

## Compromise to Lift Old Age Payments Average of 77 Pct.

Benefit payments to 3 million persons now receiving old age and survivors insurance will jump, probably on October 1 or November 1, from about \$66 million monthly to \$117 million under the compromise social security expansion bill.

The House-Senate conference committee released figures yesterday showing how the agreement they have reached would increase by an average of 77½ per cent payments now being made to retired persons or to survivors of insured persons.

Congress may send the social security expansion bill to President Truman this week. If so, the larger benefit payments will be effective in checks the beneficiaries receive around October 1.

If final action on the legislation does not take place until after July 31, the increases will not take effect until November.

Here is the table released by the conferees showing how monthly benefits will be increased:

Old monthly benefit	New monthly benefit	Percentage increase
\$10	\$20.00	100
11	22.00	100
12	24.00	100
13	26.00	100
14	28.00	100
15	30.00	100
16	32.00	100
17	34.00	100
18	36.00	100
19	38.00	100
20	40.00	100
21	42.00	100
22	44.00	100
23	46.00	100
24	48.00	100
25	50.00	100
26	52.00	100
27	54.00	100
28	56.00	100
29	58.00	100
30	60.00	100
31	62.00	100
32	64.00	100
33	66.00	100
34	68.00	100
35	70.00	100
36	72.00	100
37	74.00	100
38	76.00	100
39	78.00	100
40	80.00	100
41	82.00	100
42	84.00	100
43	86.00	100
44	88.00	100
45	90.00	100
46	92.00	100
47	94.00	100
48	96.00	100
49	98.00	100
50	100.00	100
51	102.00	100
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90	180.00	100
91	182.00	100
92	184.00	100
93	186.00	100
94	188.00	100
95	190.00	100
96	192.00	100
97	194.00	100
98	196.00	100
99	198.00	100
100	200.00	100

If such a retired person has a wife 65 or over, she gets a sum equal to one-half his benefit.

The widow of an insured man, over 65, gets three-quarters of his benefit.

A deceased insured worker's children also get benefits—the first child three-quarters of the father's primary benefit; and each other child one-half.

## Summer Camps Giving Courses in Bike Riding

NEW YORK—Youngsters attending camps this summer are learning how to ride a bicycle. Camps throughout the East are co-operating with parent groups and the Bicycle Institute of America in launching a recreation project designed to reduce cycling accidents throughout the year.

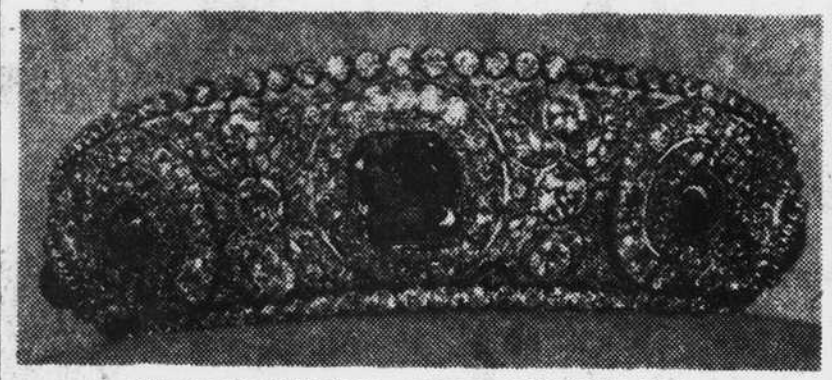
This summer, for the first time, instruction in bike riding and bike safety is included in the playtime curriculum of these camps. The move stems from increasing requests from parents who have youngsters in the 5-to-10-year age group. The camps plan to teach bike maintenance, as well as bicycling itself, through the integration of this phase in their arts and crafts periods.

## Tea Is Biggest Earner Of Dollars for India

CALCUTTA, India.—Tea is at present India's biggest earner of foreign exchange, according to S. K. Sinha, chairman of the central tea board.

He said tea exports last year were worth 770 million rupees, of which 110 million represented dollar earnings. India, he said, is the largest tea producing country in the world.

## D. C. Firm Sells Jeweled Tiara Queen Marie Wore on U. S. Tour



Queen Marie's tiara—now a collector's item.

The diamond and sapphire tiara that Queen Marie of Romania wore on state occasions during her American tour in the 1920s has been sold by the Washington jewelry firm of Bartz & King, Connecticut avenue and M streets N.W., to a New York dealer, a representative of the firm said yesterday.

The tiara, in which a large blue Ceylon sapphire stands out amid numerous diamonds of two carats and larger, was the property of Marie's daughter, Princess Ileana. Her mother gave it to her as a present in 1931 when she married

the Archduke Anton of Austria.

The tiara was made 125 years ago for Nicholas I of Russia. He gave it to Marie, Princess of Prussia and it was inherited by the wife of Alexander II. She passed it on to her daughter, the Grand Duchess Marie, who married the Duke of Edinburgh, second son of Queen Victoria. The grand duchess gave it in turn to her daughter, Marie of Romania.

The jewelry firm would not reveal the purchase price of the tiara. It was described as "a collector's item."

## Fishing Boat Reports Sighting Mystery Sub

ST. JOHN'S, Newfoundland, July 22.—The captain of a foreign fishing trawler has reported sighting a submarine which appeared to be Russian off Newfoundland July 12.

His story was told today by the Sunday Herald, a weekly newspaper. The Canadian navy at Ottawa said its intelligence branch also received the report several days ago and that it is investigating.

The skipper, who left two days ago after taking on supplies, was reported to have told naval authorities the submarine surfaced in the early morning fog less than 100 yards from his trawler at a point off the Grand Banks about 410 miles east of this city.

The submarine dived hastily after being on the surface only about 10 minutes. The captain observed no American or British markings on its hull.

The Herald said the captain received the "fright of his life." And commented, "In view of the serious situation in Korea, anything that Russia might have in mind for this side of the Atlantic would not be to the advantage of North America."

The nationality of the captain was not stated.

This was the first report of a Russian submarine off the Atlantic Coast, though unidentified submarines were sighted off New Brunswick earlier this week and off Nova Scotia some weeks ago. However, last March the United States Navy reported radar and sonar contacts with objects believed to be "one or more foreign submarines" off the North California coast in the Pacific.

The Sunday Herald story said a number of British and American submarines were in the North Atlantic at the time the mystery craft was sighted. A Canadian Navy spokesman at Ottawa said, however, that immediate checks with London and Washington showed no British or American submarines were in the area at the time.

Legally there is no bar to the movement of submarines anywhere in the seven seas, so long as they remain outside territorial waters. Movement without permission inside Canada's territorial waters—that is within the three-mile limit—would be regarded as an unfriendly act, liable to be met with a military response.

## Some Fifth Army Units Alerted for Far East Duty

CHICAGO, July 22.—Certain units of the 13-State 5th Army area have been alerted for transfer to the Far East. Lt. Gen. Stephen J. Chamberlin, 5th Army commander, did not identify the units in announcing the alert today.

The troops are Regular Army units.

A spokesman at the Army's GHQ said that "the Far East command asked the Department of the Army for certain troops. The Department of the Army has decided we're not allowed to say just what kind of troops we're sending, whether it's artillery or infantry or service troops; we can just say they're combat troops."

Chicago is 5th Army headquarters. The territory includes Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan, Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming and Colorado.

Hoarding is foolish. Despite the fighting in Korea there is no immediate prospect of food rationing or shortages. Don't hoard.

## West German's Right to Defend Own Soil Implied by McCloy

FRANKFURT, Germany, July 22.—American High Commissioner John J. McCloy said tonight "it would be very difficult indeed to deny the Germans the right and the means to defend their own soil" in the event of attack from the East.

Mr. McCloy said, however, that he opposed the re-creation of a German army. He did not explain by what other means he felt the Germans could take part in the defense of West Germany.

He made his statement in an interview prepared for the National Broadcasting Co.

Mr. McCloy was asked: "Should there be an attack on Western Germany, will American troops defend the country without the help of German military contingents?"

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