

# Labor Day Travel Toll Is Over 400

The Labor Day weekend death toll was lower than expected as the four-day holiday entered its final day Monday. But National Safety Council officials feared that homeward-bound traffic on the final day would cause the death tabulation to skyrocket.

Some 459 persons were dead by 1 p. m. today as the result of auto accidents.

The National Safety Council had predicted that 560 to 600 persons would die in traffic accidents over the holiday.

## News Of Our Servicemen

### Dr. Sullivan Finishes Army Medical Course

Doctor (Captain) Thomas A. Sullivan Jr., son of Thomas A. Sullivan of 5163 N. 37rd Road, Arlington, Va., has completed the orientation course for officers of the U. S. Air Force Medical Service at Sheppard ARB, Tex.

The doctor, who recently came on active duty, was given instruction in specialized aerospace medical subjects and administrative procedures of the USAF Medical Service.

He is being assigned to the USAF hospital at Holloman AFB, N. M., for duty as an internist.

Dr. Sullivan attended Duke University at Durham, N. C. He was associated with Washington, D. C. General Hospital. He is a member of Phi Delta Theta.

His wife, Margaret, is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. L. D. Hagaman of 801 Cherry Drive, Boone, N. C.

### Assigned To Vietnam

Army Private Larry L. Triplett, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney A. Triplett, Hill St., Boone, N. C., was assigned to the 145th Combat Aviation Battalion near Bien Hoa, Vietnam, Aug. 22.

Triplett, an aircraft mechanic in the battalion's 391st Traps in the battalion's 391st Transportation Detachment, entered the Army in December 1966, completed basic training at Ft. Bragg, N. C., and was last stationed at Ft. Eustis, Va.

He attended Appalachian High School, Boone. His wife, Ann, lives in Blowing Rock.

### Billy J. Michael Now In Vietnam

Billy J. Michael, son of Mrs. H. H. Tester of Zionville is now serving in active duty in Vietnam. Friends wishing to write him, address letters to:

Billy J. Michael  
S.N. 772-78-24  
USS Arlington (AGMR2) 2nd Division  
FPO San Francisco, Calif. 96601

U. S. sees new hope for Latin Alliance.

India leader seeks closer tie with Japan.

The safety council advised motorists Sunday to begin their homeward journeys early to prevent the last-minute traffic jams and rushes that the council fears would cause the traffic death toll to rise.

Sunday the death toll jumped from 327 persons at 6 p. m. to 372 at midnight. But the council hoped even with this increase the final figure would still be below par for a four-day weekend.

As the weekend went into its fourth day, 15 persons were killed by drowning and 8 persons died in boating accidents since the holiday began.



**POSITIVE PURPOSE?**—Getting away from the negative aspect of Boone's refuse dump, Mayor Clyde Greene Tuesday said there may be a positive side to the story. He spoke of a plan used by the City of Hickory in which trash was used as a land fill on municipal property to be sold. By packing layers of the

trash into hollows and gaps, and covering this with dirt, land can be made suitable for construction. He said the Board of Aldermen may consider such a proposal after the water-sewer construction is finished in the city. (Staff photo)

## Zionville News

Earl Miller has returned from Cannon Memorial Hospital in Banner Elk where he was a patient last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Farthing and son Gale, of Wytheville, Va. and Mrs. Minnie Hackedy of Damascus, Va. spent Labor Day weekend here with relatives and attended a get-together of old friends who met at Zionville Church Sunday for a picnic lunch. Others attending were Mr. and Mrs. Ron Davis of Todd; Mrs. Dana Farthing and Miss Ethel Wilson of Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. J. R. Potter of Jacksonville, Florida; Bill Slater, Salem, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Myron Greer of the Bethel

Community; Mrs. Emma Taylor, Boone; Mrs. Tom Wilson and Mrs. Jake Chapman from Silverstone; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Miller, Mrs. Maggie Norris, Clint Winebarger, Misses Edna and Mildred Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilkinson all of Zionville and Mr. and Mrs. James Layng of St. Cloud, Fla.

Mrs. Jack Taylor and Lisa from Delaware, Maryland are here for a visit with Mrs. Taylor's mother, Mrs. Odell Perry for two weeks.

Mrs. Maude Robbins of Lenoir was a guest of Misses Edna and Mildred Thomas Sunday.

Bill Slater of Salem, Va. and Mrs. Roy Potter of Jacksonville, Fla. were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilkinson during the past week.

Lee Proffitt of Dumfries, Va. was here for the weekend and on his return home was accompanied by Mrs. Proffitt and Debra who had spent the summer here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Combs and Lynn of Hickory spent the weekend here at their home.

Romney scores war buildup as "tragic."

Personal income rose sharply in July.

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