

Auto Accidents Due To Human Failures

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Nineteen accidents out of 20 are due to human failures.

Someone once said, "Most automobile accidents aren't accidents at all—they're foregone conclusions." Persons, not cars or highways, cause most automobile accidents.

According to information released by the Driver Training instructor of Northeast high school, young drivers could be America's best drivers, although they have a record much poorer than average. This is due to their inexperience and fast driving, although it may also be because they drive at night, on week ends, and holidays, when accidents occur in greater numbers.

Nevertheless, young drivers are in good health and have excellent coordination and keen minds. If this fact were applied to driving habits, the present accident rate would be reduced.

Among the danger signs of unsafe driving is speeding, which alone causes nine out of 10 accidents. "Haste makes waste" in heavy traffic, at intersections, on curves and hills, on slippery roads, in foggy weather and when driving after sundown.

Other accidents are caused by losing control of the car, passing in dangerous areas, parking illegally, and failing to give proper signals.

In terms of psychological effect on the drivers a car becomes bigger, more powerful and faster. A car, for example, can travel nearly thirty times as fast as a person on foot. The distance required to stop a car, depending on speed and brakes, is nearly 200 feet, compared to the normal arm reach of about 30 inches.

Moreover, individuals who are ordinarily modest, temperate, and considerate change personalities to an inconsiderate, intemperate and conceited menace when they get behind the wheel.



Courtesy Omaha World-Herald. —Nebraska Safety Patrol Photo. **ANOTHER DEATH . . .** This collision near Linoma Beach shows the condition of the car in which John Spear, Jr., was killed and Michael Van Horn was seriously injured.

To impress this fact upon the minds of Nebraskans, The Omaha World-Herald has issued pledges to walk, drive and think safely as a part of their "Crusade for Safety." The Daily Nebraskan, in co-operation with The World-Herald, is running a copy of this pledge in this issue.

Students are asked to sign the pledge and bring it to The Daily Nebraskan office. From there the pledges will be forwarded to The World-Herald. The World-Herald urged as many groups as possible to sign up 100% of their members.

The need for such a program was brought to this campus by two accidents in which one University student, John Spear Jr., was killed and two seriously injured. Michael Van Horn was injured in the Spear accident which occurred one mile north of Linoma Beach on the morning of Feb. 14.

Van Horne was released from the Bryan Memorial Hospital Saturday and was reported Tuesday as "doing very well."

The condition of Don Oden, injured when his car jumped a curb and hit a bus stop, sign and tree, was described as "excellent." His doctor said Oden will be able to return to school in the next week or two.

Join The Crusade For Safety Here Is My Pledge

I personally pledge myself to drive and walk safely and think in terms of safety throughout 1953.
I give this promise in seriousness and earnestness having considered fully my obligation to protect my life and the lives of my family and my fellow men.
I pledge myself further to advance the cause of safety by taking part in safety activities of my club, school, employee group and other organizations.

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Veteran Benefit Payments Exempted From Taxation

Benefit payments administered by the Veterans Administration are tax-free and need not be reported in computing income taxes.

Dividends which veterans have received on their GI insurance policies are also exempt.

Among the tax-exempt VA payments are the following: subsistence allowances for World War II veterans training in schools, on farms and on-the-job under the GI Bill; subsistence payments

made to disabled World War II and Korean veterans in training under the Vocational Rehabilitation Act; education and training allowances for post-Korean veterans enrolled in schools and training establishments under the Korean GI Bill.

The remaining tax-exempt payments are: payments to be applied to veterans GI loans made by the VA; disability compensation and pensions for both service and non-service connected disabilities paid to veterans; grants for seriously disabled veterans for homes designed for wheelchair living and World War I emergency officer's retirement pay.

Death benefits to families of deceased veterans including compensation, pension and all GI insurance payments are also free from taxation.

Mummies Infer Ancient Science Museum Displays Bodies From Egypt. Peru Tombs

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Egyptians in 1450 B.C. had discovered methods of preserving bodies which scientists have as yet been unable to explain.

Morrill Hall has on display wrapped and unwrapped mummies from Peru and Egypt aging from 800 to 2000 years old.

Pre-Inca people from the coast of Peru tied the dead in a sitting position the body was wrapped with numerous layers of cloth and placed in a hollow tomb in the hot sands of the desert country. As far as scientists can determine the cloth resembles our linen material. In the oven-like tomb the bodies dried out and remained in a mummified state.

Personal belongings were buried with them, and a gourd of water was placed around the neck so the spirit could be refreshed. The Peruvians also believed that coca leaves gave the spirit strength for his journey to the next world.

The mummies are sufficiently preserved to allow scientists to study the bone structure of early inhabitants of Peru. The hair on the mummy's head closely resembles the color and texture of human hair today.

Egyptians were more advanced in mummifying bodies than the Peruvians. The royal burial

grounds were at Thebes in Upper Egypt. The heavy mummy cases, in the shape of a human body, were decorated in yellow, orange and red, but predominately green. The wooden coffins, through the years, have retained the colors with only a slight fading.

Faces, resembling the entombed person, are painted on the top of the coffin and on the wrappings. The wrappings taken from a person who lived in 800 B.C. are still durable and have only a faint yellowish tinge. The more royal the person, the more richly and lasting the Egyptians decorated the tomb.

Egyptians were laid in a prone position with the cases sometimes set upright. The first wrapping consisted of linen cloth medicated with bitumen, spices and gums. The wrapped body was encased in a coffin, and occasionally two coffins.

Unwrapped mummies are sometimes black, depending on the spices used in the wrappings, and the features of the face resemble burned pieces of paper. The heads of noblemen are light and look more like chipped wood.

Portrait figures of varying sizes were part of every entombment. The Egyptians believed the soul left the body and returned at will. If the body disappeared, the soul could enter the copy of the body in the form of portrait figures.

Waring Elides Word Syllables To Give A Different Style

Fred Waring's music has become famous "because people can understand it," Jeanette Mickey, University graduate in 1942 and former employee of Waring, said in an interview.

Waring's music is "exaggerated" to the person who sings it, but to the listener, "it sounds wonderful," she said.

Waring has developed tone syllables which treat English words in pronunciation almost like French, she said, with the last syllable of the word eliding with the next.

"You have to have something different to make people listen," she said.

A choral workshop, offered by Waring, makes it possible for those interested in music teaching to learn about his techniques, Miss Mickey said. The workshop gives practical information about music direction, and pointers on directing choirs.

"Fred Waring," she said, "is an avid reader of the comic section." When ever he gets a paper, he always reads the comic section first.

Miss Mickey went to a workshop session as a student, and was later hired by Waring. She went to Shawnee-on-the-Deleware, Penn. to set up a permanent workshop. While employed by Waring, she

worked in the workshop doing public relations and secretarial work. She also worked as television production assistant and as script girl.

Miss Mickey is now with radio station KFOR, in Lincoln.

During her student days at the University, she was a sports columnist for The Daily Nebraskan. Mortar Board, president of the Women's Athletic Association, vice president AWS, vice president Pi Lambda Theta, and vice president of Delta Delta Delta sorority. She was also a member of Tassels and a Coed Counselor.

Klasek Photo Wins In KAM Contest

Chuck Klasek, junior in Teachers College, won first place in the photographic contest sponsored by Kappa Alpha Mu, photo-journalism honorary.

Klasek's winning print was a landscape, taken in the Canadian Northwest. Second place went to Jane Jordan, senior in Teachers College, with her baby picture entitled "Privacy." "Mr. Quack," a portrait of a duck, won third place for Lois Eddy, senior in Arts and Science.

The two honorable mention awards went to Del Harding, Arts and Sciences junior, for his "Up and In," a basketball action picture, and for "He Missed!" a Nebraska-Colorado football photo.

The contest was judged by Paul Kubitschek, representative of a local camera store.

You'd better polish up your snow shoes, for the weather man says that there is a good chance of snow with temperatures in the 30's.

Applications Announced For Meteorology Grad Training

Major General W. O. Senter, commanding general of the U. S. Air Force Air Weather Service, announced the opening of applications for assignment to basic meteorology graduate training.

Mid-term college graduates who have completed degree requirements in January may apply for immediate direct commissions in the USAF reserve, with meteorological training to begin in June. Graduates must have received credit for one year of college physics and mathematics through integral calculus. They may receive complete application forms by writing to the Commanding General, Air Weather Service, Washington 25, D. C.

College seniors, both men and women, who will graduate in June with the required physics and mathematics credits may also apply at this time for commissions to be awarded following graduation, with entrance to graduate meteorology school in September.

The June class, which will be of limited size, is established specifically to provide an early entrance into weather school for mid-term 1953 graduates. Since several weeks is required to process the application forms and obtain approval for the participating university, qualified graduates are urged to submit application forms as soon as possible.

Mid-term graduates must submit their applications by March 1 if they are to receive consideration for the June class. However, forms submitted after March 1 will receive consideration for the September class.

Several colleges and universities are offering the government-paid basic meteorology courses. The participating schools are: Massachusetts Institute of Technology, New York University, University of Chicago, Pennsylvania State College, University of California at Los Angeles, Florida State University, University of Washington and St. Louis University.

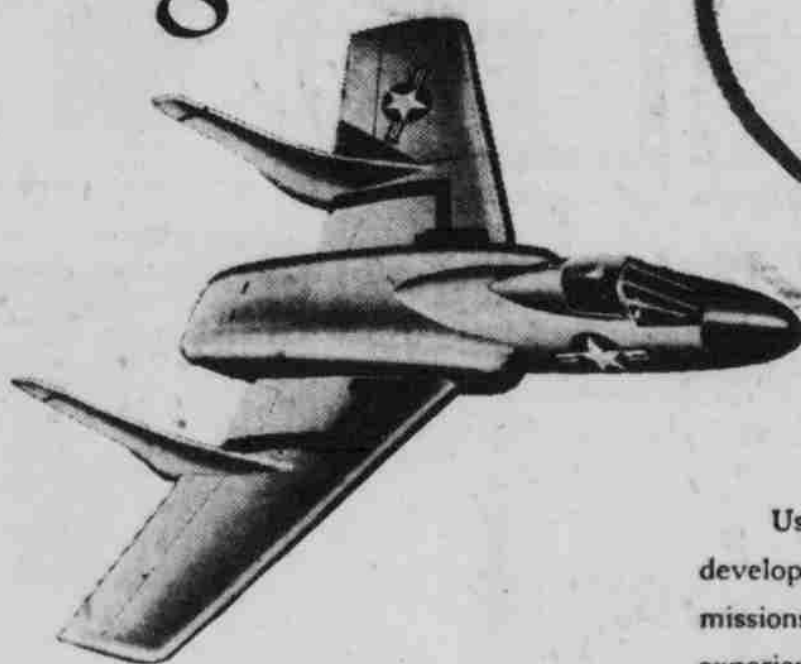
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