

N. C. Highway Wreck Death Rate Way Up

Average of 67 Per Month Have Been Killed In Accidents

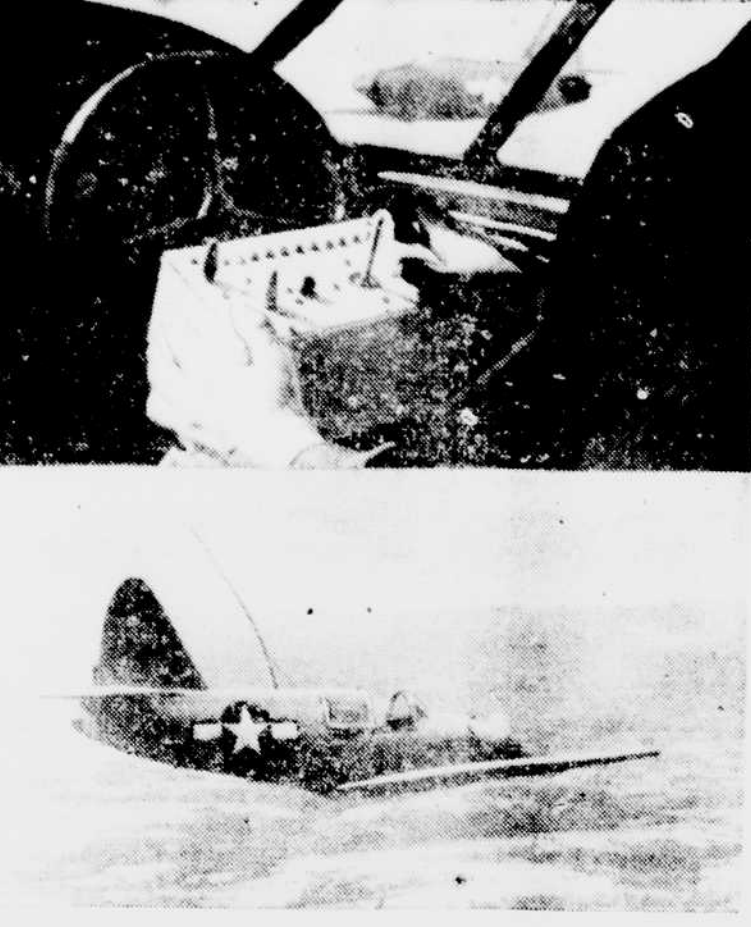
By Lynn Nisbet Daily Dispatch Bureau Raleigh, Oct. 16.—Nobody except the morticians can find any occasion for satisfaction in the record of highway slaughter in North Carolina as reflected by the report for September as the consolidated report for the first nine months of the current calendar year. The figures compiled by the highway safety division look bad enough taken alone, but when compared with previous months they show an alarming increase in fatalities that is appalling. UNPAID—Traffic accidents for some reason usually go up in late summer and early fall, but the current increase is higher than for the first six months of the year. 175 persons were killed and 1945 injured during the first three months this year. This is an average of 46 persons a month from January through June, and 67 a month in July, August and September, making a monthly average for the nine months of 53 victims due to traffic accidents. The early part of this year showed better news when the comparable one-third year when 305 persons were killed, but since July 1 there has been an increase of 25 percent in number of traffic deaths.

PREVENTABLE — Tragedy of these figures lies in the fact that motor vehicle accidents are preventable, according to Commissioner Budde Ward, who further notes that nationwide surveys indicate 96.5 percent of all motor accidents are due to careless and reckless driving. Ward intimates the condition will not improve much until the public changes its attitude which now is a sort of fatalistic acceptance of accidents as something to be expected rather than something that can be avoided.

AROUND CAPITOL SQUARE

By Lynn Nisbet Daily Dispatch Raleigh Raleigh, Oct. 16.—When the state board of mental health met at the state capitol building last night, it was the first time since the opening of the new building that the board met in the old capitol building. The board met in the old capitol building last night, it was the first time since the opening of the new building that the board met in the old capitol building. The board met in the old capitol building last night, it was the first time since the opening of the new building that the board met in the old capitol building.

FIRST PHOTOS OF ROBOT PLANE



THE ARMY HAS JUST LIFTED SECRECY on all the planes down by remote control and these photos show the robot in flight near Wright field, Ohio. A pilot in a motor plane was a radio-control box which transmits signals to the robot plane which is in background. These signals operate a unit, nicknamed the 'robot' which transmits electrical impulses to the mechanical pilot and the control system of the robot. As the robot craft has a radio antenna the control receiver sends back to the pilot's draft. (International)

REC Program Work Begun At Dix Hill

By Lynn Nisbet Daily Dispatch Bureau Raleigh, Oct. 16.—Work has begun on leveling the recreation park at the Dix Hill state hospital, and by the first of the year many activities will be carried on there although full utilization must wait for spring. The hospital board of control recently authorized addition of recreational activities at Raleigh and Mountain camps. J. N. Bond is on the job at Raleigh supervising preparation of the six-acre enclosed park and as soon as a competent director can be found for Mountain, similar project will be inaugurated. The park will have a football field, a golf ball field, two courts each for tennis, volleyball and basketball, a "baseball" field, swimming pool and other outdoor sports. It is also planned to have a band, and eventually to organize a club among the patients. Patients will be provided in the wooded areas. The park lies between the buildings and Rutherford road, and with its high wire enclosure will be used by the entire personnel of the ward as a time. Acquisition of a recreation park is a milestone in hospital progress, according to Business Manager R. M. Hutchins. Its use will supplement and supplement the division of occupational therapy, recognized as one of the most important phases in treatment of mentally ill persons. Not only does it offer great possibilities in curative effect, but it will add much to the happiness and comfort of patients in all but the most violent cases. Exact cost of the project has not been computed. The board was able to scrounge funds out of the regular appropriation for it, Hutchins said. This is a distinct innovation in North Carolina and hospital officials said they knew of no other similar institution in the south providing such adequate playground facilities for patients.

How's Your I.Q.?

- 1. Who is President of the British Board of Trade?
2. During the first World War, which were the "Central Powers"?
3. In which country is Belgrade?
4. Where did President Truman spend a week-end Sept. 27, on an outing in Chesapeake Bay?
5. Is a fortnight a week-end, one week, or two weeks?
6. All 60 point score men in the Army will be on the way home from Europe by what date?
7. Supply the missing word in the following: "The athlete was in the _____ of condition."
8. How old is General Douglas MacArthur?
9. Name the capital of Turkey.
10. What is the difference between an Army Separation Center and an Army Separation Point?

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AVIATION—Issuance of charters for local aviation companies to operate airports and deal in airplanes and supplies has become so common as to be no longer news, except in the routine report of charters granted. Latest addition to the list is Friendly City Aviation, Inc. of Charlotte.

INDEPENDENT—A report of a fire at a residential development on the north side of Raleigh that destroyed four houses and damaged many others was received here today. The fire broke out at about 10:30 p.m. and was caused by a gas leak in one of the houses. The fire department arrived at about 11:30 p.m. and extinguished the fire. The damage was estimated at \$100,000.

SHIPPING—The shipping board has announced that it will increase the number of ships operating on the coastwise route between New York and New Orleans. This is due to the increased demand for shipping services in the region.

BLUES—Maybe the highway work wasn't any longer done in the summer, but it is being done now. The state is spending \$1,000,000 on the project. The work is being done by the state highway department. The project is to improve the highway between Raleigh and Durham.

TEAR GAS TREATMENT—College Station, Raleigh, Oct. 16.—The use of tear gas in the treatment of mental patients is being tested at the State Hospital. The treatment is being used on patients who are suffering from mental illness. The results of the treatment are being recorded.

LAEOR SHORTAGE PLAGUES FARMERS—College Station, Raleigh, Oct. 16.—North Carolina farmers are being plagued with a shortage of laeors because of weather conditions and the need for so many laeors to be used in the Extension Service in their capacity to officials at State College. Four tons of laeors are needed.

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STATE VICTORY LOAN CAMPAIGN GOAL SET—Charlotte, Oct. 16.—(AP)—North Carolina's goal in the forthcoming Victory Loan campaign will be \$27,000,000 and the secondary series "E" quota will be \$20,000,000, it was announced here today by Allison James, of Greensboro, the treasury's war finance director for the state. James and C. T. Lumbach, of Winston-Salem, state war finance committee chairman, were here for a conference with war finance leaders of this area regarding the campaign.

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