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SENIORS SEEK MILNE SPIRIT

On Saturday, December 5, at exactly 8:30 p.m. a very important event will commence, which will undoubtedly be remembered as one of the outstanding achievements in the history of Milne. As you have probably already guessed, this is the glorious evening when a group of emotion packed, selected seniors will demonstrate their acting abilities in the senior play production of "Big Hearted Herbert."

Scoop On Success

In order for a play to become a recognized success, it is generally conceived that the particular production must meet certain requirements. The play's main objectives are to please the audience, young and old alike, and have a responsible cast to justify its quality. "Big Hearted Herbert" has attained these qualifications quite substantially in past performances, by both professional and amateur groups, and therefore should continue in its path of triumph. With this idea in mind, and the thought of a treat in store for the Milne student body, predicted outcome cannot be determined until everyone supports the production by actual attendance. So don't miss out on this year's senior play; make your plans immediately for the securing of tickets and by all means invite your parents to come and witness an enjoyable comedy not easily forgotten.

M.G.A.A. Party

By **BERYL SCOTT**

Hoffman's Skateland was the setting for the Milne Girls' Athletic Association's annual skating party. The affair was free to any Milne girl. Our gals were there from 2:00 until about 5:00 with the exception of some who admitted defeat before then. One of our Milne girls, Abby Perlman, seems to be quite adept at skating; she can even do the waltz. Some of the others' trying to follow her good example were: Gerry Kane, Judy Hallenbeck, Mary McNamara, Rosemarie Becker, Ann Juickenton, Barbara Kircher, and last but not least, Miss Murray.

Mr. Turkey's Troubles

By **BRUCE DANIELS**

Hide, Mr. Turkey, hide in the hay
O' Farmer Jones is a'comin your way.
Run, Mr. Turkey, run, run, run,
Without a head you won't have fun.
Ha, old bird, hark to the facts,
O' Farmer Jones is bringin' his axe.
Now poor Mr. Turkey's the Thanks-giving dinner,
In the race for his life,
he wasn't the winner!

Tri-Hi-Y Sponsors Dance

Club Presents First Affair

Allemand left, grand right and left, was one of many confusing calls heard in Page Hall gym on November 21, when Tri-Hi-Y presented it's first Square Dance of the season.

Chairmen Arrange Dance

Margaret Moran, chairman of the Social Committee, organized various groups to arrange the dance. Sandra Stegman engaged Eddie Ostraskie and his band from Valatie to play for the affair. Refreshments for the dance were coke and cookies provided by the members. Sara Seiter, chairman of tickets and publicity, used Miss Murray's system of stamping in order to facilitate the collection of ticket money.

The chaperones formed a square of their own. Those attending were: Dr. and Mrs. Fossieck, Mr. and Mrs. Blyth, Mr. and Mrs. Cochrane and Mr. and Mrs. Tibbetts.

Square Dance Successful

A large number of students represented the senior high school. Mimi Ryan, president of Tri-Hi-Y stated, "We were very pleased with the turnout and wish to thank everyone who helped in making it a success. We hope that the Milnites show as much interest in coming activities as they have shown in this."

Students Cheer Pep Assembly

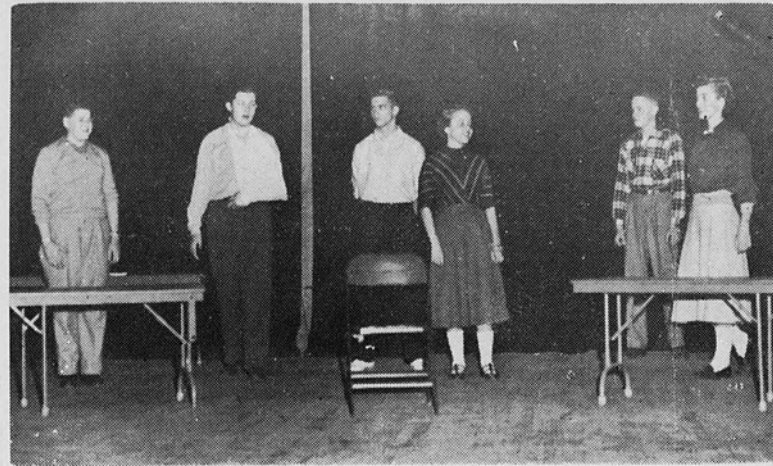
Tuesday, November 24, was the first Pep assembly opening the basketball season. The assembly began with the singing of the Star Spangled Banner, and the announcements were read by Dr. Fossieck. The cheerleaders were introduced, and to the surprise of the students the varsity cheerleaders ran down the aisles from the back of the auditorium doing their first cheer in their brand new uniforms.

Grogan Introduces Team

Coach Harry Grogan introduced the basketball players, and the cheerleaders did an individual cheer for each player. The following three cheers were led by the junior varsity cheerleaders: We Gotta Win, Junior Varsity, and the Victory Cheer. The varsity then took over with the Welcome Cheer, Pep Cheer, and the Fight Cheer.

The assembly closed with the junior varsity and varsity squads doing the Varsity Victory Cheer, and the singing of the Alma Mater.

The **Crimson and White** staff extends to the Milne school wishes for a very happy Thanksgiving vacation.



Seen rehearsing for the senior class production of "Big Hearted Herbert," are left to right: Alan Tamaroff, Emmet Ten Broeck, Fred Brunner, Diane Davison, Jim Rulison, and Nancy Redden.

Parents Discuss Senior Year

An interested group of parents' gathered in the Milne library at 8 p.m. on November 17, for the traditional Senior Parents' Night. The purpose of this meeting was to have a discussion between the parents and staff members on the scheduled activities and post school aspirations of the class of '54.

Dr. Theodore Fossieck, principal of the Milne school, began with a review of the year's plans including various details pertaining to graduation. He then answered all pertinent questions. Dr. Fossieck mentioned the desirability of the parents' cooperation in helping to insure a successful and happy culmination to this significant year.

After the introduction of the senior advisors and supervisors, Mr. John R. Tibbetts, guidance director, discussed different phases of college requirements, and post graduate opportunities. Mr. Tibbetts explained the many questions relevant to school boards and colleges.

The meeting ended at 9:30 with the serving of refreshments by a group of senior girls.

Societies Order Pins and Keys

It is the tradition of Quin and Sigma that the seniors receive their society keys. On each key will be inscribed the girls' initials.

All sophomores and juniors will be ordering their Quin pins if they desire them. These pins are black with three gold initials Q.L.S. that signify Quin Literary Society. The Sigma members will also order their pins. Their gold pins are in the shape of the Greek letters that identify Sigma.

Senior High Elect New Officers

The senior high classes have recently elected their officers, and the fortunate Milnites who will have the responsibility of good class government for this year have been installed.

The seniors, for the second straight year, have elected Creighton Cross as their president. Art Meljur will serve as veep, with Sherill Miller as secretary, and Ira Rheinhold as treasurer.

The juniors picked Jerry Thomas as their leader, and Jerry Kane as vice-president. Larry Genden will be taking the minutes, while Janet Vine will keep track of the money.

The sophomores' choice for president was Dave Wilson, while Mary Killough will be second in command. Carl Eppelman is secretary, and Paul Howard will collect the class dues.

We of the Crimson and White, on behalf of the Milne school, extend to Ellen and Peter Hoppner our kindest sympathies on the death of their sister.

Look What's Coming

- Friday, December 4**
Milne at St. Peter's
Dress rehearsal for senior play
- Saturday, December 5**
Senior play
- Friday, December 11**
Van Rensselaer at Milne
- Wednesday, December 16**
Roessleville at Milne
- Friday, December 18**
Columbia at Milne
Christmas vacation

Transportation Proves to Be Problem

By JOHN WOLFE

I take it for granted that we all are madly in love with our school. Every morning the Milnite arises with clear, bright eyes and practically breaks his little neck to arrive there sooner than everybody else. However, he is confronted by one problem. What will be his means of transportation?

Transportation Is the Problem

Some are lucky enough to own their own automobiles. If they are capable of prying some money for gasoline from their parents, they can drive to school at their leisure. Of course, if the car breaks down on the way, it's just too bad. They miss school, and naturally are so remorseful about it that they hang themselves.

Another method is hitch hiking. The procedure for this is simple; one merely stations himself at some busy corner and languidly extends a thumb in the general direction of his destination. He tries to look as cold and miserable as possible and gives every passing motorist a spaniel-eyed stare. Hitch hiking is often successful, and it enables one to meet the most interesting people.

The bulk of the student body, however, rides to school on those fiendish devices known as buses. Ugly red monsters, belching foul exhaust fumes, they roar about the city relieving the populace of their loose change and lives. The individual who invented them must have had a grudge against humanity.

Oh Happy Day

On a typical morning, the average Milnite is dragged from bed, eats his Wheaties, engages in the usual morning family fight and stumbles out to the corner to catch the bus. They are supposed to run every fifteen minutes. He waits for an hour, seeing no sign of one, and finally about five of the overgrown station wagons come chugging up in close formation. If he is lucky, one of them may stop for him.

The bus stops, and the door creaks open. All that one can see is a solid wall of human beings. "Please shove each other to the rear of the bus," lispes the driver. The determined Milnite grits his teeth, lowers his head, and charges. Somehow he finds himself with a precarious foothold on the edge of the door. "All right on the door?" says the driver as he closes it on him. There is no answer, and the sunshine committee of his homeroom is going to be busy collecting money for a down payment on his coffin.

Battle Scars Resulting From Buses

But, after all, it's worth it to get to school. Twenty years from now we will look down fondly on our scars, and tell our children that school days are the happiest period of their lives. And the buses are excellent training for the marines and Milne locker room. Au revoir, see ya' in the taxis.

MILNE ERRY go ROUND

Recently attending the junior high Sneaker Hop were Kathie Scott, Brud Snyder, Tommy Sternfeld, Ellen Hoppner, George Murphy, Carolyn Stein, Ellie McNamara, Lou Hauf, Jim Cohen, Bob Freedman, Carol Newton, Peter Papas, Bob Knouse, Ken Jorret, Dave Klingamen, Jean Redden, Dave McQuaid and Freddy Taylor.

Milne was well represented at the R.P.I. fraternity parties lately. Those attending were Beryl Scott, Pat Canfield, Florence Selmen, Mary McNamara, Mary Lou Deitrich, and Hannah Kornreich.

The Westminster church fellowship sponsored a dance Friday, November 20. Some of the Milne students there were Bill Bullion, Ann Strobel, Sheila Fitzgerald, Harry Page, Don Smith, Sue Bower, and last but not least Creighton Cross and Beryl Scott, president of the fellowship.

Gretchen Wright and Barbara Mabus had a terrific time at a West Point dance.

Racing around New York trying to hear all the jazz concerts, were Brenda Sandberg and her sister Barbara.

Everyone had a wonderful time at the Tri-Hi-Y square dance. Especially Sherril Miller, Keith Beswick, Creighton Cross, Sally Cook, Judd Lockwood, Polly Viner, Marty Welmen, Mary Killough, Mimi Ryan, president, was very pleased with the big crowd.

Those having a good time at the V.I. canteen were Pete Hoppner, Lois Smith, Judy Webel, Shirley Vandenburgh, Jean Canfield, Ronnie Killelea, Carl Eppelman. Oh, those canteens, more fun.

Honor Roll

Congratulations to Cynthia Berberian, the only member in the entire school to get all A's on the first report card of this year. Leading the school with eighteen members on the honor roll, was the sophomore class. The seniors were pulling a close second with 14 students on the list. We are proud of the following people who managed to receive all B's or better.

Freshman Class—Susan Hershey, Ellen Hoppner, Robert Kercull, Robert Knouse, Carolyn Male, Doris Markowitz, Karen Olsen, Sue Powell, Jean Redden, Sandra Wurst.

Sophomore Class—Merrill Andrews, Howard Chura, Donald Milne, Edward Schwartz, Paul Cohen, Evelyn Jasper, David Wilson, Gail Westervelt, Stephen Weinstein, Jacklyn Marks, David Quickenton, Barbara Rutenberg, Stuart Doling, Frank Ward, Bruce Fitzgerald, Jayne Harbinger, Stephen Greenbaum, Hilda Klingaman.

Junior Class—Alma Becker, Cecil Blum, Ann Gayle, Carol Myers, Thomas Nathan, Carolyn Olivo, Marion Preisser, Janet Vine.

Senior Class—Susan Bower, Alfred Brunner, Mary Deitrich, Alice Gunther, David Howard, Shirley Male, Beryl Scott, Mary McNamara, Richard Holzhauer, Hannah Kornreich, Arthur Melius, Willard Myers, James Rulison, Sally Simmons.

M.B.A.A. Plan New Schedule

This year the Milne Boys' Athletic Association is planning on undertaking many activities for the benefit of the school, and of course, for the benefit of the association. At this time the M.B.A.A. is in the process of planning the presentation of the first half of nine home basketball games in Page Hall gym. This is a good place to add that a great deal of work is involved in making sure that the basketball program for any evening goes off smoothly and efficiently.

M.B.A.A. Schedule Repeated

The association plans to sponsor their annual M.B.A.A. movie again this year. A tentative date for shortly after Christmas vacation has been set. The entire school is invited to attend and the proceeds will go, as they did last year, towards the purchasing of varsity sweaters. These sweaters will be awarded to the deserving members of the athletic teams.

Another one of the M.B.A.A. projects this year is the introduction of season passes for home basketball games. These passes are now on sale at a price which saves the purchaser about three dollars over the admission prices he or she would ordinarily have to pay. The M.B.A.A. feels that this idea will give the parents who attend a good share of the games a reasonable reduction in cost.

The president of the Milne Boys' Athletic Association, Creighton Cross, hopes that you will support these projects as strongly as possible. He also expresses the feeling that they will be very successful.

Herman's Highlights

On Wednesday, November 23, the Milne Red Raiders will travel to Averill Park, carrying with them the hopes of a Milne victory on their shoulders, to be employed in the first away basketball game of the season. On the other hand Averill Park, after a year's absence from the Crimson and White schedule, will be seeking revenge on previous setbacks it has suffered at the hands of Milne in past performances.

Calculated To Be Close Contest

From all indications and reports received on the prospects of Averill Park's potential hoopsters, it is expected that the Parkers will produce a well-balanced, strong and aggressive team. This, coupled with the advantage of the Parkers performing on their home court, should prove to be a big obstacle towards the contemplated victory by the Red Raiders. Although the Milnites have been perennial winners against Averill Park in the past, this year's contest should prove to be a "battle royal" with excitement from start to finish for both spectator and player.

PURCHASE TICKETS FOR
SENIOR PLAY
FROM ANY SENIOR



By SHERRIL 'n GRETCH



ART MELIUS

"There's another basket for Art," you'd hear them say last year, and more than likely that's what you'll be hearing again this basketball season.

Art was born in Albany on November 14, 1936 and entered Milne in the seventh grade. He has been quite the boy ever since. President of Jr. Student Council, when he was a freshman, was just a start. Art is now president of Adelphi, vice-president of the senior class, and was grand marshal last year at graduation. He has played varsity basketball since his sophomore year and baseball since his freshman year.

It would be silly to ask Art what his favorite activity is. The answer would be sports, natch. What he would really like to see are more extra large baskets out on the court this season. Go man! Go! But one thing "crazy legs" doesn't like is, and this is a quote, "people who won't accept their responsibilities." Responsibility is the characteristic that most distinguishes Arthur.

MARY McNAMARA

Aren't we lucky? Look what Missouri sent us! That's right, "Mare Babe" was born in St. Louis, Missouri on January 16, 1936.

Since entering Milne in the seventh grade, it seems Mary has been going from one activity to another. She has been on Student Council for five years and in her freshman year was vice-president of Jr. Student Council. Since her freshman year Mary has been cheering for both the jr. varsity and varsity squads. A few of her other activities include secretary and president of M.G.A.A., graduation usher, Sigma officer and associate editor of the *Crimson and White*.

The Mexican hat dance, bowling, Julius La Rosa and especially trips to Providence, Rhode Island, are Mary's favorites. To wear three inch heels and still be 5'4" tall is a longed for ambition in her life. I can't imagine why.