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 TRAGEDY STALKS THE HIGHWAYS

Midland again has been paid a visit by the grim injury to others and damage to property has occurred A lesson has been brought, but have we opened our minds to it?
Probably no town or city in the southwest, popu-
fation considered, has experienced such a of automobile fatalities as Midland, most of them occur ring within ten miles east
continue to strike so often in the same place.
An aroused citizenry began Friday to take steps
toward curbing accidents, pledging their cooperation toward curbing accidents, pledging their cooperation
to officials and officers of the county and city in strict enforcement of traffic laws. If serious consideration is given the program by those who sign the petition, this should go a long way toward reducing automobile accidents.
However, the mere compliance with law is no enough. Traffic violations in the city or even on the thoughtless indifference to the safety of life and property
by drivers of automobiles has been noticeable. The average driver has too much of the spirit that nothing can happen to him-that it always happens
to the other fellow. One by one they are finding the truth -such accidents can and may happen to anyone, and are doing so.
It is high time that
safety problem a personal matter. We must think safety to ourselves, to those whose lives are entrusted to mobiles who may in some way be at the mercy auto automobiles when we are at the wheels. We may cause an accident by driving too fast.
We may cause one by driving too slowly. We may cause one by failing to signal properly when we turn,
stop or slow down. To enumerate the many careless stop or slow down. To enumerate the many careless
things we ma' do, even inadvertently, would require things we may do, even inadvertently, would require
too much space and would be merely repetition of the thousands, even millions, of words recently written
about safe driving. about safe driving.
The one big thing with which Midland persons must
be impressed is that we are loved ones by our murderous carelessness. We are maim-
ing people, disfiguring them, making it unsafe for other to use our highways? To what extent will we permit thi
to go on? It is our personal responsibility. Do we cept it? German list of "public enemies" includes would-be
suicides, and any others who try to usurp state rights. "Boy violinist is retiring because he "feels great things lying dormant" within him. Instead of retiring, we walked
briskly when we felt that way after Thanksgiving dinner "The 11-year-old King Tut curse has claimed another victim, which reminds us of the man who, 23 years ago
dreamed he died and, sure enough, the other day, did. Now that gasoline has gone up so high in Italy, it's
only a matter of time until station attendants there dea only a matter of time until station
out the tire air at so much a puff.

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