

**Dean R. Urben**

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**Dean Urben, 20, Dies as Auto Somersaults**

Dean R. Urben, 20, a University of Wisconsin freshman and son of Dr. Walter J. Urben, head of Mendota State Hospital, was killed about 5:20 a.m. Friday [March 1, 1968] in a car crash near the hospital grounds home where he lived with his parents at 301 Troy Dr.

Young Urben's 1967 Chevrolet Impala convertible crashed through a railroad overpass guardrail, on Knutson Dr. just off Northport Dr., and somersaulted onto the the North Western Railroad right-of-way below, landing on its top, Police Investigator John T. Randall reported. Dean was driving alone.

Deputy Coroner John Stevenson said the death was accidental and no inquest will be held.

It was the 10th traffic fatality in Madison and Dane County this year.

Dean was a member of the Memorial United Church of Christ, the Army's 44th General Hospital Reserve Unit, and Psi Upsilon fraternity.

Surviving are the parents, Dr. and Mrs. Urben, and three brothers, David, at home, John, Rt. 1, Oregon, and Noel, Milwaukee.

The funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Monday in the Frautschi Funeral Home, 3610 Speedway Rd., where friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday. Burial will be in Forest Hill Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the University Medical School.

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**Policeman Injured at Accident Scene**

Madison Policeman Jack F. Osteraas, 32, of 2205 Rowley Ave., suffered a fractured right heel and broken left ankle at a traffic death scene on Madison's North Side about 5:30 a.m.

Osteraas was injured when he fell trying to descend a 50-foot railroad underpass on Knutson Dr., just off Northport Dr., in an attempt to aid a driver pinned in a car below.

Osteraas was taken to Madison General Hospital.

The driver, Dean R. Urben, 20, of 301 Troy Dr., died with the crash of his car off the railroad bridge.

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