

With the Acton Boy Scouts

by Bruce Williamson

As the Easter holiday has arrived, the streets will be crowded with children for the next week or two, so let us discuss the killer that is loose in our country today. Do you know that last year, 210 children under the age of 14 were killed and 6,000 injured in automobile accidents in Ontario alone? This is more than the entire population of our town. Can you picture the schools, parks, Sunday schools, etc., if this were to happen in Acton next week?

Scouts, Cubs, Guides and Brownies are taught safety at their meetings and at school. However, the safety of our children is also the responsibility of you and me as parents. It is not sufficient that the children know the answers to questions when being examined by their leaders for test-passing. Knowing the rules never prevented an accident yet. We must ensure that these rules are practiced. It is imperative that we begin by setting this example. Remember we are "heroes" in the eyes of our children and as we lead, they will follow. I am sure I would not feel much like a hero if, because I failed to stop at a stop sign, my son the next time out with his bicycle said to himself, "That sign doesn't mean anything - Daddy never stops for it," and as a result, was hit by an automobile.

Obeying the rules of the road—stopping at stop signs, observing speed limits and so on—is the best way of setting this example. Remember we are "heroes" in the eyes of our children and as we lead, they will follow. I am sure I would not feel much like a hero if, because I failed to stop at a stop sign, my son the next time out with his bicycle said to himself, "That sign doesn't mean anything - Daddy never stops for it," and as a result, was hit by an automobile.

Be sure your child knows the basic rules for safety and practice them every day. It is a good idea to bring the rules to their attention when driving around or just out for a walk. They are: "Before crossing stop



(National Defence Photo)

AT THE END of eight weeks' training in Canada's 4th Canadian Infantry Brigade junior NCO school at Fort Chambly, Germany, graduating soldiers will be qualified for promotion in the Army. Undergoing one of the many rugged phases of training during this course are left, Guardsman Donald Emerson of Acton and Private John Patterson of Guelph.

Seek Citizen of Year

Acton Chamber of Commerce is asking for support in Acton in choosing the 1961 Citizen of the Year. This year citizens are being asked to nominate candidates for this honor and the final selection will be made by a nominating committee of the Chamber.

Stories Mixed

Unfortunately lines of type were misplaced last week confusing two stories in the Free Press. The United Church W.M.S. meeting account was split, its first half appearing under proper heading but its second half appearing at the conclusion of an account of the Baptist Festival of Missions. We regret any confusion that may have been caused.

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Tips on Photography

Don't Hide Your Camera if it Rains

The days of the "fair weather photographer" who takes pictures only when the sun is shining is gone forever! Washed away by a flood of fast, wide-latitude films, dark, cloudy days no longer hold terror for the amateur photographer. In fact, so-called "bad" weather provides him with some of his most exciting picture possibilities.

These days a simple box camera can "see" almost as well on a fairly cloudy day as on a day drenched with sunlight. Even with Kodachrome, the box camera can be used with striking results as long as there is sufficient sun, either bright or hazy to create shadows on the ground.

Underexposure That important quality called latitude makes it possible for modern film to produce an acceptable picture even when it receives less light than it was really designed for. And the subdued light orchestrates the picture with mood music impossible to produce on brighter days. A good rule to remember is that the worse the weather becomes, the better it is for taking pictures with true atmospheric appeal.

One of the major photographic dividends in snaphooting on an overcast day is the relative ease with which dramatic close-ups can be obtained. Cloudy-day photography automatically eliminates one of the standard "horror" pictures found in many family albums; the wrinkled

close-up of a once-familiar face squinting fiercely into the sun. With an adjustable camera, of course, there's no problem even when color film is used. And in this exciting field, the pictures will be bathed in soft, pleasant

pastel tones unattainable in brighter light. It's a good idea, however, to put a "skylight" filter over the lens when using color film on overcast days to eliminate the slight bluish tinge that may detract from the picture.

Whole 'New-World In subdued light, a rolling fog, a driving rain or a moonlit night, the adjustable camera's wide open eye can capture a whole new world of light and shadow.

Other pictures that will weave a magic spell through your photographic eye include a tear-stained rose bowed sorrowfully in the wind, a cluster of faceless umbrellas huddled on a street corner, a fisherman's craggy face framed against an angry seascape and broken, quivering lights trapped on a wet pavement. They are available to all—all that is, except the photographer who waits for the sun to come out.

POET'S CORNER
FAITH'S TRIUMPH
O Jesus, who didst weeping stand beside the grave where Lazarus lay,
Why wast Thou not our Guest that day,
Death's ravage to command?

"Hush, weeping one," the Master said,
"And let not doubt and fear assail;
Turn from the crowd that mourn and wail
O'er your beloved Dead.
"Love lives beyond a mound of soil;
Lo, I have said it unto thee—
Keep still thy faith and thou shalt see
Thy glory of thy God."
—Isabel Anderson.

Bannockburn W.I. Has Monthly Euchre

The Bannockburn W.I. held their Monthly euchre at Bannockburn School on Saturday, March 25. There were ten tables played — prizes as follows: Ladies' first, Mrs. S. Matthews, second Mrs. F. McCutcheon; men's first F. Kenner, second William Wilson.

The federal government has on file 1,347 suggested designs for a new Canadian flag.

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After that day, the final selection will be made and the "Citizen of the Year" honored at the dinner in April. Previous citizens honored were: G. A. Dills in 1958, Amos Mason in 1959 and Dr. W. G. C. Kenney in 1960.

The Chamber's annual "Civic and Community Dinner" has been scheduled for mid-April so a final selection must be made no later than April 6. To nominate a person for this honor, just write the per- outline the reasons why you think he or she should be honored together with a summary of the contribution made to the welfare of Acton and mail it to: Citizen of the Year Committee, Box 1961, Acton Free Press, no later than April 6.

The BIBLE Today

The new English translation of the New Testament issued in March is a great milestone in the history of the English Bible. Since the days when Wycliffe first produced an English version of the Bible, all succeeding versions have been largely revisions of existing texts, diligently compared with the original languages, but still incorporating much of the language of the previous translators. The New English Translation is the first entirely new English version.

The translators and the committee dealing with this work over a period of years are representative of all the churches. The world's foremost Hebrew and Greek scholars have worked from the original languages and have had the benefit of the new discoveries of ancient manuscripts, and the great amount of archeological research of the last 100 years. Experts on the English language have also dealt with the text. Their task was to help to

achieve the best literary style in simple contemporary English. 13 years' work came to an end when the edition of the New Testament was released throughout the world by the Oxford and Cambridge Presses.

The work on the Old Testament continues but a publication date has not yet been set.

Suggested Readings
Monday, Matthew 22: 23-46;
Tuesday, Matthew 23: 1-24; Tuesday, John 14: 1-14; Wednesday, John 14: 15-31; Thursday, John 15: 1-17; Friday, John 16: 1-15; Saturday, John 16: 16-33.

Extend Right Hand Of Fellowship Sun.

On Sunday James M. Rudd, the pastor of the Baptist Church, and Mrs. Rudd will be accepted into membership into Acton Baptist Church. The right hand of fellowship will be extended by Fred West, a life deacon.

THIS SUNDAY'S Church Calendar

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