

Fewer Deaths, But Accidents Continue High

The Michigan traffic toll for the first month of 1952 went from one extreme to the other, compared to previous records for January, the State Police monthly statistical report shows.

The 83 traffic deaths were the lowest number of January fatalities since 1948. On the other hand, injuries and accidents were the highest with the exception of January of last year.

The number of fatalities dropped 48, or 37 per cent, under the 131 for the same month in 1951. There were 3,282 persons injured, a decrease of 239, or seven per cent, under 3,521 and accidents totaled 14,969, a decrease of 676, or four per cent, under 15,645.

RURAL AREAS showed the sharpest percentage of reduction in deaths, injuries and accidents. The reduction in fatalities followed the national trend in the snow belt states and was generally attributed to the heavy snow which restricted highway travel.

Estimated travel for December of 1951, the latest month available, was three per cent under the same month of the previous year, 1.67 billion miles compared with 1.73 billion.

English Teachers To Meet March 20 At Cranbrook

Warner G. Rice, acting chairman of the English department and director of libraries at the University of Michigan, will be principal speaker at Cranbrook school when the Cranbrook Council of teachers of English holds its annual district meeting Thursday, March 20.

Professor Rice has been an examiner of schools for the University of Michigan and the North Central Association of Schools and Colleges.

CARL G. Wonnberger, chairman of the meeting said all sessions will be held at the Cranbrook dining room and the school assembly hall. A panel of prominent members of the Michigan Council of Teachers of English will assist in the general discussion and will conduct small meetings after Professor Rice's speech.

PTA members and school officials are welcome to attend, according to Wonnberger.

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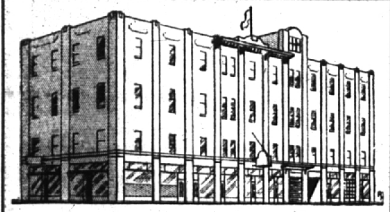
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