# TRAFFIC DEATHS SHOW DECLINE DURING FEBRUARY

*Decrease Of Fourteen Percent*

The second month of this year has ended with eight (8) less deaths than the corresponding period of 1939, as the tabulation below will indicate, a Decrease of 14 percent The first two months of 1939 show a total of 57 deaths, as compared with 49 deaths for the first two months of 1940.

| | 1939 | 1940 |
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| January | 26 | 27 |
| February | 31 | 22 |
| Total | 57 | 49 |

According o our summary (16) or 72 percent of the persons killed were pedestrians. Of this number (3) were children, (2) crossing at intersection no signal, and (1) crosing not at intersection. Of the Adult pedestrians killed, (1) was walking in road left side agains traffic, (2) walking in road, right side with traffic, (1) working in street or roadway, (4) stepping from in front or behind vehicle, (1) crosing at intersection no signal, and (4) crossing not at intersection. Two (2) or 9 percent were bicyclists, (3) or 14 percent were the operators themselves, and the most significent fact this report has developed is that only (1) or 5 percent was a passenger.

Most of the accidents occurred between intersections, on straight roads, and at intersections, on dry, concrete roads, on clear days, with the majority during hours of darkness, (6 P. M.-7 P. M.- 8 P. M. - 10 P. M.-11 P. M.), while the majority of daylight accidents occurred between (12.01 P. M.-1.00 P. M.). Monday had the largest number of deaths with six which is unusual. Passenger cars with no defects, operated by White Males, between the ages of (20-29) with five years or more experience, and a resident of Baltimore City. The causes of these accidents according to our summary is charged to operating too fast for conditions, right of way, and on wrong side of road. There were (2) Hit and Run cases during the month of February.

Baltimore Ctiy is charged with (11) accidents involving (11) deaths, with (11) accidents involving (11) deaths in the Counties.

## GALENA

Mr. and Mrs. Marion and family, Mr. and Mrs. Allen and family spent last Sunday with their brother, Mr. Arthur Chance in Wilmington, Del.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Johnston spent last Wednesday in Wilmington, Del., while there attended the funeral of a friend, Mrs. Walker.

Mr. Emory Wood, of Wilmington, Del., spent the past week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wood.

Mr. L. R. Vansant returned home last Wednesday after spending the winter months in Waynesboro, Pa.

The Philathea S. S. class held a chicken salad and ham supper last Tuesday evening. Quite a nice sum was realized.

Miss Virginia Davis Spry, daughter of Mrs. Helen D. Spry and Mr. John Biggs Walls son of Mr. and Mrs. S. McCosh Walls, of near town, were quietly married at the brides home on Saturday afternoon, March 16, 1940, at 2 p. m. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Walter A. Glass and Mrs. Glass sang "I love you truly". The attendants were Miss Mary Joe Davis, of Sassafras, Md., a cousin of the bride and Mr. Carl Dill, Jr., of Galena, Md.

The bride was prettily attired in navy crepe and carried a bouquet of spring flowers.

After a reception Mr. and Mrs. Walls left for Atlantic City. On their return they will make their home near Centreville, Md., where Mr. Walls has been made Supt. of Readbourne Farm owned by Mr. Luther Gadd.

Mr. Howard Waters and family of Fairlee, Md., have moved in the Birnie House near town.

A variety shower was given to Mr. and Mrs. Willard Andrews at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fogwell last Friday evening. Also a shower was given to Mrs. John Walls who was formerly Miss Virginia Spry at the home of Miss Betty Duhamell last Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Van Dyke returned home last Monday after spending a month in Miami, Florida visit ing their daughter, Mrs. Richard Driscoll and family.

Mrs. Charles H. Ruth, of Washington, D. C., spent several days last week as a guest of Mrs. Harry L. Redding near town.

Mrs. John Moffett entertaining the Sancutary Society of R. C. Church at a covered dish supper last Friday evening.

## MILLINGTON

Mrs. Mollie Boggs, of Smyrna, Del., is visiting her daughter and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stevens in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Myers and litle daughter, Janice Lee visited Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Hill in Chestertown on Sunday last.

Mrs. C. S. McWilliams is quite sick at her home in town at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sermon and son, Edward, Jr., of Salisbury, Md., were visitors of friends in Millington on Sunday last.

Mrs. Robert Martin and two children, are spending some time at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Jones.

Mrs. John E. Woodall has returned home after an extended visit with friends and relatives in Philadelphia and New York City.

Mrs. James Skinner has returned home after a three weeks visit with her sister, Mrs. Mary Spry in Wilmington, Del.

The Ladies Aid of Asbury Church met on Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. James D. Moore.

Miss Elizabeth Lofferty and John Hollenock, of Paulsboro, N. J., were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Moore, near town.

Mr. and Mrs. John Slaughter and son, John, Jr., of Wilmington, were Sunday guests of his sister and brother in law, Mr. and Mrs. Olin C. Duling. They were also callers at the home of her brother and sister in law, Mr. and Mrs. James D. Moore.

Millard Porter was a Sunday guest at the home of his mother, Mrs. Eva W. Porter.

Miss Sara Moore has been suffering with pleurisy at her home near town she is much improved at this writing.

Miss Florence Gale, of Baltimore, is spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Leo Gale.

Mrs. Willie Kulley is much improved at her home on South Crane Street at this writing.

## STILL POND

The affirmative and negative sides, of the Subject, "Bible Course in Schools" was upheld respectively by the debating team of Washington College. Sunday evening in the Epworth League service, Bexily and Hendrickson, negative, James Aycock; and Edw. McCauley, affirmatives, Mrs. C. E Davis, chairman.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Rasin were recent visitors in Wilmington and Philadelphai.

Miss Anna Walters and Dr. Kennedy, of Baltimore, were week end guests of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Ford.

Mrs. Edw. Schofield has been spending sometime with her daughter, Mrs. Charles Swartz, in Wilmington.

Mrs. Sally Jewell was honor guest to her birthday anniversary last Tuesday.

Mr. Elmer Atwell, of Philadelphia, visited with his family the week end.

School closed here Wednesday for the Easter holidays, Happy Easter Scholars and Teachers.

Mr. and Mrs. N. V. Walters and Jack were Galena visitors Sundays.

You have been hearing for sometime about the Founders Day Anniversary Banquet of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. The day will arrive on Friday, March 29th. And you of course will want to be present to enjoy the fun and fellowship of the occasion, Miss Flora Strout will be the guest speaker also a program is being ararnged. Miss Strout has recently returned from Africa and will talk on "The West and Missions."

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Durham of Millington and James Jones of the C. C. C. Camp, of Goldsboro, Md., spent Sunday with their mothers, Mrs. Harry Jones.

Dr .and Mrs. Frank Odgen and children, of Baltimore, Mrs. Clarence Newsome and son, of Chestertown, were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cooper moved from the Bowers house here Friday to Massey, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Loller, of Holland, Pa., were guests of relatives here last week.

Rev. C. E. Davis and children, Raymond and John spent Friday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Davis in Wilmington, Del.

Messrs. James Greenwood and Charles Clark visited their parents the week-end.

Miss Anna Bowers has returned home after spending several weeks with her cousin, Miss Lucille Parr in Baltimore.

Mr and Mrs. Samuel Yingling, of Elmhurst, Del., spent last Tuesday with their sister, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rouse.

A Cantata is to be presented Sunday evening by the Young Group of the League, Mrs. C. E. Davis is directing.

Mr. and Mrs. Hess Hadaway and boys. Mr. and Mrs. George Hadaway all of Baltimore spent the week-end at their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Ford spent Wednesday in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. LeSage were Sunday guests of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Nicholson.

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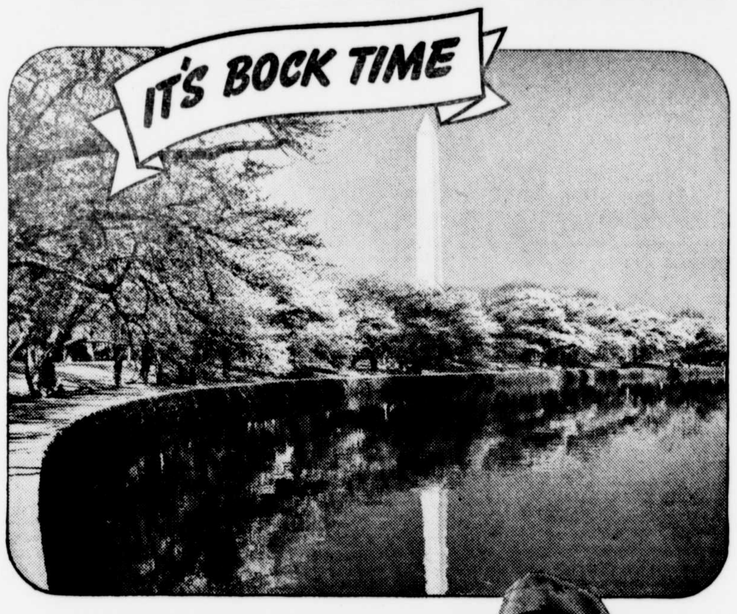


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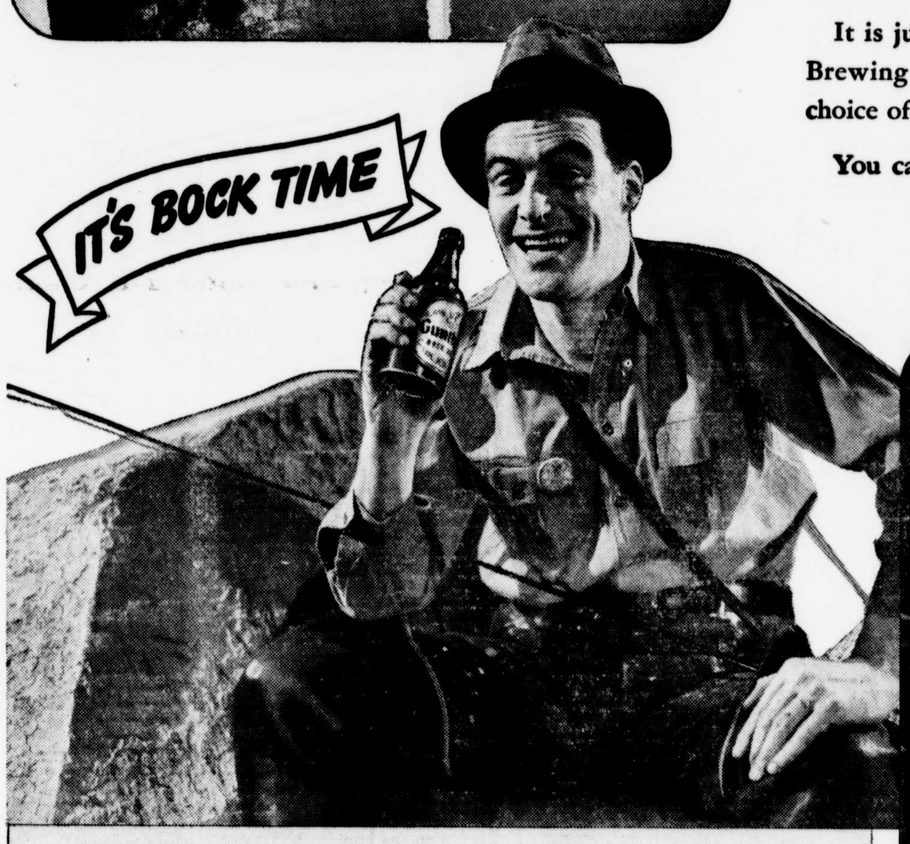

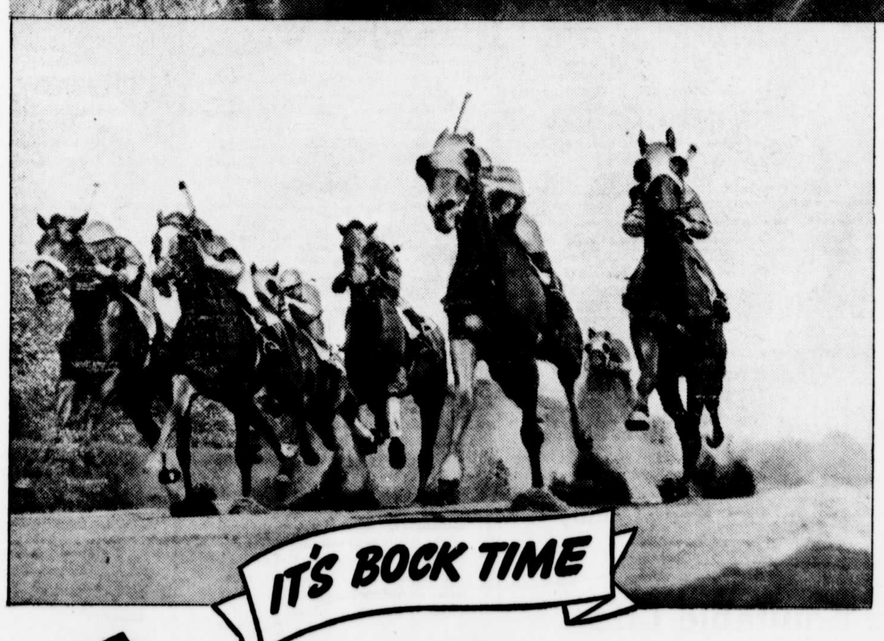


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