

Memorial Day Weekend Claims Many Lives

Marking the traditional opening of the summer vacation season, the long Memorial Day

weekend will claim the lives of at least 15 persons killed on North Carolina's streets and highways as thousands of motorists head for the mountains, seashore and other resorts, warns the N. C. State Motor Club.

The club's estimate is based on past experience of motorists during similar holiday periods coupled with current driving patterns, said Thomas B. Watkins, president of the motor club and the National Automobile Association.

The state will officially count its holiday highway fatalities from 6 p.m., Friday, May 28, through midnight Monday, May 31, a period of 78 hours. The 1964 traffic toll was 10 killed and 41 injured in 636 accidents during a 54-hour holiday period.

Leading driver violations causing the accidents were: speeding, 121; driving left of center, 103; failure to yield right of way, 85; following too closely, 65; and reckless driving, 62.

"The holiday flow of vehicles will clog roads and pose problems of safety, convenience and patience," Watkins cautioned. "It will considerably increase the danger to all percentage-wise. So follow the good driving rules. Be prepared, be courteous, be patient — and be safe."

The Colorado River flows into Mexico.

In battle, ships fly colors at each masthead.



GARDEN TIME
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Hardy chrysanthemums probably give you more color than any other flowering plant you can grow. Now is the time to prepare for the late summer and early fall color parade.

You have three choices: (1) buy rooted cuttings; (2) root your own cuttings from the new growth on your plants; (3) divide the root clumps. Chrysanthemums will come back from the same location for several years, but they are usually best the first year.

Plant glad corms every two weeks for a succession of flowers during the summer. In the vegetable garden succession plantings of sweet corn and snapbeans are in order for the lower Piedmont and Eastern Carolina.

Stake and mulch tomato plants. Before mulching, cultivate to destroy weeds. The mulch should be about four inches deep and can be made of clean grain straw or pine straw. Keep the tomatoes pruned by pinching out the tender shoots as they form in the axils of the leaves (at the base of the leaf stem). Don't let them get too long before pinch-

ing. The iris may be considered as the constant companion of a wellplanned garden. They grow well in all sections of the state and are little trouble. Rhizomes may be divided any time after the blooming period until about October in the lower Piedmont and Eastern Carolina and September in the mountains.

Be on guard for lace bugs on azalea, pyracantha, Washington hawthorne and rhododendron. Spray with Sevin or Malathion, mixing with water according to instructions. Do a good job covering leaves, especially the undersides.

This is the growing season and the time to see that vegetables, shade trees, flowering shrubs and all growing things are properly fed. Don't overdo the feeding schedule. It is better to feed lightly and often rather than infrequent heavy feedings. Fresh manure is good if you have it. Dehydrated manure can be purchased. Most of us use a complete fertilizer such as 8-8-8. A special acid-forming fertilizer is best for azaleas and camellias.

Plants must be fed with care and understanding. There is no rule of thumb. Frequency and amounts of plant food applied will depend upon the kind of plant and the soil type.

It's travel time! Where in this good land of ours can you find more natural beauty than in the Tar Heel State — Variety Vacationland.

Where else can you bask in the sunshine at sea level in your bikini or trunks and in a matter of hours, by car, be sitting on top of Eastern America peppered with goose pimples?

The 43 peaks in the Land of the Sky, all above 6,000 feet in altitude, beckon to you. Here the Appalachians seem to have United and fused together and then to break up in a confusion of lofty peaks with a labyrinth of intervening valleys. This is the land of cool breezes, rhododendron, mountain laurel, clear waters and fighting trout.

At the other end of this 503-mile strip of land we call Tarheelia the ghost of Nag's Head beckons. Here the rivers become sounds and the sounds meet the ocean in a never-ending restlessness. Dunes are piled high by wind-blown ever-shifting sands and trees bend away from the salt spray. Every Tar Heel should be able to claim a trip along the most famous outer banks in the world. Go to Hatteras this summer.

The Veterans Corner

EDITOR'S NOTE: Below are authoritative answers by the Veterans Administration to some of the many current questions from former servicemen and their families. Further information on veterans benefits may be obtained at any VA office.

Q—Must a premium payment be submitted with the application for Government Life Insurance which went on sale for a year starting May 1, 1965?

A—Yes. At least one month's premium payment should accompany the application. Premiums may be paid on a monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annual basis.

Q—Can an eligible veteran take out the new GI life insurance and have the premiums deducted from either compensation or pension payments?

A—He must first apply for the insurance and pay monthly premiums until he is notified that his insurance has been approved. Then he can have the VA deduct the premiums from his compensation or pension payments.

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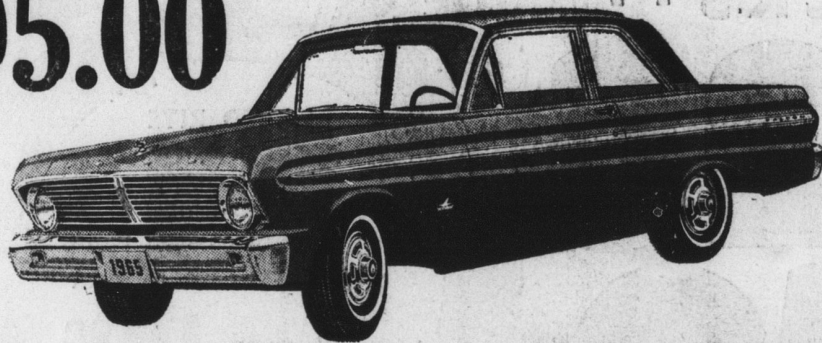
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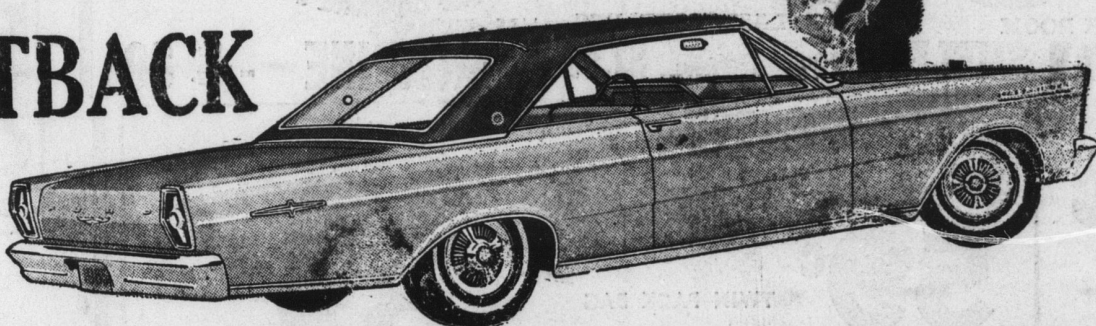
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