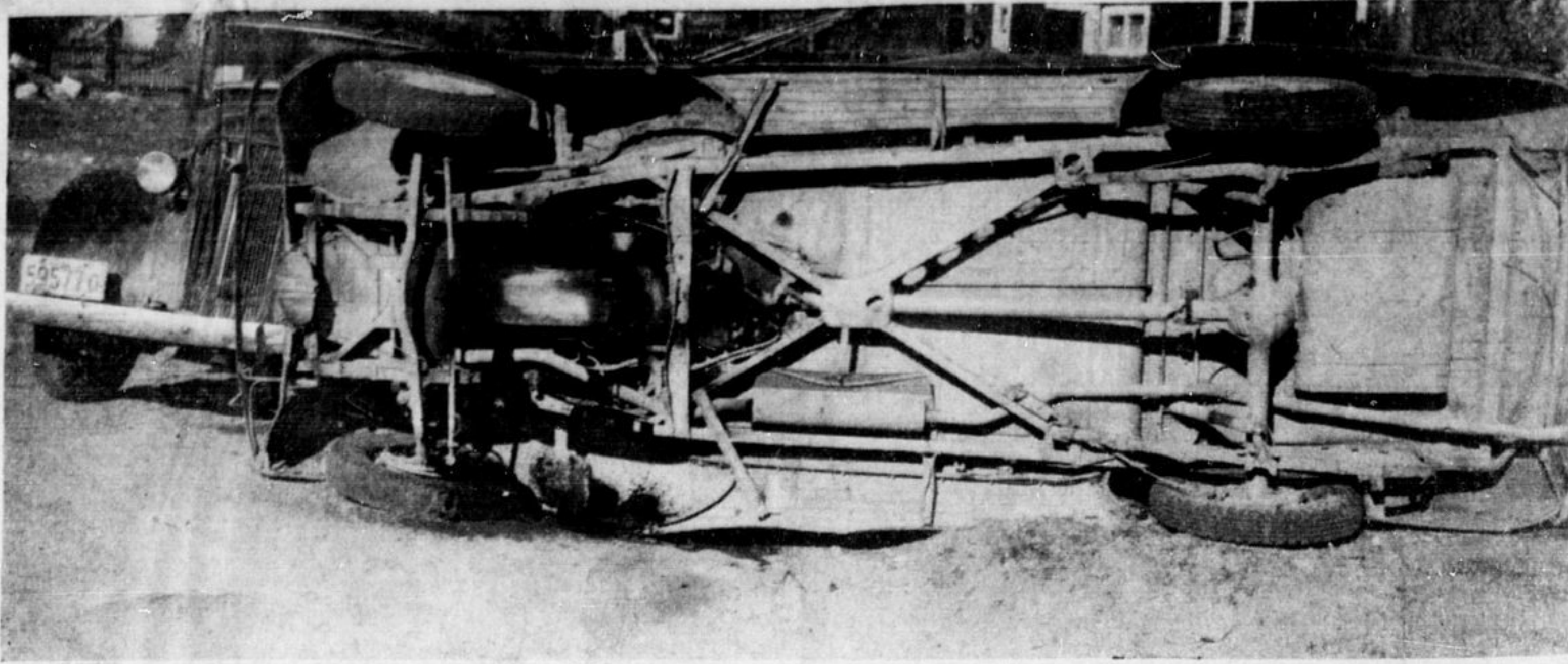


# Don't Let This Happen to You - Drive Safely



### SAFETY SLOGANS

Here are some safety slogans that are aimed at both drivers and pedestrians. A loose nut at the wheel isn't as bad as a tight one.

To avoid that run-down feeling walk safely.

Jaywalking is just a short-cut to the coroner.

When backing up your car, trust to look, and not to luck.

Driving a bargain is okay, if it is in

good condition.

Death takes no holiday but it does take a lot of holiday drivers.

If you're as bright as your lights you'll dim them.

Many a pedestrian walks himself to death.

Court on the highway and be wheeled into court.

Many a guy who tries to pass everything on the road ends up following a wrecker.

## PLAY SAFE OVER THE HOLIDAYS

We Are As Near  
As Your Telephone

Phone 700  
or 1100

Brunette's Taxi

## If You Drink, Don't Drive If You Drive, Don't Speed Warns Timmins' Chief

Officers Instructed to Show no Mercy for Drunk Drivers This Christmas Season. Chief of Police Asks Timmins Motorists This Year for an Accident-Free Christmas.

A suggestion that men turn the keys of their car over to their wives during Christmas week was again voiced by Chief of Police Leo H. Gagnon, this week. For the past three years the police head has suggested the same thing as a safety measure during Christmas week.

"More men drink one too many than women, during the Christmas week, and perhaps if the men would turn the keys of their cars over to their wives the number of accidents might be decreased," the chief said.

Going back into the files, the chief found that eleven motor accidents happened at Christmas last year, between Christmas Day and New Year's Day, during the Christmas week of the year before there were thirteen accidents and the year before that there were seventeen. The total has been reduced steadily during the past three years.

It was further discovered that most of the accidents happened at intersections and could have been avoided if the drivers would have taken extra precautions.

"The intersection hazard is always great in the winter when the streets are slippery but the driver who pulls away from the curb without first looking carefully to see if the road is clear is a hazard at all times," said Chief Gagnon.

"I am instructing my officers to show no mercy for the man who is caught drunk in his car," said the chief. "I am making an earnest plea to automobile drivers to exercise caution during the holiday season, and I am also warning the motorists that we are going to safeguard the rights of the pedestrians and other motorists by picking up drunken drivers."

Another suggestion that the chief offered was that motorists leave their cars in the garage during the Christmas season this year. The government has asked the motorist to do all he possibly could to save gas and this would be one means of saving the gasoline. The motorist usually drives his car more than is necessary at Christmas time, anyway.

Another angle that was pointed out by the chief was that the money that is wasted in accidents could help the war effort tremendously. The amount of money wasted in motor accidents averages almost a thousand dollars a month and if this money was saved it would help out a lot. Every time a part has to be made at the factory it means that the factory has to take time off from making airplane motor parts or other war work.

Chief Gagnon pointed out that the government had requested the Porcupine district to raise \$100,000 per month in War Savings Certificates if they wanted to fill their quota and supply one bomber per month to the R.C.A.F. If the motorists didn't have to spend so much each month for car repairs they would be better able to buy War Savings Certificates, he said.

### TWO OF A KIND

A daffy driver, name of Bill, Always passed cars on a hill. The same thing went for dashing Don One day they met and both passed on.



Mayor Brunette, pictured above, and members of the municipal council, have unanimously endorsed the "Drive Safely" campaign that is being waged at the present time. They couple their request with the members of the police department in asking for a minimum of accidents during the Christmas season.

## Timmins Motorists Pulled Into War Against Snow and Ice as Winter Sets in

Extra Precautions Should be Taken by all Drivers When the Streets are Slippery. Most of Timmins' Accidents are at Intersections Through Careless Driving.

The town of Timmins is at war! From now on, battles will be fought at all hours of the day and night, with trained men rushing equipment to launch attacks from strategic points throughout the town. Yes, Timmins will be fighting away all winter long with most of the fighting taking place in main intersections of the town.

The foe? The powerful combination of snow and ice—an enemy that gives no quarter, a giant force that strikes with lightning-like rapidity, time and again, to render highway and streets unsafe for ordinary travel, to make them impassable for cars, buses and trucks, carrying vital supplies of food, material and fuel.

This northern mining town, though, knows what to expect from Winter and also knows how to battle against the giant force. Experienced men from the town's engineering department know what to do even before the storm hits, what plan of action to follow when snow or ice, or both of them close in. Their equipment is ready at all times to clear the streets and do everything they can to help the motorist.

The motorist, however, does very little to help himself. In spite of the danger involved from fast driving, some motorists rear up and down the streets at reckless speeds and narrowly avoid killing pedestrians in their mad dash around the town. With slippery streets the motorists should take extra precautions, but too few of them do. The speed limit in town is thirty miles per hour but in some cases the speed limit should not exceed ten miles per hour.

The amount of accidents in Timmins has gone up in leaps and bounds during the past few days and just last week-end there were six accidents investigated by the police during the two day week-end. In one accident there were four cars involved while in the six accidents there were fourteen cars involved and damage amounting to almost two hundred dollars.

An investigation of the records of the accidents in the past few months reveals that the big percentage of them are at intersections. Some motorists, travelling a little too fast, can't stop in

time and crash into another car that is crossing the intersection in front of them. Sometimes they slide into the

rear of a car that is stopped at the intersection. Other motorists are involved in accidents when they are pulling out from the curb. Others get into accidents because they are travelling too fast. Well over half of the accidents each month can be avoided if the drivers would be more careful and drive more slowly.

This Christmas the number of accidents will probably be just as high as they were last year but the motorists are warned that the streets are very slippery at this time and extra precautions should be taken. Let's make this a safe and accident-free Christmas. It can be done if the motorist will cooperate.

**SAVE LIVES**  
Drive Carefully

Don't Let an Auto Crash Spoil Your Christmas!

Don't let an auto accident be the thing that will remind you of this Christmas. Sane, careful driving will pay dividends over the holiday and every day of the year. Don't take chances; make this an accident-free Christmas.

Protect Yourself and Others  
**INSURE TO-DAY**

**Sullivan & Newton**  
INSURANCE

Goldfields Hotel Block

Phone 104

## Police Chief Requests..... .....Your Co-operation



To the Citizens of Timmins:—  
This is an appeal to every car owner in Timmins to make this a "Drive Safely" Christmas.

From the records of this department on Timmins streets that the large majority of accidents on Timmins streets are at intersections and are caused by drivers speeding on slippery streets. With the condition of the streets as they are, slippery at the intersections, the drivers must exercise more care and take extra precautions. The speed limit within the town limits is thirty miles per hour but you should reduce your speed to ten miles per hour at intersections.

Another frequent cause of accidents is that of pulling out from the curb without giving the proper signal to approaching traffic. In the winter this cause is more noticeable because a great many car windows are covered with frost and snow, and don't allow proper vision. Have your car properly equipped for winter driving. Canada is at war right now and every bit of saving that the motorists can effect will help the prosecution of the war. By avoiding accidents, the manufacturing plants can turn their full attention to army equipment. Your help in this matter is needed. Let the manufacturing plants turn out tanks and airplane motor parts instead of parts for your car.

In conclusion may I point out that the law provides for severe penalties for dangerous careless and drunken driving. Police officers have been instructed to watch for this type of driver. Finally may I suggest, "If you Drink, Don't Drive"—If you Drive, Don't Speed.—"Make this a 'Drive Safely' Christmas."

**Leo H. Gagnon**  
Chief Constable.

### Leads Safety Drive



CHIEF L. H. GAGNON

Drive Safely  
and Really Enjoy Christmas  
**DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE**

We Heartily Endorse  
The  
**Christmas**  
"Drive Safely"  
Campaign

**SAVE LIVES**  
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