

Family Of 5 Killed By Train; 8 Others Die In State Traffic

County Accidents Reach 109 Within 48 Hours On Slippery Highways

Rail Victims Hurl'd Mile Down Track Near Kouts; Trolley Injuries Fatal to Local Man

Indiana's traffic fatality toll rose to 13 this week-end as slippery highways increased driving hazards. One train-auto crash claimed five lives.

Indianapolis and Marion County were free of fatal accidents, although 102 accidents occurred in the city and seven in the county in 48 hours.

One Indianapolis man died as the result of injuries received when he was struck by a street-car Thursday.

Die in Hospital

Edgar Joseph Harris, 66, of 233 Hiawatha St., died last night in General Hospital. He had been a patient there since he was struck by an Indianapolis Railways streetcar in the 700 block of W. Washington St. Operator of the car was Melvin Rainey, 102, N. Elder Dr.

An entire family died in the train-auto accident, near Kouts, in Porter County yesterday. The family was en route to the home of relatives who were to accompany them on an outing to Dunn's bridge on the Kankakee River.

The dead are:

Matthew M. Freil, 69, South Bend, farmer.

Albert M. Freil, 22, Indiana Harbor, steelworker.

Lewis L. Freil, 19, Mishawaka. George Y. Broda, 11, South Bend.

Wayne L. Broda, 9, South Bend. The car in which the family was riding was struck by the Pennsylvania-Chicago-Cincinnati trolley. The train carried the wreckage containing the bodies of four victims nearly a mile down the track. The body of Lewis Freil was thrown from the car and the train passed over his body.

Crossing Partially Obscured

Investigators said the grade crossing was marked only by a sign and was partially obscured by cornfields and wooded area.

Others dead in state accidents include:

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Reigal, Connersville, drowned when their car went out of control and plunged into a canal near Connersville Saturday night.

Paul Dickey, 40, Terre Haute, passenger in a car which was in collision with a truck near



HELD IN SLAYING—Gregorios Stahopoulos, Greek newspaper reporter, is one of four leftists charged with the murder of American correspondent George Polk.

Two Drowned in Canal

Mrs. Beatrice O. Craig, 26, Ft. Wayne, killed when the car in which she was riding collided with a truck near Ft. Wayne Saturday.

Hints Cominform Ordered Polk Slain

SALONIKA, Oct. 18 (UP)—Greek government officials said today that one of four leftists charged with the murder of American correspondent George Polk had confessed that it was his "personal opinion" that Mr. Polk was killed on orders of the Cominform in an involved plot to halt American aid to Greece.

Two Greek cabinet ministers issued a special announcement saying that a leftist Greek newspaperman, his mother and two fugitive Communists had been charged with the murder. Their trial will take place in two months.

Those charged with the murder, according to an announcement by Minister of Public Order Constantine Rentis and Minister of Justice George Melas, were:

Gregorios Stahopoulos, 28, reporter for the Saloniaka newspaper Makedonia and local stringer for the British Reuters News Agency. He is accused of having lured Mr. Polk to his death.

Anna Stahopoulos, his mother. Adam Moubenidis, chief of the Saloniaka branch of the Communist Otipa Execution squad who is alleged to have fired the shot that killed Mr. Polk.

Evangelos Vasvanas, a fellow Communist.

Holy Land War Flares Openly In North Area

Jews Report Arab Capital Cut Off

TEL AVIV, Oct. 18 (UP)—The renewed war in Palestine spread today from the southern to the central front when Arab artillery shelled a town northeast of Tel Aviv, an Israeli communiqué reported.

The Israeli government reported that Iraqi artillery shelled Jewish-held Kefar Yavitz, some 10 miles east of Natanya, the coastal diamond center, and along the Arab "dangerous triangle" flanking Tel Aviv to the northeast. At least 15 shells landed near the town, the communiqué reported.

She is survived by a son, William M. Moffat, Santa Barbara, Cal.; a daughter, Mrs. Edward M. Weyer, New York City; two stepdaughters, Mrs. B. F. Ninde and Mrs. F. R. Kautz, both of Indianapolis, and three grandchildren.

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