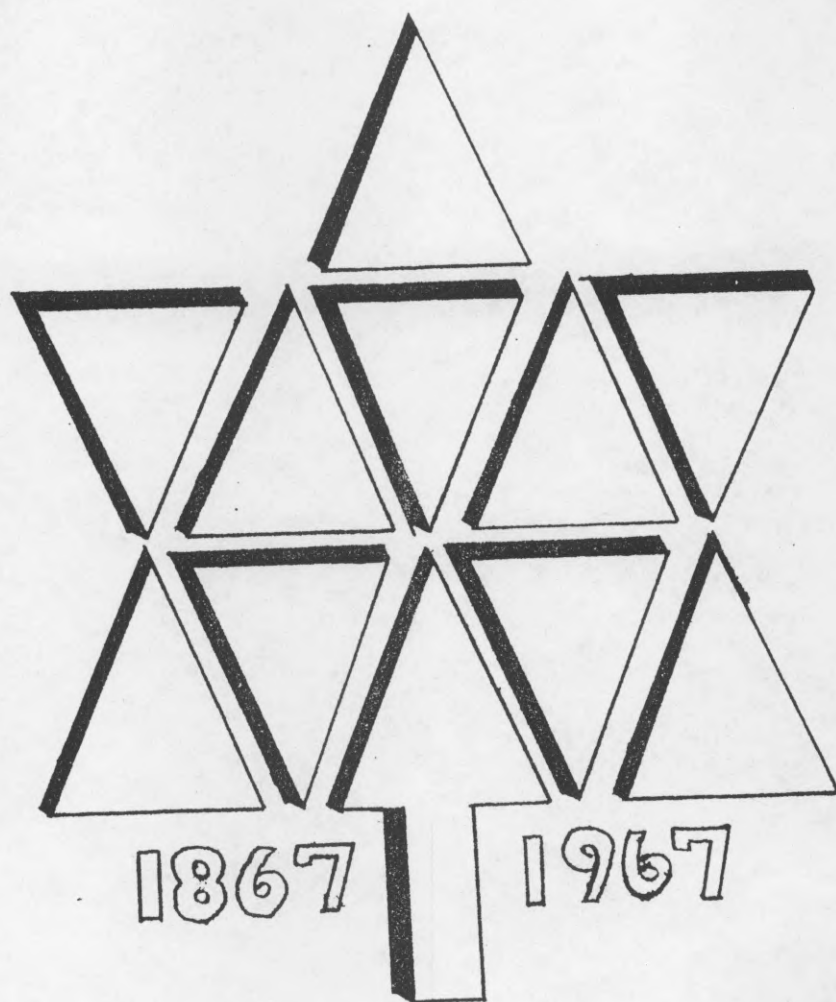


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EDITOR'S COMMENTS

Another school year is nearing its end. Like everything else, the degree of its excellence is always debatable, for it certainly had its "ups and downs". Undoubtly, those who view the year favourably, find the "ups" outweighing the "downs", while others will have more "downs" than "ups". The number of "ups and downs" is poor basis with which to substantiate our assessment, which often is influenced by and borders on some bias.

As a standard for our appraisal, we should examine the improvement we made and the benefit we gained from our defeats and triumphs. Of course these all revolve on the sincerity of our efforts for without this attribute, one cannot make an honest evaluation of the year. If we have performed disingenuously, then we have wasted a year; contrarily, if we have performed with sincerity, then, defeat or triumph, we can safely say, "I did what I could do with what I have. This year has been a wonderful one."

Moses Okimaw
Moses Okimaw

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The Principal Says.

Dear Students;

We are again ending another school year. Let's hope that this school year, to all of you, will be more meaningful than any other year before. To some of you it will be the crowning of efforts that you have put into your school life through hard work, perseverance, sincerity and trustworthiness. To those who will reach grade 12 in June, well, my sincere congratulations, to the others, who after hard work and no fault of theirs will never reach grade 12 I admire you for the hard work and perseverance you have put into your school work.

Many of you will this year be leaving Assiniboia in order to attend another school or to a job of your choice. You will be walking over the threshold of life. You will be testing yourself as to the kind of education you have received at home and at school. Remember the society that you will be walking into is not hostile if you have equipped yourself with the necessary tools "Education" to do the job properly. Remember that society does not owe you much but that you owe a great deal to society. You have a place to find in this society and a job to perform; this you will find and will be able to perform only and only if you are ready to accept the demands of that society.

Many, once they leave school give a sigh of relief thinking, they have acquired freedom to do all what they want. This new acquired freedom often leads them into the wrong path of life. They have forgotten that they must serve their society, country and God properly and decently.

In concluding, I would like to stress to all of you the importance, the necessity to never stop improving yourself, to never stop bettering yourself. We never aim high enough. Remember man is always in the making therefore we must strive to reach higher and higher. This process of Education must last till we have finished our trip in this world.

Leon Joubert
Leon Joubert
Senior Teacher

PRESENTS

ADDRESSES

Dear Readers,

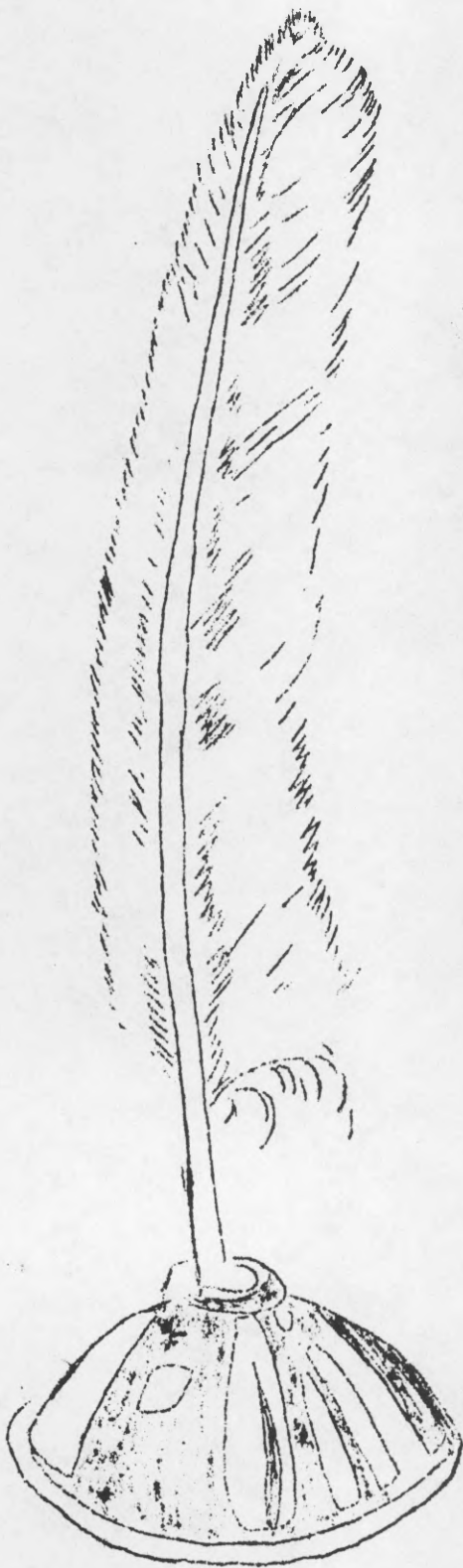
Since this is the last issue of the Highlights this year, I would like to express my thanks and give due credit to all those who shared in the work of the Assiniboia Highlights, especially to the typists for their availability without which our Highlights could not have been realized.

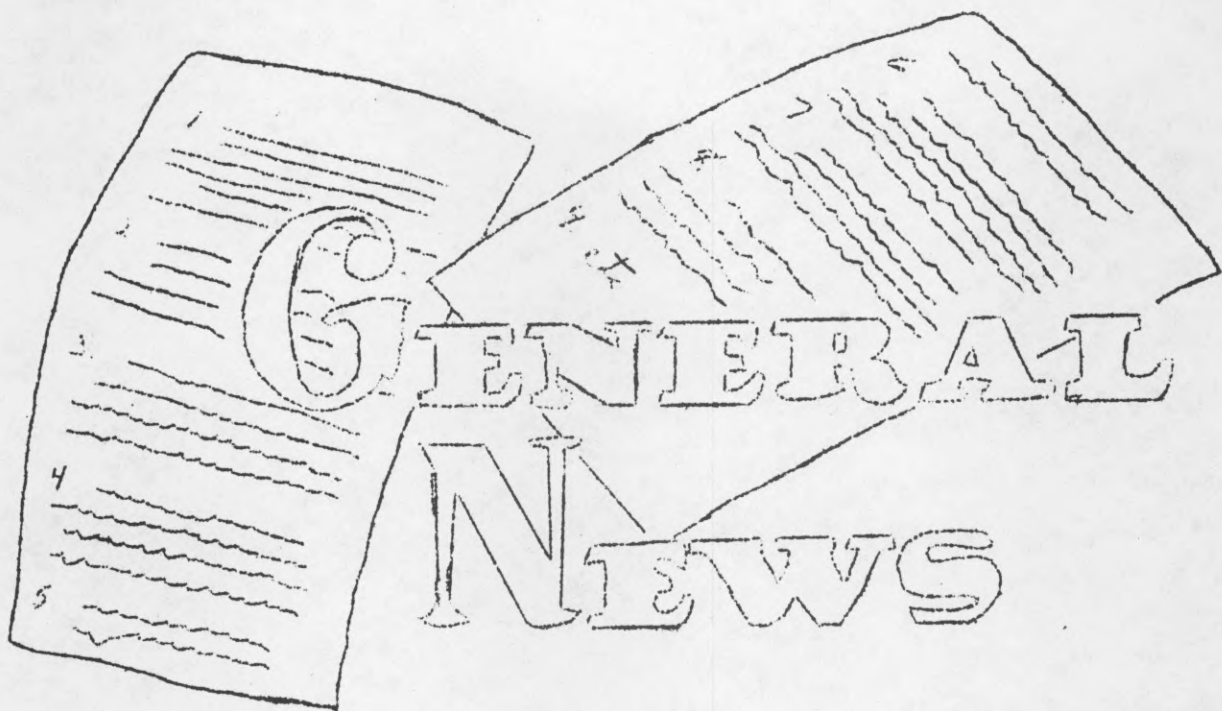
To the Graduates of this fall, I extend my wishes of success and Good Luck. During the year we sometimes experienced setbacks, however, we hopefully look forward to better results when the final testing will challenge our year's efforts.

On behalf of the Student body, I thank especially Father Chaput, our Principal, for his unrelenting devotedness during this year, his first as Principal to Assiniboia. He has guided us in more than one way and he has responded with kindness, firmness, and understanding to our need for his help. He is indeed a true and real "Brother to the Indian".

Good Luck to all and God Bless you!

Leonard McKay
Student Council Pres.





GENERAL NEWS

Classes resumed on January 4, 1967. The students resumed to their studies or at least tried to do so. Of course, some did not return while some extended their holidays.

Assiniboia High School was greatly honored by the visit of Archbishop Pignedoli. His Excellency is the Vicar Apostolate to Canada. He was accompanied by Archbishop G. Flahiff of the Archdiocese of Winnipeg. Archbishop Pignedoli shook hands with all the students as well as the members of the staff.

Mr. Leon Joubert, our senior teacher was absent for more than a month. He had to undergo spinal surgery but he is now back at the beck and call of the students. Mrs. Anderson assumed Mr. Joubert's duties during his absence. She is, you might say, the school's "pinchhitter" for teachers unable to come to regular classes.

Like any other piece of architecture, if one may call it that, our school has a system of fire alarms. But our alarms seem to be more restless for we had a couple of "false alarms". Once it was around four o'clock in the morning. All the boys got up fast, naturally, and ran to the gym. Apparently that was where the trouble was. The "smoke-eaters" with their trucks came to the rescue.

The Portage Indian-Student Residence Glee Club came to sing for the students of Assiniboia. Although the performance was quite short, it was very entertaining. The group will be performing at "Expo 67" and at Ottawa this summer. "Bon Voyage" to all the members of the club.

The beautiful city of Winnipeg will be the site of the 1967 Pan-American Games. Of course there will be the Pan-Am torch run, in which three of our boys will participate. William Nerasty, Bill Chippeway, and Charles Nelson will take part in the 470 mile run from Minneapolis, Minnesota to Winnipeg, Manitoba.

STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT

Jan. 16th/9:15 P.M., The new constitution was presented to the Student Council Executive by Kathleen Scribe at the first meeting of the year. The constitution was examined and amended before we moved on to the business of the school's centennial project. A committee was appointed by the President, Leonard McKay. Because of the late hour the meeting was adjourned.

Feb. 8th., It was moved that \$40 be used to buy toboggans and that Leonard McKay would be the one to buy them. All were in favor.

Daniel Highway reported that 15 of the Gr. XI boys were going to the Kings Theatre to see the play "Macbeth". Kathleen Scribe reported that all the Gr. XI girls were going.

Leonard, president, appointed Mabel Hart as new treasurer.

Feb. 15., Leonard McKay reported that he bought nine toboggans at Eaton's. The toboggans were to be divided evenly between the boys and girls.

Because of the financial difficulties of the Conference Committee, the Student Council donated \$30.

March 2nd., It was reported that Donta had donated \$10 to the Yearbook and Mr. Dubert had donated \$5 to the Conference Committee.

The president had collected \$6.25 from the students and \$5.00 from the Conference Committee to buy flowers for Mrs. Hawryluk. Eleven dollars were given to the Centennial Committee to buy tickets and five dollars to the band, the Ab/4, for a mouth organ.

March 9th, Article 6, Section 2 of the Constitution was amended and Sections 6, 7 were added to the same article. Other minor amendments and addition were made. Article 3, Sections 10 and 11 were omitted but would be considered as by-laws.

It was moved that the Constitution be presented to the Staff for approval. All were in favor.

April 28th. Letters of Congratulations, concerning the conference held on Saturday, April 22nd, were read. It was moved that these letters be sent to the Free Press to be published with the writer's consent. All were in favour. The lack of co-operation and the irresponsibility demonstrated by the Free Press and CBC was discussed and as a result, the letters were to be sent to the Press.

It was discovered that students attending city schools felt left out because they could not take part in the extra-curricular activities of their own schools and of Assiniboia. They had to leave the public school too early and arrive here too late to be able to participate satisfactorily.

School Spirit Day was then discussed and one suggestion was that staff and students eat together in the Cafeteria. It was also decided that all the staff and students should wear green and gold (yellow) colors of Assiniboia. Those who did not wear the school colors to be tried by the Kangaroo Court.

Did the defendants take their sentences well and show good school spirit in the court? The above has been a summarization of the active and important part which our Student Council Executive plays in our school life.

Wishing you success in your final exams and Happy Holidays.

Eileen Manowin

There is a time to laugh and a time to cry. The optimist forgets the second and the pessimist forgets the first.

Perfection does not consist in doing extraordinary things but in doing ordinary things extraordinarily well.

When the going gets tough; the tough get going.



GRADE XII REPORT

Since the last edition of "Assiniboia Highlights" there has been much school work and various activities going on in our classroom.

Moses Okimow, our Highlights editor, came in first and Valerie Mainville second both for the Christmas and the Easter examinations! The rest of us were not too far behind them, so if we all study harder there will be quite a number of graduates this year.

We are well advanced in most of our school subjects and almost finished with our combined English course. It is now only a question of a very good review and a couple of poems. We are now studying "Arms and the Man" a play written by Bernard Shaw. On April twenty-eight we also went to see "Juno and the Paycock" presented by "Neptune Theatre" which is part of Festival Canada.

The students that are taking French have already finished their course in grammar, French short stories, and a novel called "Colomba". They are now reviewing, so let us all wish the "Frenchies" the best of luck.

Those of us that are taking typing instead of French, we too are doing alright pounding away on our typewriters, to beat sixty!

As for mad chemists, we do are doing well almost at the end of our course. Some of the chapters we have taken are on chemical bonds, stoichiometry, chemical kinetics, chemical equilibrium, electrochemistry, and nuclear structure and radioactivity.

The mathematics course is almost finished as well, we are now on our second last chapter. In maths we take logarithms, trigonometry, conics, progressions and so on.

As for Biology we are now on the last stretch of the most interesting subject. Since the last edition we have dealt on reproduction, heredity, evolution and a lot more. Unfortunately our teacher, Mr. Joubert, had to have a serious spinal operation and had to be away for at least seven weeks, but Mrs. Anderson was kind enough to take his place.

GR. XII (cont'd)

For our guidance classes we have had quite a few interesting guest speakers to help us prepare for the Conference on April twenty two. Our former principal, Father Robidoux, came and talked to us on Indian and Education; Miss Defender, on Indian Philosophy, while Mrs. Richards stressed on Integration and Discrimination. On behalf of the grade twelve class I would like to thank all the wonderful people for the valuable information they imparted to us.

Thank you all for your kind interest in our school paper.

Emma Jane Ross

GRADE XI*BOYS CLASS REPORT

Ever since the last issue of "Assiniboia Highlights", there have been a few interesting incidents going on, in and out of our classroom. Most of these happenings are related to our different subjects, and once in a while, an outing is granted in order that we see movies and concerts, which will help us in our study. We really enjoy these privileges.

First of all, in our Grade XI Literature course, we have an interesting play called "Macbeth". Our teacher, Sister Tougas, has spent many classes explaining the meaning of the play. Her efforts were fantastic and rewarding for us because we went to see the movie at the King's Theatre. Unfortunately, not all the grade XI students could go because we had to pay for our own tickets.

Also a few months ago, our History teacher, Sister Brisebois, took all the grade eleven students (boys and girls) to observe the Manitoba Legislature in session. We really enjoyed listening to the parties' discussions and arguments. That visit has proved to be helpful to us now that we are looking at the Canadian government in our History books.

Concerning our French class, we, French class of boys including the girls' class had a little ride to the French city of St. Boniface. We attended a Variety Show called "Les Gens de Mon Pays", the show was put up by the boys of St. Boniface College. It was indeed interesting even though we didn't understand some parts of the all-French programme.

In regard to our classroom and class-work, we seem to be doing pretty well. We have almost covered all our subjects for this year. Our hopes are that we pass, because with the new Grade XI courses to be taught next year, we must pass.

Upon closing, "Thanks" to the teachers and "Good Luck" to the students.

Philip Mason

CLASSROOM NEWS (cont'd) GRADE XI (Girls)

Welcome from the Grade XI girls' class, to the final edition of the Assiniboia Highlights for the 1966-67 school year. Since the last edition various events have taken place in our classroom.

On January 24, the two grade eleven classes paid a visit to the Manitoba Legislature Buildings. There we toured the place and attended a session during which we were introduced as guests and given a tour by the M.L.A.'s, we were also received and welcomed by Honourable S. Spivek, Industry Minister at his office. As a matter of fact, all was first rate and we certainly enjoyed the tour.

On February 10, we were also fortunate to go and see the Shakespearean play "Macbeth" at the Kings Theatre. It is one of the plays we take in the Literature course. We are very thankful to the people who made it possible for us to attend these outings because we feel they were both very educational and "Macbeth" was really made more comprehensible to us.

The student to top the grade eleven rooms for Easter was Shirley Beaulieu with an average of 71 %. Congratulations Shirley! Second to her in our class was Eileen Hanowin. Indeed we are all looking forward to the final examinations to prove what we all can really do. That is why so many heads are buried in books for some real serious study.

Now that there are only a few more weeks of school left, we are at the last few pages of some of our books. In History and Biology we are now near closing our books and starting on the review. In others such as Chemistry and Literature we are still struggling for some of us especially now that Spring is here and it is so beautiful outside, some of us naturally tend to drift off to Dreamsville during our classes. Anyway, I am sure each and everyone of us are really going to settle down for the June exams.

Our P.T. classes, have been very interesting all year, Miss Cecilia York is the greatest! We have learned how to play basketball, badminton, and volleyball. We took up gymnastics, too, and at the moment we are practicing for a show we will be putting on in May.

On behalf of the Grade Eleven girls, I wish the rest of the students the best of luck in the final exams and happy summer holiday days. I also thank the wonderful teachers who tried their utmost to help us in every way. We deeply appreciate it.

Kathy Scribo

CLASS NEWS: (Continued) GRADE X

Welcome back to the Highlights!! I hope that the last report was pleasing to the parents as well as to all the readers. I hope they will also enjoy this last report of the school term on the activities of our class.

After Christmas holidays we discovered that we had one student too many. This student, Lucy Nepinak joined our gang after spending three months at Kelvin High. We were most glad to receive her with open arms. She is tempted to giggle now and then but in general we all like her.

One afternoon in January, a man from the Alcohol Education Service came to our classroom and gave us a lecture on liquor. This visit was very interesting for most of us and we thought his speech was very educational.

Our Easter exams started on March 21st and students began to worry over them on that day. Each day, for the rest of the week, we sat down inside our examination hall for four hours per day. It was rewarding, at least to some of us, especially Miss Marie Kipling, hailing from Hodgson, Manitoba, who rose to the top with the average of 63.7% and behind her was a young man from Brochet, Philip Michel ranking second with an average of 63.2%.

After Easter, we came back to find our Senior Teacher was hospitalized. The substitute teacher was Mrs. Anderson, our Composition teacher. But now Mr. Joubert has returned, we are very glad to have him back after a few weeks without him.

On April 17, we attended the funeral services of Sister Superior's mother at Otterburne.

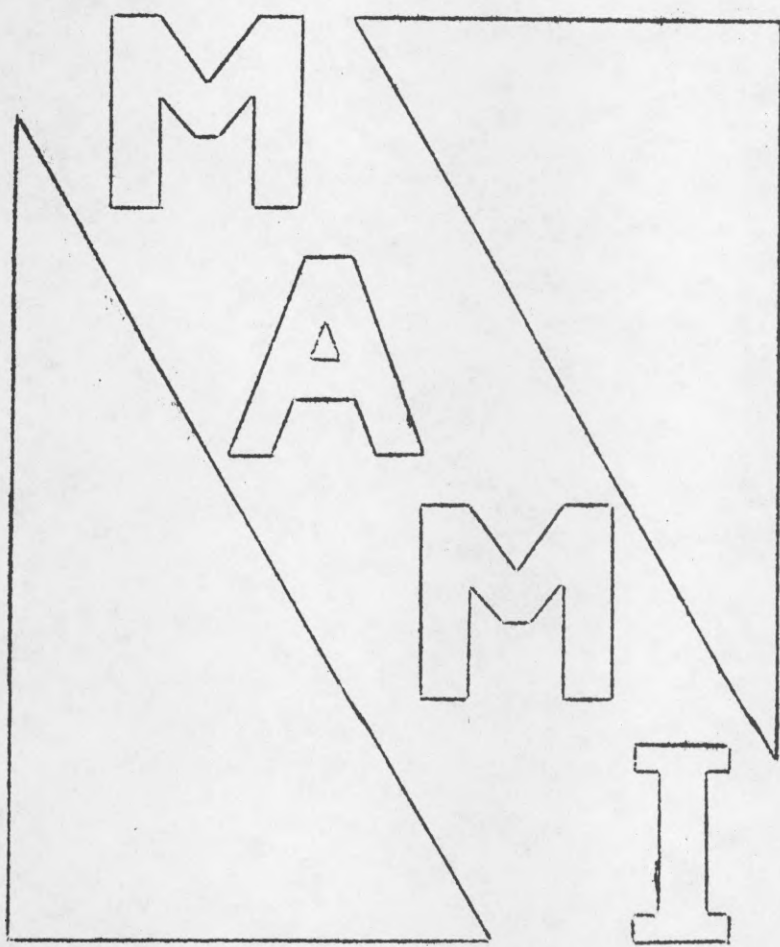
When we resumed class after the holidays we began the study of a new book entitled "As You Like It". This Shakespearean play is very educational and very interesting. To make it more interesting Miss Freynet plays for us the recording of the play by The Marlowe Society of the University Of Cambridge.

Our science teacher, Mr. Tataryn, has given us information concerning power for the last two months. This "power" consists of electricity, hydro power and man power and we have discovered many new ways in which science makes our everyday tasks less straining.

In geography, we have studied Canada from coast to coast since Christmas. From what we have learned about Canada, we strongly believe Canada could be a very sourceful country. We are now studying our neighbouring country, the United States. We are glad to have learned so much about our own native land.

Some of our periods have been replaced by Geometry. This subject is very hard for most of us. In maths, we are now in the middle of Chapter 3 which deals with polynomials. This subject is indeed very interesting because of its modern approach. As for our religion classes they seem to rustle and bustle with voices as we have discussions concerning our spiritual health. We give our thanks to Sister Tougas for making this possible. I now bring this report to an end and on behalf of the Grade X class, I wish you all a happy vacation and to give you my thanks for taking time off to read our classroom report.

Matthew Mason



The first M. A. M. I. meeting of the second half of the school year was held February 19, 1967. The subject was "Dating", which proved to be most interesting. In answer to the question "How does dating help you to mature?", the students felt that it helps to improve the manners, to learn to accept responsibilities and discover the qualities of the opposite sex. Attributes which were felt to necessary for a successful date was that one must be a good listener and a "giver". One must also realize that there are other people, who hold their different views from their own. These opinions must be respected, though not necessarily accepted. One boy pointed out that there was a disadvantage to dating namely that the male is almost financially embarrassed afterwards.

The second meeting was held on March 6, 1967. The title of the topic discussed was "My Responsibility in Assiniboia". The students felt their responsibility is to have respect for each other; for the teachers and other members of the staff. They were not oblivious of the fact that the staff had responsibilities, too namely, "to teach, guide and give advise to the students. It might be pointed out that it is the responsibility of the students to seek the advise of their superiors. The students claimed they are fulfilling their responsibilities by keeping up with their studies and conforming to the school regulations but improvement was necessary on the part of some students.

M.A.M.I. Cont'd

The next meeting took place on April 16, 1967. This time the students took a close look on "Authority In Life". Authority was defined as a power or right to give orders. It was thought of as a means of protecting freedom, ensuring security, and establishing harmony. The students agreed that a natural leader is one who leads and follows others, one who has learned to give and take orders.

The difficulty of teenagers to obey their elders was brought up. The "young generation" thought that the adults are forever attempting to change their way of thinking and impose their own ideas on them.

Another meeting was held on April 30, 1967. The bulletin was entitled "The Price of Success". The definition of success was given as achieving one's goal through hard work and making use of one's talents. Ambition, perseverance, self-denial, and willing were thought of as prerequisites for true success. Personal satisfaction and happiness were viewed as fruits of success.

Another M. A. M. I. discussion is slated for May 16, to which the students are presumably looking forward for it is the last one for this year. The president, Robert Houle, and his collaborators are to be commended for a splendid job.

Moses Okimaw

GENERAL NEWS (cont'd)

April 28 was the date of "School Spirit Day". Every student had to wear the school colors which are green and yellow. Anyone not wearing the colors was left to the mercy of a kangaroo court. Guess who was brought to court? The Principal. He made a futile attempt to save himself but ended up losing his "Sweet Caps" cigarettes. Each class also had to put up a performance.

As a consequence of the "Meet the Indian" Conference, arrangements were made for a student exchange between West Kildonan Collegiate and Assiniboia. Four of our students spent a day at West Kildonan and in return four of theirs came to our school. This reveals that our efforts on April 22 were not done in vain.

The "Pow-wow Dancers", who performed at the conference were also invited to participate in the centennial project put up by St. Benedict's Academy.

Joe E. Wood



Home Ec.

As you may recall from our last edition, our class is divided into two groups. One group takes sewing and the other cooking. Now we have switched around giving every girl an opportunity to try her luck at either sewing or cooking. The exchange took place when class resumed after the Christmas holidays.

In one of our classes, Mrs. Foran, our teacher, accompanied the sewing class to Eaton's. There they selected materials and other necessary items for sewing. In their spare time the girls are allowed to work on the clothing that they have started. Sewing is very interesting but not so when the needle is at the wrong place. But this does not happen very often since our girls are quite skillful.

Concerning the girls that are working with foods they have learned how to prepare various kinds of meals. Like the other girls had they will probably have a chance to apply their knowledge of cooking such as preparing meals for Grade XII Banquets. The Canada Food Guide, which the girls use, proves to be very helpful. I am sure the girls will not make smoke signals from their cooking.

The Home-Ec class staged a fashion show on March 13, in the Cafeteria. Some girls modelled their own masterpieces, while others prepared dainties, sandwiches, and tea. The teachers, supervisors and other members of the school were invited. It turned out to be a "terrific" fashion show! Another one will be held on June 13, the day the last Home-Ec is scheduled.

Since this is the last edition of the "Assiniboia Highlights" on behalf of the Grade X girls, I would like to thank Mrs. Foran for doing such excellent work. We sincerely hope that all our readers have enjoyed reading each report made by the other students who had the privilege of informing you about school activities, such as I.

Doreen McKay



Girls' Sports

In the last issue, I gave you the Girl's Sports News from September to December. I am now back again to continue from where I left you till now.

First of all, the girls came back from their Christmas Holidays, eager to start a New Year in sports. The first activity was skating. A few girls who had the talent for graceful skating were chosen to prepare a drill for the Ice Carnival. After many hours of practice, and under the instructions of Loretta Ironstand, they were ready to perform their drill on Carnival Day. Their performance was a real success and everybody enjoyed watching.

We have been fortunate to have our great basketball team enter into the Interscholastic Basketball Tournament, for the first time. This league included a few city schools which gave some competition to our team. After many hard and tough games, our school team came second place out of six. However, as this was our team's first experience, we are very proud of their work, aren't we girls?

Another thing that was new in Assiniboia's Sports for 1967 was the tobogganing ground. After Christmas, somebody came up with the idea that we should make use of that pile of mud on our back-ground, by turning it into a tobogganing ground. The idea was accepted by the Student Council who supplied the toboggan. For the winter months, tobogganing was one of our sports. It was something that was enjoyed by everyone.

We suspended our Sports for two weeks before the Carnival in order to give the girls an opportunity to finish their snow sculptures for the coming occasion. Although there were no sports, time was not wasted for the girls really worked hard. As a proof, they displayed a variety of lovely ice sculptures when the big day finally arrived.

The curling rink was ready just as we were starting on our sculptures for the Carnival. When this event was over, and we, girls, were ready to curl, spring weather came along; as a result curling season lasted a few days only.

At the beginning of March, the Sports Directors prepared a schedule so as to give an opportunity for each team to participate either in bowling or basketball. With this everybody is happy.

I would like, on behalf of the girls, to thank all the people especially our supervisors, for all the help they have given us in sports this year. We really appreciated it.

Nelliane Mason

Look out the open window
Look past the closed gate
Look across the plain meadow

Do you feel the wind?
Does it sound gay?
Does it smell of mead?

Past the field
Near the wood
On a hill
There's quite a yield
It's Understood
To the flow of something still.

** William Merasty **

BOYS' SPORTS



Here we are again to close off the second half of the school year. Since December we've been kept quite busy, sport-wise.

In volleyball, the Dynasts held top position over a series of semi-finals and finals. The team led by William Morasty captured the volleyball championship.

In Hockey, we had quite an enjoyable and successful season! The Junior B captured their league championship and the Kenora all-Indian Hockey Tournament which was held at Kenora on February 4th. This had been the second consecutive season in which the team has won the tournament.

Well the Juveniles came up with a spectacular performance of their own. They came out of the season undefeated and therefore the League Champions. They also won a beautiful trophy emblematic of the centennial Tournament Championship held at the St. Boniface College on February 25th.

Unlike the other two teams, the midgets were not too successful as they lost their trophy and title to St. John Ravenscourt after two close-checking games of a two game total point series.

In Intramural Hockey we had two leagues; the Seniors and the Juniors. In the finals, the Bruins led by Gordon Mackay of Camperville, Manitoba, overcame the Rangers to claim the Senior Championship. The Hawks led by George Bighetty of Brochet, Manitoba, overpowered the Leafs to win the Junior League title.

After the close of the hockey season a basketball team was organized, which took part in an Inter-scholastic Basketball League. Although the boys didn't do so well, it is only fitting to mention that Hubart Hart of Norway House, Manitoba, was one of the highest scorers of the League.

In Intramural basketball we haven't started the finals yet but it certainly will be an exciting series with everyone trying their utmost.

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At our Annual Sports Banquet on April 15th, we had our special guest speaker, Rev. Father O. Robidoux O.M.I., our former principal. Father gave a very interesting talk on sports. After Father's speech, the trophy signifying various achievements in sports, were presented.

Kenora Tournament Trophy
St. Boniface Centennial Tourn.
Juvenile Trophy
Volleyball Trophy
Football Trophy
Senior Hockey Intramural Trophy
Junior Hockey Intramural Trophy

Captain Cameron (Butch) Wood
Capt. Joe E. Wood
Capt. Joe E. Wood
Capt. William Merasty
Capt. Leonard Mackay Sr.
Capt. Gordon Mackay
Capt. George Be_hitty

Most Valuable Players:

Junior B
Juveniles
Midgets

Daniel Highway
James Gott
John J. Harper

Highest Scorers:

Seniors
Juniors

Gordon Mackay
George Mackay and Philip M.

Honorable Mentions were Hubart Hart and Doreen McKay for the Basketball Highest Scorers of Assiniboia.

Presentations were made by Rev. Father R. Chaput O.M.I., and Mr. J. Cardinal and Mr. D. Toupin.

This wraps up the sports scene in Assiniboia for the 66/67 season and in closing I would like to take this opportunity to wish one and all, Happy Summer Holidays.

Clarence Nepinak
Boys' Sports Director

LITERARY

My Last Birthday

It was a bleak, cold typical January morning. Before this I had dreaded these mornings but on this particular cold January third morning, I did not care whether or not there was a blizzard because it was my sixteenth birthday. I was home, my friends were coming and most of all I was happy because my parents, my brothers and sisters would be there to celebrate my very special birthday with me. Oh!

What a day it was. Somehow my sixteenth birthday seemed more important than any other birthdays I had had. Maybe it was because I knew that I was no longer a little girl whom my mother had cuddled and looked after so devotedly and because I was just beginning to know the world and the problems I had to face. My friends I knew were all sixteen and I had envied them before this but there would be no need to envy them because I was sixteen too.

For my birthday I knew that my friends and family had planned a very special day. First there would be a dinner, my cake candles would be blown out by me and my dad would propose a toast to me as he had done whenever anyone at home reached his sixteenth birthday. We would then eat out piece of cake with our drink. After this the guests and my family as well as myself would play cards. Then the grand final, was a dance to be held in my honour. Everyone was invited to attend this dance. I knew that the card game and dancing would be a tremendous success because it was so carefully planned by the experts.

I grew very impatient waiting for the dinner but at last it arrived! The nice brown, delicious savoury chicken was placed on the table, then the various kinds of vegetables, potatoes fixed in a very special way and hot home made bread. What a delicious dinner it was! Then my mother and father came into our dining room bearing my birthday cake with sixteen glowing candles and placed it majestically before me. Silently I made a wish, took a deep breath and blew on the candles and what do you think? I blew every candle out! Then came what I had waited for and dreamt of so often. My dad rose with his glass of sparkling wine and I with a glass of reeling punch and he said "To your sixteenth birthday and hope you'll have many more to come." I had longed to hear him say these words on my other birthdays but I had always received the same answer, "Wait till you're sixteen" and now that he had said them it was like a door opening to the first step to adulthood.

Composition by Brenda Sioux - Gr. X

AN IMPORTANT PERSON IN MY LIFE

"You're going to be a man someday. So while you're still young, learn to cope with others, don't turn away from difficulties, face them and solve them. Never let evil master you, you're your master, conquer it. Try and make use of what is taught to you and be kind and fair to all. Learn to be a gentleman and you'll be happy."

The man, sitting cross legged beside the camp fire, was an average man with broad shoulders. He was about the age of thirty-nine or so, with black hair and brown eyes that looked deep into a person. His complexion was fair and he had a winning smile. Near him sat a little boy about the age of ten. This boy was his son, whom he liked very much, and tried to please at all times. The father was telling his son about one of his most unusual stories of adult life and the son was listening attentively even though he couldn't understand everything his father was saying. After a long talk, the two said a prayer to the Great Manitou, asking him to keep them safe while they were asleep. The father said good night to his son who returned the greeting cheerfully. Slowly the fire died out, and the only light left was that of the stars above. Filled with fatigue, the two soon fell fast asleep, for they had to rise early and start for home.

This is just one of my camping trips with dad. Now that I've grown up a bit and now that he's grown old, we don't go camping too often. But still my father gives me words of advice which would be useful to me on or off the reserve. Even though my father did not have a complete formal education-for it was impossible to do so in his day, he has an amazing mind and thoughts for advice. I remember once when he told me never to be cruel to animals. He told me this story of what happened to a man because he was cruel to his dog.

"Long ago when my great-grandfather was just a young man, there lived in his village a man a young brave who was very cruel. Everyone hated this man because of the way he treated his dog. The dog, would somedays go without food and water and when it went along on hunting trips with his master he would jump around, frolicking around the young brave and it would bark and scare off the animals. When this happened, the young brave would get angry and with his spear, he would beat the dog until it was almost dead. Then he'd leave it there, lying on the ground, and he'd return home. One day, the dog left its master, who went off into the woods and never came back. Years later the Indian brave decided to go hunting, so away he went with a bow in his hand and a quiver full of arrows. After a while he came to the spot where he knew rabbits would pass. He waited patiently. Suddenly not far beside him, the bushes were moving and out came a wolf-like dog, snarling and coming towards him with its head bent low. Cautiously, the excited brave raised his bow, took an arrow from his quiver and took careful aim of the animal's forehead-TWANG- he let the arrow fly. Much to his surprise he missed his target!! Then the animal (his dog) rushed him and when he was close enough, jumped the brave's quiver. Savagely like a wolf it- (cont'd Next page)

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ripped it opened and blood poured out from the Indian's throat as he lay motionless on the ground. The next day a search for the brave was started. When they found his body, it had scratches all over, made by sharp claws. To this day the Indians say that was a punishment for his cruelty to animals that he died this way.

I still remember other instances in which my father told me stories and explaining them to me. He especially stressed the lesson learned from the story itself. From these stories and through his examples, I've learned quite a lot, not from book but from my own professor, my dad.

"Son, you see that bird on the tree, hear it sing, it sings beautifully, doesn't it? You know who taught it to sing? Yes, its mother taught it. Remember this the best **teacher** one can have is his own parents. Someday you'll grow up, get married and have children of your own. What I've taught you since you were small, teach them, too."

Even though my dad is an old man he's still the big man with a big heart whom I knew when I was small; he is the most important person in my life.

Campbell Hunter



MEET THE INDIAN

The theme of the conference was "Meet the Indian," a centennial project organized by the Indian students. The primary purpose of the meeting was to create better understanding between Indian and non-Indian youth.

Discussion topics included education, residential schools for Indians, racial discrimination and prejudice, administration of Indian affairs, alcoholism, and problems of integration.

Conference chairman was Mr. Robert G. Houls, of Sandy Bay Indian Reservation, assisted by Moses Okimaw, Delores Nanie, Cecilia York, Valerie Mainville and student council president Leonard McKay.

Resource personnel included Misses Verna Kirkness and Marie L. Defender, Messrs. D. Smith, W. Kubisky and Earl Duncan, Fathers A. Carriere and O. Robidoux, OMI, Revs. Adam Cuthand, and Ian J. Harvey.

Coordinator of the conference was Rev. R. Chatelain, OMI. Host to the meeting was Rev. R. Cahput, OMI, principal of Assiniboia School.

Hon. J. B. Carroll

The key note address was given by Hon. J. B. Carroll, provincial Minister of Welfare, who said that rapid changes in technology have created an immediate need for widening the scope of human relations and that action must follow the resolution passed at the conference.

"Our history books should be revised," he added, "in order to describe the role played by Canada's native citizens in a better light."

Speaking during the afternoon session, Mr. K. K. Ogden, Superintendent of Indian Affairs for Manitoba, dwelt on the problem of integrating the Indian into the non-Indian majority society.

He said, "prejudice is not hereditary. Youth accept prejudice and discrimination because of the history text books, "bad Indian" films and TV programs and irresponsible press stories."

He added: "many misunderstandings are noted in the use of the word integration. It is not the policy of the Indian Affairs Branch to assimilate the Indian into the non-Indian world but to make easier the passage from reservation life to that of the city."

Meet One Another

Mr. Ogden endorsed a resolution passed by the students proposing an exchange of pupils between Indian and non-Indian schools. He said that "the Indian Affairs Administration policy of paternalism had radically changed since 1961. More latitude is now given to Indian bands for self-government."

The participants acknowledged that the economic situation of the Indian was a main cause for loss of ethnic pride; that prejudice can be broken down quickly by younger people, especially in non-segregated schools; residential schools are playing useful but temporary role during the transition phase which should end with full acculturation; alcoholism problems, which affect about 10% of the native people, are related to inferiority complex and lack of aggressiveness.

A tremendous amount of interest and genuine goodwill was demonstrated throughout the conference in searching for mutual understanding between Indian and non-Indian.

In his closing remarks, Mr. F. Beaulieu, a university graduate and a native of the Sandy Bay reservation, commented that prejudice and discrimination against Indians were caused by Indians and non-Indians who both lack essential information on the legal status of the Indian and the administration of his affairs. He said "that education of Indians, in terms of integration, has so far met with almost complete failure. "Indians live in harmony with nature, and they are masters of time, not its servant."

MEET THE INDIAN (cont'd)

The preceding article on "Meet the Indian" Conference was taken from the Sunday Herald. The following letters are from non-Indian students who attended the conferences:

LETTER TO THE EDITOR * COPY

Winnipeg Free Press

Dear Sir:

Last week the students of Assiniboia Residential School took a major step in dissolving the misunderstandings that exist between the Indians and Non-Indians of our country. As a result of their initiative, Indian youths and white youths from various high schools across Winnipeg gathered to discuss Indian Philosophy, education, and relations and to learn of each other's social and cultural backgrounds. "Meet the Indian", as the unique conference was named, was the Centennial Project of the Indian students of Assiniboia High - a conference of great significance. Months of planning by a well-coordinated student body resulted in an impressively organized conference enlivened by the overwhelming enthusiasm of both the Indian students who acted as hosts and the Non-Indian students who were their guests.

Is the press blind to such a news item concerning major developments in human relations? The Indians took determined strides to introduce themselves in their own homeland; the comradeship and understanding that evolved were marvels to behold. Yet the Press was not there to behold them, nor to relate them to the public. The Indians were asked to send in their report if they wanted any news of the conference printed. Surely such a "happening of '67" deserves full press coverage! It is the age-story of papers willing to publish the sensational detrimental report yet strangely loath to cover the much further-reaching story of achievement.

The large part of the white population of Manitoba does not realize that Canadian Indians both as individuals and as a group have a great deal to offer the country both culturally and socially. They do not realize that at such centres as Assiniboia Residential School are talented students that are capable of using these talents in bettering Indians and Non-Indians alike if only given half the chance. On Saturday, April 22, the Indians gave us, the white men, our chance to meet them, to discuss with them, and to accept them. The white youths of Winnipeg in attendance did accept them, and already favourable results are appearing. Two days after the conference students from a Winnipeg High School lunched at Assiniboia and made arrangements for a Student Exchange between their two schools. Similar developments are expected to follow.

Students such as Conference Chairman Robert Houle, members of the Assiniboia Student Council, and the Conference Committee deserve con-

gratulations for undertaking their ambitious Centennial Project. On behalf of all the Non-Indian students at "Meet the Indian" I should like to thank the students of Assiniboia High for their warm welcome, and to wish them every opportunity for success. It has been said that the youth of today are the leaders of tomorrow; it was unfortunate that the Press missed their chance to cover the arrival of Tomorrow.

Ann Waters
St. James Collegiate

Dear Robert:

I'm afraid that I've set myself a very difficult task indeed, in attempting to express to you and to the other students of Assiniboia High, my appreciation for the wonderful experience I enjoyed yesterday. To say the least, I had a ball!

I must confess the impression of the Indian in my mind yesterday morning before the conference was very different from the one I hold today. Perhaps my old impression was not entirely wrong, since, as you said last night, the students of Assiniboia are very different from many of the people of the reservations. But we, too, of the non-Indian "young generation", are very different from our parents, and since the only sure things are death and taxes for us at least, the old folks will "drop off" and we shall be the ones to carry on. So though your conference is over, I hope it will only be the beginning. Maybe Indian and non-Indian youth won't accomplish anything of concrete value, but we might try to accomplish something together, a big in the right direction.

I can speak only for myself, but as far as I'm concerned, your centennial project was an unqualified success. It was informative thought-provoking and I was deeply touched by the thoughtfulness and friendliness of everyone. But after all of last night's dancing, my feet may never be the same!

Thank you again, and I hope this won't be a first and last meeting since we Kelvin representatives are already attempting to dream up future projects.

Sincerely yours,
Heather Burnet

Letters cont'd

Dear Robert:

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I would like to thank you and everyone at Assiniboia High for inviting us all to "Meet the Indian" on April 22nd. I've never been so glad I attended any function as I was about the conference last Saturday. It was beneficial in every way. We all learned so much. The main thing I learned was that there was such a place as Assiniboia High. I'm ashamed of not knowing about it before. Your school and the students in it are a credit to the community. "Meet the Indian" has got to be one of the best centennial projects this year. I felt I got to know you people better and appreciate more the Indian culture.

The dance in the evening was really something, too. I wish the kids at our school had the spirit you do, to get up and dance, instead of just standing around. It was good to see everyone on the floor. We also could do well with something artistic like that fabulous mural at the back of the stage. All we've got is dull gray curtains. The scene really looked good and the band couldn't have had a better background. And the powwow, what better way could there be to get a dance started? Everyone liked the bright, colorful costumes, too.

From start to finish, the conference was a most interesting experience. Once again, thank you.

Yours truly

Lynn Zayshley
Gordon Bell High

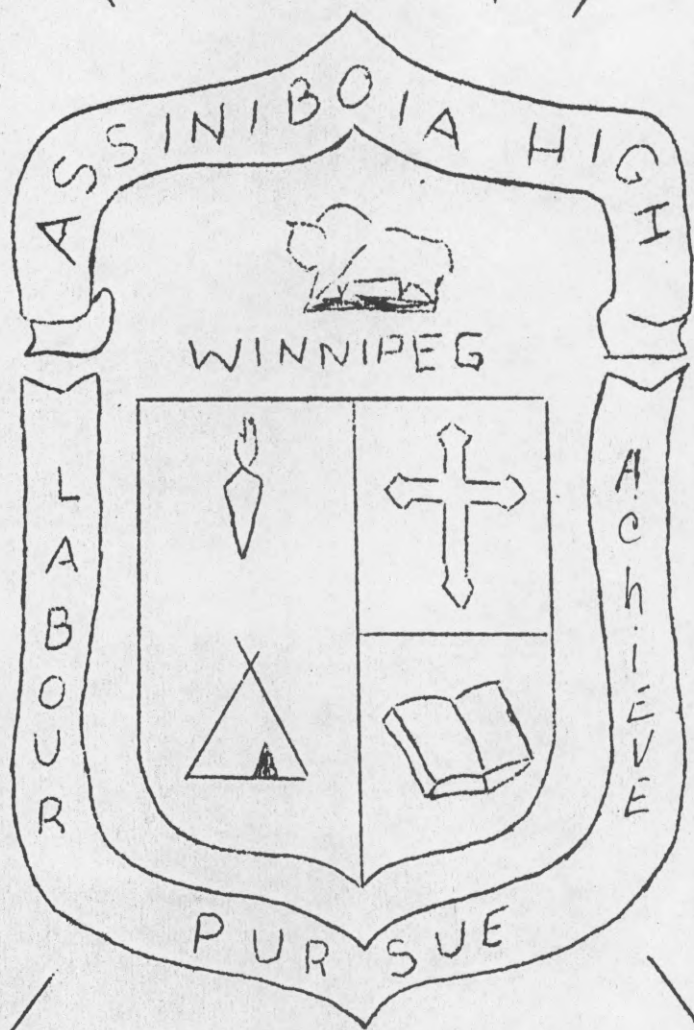
Hi Everyone!

I felt that just shaking hands with all of you just wasn't enough. A fuller more meaningful "thank you" was needed, so I decided to put it in writing.

But writing my thanks just doesn't seem adequate. It doesn't express my wonderment at how marvelous the conference was! It was just "too much"! I've never spent a more fantastically enjoyable and educational day! Everything was so well-planned and beautifully done that I'm sure it not only amazed me, but each white student that attended.

Thank you so much for giving me the chance to attend such a terrific conference, to meet so many great kids, and to learn more about the Indian than I could ever imagine

Love& many thanks
Grenda Grushko



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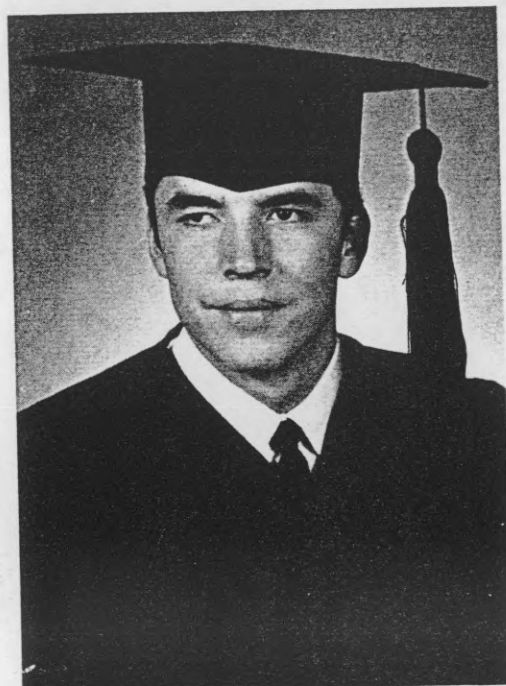


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