



DIRTY WINDSHIELD is a safety hazard, and this driver is overdue for new wiper blades. Moreover, his washer system isn't working, causing those streaks.

Oh, Say, Can You See-- And Be Seen By Others?

Unlike the myopic millionaire who solved his driving visibility problems by installing prescription windshields, most Americans have to be content with more routine means to see where they're going.

Fortunately, you don't have to be a millionaire or even close to it to maintain maximum good visibility in your car. Yet it's as vital to safe operation as sound brakes and tires.

Chances are every time you stop for gas, the attendant cleans your glass. But he seldom if ever cleans it from the inside. Condensed moisture and tobacco film cling to glass areas, cutting down visibility, especially at night.

Also, evaporation of plastic softeners, used in vinyl upholstery, collects on the interior glass.

To eliminate these hazards, wash the inside of the glass area with a window-cleaning

solvent at regular intervals.

Another barrier to good visibility is worn wiper blades. Streaking on the windshield is a sign that the blades need replacement. Also have the tension on the wiper arms checked. Too little tension makes wipers ineffective and the arms may need replacement.

Naturally, a constantly high level of windshield washer fluid is a must. Remind your attendant to check this when he checks your oil.

Luckily for safe operation, it is easy to check the various lights on your car. Burnt out bulbs are easy to spot. However, headlights may be out of alignment without the motorist realizing the fact.

One sign that your headlights may be out of line is having oncoming motorists flash their brights at you. If you know your lights are not on high beam, then your headlights need attention.

Books On Cars For The Ladies

Two recent books by women authors have added to the rich lore of automotive literature for the car fancier.

"Women at the Wheel," by Julie Candler and "How To Buy A Car" by Val Moolman give readers valuable information on acquiring and caring for automobiles.

Mrs. Candler's book, published by Paperback Library, is a collection of columns from *Woman's Day* magazine. Written in a chatty, non-technical style, "Women at the Wheel" offers advice from how to keep children entertained on a long trip to making emergency carburetor repairs.

The book is a valuable addition to a woman's (or even a man's) library or glove compartment.

Miss Moolman's book is recommended reading for anyone intending to buy a new or used car. Contained is advice on

comparison shopping, what to look for in a car and arriving at a price for the car. There is also material on maintenance to keep the new purchase in top condition.

"How To Buy A Car" was published by Simon & Shuster.

Other informative books on car care and enjoyment include:

KNOW YOUR CAR AND HOW TO DRIVE by Bruce Grant, Rand McNally

HANDBOOK FOR THE WOMAN DRIVER by Charlotte Montgomery, Vanguard Press

THIS WEEK MAGAZINE'S GLOVE-COMPARTMENT AUTO BOOK, Ralph Stein, Editor, Random House

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