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Council Cheers Orphans, Vets.

Junior Red cross has been active in recent weeks planning for the holidays and the rest of the year. As in the past, J.R.C. is sponsoring a Christmas tree trimming at the Albany Home for children. The boys and girls at the home always look forward to the trimming and the parties put on by the Smiles club of State college.

Entertain Veterans

December 15, students from the entire Albany County gathered at 6:45 at Veteran's Administration hospital on Holland Avenue for the annual V.A. Christmas Sing and Tree Lighting. A giant, gaily decorated Christmas tree stands in front of the hospital and the patients are brought to the windows to see Santa come flip the switch that lights the tree. Then the carolers sing a few Christmas songs before going through the wards to entertain the patients.

Chest Debated

Toward the spring, the council has planned the preliminary stages of a school chest. Letters have been written to other schools who have made them in the past, in order to establish the cost. A school chest is a high school J.R.C. project that is quite similar to a giant gift box. It contains enough school and health material to keep a school room of twenty-four persons on its feet for one year.

Red Cross Council extends an invitation to everyone who would like to attend the meetings. They are held in the ceramics room of the shop during homeroom period Monday.

Latin Students Study Holiday

During the holiday season a number of the Latin classes have been discussing a Roman holiday which occurred about this same time.

This holiday, the Saturnalia, is a festival to celebrate the God Saturn. Many of our holiday customs have their origin in this festival, such as the giving of gifts, decorating trees, and entertaining friends.

Study Old Customs

The Latin cultural-historical class has been studying a reading from Catullus concerning the decorating of trees. It will form a basis for a discussion of the customs of the Saturnalia and its modern counterparts. The Latin I classes will compare the Saturnalia with holiday festivities in other countries as well as our own through Latin readings, booklets, and class participation.

Five Seniors Rate Top 3 Percent WRITERS TAKE SPECIAL TEST

Music Appreciation club has organized this year due to the efforts of Bob Berberian, a sophomore, and Dr. Roy York of the Music department.

As its first project the club plans to go on a trip to New York to attend performances at the Metropolitan Opera, Carnegie hall and possibly Radio City Music hall.

Scheduled in February

Leaving Friday, February 19, the forty participants will take a chartered bus to their destination. In the afternoon at Carnegie hall they will hear *Symphony No. 2* by Mahler. This magnificent symphony of five movements was written for soprano solo, mezzo-soprano solo, chorus and organ as well as orchestra. Phyllis Curtin and Regina Resnik will be the soloists. Leonard Bernstein is conducting.

At the Metropolitan they will hear the traditionally paired operas, *Cavaleria Rusticana* by Mascagni and *Pagliacci* by Leoncavallo.

Dr. York says that if this trip is

successful, it probably will become an annual event.

Group Reorganized

Attempts were made in '57 and again in '58 to start the ball rolling for this organization, but there was poor membership and a general lack of interest. This year, however, there are sixty-five members participating in this new activity.

Introduces Great Music

According to Dr. York, its main purpose is to offer an introduction to great music. The first piece studied was Tchaikowsky's *Symphony No. 6*.

Sound equipment is certainly adequate, for stereophonic sound will be installed in the near future, and a new \$1,000 speaker is currently being used.

By popular consensus of the members, no officers are to be elected and no dues collected. Unfortunately, the period for joining has expired, and the closest date for such a purpose will be next fall.



Bob Berberian and Dr. Roy York, organizers of the Music Appreciation club, conduct a meeting.

Juniors Plan Alumni Ball

Undeterred by the prospect of graduating next year with no caps, gowns or diplomas, juniors have dug into their dwindling class funds to stage this year's Alumni ball. They have decided to have the dance in the Ingle room of Pierce hall at 221 Ontario street from 9 o'clock to midnight.

Alumni ball is semi-formal, girls will wear formals and boys will wear suits. December 19 is the date of the dance; the affair is open

to all juniors, seniors and alumni of Milne.

Showmen Theme

Snowmen are the theme of this dance, and its name is appropriately "Snowmen's Serenade." Music will be supplied by Harry Raymond and the Naturals.

Supervisors for the dance are Miss Anita Dunn, Mrs. Harriet Norton and Dr. Randolph Gardner. Class officers have worked diligently with the committee in preparation.

Five seniors were cited for outstanding scholarship at a special assembly held in Page hall auditorium November 25. Each was presented by Dr. Theodore H. Fossieck, Principal, with a formal "Letter of Commendation" for his performance on the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying test last spring.

Ranking in the top three percent of the more than a half million high school juniors from 14,500 U. S. schools who took the three-hour scholarship test were Stuart Lewis, Ted Standing, Kathie Hendrickson, Doug Margolis, and Peter Sarafian.

Rate Scholarships

By achieving commended status these students become eligible for many scholarships apart from the Merit program. The National Merit Scholarship corporation estimates that more than nine million dollars in addition to the regular Merit awards will be given in scholarships.

Two groups of students who achieve high scores on the test are recognized. Students in the commended group are selected on a national basis without regard to the high school population of the state. In addition, the top seniors in each state, selected according to the number of graduating high school seniors in the state, are named semi-finalists and take a second examination for scholarships.

Writers Tested

Three members of the senior class have been selected on the basis of their demonstrated writing ability to represent the Milne school in the forthcoming scholarship examination sponsored by the Junior Chamber of commerce in connection with the Junior miss competition.

Kathie Hendrickson, Pamela Press, and Elaine Spath were nominated on the basis of the writing which they have done so far in their senior English classes. Dr. James E. Cochrane, head of the Milne English department, made the nominations after reviewing the girls' work and considering the nature of the examination.

Test in Albany High

The girls took the examination at 9:00 a.m. Saturday, January 16, 1960, in Albany High School. It was of the essay type and concerned the reasons why a girl would want a college education. The exact title was announced at the examination. The papers were judged by Mr. Ray Cecil Carter, retired English supervisor of the Albany schools, and the Albany Junior Chamber of commerce.

A \$300 award toward a college scholarship will be given to the girl submitting the best paper. The next two papers will entitle the writers to a \$50 savings bond each. location.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

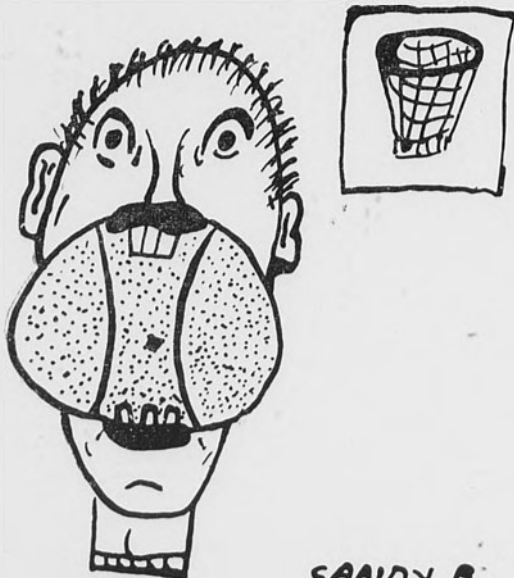
I am a new student in Milne school this year and I too can see the lack of interest Milne students have in school activities, but I do not think that changing the name of the school paper is going to help promote school spirit among the students.

It was mentioned in the November 30 issue of "C&W" that there are many people who have never heard of Milne school, I am sure that this is no fault of the name of the school paper.

We must remember that our school can become as well known as the students want it, this can be done simply by encouraging Milne students to attend all school sports, games, and other activities in the school.

If changing a tradition is going to bring better results in school interest than I think it's a good idea, but it is my opinion that you are changing the wrong thing.

—Pat Olson '60



SANDY B.

That's the way to block a shot!!!

Confusmas

Christmas is an extremely confusing time. Actually, the holiday is fine, but it's the people's interpretation of it that is baffling.

Christmas is the birthday of Christ. Where then does buxom benevolent, Santa Claus fit in? He in no way corresponds to the spiritual being after whom this holiday is named. Where did the idea of showering kids with presents come from? It just doesn't seem coherent with the original idea of Christmas.

Have you ever wondered why everyone can be kind, generous and cheerful once a year? Look at the rosy faces just before the holiday! Then take a look at them after the New Year hangover. Wow! They're back to the old, long-hanging faces again. Why can't people retain joy and good spirits most of the time?

It is riotous to see the names on Christmas cards you receive. People haven't even called you on the phone just once during the whole year, and now they remember that you're still alive.

Much in the same way, our school does a noble deed in aiding destitute families at this time of year, but what do these families get the rest of the year? Why should these people be remembered only once a year?

Well, after all, one might as well have a fling this Christmas season. One spree of happiness is better than none at all. Forget about all the special assignments that are sneaked in over the holidays. Forget about all the tests that will be popped on you the first week back. Disregard safety council statistics predicting eleven thousand deaths. Have a Merry Christmas.

In reply to this issue's letter to the editor:

Pat, the intention of changing the paper's name was not made clear. Our paper's name is too typical and average. Almost every school paper is named the school colors. A name which means something was thought to be better, a name like Monitor or Herald. It is thought by some that such traditions bog down school spirit.

Milne Merry-Go-Round

By GLENN and GAY

Seen enthusiastically clapping at the senior play were Liz Cantwell, Stanley Lockwood, Jill Kapner, Curt Cosgrave, Carole Huff, Jimmy Hengerer, Ellen Karell, Dick Blabey, Nancy Feldman, Leo Mokhiber, Deadra Smith and Tom Grogan.

In the cheering section at Milne's first game of the season were Kristine Cassiano, Stan Lockwood, Carole Hagadorn, Sue Gerhardt, Paul Galib, Leslie Murphy, Curt Cosgrave, Mary Grear, "Coddy" Knuckles, Sue Scher, Sue Garman and "Moe" Glasheen.

Joyce Johnson, John Breeze, Lorraine Maynard, Warren Abele, Gay Simmons, Paul Sabol and Jill Kapner participated in a Junior Red cross tour of the Veterans' Administration hospital.

Having a good time and doing a lot of cheering at Friday night's game with Shenendahowa were John Hiltz, Penny Pritchard, Jan Mattick, Gay Dexter, Perry Cornell, Ted Standing and Ken Hoffman.

Helping to make the Tri-Hi-Y canteen a success were Les Hoffman, Beanie Lanzetta, Dave Harres, Barb Felkner, Bob Cantwell, Carolyn Walther and one FRESHMAN.

Jed Allen had an open house for boys only the night before the Senior Class play. Mark Kupperberg, Steve Rice, Art Bass, Doug Margolis and Ted Standing enjoyed themselves.

The Inquiring Reporter

By PAUL

Question: What is a good question for the inquiring reporter?

Doug Margolis: Oh, no! This trick was pulled on me last year.

Cathie Pabst: I'm not very creative in the morning!

Paul Sabol: What do you think of our school spirit?

Sue Newman: What do you think of changing the Senior play to an all-school play?

Lloyd Smith: Why aren't the walls of Milne painted black and blue?

Sarah Gerhardt: Why knot?

Pete Moran: Should the Latin office be converted into a telephone booth?

Carol Linsley: That's a good question!

Gloria Kirchner: When are we going to get our new school?

Steve Rice: What do you think of the basketball team?

Julie Propp: What does Milne remind you of?

Mister Austin: What would you like for Christmas?

Pete Mueller: Why don't more seniors leave campus for lunch?

Mr. Reynolds: Do we want a skiing club?

Curt Campaigne: What do the Literary societies do?

Anonymous I: What do you think of student teachers?

Anonymous II: How much time do you spend on your homework?

Anonymous III: Is a teacher's reluctance to dole out good marks a sign of deep seated hostility, sadistic tendencies and trauma resulting from their flunking in school, or just natural meanness of teachers' dispositions?

THE TURTLE

By DICK BLABEY

When the turtle decides to roam,
He is never far from home.
This animal may be a very slow
beast,
But he is worried not the least.
The turtle acquires a very high
rank,
For he is nature's very own tank.
When at night while going to sleep,
He pulls in his head, tail and feet.

THE GIRAFFE

By MARTHA LOWDER

The giraffe is well known for the
length of his neck
Of which he is proud, I can say.
Yet, I think you will note, had he a
sore throat,
That proudness would vanish away.

THE PIG

By DIANE BAKKE

A pig is such a funny thing:
Instead of a tail it has a spring.

THE BOXER

By KAREN HOFFMAN

A Boxer is known for a sad looking
face,
Also a tail that is lacking in space.

Come To
Alumni Ball

RAIDERS TRAVEL TO RENSSELAER

Lose First Three Games

Milne's Red Raiders are not going to play Santa Claus to the Rams from Rensselaer in this evening's game at Van Rensselaer. The Grogan men will be out to avenge the two drubbings they received from Coach Chirp Thompson's boys last season.

Long John Rucker, six foot five inch sophomore with one year of varsity ball already under his belt, will again be in the hair of the Milne hoopsters. As if he needed help, spring legged Rucker will be aided by a starting squad that averages six feet per man. Steve Buono and Moose Larken are going but the Rams just keep rolling along.

This year the Rams will be defending the title they won last year in the first year of competition in the new Capital District League. They successfully began their defense with a 58-54 victory over the Knights of Lansingburgh.

Safford Stars

Lansingburgh's Dave Safford capitalized on his height to score 22 points and lead his team to its first victory in nearly a year as the Knights stunned the Milne Red Raiders 64-48 in a game played December 11 on the victor's court. The Knights had not won since they defeated Milne in two overtimes in Page hall December 13, 1958. Mike Daggett racked up 13 markers for the Crimson. The home team held leads of 15-11, 34-26, and 53-36 at the eight-minute marks.

Shenendahowa Victories

Second period blues, a problem which gave last year's Milne varsity so much trouble, appears to again be troubling the Raiders, as they were outscored by ten points by the Plainsmen of Shenendahowa in that period, and were eventually defeated 65-51 in a league game played December 4 on the Page hall court.

Trailing 31-17 at half-time, the Raiders quickly chopped the visitors' lead to seven points, led by the deadly set shooting of Jeff Segal. However, the Plainsmen, led by Nick Serba, who notched 15 points, and Walt Titterington, who contributed 14, quickly took command and were never again in danger. Mike Daggett and Steve Rice were high for Milne, with 12 and 10 markers, respectively.

Lose Non-League Tilt

Mohanasen's new gym may have all the modern conveniences, but the Milne varsity and the three bus loads of students who followed them there could hardly have enjoyed their visit, as the home team drubbed the Crimson 58-35 in the season's opener for both teams, played November 24.

After a closely fought first half, Mohanasen led 24-19. The second half was no contest, as the home team moved to a 42-27 lead at the three-quarter mark, and went on to win by a sizeable margin.

Unlike last year, Coach Grogan used frequent substitutions, and Jim McClelland led Milne's balanced scoring attack with eight points.



Up, up and away! The ball seems to be launched into orbit as the varsity and J.V. tangle at the pep assembly.

J.V. Splits

Mohanason's brand new gym may have given its JV just enough spark to edge Milne's Junior Varsity 41 to 34. A young Milne squad showed that a lot can be expected from them in the games to come.

Freshman Tom Bennett was high point man, bucketing 10 markers while turning in a fine game on the backboard. Also showing the young Raiders have a balanced offense were Jon McClelland's 9 points and Sandy Berman's 7.

Plainsmen Edged

Smooth working Milne JV led by ball handling wizard Codge Jenkins knocked off a strong Shenendehowa quintet at home.

Five points down at the end of the first half the young Raiders did not despair and with hot shooting hands they poured 19 points through the cords during the third period as compared to only 5 for the Plainsmen. When the final buzzer sounded Milne was ahead 38-33.

Coach Bob Pellaro's ball players showed that they were well taught by passing excellently and running Shenendehowa's zone defense ragged. Again balanced scoring proved to be a key factor. Jenkins and Jon McClelland led the scorers with 10 points each, followed closely by Sandy Berman with 9 and Tom Bennett with 8.

Squad 3 Wins

Pete Sarafian scored one field goal to lead squad three of Milne's senior gym class to a 2-0 victory over squad one in an intra-mural basketball game played in Page gym November 24. It was the first victory in any sport for the squad, which finished the football season winless, tieless, and scoreless.

Chess Club Busy

Members of Milne's Chess club have been placed on a "ladder" which indicates their respective ranks in the club. Freshman Steve Levitas and Richard Luduena have shared the top spot thus far this year. The club is open to all Milne students.

Junior High Teams Chosen

Milne's freshman team appears to be destined for success during the coming season, according to their coach, Peter Spina, who is a student at State. The team will open the season against Shalmon December 22.

Members of the team are Bill Berke, Brian Cory, Curt Cosgrave, Paul Galib, Stan Lockwood, Leo Mokhiber, Caddy Nuckols, Jim Olsen, Jef Rider, and Dave Worthman.

Howie Berkun and Steve Einhorn, two well-known Milne seniors, are acting as coaches of the Milne eighth grade team. Members of the team are Dick Blabey, Bill Dey, Peter Einhorn, Tom Grogan, Steve Guth, Steve Huttins, John Melon, Bob Mendle, Pete Slocum, and Bob Valenti.

Around the League

Academy's two point loss to Cohoes was not as surprising as it seems. Paced by the Heroux brothers and Tony Gillie, the Tigers will be a tough squad to reckon with . . . Hudson's Hawks upset pre-season pick Watervliet with another Van Ness boy helping out Jay Whitbeck and Chick Hughes. The new addition is Rodney Van Ness, brother of big Bob, who will long be remembered around the Capital District league . . . C.D. league member, Shenendehowa, squashed Shaker of the Suburban loop. . . Watervliet's varsity has been hurt considerably by the loss of Chet Rysendorph and Nick Slish, who were dismissed from the team for "disciplinary reasons." Rysendorph scored 23 points in one of Watervliet's games against Milne last season.

Bowlers Compete

An intramural league consisting of six teams has been formed in Milne's Bowling club. Jeff Meislin's team quickly took first place. Other members of the team are Howie Berkun, Chris Rourke, and Ken Sanderson.

SUE'S NEWS

Girls Attend Playday

Milne girls from both senior and junior high participated in a volley ball playday December 5 at Livingston high school. Miss Murray selected the most outstanding players from each grade to represent Milne. Those chosen from junior high were Mary Grear, Adesta McDade, Gail Kelch, Gloria Kirchner, Diane Bakke, Dee Smith, Sue Gerhardt, Barbara Toole, Mibs Taylor and Marilyn Hesser.

Senior high representatives were Lynn Wise, Jana Hesser, Carol Ricotta, Penny Traver, Joan Kallenbach, Sara Gerhardt, Barbara Lester and Joan Brightman.

Ups and Downs

Our senior girls started out by winning a booming victory over St. Agnes, 18 to 2. In the next games, however, the scores were not quite so dazzling. Milne was literally "massacred" by Philip Schuyler high school, 15-4. Niskayuna defeated our girls, 12-7; Albany high school, 15-4; and BCHS, 10-7. Although Columbia was victorious, Milne's girls gave them a real fight. Their final score was 12-13. The day was perfectly ended, however, as Averill Park was defeated by Milne, 12-7.

Junior high scores weren't exactly what the girls had hoped for, but each girl did her best. Although they were not victorious, our junior high played a close game with BCJHS, 11-13. Livingston defeated Milne, 4-18; Columbia and Hackett both won over our junior high, 12-18 and 11-14. To the girls' delight they had a beaming victory over St. Agnes, 21-11.

After proving their potential, Joan Kallenback and Adesta McDade were chosen as our best at volley-ball skills. They participated in the all-star game for all schools that was the happy finale to a wonderful day at volleyball.

High Scorers Noted

MGAA after school bowling is a terrific success this year as always. Many junior and senior high girls are earning credit toward chenille M's and honor pins, having enjoyable afternoons with their classmates, and being taught basic bowling skills as well. A large number of girls have shown high scores and considerable improvement in the last couple of weeks. We feel that special recognition should be given to them.

In the seventh, eighth, and ninth grades high scores for the participants range from Martha Lowder 107, Gail Kelch 109, Cynthia Newman, Susan Weinstock 112, and Peggy Crane 105 and 116.

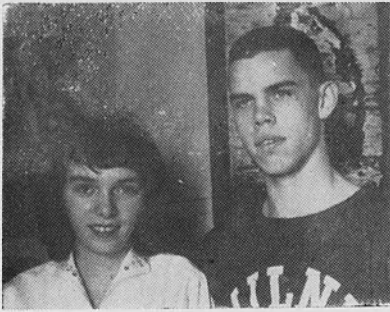
Among senior high bowlers whose scores are at the top of the list are Judy Koblintz 114, Beth Laraway 118, Carol Ricotta 124, Janet Arnold 127, and Marianne Galpin 132 and 147.

Stars Named Tops

Two members of the Capital District league have been selected by "Dell Sports Magazine" as being among the top 500 high school hoopsters in the nation. They are John Anderson of Academy and John Rucker of Van Rensselaer. Jerry Kazmierczak of Mohonasen was also named.

Senior Spotlight

By PAM and BILL



Barbara Lester and Doc Hengerer stare off into the distance as they dreamily anticipate the Alumni ball.

DOC HENGERER

"Looks like another doctor", is what the doctors said when Arthur Hengerer was first born. The nickname, "Doc" has stuck, although he has already seen enough doctors (besides his father), even at this early age. "It seems I'm always getting a broken this or a broken that," Doc says, looking at his latest, a bandaged arm.

Of course the arm was injured during one of his favorite pastimes, basketball. During his year of J.V. and his year of varsity basketball, he has managed to rack up a total of four injuries. A year of J.V. basketball and another of varsity have also taken their count. In the summer he tries to keep up his "injury-count" with water skiing.

Although he has sustained no injuries during the lunch hour, Doc is a member of the exclusive luncheon club, the Italy club. He is also the vice president of Adelphoi and a two year veteran of M.B.A.A. Doc is a member of Milne's strong-arm of the law, that terrible, tough traffic squad.

His college choices are Hamilton and Lafayette, and while he is counting the days until he will be attending one of them, Doc will continue grinding injured limbs in Coach Grogan's "whirlpool."

BARBARA LESTER

Among the products of Watertown, New York are papermaking machinery, railroad air-brakes, snow plows, flour and breakfast foods, thermometers, a memorial to Governor Roswell P. Flower and Barbara Lester.

Barbara probably won't have a memorial erected in Watertown (unless she becomes governor) because she only lived there for one year. However, if Barbie's activities at Milne are any indication of her future, she may be governor some day. She is president of Tri-Hi-Y, president of Sigma, a past vice-president of Sigma, cheerleader, an MGAA honor-pin owner, and writer of "Alumnews" for the C&W.

Barbara's plans for the future are tentative, but we hope she doesn't go back to Watertown—after all, if she becomes governor of New York state, ALBANY wants the credit!

Thought for the Week

Confusious say: "Man who sit on tack get lasting impression."

Senior Girls Take Home Economics Exam

Senior class girls recently took part in a nationwide test, the Betty Crocker Scholarship examination.

This test is designed to pick out girls in the country with superior homemaking talents.

Multiple choice parts of the examination were held in the Little theater, and were designed primarily to interest the girls by suggesting the type of knowledge needed to deal with problems they will encounter as they begin homemaking careers.

Awards Given

On a nationwide basis the top winner will receive a five thousand dollar scholarship, and the second, third, and fourth will receive four thousand, three thousand, and two thousand respectively. These scholarships don't necessarily have to be applied to home economics.

Milne's school winner will receive a pin, and the highest mark of all the contestants throughout the state will receive a fifteen hundred dollar scholarship. The second in the state will receive a five hundred dollar college scholarship.

Schools Credited

The school of the winning senior will be the recipient of the **Encyclopedia Britannica**.

Following girls of the senior class S. Day, C. Pabst, V. Lange, C. Hendrickson, P. Olsen, J. Brightman, L. Dillenbeck, L. Spraker, P. Press, A. Tobonsky, S. Gerhardt, R. Malzberg, A. Malzberg, C. Walter, J. Hillson, and N. Rosenthal, took the Betty Crocker Scholarship test.

Hams Inc, French Club Resume Activities

Hans Incorporated, Milne's Dramatic club, held it's first meeting of the year on Monday, November 30, in the Little theater. The meeting was conducted by Mr. William Kraus, faculty advisor.

Officers will be elected on December 7 and production of a play will be planned for the forthcoming semester.

The purpose of Hams is to gain experience in acting, as well as backstage work. All students in grades 9 through 12 are welcome to join.

French Club Reorganizes

Milne's newly formed French club has been busy reorganizing lately. Sponsored and supervised by Dr. Ruth Wesley, Mrs. Susan Losee and the student teachers of the French department, the club meets Mondays from 2:30-3:00, and discusses various topics in French.

Only French II and French III students may take part in the club's activities so that the club can give its members a chance to rapidly add to their knowledge of conversational French. This club will be the nucleus of conversational topics for the French II and III field trip to New York city planned for some time in the spring. At this time the U.N. may be visited to give students a chance to hear French interpreters in action.

Needles and Pins

We have asked for an article from Milne's great corps of invalids. We chose Bonnie Reed's response as she managed to escape her usual duties as news editor. —Ed.

First accident, first operation and first hospital term can constitute a valuable learning experience. First, I learned that it does not pay to try to climb a tree in a car . . . you are bound to get banged up . . . and I did. Naturally, I like to do things in a big way, so I went and broke the biggest bone in my body: the femur (thighbone, for all you non-biology people). The operation performed on my leg involved having an old rusty nail pounded into my leg with a big dirty hammer. Not really . . . the surgeon actually put a metal pin in my bone to hold it together while I mend. That's how I was pinned by a doctor when I went to the hospital. Enough lurid details about the operation.

Gabbers Irritate

Most of the first week after the accident I spent in a quiet four-bed ward adjacent to the ambulance alley. My fellow inmates were two middle-aged women—Florence and Grace. Together they managed to talk incessantly. Not that I mind conversation, but they talked only about their riches, their girlhood, their families and their ailments . . . during breakfast. (It was hard enough to choke down anyway.) When they ran out of things to talk about, they would start all over again.

Both of "the girls" enjoyed television. When Perry Como came on Florence sighed, "Oh Perry reminds me so much of my first husband—he was a barber too! Although she was 58 and looked 58, Florence didn't act 58. Whenever a cute doctor came in she breathed, "Oh what a D-o-l-l! She claimed she had a tiny, delicate appetite and couldn't abide hospital food, yet on Thanksgiving she ordered two pieces of pumpkin pie and ate like a horse the rest of the time. Poor Florence was suffering from a terrible disease—namely, hypochondria.

One night an orderly came in at 3 a.m., shook me out of a sound

sleep demanding, "Do you smoke?" After I woke up I was told that they were bringing in someone who needed oxygen, so no one was allowed to smoke. Of course, the orderly woke neither Florence nor Grace (who smoked like a chimney).

Moved To New Room

After five days in the emergency "overnight" unit, I was finally moved to a semi-private room on the orthopedic floor where everyone had broken bones like me. In the solarium, a sitting room, the patients gathered to compare notes and sign each other's casts. In this respect, I felt left out because I didn't have a cast. The best I could do was to have my sock autographed. Luckily, I was in with a bunch of lively people. There was one man who had been in the hospital so long that he had taken to writing "poetry." You might say he had gone from bad to verse. We all had a good laugh over Jud's masterpiece, "Bed-pan Blues." By this time I was in a wheelchair and had daily drag races down the corridor with fellow members of the Hobble club.

Visitors Hilarious

Visitors were almost as funny as the doctors, nurses and patients. There are several peculiar types of hospital guests: the Bookworm visitor who comes and reads all your magazines until it's time to leave; the Show Me visitors who comes to be amused by the patient and the Dead-On-His-Foot visitor, who assures you that he needs the bed worse than you do. Of course there is also a vast majority of normal visitors, whom you really appreciate.

Originally, I had expected to be in the hospital for three weeks, but when all my doctor's patients began to leave, I got impatient. On the second Friday after the accident, the place was relatively deserted. That morning I asked my doctor how much longer I had to stay in the hospital. He thought for a moment and said, "You can go right now if you want to." I hopped on my crutches and left with imperceptible delay.

Juniors, Seniors Take College Boards

During the year, many high school juniors and seniors will be taking the College Board exams. These exams are part of an effort to evaluate readiness for college. They are given in the hope of obtaining a better picture of how the student will adjust to college work.

Have Two Parts

The College Boards are divided into two parts. The first part is the S.A.T. (Scholastic Aptitude Test). This is given in the morning of the testing day and the students are allowed four hours to finish it. The second part is the Achievement test which consists of tests on thirteen specific subjects.

S.A.T. Most Important

Of these, the S.A.T. is considered the most important. This is given with the primary interest of giving

the student and the college an idea of how he is suited for college work. This test is divided into a verbal and a mathematics section. It is not necessary to cram for this test. It is set up so the student will be applying basic knowledge to new problems.

The tests are given at six dates throughout the year. They are December 5, January 9, February 6, March 12, May 21, and August 10. The tests are given at Albany high school and State college. In order to apply to take College Boards, the student should see Mr. Howes.

The College Boards are marked between 200 and 800. A score of 500 or above on the exams is considered average and is a good indication that the student can do college work.