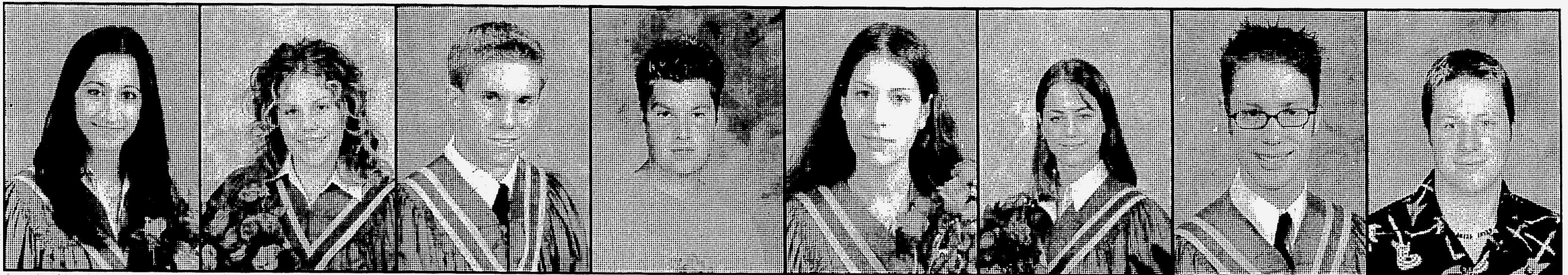
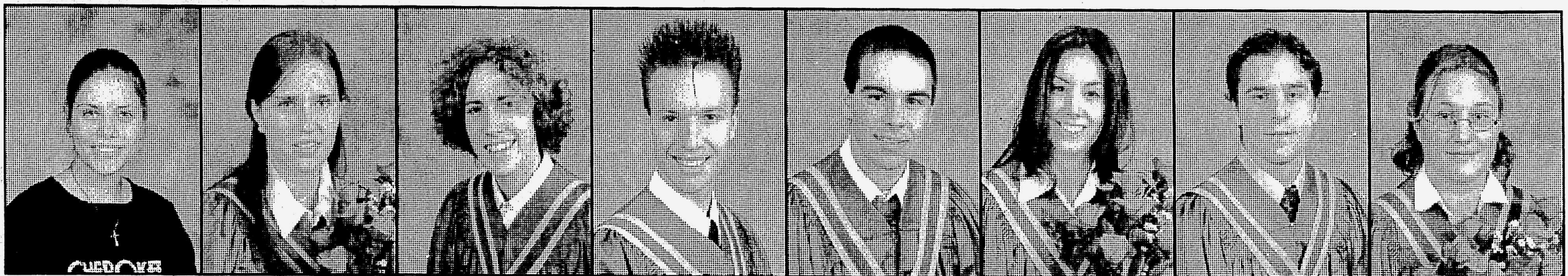


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tion period everyday. So if Canadians could get away from the 45-minute charade called question period maybe the media would have to spend more time on reporting the genuine debates devoted to policy formulation.

Paul Martin has a list of ways he wants to reform parliament. Some include less whipped votes (less confidence votes), more committee consultation and referring bills, in their infancy, to parliamentarians to allow members to make a genuine contribution.

I agree with all of these but, as you can see, most have nothing to do with changing the institution of Parliament which has served Canadians reasonably well—and everything to do with the way we conduct ourselves in the Commons.

When Paul Martin becomes the new prime minister he needs to structure his legislative agenda within a time allocation system, then, give notice of legislation in the House long before it actually happens. In this way members can plan speeches and, more importantly, poll constituents for their views.

Currently, few MPs are knowledgeable from day-to-day as to what is going to be debated. Structuring the legislative agenda and giving notice of legislation would add to the quality of debate and get more public participation in the process.

The system isn't broken but the way we treat it is sadly in need of correction.

Happy Birthday to Glen!

"Whitey" says he doesn't want any visitors, but you can see him hiding on Page 6.

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