

4 INJURED AS MAN GOES BESERK



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G.I. MURDERS WIFE, KILLS SELF

NEW YORKERS KILLED IN N. C. WRECK

By J. E. HARREN
TARSIORO, N. C. — Fate dealt a cruel blow to the Christmas hopes of two local families here Saturday afternoon, December 23, when a car bringing members of their families home for the holidays from New York was sideswiped and thrown into the path of the oncoming A.C.L. steamliner "Champion" near Weldon.

The Buick automobile, said to have been driven by Edgar Wilson and bearing Mrs. Mittie Hammond Blackmon, her eleven-year-old daughter, Cynthia, and Thurman Reeves as passengers, was sideswiped by another car attempting to pass it. Wilson's car was thrown out of control and he said to have hit a telephone pole and landed in the path of the fast approaching "Champion" which was running two hours late. Mrs. Blackmon and Wilson were killed while her daughter Cynthia and Reeves were injured. Identity of the car causing the wreck was not ascertained.

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Holiday Takes Huge Toll: Five Dead, 2 Hurt

Appeal For March of Dimes Support



Left to right: Dr. M. E. Walton, Thomasville, Ga., President National Dental Association; Laura Lovelace, Cincinnati, Ohio, National President Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority; Dr. H. H. Walker, Nashville, Tenn., President National Medical Association; Dr. Nancy B. Woolridge, Hampton Institute, Va., National President Zeta Phi Beta Sorority; Mr. J. R. Booker, Little Rock, Ark., President National Bar Association. Join the March of Dimes with dollars January 15-31.

Young Soldier Uses .22 Rifle In Double Death

STATESVILLE — A 22-year-old Fort Bragg soldier shot and killed his estranged wife here Tuesday and turned the same gun he used upon himself, ending his own life.

Dead in the homicide incident are Private Calvin Lazenby and his wife, Mildred.

The soldier, on holiday leave, went to the home of his wife's parents where Mrs. Lazenby had been residing since their estrangement. When Mrs. Lazenby emerged from the house to carry in stove-wood, the soldier shot her twice in the chest with the .22 gauge rifle.

The woman stumbled backward into the house and died seconds later.

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Made IBPOE Area Deputy



ELK OFFICIAL — Dr. James P. Hightower of Winston-Salem was recently made IBPOEW (Elks) District Deputy for the 5th Congressional District. Dr. Hightower, a practicing naturopathic physician, is a noted fraternal and church leader in the Twin City.

LAST RITES FOR JAMES K. LANE

RALEIGH — Mr. James K. Lane, died at his home Sunday Morning, December 24, 1950, after several months of illness.

Funeral services were held at Springfield Baptist Church Wednesday, December 27 at 2:00 p. m. with the Rev. Ollie H. Broadie officiating. Mr. Lane was born in Raleigh. He was the son of the late Major George L. Lane and Mrs. Adeline Virginia Lane.

An outstanding person in the community, Mr. Lane was an ideal father and loved to see all of his children finish High School, with four holding college degrees. Three in the teaching profession and three-sons are progressive farmers in Wake County.

He is survived by thirteen children. Six sons: Austin A. Lane, principal of a school in Franklin County; James F. "Horse" Lane of (Continued on page 8, this section)

CAREENING CAR WRECKS THREE PARKED AUTOS

RALEIGH — Three parked cars were damaged here early Tuesday morning when the automobile driven by a young school teacher went out of control, wreaking havoc for a block.

Leslie Wright, the teacher, 25, of E-a Washington Terrace, suffered only abrasions while a companion suffered multiple facial cuts in the accident.

The accident occurred shortly after 4 a. m. on Peace Street. Wright's car went out of control as he rounded a curve on West Johnson Street. The teacher's car sideswiped one parked auto and then jammed into the rear of another one, pushing the second car the three others has been estimated at \$1,800. The three-car has been estimated at \$1,800.

Band Head Visits Home



VISITS HOME — Eddie Wilcox, noted musician and a native of Raleigh, was guest of relatives in the Capital City for a while during the current holiday season. Wilcox head the Jimmie Lunceford Orchestra.

Shotguns Used With Accuracy During Yuletide

RALEIGH — Merriness, murder, mayhem and madness combined to make the past Christmas holiday season one of the most bloody the state has ever witnessed. At least 17 persons were dead and two injured before Wednesday of this week.

Two of the dead are victims of shotgun activity, one is dead as a result of pistol injuries and two died as the result of traffic mishaps.

The stories below recount the incidents:

MAN BURNED TO DEATH IN AUTO

WASHINGTON, N. C. — A 37-year-old local resident was killed here Monday when trapped in the burning cab of his automobile.

Onslow County officials and Highway patrolmen identify the victim of the mishap as William Tait Price, who lived here.

Price was dead when removed from the driver's seat of his automobile which had overturned on Highway 24 in Onslow County.

GUN BOOBY TRAP KILLS PROWLER

NEW BERN — The body of a 23-year-old man was discovered beneath the window of the home of his neighbor late Christmas night, the victim of a gun booby trap set up by the neighbor.

Dead of gunshot wounds in the chest is George Waters, 23, who came here recently from La Grange. Waters was shot by a shotgun trap set up by William Green, who lived beside him on the McKel Far mat nearby Clarks.

Green said that he set up his trap after having been plagued by marauders during the last few days. Green set a shotgun on a stool and pointed it toward the window the prowler had used to make his entrance. A clothesline wire was connected to the gun's trigger and extended to the window. Tampering with the window would cause the gun to fire.

Green was held in custody temporarily pending an inquest. He had not been released Wednesday.

DRIVER DEAD CAUSE UNKNOWN

MONROE — The cause of the death of a truck driver near here Tuesday was unknown as local officials made ready to perform an autopsy.

The driver, William Carelock, 45, died when his truck suddenly left a road ten miles from here and plunged down and embankment and into a tree. What caused Carelock's truck to leave the road so suddenly and take its wild plunge could not be determined.

Carelock had been driving

Young Woman Of 1950



"YOUNG WOMAN OF THE YEAR" — Janet Collins, dancer lead in Cole Porter's new musical "Out Of This World", was named a Young Woman of the Year and awarded a 1950 Merit Award for signal achievement by MADEMOISELLE MAGAZINE. Miss Collins, who has been hailed as the most exciting discovery of the last decade, was also named a MADEMOISELLE "Most Likely to Succeed" in Sept. 1950.

High Point Man Shoots 4 During Xmas Spree

HIGH POINT — Four persons were injured here Christmas night when a 30-year-old man went berserk, blazing his way through blocks of a section of the inhabited predominantly by Negroes. The man escaped, and was later captured.

Identified as the assailant of the four persons and as the man who terrorized a large portion of East High Point before being captured was "Zeke" Ingram.

HOW IT STARTED

Ingram started on his half-pool long, long shooting spree following an argument with several men in a poolroom. Ingram left the establishment and went home, returning with a shotgun.

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"WHO'S WHO IN COLORED AMERICA" — The first copy of the new edition of "Who's Who in Colored America" is shown being examined by its editors and co-workers in the publication's New York office. The efficient staff has turned out the most informative directory on Colored America to date.

Marital Troubles Aired



CHARGES OF POLYGAMY — are but one of the many and varied violations of civil law which have to be investigated by the UN Missions all over the world. The Fon of Bikom (Cameroon) was accused of having 600 wives. The Mission concluded that it was "a mistake to look at polygamy on the basis of Western standards (UNATIONS).