

Crash Kills Livonian, Two Others, Driver Hurt

Two children survive Jonas N. Bradley of Livonia, who was one of three men killed last week when the car in which they were passengers was struck by a tractor-trailer on

1-94, about 10 miles west of Ann Arbor. The other two victims were Herbert E. Ryan, 52, and his son, Charles, 24, both of 5074 Niagara Street, Wayne. Bradley, 39, of 18111 An-

sling Street, is survived by his wife, Ann, and his two children, Gary and Neil. Other survivors are one sister, Mrs. Juanita LaSalle, and two brothers, Maurice and Sierliuz. Funeral services were held Saturday in St. James Episcopal Church under the direction of the Mann-Ferguson Funeral Home.

The victim, an iron worker, employed by C. K. Smith Co., was born in Hudson, N.Y. The driver of the car, William C. Walters, 46, of 12864 Berwyn, St. Redford Township, was taken to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. His wife told The Observer Monday that he had suffered a

brain concussion and was not rational nor able to identify anyone. He also received a fracture of his right wrist, and facial and head lacerations. "Doctors have given him a good chance," Mrs. Walters said, "unless some complications set in. His lungs have been flung up and there is some danger of pneumonia." The Walters, who are children, have lived in Redford Township for six years. Walters, an iron worker, was en route to a construction job in Kalamazoo when the accident occurred. Truck driver Norman Gerlach, 41, of Mt. Clemens, told Washtenaw County sheriff's deputies that Walters' car suddenly pulled in front of him as it left the highway shoulder. The car was crushed as the tractor climbed over it.

Detroit will host the 46th state PTA convention April 25-27. Most general sessions will be held in Cobo Hall and will focus on the theme "PTA Opens the Doors to Critical Issues." News commentator Robert B. Conidine is scheduled as keynote, following greetings messages by Detroit Mayor Jerome Cavanaugh.

A new state president and several other state officials will be elected on the second day of the convention. Any flaked, ready-to-serve cereal can be used in the preparation of dishes that call for bread crumbs.

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Just Chattin'

Scandals and Elections They seem to go together I wonder why

By W. W. EDGAR

No one gave a thought to the law that prohibits a Grand Juror for running for another public office for a year or so prior's ink on a journalistic career, called the staff together for a conference.

We were all neophytes in the profession and delighted in guiding us with the hope of moulding us into his own image for he was considered one of the outstanding editors of his time.

"You have embarked on what could be a very exciting career," he began, "but there is one thing you must bear in mind at all times — there is nothing funnier than people."

It seemed like a brush statement at the time and we just sat there, staring at him as he continued.

"You'll find that they love to build up heroes — and, after building them, enjoy proving that they have feet of clay."

"You'll find, for the most part, that they are wreckers instead of builders — and after they get what they want they don't want it."

"But," he concluded, "you'll always find them exciting and that's why the life of a Journalist is never dull."

Many were the times these words came back to me as I traveled the journalistic trails. But, strangely, they usually come back to me around election time, for it is then, more than any other time, that folks go off emotional tangents that lead them into violently partisan verbal combat.

They border on becoming character assassins and wreckers who try to "sell" their ideas or candidates by belittling the opposition, instead of showing confidence in their own product.

And few who labor in public office escape.

One of the prime examples came a few months ago against Judge Edward S. Piggins, of Circuit Court, when he was named Grand Juror to conduct an investigation into possible wrongdoing in the Sheriff's department.

No sooner had he made his first report and issued his first indictments than it was charged.

"He's looking for that job in the U.S. Senate, just like Judge Homer Ferguson did years ago."

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Legion Joins In Its 47th Anniversary

"Happy Birthday" will ring out in Plymouth on March 19, when The American Legion celebrates the 47th anniversary of its founding in a cooperative program with the American Legion Auxiliary.

Nearly one million women of the Auxiliary throughout 50 states, the District of Columbia, Panama Canal Zone, Puerto Rico and several foreign countries are extending heartfelt best wishes and congratulations to the men of The American Legion on this, the 47th Birthday.

From an infant organization in 1919, The American Legion has grown to a membership of some 2,500,000—larger than all other veterans organizations combined. The Auxiliary is extending deep thanks to the men of The American Legion for the outstanding leadership they have provided over these many years.

Just a reminder of the business meeting Wednesday of Passage-Gayle Unit No. 391 at 8 p.m. in the Post Home.

Any member of this Unit wishing to hold an office in the 17th District or a Department Chairmanship, contact President Mae Hoelcher.

Learn To Communicate

Company executives are wasting millions of dollars annually because they don't know how to communicate or express their ideas, concisely, William Johnson, president of the Motor City Speakers' Toastmasters Club, said Monday.

"Most businessmen," Johnson said, "could stand some training in public speaking and the fundamentals of conducting a meeting. 'Verbosity,' he added 'is their common failing.'"

Johnson said businessmen are not the only ones who fall short in the field of communications. "Because of our complex society, few men escape involvement in situations which require some form of public speaking. The man who can express himself effectively," he said, "commands both respect and attention."

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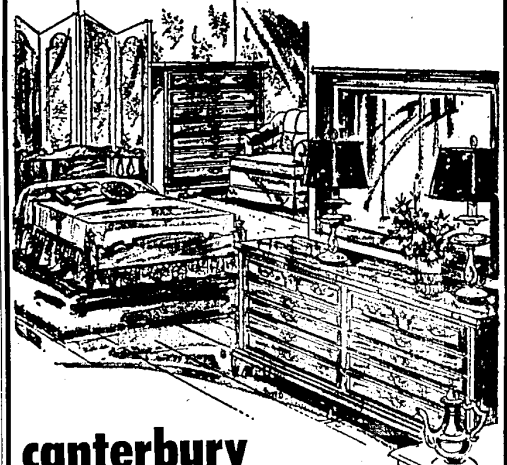
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