Misconceptions Listed On State Traffic

Here are six common misconceptions of Pennsylvania traffic laws:

• The driver on the right always has the right-of-way at an unmarked intersection. That's wrong. State law generally gives the car which has entered the intersection first the right-of-way. The car, on the

Unless otherwise indicated, pe-approaching traffic should stop destrians have the right-of-way on yellow unless the car already at all intersections and marked has entered the intersection or can't stop with stafety. But if business or resi-you can't stop safely, chances are you are going too fast.

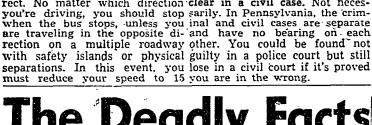
When a school bus stops to Bicycles aren't subject to traffick up or discharge children, fic laws. No. Bicyclists must obey you have to stop only if you're the same laws as drivers of motor vehicles.

traveling in the Olf you're found not guilty in same direction. Only partly cor- a police case, you'll be in the rect. No matter which direction clear in a civil case. Not necesyou're driving, you should stop sarily. In Pennsylvania, the crimwhen the bus stops, unless you inal and civil cases are separate are traveling in the opposite di- and have no bearing on each rection on a multiple roadway other. You could be found not

right usually has the right-of-way miles per hour until you have when two cars approach the in-passed the bus.

• You don't have to stop on yellow when a traffic signal is changing from green to red.

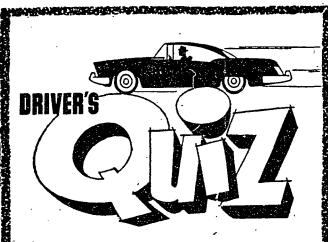
• Gars always have the right-of-way over pedestrians. Not so. Wrong. Pennsylvania law says Unless otherwise indicated, pe-approaching traffic should stop



The Deadly Facts

1956 as compiled by the National Safety Council:

Deaths	40,000
Injuries*	1,500,000
Motor Vehicle Mileage	630,000,000,000
Costs	
Death Rate Per 100,000 Miles	6.4
Breakdown of Fatal Accidents:	ACTION
Pedesirian	7.950
2-Vehicle Collisions	13.850
Single Vehicle Accidents	14,650
Collision With Trains	1,280
Collisions With Bicycles	480
Collision With Fixed Objects	1,650
Other	150
*Disabling beyond day of accident	



When blinded by the glare of approaching headlights, it is best to:

- (A) Pút lights on low beam and get by as quickly as possible.
- (B) Put lights on high beam to get even with the approaching driver.
- (C) Stay on low beam, slow down, keep eyes, on right edge of road.

Do you know the answer to this quick motor quiz? Getting the correct answer won't win you any money, but it could save your life in a similar situation.

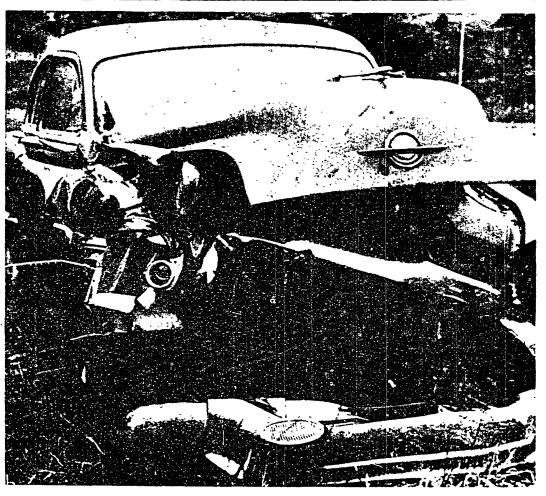
*Choice (C) is the correct answer. Did YOU get it?

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EXTRA CAUTION can keep you from being a statistic.

Here are the deadly facts on motor-vehicle accidents for Warning to Students: Speeding, Drinking Big Fatality Causes

By DENNY MALICK

A special warning to stu-drivers. dents on the way home for the Christmas vacation: about three out of 10 drivers in fatal accidents. Of this total 11 per der the influence." Studies show that accidents were violating a nhour and another 10 per cent of fatal tion ranged from a trace to "unaccidents were violating a nhour and another 11 per cent reaction time enough to cause a lattice over the influence." speed law, according to an 18-between 60 and 70. state survey.

speed limits while 10 per cent limit in most of these areas, were exceeding safe speeds al. With all the festivities of though they were within stated speed limit.

Another fatal fact that has been pointed out to students is that among drivers in fatal accidents where a condition was stated, 22 out of 100 had been drinking, according to reports in 20 states.

The National Safety Council shows statistic after statistic that couples speed and drinking with

Speeding on rural highways ranging from wide, modern superhighways to narrow, winding two-lane roads, is especially dangerous, according to the safety reports.

On rural highways, 38 per cent of the fatal crashes in-volved drivers who were speeding. Even these figures do not show the speed danger in its true light, the Council says. Since in most accidents only one driver is speeding, the speed is reported for a higher

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TODAY
Hillel, Lighting of Hanukkah candles, 4:30 p.m., Foundation
Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship, Christmas Caroling, 7:39 p.m., Old Main
WDFM, Christmas Pageant, 7-12 p.m.
Wesley Foundation, Graduate_Student Fellowship Supper, 5:30 p.m.

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TONIGHT ON WDFM
6:45: Sign on and News: 7:00 "A" Train;
7:50: State News and National Sports;
8:00: Hubzapoppin'; 8:30: Friday Night
News Round-up: 9:00: Just For Two;
10:00: News: 10:05: Light Classical JukaLox; 11:30: News and Sign-off.

In urban areas, safety council The National Safety Council cars involved in death crashes says 22 per cent of the drivers in were traveling over 30 miles per the survey were exceeding stated hour which is above the speed

With all the festivities over the Christmas and New Year's holidays, driving will be more dangerous since the number of drinking drivers will increase. The National Safety Council stresses to drivers that alcohol and gasoline do not mix.

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fatal crash.

The state of Delaware has adopted the policy of taking blood samples from all victims of fatal motor-vehicle accidents and also to request either blood samples or breath tests from all people involved.

The figures show 51 per cent of the fatalities involved drinking drivers. Of the drivers, 36 per cent had been drinking and of this total 62 per cent had 13 per cent or more alcohol in the

