

Retarded Girl Benefits From Change In SS Law

Uncle Sam may be looking for you. Recently he searched for and located Mrs. Raymond N. Ferman of nearby Ferndale in order to tell her that as a result of the February 1968 change in the social security

law, she is eligible for some unexpected benefits. Under the newly revised law, Mrs. Ferman's 21-year-old retarded daughter will receive benefits which will lighten the burden of expense involved in her care at Our

Lady of Providence, Northville. Mrs. Ferman sought help of this kind in February 1965 because she had worked in an office in 1942 and thought perhaps she would be eligible for social security.

BUT THE LAW at that time stated no benefits could be paid a woman worker unless she had worked 18 months during the last three years preceding her retirement, or could prove that she was the major support of her child. Mrs. Ferman was disqualified on both counts.

Then she received a call from Sam Test of the North-west Detroit social security offices at Lahser. Test told her about the change and what it would mean to her.

"I'm glad Uncle Sam found me," said Mrs. Ferman and added that although the benefits were small, because she worked such a short time, they were very welcome.

She learned also that when

her husband retires and applies for social security, her daughter will be transferred to his account with increased benefits.

"IT'S COMFORTING to know that these benefits will continue for Bernadette for the rest of her life and long after we're gone," said Mrs. Ferman.

Test said that there may be many parents who are unaware of the new law, but are eligible for similar benefits. The law now considers children dependent on both parents and eligible for benefits when either parent retires, becomes disabled or dies.

As in the case of Mrs. Ferman, all benefits will be retroactive for 12 months, and Test

advises all women who feel that they qualify to get in touch with their local social security office.

"If they delay," he said, "they will lose benefits. We have been alert to facts leading to women workers who filed for retirement disability and have tried to locate survivors of those who died before February 1968. But unfortunately, there are many eligible children that we have no way of locating unless we are approached by someone acting in their behalf."

Test said that contact should be made with his office by woman workers who have filed for retirement or disability before February 1968 and who have unmarried children under the age of 18, or between the ages of 18 and 22, and full time students, or unmarried children 18 years or older who are disabled.

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Counties Paid For State Lands

LANSING The Department of Natural Resources has started mailing 1969 tax payments which, when completed in late March, will total more than \$1 million for state conservation lands purchased after 1933 in 82 Michigan counties.

The lone county not on the DNR's list for these funds is Eaton. It lacks state lands for which these payments are made.

The DNR's latest tax bill is the highest on record, owing to a change passed in 1968 by the State Legislature which requires that all such lands be taxed according to local millage rates.

PREVIOUSLY, the department's payments were geared to those rates only for purchased conservation lands located below Townline 16. Until now, the DNR has paid 20 cents an acre for all such lands lying above that dividing line.

Tax payments now under way for purchased holdings in state forests, parks, game sites, and other conservation areas range from \$94 for Keweenaw County up to \$238,000 for Oakland County. They supplement more than \$700,000 distributed earlier this year by the DNR, covering approximately four million acres of mostly tax-reverted conservation lands in 81 Michigan counties.

AREA DEATHS

ROBERT BURLEY, Funeral services for Mr. Burley, 53 of 21st Ave. N.E., were held in the Schrader Funeral Home, 4010 E. River, Lewis Brown officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

Mr. Burley, a long time resident of Plymouth, died March 28 after a long illness.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary, and two brothers, Herbert and

Harold, and a sister, Mrs. June Bickman.

HAZEL MARTIN, Funeral services for Mrs. Martin, 80 of 20th Dismal, were held in the Schrader Funeral Home, Plymouth, with the Rev. Lewis Brown officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

Mrs. Martin, former Plymouth resident, died March 27. She is survived by three cousins.

HELEN M. PATRICK, Funeral services for Mrs. Patrick, 43 of 1228 Hines Court, Plymouth, were held in the Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. Lewis Brown officiating. Burial was in Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens.

Mrs. Patrick, a lifetime resident of Plymouth, died March 28. She is survived by her husband, William, two sons, Michael and Brian, her foster mother, Mrs. Karl Starkweather, and a sister, Mrs. Betty Walker.

ROSE MAY McNEESE, Services for Mrs. McNeese, 32 of 2824 Grandview Farmington, were held March 28 in the Caterline Funeral Home, the Rev. Lloyd Browne of the First Presbyterian Church of Northville officiating. Cremation was held at Evergreen Cemetery.

Born in Highland Park on Dec. 29, 1891, Mrs. McNeese died March 28 in a Providence Hospital after a long illness.

Survivors include her husband, Charles R. mother, Mrs. Norman J. Tobin of Highland Park, son, Edward Northville, daughter, Helen, sisters, Mrs. Norma Skone of Detroit, and Mrs. Margaret Keller of Hazel Park, and two grandchildren.

HARRIET H. EVERSON, Funeral services for Mrs. Everson of Venice, Fla., were held in St. Peter Danish Lutheran Church, Plymouth, with Rev. James Garrison officiating. Burial was in Woodland Cemetery, Detroit.

Mrs. Everson died March 25. She was 71.

Mrs. Everson, a former resident of Plymouth, was active in American Danish Affairs and received the Danish medal of honor from King Frederik IX of Denmark for her work with the Rev. Charles Schottstrom officiating. Burial will be in Oakland Hills Cemetery.

Mrs. Billiet died Friday, March 27, in Garden City, Ohio, after a long illness. She was 40. A Westland resident for 21 years, Mrs. Billiet was a member of the Middle Belt Baptist Church.

She is survived by a son, Paul, four grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

JAMES R. BILLETTE, Services for Mr. Billette, of 2914 Beechwood, Westland, were held at 2 p.m. April 1, in the B.T. and G.H. Harris Funeral Home in Garden City with the Rev. Charles Schottstrom officiating. Burial will be in Oakland Hills Cemetery.

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He is survived by a son, Bill, three sons, Roger, Charles, and William, daughter, Debbie, two brothers, Sam and Martin, and seven sisters, Mrs. Helen Fanning, Mrs. Irene Kent, Mrs. Esther Sprague, Mrs. Elizabeth Gage, Mrs. Dorothy Starnes, Mrs. Genevieve Voss, and Mrs. Barbara Hebe.

GEORGE H. BILLETTE, Services for Mr. Billette, of 2018 Helen, Garden City, were held Saturday, March 28, in the John Smith and Son Funeral Home, Garden City, followed by burial in St. Hedwig Cemetery.

Mr. Billette died March 24 in his home at the age of 68. He was a Garden City resident for 18 years, a retired employee of Heurich Tied and the Co., and owned the Zins Co. Granite Studio.

He is survived by his wife, Stella, two daughters, Constance Allen of Lincoln Park, and Joyce Fritch of Rockwood; 10 grandchildren, and four sisters, Mary, Yvonne, Marie Smith, Anna Melby, and Elizabeth Halpin.

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