

## Youthful Driver Will Receive Special Attention

RALEIGH—The youthful driver, and especially his affinity for speed, will receive very special attention from the State Highway Patrol in the future.

Coming off one of the worst weekend death tolls in recent months, the Patrol called its top field commanders to Raleigh Tuesday to tell them to stop the young highway speeders.

"We know," said Lt. Col. Edwin Guy, Patrol executive officer, "that all young people are not violating the traffic laws. In fact we believe most young people who drive do obey the traffic laws."

"Facts are facts, and when there are 23 persons killed over one weekend in North Carolina and 12 of these are in the age range of 22-year-old and less we must take positive action."

The troop commanders from the Patrol's six troops were instructed to initiate programs at the local level aimed at the youthful driver.

"Regardless of whether they want our help," Lt. Col. Guy said, "we are going to help them stay alive. Our job is not to be popular. Our job is to save lives on the highways."

The Patrol officer pointed out that 736 persons in the "young person" category were killed on Tar Heel highways during 1967 out of a total of 1,744 fatalities.

"We experienced reductions in both December and January in highway deaths," Guy said. "However, we have exceeded the death count of the previ-

ously year in February.

"When we take the credit for reductions in deaths, we must also shoulder the blame when the death toll is on the rise."

Guy, Patrol Commander Col. Charles Speed and Major John Laws, who heads the enforcement division, called on the field commanders to continue their campaigns against the wilful violators — the speeders, the drinking driver and the reckless driver.

Major Law noted that arrests with the Patrol's new speed-timing device, VASCAR, had risen steadily over the three months it has been utilized for arrest purposes. Drunk driving arrests are also up.

He said arrests for speeding with VASCAR in December, the first month it was used, totaled 414; January, 908; and the first two weeks of February, 709. Driving under the influence arrests in January total 928, an increase of 41 over the same period a year ago.

"We will continue the surveillance program aimed at those persons who have had their drivers' licenses revoked or suspended," Lt. Col. Guy said.

The program of watching for drivers with no valid license was kicked off last December. At its inception, Col. Speed asked

for and got the cooperation of the state's municipal police departments in searching out drivers with revoked and suspended licenses.

"I would like for you to hit this program especially hard," Col. Speed told his field commanders. "I believe this particular group represents one of the most dangerous on our highways."

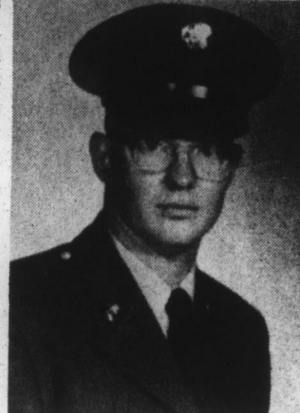
"We don't want to over-emphasize youth," Lt. Col. Guy said, "but the figures indicate that youth and automobiles and speed are a deadly combination."

## Robert E. Parks Recently Promoted To Sergeant

Fort Gordon, Ga. He was then assigned to Ft. Knox, Ky., where he graduated from Leadership Preparation School and Advanced Individual Training.

Upon completion of this training, he entered jump school and was assigned to Troop A (Airborne/Mechanized) 3rd Squadron 8th U. S. Cavalry in Germany, where he is presently serving as an armored Intelligence Specialist.

Sgt. Parks is a 1965 graduate of Chowan High School.



SGT. ROBERT E. PARKS

## YOUR DOG'S KEEN NOSE

Everyone who has read Homer remembers how Ulysses' old hound Argus recognized Ulysses beneath his disguise when he returned to his native Ithaca after 20 years absence. Your own dog could pick out your garments from a whole pile of miscellaneous clothing.

Ever wonder what it is about you that gives you such individuality to your faithful friend? Your voice, of course. And how you look. But it's also your scent, most specifically that given off by your sweat glands, particularly in your hands and feet. And your dog's nose is marvelously adapted to picking up that scent. So says Dr. James E. Corbin, director of the Purina Pet Care Center.

A man's own sense of smell lies in what we might call olfactory folds in the upper part of his nasal passages. Man, like a cat,

has a short nose and, therefore, has only three or four of these folds. An ant-eater, on the other hand, has a tremendously long nose and ten such folds—and a corresponding acute sense of smell. A dog also has a long nose and thus his sense of smell is far keener than yours. It's as if you had a nasal structure about a foot long.

But let's get back to you and your scent. How would a dog track you, for example, if you were lost? Man's track consists of tiny scented particles left by his clothing rubbing against high grass and shrubs, by his leather shoes crushing plants when he walks, by his hands touching objects. How does this work? A man loses about two pounds every 24 hours through sweat, chiefly from the palms of his hands and the soles of his feet. Sweat is almost 99 per

cent water but there is a very distinctive mark carried by the fatty acids and other metabolic products from the body in the remainder. After a while, your clothing becomes impregnated with your characteristic scent — which your own nose may not even be able to detect. Leather shoes, for example, become subtly permeated by perspiration and a tiny, tiny quantity of the scent will be squeezed out on the ground at each step.

It is the hand that leaves the most lasting and heartiest scent. And considering how many things we must touch in the course of a journey, it would be hard for a man to escape from a dog that had been trained in the art of tracking.

Similarly, experts researching the most appetizing pet foods have found that the dog's keen sense of smell calls for a subtle blending of aroma. The 500 dogs at the Purina Pet Care Center include a 100-dog taste panel that does daily "taste-testing" to find the foods they like best. The result says Dr. Corbin, is that not only do today's dogs get a better balanced diet than many people, but their sense of smell is pampered as well.

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For more information, write Plumbing Fixture Manufacturers Association, 1145 19th Street, N. W., Washington, D.C. 20036 and ask for free bidet flyer.

2. Top-quality bathroom fixtures are stain- and acid-resistant, easier to keep clean, maintain luster longer. For information on how to recognize quality, the Plumbing Fixture Manufacturers Association (address above) has a free flyer entitled, "What You Should Know about Plumbing Fixtures for Your Home."

3. Don't have space for a bathroom? Investigate the possibilities of a compact powder room. Most older homes have such space in a closet, under a stairwell or at the end of a hall.

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