

## Twelve Die In Holiday Accidents

### Six Killed in Road Mishaps

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At least twelve persons met violent death in North Carolina over the Christmas holidays—six in traffic accidents, and six by other means.

Charles Dabney, 24, of the Mill Creek section of McDowell County, was fatally injured in an automobile accident near his home. James Walter Carroll, 50, a pedestrian, was fatally injured by an automobile near Benson. Randolph Finch, 21, was killed in an automobile accident near Raleigh, and Austin S. Bryant, 42, was struck and killed by an automobile between Fayetteville and Fort Bragg.

### TRAIN ACCIDENT

A train accident accounted for one death. Private Benjamin Ehrlichman, 22, an Army guard duty near Charlotte, was struck and killed by a locomotive. Mrs. Mary E. Sowers, 42, fell into a well at Lexington and died of a broken neck. Racer slashes which Sheriff Grady Nichols said were self-inflicted, were fatal to James Evans, 72, of Marion.

A hunting accident claimed the life of Wilbur Simpson Jones, 38, near New Bern. Jones shot a bird and was jabbing it with the butt of his gun when the weapon fired and killed him.

Mrs. Stella Blankenship was killed and three other persons were injured in a gasoline explosion at the Blankenship home in North Wilkesboro. The explosion occurred when a member of the family started a fire with gasoline, thinking it to be kerosene.

CAVE FIGHT  
At Lexington E. L. Nance, 42, of Erlanger, was fatally injured in a cave when he fell to the concrete floor after being struck by another man. Police Chief W. R. Lanning said a man booked as Ralph Myers was being held in the cave pending the coroner's report. At Wilmington Mrs. Adah Campbell Nichols, died from injuries suffered when she was hit by an automobile.

Willie Bannerman, 28, died after being involved in a fight in a Whiteville cafe. Coroner J. D. Biera said that Lloyd Brown, 21, a sailor, was being held in connection with the death. Biera quoted Brown as saying that Bannerman had made derogatory remarks about sailors and soldiers and that he "beat him" out of him.

### South Carolina

#### Toll Is Six

COLUMBIA, S. C.—A check-up today revealed that at least six persons were killed in traffic accidents in South Carolina over the Christmas holidays on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

A man identified as Thomas Morley of Newich, Conn., was killed in an automobile accident near Ridgefield.

A train-auto crash on Johns Island killed Clyde Cameron, John L. Robinson, Leonard Graves and Mike Willie Wynn.

Elliott Brunson, 43, died in an Orangeburg hospital of gunshot wounds. Sheriff George L. Reed said Brunson was shot in an argument Christmas Eve near his home at Vance and that Louis Martin was being held in the county jail in connection with the shooting.

At Gaffney, Robert Rowan Jenkins, 32, died of a pistol shot inflicted Wednesday afternoon. Mord Garland, 24, was arrested in connection with the shooting.

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## Their Majesties, The Queens Of 1941

AP Feature Service  
America crowned a bumper crop of queens in 1941—queens of this 'n' the other thing. Here are some new members of beauty's royal family.



Mrs. America 1941  
Mrs. Ruth Licklider



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Rosemary LaPlanche



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## Pearl Harbor Tragedy Recounted By First Evacuees To Reach U. S.

SAN FRANCISCO—Hundred of evacuees and wounded, conveyed safely through water, today related acts of heroism and praised the morale in embattled Hawaii.

Planes circled overhead as the passenger vessels, wearing a dark blue war paint, slipped quietly through the Golden Gate yesterday.

Lifelines were worn during the trip by all passengers—even by the many children while they played games—and the ships were blacked out completely at night.

Tires buzzed constantly because Japanese submarines have been prying on shipping off the California coast.

Stirling scenes took place at entrances to piers. No public announcement was made of the convoy's arrival, but it was seen moving through the Golden Gate. There was a rush toward the waterfront.

Soldiers and sailors carrying rifles and pistols had blocked off an area extending three blocks from the docks.

Ambulances hurried to the waterfront and removed the Navy and Army wounded. The city sent four ambulances to care for the civilian injured.

A wounded sailor told of the heroism of his skipper who ordered some of his life men to throw potatoes at the Japanese raiders.

"Our skipper was a little fellow," the sailor said, "but he certainly was full of fight."

"We had only a three-inch gun where we were, but he wouldn't let anybody else fire it. He peppered away at the Japs as they came over."

"All of a sudden a bomb hit nearby and blew our skipper into the water. Our executive officer gave the order to abandon ship."

The sailors started down and just then the skipper's head bobbed up from the water. They told him they were abandoning ship.

"The hell you are!" he shouted. "Get back to your stations!"

Then he ordered the messenger: "I got to keep the men occupied at a time like this. Let 'em throw potatoes at the Japs!"

Football players of Williamette University at Salem, Ore., and San Jose, Calif., also told of their return of doing guard duty after the raid. Coach R. S. "Spec" Keese said his Williamette squad worked their way home by cutting for wounded men.

The three children of Captain Merle Williams of the Air Corps told of a Christmas party on the conveyor ships at sea which was long on fun but short on candy and nuts.

Danny Williams' faith in his father, who remained in the islands, was evident.

"My daddy," said the six-year-old "can lick any ten Japs."

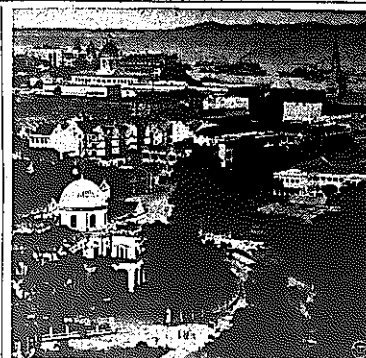
## Plan Early Construction

### Textile Institute Given Priority

SHELBY—Construction of the new North Carolina Textile Institute in Gaston County is expected to get underway early in 1942.

Chairman O. M. Mull of the trustees and the building committee said bids would be asked next month.

Mull said after a conference in Washington that the project had been given in an A-10 priority rating as a defense enterprise. This rating, it was explained, means that orders for materials may not be rejected but that the orders must take their priorities position with relation to the nation's defense requirements and the material supply.



VITAL FAR EAST FORTRESS—This is the harbor and city of Singapore, British fortress that is the key to the Far East fighting.

## Lenoir Man Gets Medal

### Corp. Conrad Payne Given Flying Cross

LENOIR. Corporal Conrad Payne, 21, of Lenoir, and 18 other officers and enlisted men of the Army Air Force have been recommended by the President for awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross, according to information received from the War Department.

The recommendation of medals was in recognition of a trans-Pacific formation flight Sept. 8-12, which ranks as one of the greatest in aviation history, the Department stated.

The flight, made by a number of four-engine bomber airplanes, was from Honolulu to the Philippine Islands, where the planes of the formation since have been heavily engaged in the defense of the islands against Japanese attacks.

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