

Eight Killed, Five Injured In Indiana Traffic Accidents

4 Die Near Evansville in Head-on Crash

Train Kills Man, Wife Near Dunreith

Eight persons lost their lives in accidents which injured five others on Indiana highways yesterday and early today.

Listed as dead by state police are:

D. E. Lafoon, 70, Elberfeld; Joseph A. Lafoon, 31, Elberfeld.

Elmer Harris, 38, Elberfeld; Eddie Parker, 31, Chandler; Simon Martin, 74, Lewisville; Mrs. Maude Martin, 65, his wife.

C. D. Silvert, 37, Columbus, 6; William Marshall Wylie, 66, Rossstown.

Police said the car driven by Mr. Parker crashed head-on into a truck driven by Ernest Campbell, 30, Paoli.

Two Uninjured

The accident occurred 15 miles north of Evansville on Rd. 57.

Mr. Harris, Joseph Lafoon and D. E. Lafoon were passengers in the car driven by Mr. Parker.

The truck driver and a passenger, James Jones, 15, Paoli, were uninjured.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin were killed when their car was driven into the path of a westbound Pennsylvania Railroad passenger train near Dunreith.

Struck by Train

Mr. Silvert, a Pennsylvania Railroad bridge inspector, was killed when he stepped from the path of an approaching freight train and was struck by an oncoming passenger train near Knightstown.

Mr. Wylie was killed in a head-on collision of two cars on Ind. 29 about 12 miles north of Indianapolis early today. His son, Charles Wylie, 31, is reported in fair condition in Methodist hospital with head injuries.

Injured passengers in the other car involved were: Wayne Yates, 19; Charles Snethers, 21; Miss Phyllis Cole, 17, and Phyllis Connally, 17, of Delphi.

All are reported in "satisfactory condition" in Methodist hospital.

Harrison Estate To Be Divided

The last \$150,000 of the estate of former President Benjamin Harrison was marked for distribution today among five heirs.

Mr. Harrison died in Indianapolis on Mar. 13, 1901. His widow died last Jan. 5.

A final trust report of the Harrison estate was filed in Marion County probate court yesterday. It asked that the remaining portion of the estate, in which Mrs. Harrison had a life interest, be divided among a daughter and four other heirs.

The daughter is Mrs. Elizabeth Harrison Walker, New York City, who is scheduled to receive \$52,000. The others are scheduled to get \$26,000. The grandchildren are: William Henry Harrison; Sheridan; Benjamin Harrison McKee, Greenwich, Conn.; Mrs. Mary McKee, also of Greenwich, and Mrs. Martha Harrison, Williams, Wash.



AFTERMATH OF TRAGEDY — Two persons lost their lives in this wrecked sedan. Mr. and Mrs. Simon Martin, Lewisville, were killed when their car was driven into the path of a Pennsylvania passenger train near Dunreith yesterday. The motor was torn from the car and lies near the left front fender.

3 Hurt in Local Traffic Accidents

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Three persons were treated at Indianapolis hospitals last night for minor injuries received in city traffic accidents.

Chester A. Clark, 51, of 521 E. Miami St., was treated at General Hospital for injuries received when the car he was driving struck an abutment of the New York Central Railroad overhead on S. East St.

Fred Albright, 8, of 1565 Roache St., was treated for a broken left arm and head injuries at Methodist Hospital.

While riding his bicycle at Riverside Drive and 27th St., he was struck by a car driven by Ralph Reed, 21, R. R. 14, Indianapolis.

James Easton, 17, of 825 N. California St., was slightly injured when he was struck by a hit-and-run driver near his home.

State Democrats Set Meetings

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A 16-member platform committee of Indiana Democrats prepared today to begin a series of meetings during which the party's program for submission to the June 15 state convention will be formulated.

State Chairman Ira Haymaker, Jr., announced that A. J. Stevenson, president; Damien J. Lyman, vice-president; J. H. Alltop, treasurer; and Edgar Stahl, secretary.

Mr. Gooding has served as vice-president and will succeed M. Carlton Smith as organization head.

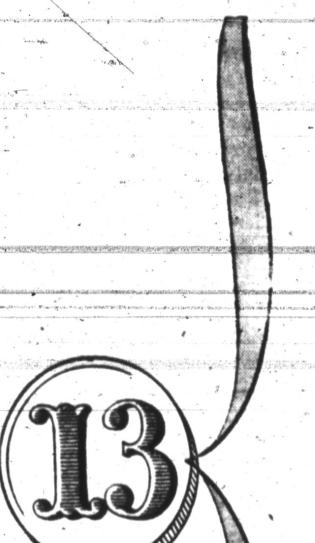
Mr. Smith presided at the dinner attended by 300 persons, including 150 athletes who were honored at the meeting.

Killed on First Work Day

ROCHESTER, N. H., May 22 (UP) — Starting his first day of work as a rigger, James L. Strahl, 29, of Cambridge, Mass., climbed 160 feet up a mill chimney that was to be razed, lost his footing and plunged to his death.

The Murat Theater box office, where tickets have been on sale for the past two weeks, will be closed next week, according to Mel Ross, manager.

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Services Slated For War Dead

General Memorial Unit Lists Program

(Continued from Page One) The General Memorial Association announces programs honoring Indiana's war dead in special services tomorrow at monuments in cemeteries and churches.

At the Governor Oliver Perry Morton statue in Indianapolis lawn at 2 p. m. the Rev. C. M. Hamilton will give the address. The services are under the auspices of the ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Betty Grice, president.

Rabbi Fox to Speak

At the Jewish Cemetery, 10 a. m., Rabbi Samuel J. Fox will speak. The service is under the auspices of the Indianapolis Post 114, Jewish War Veterans of the United States; Frank Strayer Post 114, Veterans of Foreign Wars; with Saul C. Koby, past commander JWV and Charles Crumbo, past commander VFW.

At the Meridian Street Bridge, from 4 to 5 p. m., the Rev. Ernest E. Ballard will speak. The service is under the auspices of the Ben Harrison Camp 356, Sons of Union Veterans and Auxiliary, 11 a. m., there will be a varied program under the auspices of Ernie Pyle Post 1120 and auxiliary, VFW; with Harry Richards, commander; Olive Andrews, president and Don Martine, chairman.

Auxiliaries Take Part

At the Brookside Park Evangelical United Brethren Church at 10 a. m., the Rev. Glen O'Dell will preside. The service will be sponsored by the Maj. Harold C. McGraw Camp 1, United Spanish War Veterans and auxiliaries.

At the Calvary Cemetery, at 11 a. m., there will be a varied program under the auspices of the Ben Harrison Camp 356, Sons of Union Veterans and Auxiliary.

At Anderson Cemetery, 6500 E. 10th St., at 3:30 p. m., the Rev. Charles M. Johnson will speak.

The Anderson Cemetery Association and the Atkins Saw Post 355, American Legion, will be spon-

sored.

Traffic Signal Injures Officer

Patrolman Sam Byrd was nursing a head bump today, a result of a freak accident while on duty.

He was operating the traffic signal yesterday at the congested intersection at South and West Sts. and Kentucky Ave., when the lid covering the mechanism fell, striking him.

Patrolman Byrd sank to the street and was given first-aid by the police emergency squad. He was sent to General Hospital.

Mother Asks Aid In Search for Son

A plea for aid in the search for her 13-year-old son was made to police today by a mother of five.

Mrs. Herbert Smithers, 21, S. Arsenal Ave., said her son Eugene left for School 14 Wednesday morning and hasn't been seen since.

Mrs. Smithers said the boy told her he didn't "feel so good" when he left for school that day.

The last time Mrs. Smithers saw Eugene he was wearing brown gabardine trousers, blue checked shirt and brown shoes. He is blond, blue-eyed, weighs about 100 pounds and is nearly six feet tall.

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Debits — This Week — 23,298,000

Clearings — Debits — 56,356,000
14,828,000

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Our Fair City—

'Hot Car' Ring Convictions Spur Renewed FBI Probes

(Continued from Page One) channels. Then the automobiles were sold to other dealers at a "profit."

44 Big Meetings

IT SEEMED ALMOST like war days to people looking for a hotel room in Indianapolis this week. An unusually heavy convention schedule — 44 major ones — was put on the bureau's calendar and forced the Indianapolis Convention and Visitors Bureau to set up its housing bu-

reau to put travelers in private homes.

Most people who found there were no rooms available blamed it on pre-race day visitors, but that wasn't so. Just this week, conventions (Legion 500, Dentists 2100, Funeral Directors 2000, and smaller ones) more than soaked up what's left of Indianapolis' 7000 hotel rooms after regular and permanent guests are taken care of.

Incidentally, rooms during race week-end have been gone for weeks, but the bureau has a list of several hundred homes willing to accept race fans. They'll set up the housing bureau in the Claypool and work late until everyone has a place to stay.

Police Hold Man As Gun Wielder

A search for the man charged

with threatening a family of four with a revolver after narrowly missing them with a car last Thursday came to an end yesterday.

Police arrested Vincent Whicker, 27, of 2832 Udell St., after he was identified by Russell Coulter, 22, of 931½ N. Alabama St.

Mr. Coulter said he had started across Delaware St. at Ft. Wayne Ave. Thursday and was trapped in the middle of the street by a change of traffic signs.

Car Came Close

With him were his wife, Patricia, 20, and their children, Barbara, 11 months old, and Vernon, two years old.

Although several cars passed them safely, Mr. Coulter said Whicker's car came very close to Barbara's stroller.

When Mr. Coulter yelled for Whicker to be careful, he said Whicker swore at him.

Accused Denied Charges

Minutes later, Whicker returned, jumped from his car, and threatened the family with the gun, Mr. Coulter said.

Detective Sgts. Anthony Zeranik and Edward Schubert arrested Whicker at work and charged him with disorderly conduct, profanity and drawing a deadly weapon.

Whicker denied charges of drawing the revolver.

The poppy sale does not open officially until May 29.

Memorial Parade Route Accepted

Association Agrees To Mayor's Proposal

The General Memorial Association has accepted a parade route for May 30 that was proposed originally by Mayor Feeney, thus ending a wrangle involving patriotic groups.

The Mayor had opposed a parade through the downtown district, declaring that not enough policemen were available to handle the traffic with 500-mile race crowds in the city.