

**ARE YOU A HURRICANE DRIVER?**

Are you a hurricane driver?

You are if you drive 75 miles an hour or more, the National Safety Council said today.

For at that pace, warned the Council, you can destroy yourself and anything in your path as quickly as a hurricane.

"The U. S. Weather Bureau considers winds of 75 miles and over of hurricane proportion," said Ned H. Dearborn, president of the Council, "and motorists should remember that a car driven at the same speed is propelled with the same destructive force."

Because of the emergency traffic situation, with its rising toll, Mr. Dearborn said a year-round "Back the attack on Traffic Accidents" campaign, being launched this December, will continue through 1957. The purpose of the campaign is to encourage public officials to step up the attack and to stimulate citizens to back the attack on traffic accidents.

During December campaign emphasis will be on speed, drinking drivers and pedestrians, night driving and pedestrian hazards.

Speed was a large factor last year in the 609 Christmas traffic deaths, the Council said. Driving too fast for conditions or in excess of the speed limit was a factor in 85 per cent of the fatal accidents, compared with an annual average of 35 per cent.

At high speeds the human body becomes increasingly vulnerable, the Council said. If an accident occurs at 60 miles an hour or more the victim is eight times more likely to die than if he had been injured in an accident at 20 miles an hour.

"Speed not only increases your chances of having an accident—it decreases your chances of coming out alive if you do have one," said Mr. Dearborn.

To determine a safe speed, the Council said, drivers must take into consideration.

1. Weather and visibility. Fog, rain, snow, bright sunlight, or darkness are caution signs that should be heeded.
2. Mechanical factors. Engine power, ability to hold the road, and efficiency of all mechanical parts have a definite bearing on selection of a safe speed.
3. Physical factors. Whether a road is rough, smooth, flat, curving or straight are considerations that should influence speed.
4. Personal factors. The driver's physical and mental condition and the speed at which he can safely control his car are important factors.
5. Traffic conditions. Drivers should adapt their speed to the traffic they meet. A safe speed on a country road can be unsafe on a city street.

**CHRISTMAS GIVES US AN OPPORTUNITY . . . .**

. . . to tell you how sincerely we appreciate your business and your friendship.

Three hundred and sixty four days out of the year all of us are absorbed into business. But one day we forget all this, and think of others.

We'll be thinking of you and our friends who have made it possible for us to enjoy Christmas. We'll be thinking how fortunate we are to have your confidence and friendship. And we promise to leave no stone unturned in the years ahead to merit a continuance of the confidence.

And we're wishing you a very Merry Christmas, with a big 1937 that will reward you richly.

**Backward Glance**

10 YEARS AGO

Thursday, December 19, 1946

Jack Asbury of Clarksville, Ga. is visiting J. H. Wilson here. Mr. and Mrs. Peyton G. Ivie and daughter, Glenda spent Monday in Cornelia, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bueck of Lawrenceville, Va., will arrive Christmas day and visit several days with H. Bueck and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Davidson and Mrs. Glenn Bates spent Wednesday in Atlanta on business.

Jimmy Cagle of Knoxville, Tenn. is spending the Christmas holidays with his grandmother, Mrs. J. H. Queen.

20 YEARS AGO

Thursday, December 17, 1926

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Moore spent the week end in Knoxville. Mr. Pruden Davidson and Mr. Jerry Davidson, Jr. will arrive

Thursday from State College to spend Christmas.

Mrs. W. A. Barber and Miss Josephine Highway spent the week end in Asheville.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Elkins and children spent Tuesday in Atlanta Christmas shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Forsyth of Andrews were visitors in town Sunday.

30 YEARS AGO

Friday December 17, 1926

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Moody and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Moody are spending a few days in Raleigh with friends.

Mr. W. F. Stoner has been visiting his brother, Mr. J. W. Stoner. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Axley motored to Atlanta Thursday morning for the week end.

Mrs. J. W. Davidson entertained the Baptist Missionary Society at her home Tuesday afternoon. A salad course was served.

Mrs. Martha K. Smith is spending Xmas holidays with friends and relatives.

**God's Night Watchmen**  
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..TEXT.. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flocks by night. (margin) Keeping the night watches Luke 2:8

At the time of Jesus' birth the world was clothed in darkness; politically speaking, gripped in bondage by the iron fist of the Roman Empire; religiously speaking, overbearing, bigoted leaders, blind by deceit, heaped heavy burdens upon men grievous to be borne. There had been no true prophetic message for over 400 years. Indeed, men sat in darkness and in the shadow of death. But, alas Prophecy is Fulfilled; the stage is set for the coming of the Redeemer, the greatest event since the creation of the earth. "But when the fullness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son . . ." Galatians 4:4

Heaven was in preparedness for this great event—the only begotten of the Father, the Redeemer of the world, was to be born. No doubt, the attention of all heaven was drawn earthward as the angel made the announcement: "Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to All People . . . and suddenly there was with the angel a multitude Of The Heavenly Host praising God and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men".

The natural world, the earth, was also ready. One writer said, "Winter chided aloud; and sent the angry North to wage his wars. The North forgot his fierce intent and left perfumes instead of scars. By those sweet persuasive powers, where he meant frost he scattered flowers." The snow would fain have offered its downy sheets of snow to furnish the infant's bed, but the forbearance came. "You're too cold." No doubt, the moon and stars dimmed their lights to give the Star of the East prominence. The earth was still but knew not why; the world was listening, unawares. How calm the moment which preceded the One who would thrill the world forever!

Heaven and the natural earth gave the Saviour of the world a great reception, but how about the peoples of the world — where they ready? As a whole, no, there was "no room" for Him. But, God had his "night watchmen": the shepherds were keeping the Night Watches out on the hills of Judea. They were awake while others slept, keeping a constant watch against the danger of lurking thieves and prowling animals. It was to These Shepherds That The Announcement of the Angel Came that memorable night: "For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour which is Christ the Lord." It was the shepherds, "God's night watchmen," who could proclaim as no other, "Great Eternal Day, I saw thee at the very dawning; I saw thy great light as you came and chased the trembling shades away." To the rising sun they could say, "While you have slept and dreamed of no such thing, we have seen the heavenly King, the Sun of Righteousness, the Day Star, a greater light than you!" The Christ Child looked up and showed his face, and, in spite of darkness, it was Day! Oh, the wonders of a single night! Eternity shut in a span; summer in winter; day in night; heaven in earth and God in man! Great little One! whose all embracing birth lifts earth to heaven, stoops heaven down to earth. A new Day has dawned—darkness is past and the apprehend this New Day. "Let us now go even to Bethlehem and see true Light is here! Joy to the world the Lord is come!

The shepherds were the first to this thing which is come to pass, things which is come to pass, which the Lord Hath Made Known To Us," They returned glorifying and praising God for all these things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

The Stage is now set for the second appearing of the Redeemer!

History repeats itself, and again the earth is clothed in darkness—the darkness of war, bloodshed, crime, greed, and selfishness. Dark clouds are thickly gathering on the horizon, warning of the impending tribulation. Nations are perplexed and distressed; men's hearts are falling them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth. Again, God needs night watchmen—real and sainted men to guide the people in these trying times. God has always had His night watchmen—men who watch and pray in the darkest hours of the church; valiant soldiers who stand on the walls of

Zion and look steadily with an eye of faith out into the darkness, and who are alert to any danger that might threaten the people of God. Many times they, too, have only the faint light of the stars to cheer their lonely hearts, but they faithfully keep their midnight watch.

The beauty of true character is demonstrated in the dark night of sin and trouble; in sickness, in temptation, in sorrow, true heroes are born. World conditions challenge the ministers of God. Young men are saying, "We have nothing to look forward to in life except war and the suffering that goes with it." They need to be reminded of the promises of God: "Be strong and of a good courage . . . I am with thee." Christians are becoming fearful, doubtful and despondent. They, too, need to be reminded, "See that ye be not troubled . . . lift up your heads, your redemption is at hand."

Certainly, present conditions offer golden opportunities as well as great responsibilities. Many are feeling their need of God and need of counsel and guidance. Oh, Church of the living God, awake! be on the alert for the need of the day! A deeper consecration, a broader separation, a greater understanding of God's Word, a fuller knowledge of His love, and a living faith is needed for this great task. "Quit you like men; be strong." Be still before God; tarry in His presence; seek His face for counsel; then speak His Word with authority, filling the crying need of the multitudes. The early disciples had the privilege to tell the world that the Messiah had come, later of His death and resurrection and His teachings, primarily. The church today has the privilege, as no other people have ever had, to

tell the world that Jesus is coming soon. "This generation shall not pass away until all will be fulfilled." The responsibility and privilege almost stagger the mind to tell the world that Jesus is coming, very, very, soon.

Yes, 'tis night, almost midnight; then the cry, "BEHOLD THE BRIDEGROOM COMETH, GO YE OUT TO MEET HIM!" Are you keeping the night watches?

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