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**Rites Held Here
For L. O. Brown,
Franklin Native**

Loyd Odell (Toby) Brown, 27, died Monday of last week at a Charleston, S. C., hospital. A native of Franklin, he was the son of Mrs. Mary Harrison Jordan, of Charleston, and of Loyd Brown, of Nelson, Ga. He attended the Franklin grammar school and was graduated from the Charleston high school. He was a member of the Bethel Methodist church, and a grandson of the late J. O. Harrison and Mrs. Althea Nolen Harrison.

Funeral services were held Wednesday of last week at 2 p. m. at the Franklin Methodist church, with the Rev. J. H. Brendall conducting the services, burial following in the Franklin cemetery.

Active pallbearers were cousins, Earl Harrison, Charles Nolen, Horace Nolen, Lake V. Shope, James Waldroop, and Harry Wilhide, all of Franklin.

The following close friends and business associates served as honorary pallbearers: Robert Schardt, Sheldon Smith, James Clark, Henry Meyer, and Neil Mund, all of Charleston. Misses Carolyn Albers and Pauline Baltzger, also close friends, attended with the family.

Survivors include his parents; his step-father, Harry F. Jordan, of Charleston; one brother Eugene Brown, one sister, Mrs. R. R. Waters, and two nephews, Odell and Robert Waters, all of Charleston; an aunt, Miss Amy Harrison, of Franklin; and three uncles, Ben Harrison, of Franklin, and Clifford N. and J. O. Harrison, Jr., of Fort Worth, Texas.

**Motor Vehicle
Auto Inspection Law**

(This is one of a series of the motoring public with articles designed to acquaint the requirements of the Motor Vehicle Inspection program).

RALEIGH.—Motorist, did you ever give any thought to whether or not the steering alignment or assembly of your car or truck is in good safe condition?

If not, now's the time to think about it, for when your car enters one of the Motor Vehicle department's 40 inspection lanes, it may be condemned if its steering equipment does not come up to the minimum requirements.

Minimum requirements? Well, here they are, as listed in the Manual of Motor Vehicle Me-

**Only 12 Counties
Have Fewer Traffic
Deaths Than Macon**

Only 12 North Carolina counties had fewer persons killed in traffic accidents last year than Macon, figures compiled by the state Department of Motor Vehicles reveal.

Two persons were killed in automobile accidents in this county in 1947.

Eight counties — Brunswick, Cherokee, Gates, Hdye, Madison, Mitchell, Montgomery, and Pasquotank—had only one traffic fatality each. Camden, Clay,

chanical Inspection requirements:

Steering Alignment: "Side-slips (mis-alignment between right and left front wheels) shall not exceed 30 feet per mile as indicated by the alignment tester."

Steering Assembly: "Front wheels when free of the ground shall not have more than one-fourth inch free movement in or out, top or bottom. There shall be no dangerous or undue looseness anywhere in the steering mechanism. Any unusual mechanical condition that would cause difficult or uncertain steering will be cause for rejection. Broken main or secondary spring leaves or shackles bolts will be cause for rejection. Free play or movement of the steering wheel, when measured at its rim, shall not exceed three inches."

Rear Wheel Alignment: "Side-slip (misalignment between right and left rear wheels), must not exceed 30 feet per mile as indicated by the alignment tester. The rear axle shall be reasonably square with vehicle frame."

The steering mechanism is of utmost importance to the safe operation of your car. A motorist who drives with loose steering assembly is taking chances, and betting his life on having an accident. He is also making a sure bet that he won't pass the inspection test, for the Motor Vehicles department has announced that wheel alignment and steering assembly are among the most important items to be checked in the inspection test.

Four your own safety and for the safety of other motorists you meet on the highways, get these vital mechanisms in safe condition today. Your nearest garage or repair shop will likely give you a free inspection, and tell you if your car is in safe condition. Many shops have purchased sets of wheel alignment testers similar to those used at the state lanes.

Graham, and Yancey had none.

The highest figure for the year was Mecklenburg's 45 automobile deaths last year. Cumberland was second with 37, Wake third with 34, and Buncombe fourth with 32.

To date, Macon county has had no serious automobile accident in 1948.

**Tice, In Navy, Now
Stationed In Texas**

John Hilton Tice, chief boatswain's mate, husband of Mrs. Alice B. Tice, of Franklin, is serving with Submarine Group two, Texas group, Atlantic Reserve Fleet, Orange, Texas, and is engaged in the inactivating of the navy's surplus ships, it has been learned here.

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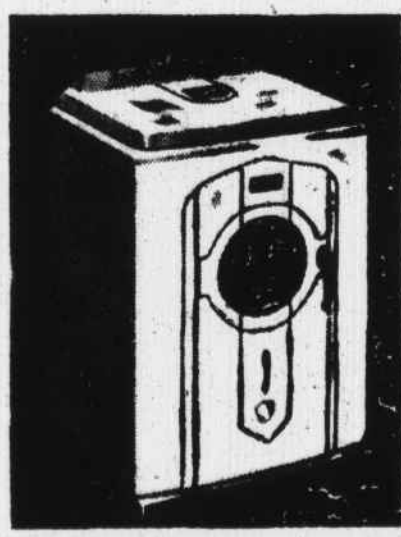
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