

Death Mars Safety Show At Pittsburgh

Driver Killed, Another Hurt In Staged Crash

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 17 (UP)—Santa Claus was speaking over the public address system to approximately 3000 persons at a safety demonstration staged by the Pittsburgh Better Traffic Committee today.

"We're going to show you what happens when people do not drive carefully," Santa said.

As he spoke, two stunt drivers began driving their automobiles toward each other over a blocked-off section of Duquesne Way.

"Christmas should be the happiest time of the year for everyone," Santa continued.

The cars were going faster now. Henry Neaman, 26, in one of the cars was driving from the rear seat where he was braced in for what was to be a glancing blow.

Truck Far Behind

Dwight Harris, 18, on the running board of the other car was supposed to be picked up by a truck just before the two automobiles collided.

"We don't want any automobile accident to happen and spoil anyone's fun," Santa said.

Mr. Harris began looking over his shoulder for the truck that was supposed to pick him up. It was far behind. He waved at Mr. Neaman to pass him and swerved his car. Mr. Neaman swerved in the same direction.

"A traffic accident just before Christmas could leave little children on Christmas Eve without any daddy to put up the tree," Santa's voice said from the loudspeakers.

Mr. Harris swerved his car again. And Mr. Neaman swung in the same direction.

Crash With Roar

"Automobiles are much bigger than you are . . . and tougher too," Santa concluded.

The car swerved again and came together with a roar. Mr. Harris bounced into the air and landed on the pavement.

Mr. Neaman collapsed in the straps binding him in the back seat. He died of a fractured skull several hours later in the Allegheny General Hospital. Mr. Harris escaped with head cuts and bruises.

While police gave first aid to the two men, Santa stood beside them with his arms hanging in the limp. He never said another word.

Bandits Loot Fur Store

NEW YORK, Dec. 17—Three bandits robbed the Argo Fur Co., one block from the West 30th St. Police Station, of 12 fur coats valued at \$20,000 and \$3300 in cash today.

Crowd Braves Rain To Attend Crosley Christmas Auction At Circle



Fireman Jack Downey (left) made change for Mr. Martin and Miss Francis when they added their dimes to the Mile-O-Dimes.



The crowd braves rain at the Circle auction.

Clothe-A-Child Contributors

Previous Balance	\$7,177.47	Gamma Sigma Chapter, 1 child.	Oaklandon Christan Church—Senior Class, 1 child.
Employees of the Rough Notes Co. Inc.	50.00	Gaseteria Inc. Office Employees, 1 child.	Pal Chapter Beta Sigma Phi, 1 child.
Mr. King and King's Indiana Billiard Co.	31.00	Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McNeeley, 1 child.	Producer's Transport, 1 child.
Employees of Secured Underwriters, Inc.	48.00	Men of the Compact Dept. of P. R. Mallory Co., 1 child.	Western Electric Co.—Ringer Line, 1 child.
Allison Inspection Depts. No. 372, 385 and 386	23.00		Anonymous, 1 child.
Bemis Bros. Co. Employees of Flexi-Carton Dept.	21.30		
Indianapolis General Mothers Club	100.00		
Walter A. Queissers From "Butch"	5.00		
Employees of Freym Brothers, Inc., Allison Plant No. 2, Speedway, Ind.	41.00		
Omega Phi Tau, Beta Chapter	5.00		
Employees Shipping Dept. McQuay-Norris Mfg. Co.	19.00		
International Assn. of Machinists Precision Lodge No. 1817	27.50		
Future Citizens Club 7th Grade Decatur Central	1.04		
Indianapolis Court No. 1, Order of the Amaranth	5.00		
Employees of the Indianapolis Times Composing Room	87.00		
Data-A-Gamma—Sub Deb Club	5.00		
"In Memory of Tommy Wade"	1.00		
"In Memory of Frank Hanley" Universal Employees	5.00		
Wm. E. English Auxiliary No. 56	1.00		
"In Memory of Bob Ensminger"	10.00		
"In Memory of Donna F. White"	5.00		
Employees of National Screen Service Corp. House of Lords Social Club	15.00		
County Line Club	20.00		
Variety Club of Indianapolis	25.00		
"Twelve Friends"	22.97		
Ruby L. Spiegel	10.00		
Chas. F. Coffin, Jr.	25.00		
M. O. D.	1.00		
Anonymous	10.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Smith, Greenwood, Ind.	10.00		
Sablosky's Dept. Stores Chester L. Robinson	10.00		
Edith S. Ozias	10.00		
"Small Fry"	5.00		
Martha Jo Richards	2.25		
Garfield Park Post No. 88 American Legion	5.00		
F.E.B.	15.00		
Marie W.	1.00		
Nu-Chapter Phi-Delta-Pi	10.00		
Wendell	2.00		
A Friend	5.00		
Mary Ritter Service Club	10.00		
Today's Total	\$ 745.96		
Total to Date	\$7,923.53		
Direct Donors			
Employees of Insley Mfg. Corp., 10 children.			
George J. Mayer Co. Employees, 10 children.			
United Rubber Workers Local 294 and Richardson Co., 6 children.			
Employees of Indianapolis Railways, 4 children.			
Fairmount Glass Workers, 4 children.			
Anonymous, 4 children.			
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I. B. M. Club, 2 children.			
Indianapolis Farm Bureau Ins. Co.—Tabulating Dept., 2 children.			
King and Company—City Branch Office, 2 children.			
Nurses in Surgery—Methodist Hospital, 2 children.			
Refrigeration Engineers Society, 2 children.			
Allison Plant, Depts. 371, 381 and 389, 1 child.			
Barb & Jean—Mick, 1 child.			
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bowen, 1 child.			
Daughters of Isaac—Persian Court 24, 1 child.			
E. E. S. O. and F. T. A. of Butler University, 1 child.			
Dept. K 606 and 540—Ell Lilly & Co., 2 children.			
Ell Lilly & Co.—Tabulating Dept., 2 children.			
Ell Lilly & Co.—Economic Research Dept., 2 children.			
Lawrence Central School, 4 children.			
Ell Lilly & Co.—General Office, 1 child.			
Ell Lilly & Co. Dept. K 606-1, 1 child.			
Ell Lilly & Co.—Pulvule Dept. 282, 1 child.			
Ell Lilly & Co.—Sheet Metal Shop, 1 child.			
Fleisch-Miller Tractor Co., 1 child.			
Indianapolis Chapter of A.M.O.R.C. Order of Boscruan, 1 child.			

Call Grand Jury in Waitress Death

FRANKLIN, Tenn., Dec. 17 (UP)—A special session of the Williamson County Grand Jury will be called Tuesday in connection with the arrest of four persons charged with the murder of an ex-Indianapolis waitress, Circuit Judge Wallace Smith said today.

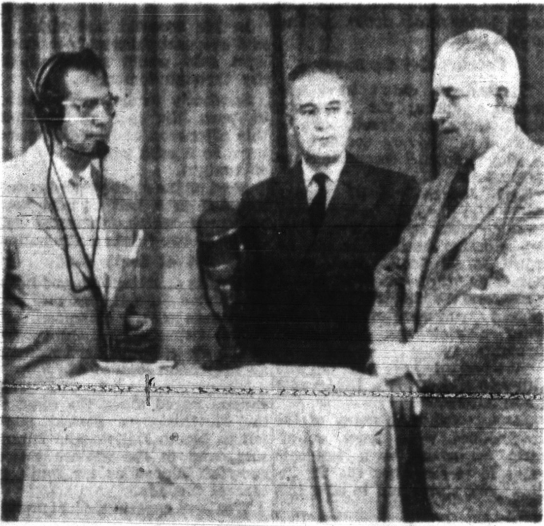
Three men and a woman were charged yesterday after bloodstains were found in their boarding house. State patrolmen had investigated the throat-slashing of Mrs. Rosa Mary Dean for nearly a week.

Arrested and charged were Mrs. Betty Burge, 30, her son, Charles Burge, 37; Lewis Smith, 43, and Bobby Woodward, 22.

Patrolmen said blood that matched the stains on Mrs. Dean's clothing was discovered in the house, under the fingernails of Mrs. Burge and her son, and on Burge's overalls.

A knife was also reported found in an outbuilding behind the boarding house operated by Mrs. Burge.

BBC OPENS TV STATION SUTTON, COLDFIELD, Eng.—most powerful television station in the world here tonight.



Paul Roberts, WFBM master of ceremonies, is shown with Walter Leckrone, editor of The Times and Mayor Feeney during the radio broadcast at WFBM.

Invoke T-H Law, Truman Urged

Coal Association Pushes Action

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (UP)—The National Coal Association today lined up with other major industry groups in demanding that President Truman use the Taft-Hartley Act to put hard and soft coal miners back on a five-day week.

But Mr. Truman, vacationing at Key West, Fla., had no comment. His aides said the President probably would ignore the demands for a crackdown on mine union chief John L. Lewis.

John D. Battle, president of the coal association, accused the administration of "failing to face up to the plain fact that there is an emergency in the supply of soft coal."

"Fully Warranted" He said the present situation—with the coal mines on a three-day week—"fully warrants" use of the Taft-Hartley Act.

Most major Northern and Western coal mine owners are members of Mr. Battle's association. Earlier, the Southern Coal Producers Association and the American Retail Coal Merchants Association, called on Mr. Truman to start legal proceedings to force 480,000 hard and soft coal miners to work a full five-day week.

The miners, on orders from Mr. Lewis, have been working only three days a week since Dec. 5. The shorter work week is part of Mr. Lewis' strategy to reduce coal supplies and put his United Mine Workers Union in a better bargaining position on contract negotiations.

Masonic Lodge Installation Set

Public installation of new officers will be held by Lynhurst Masonic Lodge 723, Friday, Dec. 30, in the lodge hall, 1239 S. Lynhurst Drive.

Hugh W. Craig Sr. will become worshipful master; Clifton Dennis, senior warden; Wilbur Gates, junior warden; John L. Carrington, treasurer; John L. Dean, secretary; Windfield E. Davis, senior deacon; Marvin W. Wells, junior deacon; Dudley B. Goddard, chaplain; Joseph E. O'Neill, senior steward; Forrest E. Plummer, junior steward; Charles J. Ward, tyler; and Edwin C. J. Ristow, Harry D. Smith and Carl Cross, trustees.

Lynhurst Lodge, constituted in 1925, now has 625 members.

FIVE MISSING IN FLOOD

SAO PAULO, Brazil, Dec. 17 (UP)—Five persons were reported missing and several injured after a flash flood hit the nearby town of Sao Joao De Boa Vista today.

Howard Pledges His Best Efforts

Judge to Begin New Term Jan. 1

"I hope to have another successful four years."

That was Judge Howard's comment last night after he was reappointed to a second four-year term on the Municipal Court Room 3 bench.

Gov. Schricker made the long-awaited announcement yesterday. Judge Howard will begin his new term Jan. 1.

The judge said he wished "to thank everyone who was interested in my reappointment." He said he planned to do the "same kind of job I have done the last four years."

Prosecutor George Dailey said reports of his opposition to the appointment were "incorrect." He said he wrote a letter to Gov. Schricker 10 days ago, recommending Judge Howard.

Judge Howard succeeded John J. McNellis to the bench in 1945 when he was appointed by former Gov. Ralph Gates. He is a former secretary of the Marion County Democratic Committee.

Universal Club Aids Salvation Army

Sixty members of the Indianapolis Universal Club collected \$976 while presiding over Salvation Army kettles on downtown streets yesterday.

The "take" was \$97 greater than the amount collected last year on the date, but so far this year collections have not been comparable to recent years. Lt. Col. H. Pugmire, state Salvation Army commander, said.

STRAUSS SAYS:

DAILY STORE HOURS—THIS WEEK—9 TILL 6

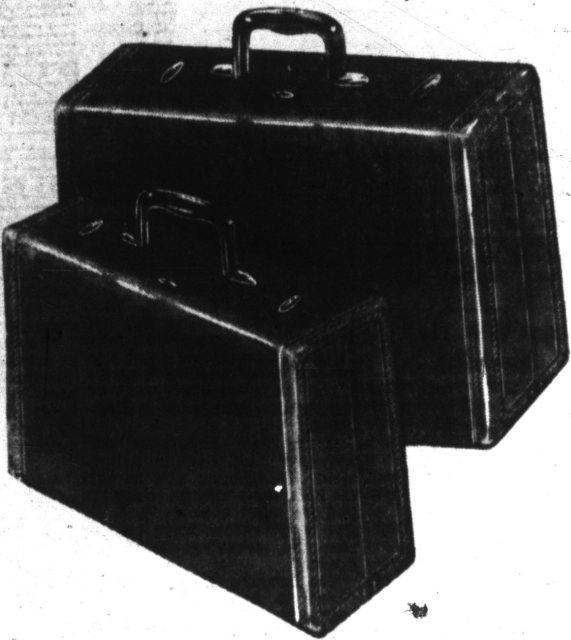
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Mr. Craig