LICENSES TO DRIVE



Fewer than 4% of all drivers on the road are heavy drinkers. Yet heavy drinkers are involved in nearly 50% of all traffic deaths.

The frightening truth is that drunks are the deadliest drivers ever let loose on the highways.

Knowing that, you might think our licensing officials would take extraordinary measures to hunt down this small gang of killers and get them off the road, saving 25,000 lives a year.

It's not happening. The way things are now, there's no effective way to take a drunk's license away before he kills somebody.

With 25,000 lives at stake, safety experts at the Continental Insurance Companies point out, there must be a better answer than that.

Maybe it's a thorough physical examination. A doctor must certify that every new driving-license applicant is not an alcoholic.

Maybe there's a better way, but certainly what Pennsylvania does is better than nothing.

And nothing is what all but a handful of states actually do.

This is one reason why safety groups ask that we write to our local legislators and urge that they get drunken potential killers off the road.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Patients in the Sterling County Hospital on Thursday morning of this week included—

Mrs. D. C. Durham
Mrs. Will Meyer
Mrs. H. L. Bailey
Roy Giddens
Mrs. Ida Rau
Mrs. Ruth Miller
Dismissals since Thursday morning of last week included—
Mrs. Joe Ciseneros and infant daughter
Tom Asbill

THANKS TO THE COUNTY

I personally would like to thank the Sterling Commissioners for furnishing the tractor for weed mowing over the city, and I am sure every resident of the city does, too.
GEO. TURNER

CARD OF THANKS

With sincere thanks to Dr. Swann and the hospital staff and our friends for every act of kindness shown our brother W.H. Spraggins during his illness and death. May God bless all.

Mrs. Sam Simmons and brothers Lloy, Lewis, and J.E. and families.

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LOST—A hospital sink on the Robert Lee road last week. Simmons-Huggins Supply Co. San Angelo, ph. 655-9163.

Grass Fire Sunday

THE GEORGE WHITES HONORED WITH PARTY

Coach and Mrs. George White and daughter, Teresa, were honored with an appreciation party here last Friday afternoon in the city park.

Coach White, who has been coach of football and basketball here for several years, is going to Forsan High School to coach and teach next year. He will be moving to Forsan soon.

Last year Coach White's football team here went all the way to regional finals, losing out to the Cotton Center Elk team.

"Outstanding" Was Given Sterling Cheerleaders

LUBBOCK — A rating of "outstanding" was given Sterling City High School cheerleaders at the sixth annual Cheerleaders School held on the campus of Texas Tech.

Members of the squad are Carolyn Cole, Charlotte Foster, Ginger Jones, and Susan Terry.

Competing in the same class, Ballinger High School took an excellent rating.

The five-day school closed July 3.

Marilyn McGinnis of Anson, visited last week with her aunt Mrs. Merton Ferguson and family. Marilyn underwent surgery ofr bronchiectasis at falo, New York, have been Midland Memorial Hospital on Monday of this week. She is reported progressing satisfactorily at this time. She will remain in the hospital for approximately ten days.

Susan Terry and Gaye Stewart visited Marilyn McGinnis and Pam McLaren at Anson last week end where they attended the annual Texas Cowboy Reunion at Stamford.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Crowder and daughter, and Mrs. Dan Collier visited in Marathon and the Big Bend Park last weekend. Mrs. Collier's mother, Mrs. Rau of Marathon, returned home with Mrs. Collier for a stay.

Phone in news of your visitors or visits to the News-Record. Phone 8-3251.

A grass fire south of town Sunday afternoon burned off over a section of grass before it was put out. It was put out by the combined efforts of the ranchers of that area, the Sterling Volunteer Fire Department, the Garden City Fire Department, the San Angelo Emergency Corps and the Middleton Flying Service.

Burned areas were on the Virgil Brownfield, the R. T. Foster Jr. and the Foster-Hildebrand ranches south of Sterling City.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Hays To Montana and Wyoming

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Hays, left Wednesday on a three week trip to Montana and Wyoming. Mr. Hays, minister of the local Church of Christ, will preach for meetings in the two states while gone.

CLASS HAS ICE CREAM PARTY

The Friendship Class of the Methodist Sunday School had an ice cream party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stan Horwood Tuesday evening. Forty five persons were present. James Thompson is the teacher of the class.

Blackman's Visitors

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Weinrich and boys, Keith, Eric, Darryl and Wray from Buf-surgery ofr bronchiectasis at falo, New York, have been here visiting several days with the Vernon Blackmans, Mrs. Weinrich's parents.

Also, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Blackman of Albuquerque, N. M. and sons, Chris and Dominic, have been visiting here with the Blackmans.

The Weinriches will be making their home near Dallas in the near future.

CARD OF APPRECIATION

I want to express my sincere appreciation to all who helped in any way at the grass fire Sunday—the Sterling Volunteer Fire Department, the Garden City Fire Department, the San Angelo Emergency Corps, and the Middleton Flying Service, and all others who helped.

R. T. FOSTER, JR.

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FANGY THAT!..... by THOMPSON



LEGEND HAS IT THAT AN ANCIENT CHINESE SPIRIT NAMED HSUING SHEN WAS SO UGLY THAT EVERY TIME HE SAW HIMSELF IN THE MIRROR HE RAN THIRTY-THREE HUNDRED MILES!

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TODAY, SOME MODERN PERFUMES HAVE GONE ORIENTAL... TAJI, FOR EXAMPLE, USES SUCH PERFUME OILS AS YLANG YLANG FOR ENCHANTMENT AND JASMIN FOR BUOYANCE, TO ACHIEVE THEIR EXCITING AROMA!



WASHINGTON

"As it looks from here"

OMAR BURLESON

Congressman
17th District

WASHINGTON, D.C.—There was a time when the problems of agriculture could hold the center of the stage in Washington. This was the day when the so-called farm bloc had great influence.

In recent years this number has steadily decreased to the point that relatively few members of Congress are directly interested in the farmer and rural areas. We have turned from an agricultural oriented economy to an industrial economy. It has been a natural evolution but it has also aggravated problems, not the least of which are social. The concentration of population, according to all studies, has greatly contributed to problems of transportation, sanitation, health care, schools and other social conditions reflected in the things we see and read about in the big cities.

The farm program expires at the end of 1970. Next year the Congress must face up to either extending the various programs in their present form or devise other methods in an attempt to keep a healthy agricultural economy. The Agriculture Committee of the Congress is to begin hearings in the very near future as a predicate to studies of specific recommendations to be developed before the expiration of the present law. The Administration has not yet come up with proposals but some are expected within the next month. Actually no legislation of any substantial nature is expected in this year but there must be groundwork laid for necessary action in the second session of this 91st Congress.

It would be unfortunate if the problems involving agriculture, and there are many, were shunted aside by the big issues of the machine age. If such is permitted, not only would the welfare of the farmer himself be seriously affected, but the American consumers would ultimately have to pay more for food and clothing than they do at the present.

With all the faults of the

farm program, and no one is likely to contend that it is perfect, farmers have been able to produce with such efficiency and abundance that the American consumer now uses only 17.2 percent of his disposable net income for food. From the standpoint of the farmer's income, and in spite of the fact that a bag of groceries is pretty light as related to the cost at the check-out counter, food is a bargain in the over-all family budget. If this appears to be an exaggeration, indices show that the producer of some major crops receives only about one half of what he received for the same product twenty years ago, while prices he pays for various items that go into production have doubled and tripled.

It is pretty clear that the farmer, therefore, must either continue to receive some governmental assistance or he will produce less and the consumer will pay more. Apparently, the only other alternative is to turn farming over to corporations and syndicates which will produce, process and retail with the probable result of higher prices at the store. Many of our colleagues in the Congress from the cities thus far fail to take a long-range view of the results of such a situation.

It is not the farmer alone who is caught in the price-cost squeeze. It can be a lot of people. There just can be no such thing as keeping prices below the cost of production and the farmer go on buying tractors, trucks, fertilizers, insecticides and all the other things which must go into the raising of a crop.

There was never a time when the farmer, in addition to battling the elements, could buy on an unprotected market and sell on a protected market. The reverse is historically true—he must pay the price set on wages, profits and interest but has always had to sell for what he could get for his product. Under parts of any farm program he is to a degree regimented but

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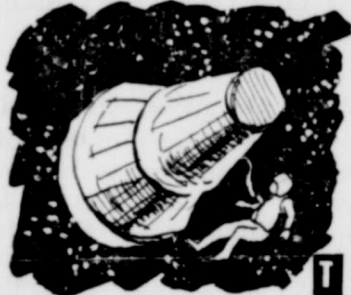
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STERLING CITY, TEXAS

You Can Blame Earth's Gravity For Your Sore And Aching Back

If you've reached the age of 40, or even before that, chances are you're complaining of sore feet, tired and aching legs, as well as an aching back. Would you believe that the earth's gravity is responsible, in great measure, for this condition? It is but we rarely think about the force of gravity and its effect on us.

Recently, millions of Americans watched, over television, the U.S. team of Apollo astronauts, float freely around their space craft as it circled the



moon. Yet, none of us can fly, bird-like, through our homes or offices. As earth-bound creatures, we cannot enjoy the state of weightlessness found in outer space. Rather, because so much of our waking time is spent in an upright position, either sitting or standing, our bodies, instead, are busy constantly working against the pull of gravity.

Dr David Young, consultant to the Space Medical Research Program and internationally known in the fields of muscle physiology and rehabilitation says, "Remember,

you've been pushing against gravitational forces throughout your life, even in returning the blood from the extremities to your heart.

"No matter what your vocation or profession, you spend a great portion of your life on your feet. The strain eventually takes its toll, in the form of stiffness, soreness, aches and pains of muscles and joints.

"We can't alter the pull of the earth on us, but we can do something to relieve the symptoms," states Dr. Young. "Exercise, of course, is best."

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Medical studies on the value of cyclo-massage to muscle spasm and sore, aching muscles and joints have been published in several widely read medical journals.

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FEDERAL CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The U.S. Civil Service Commission has issued three new nationwide announcements of mid-level Federal career opportunities in professional fields, and a fourth outlining opportunities for Stenographers and Typists in Washington, D. C. and vicinity.

Interested applicants can get the announcements from Federal Job Information Centers in many large cities, from many post offices, except in cities where Federal Job Information Centers are located or from the Interagency Board of U.S. Civil Service Examiners, 1900 E St. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20415.

The announcements are:

1. Professional Opportunities for Social Scientists. GS grades 9 through 12. Covered are such positions as Economist, Social Science Analyst, Social Science Program Specialist, Sociologist, Historian, Anthropologist, Manpower Analyst, Social Work Program Specialist, and additional closely related positions in other social science fields. Many of the opportunities are in various Federal agencies in Washington, D. C. and vicinity and in foreign countries. Some are in other parts of the United States. Annual starting salaries currently range from \$8,462 to \$12,174. They are expected to increase by about 9 percent in the middle of this year. There are no written test requirements. Applicants will be rated on the basis of professional experience, education, and training. Work descriptions and the necessary qualifications, along with special credit provisions for graduate study, superior undergraduate academic achievement, subsequent work experience including part-time or unpaid experience, and certain teaching experience, are detailed in Announcement No. WAS-827, Professional Opportunities for Social Scientists.

2. Professional Opportunities for Social Worker and Social Service Representative. Social Worker positions, GS grades 9 through 12, are in the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the U. S. Public Health Service, and the Veterans Administration, throughout the United States and Puerto Rico; and in agencies of the District of Columbia Government and other Federal agencies located in Washington, D. C. and vicinity. Social Service Representative positions, GS grades 8 through 12 are primarily in the D.C. Government and other agencies in the Washington metropolitan area. Annual starting salaries currently range from \$7,699 at GS-8 to \$12,174 at GS-12; they are expected to increase by about 9 percent the middle of 1969. No written tests are involved. Applicants will be rated on the basis of education, experience, training and personal aptitude for the nature of the work. Most of the professional Social Worker positions call for successful completion of all requirements for a masters degree. Full details of training and experience qualifications for the various grade levels are in Announcement No. W AS-904, Professional Opportunities for Social Worker and Social Service Representative.

3. Professional Careers for Educators and Librarians. This announcement will be used to fill positions of Education Specialist and Education Services Officer, GS grades 9 through 12; Program Specialist and Advisor (Education) GS grades 9 through 12; Public Health Educator GS grades 9 through 12; Librarian, GS grades 7 through 12; Job Corps Teacher, GS grades 5 through 11 and Job Corps Guidance Counselor, GS grades 7 through 11. Annual

Water Rights Filing Deadline Sept. 1

The Texas Water Rights Commission announced that final notice of the recording deadline under the Water Rights Adjudication Act of 1967 has been given. Everyone who is using water from a public stream who does not claim under a certified filing or a permit from the State must record his claim by September 1, 1969. Users of water for domestic and livestock watering purposes are exempt from this requirement.

Failure to timely record the claim will "extinguish and bar" the claim of water right according to Section 4 of the Adjudication Act. All affected water users who have not already filed their claim are urged by the Commission to do so as soon as possible.

Valid claims will be recognized to the extent of maximum use of water without waste during any year between 1963 and 1967. Where the user was in the process of constructing a system or had facilities to use a larger amount of water on the effective date of the Act than he had actually used, use from 1968 to 1970 may be recognized.

Further information and forms for recording claims under the Water Rights Adjudication Act may be obtained from the Texas Water Rights Commission, P. O. Box 12396, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711.

Civil Service

Federal agencies, principally in the metropolitan area of Washington, D. C., need Electronics Technicians. The work involves maintenance, testing, and development of various electronic equipment, ranging from radio, radar, and sonar devices to computer systems.

Both general and specialized experience are basic requirements for Electronics Technician positions, except where education may be substituted for such experience. Entry level for eligibles depends on quality and quantity of both. No written test is required.

Starting annual salaries range from \$5,331 to \$10,927. Ask for Announcement No. WA-7-19.

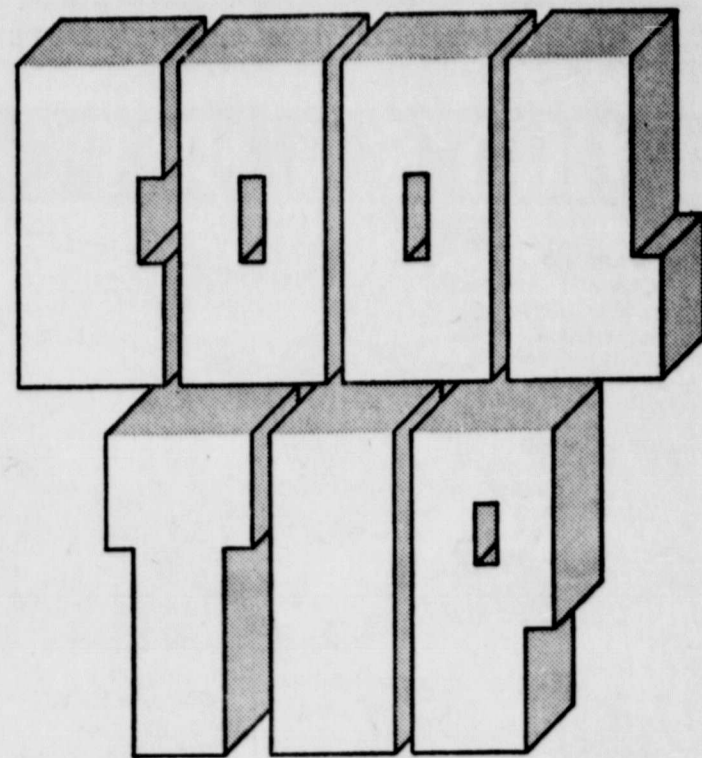
Additional information on these and other Federal jobs may be obtained from the Civil Service Commission in Washington, D. C., 1900 E Street, NW, 20415.

starting salaries for these positions range from \$5,732 at GS-5 to \$12,174 at GS-12. They are expected to increase by about 8 or 9 percent the middle of this year. Many positions are located in various Federal agencies in Washington, D. C. and vicinity. However, certain Federal agencies have needs throughout the United States. Examples: Program Specialist and Advisor (Education) U.S. Office of Education Job Corps Teacher and Guidance Counselor, National Park Service and National Forest Service; Public Health Educator, Health Services and Mental Health Administration. Qualifying education and experience for all of these positions vary considerably. For details, consult Announcement WAS-908, Professional Careers for Educators and Librarians.

All qualified applicants will receive consideration for Federal employment without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, sex, politics, or any other non-merit factor.

When asking for announcements and application forms, applicants are advised to ask at the same time for Civil Service Commission Pamphlet No. 4, "Working for the U.S. A." which provides important general information about the kinds of appointments, the physical abilities required, veteran preference, and other conditions of Federal employment.

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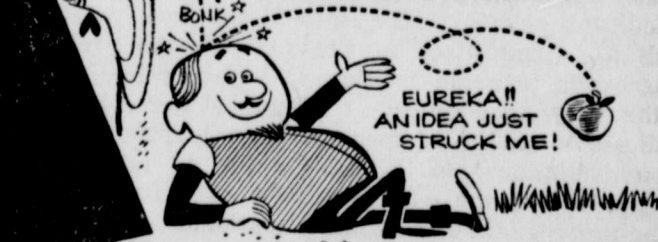
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At the Churches

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Training Union — 6:30 p.m.
Evening Worship — 7:30 p.m.
Teachers Meeting 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting — 7:30 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Marion H. Hays, Minister

Bible school — 10:00 a.m.
Morning worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Classes — 6 p.m.
Night Worship — 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Mid-Week
Mid-week Service 8:00 p.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
David Marx, Pastor

Sunday school — 10:00 a.m.
Morning worship 11:00 a.m.

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Social Security Tips

A record \$11,000 in monthly social security benefits was being paid to residents of Sterling County at the end of December, 1968, according to Ted F. Moellering district manager for social security.

"Throughout the country, monthly benefits payable at the end of 1968 amounted to nearly \$2.1 billion, some \$350 million higher than at the end of 1967," Mr. Moellering continued. "Approximately three-quarters of the increased monthly amount resulted from higher benefit rates authorized by the 1967 Amendments to the Social Security Act. The remainder of the increase was simply due to a greater number of beneficiaries."

By the end of May, 1969, social security will be paying monthly benefits to more than 2 million people — 1 out of every 8 Americans. Although retired workers comprise the largest group of beneficiaries, almost one-fourth of all people receiving benefits are under 60. There are currently more than 3.8 million children and .5 million young widowed mothers receiving payments. Yet the public continues to think of social security as a program for old people.

In Sterling County, 22 people under 60 are receiving benefits. That figure breaks down into 16 under 18, none from age 18 to 21, and 6 from age 22 to 59.

Many students would have been unable to continue their educations were it not for the 1965 Amendments to the Social Security Act which extended survivors and dependents insurance benefits to students until their 22nd birthdays. In 1968, that provision resulted in continuing benefits for 470,000 students.

Monthly payments to the family of a worker who dies leaving a widow and two or more children range from \$62.50 to \$434.40 a month, depending on the workers average earnings under social security. Payments to the young family of a worker who dies at an early age could total as much as \$85,000 to \$100,000.

Mr. Moellering also pointed out that by the end of 1968, approximately 90 percent of Americans 65 and over were either receiving cash benefits or would have been eligible for such benefits if they or their spouses had not been working.

In terms of Medicare, almost all people in the country 65 or over are eligible for hospital insurance benefits. Likewise, 95 percent of all older persons in the country have elected coverage under the voluntary supplementary medical insurance plan which pays physicians' fees.

If you have any questions, please contact the Social Security Office at 300 West Harris Avenue in San Angelo, Texas, or see the representative when he is in your area.

DISABLED WORKER NEWS

Disabled workers should file their social security applications early, according to Ted F. Moellering, social security district manager. Although benefits for disability cannot be paid until after a worker has been disabled for six months, an application can be filed any time after a disability begins.

Mr. Moellering explained that the process for determining eligibility for disability benefits can sometimes be rather long and complicated. Therefore, no one should delay applying until the six months waiting period expires. Applying early permits the claims process to begin so that a decision can be made early enough to mail the first check on time.

Mr. Moellering reminded Sterling City readers that social security benefits are payable to workers when they

Billy Graham Film Here July 14

"THE RESTLESS ONES" considered the most successful motion picture yet produced by Evangelist Billy Graham, will be shown in Sterling City on July 14 in the First Baptist Church, said pastor Rev. Andy Daniel, this week.

The film has accent on youth of today and is a hard-hitting bold approach to our social problems.

As one reviewer said, "Here is a picture that tells the world the truth and comes up with an answer, not an easy answer, but an answer from beyond us."

The film will start at 8:00 p.m., said Daniel.

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have become too disabled to do any substantial work. The disability must be expected to last at least 12 months. A disabled worker's children under age 18 (and those 18 to 22 who are full-time students) and his wife may also qualify for benefits.

Contact your Social Security Office at 3000 West Harris Avenue in San Angelo, Texas, or see the representative when he is in your area for more information.

A number of widows and surviving children of deceased workers in this area could be missing out on social security money due them, according to Ted F. Moellering, district manager of the Social Security Office. Many changes have been made in recent years concerning benefits for widows and children. Some who would be eligible do not know about the new rules, Mr. Moellering said. Mr. Moellering further noted that at present there are over three million young widows and children receiving a monthly social security check.

A widow who is completely disabled and over age 50 can receive reduced widow's benefit if she becomes disabled within seven years of her husband's death or the time she last had a child entitled to benefits in her care. Also, widows who remarry after age 60 may retain a part of the widow's benefit.

Children who would be otherwise entitled because of the death, disability, or retirement of a parent except for being over age 18, can now receive student benefits if they are in full-time school attendance, unmarried, and under age 22.

Children also have full protection now on their mother's account under the same rules that apply to a father's account. This present law will result in a number of children being able to receive social security benefits when their mother dies or becomes disabled, including some who were previously turned down under the old law, Mr. Moellering said.

Anyone knowing someone who might qualify for benefits under these provisions is urged to have them get in touch with their Social Security Office at 300 West Harris Avenue in San Angelo, Texas, or see the representative when he is in your area.

Social Security Man Here July 11

Don Minyard, Claims Representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his July visit to Sterling City. He will be at the county courthouse on Friday, July 11 from 1:30 p. m. to 2:30 p.m. Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Security Administration may contact him at that time.

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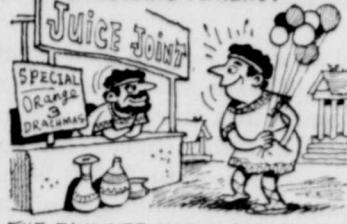
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Social Security News HOSPITAL INSURANCE BENEFITS

The hospital insurance benefits of Medicare provide for services of three types, according to Ted F. Moellering, manager of the San Angelo social security district office. Benefits are possible when you are (1) a bed patient in a hospital, (2) a bed patient in an extended care facility (skilled nursing home) assigned there by your physician as a follow-up to hospital care, and (3) a patient at home receiving home health services, Mr. Moellering continued. There has been some thought that because you are covered under Medicare up to a certain maximum number of days, you can automatically count on that number of days regardless of your condition. Mr. Moellering went on to say that this is a misunderstanding and that when your condition improves to the extent you no longer require the level of care provided, then your eligibility ceases.

An example of this misunderstanding is the 100 day eligibility in an Extended Care Facility. We are sometimes asked why a certain person was told Medicare would no longer pay for his stay in an Extended Care Facility when he had only been there 50 days and still had 50 days coming. The condition of the patient rather than the number of days is the controlling factor up to the point that the maximum number of days is reached. Coverage ends when his condition is such that he no longer needs the level of care provided by the Extended Care Facility.

Any question about this or any area of Medicare or Social Security should be resolved by a visit or contact with the Social Security Office located at 3000 West Harris Avenue in San Angelo, Texas, or see the representative when he is in your area.

People who sign up for so-

cial security only to gain Medicare coverage are often amazed to learn that they will also be drawing some checks for the year, according to Ted F. Moellering, District Manager of the San Angelo Social Security Office.

For instance, a person entitled to a monthly benefit of \$122.90 who expects to earn \$3000 in 1968 would draw a check of \$17.40 for June, 1968, and full checks for the rest of the year.

"This is possible because of the liberalized retirement test under the present social security law," Mr. Moellering said.

"A social security beneficiary can earn \$1680 per year and draw his checks every month. If his earnings are \$2880 or less, an amount equal to one-half the earnings between \$1680 and \$2880 is subtracted from total benefits payable for the year. If earnings are over \$2880, an additional one dollar for every dollar over \$2880 is subtracted from benefits payable.

"There has been no change in the provision that a person can draw a check for each month that he is age 72, regardless of his total earnings for the year."

For further information, contact the Social Security Administration at 3000 West Harris Avenue in San Angelo, Tex. or see the representative when he is in your area.

The "length of marriage" requirement in social security's definition of "widow", "widower", and stepchild of a deceased worker" has been changed, reports Ted F. Moellering, District Manager of the San Angelo Social Security Office. A widow, widower, or stepchild may now qualify for social security benefits based on a marriage that has been in existence for only 9 months just before the death of the worker.

Mr. Moellering added that in some cases a marriage that has lasted for as little as 3 months may qualify the survivor. These are cases involving accidental death or death in the line of duty in the uniformed services.

Benefits under this change in the law were first payable in February, 1968. Any person who has been previously disqualified because a marriage had not been in effect long enough should contact the Social Security Office at 3000 West Harris Avenue in San Angelo, Texas, or see the representative when he is in your area.

Want to get that first social security on time?

"Everyone does, but not enough people do anything about it," says Ted F. Moellering, District Manager of the San Angelo Social Security Office.

According to Mr. Moellering, every person who files an application for social security benefits will be asked to present certain proofs. Most applicants will also be asked to give the exact amount of earnings for the past year and for the current year.

Most persons do not bother to find out ahead of time exactly what they will need. "George waits until the day he files an application," said Mr. Moellering. "Then he has to go back home and dig around for records, or write letters requesting the necessary documents, causing a delay in the processing of his claim.

A claim for social security

benefits may be filed as early as three months before entitlement to benefits.

Mr. Moellering suggests that claimants get in touch with the social security office several months before this three month period to find out ahead of time what proofs and information will be needed.

"The satisfied applicant," continued Mr. Moellering, "is the one who does this, and consequently has all necessary proofs and information with him. The result—everything is completely taken care of during this one visit at the social security office, and he gets that first check right on time."

"Social security relies to a great extent on each beneficiary's ability to report events which will affect his monthly payments," said Ted F. Moellering, Social Security District Manager. Among those events that the beneficiary should report are changes of address, stopping or starting work, changes in estimated earnings during the year, and a beneficiary's death, marriage, divorce, or annulment.

Each beneficiary receives a special card to fill out and send to his local social security office when a report must be made. Reports are relayed to the paying office by electronic means to avoid delays in updating records.

Those needing to report a change should request form SSA-1425 from the Social Security Office at 3000 West Harris in San Angelo, Texas, or see the representative when he is in your area. Any of our representatives will be glad to give you the necessary forms.

The traditional retirement age in private industry is 65. The gold watch is presented at farewell ceremonies, the company pension begins, and social security and Medicare become a part of the person's life.

But what is a person wants or needs to retire earlier? Recognizing that for various reasons employment cannot always continue until age 65, social security provides for early retirement at age 62.

Benefits which begin before age 65 are reduced proportionately month by month for each month before age 65. The full reduction at age 62 is 20 percent.

However, a person who begins receiving checks at age 62 would be about age 77 before he begins losing money by having taken the smaller amount at age 62 rather than waiting until age 65.

Any person approaching age 62 who is contemplating early retirement or partial retirement, or whose earnings have been rather low in recent years, should get in touch with social security to explore the possibility of getting early retirement insurance payments.

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