

YOUR KIDS ARE ONLY HUMAN

DON'T EXPECT THEM TO BEHAVE LIKE ANGELS

WHEN you take young children in your car—★ lock the doors ★ teach them to sit well back in the front seat, then if you have to brake sharply there will be no noses broken on the dashboard ★ permit no clambering over from front seat to back seat while the car is in motion ★ never allow hands out of windows, dropping sweet papers (a bad habit anyway), feeling the windstream, and so on: these can look like signals to a following motorist and at least obscure your own hand signals ★ insist on children always leaving by the near-side door ★ discourage playing with window-winders and rigidly forbid any touching of door handles ★ if you drive fast, fit safety harnesses ★ make sure that each child in your car is provided with a suitable toy, book, magazine or other distraction to keep it peaceful and contented.

MANY children really dislike motoring. Sitting still and gazing out of the window quickly bores them. Scenery is a taste

acquired with maturity, children wanting it sauced with the dramatic, the comical or with animals. Also, the children have



no responsibilities for the journey—driving the car, providing refreshment, and so on—which keep the parents busy.

All this naturally makes boys and girls restless, especially on long journeys. Going on holiday is tremendously exciting at the start; but as mile follows mile, it seems as if they will never get there, and some of that pent-up steam must be worked off. Then doors are apt to fly open, squabbles lead to rough-and-tumbles and Mother tries to haul one of the offenders over the seatback to a place beside her, or demonstrations of affection can suddenly distract the driver.

Understanding parents think no worse of their young hopefuls for this. Children know that Nature is there to be played in too. They people a landscape in imagination with cowboys and Indians or sherpas and the Yeti. So make sure that your children are well supplied with reading matter. For if you don't provide fictional adventure they will soon seek it for themselves.

Such as turning your limousine into an armoured car or a Polaris submarine. From this it is a short step to playing with door handles and window winderh car not can be. At leisure and met that'll

Legs'. The last is played with inn signs, players scoring for every arm or leg implied in the title, even if there is no human or animal in the sign. The 'Queen's Arms', for instance counts 2, the 'Fox' 4 and the 'George III' 4: the 'King's Head', however, scores nothing.

Some children adore motoring. If yours do, count your blessings!

2 ON A 2-STROKE

It won't be a stylish marriage For we can't afford a carriage, But you'll look sweet Upon the seat

Of a bicycle made for two'.

AND what was sweet enough for Grandmamma is certainly chic enough for the bride of 1961—even on her honeymoon!

It's lucky the modern girl is happy to travel light, for luggage really is a problem. Scooter enthusiasts are ingenious and inventive about such amenities as pannier bags and piling up necessities on the carrier. Even so, a dry run at loading is advisable before embarking on a tour, whether solus or plus a passenger. But remember that centre of gravity.

Crash helmets are a 'must' for any kind of scooter travel, and here again it's fortunate that they are so attractive that every girl looks sweet in one. The latest cork-and-fibre glass designs are particularly light and are cool even in the hottest summer.

Another 'must' for efficient scooter-routers is Hi-Fli two-stroke mixture, the greatest scooter fuel of all, specially blended for the job by National Benzole.

And wherever you go don't forget your National Benzole maps. Clear, easy to read Road Maps at 1s. each and six superb Touring Maps covering the most popular touring areas in Britain at 2s. each.



BUY PETROL BY THE POUND

and Get More M.P.G.

MANY busy motorists are in the habit of buying their petrol by the £ instead of going through the schoolboy gymnastic of calculating the cost of so many gallons at such-and-such-and-a-halfpenny and waiting for change.

However, we're not thinking of buying petrol by the £ but by the lb. Pound weight. Silly idea? Not in the least.

In any good motor spirit

there are two important ways by which it can differ especially from its competitors. One is its octane rating: the other is in 'specific gravity'—or quite simply its weight.

The heavier the motor spirit the more energy it packs into a given volume, such as a gallon. National Benzole fuels contain benzole, which, scientists tell us, is a special kind of aromatic hydro-carbon. Gallon for gallon, benzole weighs about 15 per cent more than ordinary petrol. This means that when benzole is blended with a first-class petrol the mixture is bound to give better value than 'straight' petrol.

Better value in what way? Chiefly in miles-per-gallon coupled with easier starting which you get from the higher volatility of benzole.

Whichever fuel you use in your car—National Benzole or Super National—the octane requirements have already been built in at the refineries. So that side is all right.

They're heavier, you see?—giving you a bonus of extra energy—more m.p.g.

Ere Your Caravan has Rested

THINKING of touring in a caravan this summer? Thirty thousand people probably are, and thirty thousand people can't be wrong! Caravanning is becoming more and more the popular form of holiday.

In 1959 between three and four million men, women and children spent their vacation in a caravan. You may rent one fixed upon a site, or hire or purchase one for taking to a site or touring. In the first case your basic problems are only concerned with site, size and cost, but if you intend to trail your caravan along the highway there are three other considerations of primary importance. These are: dimensions, rearward view and tyres.

In deciding the size of caravan your car can tow you may use the popular and simple ratio of engine power to caravan weight. By this, for every 1½ cwt. of caravan you should have 100 cc. of engine. This is, of course, approximate only, and there is another vital consideration—the width of the proposed caravan, which should not be a great deal more than the width of your car. This remains true even when the weight/power ratio is suitable.



It will be immediately obvious that a caravan behind your car will completely fill the view in your interior driving mirror. It is essential to fit wing mirrors and their arched 'aussehohll them' to give you a clear view of the essential crossing or the

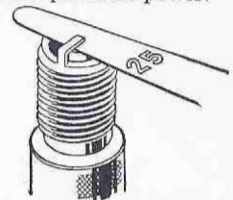
WHAT IS IT?

The Bright Spark Jumps the Gap

WORN and dirty plugs affect many things in the performance of your car; starting, slow running, petrol economy and consequently m.p.g.

The main function of a plug is to ignite the mixture in the combustion chamber by means of a high-voltage spark. A battery may only be the 12-volt type but, by means of a coil, those 12 volts are stepped up to a figure in the region of 20,000.

The voltage travels down a central electrode in the plug and then 'jumps' across a 'gap' to the outer point, making a spark and causing an 'explosion' which drives the piston down and produces power.



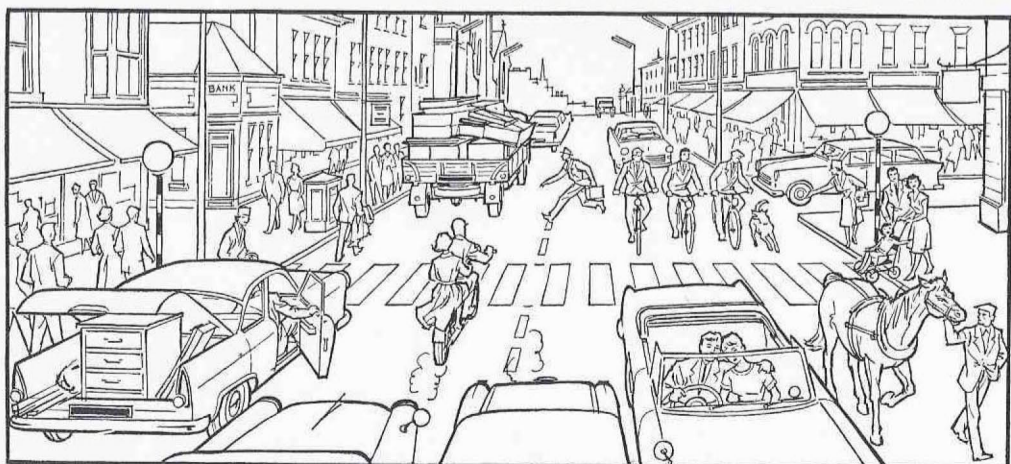
Plugs are the heart of an engine and regular checking of the plug points is essential.

The gap in most modern cars is .025 inch. Consult your car handbook for the correct distance. A 'feeler gauge' of the same distance should be used to test the gap and if any adjustment is necessary always bend the outer point with pliers—never bend the inner electrode.

Or ask us—we can check for you in a few moments. Remember, trying to run on worn plugs is false economy: you are wasting fuel and may be building up harmful deposits in the cylinders.

proper tyres for your trailer. It is important when towing cylinders—or 'pats' (art. atmlter) to ensure that the tread should be of the correct width and tread, and to other road users.

WIN A SUPER GARDEN CHAIR



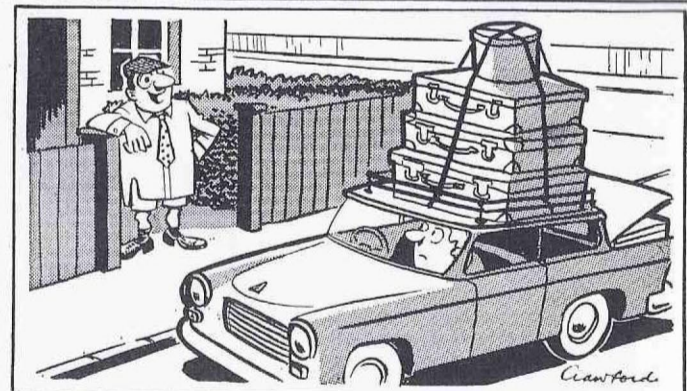
SPOT THE MISTAKES (both driving and pedestrian) in this picture to win a super lightweight garden chair. The sender of the first correct entry opened on 31 July will receive this splendid prize. Just

write down the mistakes on one side of a sheet of paper, together with your name and address (in capital letters, please) and bring it to us in a sea'ed envelope marked HIGH-WAY CODE COMPETITION, not

later than 31 July, 1961.

The adjudication will be carefully checked and the proprietors of this newspaper can enter into no correspondence regarding the award of the prize.

ENTER NOW
HERE'S WHAT
TO DO



"I've got a feeling you've packed my one and only suit, dear!"

Why Tell Your Burglar?

WHEN you go on holiday, leaving your house empty and unprotected, why advertise the fact by pulling down blinds, drawing curtains and forgetting to warn the milkman?

In these days of fadeless materials there is absolutely no need to leave the house looking as if there had been a death in the family. However, if you don't trust the manufacturer's claims, better to cover furnishings and carpets with dustsheets or newspapers than advertise

your absence to every passing crook.

The most sensible course is to leave your home looking as nearly as possible like it does when you are living in it, even to the point of opening a bedroom window (but not one near a drainpipe!).

And always tell the police of your intended absence.

