

CLASS PROPHECY
CLASS OF 1959
LORD BYNG HIGH SCHOOL
VANCOUVER B.C. CANADA

As this is only an imaginary story
Enlarging upon Warren's class history
You will feel a sense of relief
Using a "willing suspension of disbelief".

To the year 1980 I plan to travel
Our classmates' futures to unravel.
But first I must find transportation
To this most distant destination.

Thus of a mad scientist I heard tell
Who had a time machine to sell.
Over prices and terms we haggled and fought
Until the machine I had finally bought.

By twirling the dials and flipping a switch
Through unknown time and space I pitched
At last I arrived at this future year
To see what 1959 people are doing here.

A great city before me appears
As my machine, naturally, disappears.
Along moving streets busy people scurry--
I recognize one--it is Bob Currie!

He stares at me as though a hallucination
And then a spark comes of recognition.
"Hi, Bob" I say, "I've come through space
The future of our Grad. class to trace."

"Can you tell me of anyone you know
Who can give me information on where to go
To find the various professions and states
Of each and every of our classmates?"

With a laugh he answered, "You must be perceptive
I just happen to be a private detective.
By luck I am able to relate
What happened to several classmates.

- 37 Let me see--Linda Cummings--tall, and dark,
She's now manager of an amusement park.
- 101 And Joyce Lorimer, small and brunette
Is a member of a musical duet.
- 1 Ian Anderson--I'm sure you remember,
Of a law firm is an active member.
- 70, 140 Bob Hainstock and Barry Pegg went into business together
And opened a bureau concerning the weather.
- 45 Keith Dunn as a salesman is a success
- 41 Diane Dawson married to become a Duchess.
- 49 Sharon Edwards has a career as a model
- 72 While Cathy Harper has 5 children who toddle
- 7 About with the three boys of Ann Barclay.
- 119 Bob McIlwaine has joined the navy.
- 78 Jack Heyes became a surgical doctor
- 137 And Dave Osborne flies a helicopter.
- 83 Carolyn Hopkins married and lives in Europe.
- 71 Peter Hall, a cowboy, has steed and stirrup.
Phil Humphreys is a wealthy banker
- 93 Len Laidlaw, skipper of an oil tanker.
Lewis Hunter is president of a large corporation
Meredith Johnson, an expert on plant identification.
Bob Leatherdale opened a store selling shoes
- 109 Ross Munro is active in reporting the news.
- 107 Dennis Morgan as a professional student
Thought it would be rather prudent
To be an enthusiastic U.B.C. supporter.
- 16 And Sandy Scott became a fashion reporter.
Lynn Mowatt is a private secretary
- 24 To Barry Callaghan, a skilled actuary.
- 4 Peter McCulloch to a fortune fell heir,
- 57 And Stu Gardener is a stock exchange "bear".
Bonnie Kellaway is travelling around the world
- 39 While in ballet Dot Davenport is constantly whirled.

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- 48 Laurel Grey and Nola Edwards work in a store
42 Erica DeJong runs a hotel by the seashore
11 Sally Bence is planning on opening a saloon
In metropolitan Paris very soon.
136 Gwen Patrick is a primary school teacher
17 And Edward Brooks is a famous preacher.
184 Janet Thom became a concert pianist.
3 Galt Arthur, an eccentric philanthropist.
2 Joyce Anderson also is a musician
10 Chris Davidson is busy at composition.
120 Jeannie MacKenzie is occupied writing verse
6 And Bobbie Baillie graduated as a practical nurse.
4 A nuclear physicist is Jimmy Ash
The little atoms he can easily smash.
139 Dave Pecknold is a theoretical mathematician.
102 John Manville, an accurate statistician.
21, 32 112 Mike Budd, Larry Cooper, and Peter Norton, tis my belief
Are respectively Doctor, lawyer, and Indian chief!
50 Chris Engh is a beauty contest selector
80 And of all things--Dave Hilder, a stamp collector!
73 Mary Harrel is a T.V. and movie actress
57 Evelyn Gillis, a fashionable hotel waitress.
35 Doug Franks is a Canadian sailor
9 Nick Batt a well-known, first-rate tailor.
160 At a nightclub Harry Schriber is a bouncer.
30 And Ken Clarke is a television announcer.
Just a minute--of whom else can I think
67 Oh yes! Ron Gunn has a farm raising mink.
96 While Wally Laughton has also gone into farming
Making money at a rate that's simply alarming.
64 Tom Grant has become a trifle nervous
From accidents happening in the forestry service.
159 Of the City of Vancouver, Brian Scarfe is mayor
186 And Don Smith a professional tennis player.
115 At tennis Denise McDermott is said also to excel
52 While a pro baseball player is Tommy Fell.
105 Allan Montgomery is principal of old Lord Byng

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Joan Pountney at the Metropolitan Opera sings;
Laurie Dye is a wealthy bricklayer and cementist
And Robin Merrill finally became a dentist.

Oh dear! I can't think of another name-
My memory, I know, will NEVER be the same!
But, I'm sorry to leave you in the lurch."
"That's all right" say I. "I'll continue my search
Now I must return but first, Bob, a word of thanks
For informing me of doctors, lawyers, and owners of banks".
Finding my time machine, I jump into my room
And through space speed with a zip and a zoom.
So I'm right back here
Telling you of that future year.
I regret I could discover no more to relate
About future accomplishments of other classmates.
What information startling and weighty
I wonder, awaits us all in 1980?
I must say it was to my great relief
That you gave me your "willing suspension of disbelief".

Thank you.

By Lorna Gail Gordon
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