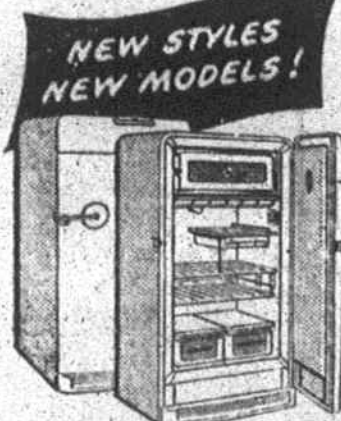


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Homer Queen, son of Mrs. Marie Queen of Kings Mountain, left last week for training at the U. S. Naval Training Center, San Diego, 33, California. His serial number is 3313454.



YOUNG DEMOCRATS AT ASHEVILLE—When U. S. Senatorial Candidate Willis Smith went to the Young Democratic Rally at Asheville last weekend, he took with him not one but five young Democrats. He's shown here, second from right, with three of his Young Democratic sons and House Speaker Sam Rayburn of Texas. Left to right are: Alton Battle Smith; Willis Smith, Jr.; Speaker Rayburn; Candidate Smith; and Lee Crocy Smith. Not shown in the picture are the two other Young Democrats he took with him, his daughter, Anna Lee Smith, and his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Willis Smith, Jr. Candidate Smith received a rousing reception at the Young Democratic Rally. Seven times, his address was interrupted by applause.



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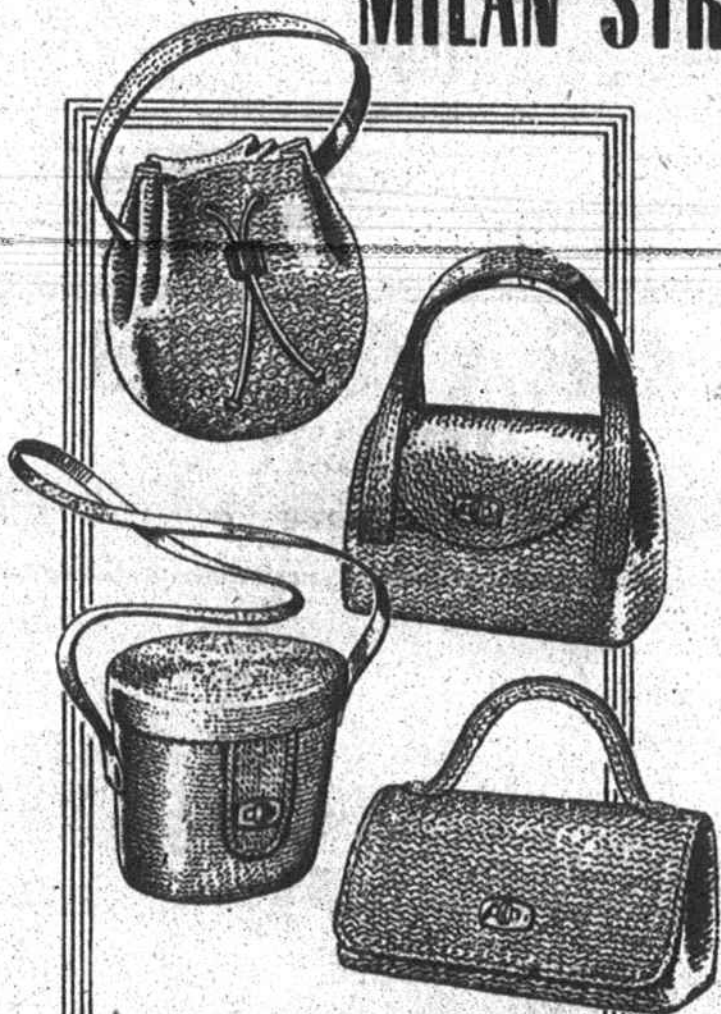
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Highway Deaths Take First Drop Since May 1949

RALEIGH — For the first time since May of 1949, highway fatalities took a downward turn during February as compared with the same month last year, the Department of Motor Vehicles reported today.

Fifty-five persons were killed in February of this year, a 19 per cent decrease below the 68 who died in highway accidents in February of last year. The February figure also represented a drop of 12 from the death toll of 67 in January of this year.

In addition, 172 persons were injured, a 31 percent increase over the 588 injured last February. Reported accidents totaled 1,803, an increase of 40 per cent over the 1,288 reported last February.

February's figures bring to 122 the number of fatalities, 1,675 the number of injuries and 3,814 the number of reported accidents for the first two months of 1950.

Pedestrian deaths also were on the decrease in February as compared with the previous February. Thirteen died and 67 were injured in 79 pedestrian accidents. Last February's death toll was 24. Three of this February's dead were between five and 14 years of age, and seven were above 55. Rocky Mount, Winston-Salem, Raleigh and Acme had one pedestrian death each. Nine died in rural areas. Pitt County had two pedestrians killed, while Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Catawba, Columbus, Currituck, Duplin, Durham, Forsyth, Nash and Wake claimed one each.

Accidents in urban areas totaled 679, resulting in eight deaths and 138 injuries. In February, 1949, 496 accidents in urban areas cost the lives of 10 persons and resulted in 131 injuries. Raleigh and Rocky Mount had two fatalities each. Winston-Salem, Greensboro, Roanoke Rapids and Acme had one each.

In rural areas 1,123 accidents were reported in which 47 persons were killed and 634 injured. Last February 792 accidents were listed in rural areas with 58 persons killed and 457 persons injured. Guilford and Pitt counties led

all other counties with five fatalities each during February. Halifax and Wake listed three each. Counties reporting two deaths each were: Catawba, Harnett, Moore, Northampton, Randolph, Richmond, Robeson and Scotland. One fatality each occurred in Beaufort, Bertie, Bladen, Burke, Cabarrus, Camden, Columbus, Craven, Cumberland, Currituck, Davidson, Duplin, Durham, Edgecombe, Forsyth, Henderson, Hertford, Nash, Perquimans, Polk, Rockingham, Surry and Warren.

No fatalities were reported in 65 counties.

Service workers were involved in more accidents than any other occupational group. A total of 643 drivers from this group were in traffic mishaps, 20 being in fatal accidents. Business and professional men were involved in 421 accidents, seven in fatal accidents. Commercial drivers, except traveling salesmen, were in 363 accidents with 14 being in fatal crashes.

One hundred of the 3,084 motor vehicles involved in accidents in February were found to be defective. Two of the 100 vehicles were involved in fatal accidents. Seventy-four vehicles involved in accidents last February were defective.

Two bicycles were killed during February and 20 were injured. The same number were killed last February and 11 were injured.

Drivers operating their vehicles on the wrong side of the road not in passing, were involved in the largest number of accidents—316, fifteen of which were fatal. Exceeding the stated speed limit was second with 296 accidents, 10 of which were fatal. Drivers were exceeding a safe speed in 203 cases, one of which proved fatal. Collision of two vehicles resulted in 22 deaths, two over 1949. Two died in train-auto collisions and 15 were killed when their vehicles ran off the roadway.

Male drivers in 1949 were involved in more than 90 percent of all U. S. automobile accidents.

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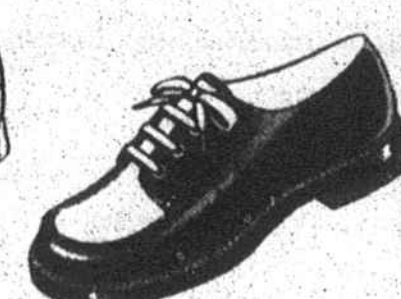
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