

### Four In Actress' Traffic Family Killed

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (UPI) — Four members of the late comedienne Joan Davis' family — her mother, daughter and two grandsons — were killed today when fire swept their home.

The victims were Nina Davis, 72, Mrs. Beverly Colbert, 29, and Mrs. Colbert's two sons by a former marriage, Guy Grossman, 7, and Larry, 4.

Neighbors were awakened shortly after midnight when windows in the modest home began "popping" out under pressure built up by the internal fire.

Firemen controlled the blaze and found the four bodies all in the master bedroom where the fire apparently originated. Investigators said the blaze may have been started by a smoldering cigarette. Flames were contained in the structure until the windows exploded outward from the heat.

Mrs. Colbert's husband, Martin, was in Los Angeles at the time of the accident.

Miss Davis died at Palm Springs May 23, 1961 of a heart attack. The comedienne left her million-dollar estate to a former husband in a will made 20 years earlier. But in a court battle over the estate Mrs. Colbert was awarded the bulk of it and the former husband, Si Willis, received a package settlement of \$50,000, including cash and a Palm Springs home.

### Dunn, Route 1 Man Arrested

Garland J. Barber, Sampson County ABC officer, reported finding a quantity of non tax-paid whiskey and legal beer in the home of Ollie Tart of Route 1, Dunn, Sunday at 11:15 a.m. Tart was placed under bond of \$200 for a hearing in county court.

ham, disobey stop sign, actual costs; Handy Lawrence Groves, Rt. 1, Dunn, improper passing; Albert Jasper Brown Rt. 1, Bunnlevel, disobeying stop sign, actual costs; Herman Dalley, Fort Bragg, no operators license, \$25 fine and costs; Levi McNeill, Buies Creek, publicly drunk, costs; William G. Johnstone, speeding 69 in 60 mile zone, \$5 and costs; Claude William Bailey, Greensboro, speeding 70 in 55-mile zone, improper passing, \$5 and costs.

Phyllis Wood, Fort Bragg, speeding 70 in 55-mile zone, no operators license, improper passing, pleaded guilty to driving 70 miles per hour and passing on hill. She was fined \$5 and costs, after the court found she has a valid license. Charge against Ray Darroch, Route 3, Lillington, for trespassing on premises of Margaret Darroch was found frivolous and malicious, and the prosecuting witness was taxed with the cost.

In another warrant in which Margaret Darroch charged Lexie Dean, Lillington, Rt. 3, with assaulting her, was found frivolous and malicious, and she paid that cost also. In still another action she paid costs when court found that action of trespass against Ralph McDonald, Lillington, Rt. 3, was frivolous and malicious also.

Robert Thornton Haire, Rt. 1, Lillington, charged with improper registration, specifically with having had a registration plate issued for another motor vehicle other than on one which was used, paid costs. Randolph Hunt, Jr., Buies Creek, paid costs for speeding 50 miles per hour in 35-mile zone.

**BOOKIES ON STRIKE**  
COVENTRY, England (UPI) — All bets were off at the Coventry Greyhound Racetrack Tuesday night when bookies at the track staged a wildcat strike.



TUNING - UP FOR A HOOTENANNY - "Hootenanny" program chairman Judy Reardon seems to be well-pleased with the progress emcee Joyner Taylor is making toward getting "tuned-up" for the program to be presented at the Buies Creek High School Halloween Carnival, Thursday night, Oct. 24.

### Harnett Fair Winners Listed

A number of entrants from Harnett County won honors at the State Fair this year. They included: Mrs. John D. Champion, Fuquay Springs, 1st place - canned pears, canned string beans, canned green peas, tomato puree, canned chicken, canned pork, tomato juice, cucumber pickle (dill); 2nd place - canned oysters; 3rd place - pimento peppers, other canned vegetables, canned beef, sauerkraut.

Winners in the junior division of the Swine Show are: Joe Gregory, Angier, Reserve Champion Boar, six Blue ribbons and three red ribbons in the Spots Show; Wade Turner, Dunn, won 6th place in the Spots Show and two blue ribbons and one red ribbon in the Jr. Spots Show; Linda Sue Turlington, Dunn, won nine blue ribbons and two red ribbons in the Jr. Duroc Show; Laura Ann Turlington, Dunn, won Res. Champ. Board, 8 blue ribbons and 2 red in Jr. Duroc Show; Haywood West, Lillington, Jr. Champ. Sow, Res. Grand Champ. Sow, one 1st, one 2nd, three 3rd and one 4th in Spots Show; Champion Boar and Sow, and 7 blue ribbons in the Jr. Spots Show.

H. A. Turlington, Laura Ann Turlington, all of Dunn and all winners in the Swine Show, received Herdman Awards. They were judged on the care of the animals entered, neatness of the stalls and general supervision of animals.

Winners in the clothing division were: Mrs. John D. Champion of Fuquay Springs, first place in stuffed dolls and 3rd place in two-piece silk dress; Miss Cassie Moore, Angier, won 2nd place in crocheted sweater; Miss Joyce E. Smith of Fuquay Springs, won 2nd place in cotton blouse, party dress and two-piece wool dress; 3rd in house dress and one-piece wool dress.

Winners in the horticulture department are: Mrs. Kemp Ashley, Angier, 1st in single yellow rose; Kemp H. Ashley, Angier won 2nd in single rose-any color; Mrs. John D. Champion, Fuquay Springs won first places in mixed cut flowers, collection red roses, collection pink roses, collection roses other colors, single pink rose, single rose-other color, garden club arrangement for buffet dinner; and in collection of 5 varieties flowers, cut zinnia, arrangement home grown materials; Tom Strickland, Dunn, 2nd in peppers - commercial display and single tray display; Haywood West, Lillington, 2nd in tomatoes - June pink and 3rd bushel sweet potatoes.

### Erwin WOW Wins Award

Judge Barrington T. Hill, of Wadesboro, national director, was principal speaker at the Cape Fear Log Rolling Association of the Woodmen of the World during their convention held on Wednesday with the Mount Olive Camp No. 508 and Grantham Camp No. 481 as the hosts.

Delegates from Camp No. 618 of Erwin attending were Eskel B. Williams, Charles M. Johnson, St., William E. Tyndall, C. J. Horrell, Jr., David Tvey and Chester Martin. Williams was elected to the board of trustees.

Several other distinguished guests spoke either during the afternoon or evening session.

Dr. Thomas E. Shaver, of Mount Olive, national delegate to sovereign camp, presented the attendance award to the Erwin camp.

New officers elected to head the association were Ralph P. Willford, president; Dr. Thomas Shaver, Mount Olive, vice president; Mrs. Pearl N. Stanley, Wilmington, secretary; Mrs. Dorothy McColl Clarkton, banker; Frank Hollowell, Mt. Olive, escort; Billy Register, Mt. Olive, watchman; J. L. Rose, Jr., Route 1, Goldsboro, sentry; Dr. William Howard Carter, Goldsboro, chaplain.

Andrew H. Merritt was elected as chairman of trustees to serve with Johnny M. Spell, E. B. Williams, Erwin; Mrs. Sylvia Morris, Elizabethtown; and J. D. Raynor of Wilmington.

**SODA POP JAM**  
VENTURA, Calif. (UPI) — Motorists on their way to work during the morning rush hour on the busy Ventura Freeway had a new hazard to contend with Tuesday.

About 1,400 bottles of soda popped out over the freeway when truck driver Leonard McCoy swerved to avoid a collision and lost about 130 cases of soda was tied up for a half-hour.

**VARIOUS WATER SAMPLES**  
OMAHA, Neb. (UPI) — The Naval Reserve Training Command has asked for a sampling of water from the Atlantic, Pacific, Great Lakes, Gulf and the Missouri River.

### Hodges

witness before the Senate Rules Committee Tuesday when closed hearings begin on the case.

Baker resigned his \$19,000-a-year Senate post Oct. 7 following reports that he had an interest in a food vending firm serving defense plants. This was followed by other reports of real estate deals involving a \$134,500 Washington residence for his family, a \$28,000 Washington town house occupied by his secretary, and motel interests.

The motel interests included a partnership with Commerce Secretary Luther H. Hodges in a Howard Johnson motel at Charlotte, N.C.

A spokesman said Hodges, a former North Carolina governor, invested \$40,000 in November 1960 in the motel and later purchased the \$18,000 interest of former Senate aide Kidd Brewer, a North Carolina businessman later convicted for violating state laws against influence peddling.

Hodges sold his total interest in the motel for \$58,000 to Baker in July 1961, the spokesman said.

Williams said he was satisfied with the ground rules laid down for all the information turned up committee, headed by Sen. B. Everett Jordan, D-N.C.

The committee said all witnesses be heard first behind closed doors and would give their testimony under oath. The group also announced it would ask the FBI for all the information turned up on Baker's activities in a preliminary inquiry.

Williams told a reporter he had verbally "briefed" Jordan and Sen. Carl T. Curtis, R-Neb., ranking Republican on the committee, on what he learned informally about Baker's activities. On Tuesday, Williams said, he will provide the nine-member committee with "notes and memoranda" supporting that information.

Williams introduced the Senate resolution authorizing the inquiry. It directed the rules committee to investigate financial activities of present and former Senate officials and employees and "conflict of interest" involved.

**SAFETY LAST**  
EXETER, England (UPI) — Tom Day, 38, who has appeared in safety - first movies, was fined \$5.00 Tuesday for jay-walking.

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