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What ideas do you have for effectively reducing Michigan's high-ways death and accident toll?
What would you do if you were a public official responsible for traffic safety programs?
James M. Hare, chairman of the State safety commission would like to know.

"For six years," Hare said, "we have succeeded in achieving a better than average fatality and accident record in Michigan. There are less accidents per million miles traveled now than there were in the years before our 3-E program was evolved."

THE 3-E PLAN is an across-the-board program which coordinates the activities of all agencies involved in solving traffic safety problems on educational, engineering or enforcement levels.

The Safety commission chairman pointed out that the stop sign, the double-stripe on highway no-passing zones and the red-amber-green traffic lights were all once "just somebody's idea."

So were the high school driver training program, the License Appeal board, and the school bus law.

"IN VARYING degrees," Hare said, "all of these ideas have saved lives, decreased property losses by billions of dollars and lessened the heartaches and pain caused by crippling accidents."

"Perhaps a number of citizens of Michigan have new ideas which may make our highways safer. It can be a suggestion to make enforcement more effective, or an engineering recommendation which will lessen accidents, or an idea for an educational program which will make more drivers aware of their responsibilities."

Citizens of Michigan who have suggestions for improving the highway safety program are urged to write to James M. Hare, Michigan State Safety Commission, the Capitol, Lansing, Mich. All ideas will be carefully read and passed to the most appropriate agency for study and effectuation.

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During the eight-week course Garlick was trained to receive, process and relay messages by various means of communication. The 23-year-old soldier entered the Army in July and completed basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Garlick is a 1955 graduate of Bloomfield Hills high school and a 1959 graduate of the University of Michigan.

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