El Paso Crime Increase Matches Rate for All U.S.

Rape Cases High; Murders Decline

El Paso's rising crime record matched an 11 per cent increase in crime generally throughout the United States, according to figures released by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

El Paso's murder rate, however, showed a decrease of about 40 per cent over last year.

The report compares the first nine months of 1958 with a similar period last year in cities with a population of 25,000 and over.

Nine Murders

Nine murders were committed in El Paso during 1957, or about seven for the first nine months. Four have occurred this year. Nationwide, murders in cities of El Paso's size decreased by nine

per cent. In all cities of more than 25,000 population the increase was three per cent.

El Paso, however, showed a high incidence of rape cases, compared to other cities in the State. Fourteen were reported during the first nine months of this year, but only 20 were reported in San Antonio, a considerably larger city, and 28 in Fort Worth

Houston Leads

Dallas reported 32, Houston 80. El Paso had fewer murders than any other Texas city reporting. Houston led the list with 94, fourth ranking in the country, Dallas was second with 56, Fort Worth third with 33. San Antonio fourth for 31 and Corpus Christi fifth with five. larceny over \$50 - 429; auto theft

This year's crime record in El _ 832. Paso: Murder - 4; forcible rape - 14; robbery - 12; aggravated assaults - 102; barglaries - 1543;

\$5000 Reward For Pattersons

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the Patterson meller involves a order. letter mailed from Livedo while the inquiry was in progress in June, and a report on whether an official search established that any from the Patterson home.

The letter mailed in Laredo bore the purported signature of W. D. Patterson. Handwriting experts in the Texas Department of Public Safety at Austin reported that in their opinion the signature on the letter was not genuine. The search to determine whether clothing and luggage of the Pattersons is missing from the home selled to develop anyone who could give information on the extent of clothing and luggage possessed by the Pattersons. The renewed inquiry, now postponed, was-intended to place these reports in the official



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For the same period last year: murder - 3; forcible rape - 17; robbery — 47; aggravated assaults - 62; burglaries - 1143; larceny over \$50 - 304; auto theft - 616. The biggest percentage increase over last year's figures, for cities with populations roughly equal to

crease was 31 per cent. This was the only category in the ward from the Patterson estate El Paso totals where the 1958 fig-

El Paso's, was recorded in the forcible rape category. The in-

to bosor the reward offer, those Christi to rank fifth in crime responsible for offering the re-throughout Texas. Corpus Christi ward would be liable for it. That had one more murder and 253 more aggravated assaults. El Mr. Long said he is continuing the Paso's 14 rapes, however, doubled

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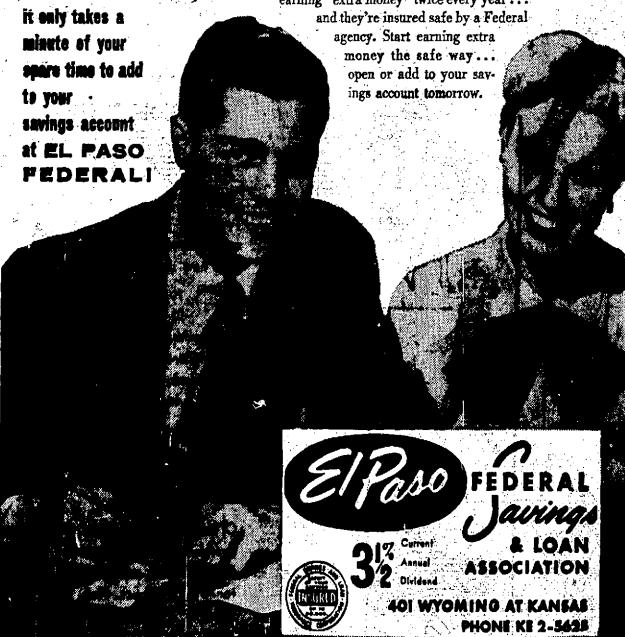
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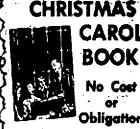


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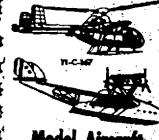




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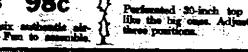


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