

There is being held in the South this week a traffic safety-conference signed to formulate a program for aproving highway conditions and ies from motor crashes and tangles.

Already numerous highway safety proposals have been advanced in the present Congress. Some of these will go farther than committee files The more constructive will undoubt edly receive serious consideration. One of these latter is the measure introduced by my colleague, Sena-tor Truman, of Missouri. The Tru-man bill would have the effect of timiting to State borders all vehicles in States which do not require eperators to show their ability to drive. In other words, operators in those States which are without an adequate drivers' license law 'or have a license, law without a mandatory examination feature. In this consection, it may be noted that some 6,000,000 vehicles are now operated in 11 states which require no license whatsoever.

To put it another way, in those States a person buys an automobile and takes the road without showing that he has good eyesight, is physically capable of driving, or that he has any knowledge of the traffic laws or is able to understand reasonable warning and direction signs.

Here it might be pointed out that the proposed legislation does not attempt to force the States to license operators of motor vehicles. It simply provides that if operators are not required to show their ability to drive they must remain within the State borders. In other words, it is a limit on interstate movement, a power that is invested in Congress. Provision is made in Senator Truman's bill to allow all states ample time to meet its requirements, its effective date being 2 years enactment.

An ... nportant measure has been offered by Senator Russell, of Georgia, which has the purpose of pro-viding Federal funds for the establishment of State highway patrols.

I mention these two measures because they are indicative of Congressional interest in the safety problem and are evidence of what may be municipalities fail to solve the problem.

As one who has used an automobile almost since it was invented, who has driven a car in many lands where natives had never seen an automobile, and as one who appreciates the bene-



INDIANS AND INCENSE

CLOUDS of incense from the Spanish Americas. For these pro-swinging censers of the Indians cessions the natives dress in their almost constantly vell this little church in Chichicastenango and its steps are worn smooth by the knees of the devout who come from all the surrounding villages to adore, with simple childlike hearts, the holy images of the Faith taught them by their fathers.

The Indiana of Guatemaia have many holy days which they observe with interesting fiestas attended by picturesque processions which are their glare. Ancient rites and cere one of the most fascinating sights to be seen by travelers taking the

## SNOW HILL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wood, Miss Sallie B. Wood, Miss Maude Keaton, and George W. Wood visited Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Benton, at Driver, Va., Sunday.

Miss Maude E. Keaton, of Bethel, was the week-end guest of Miss Sallie B. Wood.

Vernon Winslow were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mason Sawyer, at Old Neck Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Moody Harrell, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Harrell, Mrs. J. H. Harrell, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Harrell, Vernon Winslow, Misses Eunice Har-

Blanche Cartwright, Maxine Harrell, White Hat, Friday. Carolyn Dean Harrell and Ronald E. Harrell were among those in Hertford Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs: Louis Harrell, of rell Sunday afternoon. Norfolk, Va., were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Shelton Harrell.

beth City Thursday on business.

Jordan and Mrs. Edward Benton, of Mr. and Mrs. Odell Cartwright, White Hat, visited Mrs. Willie Saun- Misses Blanche and Maude Cartders, at Weeksville, Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Shelton Harrell and Sawyer, at Old Neck, Sunday after-

flickering candles appear and rock ets tear open the Jarkness with monies are observed which give visitors an illuminating insight into fortnightly cruises, between New the customs and super-titions wh York and California ov way of the prevailed a thousand years ago the customs and super-titions which Mrs. Louis Harrell visited Mr. and

most elaborate costumes and the

scene is a most colorful one- bright

satin banners embroidered with in-

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above the marching lines, a life-

sized image of the nonored saint

swings along on the shoulders of its bearers, and brass bands fill the sir

with weird music. As the celebra-

tion extends into the night, lines of

Mrs. Frank Winslow, at Beech Spring, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Harrell and Mrs. Marvin Benton were in Elizabeth City Saturday atternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ashby Jordan spent Sunday in Norfolk, Va. They were accompanied back home by Mrs. Geo. Jordan and Mrs. J. W. Everett, who Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Cartwright, have been staying a few days with Miss Lucille Cartwright and Mrs. relatives in Norfolk, Va.

Misses Eunice Harrell, Lucille Cartwright, Blanche and Maude Cartwright, and Benjamin Smith attended the show in Hertford Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Jesse Harrell, Mrs. D. M. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cartwright, Mrs. Cartwright, Mrs. J. H. Harrell, Misses Eunice Harrell and Lucille Cartrell, Lucille Cartwright, Maude and wright visited Mrs. George Eure, at

Mr. and Mrs. George Eure and children, Elinor and Curtis, of White Hat visited Mr and Mrs. Jesse Har-

The Woman's Missionary Society of Woodland Church will hold its Mr. and Mrs. Odell Cartwright and regular monthly meeting at the home expected in the future if States and Mrs. Vernon Winslow were in Eliza- of Mrs. George Benton Thursday, April 15.

Mrs. Elmer Wood, Mrs. Carson Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cartwright, wright visited Mr. and Mrs. Mason

## Whiteston P. T. A.

THE PERDUILANS WESSIY, WERTFORD, N. C. FRIDAY, APRIL 9/1897

The Whiteston Parent - Tea ion held its r eting Friday evening. Devotions were led by Johnnie Whits, reading the twantisth chapter of Exodus. A very interesting program was ren-dered as follows: Solo, Onella Win-slow; a short play, "The Boasters"; poem, Hilton White; song by several children, "Whippoorwill"; story, "High culture In Dixie," by Mrs. Dempsey Winslow; dramatization, "The Turnip"; song by several child-ren; poem by Cariton Rountree; "Held on a little longer," Billie White; song, "Too Many Green Apples," reading by Mrs. John Las-siter; solo, Winslow Rountree. A contest was then enjoyed with

A contest was then enjoyed with Archie White winning first prize, and Mrs. Nettie Lee Rountree the second. Fruit was then served.

## WHITESTON NEWS

Mrs. Linwood Winslow and Mrs. T. P. Layden, of Belvidere, and Mrs. John Lassiter spent Thursday with Mrs. Joe Baker.

Mrs. S. M. Winslow of Belvidere was the guest of her sister, Mrs. James Rountree, Thursday.

Mrs. Howard Chappell spent Thursday with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph White and children, of Norfolk, Va., spent the week-end at the home of Mrs. Mary J. White.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul J. White and children of Elizabeth City spent Sunday in the community.

Mr. and Mrs. Leverette Winslow and son, Ronald, of Norfolk, spent the week-end with Mr. Winslow's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ulysses Winslow.

## **Crotalaria Is Good** Soil-Building Crop

Crotalaria is gaining recognition as a soil-building crop in the sandy areas of the State, said R. L. Lovvorn, agronomist at State College. This crop, he said, makes a much heavier growth than most of the

commonly grown summer legumes on poor, sandy soils, and it is an excellent soil-builder.

At the coastal plain branch experiment station at Willard, he continued a corn crop grown in a two-year rotation with crotalaria produced 39.9 bushels to the acre.

n a nearby field where corn had been grown every year, the yield was 22. 1 bushels of the acre.

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fits of highway transportation, it is my earnest hope that all State legislators will meet the safety challenge of the day. The way has been pio-neered. They have simply to draw on the experience of the States which are endeavoring to meet modern condicions in a modern way, rather than to continue ignoring these conditions and hoping for the best.

In expressing these thoughts I am not unmindful that our legislators, National and State, are endeavoring to solve many new problems. One of these is the question of social security. While differences of opinion exist as to mediums and methods, there is universal sentiment in favor of some form of old - age benefits. This is of vital importance under the new conditions of today. But it is equally as important that we offer protection to our citizens to the end that they may live and enjoy the benefits of their thrift. We cannot do so if the existing national callousness toward the highway problem continues.

Hand in hand with a minimum number of sound laws belongs strict and impartial enforcement by experienced jurors and trained officers. We must also have adequate State pairols composed of men whose pre-sence on the highway give a sense of security. Careful selection and training of personnel will assure this type of patrol. A great number of States already have them in operation,

Too widespread contempt for many of our foolish and ill-advised motor ion, one of the factors contributing to the conditions of today. Certain-ly in our cities too much time is epent in enforcing parking laws and too little time in enforcing more im-portant traffic violations that retard movement of vehicles, create contion, and, in turn, cause accidents. I accidents on the highways here the United States alone caused than thirty-six thousand deaths.

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