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Social Security, Medicare, and Government Pensions: Get the Most of Your Retirement and Medical Benefits, 10th Edition by Joseph L. Matthews and Dorothy Matthews Berman. (Nolo, 2005)

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Social Security and Its Discontents: Perspectives on Choice by Michael Tanner, Ed. (Cato Institute, 2004)

Social Security and the Golden Age: An Essay on the New American Demographic by George McGovern. (Fulcrum Publishing, 2005)

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