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WATCH OUT FOR THIS . . . A four-way stop is in effect at the intersection of Base Line and Trafalgar Road, Hornby, where the new Hornby diversion road curves north-westerly from the intersection. Flashing red stop signs (top) have been placed on the Base Line to alert motorists to the change in regulations. (Staff Photo)

GOT A PROBLEM?

SAFETY CORNER

GETS ACTION AND ANSWERS

If you're looking for Safety Corner to lambaste someone this week, we're sorry to disappoint you. We've nothing but plaudits today.

First, we'd like to express our appreciation to the Halton County Roads Department for putting the flashing red stop lights on the base Line at Trafalgar Road intersection. When it was announced this corner was to become a four-way stop last week, there were a lot of fears expressed about the many regular Base Line motorists who might not realize the stop signs were there until they were into the intersection.

The illuminated flashing stop signs should be a real help, and should prevent a lot of accidents. We hope they're permanent installations.

Meanwhile, motorists are reminded this Base Line and Trafalgar Road corner will remain a four-way stop for about six months, then north-south traffic will get a through street right-of-way.

Second plaudit goes to the jurors at the Robert Thomas Knott inquest, who came up with some well thought out recommendations for what is turning out to be a dangerous corner—Main and Ontario Sts. at Milton's east end.

Safety Corner is anxiously awaiting the flashing stop sign they recommended for "immediate" installation. The remainder of their ideas for safer motoring made a lot of sense too—see separate story elsewhere in The Champion.

Our third thank-you of the week goes out to the owners of Milton Plaza for widening and repaving the entrance to the plaza from Main St. E. If you've been shying away from this northern entrance to the plaza lot, go by that way some day and see what a great improvement has been made.

We'd like to think our article a few weeks ago about the dangers of the entranceway prompted the management to do something about it. We're glad they did.

On the lighter side, non-users of car seat belts might be interested to hear about the novel seat belt campaign in Australia, where wives are given an "affidavit" to sign. This affidavit authorizes the husband to drive without using his seat belt, and his wife promises if he is crippled or blinded to:

Help him dress. Lead him everywhere. Read to him. Describe the scenery and the children's expressions to him. Do all the work around the yard. Teach their son to play ball and build model aircraft. Teach him to do the housework so she can go out and get a job to support them all.

Do you get the point???

Good Idea to Keep

Window Open Slightly

Carbon monoxide is odorless, but whenever you smell exhaust fumes you can assume carbon monoxide is present. It is poisonous and sometimes deadly when confined in places like the family car. Make sure your exhaust system is in good condition. This is especially important in winter when driving with windows closed. In any case, it's a good idea to open your windows slightly when driving in winter.

DO THE EYES HAVE IT?

Blinding snow in the winter can be a great deal harder on the eyes than summer sun. It's advisable to carry a good grade of sunglasses in your car for driving when bright sunshine hits white snow. Sunglasses can prevent premature fatigue or possible temporary blinding.

NO SKIDDING

During the winter, frost often forms on bridges and overpasses even though other parts of the roadway seem perfectly dry. Watch for this phenomenon the next time you drive and approach such locations cautiously to avoid a surprise scare and possible accident.

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Car Rallies on Ice Teach Drivers Highway Safety

There's nothing like a Sunday at the lake for some car enthusiasts. To them, it's particularly exhilarating when the temperature flirts with the zero mark and a foot of solid ice coats the waters.

These auto fanciers are not "polar bears" but devotees of a fast-growing winter sport — car runs on ice. The result of such an activity goes beyond fun, fellowship and competition. Participants also learn a valuable safety lesson of how to handle their cars on an icy highway.

Object of the ice run is to maneuver the car along a kidney-shaped course, about a mile long, in the shortest possible time. Drivers do not race against each other but against the clock. The course is outlined by a series of markers outside of which the contestants must remain. At one point, there is a chicane, or narrow row of markers which drivers must pass through.

Contestants who run the "track" in the least amount of time while staying on course are winners. Cars are entered in various classes such as rear engine, forward engine with front wheel drive and forward engine with rear wheel drive. Men and women are judged separately.

No special tires or chains are allowed but cars may be weighted down for better traction.

Safety is the prime consideration on ice runs. Ice on the lake must be a minimum of a foot in thickness. Tips on handling a car on glare ice are liberally given by experts. They include how and when to downshift for better control, how to apply the brakes (pump,

don't jam down) and how to use snow for better traction.

Leading practitioners of ice runs are members of various car clubs. They find that fun in cars doesn't stop when warm weather ends.

GUARD AGAINST FREEZE

It's common knowledge that radiator anti-freeze is vital to cold weather operation. However, there's another type of anti-freeze that needs attention. Make certain the windshield washer fluid container is supplied with a solution that prevents freezing. Remind your service attendant to check the supply every time you stop for gasoline.

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