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THIS IS THE SCENE of the early-morning accident that killed Mrs. Louise Wolf Wentz. Her sports car hurtled through the

(News Staff Photo by Tom Franklin-Franklin) barricade, which Mrs. Louise Wolf wentz, and crashed into the road-building machine (background, center.)

Charlotte Woman Killed In Early Morning Wreck

By DONALD McDONALD
Charlotte News Staff Writer

A Charlotte woman became the city's 10th traffic fatality of the year when her 1955 Thunderbird sports car slammed through a wooden barricade on Providence Rd. and struck a parked road grading machine shortly after midnight today.

She was identified as Douglas S. Wing Funeral Home as Mrs. Louise Wolf Wentz, 44, 1900 Cliffwood Pl. Police said Mrs. Wentz received chest injuries and was dead when police arrived. According to Dr. W. M. Summerville, county coroner, the woman appeared to have been dead about one hour when police were notified at 1:30 a.m.

The car driven by Mrs. Wentz was headed into the city, and officers said she had left a residence on Sharon-Annie Rd. about midnight after visiting friends.



MRS. WENTZ

Inside the wrecked car beside Mrs. Wentz' body was a small wire-haired terrier, which survived the accident. A billfold and the dead woman's pocketbook, containing \$56.53, were brought to Police Headquarters.

There were no known witnesses and police were notified by two men who are employees of Whitin Machine Works and were on their way from work to their homes in Waxhaw, S. C., or later at Charlotte or Raleigh, N. C. He will resume at Norfolk, Va., Saturday.

CAR TOTAL LOSS
The accident happened along the 1800 block of Providence Rd. which is currently being widened. Barricades and flares dot the stretch of highway while the thunderbird work is going on.

Police said the Thunderbird, which was a total loss, traveled 179 feet after going through the barricade. It collided with a huge parked Caterpillar road grading machine.

Train Hits Gas Tanker

FORT GREEN, Fla. (AP)—A Seaboard Air Line railroad passenger train smashed into a gasoline transport truck here today and three of the train's coaches burst into flames.

Two persons were killed and the whole train, except for the engine, caught fire, said Mrs. Tom Cooper a grocery clerk who witnessed the crash.

"Several people have been burned pretty badly and we don't know yet if they got all of them off the train."

Ambulances were taking the injured into hospitals in nearby towns.

First report on the crash in the isolated area came from the pilot of a Bartow Air Base plane who saw it from the air and reported it to his base.

GRACE DEPT.

Chap. 5 — Wherein They're 'Shook Up'



HE KNOWS SANTA IS FOR REAL

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP)—Deputy Sheriff Robert Tice received \$5,412 yesterday to pay his hospital and medical bills.

"I've always believed in Santa Claus and now I know that he really does exist," said Tice, who is still recovering from critical injuries received in an automobile wreck shortly before Christmas.

For many years Tice has played Santa for handicapped and shut-in children. The money was contributed by residents of the area

Up To Nine Inches

Heavy Snow Blankets North Carolina Peaks

Wind And Rain Lash Piedmont And Coast

By EMERY WISTER
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A storm which mixed the elements of a hard-driving winter and a strong young spring roared into the Carolinas today, bringing some of the bad weather of both seasons.

Snow, ranging up to nine inches, fell in western North Carolina last night and still was falling today. High winds and heavy rains raked the coastal areas and Piedmont.

Snow was reported in nine western counties this morning but was not sticking to roads, and the State Highway Patrol reported all highways open.

The unseasonable fall began last night as rain but by early this morning nine inches was reported on the ground at 5,721 ft. Mt. Mitchell, 6,884 feet in the air, had six inches.

OTHER FALLS

Waynesville, county seat of Haywood County, reported four and Canton had two inches. Three and a half inches was reported at Asheville - Hendersonville Airport and Weaverville, some eight miles north of Asheville had two inches.

Six to eight inches was reported at Highlands.

A cold low pressure system passing over the area was blamed by Weather Bureau forecasters for the snowfall. They said they expected no great accumulations at altitudes under 3,000 feet but warned that the snow could become hazardous at higher elevations.

Snow was reported falling in Yancey, Avery, Mitchell, Watauga, Ashe, Henderson, McDowell, Haywood and Buncombe counties.



The Wind Flopped Half of This Sign onto East Blvd.

Eisenhower Pulls Ahead Of Stevenson

Late Down-State Votes Give Margin

(CHICAGO) — President Eisenhower moved out ahead of Adlai E. Stevenson today in returns from the Illinois presidential preference primary.

Sen. Estes Kefauver of Tennessee, making a write-in bid, was left far behind in what amounted to an election year popularity contest.

The President scored spectacular gains in reports from down-state precincts while Stevenson had a big margin in Cook County — Chicago — the stronghold of his Democratic party.

Eisenhower, who took almost 53 per cent of the Illinois vote in his duel with Stevenson in the 1952 presidential election, passed Stevenson in the count of ballots in the midmorning.

THE RETURNS

Returns from 8,797 of the state's 9,511 precincts in Eisenhower's race against the nominal opposition of Sen. William F. Knowland and La. Dak. Sen. the Republican side gave Eisenhower 679,891, Knowland 30,420 and Daly 8,763.

Reports from 2,322 of the 4,511 down-state precincts gave Eisenhower 423,880.

The Democratic vote in 8,470 of 9,511 precincts was, Stevenson 671,247; 7,527 of 9,511 precincts; Kefauver 26,306.

Eisenhower was expected to lead virtually all the 50 GOP delegates chosen to go to the Republican nominating convention and delegates in 19 votes to be picked later in a state convention.

The Democrats also chose delegates with 30 convention votes. Twenty-three of the delegate candidates were for Stevenson and three had declared for Kefauver, with the others open-minded or uncommitted. The votes still were being counted in the Democratic delegate race. Delegates with 14 votes will be selected later at a state convention.

No delegates are bound by the preference outcome.

Following Attack

King Cole Cancels Date In Charlotte

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP)—Nat (King) Cole, who was attacked on the stage by a group of white men during a concert here last night, today canceled scheduled appearances in three other southern cities.

The Negro ballad singer and pianist said just before boarding a plane for Chicago that he would not appear tonight at Greenville, S. C., or later at Charlotte or Raleigh, N. C. He will resume at Norfolk, Va., Saturday.

The pianist was said to have appeared at the Charlotte Coliseum tomorrow night, on a program with June Christy, the Four Freshmen and the Ted Heath orchestra.

Promoter Jim Crockett, reached in Baltimore, Md., said he has received no official word from Cole's manager on the program but that if Cole does not appear in Charlotte, the whole performance will be canceled.

Six white men were charged with assault with intent to murder here following the Cole incident.

Cole, 37, was only shaken up as he went down to the floor as one of his assailants, running up the stage from the rear of the "battered city auditorium, grabbed at the singer's knees and lunged it to his base.

Marine Bodies Lie In State

PARRIS ISLAND, S. C. (AP)—Six flag-draped caskets containing the bodies of Marine recruits, who died in a crowd march Sunday night were placed in the U. S. Naval Hospital at nearby Beaufort, S. C., today.

A guard of honor was posted over them as a Marine court of inquiry continued its investigation of the deaths.

Military services for all of the victims will be conducted at the post chapel of this Marine recruit depot tomorrow.

Last rites for Donald Francis O'Shea, 18, of Brooklyn, N. Y., a Catholic, are scheduled for 9:30 a. m. The services for the other will begin one hour later.

They are Thomas Curtis Hardeman, 20, Vidalia, Ga.; Charles Francis Reilly, 18, Clyde, N. Y.; Jerry LaMonte, 17, Alexandria, La.; Leroy Thompson, 18, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; and Norman Alfred Wood, 17, Bay Shore, N. Y.

STILL IN SESSION

The court of inquiry, meeting in closed session, was ordered by Gen. Randolph Pate, Marine Corps commandant. It will recommend whether action should be brought against Sgt. Matthew C. McKean of Worcester, Mass., the drill instructor who ordered the platoon of 78 to make the ill-fated march.

About 20 of the survivors were called to testify yesterday. There was no word as to whether all of the others would be heard, but the trial counsel said he had no instructions to call anyone in the platoon.

McKean said in a statement he ordered the march to "teach the platoon discipline." Both Gen. Pate and Maj. Gen. Joseph E. Barger, the Parris Island base commander, said the night march was unauthorized.

Survivors of the night march later told of an hour of horror as their buddies slipped and floundered and drowned in a murky sea stream near the base.

Go First to FIELDS — Expert Watch Repairs. (Adv.)

Social Notes From Coliseum Area



Wind-broken glass and mannequins are straightened at Lucielle's.

Homeowners Tied By Traffic

By DICK YOUNG
Charlotte News Staff Writer

Citizens who live near the coliseum say they have to check with the auditorium-coliseum management on schedule of entertainment events in order to plan social affairs in their own homes.

This assertion came from attorney Robert Perry Jr., representing property owners on Independence Blvd. adjoining the city's \$5 million entertainment facility. They were asking for zoning classification of their properties.

Because of the traffic and activities in connection with the auditorium-coliseum nearby residents have difficulty getting in and out of their homes, Mr. Perry said.

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This petition, along with five others for zoning, reclassification, a plan for an earthen dam and there would be no stopping the floodtide of business encroachment.

As a matter of fact, he said, a petition is already in circulation to request business classification along Independence Blvd. west of Briar Creek Rd.

He spoke also of what he called would be an adverse effect on the \$500,000 charity school on the south side of Independence Blvd. Brock Barkley, attorney for the City School Board, appeared asking serious consideration of any business classification in the vicinity of all city schools.

The board seeks always to locate a school, Mr. Barkley said, in an area away from business districts and in residential sections which it seeks to serve.

NO THANKS

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP)—So Albuquerque firemen aren't joining other local males in raising boys' their city's 29th anniversary celebration this summer.

Fire Chief Simon Seligman says his men consider the chin follicle fire hazards.

Select FOREMOST Milk Products at your favorite store.—Adv.

Evening Prayer

Our Father, who givest seed for sowing, direct and guard our sowing that no wild seed be scattered and that our harvest may be the bread of heaven, nourishment of the imperishable life, in the Father's house forevermore, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Our Weather

Rain, windy and cool this afternoon and tonight with rain gradually ending tonight. Tomorrow, partial clearing and a little warmer.

Low this morning—44.
Low tomorrow—42.
High yesterday—62.
High tomorrow—60.
High today—54.
Sunrise, 5:57 a.m.; sunset, 6:52 p.m.

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