

The Wine and White

Initiation—Two Views

by Robbie Houston

What was initiation to me? In '63 it was embarrassing fun, in '64 it was a blast! Before I explain my feelings of initiation first allow me to introduce myself, for I am a rare and unfortunate person, a poor soul in Grade Nine for the second time. I will now explain the views of initiation of the Grade Nine student and those of other High School students we are not allowed to talk to.

To the Grade Nine student, initiation means horror, agony, and perhaps death! To put it in a few polite words, a "Niner" wonders what hideous ordeal he must perform for a sinister Grade Eleven or Twelve. He also wonders what garments, which always show him off in the wrong way, he must wear during Friday Night. Other thoughts are rotten tomato juice from a genuine rotten tomato running down his back and the back-breaking job of carrying others' school books.

When you have been initiated there's nothing like coming back to school on a Friday night and seeing the new shoes get it. Sometimes you feel sorry for some kids but sometimes you are glad a certain guy got it. However, when it comes to the point, you are so happy to see the "Niners" getting smeared on the stage or down town singing along with the sewers.

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

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The public should be reassured that those grotesque caricatures of human beings walking the streets of Stouffville Friday night were in reality high school students and more specifically, "niners."

This is the night that S.D.H.S. creates its own particular caste systems, although it involves only two groups: niners and the rest of the school. We used to refer to this special day as "Black Friday," but this gives a vague hint of impending doom, which wouldn't go well with those students who have weak hearts.

Because of the recent banning of guillotines, bottomless pits and other useful devices for personal disfigurement, the Initiation Committee was somewhat limited in this respect. As a result, the initiations carried out were comparatively light. Members of the committee, clad in frocks resembling those of the Ku Klux Klan, accompanied groups of "niners" downtown where they did everything from singing Xmas carols (reminding everyone that there are only 85 shopping days left until Xmas) to having a friendly chat with the town policeman while someone measured the length of the axle of his car.

Usually, the "niners" have heard enough about initiation before the ominous day, to realize that they are the selected ones the rest of the school is

talking about. You would expect them, then, to be apprehensive, downcast and horrified. However, this was not the case. This year they tried to outdo each other in a frantic rush to carry our books. Some even begged to carry them! They competed with each other, to see who could walk around the school the greatest number of times carrying books stacked eight feet high. No one has yet broken 120 times and this may stand as an all-time record for many years to come.

In short, the grade niners were very enthusiastic about being ridiculed and put to work, which shows that they are all getting to be very "good sports" or else they are exceptionally stupid.

The Initiation Committee should be commended for one of the best initiations for a long time. Except for those students who graciously declined to come, nearly all of the grade niners thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Cheerleaders Chosen

After two weeks of practicing cheers, splits and cartwheels, the following girls were chosen as cheerleaders: Suzanne Clubine, Lee Corbett, Linda Dafeo, Karen Dedlow, Pat Foord, Jackie Mumford, Jane Terwerds, Janet Winn.

S.D.H.S. Student Council

This year at Stouffville High School the government has been changed in two ways. This year a three dollar activity fee has been paid by most students. This Card enables students to be allowed into dances, games and other school activities for a considerably lower price. Students may not join any clubs or sports involved with the school without a Student Activity Card. But, because about one hundred members of the Student Body have not bought an Activity Card, there may have to be a fund raising project later on in the year.

Students Participate In Centennial Tree-Planting

Primary and secondary school children from all parts of Metro Toronto and its adjacent municipalities are taking part this Fall in the Province-wide Centennial tree planting program which is planned to take place this year, 1966 and 1967.

Last week, some 800 students from schools in Ontario County including Oshawa and Pickering townships, planted some 23 acres of trees at the Glen Major conservation area, located about 3 miles north of Clarendon.

The overall program is being undertaken as a co-operative reforestation project by the Province and counties or conservation authorities. The planting is being carried out each year by students in grades 7 and 10. Therefore, by the end of 1967, six grades will have participated in a conservation celebration to commemorate Canada's 100th birthday.

In this area, the tree-planting program is being undertaken by the Department of Lands and Forests and the Metropolitan Toronto and Region Conservation Authority.

In each area where tree planting is carried out, timber species such as red pine, white pine and white spruce will be planted along with several other varieties. This planting will assist in the yield of forest products in the future, as well as providing an earlier date improvement to wildlife habitat, conservation of soil and water and recreational enjoyment. In short, better land use will result in additional

benefits to the local community and to the county as a whole.

Staff Interviews

For nine weeks I will be presenting an interview with each of the new teachers on the staff of Stouffville District High School for the 1965-66 term, in hopes of introducing them to the community as well as the students.

Ruth Parsons, Miss B. A. Beggs

Our first interview is with Miss B. A. Beggs. Miss Beggs was born in Kincardine, Ontario and has spent most of her life in London, Ont. She attended the University of Western Ontario, majoring in English and History. Presently she is teaching English to grades 9, 11, 12; Geography to grade 9 and Physical Education to grade 9. For after-school activities, Miss Beggs is coaching the junior volleyball and basketball teams.

When asked if she had any comment to make about Stouffville, she simply replied "It is a town with personality, an interesting town."

This is Miss Beggs' first year as a teacher. We wish her all the luck and hope she will be with us for many years to come.

This year for the first time we have two physical education teachers. We wish to extend a hearty welcome to both Miss Beggs and Miss Vaughan and hope they will enjoy teaching in Stouffville.

Newspapers call for conservation of natural resources, keep tabs on legislators, and take readers to the heart of a news story in the making.



This is the new Stouffville Dist. High School student's council for 1965-66. Rear Row — (left to right) — Michael Reed, President; Allan Lee, Editor; Randy Mole, Vice Pres. Front Row — (left to right) — Janice Smith, Press Rep.; Gail Grose, Treasurer; Linda Clendenning, Secretary. Absent — Jim Mehaffey, Social Convener. — Staff Photo.

Grade 12 Stratford Trip

On Wednesday of last week, forty-nine vibrant and anxious teenagers from Grade 12 climbed aboard a bus and set out for Stratford, Ontario, home of the Shakespearean Festival Theatre. Having arrived, everyone scattered for dinner and after satisfying their hungry selves headed back to the theatre, stopping periodically to take some pictures or to lure a graceful swan with a piece of chocolate bar.

Accompanied by 4 teachers, Mrs. Blake, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Smith and Mr. McCulla, the students attended the evening performance of "Julius Caesar" in which Joseph Shaw played the part of Julius Caesar. The play was expertly performed, especially the battle scenes which are very difficult to effectively produce on the stage.

Exhausted but in good humour the students once again climbed aboard the bus and started homeward after an adventuresome day.

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Dear Candy

The column, "Dear Candy," which appeared in the High School News last year will be continued again this year. If you have any problems or questions which you are not sure of, put them down on paper, send them to Candy, and perhaps she may be able to help you. Letters should be addressed to "Dear Candy" c/o Stouffville District High School, Stouffville, Ont.

Initiation Dance

The Initiation Dance completed what must be the most harassing but most loved day for Grade Niners. Bedraggled and exhausted as they were, these kids joined in with real S.D.H.S. enthusiasm and in no time the floor was covered with happy, smiling-faced kids dancing their hearts out — to say nothing of the Senior Students who had their share of the fun, too! The music was simply great and if this is any indication of what is to come, S.D.H.S. should be in for a real swinging season!

The sale of the Stouffville Sand and Gravel Ltd. includes all equipment, machinery, buildings and property owned by the company. Ross Winterstein states that there are 1,194 acres of land included in the sale. The purchase price has not been disclosed.

Ross Winterstein plans to retire. Bruce will stay on with the new owner as a Sales Representative.

The operations will, in future, be directed by Mr. Craig Moyer, General Superintendent and Mr. T. L. Bowly, Superintendent. Mr. Bowly is planning to make his home in Stouffville.

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It was a big day for the Ferragons at the Red Rose movie party in the Legion Hall last Saturday. Besides enjoying the "Flippers" film and a cartoon, Arlene Ferguson won the balloon blowing contest for the girls and Barry Ferguson won the lucky draw for the Brownie Camera and Arlene won a second lucky draw along with Donna Greer. Each of the 113 boys and girls, who took advantage of the admission fee of a label from a package of tea, were presented with a Red album, a hat and a balloon.

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Betty Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Evans, is a busy girl these days. She is being feted by her friends, prior to her wedding on October 9, Wednesday evening, September 29, about 50 friends attended a miscellaneous shower in her honour at the home of Mr. William Payne. Attractively arranged trays of assorted sandwiches and petit fours were on the buffet table and Mrs. Payne was assisted by Mrs. Blair Evans, Mrs. Glen Evans, Mrs. Dean Evans, Mrs. Atkinson of Stouffville and Mrs. H. Sherin of Brooklin.

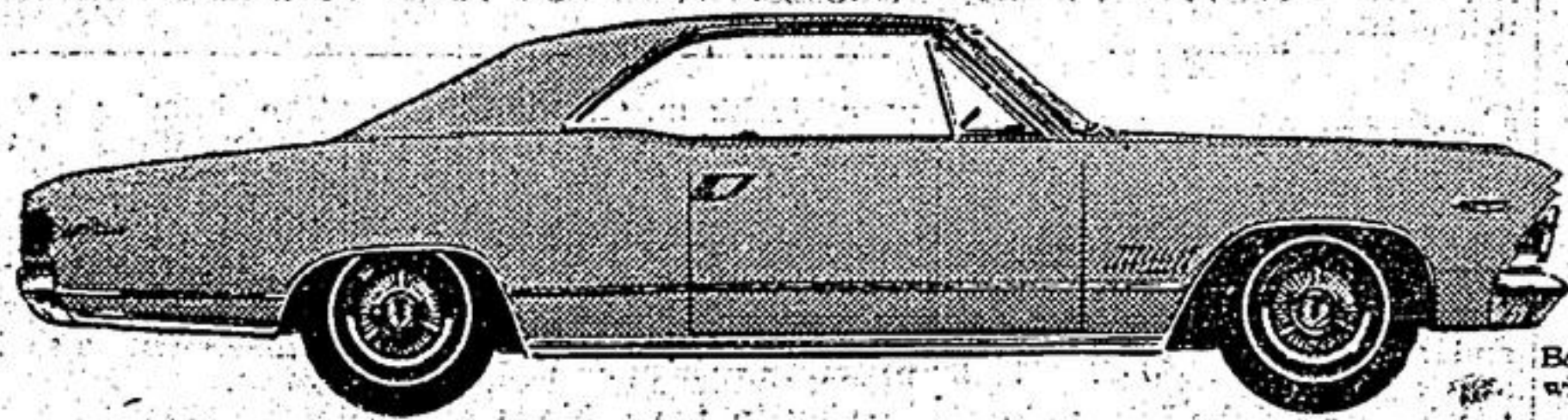
Thursday evening, September 30, Marilyn Madill had a personal shower for Betty at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Madill. The bride's gifts were on a table centered with mixed flowers and a turquoise umbrella. The guests, all former classmates, were Joy Green, Valerie Samazillo, Lynn Roszell, Lynn Giddon, Lonnie Maxwell, Nancy Lloyst, Margaret Alimack, Grace Benson, Ann Fryer, Susan Boniface, Doreen Caruthers and Betty Anne Caruthers. Sending gifts were Barbara Hill, Susan Sherin and Isabel Jackson.

Betty and her fiancé, Terry Hopkins, were entertained at a community shower in the Legion Hall on Tuesday evening, October 5. A large bridal umbrella, from which fell pink and white streamers, formed a canopy over the chairs in which the young couple sat to receive their gifts. Those who arranged and planned the party were Mrs. Rene Rennie, Mrs. Helen Pascoe, Mrs. Mary Roszell, Mrs. Jean Redshaw and Mrs. Doreen Welsh.

Clarendon friends express their sorrow and sympathy for the family of Mrs. George Taylor who died in Stouffville on September 27.

Mr. Ellis Britton is to be congratulated for winning two firsts at the Markham Fair. He was first in the open contest for the best bushel of oats and first with oats in the field competition.

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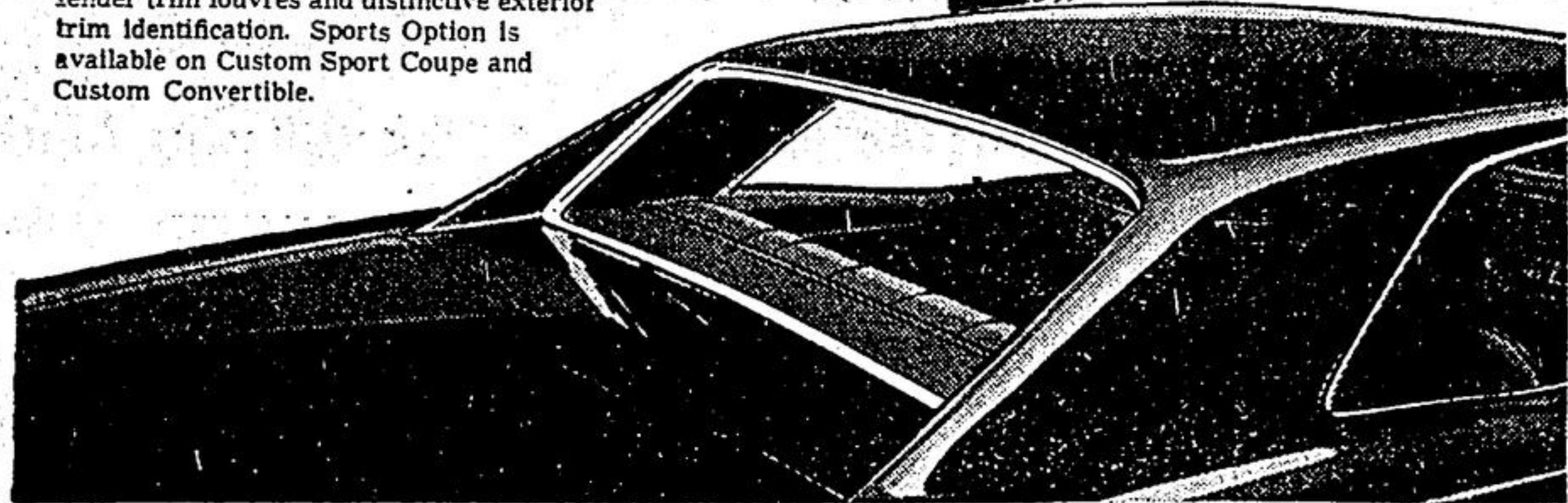
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