

Mill - Main Tangle . . .

The Right to Life . . .

"It seems that Parliament has gone to surprising lengths to protect the drivers who have been drinking," Crown Attorney P. K. McWilliams recently commented in addressing a Coroner's Jury investigating a fatal accident on highway 25. We can only endorse that statement.

Those involved in serious accidents where there is any hint of intoxication should be obliged to take a scientific blood and breath test to determine the degree, if any, of that intoxication.

Dr. Morton Shulman, Chief Coroner of Metropolitan Toronto, pointed out recently that more than half the drivers killed in motor vehicle accidents in Ontario between November 1963 and June 1964 had enough alcohol in their blood to be legally impaired. He urged that all drivers involved in accidents be given breath tests, and that spot checks with breathalyzers be made in order to help "stop the slaughter on our highways."

It is frequently suggested that a mandatory breath test is an infringement of civil rights and liberties. It should be understood there is no inherent right to drive a motor vehicle on the highway. This is a privilege granted under

certain terms and conditions. It would be no more an infringement of liberties to require a breath test than it is to require a driver to observe the speed limit or produce his driver's license on request, or produce proof of insurance before receiving a license.

Scientific investigations have shown that alcohol in the brain and nervous system affects one's judgment, reaction time and ability to handle a sudden crisis. A breathalyzer test will give a measure of the amount of alcohol in the tissues of the body, and its mandatory use is probably the best single step towards the prevention of highway deaths.

The question seems to be one of whether a community is really interested in saving the lives of its citizens.

Other countries are not immune to the problem either of course but many of them are taking steps to reduce the hazards. Norway provides a 21 to 30 day jail sentence for any driver caught with more than two glasses of beer under his belt and a one year license suspension. The Norwegian driver can lose his license for two years by refusing to take a police blood test. Sweden, Belgium, West Germany, Denmark, Finland, Austria and others all have penalties of significance.

While we may busily consider the "rights"

of drivers surely we should give some consideration to the driver or passenger whose only crime was being at a certain place, at a certain time, but whose penalty was death.

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"What do we have to do?" wait till somebody is killed?"

With these prophetic words Acton Council received the Department of Transport's edict that red, yellow and green traffic lights are not required at Acton's Main and Mill Street corner. In the latest display of the numbers shuffle the department has reached the conclusion there is not sufficient traffic to warrant an intelligent traffic control system at this corner.

The Department assessed the accident rate at this corner for the years 1962-3-4 and note just one regrettable occurrence at the intersection. "This very unfortunate mishap involved a four year old youngster trying to cross Mill Street without benefit of supervision." Apparently in the Department's opinion all the scraped fenders, the near misses and the general confusion at this corner are neither regrettable or open to improvement.

The Department again suggests that provision be made for bus stops off the travelled portion of the highway so that eastbound traffic will not back up through the Main Mill intersection. It is perhaps needless to point out to the Department that parking space in Acton's business section is at a premium. To try to reserve parking places at the curb for the big buses would be a ridiculous waste of space in the heart of our business district. The only way parking in the business district can be increased is by off street parking. It would be interesting to know what the Department's contribution would be towards a project of this nature.

A suggestion at the Council meeting, however, is worthy of consideration. Move the bus terminal outside the business district. Buses at present stop anywhere on the route through Acton to pick up and discharge passengers to their would appear to be no inconvenience to passengers by a move of the terminal to another location.

A further suggestion would be that the Department consider not only moving the bus terminal but their whole highway outside the limits of the town and return the control of traffic on Acton streets to the people of Acton.

Editorial Page



Sugar and Spice . . .

BY BILL BAILEY

I've decided to write a book. Not because I want to. Not because I have a message. Not because I think anybody will buy it. But because a fellow has dared me to.

He was a publisher. I told him hundreds of people — nay, thousands — had asked me when I was going to produce a book made up of my columns. This was a big fat lie, of course. I think the total of the queries was between twelve and thirteen.

He was nice about it, if a little steely-eyed. He agreed that there'd be a big sale, if I bought the 1,000 copies I promised to buy, to give away to my friends. (They'd be getting about 120 copies each, at that rate, but they could give them away to THEIR friends.)

He agreed that the whole thing was a great idea. For some other publisher. But he sort of took the steam out of my self esteem when he came out with the logical statement, "If a book is worth publishing, it's worth writing."

This is the sort of thing publishers sit around thinking up, when they're not worrying about some of our great writers getting away from them. Which they don't seem to spend an excess of time doing. Unfortunately, writers can't flash back with, "If a book is worth writing, it's worth publishing." Mainly because it isn't true.

What's the book going to be

about? Well, that's still on the secret list, because I don't know. But after looking over a few shelves of books at the local library, I know that publishers will print almost any kind of garbage.

So, if it's garbage they want, I'm going to make up the biggest literary garbage pail that has ever been set before the public. It's going to be crammed with sex, violence, delinquent teenagers, corrupt politicians, dope fiends, alcoholic doctors, cowboys, how to raise prize rinnias, favorite recipes, and all the other ingredients of the most successful books.

It will be autobiographical, of course. At first, I thought that might be a little difficult, as I've led a rather sheltered life. Then I realized that all I had to do was decorate things a little. Gild the lily, so to speak.

Thus, instead of going to high school and being on the football team and going steady, in the book I'll be the leader of a group of teenage terrorists who get their kicks out of setting fire to nursing homes, under the influence of heroin.

Instead of joining the air force and becoming an officer and a fighter pilot and having a ball most of the time, in the book I'll be an army private, intellectual and embittered under the whip of a sadistic captain.

Instead of spending a year in sanatorium, loafing, laughing

playing chess and reading, in the book I'll spend a year in a mental institution with a gang of perverts, alikes, junkies and a doctor straight out of Edgar Allan Poe.

Instead of becoming a weekly editor, writing about sewers and such, in the book I'll be an advertising executive with three mistresses, no morals and an unlimited expense account.

Instead of becoming a doctile English teacher peddling metaphors and similes, in the book I'll be a famous television personality with great talent and no scruples, who poisons the minds of his listeners with cleverly disguised racial prejudice and completely undisguised commercials about amputees.

How does it sound? You like it? Oh, you don't. Well in that case, I'll just have to write a dull, insipid book about dull, insipid old things that really happened.

Boy, are you ever going to be bored reading about the time the two nine-year-old girls cornered me in the treehouse, and kissed me. Or the time I fell in love with a Brazilian girl in the dead of a Canadian winter. Or the time the Old Battleaxe chided me through the snow in her dressing gown, trying to hit me with a phone she'd vanked off the wall. Or the time I was beaten up by four old men . . .

KINGDOM RISE AND WANE

How often one hears the comment, "What next? The tumult and the shouting dies, the captains and the kings depart. Leaders of nations topple from their positions overnight, baseball idols suffer because of whims and fancies. But — they that trust in the Lord, shall not be confounded."

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Acton
Founded 1842
Convocation of Ontario & Quebec
Pastor: Rev. Stanley Gammon
Res. 144 Tidy Ave. ph. 853-1615.
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25th, 1964
Anniversary Services
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages. (Scripture Press material used in our school.)
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
"Honoring the Word of God."
7:00 p.m.—Evening Service.
"A Court Room Scene."
Quarterly business meeting, Tuesday, 8 p.m., October 27.
Wednesday—Prayer meeting 7:30
Friday — B.H.E. and B.Y.P.U. Hillsburgh.

Text, "We are ambassadors for Christ. . . we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God."
ACTON PENEYCOUSTAL TABERNACLE
B.A.O.C.
33 Churchhill Road
Rev. S. M. Thoman, Pastor
853-2715
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25th, 1964
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7:00 p.m.—Evangelistic Service.
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— Staff Photo
MUSIC CONSULTANT G. Melbourne Evans of the Oakville public school who is also organist and choir leader for St. Jude's Anglican church, Oakville, directed a junior choir from Oakville at the annual teachers' convention held in Acton Monday. Looking over a sheet of music, seated, are Elmer Smith, principal of M. Z. Bennett school, Acton and Mr. Evans. Back row, left to right, are Principal G. W. McKenzie of the Robert Little school, Acton, and supervising principal L. W. Foster of Milton.

Professional Directory and TRAVELLERS' GUIDE

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DR. D. A. GARRETT
Physician and Surgeon
Corner of Willow and River Sts.
Entrance River St.
Acton, Ont.
Phone 853-0441
By Appointment
DR. ROBERT D. BUCKNER
Physician and Surgeon
39 Wellington St., Acton, Ont.
Afternoons by appointment.
Closed Wed. & Sat. evenings.
Phone 853-1240
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17A Mill Street, Suite 2, Acton
Telephone 853-2740
Office Hours by Appointment or
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274-3428

DENTAL
DR. A. J. BUCHANAN
Dental Surgeon
Office — 90 Church St. E.
Office Hours — 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Closed Wednesday afternoon
Telephone 853-1750
DR. CEDRIC DEY
Dental Surgeon
Suite No. 3, Hinton Bldg.
17A Mill St. E. — Acton, Ont.
For Appointments
Telephone 853-1300
OPTOMETRISTS
E. L. BUCHNER, O.D.
Optometrist
6 John St. S. — Acton
In Acton Wednesdays only
2:00 p.m. — 6:00 p.m.
For appointment, phone 853-1041
If no answer, phone Waterloo
742-8867
ARTHUR A. JOHNSON
184 Main St., Milton
Phone TR 8-9972 Res. TR 8-9678
Tuesday Afternoons
Thursday Evenings
Friday Mornings

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Office Hours: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
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Phone 853-0350 night or day
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TRAVELLERS' GUIDE
GRAY COACH LINES
COACHES LEAVE ACTON
Standard Time
Effective October 25
Eastbound
6:31 a.m. (Daily except Sun.
and Hol.); 8:34 a.m. (Daily
except Sun. and Hol. - Express);
8:58 a.m.; 11:33 a.m.; 2:08 p.m.;
5:04 p.m.; Fri., Sat. and Sun. (ex-
cept Fri. Dec. 25 and Jan. 1),
trip will run Thurs., Dec. 24 and
Fri., Dec. 23, 24 p.m.; 8:33 p.m.;
10:08 p.m. (Sun. and Hol.).
Westbound
7:37 a.m. (Daily except Sat.,
Sun. and Hol.); 10:27 a.m.; 12:57
p.m.; 2:57 p.m.; 5:27 p.m.; 7:27
p.m.; 9:12 p.m.; 11:32 p.m.; 1:02
a.m. (Sat. only).
CANADIAN NATIONAL
RAILWAYS
Standard Time
Effective-October 25
Eastbound
6:30 a.m. to Toronto, daily Mon.
to Fri.; 7:22 p.m. to Toronto, Sun-
day only.
Westbound
12:05 a.m. to Stratford, daily
except Sunday; 6:27 p.m. to Strat-
ford, daily Mon. to Fri., change
at Guelph for London etc.

This Sunday's Church Calendar

THE CHURCH OF ST. ALBAN THE MARTYR ANGLICAN
Corner Willow and Bower
Rector:
The Rev. D. H. West, B.A., L.S.T.
185 Jeffrey Ave. Phone 853-2694
Trinity XXII
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25th, 1964
9:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
10:30 a.m.—Church School.
10:30 a.m.—Mattins and Holy Baptism.
7:30 p.m.—Holy Eucharist.
8:00 p.m.—Teen-agers' meeting.
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Wednesday, October 28, St. Simon and Jude — 7:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist.
BYTH-EL CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
Acton, Ontario
Rev. W. W. V. Dijk
Phone 853-1585
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25th, 1964
10:00 a.m.—English Service.
2:30 p.m.—Dutch Service
3:45 p.m.—Sunday School.
TRINITY CHURCH
(The United Church of Canada)
The Rev. Dwight I. Engel,
B.A., B.D.
Organist:
Mr. George Elliott, M.A., Ph.D.
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25th, 1964
THE CHURCH SCHOOL
9:30 a.m.—Grade 5 and higher.
11:00 a.m.—4 years to Grade 4.
DIVINE SERVICES
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
Friday, 7 p.m.—Young Adults meet at church for Toronto trip.
No youth meeting Sunday evening.



EVANGEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor, Alan G. Silvester, B.Th.
Phone 853-2595
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25th, 1964
Y.M.C.A.
9:45 a.m.—The Family Bible School classes for all ages.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
7:00 p.m.—Evening Service.
Fourth sermon from Nehemiah, "Opposition to Christian Service."
Wednesday, October 28—Cottage Prayer Meeting.
Everyone welcome.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA
KNOX CHURCH, ACTON
Rev. Andrew H. McKenzie,
B.A., B.D., Minister
Mr. E. A. Hansen, B.A.
Organist and Choir Master
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25th, 1964
9:45 a.m.—Minister's Teen - Age Bible Class.
10:00 a.m.—Departmentalized Church School.
11:00 a.m.—"Reformation Sunday" Worship. Sermon theme, "The Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church."
8:00 p.m.—Adult Study Group. Bible study in Book of Acts and group discussion.
Everyone Most Welcome