

# 12 Persons Killed In Indiana Traffic

United Press International — Three members of an Allen County family and an elderly woman returning from a mortuary where her daughter lay dead were among 12 persons killed in traffic in Indiana during a weekend made hazardous for driving by rain-slick pavement.

At least seven of the deaths were traced to rain and wet highway surfaces as a contributing factor, including Luther J. Reel, 51, Petersburg, whose car overturned into a pond near Petersburg along Ind. 61 during an electrical storm.

A three-car crash east of Fort Wayne was the week-end's worst. Killed were Mrs. Dolly Radcliff, 31, Huntington, and her son, Ronnie, 8. Her husband, Jesse W. 40, died two hours later in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Six others were hurt critically in the crash. They were another Radcliff son, Richard, 12, and five persons riding in another car, Don Shaw, 22, Grabbill, the driver; his brother, Lynn, 20; Raymond Pulver, 21, Leo; Carl Mozena, 21, Leo, and Raymond Meinerding, 20, Grabbill.

**Speeds Through Sign**  
State police said Radcliff was towing another car in which his brother, James F. Sams, 21, Grabbill, was westbound on U. S. 24 near the Ohio state line, 12 miles east of Fort Wayne.

Officers said Shaw, southbound on Ind. 101, was traveling at about 65 miles an hour, ran through a stop sign and crashed into the side of the Radcliff car. An Indianapolis woman was killed Sunday while returning home from a funeral parlor where she had viewed the body of her daughter. Mrs. William A. Moore, 82, was killed and another daughter, Miss Catherine L. Moore, 54, with whom she lived, was injured critically when their car collided with one driven by Ann Wilmeth, 17, Indianapolis. Miss Wilmeth and two passengers in her car also were hospitalized.

Webster McCray, 17, Indianapolis, was killed early Sunday when

a car driven by Keith Kelly, 22, Indianapolis, skidded out of control on wet U. S. 37A south of Noblesville, hit a tree and rolled over.

Billy Ray Jobe, 19, Mount Vernon, was killed early Sunday when a car driven by Garland Gross, 23, Mount Vernon, crashed into the rear of a parked city street-cleaning truck.

**Going 110 MPH**  
Glenward Simpson, 18, Cannelton, was killed Saturday night when he tried to pass William C. Keown, 34, Boonville, on a wet road in Spencer county. Simpson apparently lost control, sideswiped Keown and crashed. A passenger in Simpson's car told authorities they were going 110 miles an hour at the time.

William F. Schmitt, 29, Indianapolis, was killed on wet U. S. 31 south of the Hoosier capital Saturday night when his car collided with another driven by Thomas J. Woodward, 17, Indianapolis.

Raymond A. Simmons, 36, Van Buren, was killed when his car crashed into a utility pole on rain-slick Ind. 211 south of Van Buren Saturday.

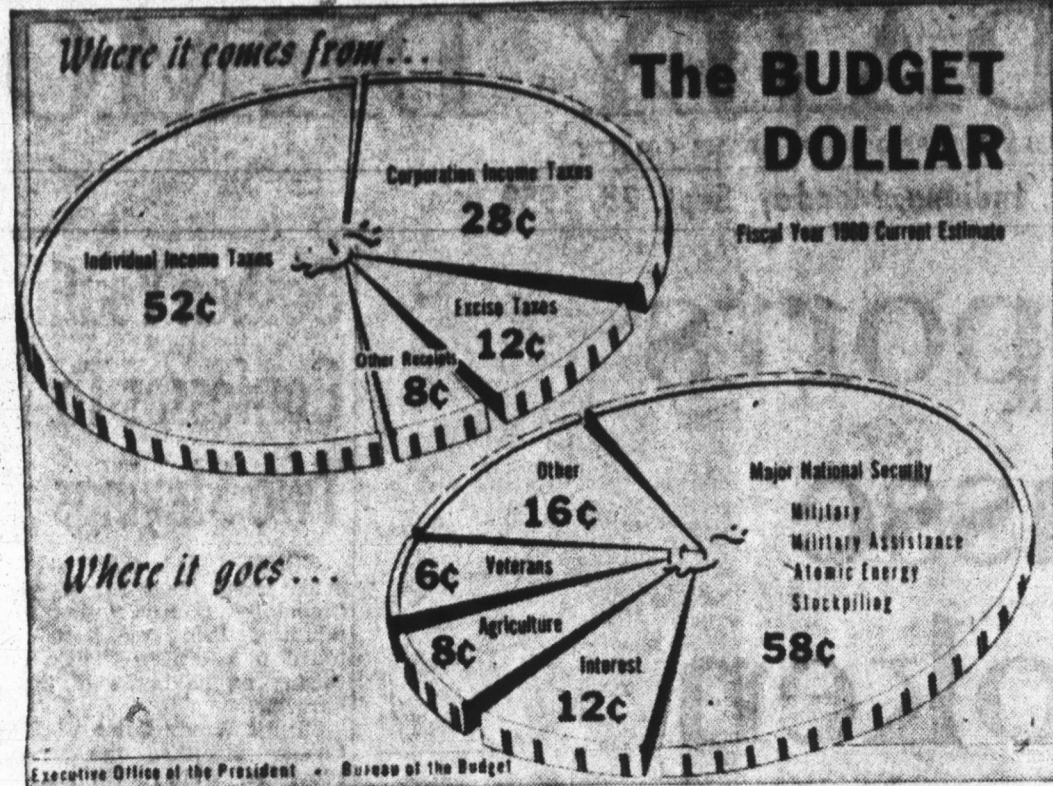
George R. Hahn, 20, Lafayette, was killed in a car-truck crash at Lafayette Saturday, also on a wet highway.

Darrell L. Krise, 19, Oakford, the first reported weekend traffic death, was killed early Saturday when his car crashed into a tree along wet U. S. 31 near Carmel.

## Plans Are Completed For School Workshop

Robert Doan of the Decatur Northwest school, Earl Dewald of the Monmouth school and Harold Long of the Geneva school attended a meeting in Fort Wayne, Saturday, where plans were completed for the elementary school workshop to be held in conjunction with the 1959 northeast division of the Indiana state teachers convention Oct. 22 and 23. The meeting was held in the assembly room of the Fort Wayne community schools administration building with Ray Owens, general chairman, presiding. At Saturday's meeting it was announced that the exhibits for the workshop will go up after 4:30 p. m. Wednesday, Oct. 21, and will be taken down after 12 noon Friday, Oct. 23.

Subject areas to be covered at the workshop are art, arithmetic, language, arts, science and social studies. This year for the first time areas have been assigned by counties. Adams county schools have been assigned the social studies area. Doan is chairman of the program committee and Dewald is chairman of the exhibit committee. A meeting of the exhibit committee will be held Monday evening at the office of Adams county school superintendent Gail Grabbill in Decatur.



**STICKS TO ESTIMATE**—This Bureau of the Budget chart shows where the budget dollar comes from and where it goes. In its "Midyear Budget Review" the administration adheres to its January estimate that the federal budget in fiscal 1960, ending June 30, 1960, will show a \$100 million surplus. The administration has increased its January estimates of both revenues and expenditures by \$1.9 billion.

## Miss Jeannie Smith On Television Show

Miss Jeannie Smith, 17-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Smith, will appear on the Jack Gray show known as the "Editor's Desk," Tuesday afternoon at 12:45 o'clock on WKJG-TV.

Gray had sent a talent scout to the Bluffton street fair last week where Miss Smith won fourth in the annual Junior Miss Indiana contest. Jeannie and a few of the other entrants were asked to demonstrate their talent before his television audience.

## Monmouth High School Band Places First

The Monmouth high school band, under the direction of Darrell Gerig, won first prize in its division in the annual marching band contest at the DeKalb county fair Saturday afternoon. The bands were grouped in three divisions according to enrollment figures, and were judged on playing and marching ability, general appearance and performance. There were 21 bands competing from Northeastern Indiana and Northwestern Ohio.

## 70-Year-Old Man Is Sentenced For Life

BROWNSTOWN, Ind. (UPI) — A 70-year-old man was sentenced to Indiana State Prison for the rest of his life today after defense attorneys failed in two delaying motions.

George L. Rariden, 70, Bedford, was found guilty by a Jackson Circuit Court jury of first-degree murder charges Sept. 23. He appeared today for sentencing.

Rariden pleaded self-defense in the Oct. 2 shooting of Burt B. Butler, 66, Eureka, with whom he quarreled about trespassing on the Rariden farm.

Judge John M. Lewis today rejected defense motions to allow Rariden to remain at liberty while an appeal to the Indiana Supreme Court was made. The attorneys first asked the judge to delay sentencing, pending the appeal, and then asked that execution of the life sentence be delayed.

## 22nd Annual Letter Writing Week Set October 4 To 10

The 22nd annual letter writing week will be celebrated in Decatur during the week of October 4 to 10, it was announced today by postmaster Leo Kirsch.

"I am sure we all are aware that a personal letter is, next to an actual visit, the most intimate and economical means each of us has to communicate with our fellow human beings. Accordingly, I urge everyone to 'write today to those away'."

Posters depicting a mailman in a new postal vehicle called the mailster, will be displayed in post offices throughout the country. Colorful streamers, proclaiming that "Letters are fun to send and exciting to receive," will be displayed on postal vehicles.

Postmaster Kirsch stated that the special week should serve as a reminder to write long-overdue letters to servicemen, hospitalized patients, foreign acquaintances, faraway friends and relatives, and others who will welcome a personal letter.

## Modern Etiquette By ROBERTA LEE

Q. Is it proper to take your place card and nut cup from a banquet table as you leave?

A. You are privileged to take anything that is obviously an individual favor of the occasion. In fact, a hostess is usually pleased if you do show your appreciation of her good taste in selecting her place cards by wanting to keep yours as a memento. Be sure, however, that you are not taking any of your hostess' permanent equipment!

Q. Is it really considered proper for a woman to use scented stationery, and if so, how may she best produce this scent?

A. This is quite all right, and the best way to do this is to put a sachet bag in the drawer or box in which the stationery is kept. Q. I have recently noticed some women wearing rings over their gloved fingers. Is this correct?

A. No, it isn't. It's all right to wear bracelets over the gloves, but not rings.

## Pauper Petition By Connie Is Rejected

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI)—A judge who sentenced Mrs. Connie Nicholas to prison last April for the slaying of her millionaire lover today rejected her pauper petition for financial help in appealing the conviction to the Indiana Supreme Court.

The ruling by Judge Thomas J. Faulconer of Marion County Criminal Court has the effect of forcing Mrs. Nicholas to either seek a review of his action by the high court, or surrender to serve a 2-21 year term for the death of Forrest Teel.

The judge said in a page and a half statement that he did not consider Mrs. Nicholas qualified as a pauper.

"There is evidence that the defendant still has \$450 (a reference to a diamond ring) worth of property," he said. "There is no evidence she is unable to hold employment, and the defendant has food and shelter."

Mrs. Nicholas was not in court when the ruling was announced, but when she was reached by telephone afterwards she said she was attempting to sell or exchange the ring for legal services in preparation of a writ of mandamus.

"I'm willing to take a job as a checkout girl in a grocery," she said, "or anything that would give me gainful employment."

## Palmer Promoted At Central Soya

The promotion of John B. Palmer, Jr., from staff assistant in the credit department to northern division credit manager has been announced by the Central Soya Company, Inc., and its feed division, McMillen Feed Mills, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

In his new position, Palmer succeeds Frank Perrine, who will retire in December. Palmer has held administrative positions in the credit department since joining Central Soya in 1954.

## Arrest Driver For Traffic Violation

City police arrested Julian M. Cramer, 54, of Monroe for violating a stop light at Second and Monroe streets Saturday. Cramer will appear in justice of the peace court Oct. 3 at 10 a.m.

Everett Ray Brown, 36, and Leroy H. Shine, 25, both of Fort Wayne, had their cases continued indefinitely this morning on charges of speeding on 13th street last Saturday. Both were arrested by the city police on the "electric timer."

## One Woman Killed When Bus Hits Pole

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (UPI) — A Greyhound bus skidded out of control and crashed into a utility pole here Sunday killing one woman and injuring 15 other persons.



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## Sheriff Department Reports Accidents

The Adams county sheriff's department investigated two accidents, assisted in chasing down several hogs from an overturned stock truck Saturday night, and received one reported accident this morning as highway activity over the weekend kept the staff working all hours of the day and night.

The first accident occurred at 12:30 p.m. Saturday about one mile south and one mile east of Monroe on county road 32 when a truck driven by Clifton Allen Teeters, 22, of Pennville, struck a fence owned by John J. Schwartz, of route 2, Monroe, causing \$250 damage to the Hampton Baking Co. truck.

Damage to the fence amounted to about \$100. The driver of the truck told deputy Robert E. Meyer that he applied the brakes as he approached the county road 14 intersection and they stuck. The vehicle was dragged into a ditch on the east side of the road, tearing out the bottom of the truck about 100 feet from the intersection. State trooper Alan D. Coppes assisted at the investigation.

At 3:45 a.m. today, an English Ford driven by Robert E. Garling, 22, of Geneva, crashed into an I&M light pole, causing \$325 damage to the car and \$150 to the pole as it sped around the north curve entering Geneva. Sheriff Merle A. Alder and deputy Meyer, who investigated said that the car laid down about 828 feet of skid marks before striking the pole. The driver was arrested for excessive speeding and will appear in the Berne justice of the peace court Oct. 3. The accident occurred as the car was enroute south on U.S. 27.

A truck load of 134 hogs was dumped onto U.S. 224, about 2 1/2 miles east of Decatur, killing eight hogs about 11 p.m. Saturday. The driver of the L. B. Smith and Sons Trucking Co. truck, C. F. Thompson, 35, of Mill Creek, Pa., pulled off the road while driving east to check the load of hogs. When he hit the berm, the load shifted and the truck leaned heavily to the right. A passing truck assisted Thompson by putting a chain to the truck and holding the truck from overturning.

A wrecker was called to the scene and attempted to right the vehicle. In the process the chain applied by the passing truck driver broke and the truck tipped over on its right side, causing extensive damage to the bed and some to the cab.

The police and truck drivers chased the few freed hogs around in the early morning rain Sunday until all were caught. The hogs were then penned on the Raymond Kolter farm on route 5, Decatur, until the truck is repaired.

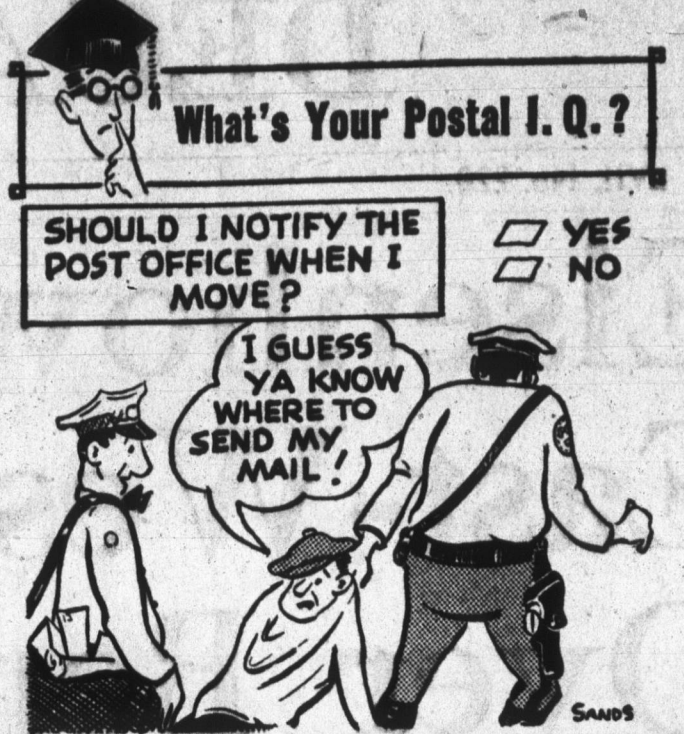
Larry D. Bittner, 20, of route 2, Decatur, reported a hit and run sideswiping as he was driving south from Fort Wayne on U.S. 27 over the weekend. Bittner told sheriff's police that about six miles from Decatur, a vehicle going the other way sideswiped his car, causing \$100 damages. The other vehicle did not stop.

## Official Time In Indiana Is Central Standard Until Spring

The question of which clock is being used in Indiana has been temporarily solved in Adams county official offices as the clocks are set for Indiana central standard time (slow time) while the workers arrive at their usual times.

As of Sunday, the state, part of it at least, went on central standard time. The northwestern part and southeastern part will remain on fast time until Chicago and Louisville change Oct. 25. The central and southwestern part of the state remained on fast time, while in the northeastern part, daylight time continues.

The official time, however, all throughout the state is now central standard time, or one hour slower than it previously was. Clocks in official state and substate offices will read 11 o'clock at noon. The time controversy is partially settled in some parts of the state, while not in other parts, or so a few of the area thinks.



**YES.** Patrons who move should notify the post office in writing. Oral notice is not acceptable. The best means for effecting a change of address is to obtain from the post office a printed change of address card which contains blank spaces for the required information and signature. Make certain your former address and your new address are legible and complete in every detail and that you properly fill in all of the other information called for on the change of address form. Forwarding postage on second, third, and fourth-class mail may be saved if you also immediately notify publishers of any magazines or newspapers to which you subscribe and all known correspondents of your change of address. Faster, more accurate postal service can be provided if the above instructions are followed carefully.

**FALSE.** Airmail is normally dispatched to the nearest airport facility unless surface dispatch provides the same or earlier delivery at destination. Some patrons send a letter by airmail when it is going only approximately 50 miles. Usually airmail provides no advantage whatsoever over surface mail for such short distances. However, if a letter is going any great distance and speed is important, it is well worth the small additional cost in postage to use airmail.

**2.** Air mail letters always fly when traveling more than 100 miles. For answers to other questions about the postal service call Leo Kirsch at the Decatur post office.

## Recommends Drag Race Drivers Jailed

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) — Two law enforcement officials recommended at a Governor's Traffic Safety Conference today that "drag race" drivers be jailed under high bonds and all persons riding in their cars be arrested.

The suggestion was made by Sheriff Edward Cordell of Wayne County and Lt. Thomas Harlow of the Indianapolis Police Department during a panel discussion on how to reduce Indiana's highway accident toll. Cordell is president of the Indiana Sheriff's Association.

Governor Handley spoke at the opening of the conference, where 233 persons were registered. He said state officials must "continue to impress on the public that they are in control of thousands of pounds of death-dealing steel" when they get behind the wheel of a motor vehicle.

Handley said law enforcement officials combatting traffic accidents are "not out to get the people—we are not out to persecute anyone."

Cordell and Harlow said "drag race" drivers should not be given tickets for later appearances and then released to drive again. They said bonds should be high enough to keep them behind bars for a while.

## Annual Farm Outlook Meeting October 6

County agent Leo N. Seltentright said today the annual Adams county farm outlook meeting will be held in Monroe October 6. A new feature has been added to this meeting this year. In addition to discussing 1960 prospects for soybeans, cattle, hogs, milk, corn, eggs, broilers and turkeys, special attention will be given to the income situation facing farmers for the next three to five years.

Farm output is continuing to go up faster than the demand for food. Effect of this situation on the incomes of farmers and other businesses closely related to farming will be even more critical in the years ahead than in recent years, Seltentright says. He urges everyone interested in farming to attend this important meeting.

## Good Record Made By Liechty Cow

Betty Burke Last Man, 3944497, a three-year-old Holstein-Friesian cow owned by Rolandes Liechty of near Berne, has produced 18,117 pounds of milk and 655 pounds of butterfat in 345 days on twice daily milking, the Holstein-Friesian association of America has announced.

Purdue university, working in close cooperation with the national organization supervised the weighing and testing of production as a part of the herd improvement registry program. This official testing program provides continuing lactation and lifetime production records on every cow in participating registered Holstein herds.

## LaPorte Man Killed When Plane Crashes

LAPORTE, Ind. (UPI) — Randolph L. Reeg, 41, LaPorte, was killed Sunday evening when a plane authorities said was home-made stalled after takeoff and plunged to earth near the LaPorte Municipal Airport.

State police said the accident occurred less than a mile south of the airport about 5:30 p.m. just after Reeg lifted the small single-engine craft off a runway. Reeg was killed outright.

## Indiana U. Sends Out Bulky Catalog

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (UPI)—Indiana University's Audio-Visual Center is mailing lists of more than 6,000 motion pictures available for educational use to schools and libraries. Spokesmen said the catalog weighs two pounds.

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