

# Wonder What He Was Thinking?

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There's a mass of torn clothing hanging on a mangled body lying on the pavement.

You turn in disgust as the doctor says, "We can't help him now."

It makes you think.

Your first thought is, "Wonder how it happened?"

And maybe you ask yourself, "Wonder what that guy was thinking when it happened?"

Let's project ourselves into the future where we have before us an invention for tuning in the past.

And we can even pick up thoughts with our little machine, so let's set it on this dead man's brain and tune in his thoughts for the brief moment before the crash:

"Darned rain. Should have stayed in bed. Nasty night anyhow."

"If only she would have written sooner. I'd have been there by now and we could have settled this thing."

"Oh well, making good time since I left. Won't be long now."

"Oil pressure o.k. Temperature o.k. Battery charging. Low on gas. Better stop when I get to town."

"What a time for all this to come up. She just couldn't wait. That's just like a woman. Always in a hurry. Isn't satisfied with waiting for the weekend. Got to see me now. Urgent, she said."

"Bet it's urgent. Probably wants to tell me she loves me. Or some other guy. I don't care anyhow. She isn't worth it."

"You Bright-lighted fool! Trying to kill someone?"

"Take that! Brightest lights there are buddy, and they're all yours."

"Barely missed. Guys like that ought to be in jail. Bet he doesn't get far. Gee, almost 12. Better speed it up."

"Hate to keep her waiting. 80 is too fast for this wet road. But there aren't any curves. Only 10 minutes to get there."

"I'll surprise her. She'll like that. I can see her face now. She is kinda cute."

"Truck coming over that hill. Bet the folks won't like my tearing off like this. I'll send them a telegram. They won't mind if I show I'm thinking of them."

"Didn't know there was a bridge at the bottom of this hill. Kinda narrow, too."

"We'll go to that dance tomorrow night. Hope it isn't raining then. She'll get her formal wet."

"Uh oh. Going to meet that truck almost on the bridge. Better hurry."

"Who knows? Maybe we'll be married before long. Never know what's going to happen."

"Not going to make it. Going too fast to slow down. Bridge too narrow. Tires slipping. Can't make the ditch."

"I'll hug the edge of the bridge. Going to hit!"

"Gosh! It sure is getting dark."

### Total of 27,000 Die In Rural Accidents

A total of 27,000 people were killed in rural accidents last year. Seven out of 10 motor vehicle deaths occurred in rural accidents.

Nearly one-fourth of the fatally injured were pedestrians. More than half of all deaths occurred at night.

Only 11,000 were killed in urban accidents.

## A Sad Ending for a Season of Cheer . . .



### Six Killed In Crash Near San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 17.—Six children were killed and two women were critically injured today when the car in which they were riding was struck by a gasoline truck. The crash occurred 12 miles northwest of San Antonio on the Fredericksburg Road.

All were from the near Miller Freed. Fred. E. Baker, husband of one of the victims, and the dead were Mrs. Baker, Mrs. S. A. Baker, Mrs. S. A. Baker, Mrs. S. A. Baker, Mrs. S. A. Baker, Mrs. S. A. Baker.

**Missing Stamp Machine Found Around the Corner**

A stamp vending machine, which was reported missing last Saturday night, was found Sunday. The police last found it behind the building. It had not been opened.

### Animals Shoot People?

## Unusual Accidents Continue

Unusual accidents are going on as usual.

Not only are odd accidents continuing to happen, but are happening in the same old ways, reports the National Safety Council.

Animals are still shooting people and causing traffic crashes, folks are still falling fantastic distances and walking away from the accident, and safety experts are still getting hurt doing what they tell other people not to do.

Each year a bumblebee cracks up an auto—not by driving it, but by buzzing the driver. Rudolph Kosic, his wife and mother, of Elko, Nev., were the victims in 1952.

Kosic did what came naturally when the bee flew in. He swung at it, forgot to steer and the car turned over three times.

A pig in Luensburg, Germany, had a clear motive of self defense for shooting a butcher who was trying to kill it. As the butcher knelt beside the pig to finish loading his gun, the pig sprang up and struck the trigger with a hind leg. The butcher was shot through the knee.

The champion distance faller in 1952 was Kenneth Wright, Jr., 10, of Compton, Calif. Kenny was playing on top of a 1,500 cliff near Lake Arrowhead when he slipped. He fell 200 feet straight down, landed on a nearly vertical rockslide, rolled and tumbled down the slide for 1,000 feet, then took another long drop and roll before reaching the foot of the cliff.

He didn't break a bone. A real hardy kid.

In Atlantic City, N.J., 240-pound Dominick Ianscoli merely laughed when an auto struck him, shook hands cordially with the driver and helped him push the car to a garage, where a mechanic estimated it would cost \$300 to fix up the mashed in radiator.

**Good Samaritan**

Trolley motorman Albert J. Cooney of Philadelphia, can't be blamed too much if he looks the other way the next time he has a chance to play good Samaritan.

Cooney saw flames shooting out of a house, stopped his trolley car and turned in a box alarm. He continued in his run and three minutes later met the fire truck as it raced to the fire he had reported—met it head-on.

Five firemen and three trolley passengers were injured.

Safety hats are worn to prevent accidents. But not the one worn by a civilian operator of a crane at the Portsmouth Navy Yard in New Hampshire.

The operator leaned out of the crane to shout at a fellow worker far below. His safety hat fell off and struck the man on the ground, breaking his nose.

Waco was proud of its shiny new accident investigation car as the safety auto made it first official trip. It wasn't long before the car ran into an accident, all right—its own.

Swerving to miss a taxicab, the safety car banged into the auto of retired Fire Chief Jim Meers. The safety crew tore the seals off the new first aid kit and treated themselves for minor injuries.

The only tried and true member of the odd accident world who failed to get into the act as usual is the field mouse who each year climbs into a car, and scares the daylight out of a woman driver.

Who knows, maybe the mice have been reading safety articles.

## School Kids Get Bicycle Training

Bicycle safety is now a part of every child's training at A&M Consolidated elementary school.

Under the direction of Curtis Bullock, College Station patrolman, the first five grades of the school receive safety instruction on a bicycle.

Bullock shows each class safety films and gives lectures throughout the year. He also talks to children enrolled in kindergartens in the city.

Each bicycle rider receives a folder with 12 rules and regulations about bicycle safety.

"Most of my lectures are on rules and regulations," Bullock said.

At the end of the school year, each student who has two bicycle violations or less, receives a safety certificate. Last year, out of 496 certificates given, about 20 pupils had two violations, and about 30 had one violation, Bullock said. The rest had no violations.

"This is a good percentage since at least 750 kids at Consolidated have bicycles," he said.

Teachers and parents work with Bullock in reporting violations. Although no charges are filed, names are turned in to Bullock.

"Our main problem is kids riding bicycles on the wrong side of the street," Bullock said. "But with the help of teachers, parents and junior safety patrols, we are eliminating this hazard."

Each year Bullock puts red reflector tape on the back fenders of bicycles. Tape to be used this year has been donated by G. I. Nash of the Aggeland pharmacy.

Bullock, who was a desk sergeant and scoutmaster in Sherman before coming to College Station, says he enjoys working with children at the school.

"I guess all the kids know me by name," he said.

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## I'm Scared . . .

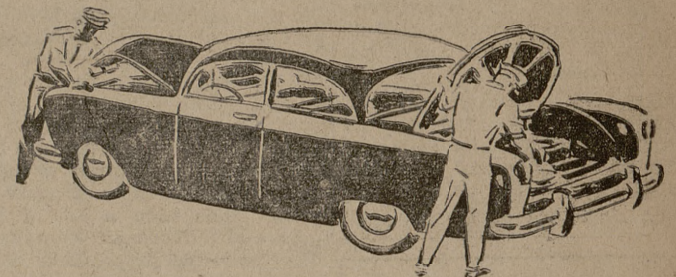
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I wish everyone who is going to be on the highways over the holidays would get so scared that they wouldn't have a chance to have an accident.

After what I've seen behind the figures, I don't like statisticians. I want everybody to get good and scared, and show the statisticians they can be wrong.

They're predicting 100 Texans will die in automobile accidents during the holidays.

They could be wrong. It's up to the drivers—you and me.



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