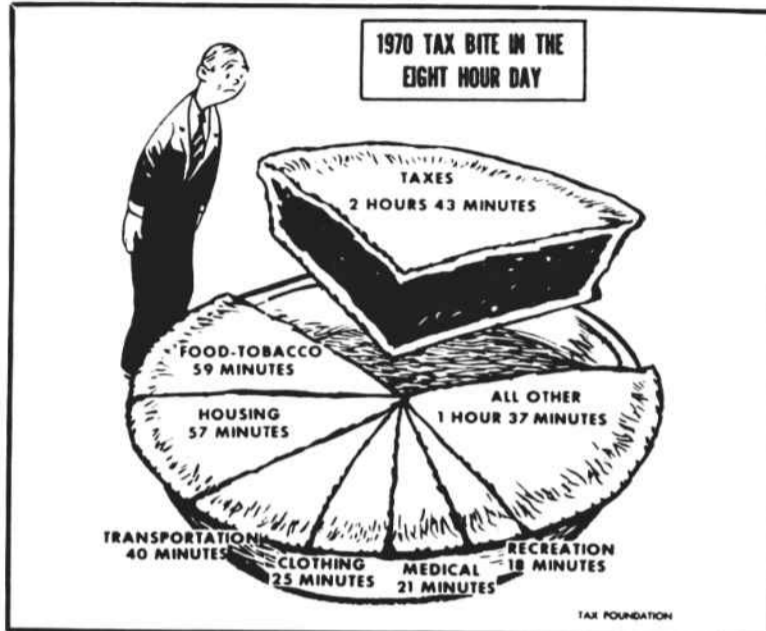


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Editorial Comments

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Would you believe . . . that after May 15 you started working for yourself? According to Tax Foundation, Inc., in 1970, Americans will need nine minutes more of their 8-hour workday to meet their taxes than they did in 1969.

That's 96 working days—so from January 2 to May 15 you worked to pay your Federal, State and local taxes. Now you're working for yourself.

The diagram above shows the rest of the bite of the 8-hour day. Below are times estimated for taxes in past years:

1969:	2 hrs., 34 min.
1968:	2 hrs., 26 min.
1966:	2 hrs., 19 min.

Our Uncle

Ever wonder where the expression "Uncle Sam" came from? Uncle Sam was a real person. He was Samuel Wilson, and he lived in Troy, N. Y. where he was affectionally known as—you guessed it—"Uncle Sam." Wilson was a government meat inspector during the War of 1812. It was his job to stamp the barrels of supplies destined for the Army from the E. & S. Wilson Meat Company.

After stamping the company's initials, he stamped "U.S." for the Federal

government. One day, another inspector jokingly told the Governor of New York who was visiting the plant that the "U.S." stood for "our Uncle Sam." The rest is history. The men who worked with Samuel Wilson and joined the Army spread the word about "Uncle Sam." By 1813, newspapers were referring to men in the Army as "Uncle Sam's men." And by 1825, Federal employees in Washington were telling visitors, "we work for Uncle Sam."

TEXTILE INDUSTRY LEADS IN MINORITY EMPLOYMENT

Negro employment in the textile industry reached 12 per cent of the work force in 1969, a gain of 24 per cent over 1968.

According to the figures compiled by the Bureau of Labor Statistics in Washington, the percentage of

Negro employment in textiles passed the manufacturing industries' average of just over 10 per cent. The textile industry increase of 24 per cent compares with a 4 per cent increase in manufacturing over-all.

Completes Special Forces Training

Sergeant Robert E. Cook, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jennings Cook recently completed Special Forces training at John F. Kennedy Center for Special Warfare at Ft. Bragg, N. C.

Sgt. Cook, who is now prepared for an assignment with one of the six operational Special Forces groups around the world, has received training in map reading, patrolling, and



methods of instructing native personnel.

from the

SOCIAL SECURITY

mail box



Q. My total earnings for the year 1969 were \$1710.18. However, my net take-home pay was under \$1680. Am I required to file a social security report on my earnings?

A. Yes. It is the gross earnings which determine whether a report is due. All beneficiaries born after February 1, 1897, are required to file an annual report with the Social Security Administration if they had gross earnings of more than \$1680 during the year 1969.

Q. I receive monthly social security checks. What events should I report to the local social security office?

A. You should report all address changes, starting or stopping work (employment), marriage or remarriage, divorce or death.

Revolutionary Cotton Picker Retires Into History

"Old Red," the nation's first commercially workable mechanical cotton picker, found its niche in American history this year (1970) when it was donated to the Smithsonian Institution.

Old Red was the forerunner of a development that revolutionized the cotton industry, as did the cotton gin 150 years before it. International Harvester Co. produced the machine in 1943.

Before being retired in 1959 it brought in 8,000 bales of cotton in 16 seasons. More sophisticated picking machines have since replaced it.

Said to be the only complete harvester of its kind, Old Red will spend the rest of its days as a museum exhibit. Cotton Oil Co. of Fresno, Cal., presented the machine to the Smithsonian.

Management Workshop At PC

The Twelfth Annual Management Workshop will be held on the Presbyterian College campus June 4-5.

The program is designed primarily to bring together operating supervisors and personnel managers for a practical discussion of vital labor relations matters.



Georgette McGinnis is the charming daughter of Mr. George McGinnis of Chester. She graduated from Chester High School this month. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McGinnis.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

If you would like to express your likes and dislikes about the Clothmaker, write a letter to the editor.

Any suggestions on improvements? If you have any, let us know about them. Would you like more pictures, more local items, or features. Let us know if you enjoy reading **The Clothmaker.**

All letters must be signed.



Richard Turner



Virgil Livingston



Jack Bolt

THE BEARDED ONES

Three Clinton Mills Plant No. 1 employees are competing with each other in growing beards in celebration of South Carolina's tricentennial activities. Richard Turner, Virgil Livingston, and Jack Bolt have attracted much attention from their fellow employees as their beards portray the role of our forefathers in South Carolina's history.