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SENIOR NEWS

MISS THELMA EATON MAKES PLEA FOR RETURN OF BOOKS; REQUESTS STUDENTS TO PAY THEIR FINES

In an interview Tuesday afternoon Miss Thelma Eaton, librarian, confided to a member of the CRIMSON AND WHITE staff that the Milne students are extremely lax in returning their overnight and two-week books and in paying when fined. "When Milne people prove that they can return books promptly so as not to handicap others who need the books, there will be no necessity for fines." She continued, "Fines are used solely as a club to secure the return of books on time".

Miss Eaton pointed out that there has been considerable discussion among the students as to the justice of being forced to return books at eight o'clock when they don't have to be at school until eight-five. She explained this seeming injustice with "Overnight books are called in at eight o'clock in order that they may be checked and ready for circulation at eight-ten, the first study period." Sometimes even ten minutes is much too short for Miss Eaton since as many as one hundred books are taken out some nights.

Miss Eaton also wished it to be announced that inasmuch as there are no library records previous to this year, books taken out last year may be returned with no fines attached. This is especially significant since a complete inventory of the library was taken last January, and it was found that not less than three hundred books were gone from the original list as supplemented each year. Only fifty of these are legitimate losses such as ordinary wear and tear and lost books which have been paid for.

TWELVE STUDENTS RECEIVE HONOR RATINGS FOR MONTH

Twelve Senior High school students receive honor ratings this month, according to an announcement from the office. The list includes: Henry Barnett, Florence Bayreuther, Alice Bennett, Carlton Power, and Dorothea Stephenson, seniors. The juniors are: Barbara Allen, Paul De Porte, Helen Gibson, Olive Vroman, and Marion Wilcox. Sophomores are: Vivian Snyder, and John Winne.

STUDENT COUNCIL OFFERS PRIZE TO PERSON SELLING MOST TICKETS FOR SEMI-FORMAL DANCE MAY 12

The Student Council will present a free ticket to the girl or boy who sells the largest number of tickets for the Student Council Semi-Formal Dance to be held May 12. The price of tickets is \$1.50 per couple.

In the absence of Thomas Watkins, president, Robert L. Stutz was in charge of the meeting. He announced that an orchestra for the dance will be signed up this week.

Each member of the Junior High School Council will be assessed three tickets. The Senior Council members are assessed one ticket and expected to sell twenty.

DELMAR DEFEATS SENIOR TEAM IN DEBATE AT DELMAR FRIDAY

Last Friday morning at 11 o'clock one of the Senior debating teams was defeated by the Bethlehem Central High School at Delmar. The Milne team upheld the affirmative of the subject, "Resolved: That the United States should adopt the essential features of the British broadcasting system."

Milne's team was composed of Henry Barnett, captain and refutation speaker, Francis Charles, and Annette Worthman. Every courtesy was extended to Mr. Barnett and his teammates; they were shown through the school, which is a beautiful new building, and were taken to lunch.

In the near future, another team composed of Florence Bayreuther, captain and refutation speaker, Betty Pitts, and Thelma Miller will uphold the negative side of the same question in a debate with another team from the Bethlehem Central High School in the Page Hall auditorium.

ALBANY HIGH ORCHESTRA AND CHORUS GIVE CONCERT WEDNESDAY

At a joint assembly Wednesday at ten o'clock the Albany High School orchestra gave a concert in the Page Hall auditorium. Also, several choral selections were rendered by a mixed chorus.

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YA-AY!! HOME RUN!! YA-AY!!

"In the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love" so the poet informs us. But in Milne at this season our thoughts turn to the greatest American sport--baseball. First comes practice at Ridgetfield, the tryouts, then the picking of the varsity team, and, finally, the first game--and, the let-down! For, where's the crowd of spectators of which the early excitement had given such great promise? No one knows!

Now this story has a moral and the moral is: Support your team at the game. Of course, after the game everyone will be "dying" to know the score and who hit the home run or runs, but during the game the number of onlookers is miserably small. What an awful feeling it is to be a member of the team and realize that, though he and his are "battling against the foe" for the honor of the school, the school-body isn't interested enough to watch how he brings home Victory.

Moral: Support your team at games!

ALICE IN WONDERLAND

Lewis E. Carrol's story of the little girl who, one bright morning, fell down a rabbit's hole and met so many queer people--the haughty Red Queen of Chess Board fame for one, and the sad, sad Gryphin with his tale of woe another, is known to many. Young and old alike have laughed at Alice's diverting manner of changing size and have followed eagerly her other equally interesting adventures in Wonderland. But, too, too few people realize that there is actually a Wonderland of their own in their very grasp.--an ever-changing, ever-dull Wonderland where one can virtually lose his troubles and become immersed in, if he wishes, the troubles and joys of numberless fictional characters. He can meet Dumas' suave "Count of Monte Cristo" and Dickens' hero-martyr, "Sidney Carton". He can cry with Porter's "Freckles", go into hysterics over P.G. Wodehouse's "Jeeves", or lyricize with any of the later poets, be he so inclined.

The public or school library is one of America's greatest institutions. The common herd should no longer be the common herd. A day labourer has "Omar Khayyam" at hand, and the poorly stricken youth with aims of a scientist can find all kinds of knowledge. There is a new opportunity for education and enjoyment for all ages--an opportunity which should not be lost. It can truly be said that "a good book is man's best friend."

HONORABLE JUE

Judge: Why are you here?
Tom: Driving too slowly.
Judge: Too slowly?
Tom: Yes, your honor, the speed cop caught me.

Senior: Why do you prefer blonds?
Barnet: Don't tell anybody. I'm afraid of the dark.

Teacher: Mae, name an organ of the body.
Mae: Yes'm, teeth.
Teacher: Teeth? What kind of an organ would the teeth be?
Mae: A grind organ.

STUTZ INJURED IN PRACTICE
AT RIDGEFIELD PARK MONDAY

Robert L. Stutz, one of Milne's star baseball players, sprained his back while playing at Ridgefield Park Monday afternoon. Although it is only a slight injury, he will be unable to play for a few weeks. This is the first casualty of the season.

Next week a complete schedule of future Milne baseball games will be announced in this column.

R.M.

SOCIETY NOTES

Sigma:

"My heart aches, and a drowsy
numbness pains
My senses, as though of hemlock
I had drunk—"

—John Keats

Poetry and the life of John Keats were discussed at the Sigma meeting Tuesday. Reports were given of the annual banquet held Friday at Rainbow's End, the Q.T.S.A. dance, and the Society Day program. The Sigma pins have been distributed. Possibilities of raising money were discussed.

Quin:

Discussion concerning the annual Quin Banquet formed the major part of the business meeting. The following committees were appointed: to find a suitable place to hold the banquet, Mary Volk, Virginia Fredericks, and Virginia McDermott; flowers, Jane Doran; and arrangements, Dorothea Stephenson, Geraldine Peterson, and Cora Randles.

An extensive literary program consisted of a biography of John Ruskin by Doris Shultes and Barbara Birchenough, and one of Ruskin's poems by Vivian Snyder.

Adelphi:

At the weekly meeting of the Adelphi Literary Society Tuesday at 11 o'clock, it was moved to devote the first fifteen minutes of the period to the literary report instead of leaving it until the end of the meeting. Richard Masterson gave a report on the price of the different gavels. The society voted to buy a gavel and base for its permanent use and also to present each president with a gavel at the end of his term.

Monday, April 30, was set as a deadline for the members to pay for their Q.T.S.A. tickets.

BOOK PLATE FOR MILNE LIBRARY
TO RESEMBLE NEW YORK STATE SEAL

Miss Grace Martin, instructor in fine arts, recently designed a new book plate for the Milne library which will be placed in all books belonging to the library.

The design of the plate resembles the New York State Seal. The Seal shows two people on either side of a shield, and an eagle is above the crest. Excelsior is written below the crest.

In the Milne plate two school children, a boy and a girl, are standing. Between the figures is a shield which contains a sketch of Page Hall. Above the shield is an eagle sitting on a globe, representing world-wide affairs and Literature. Below the crest are shown a football, baseball bat, tennis racquet, trumpet, and a paint brush, representing activities.

For all books which have been given to the library, a larger plate will be used, leaving enough space for the donor's name.

DRAMATICS CLUB CANCELS PLAY.
TO BEGIN WORK ON ANOTHER MONDAY

Ralph Norvill, of the amateur department of the Dramatics club, announced to the advanced group yesterday that his group will not present "The King's English" as scheduled for assembly on May 16. No reason for this was offered. The now useless rehearsal dates for the auditorium were presented to the advanced group. The latter section declined.

Miss Helen Doherty, director of the advanced group announced that experimental work in the half-hour class period at eleven o'clock will begin on "The New World" next week.

JUNIORS DEFEAT SOPHOMORES, 16-1

Class games have been underway in the Milne High Girls' Baseball group this week. First of all, on Monday the Juniors defeated the Sophomores in a brilliant display of baseball technique. The final score was 16-1. Ogsbury, Ades, Gibson, and Vroman all contributed home runs for the Junior team. The line-up, in batting order, included: Gibson, Fromm, Vroman, Ogsbury, Hawkins, Ades, Doots, and Simpson. The Sophomore line-up was: Gillespy, Snyder, Birchenough, Hall, McDermott, Randles, Fanning, and Sipperly. Wednesday the Freshmen defeated the second team of the Sophomores with a 6-5 score resulting.