

STATE TRAFFIC KILLS 3 MORE

Indiana's Holiday Fatality Toll Reaches 17.

State traffic crashes claimed three more victims late yesterday, boosting Indiana's three-day holiday violent death toll to 17.

Marsha Kay Stoner, 7, of Pendleton, was injured fatally in a two-car collision near Huntsville. Four were hurt in the same crash. They were Mrs. Erma Dill, Charles Dill, Mrs. Rachel Hughes and Miss Jean Sloan, all of Pendleton. They were taken to an Anderson hospital.

Travis Hale, 65, of Gentryville, was killed when he walked into an automobile on a state highway in Spencer county.

Joan Wakeman, 12, Wellsboro, died when the car in which she was riding was struck by a Baltimore & Ohio train at Long Lane crossing near Wellsboro.

Hurt Here
Two persons were hurt in Indianapolis traffic mishaps. Miss Violet Hase of 1114 W. Morris st. received injuries to both legs in an intersection crash, involving a truck and auto, at Kentucky and Senate aves.

When the automobile in which she was a passenger collided with an Indianapolis Motor Inn wrecker at Pennsylvania and Michigan sts., Mrs. Florence Johnson of 1109 Waldemere st. was injured. She and three children, Claud Lucas, 3; Claudetta Lucas, 9, and Pamela Johnson, 5 months, were sent to Methodist hospital for examination.

By UNITED PRESS
The three-day New Year holiday took 333 lives in traffic accidents and other forms of violence, a United Press survey showed today. Traffic deaths totaled 132 as the nation ended a wild celebration of the first peacetime New Year day in four years. Other types of accidents and slayings took 181 lives.

The survey, from midnight Saturday, showed that New York state had 47 holiday deaths—highest in the nation. California was next, with 40, Texas third with 29, and Pennsylvania fourth, with 28.

Highest number of deaths attributed to motorist mishaps occurred in California. There 22 of the state's New Year week-end fatalities were laid to such accidents. Pennsylvania recorded 15 traffic deaths out of a total of 28 dead, while Michigan and Texas each had 12 traffic deaths although only 18 holiday fatalities of all nature were reported.

Only 13 of New York's 47 deaths were blamed on traffic.

Four Die In Fire
Four persons, including a 15-month-old child, died in a fire which destroyed a home after a party at Chelmsford, Mass. At Oklahoma City, a police lieutenant shot and killed his divorced wife, wounded his son-in-law, then killed himself.

A man and a woman drowned at Staten Island, N. Y., when their automobile fell into New York harbor as a ferryboat broke loose from its moorings. In Chicago, a 38-year-old man drowned when he apparently was overcome by cold while swimming on New Year's day in Lake Michigan.

Salem, Ore., police said Bernardo Jacutan, 45, a Filipino, confessed killing two men during an argument over a Chinese checker game. At Dugway, Utah, army proving grounds officers said three soldiers died of drinking denatured alcohol during a New Year's eve party.

A Redondo Beach, Cal., jail inmate was found strangled in his cell, where he was held on a charge of drunkenness. And at Las Vegas, Nev., a man was found dead across a grave he had dug for his dog. In Buffalo, N. Y., a man died of a skull fracture after a giant icicle plummeted from a building and struck him down.

CLAIMS SAFETY TITLE
BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 2 (U. P.).—Buffalo laid claim today to being the safest of any city of 500,000 or more in the United States, reporting a 1945 traffic toll of 54 dead.

Courthouse Induction Is Gala Occasion for Republicans



Republicans made a party festival of the induction ceremony, at the courthouse New Year's day. Taking principal parts in the affair were Elmer Johnson, arrangements chairman and 3d ward chairman; Prosecutor Sherwood Blue, Alex Clark, former deputy prosecutor and principal speaker; Mrs. Agnes Todd, county committee vice chairman; Bishop Titus Lowe, Henry Perry, 5th precinct, 11th ward committee man, and Edwin Steers, county committee treasurer.

LIBERAL STAND URGED FOR GOP

Horse and Buggy Thinking Past, Says Speaker.

A Republican victory in the general election to be held next November is dependent upon a policy of liberalism.

Alex Clark, a former deputy prosecutor and recently-discharged serviceman, expressed this New Year's day belief at ceremonies inducting two Republican county officials.

"Horse and buggy thinking is a thing of the past," declared Mr. Clark, principal speaker at the courthouse affair attended by approximately 500 persons.

The officials inducted were Frank P. Huse, county treasurer, and Ray D. Mendenhall, county commissioner. Both Republicans began new terms of office.

Judge Takes Office
At about the same time, Joseph M. Howard was being given the oath of office by Democratic Judge Louis J. Welland of municipal court 1. Mr. Howard became judge of municipal court 3 following his recent appointment to the four-year term by Governor Gates. He succeeds Judge John L. McNelis to the \$7500 legally-designated Democratic post.

At the Republican ceremony, Mr. Clark urged a more liberal viewpoint, "if we expect to win the oncoming elections."

He has been mentioned prominently as Republican organization candidate for prosecutor.

Ostrum Presides
Master of ceremonies was Henry K. Ostrum, Republican county chairman. Paul C. Wetter, 13th ward Republican chairman and county magistrate, accepted the oaths of office from Mr. Huse and Mr. Mendenhall. Bishop Titus Lowe of the Methodist church delivered the invocation.

Other speakers were Mayor Tyn-dall, Mr. Mendenhall, Mr. Huse, William T. Ayres and William Bosson, county commissioners, and Henry Perry, a precinct committee man. Mrs. Frank Bies, vocalist, and the Harmony Four singers presented a musical program.

Democrats heard Judge Howard pledge co-operation with "police, prosecutor, the public and courts." He held his first court session immediately following the ceremony.

U. S. TO RECOGNIZE SIAM'S GOVERNMENT
WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (U. P.).—The United States will extend full recognition to the Siamese government within a few days, it was learned today.

It was understood that recognition was being delayed for a short time to avoid the impression that this government was in complete accord with the newly-concluded British-Siamese peace treaty.

Although the treaty terms were said to be harsher than the United States would have liked, officials felt they represented a victory for this country on its policy of intervening in behalf of the Siamese.

Informed quarters here said U. S. intervention reduced the severity of certain British demands which, they said, would have given Britain political control of Siam.

RUSSIANS HELD IN YANK'S DEATH

Conflicting Stories Told of How G. I. Was Killed.

BERLIN, Jan. 2 (U. P.).—Investigation into the New Year's eve killing of an American private in the British sector of Berlin produced conflicting statements from American and British authorities today. Both agreed, however, that "two or three" Russian soldiers were being held for the shooting.

The U. S. provost marshal's office said the soldier, whose name was withheld pending notification of his family, was shot to death on the street outside the Piccadilly cabaret after an argument and a scuffle with two or three men wearing civilian clothes.

The official British version was that the American was shot through the head while he sat at a table inside the cabaret by a gunman wearing a Red uniform. The British said a German girl sitting with

the G. I. was shot through the stomach and was in serious condition.

According to the U. S. provost marshal's report, no girl was involved.

The victim was the third American killed in Berlin in the past 10 days. Authorities still are searching for two uniformed men who killed two G. I.'s on Dec. 23.

As a result of the latest shooting, it was announced that occupation authorities had decided to set up permanent joint British and Russian military police patrols in Berlin.

SHIP CARRYING 575 SOLDIERS DISABLED

NEW YORK, Jan. 2 (U. P.).—The United Fruit Co. liberty ship John B. Hood, carrying 575 soldiers from Marseille to New York, rolled in heavy swells without a propeller 270 miles southwest of the Azores islands today, awaiting the arrival of a tug to tow her to port.

The navy reported that the Hood was not in immediate danger and that the USS Marion McKinley Bovard was standing by.

2 CLEWS FADE IN DETROIT SLAYING

Search Pushed for Killer of Divorcee.

DETROIT, Jan. 2 (U. P.).—A previous Detroit rape case was reopened by state and city police today in the investigation of the brutal strangling-murder of an attractive Detroit divorcee as two promising leads evaporated under intensive investigation.

A car found last night in Battle Creek, Mich., containing a blood-stained man's shirt and undershirt remained a mystery after disclosure it had been stolen from a Battle Creek auto agency New Year's eve.

Police said, however, that Mrs. Gladys Marsden, 40-year-old divorcee, murdered around 2 a. m. Sunday and the bloodstained garments and the false license plates found in the vehicle apparently had no connection with the Detroit murder.

They reported that Nathan F. Hibbs, 27, detained at Jackson,

Mich., on charges of stealing a car, and questioned in Mrs. Marsden's death, apparently had a clear-cut alibi for the morning of the slaying.

Detroit police said they were checking records of a reported rape of a Detroit girl which occurred six weeks ago in the same neighborhood where Mrs. Marsden's battered body was found clad only in shoes and stockings and a slip with which she had been strangled.

Police explained the case had never been investigated because the victim had refused to prosecute.

Hibbs said he spent last Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday with a girl friend in Battle Creek. In a statement to state detectives, the girl, a waitress, supported Hibbs' alibi.

Attention first centered on Hibbs in the case, according to police, because his description fitted that of the handsome young man last seen with Mrs. Marsden before she was killed.

Mrs. Marsden was last seen alive leaving a tavern near the school where her body was found. She was with a "pickup" date, a soldier about 26, with wavy black hair and a small black mustache. His uniform carried Pacific campaign ribbons.

CROSS-COUNTRY CAB HAULS SERVICE MEN

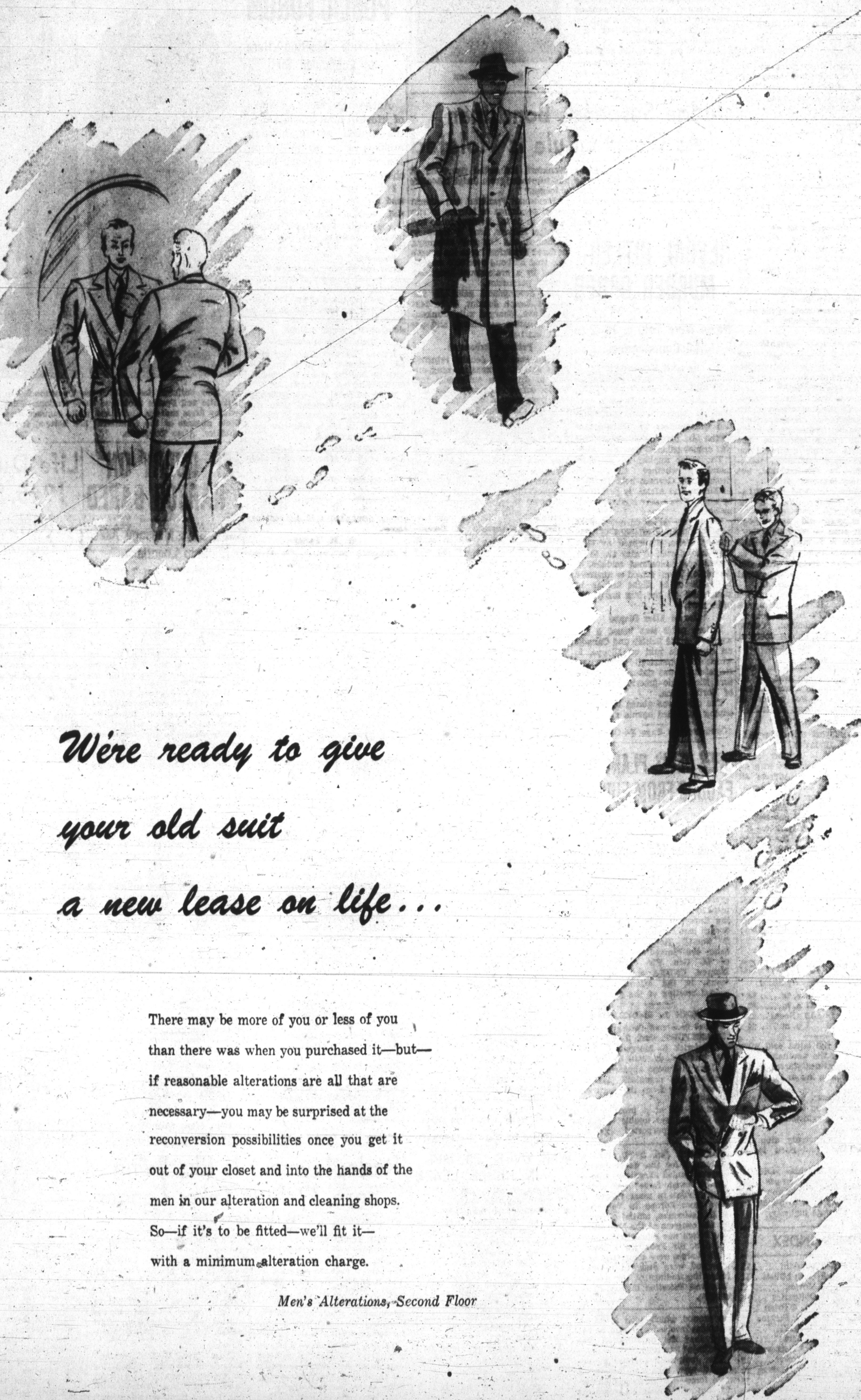
NEW YORK, Jan. 2 (U. P.).—A happy taxicab driver and three servicemen, riding free, were headed for California today from New York.

Last week the taxicab brought six marines here from Los Angeles

when they were unable to find ordinary means of transportation across the country.

A moving picture company offered to foot the bill for Driver Harry Arlschiff if he would take a load of service men back to the coast with him.

Arlschiff said he intended to add two more service men to his load at Chicago.



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I. U. Leads State in Campus Enrollment, Purdue Second

Indiana university topped all other Hoosier universities and colleges in total campus enrollment in 1945.

A national survey conducted by Dr. Raymond Walters, president of the University of Cincinnati, today revealed that I. U. enrolled 9298 students during the last year.

Purdue university was runner-up, with an enrollment of 6552. Purdue, however, stood above I. U. in full-time students on its campus, with 5638 full-time students over Indiana's 5386 students taking full-

time work.

Enrollment in other Indiana educational institutions fixed their ranks in the survey as follows: Notre Dame, third, with 2693 students; Butler, fourth, with 2662 students; and Indiana State Teachers, fifth, with 1793 students.

The state of Indiana ranked 10th among the 48 states in college and university enrollment, with a total of 20,391 enrolled for full-time work in Hoosier institutions of higher learning. New York ranked first in collegiate population.

Rickshaw Boys Now 'Drive' Right; Only British Unhappy

By Scripps-Howard Newspapers
SHANGHAI, Jan. 2.—Ah Ying, the rickshaw boy, has demonstrated that he's fully capable of adapting himself quickly and easily to modern conditions.

At 6 a. m. yesterday China officially changed from her centuries-old practice of driving on the left side of the road to the western practice of driving on the right. The change was made without incident. Everybody in Shanghai was happy about it except the British who set a loss of "face" for themselves since they use the left-hand system.

The change was ordered by Chungking because during the war China received a great number of American vehicles, particularly jeeps and trucks. All are designed for right-hand traffic.

The Chinese did an excellent job of warning the public in advance of the changeover and to see rickshaw boys Ying trotting along Bubbling Well road this morning one would think he had been doing it all his life.

Reports of furious tangles, screams and traffic accidents originated principally in the minds of some reporters who celebrated New Year's eve vigorously and who apparently mistook the pounding in their own ears New Year's day for the sound of traffic accidents.

Rickshaw boys always yell bloody murder when they travel through crowded streets so there was nothing unusual about the great chorus of "la la la la la la" as the traffic change was made.

Being able to yell one's head off is about the only fun there is to pulling a rickshaw.

REVEAL MURDER

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