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From The Governor

To the Citizens of Adams County:

The reduction of traffic accidents continues to be a major problem in Indiana as it is across the nation. Unless strong, positive action is taken, Indiana can expect more than 1,000 deaths and over 40,000 injuries from traffic accidents each year.

The staggering cost of such accidents rose to \$193 million in 1961, for Hoosier drivers alone. This was an increase of \$20 million over the previous year; but this figure does not represent the total extent of the cost.

Sixty percent of all persons injured and killed in traffic accidents are of employment age. Any injury requiring the employee to be off the job means the loss to industry of 112 man-hours and a loss in goods and services of \$560 per injury. This is a serious drain on our economic resources.

Indiana has more than 90,000 miles of public roads and streets. Over two million motor vehicles travel Hoosier highways every day, in addition to another million vehicles that pass through our state each year.

Handling this tremendous volume of traffic are a few hundred city, county, and state law enforcement officials. Through their dedicated efforts and the cooperation of safety-minded citizens, Indiana is making some headway in the reduction of fatalities. In 1961, our traffic fatality toll was reduced to 5.02 deaths for 183 million miles of travel, the lowest rate on record.

Pedestrian fatalities in Indiana reached a new low of 124 in 1961, compared with 1960's total of 156. Pedestrian deaths in rural areas dropped from 92 to 75 and fatalities in urban areas dropped from 64 to 49. This represented a significant decrease in pedestrian deaths over a period of the past eight years.

I have advocated a sustained program of public education in traffic safety, along with greater uniformity of laws and ordinances, safety-engineers roads, traffic markings and signs, and a stricter enforcement of traffic laws.

The state agencies concerned with the problem of traffic safety will continue to do their part as will county and local officials and private agencies. But the final responsibility rests with each and every driver, into whose hands is given the power of life and death. If each driver accepts his rightful share of responsibility for courteous, careful driving, Indiana's traffic record for 1962 will show a decided improvement.

Sincerely,

Matthew E. Welsh
Governor of Indiana

TV PROGRAMS

Central Daylight Time

WANE-TV
Channel 15

MONDAY

6:30—Tom Calenberg—News

6:45—Walter Cronkite—News

7:00—Shotgun Slade

7:30—To Tell the Truth

8:00—Father Knows Best

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9:30—Andy Griffith

10:00—Hennessey

10:30—I've Got a Secret

11:00—Phil Wilson—News

11:15—Sports

11:30—Disputed Passage

TUESDAY

7:15—Daily World

7:30—Bob Carlin—News

7:45—Operation Alphabet

8:00—Bob Carlin—News

8:30—Captain Kangaroo

8:50—Coffee Cup Theater

9:00—Breakfast in Fort Wayne

10:30—I Love Lucy

11:00—Video Village

11:30—Clear Horizon

11:55—CBS—News

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Graduation Held
By 13 Colleges

By United Press International
Seven Indiana colleges and universities held commencement Sunday and six more were scheduled for today.

Notre Dame, Purdue, Marian, Wabash, St. Joseph's, Hanover and Indiana Central graduated their 1962 classes Sunday.

Scheduled today were Indiana University, Evansville, Goshen, Marion, St. Mary-of-the-Woods, and Huntington College.