

## Catherine White

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PATROL REPORTS FOUR DEAD, 12 INJURED IN AREA-Figures Added to State Totals From Only Two Wrecks

Word of four highway fatalities and 12 injuries was forwarded by the state patrol station here today for statewide accident tabulation of the extended Christmas weekend.

The deaths and injuries, Trooper C.H. Farrar said, mounted from only two accidents within the Brunswick station's four-county area.

Catherine White, 31, colored, of 2310 Albany Street, was fatally injured when her car was involved in a head-on collision on U.S. Highway 17, Blythe Island, late Friday.

In a second wreck, Grant Baxter Hill, 29, of Rt. 3, Jesup, (formerly of Brunswick) Betty Daniels, 10, and her brother, Luther Daniels Jr., 16, of Screven, were killed at the intersection of Georgia 169 and the Pine Street Extension, less than one mile north of Jesup. The Jesup accident occurred at 5 p.m. Saturday.

Troopers reported Mr. Hill was traveling north in a 1949 model car on Georgia 169 at the time. According to a witness in the car behind Mr. Hill's, the Daniels car came from the south and struck Mr. Hill's vehicle broadside, W.E. Bland, Madray Springs, told investigating troopers, young Daniels appeared to have run a stop sign.

Injured were Mrs. J.L. Daniels, mother of the driver, and the car-owner, O.M. Goff, also of Screven. Both were reported taken to McCreny's Hospital in Jesup with head injuries. Mr. Goff being in critical condition. Mr. Hill was traveling alone. Both cars were demolished, troopers said.

In the Blythe Island accident, each car carried large families bound for Christmas gatherings. The southbound car was driven by C.G. Bowen, Florence, S.C., who suffered chest injuries. Mr. Bowen was described as being in fairly good condition today by Brunswick hospital attendants. His wife who broke both legs and suffered chest injuries, was said to be in poor condition.

Pearl Bowen, 15, a daughter, received an eye injury, while another daughter, Martha Ann, 12, suffered head injuries. The conditions of both were termed good. A third girl in the car, Jeanette Bunch, 14, also of Florence, received a broken wrist. Her condition, too, was termed good.

Earl White, colored, driver of the second car, was in fair condition today recovering from chest injuries. The four White children were also described as being in fair condition at the Brunswick hospital. Catherine White, 13, had a fractured right thigh, Lavonia White, 9, head injuries, James White, 8, face, head and thigh injuries, and Kenneth, 7, various injuries.

Aaron Malacow, Nixon, N.J., told county police White started around his truck-trailer and met the Bowen car head-on. Damage in both fatal accidents was estimated at \$1,600 by the state patrol.

On the state level 21 persons lost their lives in traffic accidents during the weekend, giving Georgia a year's toll of 1,013 highway fatalities this year with five days still remaining in 1955. The toll is record-breaking, having already surpassed by five the previous record set in 1952.

