



Twelve persons were injured when these two cars collided near Hillside Farms. Driver of the vehicle in foreground was in wrong lane.

## twelve injured in 2 car crash

Twelve people were injured July 4 on the Hillside-Huntsville Road, Jackson Township, in a violent two car collision that totally destroyed the two vehicles and sent 12 people to the hospital.

Police report that the accident occurred at 6:15 p.m. near Hillside Farms when a vehicle driven by Walter C. Ranus 19, 5 Cooper St., Pringle, traveling on the left hand side of the road forced the second vehicle off the road.

The vehicle driven by Michael Rudick, 218 Highland Ave., Trucksville, overturned in Toby's Creek after being forced off the road. Mr. Rudick, his wife, Marie, and children, Patricia 3½ months; Billy 6; Donald 9; Michael Jr. 12, and Linda 13 were all taken to Nesbitt Memorial Hospital where they were treated and released.

Chief Robert Cooper, Jackson Township police, said that the Ranus vehicle continued traveling for approximately 30 feet after striking the Rudick vehicle

## 5-mile track washed out

Rain washed out the racing slate last Saturday evening at 5-Mile Point Speedway but not before a field of 82 cars, 38 Modified-Sportsman and 44 Late Models, and a capacity crowd made their way to the popular quarter-mile speed-plant.

Track crews had the oval ready for racing in spite of heavy Friday night rains and Saturday showers, but the knock-out punch was a heavy shower just after the start of the first event.

The winbill program of Modified-Sportsman and Late Models, with the Schaefer Circle of Sports "50" as the headliner, will be run next Saturday evening. The 50 lap Modified-Sportsman event carries a purse in excess of \$3000, with the winner pocketing \$750, and all 25 starters sharing the cash. First event is set for 7:30 p.m.

## add-a-room leads

Adding a room is the biggest type of home improvement in America, in dollar volume, avers one research bureau. Upwards of 1,250,000 homeowners invest over \$2000 each in add-on space in a year's time.

and then came to rest on its side. Mr. Ranus; his brother, Richard 16; Robert Gildea 16, 117 E. Vaughn St., Kingston; John Buchkowski 18, 24 Barney St., Larksville, and Barbara Ambrose 19, Cooper Street, Pringle, were all taken to Nesbitt Memorial Hospital.

Miss Ambrose is still hospitalized in intensive care where her condition is listed as "serious." Mr. Ranus is also a "serious" patient and Mr. Gildea's condition is listed as "fair." The other two passengers in the vehicle were treated and released.

Ambulances from Kingston Township and Dallas were summoned by Chief Cooper to transport the 12 injured people to the hospital. He was assisted at the accident scene by Jackson Township Patrolman Andrew Kasko, Constable Douglas Smith and Kingston Township Patrolman Paul Sabol. The Jackson Township Fire Company was summoned to assist in clearing the road. Fire Chief Dale Wright and Chief Cooper's two sons, Grant and Gary Cooper washed away the gasoline and cleared the shattered glass that was reported to be "as thick as snow."

Charges will be brought against Mr. Ranus in both Kingston Township and Jackson Township, according to Chief Cooper, he will be charged by both townships with reckless driving; charged with passing a "stop" sign in Kingston Township and with driving on the left hand side of the road in Jackson Township. Police are also investigating details involving an empty beer barrel with tap attached that was removed from the Ranus vehicle and is being held in police custody until the patients' conditions permit questioning.

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## "Croaky" thrills fresh air kids

A children's story with the unlikely title "Croaky the Bull Frog" proved to be the highlight of the first story hour held especially for visiting Fresh Air Fund children at the Back Mountain Memorial Library July 2. Croaky's adventures were illustrated by story lady Mrs. William Kaempfer with the aid of flannel board cut-outs. A second story, "When Homer Honked," a song, "The Wheels on a Bus," and a movie, "The Red Balloon," added still more to the morning's fun. Cookies and punch were served by Mrs. Jay Niskey, Mrs. Edward Thompson, and Mrs. Charles Butler.

An imaginary lion hunt led by Mrs. Thomas Benton and a movie called "Paddle To the Sea" were the featured attractions of the second story hour July 7. Mrs. Benton was assisted by Mrs. Robert Yarashus, Mrs. Charles Butler, and Mrs. Ray Niskey.

The story hours are sponsored and staffed by members of the Dallas Junior Woman's Club at the Children's Annex of the library. Each guest from New York City attending the story hour receives a new book as a souvenir of his stay in Dallas and refreshments are served by Club women.

Mrs. Eugene Goll, chairman of the story hour project, announces that two other story hours are planned July 31 and August 6, following the arrival of the second group of Fresh Air Fund youngsters to the Back Mountain area.

## new law affects VA compensation

A recent law limits the amount the Veterans Administration may withhold from disability compensation checks of veterans to recoup their military disability severance pay, said S.W. Melidosian, director, Philadelphia, VA Center.

The military service makes lump-sum payments to permanently disabled veterans with less than eight years of service, and whose disabilities are rated less than 30 percent by the VA.

These veterans, by law, were barred from receiving disability compensation checks from the VA until the entire amount of this severance pay has been repaid.

Under the new law, PL 91-241, the amount which may be recouped by the VA from the veteran's initial disability rating.

Disability compensation to veterans is based on a VA rating scale which runs from 10 to 100 percent, depending on the veteran's degree of disability.

Under the new law, the veteran would receive compensation equal to the difference between the higher disability rating and his lower, initial rating. When the full amount of his military disability severance pay has been recouped, the veteran then would receive the full amount of his disability compensation, as determined by VA's higher disability rating.

In cases where a veteran's disability becomes more severe and he is reexamined and given a higher rating, he is entitled to higher compensation from the VA.

## handloaders need no permit

The thousands of sportsmen in Pennsylvania who load ammunition will not need a permit to purchase gunpowder, according to information received by the game commission.

Numerous inquiries have been received in game commission offices concerning new regulations effective June 5 governing the storage, handling and use of explosives. It was originally understood that buyers and sellers of gunpowder needed a permit.

However, the game commission has been advised by the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry that those who purchase gunpowder in small quantities for their personal use in handloading do not need a permit.

The Labor and Industry Department said its revised regulations are aimed at firms, associations and corporations engaged in the manufacture, storage, handling, use or sale of explosives in large quantities of 100 pounds or more which create a potential danger.

## dry wood lasts

Time does not cause wood to decay. The wood Fairbank house in Deham, Mass., stands structurally sound after three centuries—because it's been kept dry.

## expect long service from quality luggage

Luggage is a very popular gift item at this time of year for graduates and young marrieds.

Buy quality luggage that is lightweight and compact in appearance, yet strong and roomy enough to meet the needs of the person who will use it, advises Lillian B. Jamgochian, extension home economist, Luzerne County.

Lightweight but strong luggage makes even the largest piece comfortable to carry. If luggage is heavy or difficult to manage when empty, consider what it will be when packed.

Check the outside construction of luggage and the inside trimmings and linings for quality workmanship. Take long enough time to read handtags for information on materials and finishes used,

suggests Mrs. Jamgochian. Well-made luggage may have a high price tag, but you can expect it to give you top service for a long time.

The outer material of luggage should be tough and highly resistant to scuffing, scratching, and staining. Many outer materials are waterproof and washable; others are treated with a stain-resistant finish to repel dust and stains.

Handles may be molded plastic, metal cushioned with vinyl-coated foam rubber, leather, or vinyl. Not only should the handle be comfortable in the hand but also securely attached and positioned for easy carrying. Fine quality hardware—hinges, locks, and zippers—is a sign of quality luggage.

## tall women can choose clothing to cut height

The very tall woman can choose clothes that cut her height and accessories that are in proportion to her figure. Chunk jewelry is always good, but not too much at one time, reminds Mrs. Lillian B. Jamgochian, extension home economist, Luzerne County.

To minimize her height, the summer schedule at Lake church

Our Lady of Victory Church, Harveys Lake, has a new schedule for the summer months. Mass will be said Saturday evenings at 7:30 each week until Labor Day. Confession will be at 6:30 p.m. Sunday Masses will be said at 7:30, 8:45, 10:00 and 11:15 a.m. at the church and at 9 a.m. at Sandy Beach.

very tall woman can select clothes that draw a definite horizontal line. She can wear contrasting colors or crosswise stripes. Double-breasted designs and patch pockets are especially suitable for the tall woman.

Belts break the long line from head to toe. Belts may be worn at the waist or hip, the level depending on the proportion of torso to leg. High heels are usually not for the very tall woman. She can wear lower heels but not flats which are likely to be less flattering to the leg.

Fitted lines, including the princess line dress, are not a wise choice. However, sweeping skirts, tent-type coats, and wide-brimmed hats will help to create the illusion of a shorter figure.

### Which should you buy ?

A color TV set priced at \$359.95 ... OR another unit priced at \$429.95?	An automatic washing machine priced at an average of \$206.18 ... OR another model priced at an average of \$254.98?
An instant-load autoexposure camera priced at \$69.95 ... OR another model priced at \$119.50?	A radio-phonograph console priced at \$379.95 ... OR another console priced at \$499.95?

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The instant-load autoexposure camera priced at \$69.95 was top rated over similar models priced as high as \$119.50. (Possible saving: up to \$49.55)

The radio-phonograph console priced at \$379.95 was judged better in overall quality than the console priced at \$499.95 and was rated a "Best Buy." (Possible saving: up to \$120.00)

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