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**ASSOCIATE ADDED** — The Moss H. Kendrick Organization, Washington, D. C., has announced the addition of Tom Hawkins, Baltimore native, as an account associate. Above, Mr. Hawkins, left, is seen with Buffalo City Councilman King Peterson, center, and Mr. Kendrick, head of the nationally-known public re-

lations firm, during recent Buffalo reception. Formerly associated with the Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Baltimore, Mr. Hawkins has had wide experience in sales, public relations and radio and television. Son of Mrs. R. B. Hawkins of Baltimore, and the late Dr. Thomas S. Hawkins, the new associate is a graduate of

Morgan State College, a Presbyterian, and an active member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and The Frontiers of America. He now resides in Washington, D. C.

## Ellabelle Davis, Soprano, To Launch NCC's Concert Series

DURHAM — The distinguished American soprano, Ellabelle Davis, who will come to North Carolina College for a personal appearance on October 7 in Duke Auditorium, is the first Negro artist ever to have been starred by any one of the world's leading opera houses. This memorable occasion



MISS ELLA BELLE DAVIS

took place in 1946 in Mexico City's famed Opera Nacional, when she was chosen to interpret the title role of Verdi's doomed Ethiopian princess, Aida. Many Negro artists had won fame as concert singers, some had

even portrayed roles in the smaller operatic companies, but no Negro has ever managed to crash the big-time circuit on which the world famous singers shuttle back and forth

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### Highway Patrol Boss Says:

### Death Lurks On Dark Roads

RALEIGH — "Death travels dark roads."

Major W. B. Lentz, boss of the State Highway Patrol's transportation and communications division, said that reminder this week in warning Tar Heel motorists of the dangers that confront the night time driver.

"Speed and darkness are a deadly combination," he said. "And by speed I don't mean 50 or 60 miles an hour — I mean a speed that is fast for driving conditions. Dusk or darkness are conditions that call for traveling at a much lower speed than you would travel the same road in daylight."

Major Lentz warned that many motorists are taken unaware by the earlier hours of dusk at this time of year.

"Obviously," he said, "a car going at a low speed can stop in a shorter distance than one going faster. This is a vital point in the night driving picture. In dusk or darkness a driver can't see as far ahead as he can in daylight."

In fact, on a very dark road he can see only the length of his headlight beam. For safety's sake

then, he should travel at a speed that will make it possible for him to stop safely within the distance covered by his beam.

Major Lentz, who is a charter member of the patrol, recommended that the night time driver reduce his speed even under the most ideal after-dark driving conditions.

He also advised motorists to have their cars checked regularly, since "split-second" response is a must for night driving.

"And, of course," he said, "alertness is doubly important. Pedestrians, cyclists, and other motorists are all more difficult to see at night. If the motorist is on the look-out he's more likely to see them in time to avoid an accident."

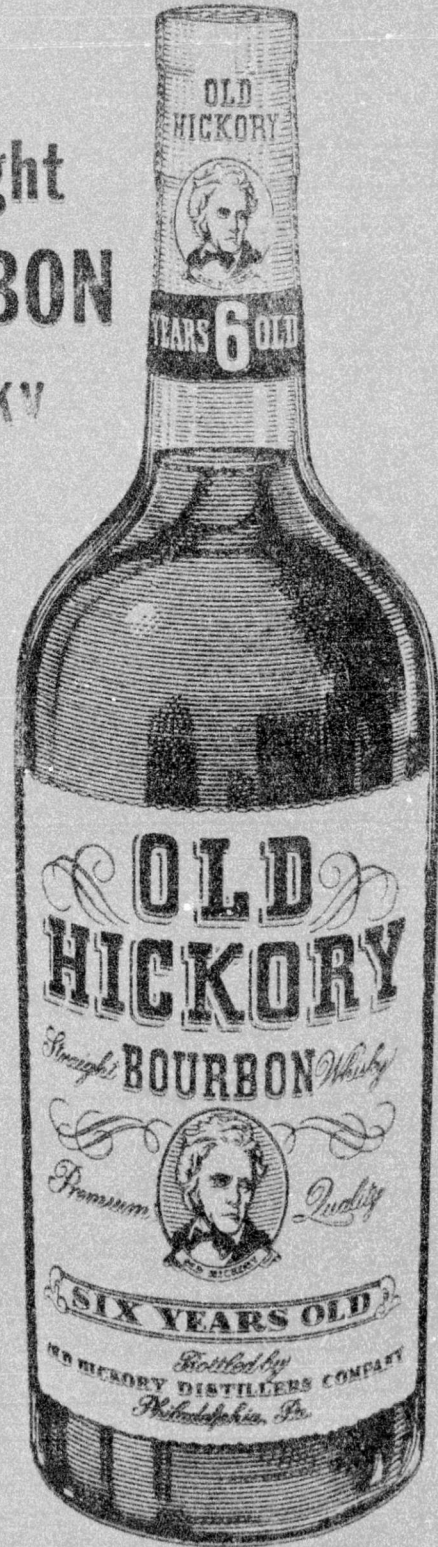
The major took occasion to warn night time drivers against wearing their glasses to cut down glare from oncoming lights.

"Sun glasses will cut down the glare, all right," he said. "But they also reduce your own vision at the same time. Don't wear them while driving at night."

Reduced speed, vigilance and care are practical safeguards against night driving hazards, he said.

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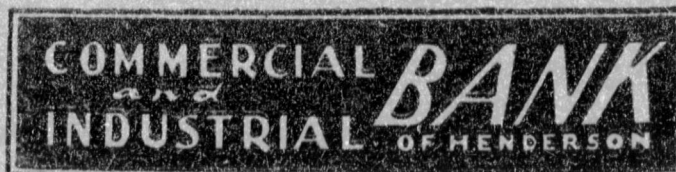
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