

# Early Morning Accident Crushes 2 Victims

Victims of a speeding automobile that crushed their bodies, in the early morning hours, two Salt Lake pedestrians were dead Monday.

They were:

Mrs. Elizabeth Ellen Hutchinson Taylor Hill, 42, of 34 Third East street.

Joseph Vernon Jenkins, 35, of 253 South State street.

They were struck at 3:30 a. m. Sunday at Second South and State streets by an automobile driven by Alex Gray, 30, of 1175 East Seventeenth South street, who was booked on a drunken driving charge.

Mrs. Hill was killed outright and Mr. Jenkins died in a Salt Lake hospital three hours later.

After a drunkometer test at the police station, Gray was booked also for investigation of manslaughter and released under \$500 bond.

"I'm sorry it happened," Mr. Gray said.

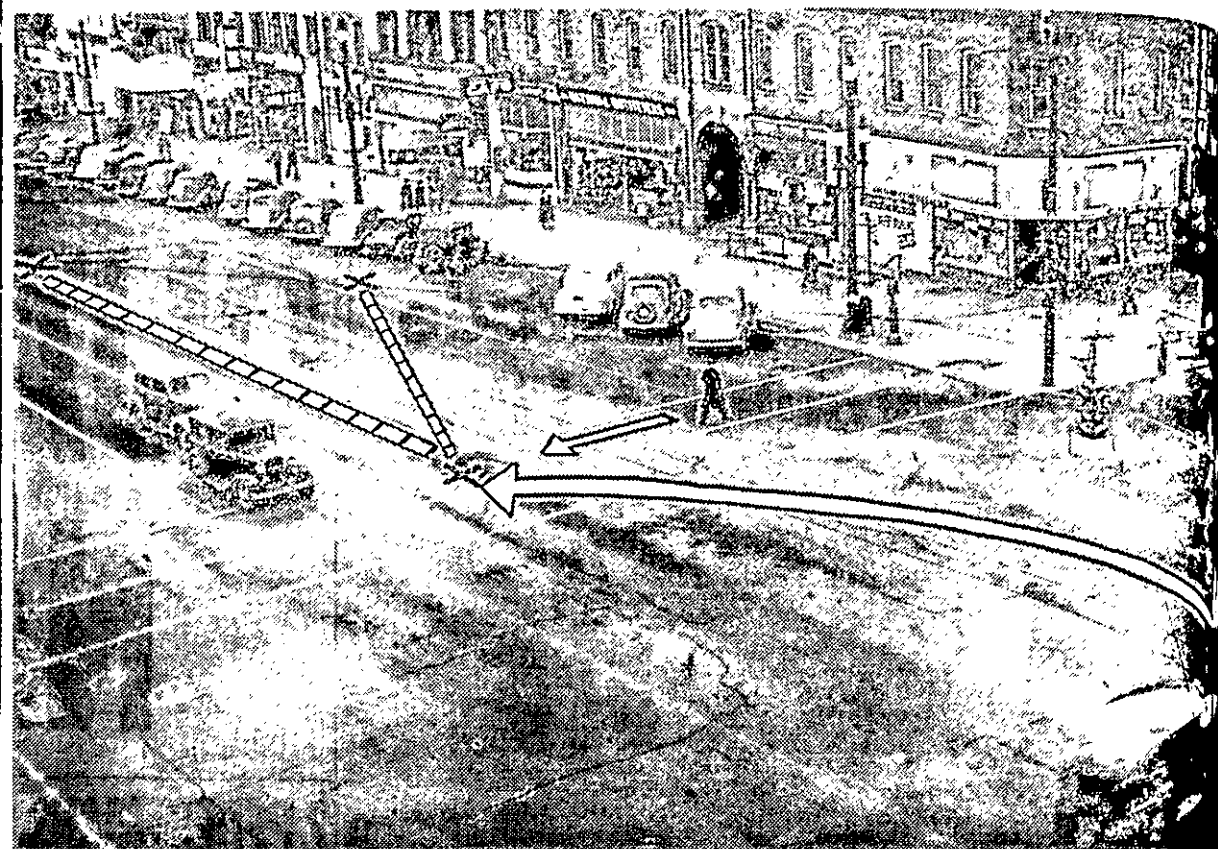
Traffic Investigators E. H. Christensen and C. F. Peirce said evidence indicated Gray's car was traveling at 45 miles an hour south on State street when it struck the couple. Their investigation showed the driver swerved to the left in an effort to miss the pedestrians, but they, seeing the on-rushing car, ran ahead, directly into the path of the automobile.

The woman's body was catapulted 63 feet and Mr. Jenkins was hurled 95 feet. Mrs. Hill's broken body was picked up near the western edge of the street, and Mr. Jenkins lay just west of the center dividing-line, mortally injured.

The officers said the point of impact was three feet west of the

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# Diagram Illustrates How Two Met Death in Salt Lake Traffic Crash



**PHOTO-DIAGRAM OF TRAFFIC FATALITY SCENE AT SECOND SOUTH AND STATE STREETS INTERSECTION**  
Death car, traveling south, swerved to east as pedestrians, eastbound, ran into car's path. Woman's body was hurled 43 feet to side and man's 95 feet along center lane.

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center line in the south pedestrian lane, as the couple were walking eastward. They measured 95 feet of brake marks before and after the point of impact, and they found that the car came to a stop athwart the northbound traffic lane, facing eastward.

### Taken to Hospital

Gray was taken to the police station immediately.

The police investigators said facts in the case would be turned over to the office of the county attorney on Tuesday for possible filing of manslaughter charges.

The impact of the large sedan killed Mrs. Hill outright, she being thrown into the windshield, inflicting a skull fracture, numerous broken bones and internal injuries.

Mr. Jenkins was taken to the hospital in a police emergency ambulance. He suffered fracture of the left leg and internal injuries.

Officers noted a twisted radiator shell on the death car, a dented hood and broken windshield. They found a lock of brown, curled hair, torn from Mrs. Hill's head, hung from the jagged edges of the windshield glass.

### Husband Killed in 1939

Mrs. Hill was born September 28, 1898, in Salt Lake City, daughter of James L. and Mary E. Duncan Hutchison. Her husband, Edwin W. Hill, was killed in an automobile accident in Colorado in 1939.

Surviving are a son, Clinton Taylor of Denver; a daughter, Charlotte, of Chicago; five brothers, Lloyd D., Howard L. and Edgar B. Hutchison of Salt Lake City; Harry W. Hutchison of Provo and James E. Hutchison of San Carlos, Cal., and three sisters, Mrs. Albert H. Rogers, Mrs. Harvey J. Mellen and Mrs. Arthur Cramer, all of Salt Lake City.

Mr. Jenkins was born May 14, 1905, in Midvale, son of Joseph E. and Mary Cook Jenkins. A carpenter, he had worked in Salt Lake City the past four years.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Melba Jarrell Jenkins; two sons, Wallace, 12, and Jerry, 6; his father, all of Salt Lake City, and a sister, Mrs. Lawrence Jorgensen, of Midvale.

LEHI, Nov. 11—David Pryde Mitchell, 28, of Lehi, died at midnight Saturday of injuries suffered in a traffic accident Friday night

on the main highway in Lehi.

A truck driven by Denzil Turner, 34, of Lehi, and a passenger car driven by Howard Whimpey, 32, of 123 West Sixth South street, Salt Lake City, collided head-on, state highway patrolmen said.

Mr. Whimpey is reported recovering from fractures of the right knee and left arm at Lehi hospital. Don Onthank, 22, of Lehi, is recovering from severe shock and bruises, also at Lehi hospital, and Mark Featherstone, 48, of Lehi, is in "fairly good" condition at St. Mark's hospital in Salt Lake City. Mr. Onthank, Mr. Featherstone

and Mr. Mitchell were riding with Mr. Whimpey.

Mr. Mitchell was born in Park City December 1, 1911, was the son of Samuel and Janet Lindsay Mitchell.

Surviving are his mother, Mrs. Lehi; a sister, Mrs. Katherine Smith of Alpine, and three brothers, Victor and George Mitchell of Lehi and John Mitchell of Park City.

Funeral arrangements are pending.