

Government Estimates Additional SSA Benefits

WASHINGTON (AP)—Addition of old-age hospitalization protection to federal social security benefits would cost at least a billion dollars a year to start, the government estimated today.

The added costs would require at least a one-half per cent increase in the social security payroll tax. It is now 2 1/2 per cent of the first \$4,800 of earnings for both workers and employers, and will rise automatically to 4 1/2 per cent by 1969.

The estimates were contained in a lengthy report by the Social Security Administration filed with the House Ways and Means Committee by Secretary of Welfare Arthur S. Flemming.

The report contained no recommendations or conclusions. It was requested by the committee last year after Congress voted a 7 per cent increase in social security benefits and an increase in the tax rate.

Proposals to add federal hospital, nursing home and private care to old-age retirement benefits are now pending before the committee, but House leaders have ruled out any action on them before next year.

The 117-page study of old age health benefits was limited to factual information, with these highlights:

1. There are about 15 million persons in the United States 65 or over, and their number is increasing because of medical advances.
2. About 43 per cent, or two out of every five persons on social security retired rolls now have voluntary health protection.
3. Most social security pensioners have a low or limited income, increasing the problem of financing adequate medical care.
4. Hospital and medical costs are rising. Of social security pensioners hospitalized in 1957, the largest group—about 85 per cent—had medical bills of \$1,000 or more.
5. Numerous alternatives to social security health insurance are available — subsidies to private health insurance carriers, government reinsurance of private carriers, direct federal assistance to persons unable to finance their own medical costs, and stimulation of voluntary insurance plans.

Rep. Aime J. Forand (D-R.I.), chief sponsor of legislative proposals for social security health benefits, said the report confirms the need for federal action.

The Flemming report's estimates of first-year health costs varied according to types of benefits. In round figures, however, a 1960 initial cost of a billion dollars was indicated as a probable minimum. Cost estimates by others than the Social Security Administration were higher.

4-H Teams, Individuals Prep For Fair

Twenty-three Klamath County 4-H boys and girls presented demonstrations at the annual 4-H demonstration day April 4 at the fairgrounds.

Both team and individual demonstrations included subjects pertaining to foods and clothing. County extension agents Francis Skimmer and Lillian Hoffman, and 4-H leaders, Mrs. Harold Campbell, Mrs. W. L. Poe and Mrs. Ray Billings, gave comments to the boys and girls on how their demonstrations might be improved.

Home economics demonstrations will be given April 23, 24 and 25 at spring fair. Top winners will compete at fall fair in August with outdoor cooking and food preservation demonstrations for championship award of going to state fair. All demonstrations in agriculture will be held at fall fair.

Each 4-H club is eligible to enter one team and one individual demonstration in both the junior and senior class at the spring fair. The junior class is for all boys and girls under 15 years of age and the senior division is for those that were 15 before January 1, 1959.

The public is invited to attend all events of spring fair and to view the exhibits that will be on display at the Klamath County Fairgrounds April 23, 24 and 25.

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Blaze Claims Babies' Lives

PORTLAND (AP)—Two babies died in a fire which roared through a home in the community of Jennings Lodge early Sunday and their parents were burned and injured in futile attempts to save them.

The victims of the flash fire were Terri Lee Jones, 18 months, and Allen David Jones, 6 months, the children of Mr. and Mrs. David Allen Jones. Mrs. Jones suffered third degree burns on the upper part of her body. Jones was cut on both hands and wrists and was treated for shock.

Cause of the fire was not determined. But it apparently flared suddenly in the three-bedroom house which is located in a Clackamas County community just south of Portland.

Fireman Robert E. Fero of Gladstone entered the burning house and brought out the two children. But efforts to revive them failed.

4-H NEWS

SNIPPY SUSANS
A clothing workshop was held at Taylor's. Leaders and members present were Jean Fundenberger, Linda Taylor, Margaret and Jeanette Hooper.

Lillian Hoffman attended the meeting and answered questions about the spring fair. Various contests that the girls will enter were discussed, including the hemming contest that is new this year. All the girls plan to enter either hemming or wool sewing contest, clothing judging, and style review. Sara will give a reading for the talent show.

Jean reported that she and Carolyn had sewed one day during spring vacation to make up for a sewing workshop that they had not attended. Jean is the only one of the members who is making and will model a formal.

Linda Taylor
News Reporter

Retired Worker Buys Old Lathe
FLINT, Mich. (AP)—Many retiring employes go home with a wrist watch as a token of "well done" after their last day on the job.

Edwin W. Niedzielski, who retired after 41 years with Buick, went home with the two-ton lathe he had used for nearly 30 years.

Niedzielski bought the lathe from Buick for \$62. The auto firm paid \$3,414.79 for it back in 1929.

The retired auto worker plans to put the lathe in his garage.

"I just want the pleasure of owning it and looking at it," he said.

Rites Scheduled For Flyer's Kin
DALLAS, Tex. (AP)—Funeral services will be held Tuesday for Mrs. May Post, mother of the late flier Wiley Post. Burial will be near Grand Saline, her northeast Texas birthplace.

Mrs. Post, 85, died Saturday night at her Dallas home. She had lived here for 13 years but spent most of her life in Oklahoma.

Her son and humorist Will Rogers died Aug. 15, 1935, in a plane crash near Point Barrow, Alaska, in the plane which Post flew around the world in 1933.

TURNOVER IT WAS
LOS ANGELES (UPI)—Passing motorists craned their necks Wednesday to read the upside-down lettering on an overturned bakery truck on the Hollywood Freeway. It said: "Famous Turnovers."

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School Plans Turtle Race

SALEM (AP)—Willamette University is still excited over its first annual turtle race.

It was held on the floor of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity house in a living room, and a 3.2 ounce turtle named George Barta won it. The turtle crawled from the center of a 17-foot circle in 1 minute, 10 seconds.

George's admirers claimed a world record for it.

Some 250 screaming collegiate turtle fans watched the competition among eight turtle entries, sponsored by eight campus sororities and women's groups. They were so pleased that one said, "We're going to do it again next year."

"George Barta" was named for a Phi Delta founder.

'Legislators' End Session

SALEM (AP)—Oregon's elected lawmakers are back in their seats after giving way to the annual Youth Legislature over the weekend.

Hi-Y chapters from all over the state sent senators and representatives to the session.

Robert Ott, Baker, was youth governor. Barbara Taylor, Medford, was speaker of the House and Roger S. Hamer, Portland, president of the Senate.

A bill which would require county coroners to be registered physicians or morticians was passed by the Senate. But the Senate defeated a bill providing higher salaries for coroners.

The Senate also rejected a measure which would establish the speed limit at the present basic speed rule.

Winter Hits Deer Herd

LANSING, Mich. (AP)—For all their touted methods, political pollsters have little on Michigan game experts when winter starvation cuts deeply into the state's big deer herd.

Nearly 200 state conservation men will strike out for the North Woods about April 15 on a survey to determine the "starvation death total of one of the worst winters in memory."

By May 15, they hope to make a foot-by-foot search of 540 sections of deer country averaging 60 acres.

One experienced game biologist is assigned to each three-man survey team.

Each man scans an area one chain (66 feet) wide.

"We go to great lengths to make these surveys as accurate as possible," said R. A. MacMullan, research head of the game division.

"We of course cover only a fraction of one per cent of the total deer country and any small error is compounded when we project our figures to estimate the total starvation losses," he said.

Surveys are run only in years when starvation losses are known to be heavy. The first was in 1956. This is the second one.

If the toll reaches the 50,000 estimated loss of 1951, and many game men say it will be more, conservation men will find several hundred dead deer on their survey, MacMullan said.

Ping-Pong Enters Marathon Rage

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Has a University of Southern California freshman ended or just begun the latest in silly season rages?

Thayer Holbrook, 19, halted a 50-hour ping-pong endurance contest Sunday night because "I have classes in the morning."

His fraternity house kept him supplied with soup and gallons of orange juice while he played in his bare feet.

During the marathon Holbrook won 165 games and lost 138 against a dozen opponents.

Actor Socked With Telephone

GARDEN GROVE, Calif. (AP)—When actor Jack "Lash" LaRue hit his wife during a domestic argument she picked up the telephone, police report.

But she didn't call anyone. She socked him with it.

Then, officers said, LaRue's sister-in-law, Mrs. J. M. Osborn, clobbered him with a mop.

After five stitches were taken in his scalp, LaRue was booked on suspicion of assault, battery and disturbing the peace Sunday. The complaint was signed by his wife, Paddie, and Mrs. Osborn.

What started the argument at the home of friends was not disclosed.

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Move On To Back Nelson For President Candidate

WASHINGTON (AP)—The same off-beat campaigning that landed the 1940 Republican presidential nomination for Wendell L. Willkie apparently is under way for Gov. Nelson Rockefeller of New York.

Responsible Republicans brought to last week's meeting of the GOP National Committee here reports that supporters of Rockefeller are seeking to enlist businessmen, professional men and other political amateurs as Rockefeller backers.

A GOP national committeeman who has participated in several presidential campaigns described the tactics as similar to those which helped put Willkie over. He said he has personal knowledge that bankers, lawyers, doctors, insurance men and others with influence in their communities are being urged to line up behind Rockefeller.

The first outward sign of this cropped up recently with the formation of "Californians for Rockefeller." This self-styled group of "political greenhorns" is headed by Charles Lewisadder, Los Angeles businessman.

A state chairman who supports Vice President Richard M. Nixon for the nomination said he knew of similar activities elsewhere in behalf of Rockefeller. He predicted Nixon's backers soon will be doing the same kind of campaigning.

It was explained that Rockefeller himself is standing aloof from these activities. He is holding to the line that his only ambition is to make a good chief executive for his state.

It was noticeable, however, that the governor lost no time in moving one of his closest advisers, George L. Hinman, into a seat as Republican national committeeman from New York. Hinman will be in a position there to keep close tab on an organization in which a majority of members obviously favor Nixon for the party's 1960 presidential nomination.

The Rockefeller forces appear fully satisfied that the committee's new chairman, Sen. Thurston B. Morton of Kentucky, will carry out his pledge to remain

"absolutely fair" to both the vice president and Rockefeller. The national chairman's position has been used at times in the past to favor one candidate over another.

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PORTLAND (AP)—Miss Margaret Magee, a reporter for the Salem Capital Journal, is the new president of the Oregon Press Women.

She was elected at the close of the organization's annual meeting here Sunday. Serving with her will be: vice president, Mrs. Ernest Lundeen, Eugene Register-Guard; secretary, Genevieve Morgan, Salem; treasurer, Mrs. Roy F. Bessey, Portland.

Speakers included Verne McKinney, publisher of the Hillsboro Argus and J. Richard Elmers, Portland Associated Press bureau chief.

The organization made plans for the National Federation of Press Women's annual conference to be held here Aug. 12-14.

Winners in various categories of writing included: Mrs. Lundeen; Mrs. Val Thoenig, Eugene; Mrs. Morgan; Mrs. Edna Ramp, Eugene Register-Guard; Mrs. Doris Gunderson, Capital Journal.

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