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Partly cloudy and cooler to-
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Thanksgiving Violent Death Toll Rises To 61

SALEM, N. J.

Accidents In Traffic Claim 103

Much Larger Than Last Year's Mark

By Associated Press
The nation's death toll from violent accidents over the Thanksgiving Day holiday was one of the highest in several years.

There were at least 161 violent deaths from 6 P. M. (local time) Wednesday to midnight Thursday. These included 103 traffic fatalities. Fifty-eight persons died in miscellaneous accidents, including fires, plane crashes, shootings, falls and hunting. Also included were fourteen persons killed in Alabama tornadoes.

This year's Thanksgiving violent death toll compared favorably with the same period last year, 128 in 1947, and 134 in 1948. The total on Thanksgiving Day holidays during the year was also below this year's mark.

This year's Thanksgiving Day traffic deaths exceeded last year's toll of 66. The National Safety Council records show an average of 85 persons killed every 4 hours in traffic accidents during the first nine months of 1949. However, the figures for the nine months cover deaths occurring as long as months after the accident in which the victims were injured.

Among the violent deaths were nineteen-year-old mother and her two young children who perished in a fire that destroyed their log cabin near Rockville, Ind. In Illinois, a 30-year-old father and his wife, both 40, were killed in a car crash on the highway near Rockville, Ill. In California, Illinois and Ohio each reported ten traffic deaths.

The following states reported traffic deaths: Alabama 14; Arkansas 4; California 2; Colorado 1; Connecticut 1; Delaware 1; Florida 3; Georgia 1; Idaho 1; Indiana 3; Iowa 1; Kansas 5; Kentucky 0; Louisiana 1; Maine 1; Maryland 3; Massachusetts 3; Michigan 3; Minnesota 1; Missouri 1; Montana 1; Nebraska 1; New Hampshire 0; New Jersey 1; New Mexico 1; New York 2; North Carolina 3; Ohio 10; Oklahoma 3; Oregon 1; Pennsylvania 7; Rhode Island 0; South Dakota 0; Tennessee 3; Texas 3; Virginia 1; Washington 0; Wisconsin 4; Wyoming 1.

Czech Church Vows Are Held Illegal

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia.—(AP) Clergymen will be prosecuted and punished after Jan. 1 if they marry couples who were not first wed in church ceremonies, Czech Communist Party newspaper Rude Pravo announced today.

The Czech Communist marriage law is effective Jan. 1. It decrees that church marriages no longer will be recognized as legal.

Garbage Men Find Infant Half-Buried In Refuse

PASCO, Wash.—(AP)—Started garbage men found a baby boy "blue as a bottle of ink" buried half-buried in refuse behind the city police station today.

The infant lay out on a wall and the garbage men reported their find to the police station.

Poisoning his Thanksgiving

Once Over Lightly

BY WALTER SEIDENBERGER

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ONE SURVIVOR OF PLANE CRASH

Isaac Ailid, 11, is the sole survivor of a plane crash in Norway which killed 27 other Jewish refugee children and seven adults. He is in a hospital at Drammen, Norway.

The wrecked plane with its dead was found on a wooded hill side 30 miles from Oslo 42 hours after the crash. (AP Wirephoto via radio from London.)

German Parliament Kays Agreement

BOON, Germany.—(AP)—West Germany's parliament today approved the new Allied-German agreement relating occupation controls.

But opposition during the session, all night session was the Socialist leader Kurt Schumacher who barred from the assembly's last 20 sessions for insulting Chancellor Konrad Adenauer.

"Chancellor of the Allies" was thus taunted by Schumacher at Adenauer's attempt to bring the agreement to a vote. It came to a vote without opposition.

When order was restored, the session resumed for the council of ministers to consider the agreement against Schumacher.

In the hot debate which preceded the vote, Schumacher criticized the agreement as a "sell-out" to the Allies, and the international situation.

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Panama Has Third Chief In One Week

Critic Of U. S. Made President

PANAMA, Panama.—(AP)—Arnolfo Arias, a fiery 49-year-old surgeon, early today became Panama's third president in six days by proclamation of Congress.

The Congressional approval apparently put the stamp of legitimacy on the latest coup by Panama's president-making police chief, Col. Jose Remon.

Remon, who forced the ouster of President Daniel Chian, Jr., on Sunday, late last night declared that he would resign today.

He also announced that Arias was the new president, a move which the court had ruled Chian was still the president of the country.

The Congressional endorsement of the coup was a surprise, considering the fact that the government was in a state of emergency.

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A GUEST ARRIVES FROM ARCTIC

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Nation's Economy Not Paralyzed

By ROBERT C. WILSON
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Soviet Peace Plan Rejected By U. N.

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Democrats Assured War Was Avoided

Release Called Important Thing

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—A Republican blast at the State Department's handling of the Angkor War case brought from two Democrats today a reply that the department should be praised rather than criticized.

Rep. Rep. (D-Ill.) and Mansfield (D-Mont.) told reporters the important thing was that the department had not taken the case to the United Nations.

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Christmas Balloon Goes On Rampage

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn.—(AP) A high, air-filled rubber hippopotamus, scheduled to take part in a Christmas parade today, went on a brief aerial jaunt yesterday.

The hippo, which towers nearly 20 feet high, broke loose from its stand and was carried away by a gust of wind.

A barbed wire strand, wrapped the hippo's outer hide as it crossed the fence, it then gained altitude and rolled across the top of the parade route.

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