

COUNTY REPORT

Welfare Decision May Give Taxpayers a Jolt

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The Supreme Court decision eliminating a one-year residency requirement for welfare recipients was not unexpected — but it may result in a big jolt to the property taxpayer.

The decision is expected to increase the cost of welfare programs because it will bring more welfare recipients to California, where the allotments are higher than in most states.

Previously California insisted on a one-year residency before a person was eligible for aid. That is a thing of the past.

COUNTY property taxpayers pay roughly 60 cents of their tax rate of \$2.68 per \$100 assessed valuation for welfare. They also pay by way of state and federal taxes. With increased case loads, the costs can only go higher.

This decision should be the milestone which marks the transfer of the welfare obligation to a state and federal responsibility. More than anything else, welfare costs are putting the tax rate way out of proportion.

It wouldn't be so bad if the county had control over the welfare costs, amount of aid, and eligibility requirements. But these are dictated by the state — even the administration of the program is mandated.

MORE THAN ever before, now is the time for the state and federal governments to take over the total obligation of welfare and give the needed relief to the counties, which can only finance welfare from the property taxes.

The state and federal governments have other areas of taxation which equalize the load. They are calling the shots and are the logical ones to pay the bill.

Social Security

This is another in a series of questions and answers on social security that deals with questions from workers and their families.

Q. My mother has just died at 75. Neither she nor my father ever worked under social security, but she was receiving \$40 a month from social security because she was over 72. Will social security help pay her burial expenses?

A. No. Social security makes a lump-sum death payment only when the deceased person has worked the required number of quarters under the program.

Q. I am 15 years old and starting my first job. It is only parttime work after school. Do I have to get a social security number?

A. Yes. Your employer is required to report your wages for social security purposes. You must have a social security number and show it to him so that you get credit for your earnings.

Q. If I become disabled while I am young and can't work, can I draw social security payments or are they just for older people?

A. Age makes no difference in the payment of social security disability benefits. Whether you become too disabled to work at 25 or 55 — any time before you are 65 — you would be eligible for a monthly benefit based on your earnings.

Q. Could a young man, say 25, get a better deal by using the same amount of money as his social security contributions to buy a private insurance policy?

A. No, not for the average or typical case. For one thing, any private insurance policy, or package of policies, cannot provide the same range of protection he gets from social security. Even if such policies were available, they would cost more than social security contributions.

Q. I will be 62 in three months. I do not have a birth certificate, but I have secured some documents showing my age and I am attempting to get more. Should I wait until I have all my records before I apply for benefits?

A. No. You should apply now. The people at your social security office will tell you if you have enough evidence of your age. If more is needed, they will help you get the additional evidence.

THE 16TH Annual Presidents' Recognition Dinner, honoring leaders of the county's Community Coordinating Councils, will be Monday, May 26, at Sportsmen's Lodge in North Hollywood.

The Board of Supervisors will host the recognition dinner, which annually pays tribute to the presidents of each of the councils.

Recognition of the efforts

spent by the leaders of the councils in the field of primary delinquency prevention during the past year is the keynote of the annual event.

Members of the Board of Supervisors and other county offi-

cials will join with representatives of nearly 100 Community Coordinating Councils, their guests, and the staff of the Los Angeles County Department of Community Services for the event.

A highlight of the evening will be the installation of 1969-70 officers of the Federation of Community Coordinating Councils, the countywide organization affiliated with the local councils.

"FUN WITH Songs" workshops for volunteer leaders of youth groups will be held at 14 county-wide locations throughout May.

Adult leaders will be taught techniques for leading youth group singing during the workshops sponsored and conducted by the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation.

Specialists will teach group

community, and campfire singing as well as songs which can be used as openers, middleers, and closers.

Registration of 50 cents will be required of all participants to defray the cost of brochures and materials.

Workshops in my district will be in Long Beach at El Dorado Recreation Center, May 22, and at the Torrance Recreation Center on May 23. Sessions are from 9 a.m. to noon.

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