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## Poll Results Say High School Boys, Girls Disagree

Post-war compulsory military training is favored by 58.5% of American high school boys, but the girls are against it. Only 38.5% of the girls approve of such a plan. This conflict of opinion is revealed in results of a survey just completed by the Institute of Public Opinion, a national polling organization sponsored by the Scholastic Magazine.

Of the 60,555 high school girls polled in the survey, 44.5% turned thumbs down on strictly military training for 17 to 23-year old boys after the war. Among 52,965 high school boys polled, 30.5% registered a negative vote. Seventeen per cent of the girls and eleven per cent of the boys were undecided.

### Boys Favor Peace Training

The boys' vote shows a decided upswing in favor of peace-time military training during the past year. In an institute of Student Opinion Poll, conducted in October, 1943, high school boys gave postwar military training only lukewarm approval with a 47% vote for, 45% against, and 8% no opinion.

Although still opposed, high school girls are less strong in their opposition today than a year ago. In the 1943 poll the girls' vote was 59% against peace-time military training, 31% for, and 10% undecided.

Another question on the recent poll, ballot measured high school student opinion on President Roosevelt's suggestion of one year's compulsory service, but not necessarily military for boys 17 to 23 year old boys after the war. A small plurality of both boy and girl voters approved this plan, but the boys were much less favorable to this than to a year of training, strictly military. The boys' vote showed 46.5% in favor of a year's service "not necessarily military," 41% against, and 12.5% undecided. Among the girls, 45.5% approved, 38.5% opposed, and 16% had no opinion.

The Institute of Student Opinion conducted the poll through its membership of more than 1300 high school newspapers representing all sections of the United States. Students voted by individual ballot and, after the poll had been taken in their respective schools, were interviewed by student reporters as to the reason for their opinions.

### Typical Reasons

Typical of the reasons given for compulsory military training is the following: "It will help prepare for another war, if it comes. Also it will benefit the boy's health and character development, and teach him discipline."

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## Xmas Cards, Letters Come from Servicemen

Dr. Fredrick has begun to receive Christmas cards from several of the boys in service. Some of those already heard from are: Hal Game, '43, who sends his best wishes to the faculty and the students of Milne for a very Merry Christmas from somewhere in the U. S. Roy O Hale, D.E. 886 C/o New York Fleet P. O. Pvt. Robert Ostrander, '41, visited Paris and said that he finally had a chance to use his French. He also said, he got along well. His address is: Pvt. Robert Ostrander, 12173209, Co. B., 3118th Sig. Dv. Bn., Supreme Hq. A.E.F., A.P.O. No 757, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y. Sgt. Earl Goodrich, '39, sent the following V-Mail to the faculty and the students:

### Earl Goodrich Sends Poem

On the night before Christmas I'm tempted to think Christmas this year is liable to stink.  
No new fallen snow thru which to dash,  
Just tropical sun, a little heat rash.  
My stocking would hang all empty and bleak  
If it hadn't been lost in the laundry last week.  
For Christmas dinner, I fear I'm fated  
To feast on something dehydrated.  
I'll open a package crushed in the mail,  
Eat a few cookies turned rather stale.  
With such a prospect I must insist  
You have the fun I'll have to miss.

If you drink an eggnog, drink another for me,  
If they aren't too expensive, have two Christmas trees.  
Be twice as merry and twice as gay,  
Hope twice as hard I won't be away  
This time next year. If that you'll do  
My Christmas will be a lot happier too.

### V-Mail from Sid Stein

Pvt. Sidney Stein, '41, also sent a V-Mail from somewhere in Germany on the road to Berlin. He visited Brussels and said it is a swell city. His address is: Pfc. Sidney Stein, Jr., 13095839, Co. A-414th Inf., A.P.O. No. 104, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

Ed Bookstein sent a Christmas card from Harvard University. He is a V-12 trainee and he's doing a fine job. He is located at Eliot House No. 46, Cambridge 38, Mass.

These fellows are located all over the globe, and feel for the most part rather strange in their new surroundings. This is true especially at Christmas time. It is our sincere hope that by this time next year, they will all be back in the good ol' U.S.A. with us again, states Dr. Frederick.

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## Senior High to Attend Fourth Annual Alumni Ball

## DeMoss, Jones, Win Science Preliminaries

Bob Demoss and Tad Jones, Milne's science geniuses, are entered in a nation-wide talent search. The preliminary examinations, in connection with the search, were held Dec. 2 at Milne under the supervision of Carlton A. Moose.

Forty boys and girls who lead in the preliminary examinations will be given, all expenses paid, a trip to Washington to attend the Science Talent Institute, held for five days and will take the final examination for the Westinghouse Science Scholarships. Two contestants, one boy and one girl, will be selected by a board of judges to receive Westinghouse Grand Science Scholarships of \$2,000 each. Eight more contestants will receive Westinghouse Scholarships for \$400 and an award of \$3,000 addition in scholarships.

The Science Talent Search is conducted annually by Science Clubs of America, administered by the Science Service. The purpose of the search is to discover and help develop scientific talent that will be of value to the nation in the future.

The first tests will be held at Milne on Saturday, December 9. Along with taking this test, each contestant is required to write an essay on some scientific subject that is of interest to him. This essay is about 1,000 words on the subject "My Scientific Project."

Walter Grace, '42, was a trip winner in 1942. He won a scholarship to John Hopkins University, which he attended for a half year until he joined the army. Walt is now at M.I.T.

## Students Accepted For College Entry

Ruth Rosenfeld, '45, and Chloe Peletier, '45, have been tentatively accepted at Russell Sage for admission in September, 1945.

Chloe Peletier has been awarded a special scholarship to this college. Sherman Kimelblot has also been tentatively accepted for the pre-medical course at Syracuse University. These students will be finally accepted upon the satisfactory completion of their work at Milne in June.

Dr. Kenny urges all students to place their applications immediately. It is always wise to apply early for both admission and for scholarships, he added.

## To Greet Grads December 23rd

The preparations for the fourth annual alumni ball began in the last Student Council meeting. The Ball will be held in the Engle Room of the Pierce Hall Dormitory on Dec. 23, 1944 from nine until one. The theme and decorations will be Christmas.

There will be five committees composed of about eight members each handling the many details necessary in planning a dance. The junior class is in charge.

The decorations committee consists of Barbara Smith, Diane Brehm, Alice Wilson, Jay Price, Jean Pirnie, David Vollmer, and Phebe Heidenreich.

### Invitations Committee

The members of the invitation committee are Eve Morgan, Peggy Gallivan, Janet Paxton, Phil Stoddard, Ann Graham, Bill Weed, Eugene St. Louis, and Jacqueline Pfeiffer.

The Advertising and Publicity Committee has as its members Ronald Bowers, Derry Wolfgang, Lorraine Schain, David Packard, Caryl Ferber, Lyle Spaulding, and Fred Haggerty.

### Responsibility for Jr. Class

Mr. Hamilton explained that a great responsibility had been given to the junior class by his appointment as chairman of these preparations. He said that he wanted to make clear to Milne that the undertaking must be, and will be completed satisfactory, that any member who proves himself a hindrance rather than a help will be promptly dismissed from the activities. He added that this rule has already been enforced in two cases.

### Will Be Formal

It has already been decided in one of the committee meetings that the dance is to be formal. However, dressy dresses may also be worn.

There is no admission fee for Milne Senior High students nor for all alumni. Alumni from 1941 till 1944 have been sent written invitations to the dance. The date and all pertinent information will be published in the **Times Union** and **Knickerbocker News**, as well as being broadcast over **WOKO** and **WABY** in the near future, so all alumni will know about it.

The Junior High is not admitted to this dance because they have their own activities money. However, they are permitted to buy tickets.

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## They Tell Us, and We Tell Them

This editorial is written in the interest of many of my fellow-classmates with whom I have conferred. They believe, and I am inclined to agree, that our school possesses a wonderful newspaper.

However, it is the general thought among us that the paper should be issued with more regularity; not only for the purpose of covering the news when it is still news, but also to allow many hitherto-unwritten material (news) to be printed. This latter fault is due, I believe, to the fact that since there is a paper issued only once in about three weeks (on the average), that there just isn't room to include many articles which students would enjoy to see in their paper.

So far, this year, we have received but four copies of the C. & W. over a period of eight weeks! This, as you can readily see, means that by the end of the year, if this rate is to be continued, we shall receive, at most, eighteen copies of the C. & W. We all feel entitled, and I think I speak for the majority of the school, to at least twenty copies per year.

Let us not blame this deficiency on lack of news I have heard, from certain sources, that the C. & W. staff, with the exception of a few, do not practice maximum cooperativeness in the maintaining of the school paper!

If this be the answer, let us realize it so that we may justifiably criticize the paper and certain members of the staff!

A SENIOR.

Dear "A Senior":

We on the staff of the CRIMSON AND WHITE debated long and loud the subject of publishing your editorial. It wasn't that we were afraid to, rather that we think that the answer is better expressed in action than in words.

The chosen editor for this year's paper, the only qualified senior, was given the job. He did

## milne merry-go-round

It was swell to see such a good turnout for our first game. The team played exceptionally good ball against such a strong opponent. Here's hoping the Red Raiders chalk up a victory over C.B.A. tonight.

The Boys' Inter-Society Dance was a great success, with everyone enjoying himself. The boys working the spotlights had fun chasing couples across the floor.

All Milnites enjoyed themselves over the vacation, in many ways. **Jean Hernon** and **Jackie Pfeiffer** traveled to Buffalo for their turkey dinner. Wednesday night **Carol Jacobs** and **Lionel Sharp** went to a show and to Herbies.

**Shirley Champlin** and **Janet Paxton** worked off their turkey dinners climbing with some boys from Schenectady.

Theta Nu beat Adelphoi in a bowling match. Now, which is the best society?

**Caryl Ferber** went to two dances. More fun!

Did you know that **Jo-Ann McConnell** receives telephone calls from Troy every night. Expensive, eh?

"Kirkie's" date with **Bill Bull** turned out quite successfully from all reports.

**Marilyn Arnold** is keeping a certain Merchant Marine from V. M. I. happy.

**Lois Friedman** represented Milne at an A.B.G. dance over the weekend.

Friday night after the game, **Ann Robinson**, **Jim Magilton**, **Barbara MacMahon**, **Ed Muehleck**, **Laurel Ulrich** and **Lee Aronowitz** turned up at Wagers. With them from the sophomore class were **Gay Appleton**, **Bunny Angier**, **Winne Hauf**, **Frank Coburn**, **Barbara Betham**, **Jess Barnet**. The group of kids just mentioned went out "Dutch Treat" together Saturday night. Those who preferred Herbies were **Janet Wiley**, **Herb Lucas**, **Ruthanne Welsh**, **Waite Wilkins**, **Helen Huntington**, **Ralph Manweiler**.

Saturday night the members of the Milne team went to see C.B.A. beat Cathedral.

At a birthday party over the weekend given for **Dick Briggs** were, **June Hauf**, **Paul Richardson**, **Helen Pigors**, **Put Barnes** and **Alec Pirnie**.

**Janice Hauf** spent Sunday afternoon eating ice cream (?) at "De" Kelly House.

Many Milnites can be found in "ace" downtown stores these days, slaving away until Christmas.

"Bogie" **Bogardus** and **John Bulger** were seen at the Palace on Saturday night, along with many other Milnites who turned out to view the much talked about "Kismet."

not make good. Because he failed **Janice Hauf** was selected. Though she didn't have the experience she did have the interest and ability. She has had time now, I believe, to become a qualified editor, and has done so. "Experience is the best teacher" and **Janice** was a good pupil.

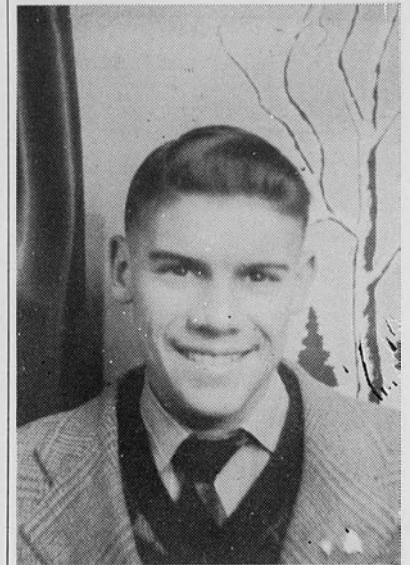
However, not only was **Janice** at fault in the mistakes of the first few issues, but also the staff itself. This year's CRIMSON AND WHITE staff started out beautifully—but what happened? Every Monday at four o'clock (which is when assignments are due) there starts a steady stream of reporters with excuses as to why their assignments aren't in yet. Wearily and resignedly **Janice** and I accept their excuses with an air of long suffering patience and resign ourselves to the fact that there will be no CRIMSON AND WHITE again this week.

There has been a great deal of comment and criticism but as yet, I know of only one person who has done anything constructive. She came to me and said she was tired of complaining about the CRIMSON AND WHITE, and wanted to know what she could do about it. She is now a staff member and will, I think, do a good job. Why don't more of you try the same system for bettering our newspaper? It is not supposed to be an individual responsibility, but rather a united effort.

"CAL".

## Senior Spotlight

By Barbara MacMahon



RALPH WARD MANWILLER

Camera! Action! Spotlight—all on **Ralph Manwiller**. **Ralph** was born in Albany on Friday the thirteenth of July in 1928. The date on which **Ralph** was born does not seem to have effected him any. In fact, 13 seems to be his lucky number. He soon moved to Rensselaer and there he lived for four years. Then came that glorious day when he moved to the great town (?) of Newtonville. Here he attended the Newtonville school, until the seventh grade, when he journeyed all the way into Albany to come to Milne.

This year **Ralph** is president of Adelphoi, and last year he was their secretary. As president he also serves on the Boys' Society Council. He has been a member of Hi-Y for three years. Also this year **Ralph** is a French mastermind, and belongs to the French Club.

## Baseball His Favorite

**Ralph** has many likes, his hobby being stamp collecting. He has been following this activity since he has been "So high." Other likes are sports, with baseball first, the senior room, the Hit Parade, Coke, suburbans, and the colors red, blue, and green, (also he likes to neck—watch out, girls).

Dislikes are few, but brushcuts, spaghetti, fish, squash, and especially Sinatra.

**Ralph** keeps quite busy during his summers. A few years ago he went out to St. Louis, but most of the summers he spends working. He has worked on farms, and last year he worked at the American Meter Company in the stock room. He still works there, and last week he ran the elevator. Going up in the world!

## Red Hair, It Is!

Well, girls, here it comes—the ideal girl: 5' 4", red hair, green eyes, nice personality, and one who likes to dance. He is also partial to 5' 1" blondes, with hazel eyes. I wonder who they could be.

After Milne, it's a question, but **Ralph** would like to go to Cornell. If Cornell knows **Ralph** like we know him, he'll be sure to be accepted.

# Milne Court Team Opens Season With Defeat

## Muehleck Leads Milne Attack; J. V. Loses To Complete Picture

The vaunted Mont Pleasant team came through for a smashing victory over the Albany Red Raiders in Milne's opening game of the season. The final score was 52-35.

In this thrilling game, Frank Gutowski led Schenectady's team with 19 points to his credit. The Mont Pleasant boys were leading at the half by a score of 27-14. Early in the game's first quarter, Milne held a 3-2 lead which was quickly overcome by Mont Pleasant. This was the only time Milne led in the game. After the half, Mont Pleasant steadily increased its lead and was winning straight through the closing minutes of the game.

### Team Fights Hard

Cocah Hathaway's boys fought superbly against what seemed to be a great and superior force. On the average, the height of each member of the Mont Pleasant team was more than two inches taller than Milne's boys. Al Mendel, Jim Detwiler, and Bill Kelly went in as substitutes during the game. Jim Detwiler played during most of the game. Milne's specialty for baskets was long shots made about twenty feet from the basket, while Mont Pleasant did most of its scoring directly underneath the goal. Milne's loss however was not as bad as last year when Mont Pleasant beat the Red Raiders by the overwhelming score of 52-23. Captain Ed Muehleck paced Milne's team by scoring the high of fourteen points.

### Pep Rally Held

A great pep rally held the afternoon of the game probably inspired the huge crowd that was on hand for the game. The Milne cheerleaders introduced many new cheers which were accepted heartily by the student body. This year the cheerleaders are sporting new red skirts.

Mont Pleasant also took the jayvee game by a score of 37-15. High score in that game for Milne were Johnny Knox, and "Demon" Clark who scored four points apiece.

Tonight Milne will tackle C. B. A. on the "Brothers" home court.

## Theta Nu Wins Annual Bowling Tournament

The annual Theta Nu Adelphi bowling match got under way on Nov. 24 at the Playdium. The match is rolled each year to determine the winner of the bowling cup. Theta Nu won this year's match by 185 pins. The total for both teams was Theta Nu, 1612. Adelphi, 1427. Jim Detwiler and Don Christie were high scorers for Theta Nu with scores of 165 and 162, respectively. While Al Mendel came through with 172 for Adelphi.

## Students Attend Pep Rally Before Opening Game

The pep assembly on Friday, Dec. 1, was a prelude to the game that night. It opened with the singing of "On Milne High School" as the cheerleaders, in colorful new costumes came down the aisle and up on the stage.

The program consisted of a review of all the old cheers and a presentation of the new ones. A new individual cheer was demonstrated and it met with instant approval. A new variation of the Milne Moan was shown and this was also liked.

In between the cheers the Band played several numbers, among them "Our Director," and "The Victory March."

The Junior high cheerleaders, co-captained by Laura Lee Paxton, '49, and Nancy Simmons, '49, were the hit of the show. They were called back time and time again by a loud, down-in-front cheering section.

Coach Hathaway introduced the members of the Varsity, Jay Vee and the freshman team, who were all cheered lustily.

The assembly closed with the singing of the Alma Mater by the whole school.

## Soph English Class Gives Three Act Play

The fifth period English class of '47 put on excerpts from the play, "You Can't Take It With You." The sophomore class just finished reading this play in their English classes.

The cast consisted of:  
 Florence Drake ..... Alice  
 George Erwin ..... Tony  
 John Gade ..... Mr. De Pinna  
 Joan Lehores ..... Essie  
 Ruth Weil ..... Penny Sycamore  
 Alan Meskil ..... Mr. Sycamore  
 Dick Stock ..... Grandpa  
 Sally Gaus ..... Gay Wellington  
 Derwent Angier .. Mr. Kalenkbrov  
 Barbara Leslie ..... Rheba  
 Neil McNeil ..... Donald

# JOHN'S

## Restaurant

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## War Bond Sales Far Below Quota

The sale of war bonds and stamps has been lagging during the past few weeks, it was learned from Dr. Edward Cooper, supervisor of commerce in Milne. Miss Herrick's eighth grade homeroom is the only one on record that has ninety per cent participation in the purchase of at least one 10 cent war stamp per month. The record of the other homerooms are as follows:

<b>7th Grade</b>	
233 .....	\$54.35
324 .....	\$17.65
333 .....	\$ 4.80
<b>8th Grade</b>	
130 .....	\$79.80
Art Room .....	\$ .....
321 .....	\$18.20
<b>9th Grade</b>	
320 .....	\$112.35
126 .....	\$ 19.10
226 .....	\$102.95
<b>10th Grade</b>	
227 .....	\$40.60
333 .....	\$12.50
128 .....	\$25.90
<b>11th Grade</b>	
228 .....	\$53.45
230 .....	\$23.00
323 .....	\$ 2.50
<b>12th Grade</b>	
127 .....	\$ 1.80
329 .....	\$ 5.00
135 .....	\$167.00

This must be greatly improved in the next few months if we are to meet our quota, says Dr. Cooper.

## Red Cross Working Hard On War Effort

The Red Cross has made a good start on this year's work. The officers already elected are Jeanne De Prosse, '45, president; David Packard, '46, vice-president; Norma Johnson, '45, treasurer, and Roland Brown, '46, secretary.

Mr. Raymond, shop instructor in Milne, is helping them fulfill their quota this year, which consists of twenty-five lap boards, thirty-six writing boards and five hammer boards and pegs.

Five ambitious Milne girls went out and sold forget-me-nots for disabled veterans.

Mrs. Barsam is assisting them in making soft toys for shipment to England. Utility toys are also under construction.

The Red Cross is doing a grand piece of work and according to Jeanne De Prosse, "We will undoubtedly be doing the Christmas baskets as in past years."

## Intra-Mural Basketball Competition to Begin

Coach Hathaway has announced the opening of intra-mural competition in basketball, but as yet there is no definite schedule. As was the case in football, all grades are participating. Many members of the senior high who did not make either Varsity or Jayvee squads will have a chance to redeem themselves by outstanding playing ability in intra-mural games.

# The Rolling Stone

The hockey season is definitely ended now because of the snow. However, the girls have wasted no time in starting basketball practice. General practices have been held Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays, but it is still too early to determine who the outstanding players will be.

After Christmas vacation the intra-mural class games will begin. The 9th, 10th and 11th grade girls will play their class games in the Page Hall gym on Wednesdays and Fridays at 3:20. The 7th and 8th grade girls will play their games in the little gym on Mondays at 3:20. The girls' gym classes are now having a basketball unit in preparation for some really good intra-mural games.

The G. A. C., which by the way, has been very active this year, will elect general basketball captains this week. They will also make schedules and plans for a successful basketball season. The constitution committee is really working hard, and we expect some good results soon.

Last Friday, the 8th grade girls were rather awed when they dashed into the gym and beheld about 30 visitors sitting on the bleachers. After a little confusion and embarrassment they recovered their composure and did their usual good work.

We now have a co-educational Riding Club. The boys started riding last week, much to the joy of everyone. Lois Prescott said they promise to be very good riders. There was much fun, in spite of the snow last week. One of the horses, appropriately named Bombadier, caused a little excitement, and just wouldn't be ridden. His rider, an 8th grade boy, declared that Bombadier has too much ammunition.

Audiometer hearing tests are being given this week to all gym classes so as to reach all Milne students. The seniors will have to be rounded up separately since there are no senior gym classes. The test is sponsored by the State Department.

## Robinson Competes In Preliminary Contest

The preliminary examination for the William Randolph Hearst National American History Award was held Nov. 29, from 10 a. m. to noon, in the Assembly chamber of the State Capitol.

The winner of this contest is Joseph Pfister, C.B.A., while Walter Shneer of A.H.S. took second place.

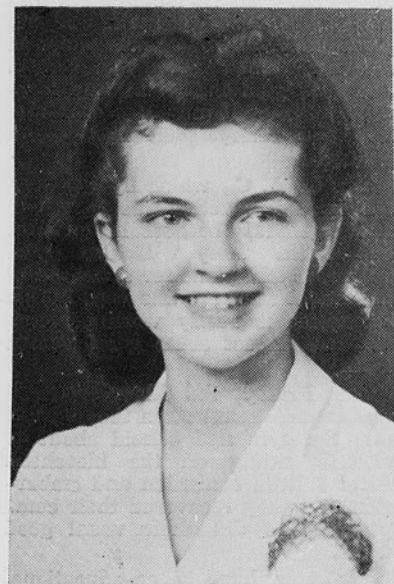
The prizes are war bonds of different values. The top three in this district will compete with the winners from twelve other cities in a national contest to be held on Dec. 11.

Ann Robinson, '45, represented Milne in the contest.

## Choose Sexton To Write Essay

Elaine Sexton, '45, was named best citizen by the girls for her class in an election, held last Thursday, Nov. 30.

The contest which is sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution each year, is open to senior girls. The girls voted on characteristics such as dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism. Miss Sexton must write an essay of not more than 250 words on, "Youth Looks at the Post-War World." This essay is to be written by Jan. 10 of next year.



ELAINE CLAIRE SEXTON

This is a national contest sponsored by the DAR. All other schools in the state compete and the senior whose essay is judged the best is to receive a \$100.00 War Bond. In other years they have received a trip to Washington, but this year because of war-time conditions and the lack of space to sleep in Washington, the War Bond was decided upon instead.

Miss Sexton participates in many school activities. She is an important member of the Student Council. She is president of the Music Council, and also is active in girls' sports. Elaine is a member of Zetz Sigma Literary Society. In scholastic ability she ranks among the best in her class. All through Elaine's five and one-half years at Milne she has made an excellent record.

"I want to thank all the girls in my class for naming me to this high honor," said Miss Sexton when she heard the news.

The voting was conducted in English classes. With all of Elaine's well-rounded activities, she may indeed be called the outstanding citizen of her class.

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## Quin Rush Party Held In Lounge

Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 13, marked the date of Quin's gala affair, the annual rush. Sophomores were invited to attend at 3:30 that afternoon, and had quite a reception in the State College Lounge.

The theme consisted of demonstrating the differences between the "old" and the "new" in clothes, songs and jokes. Betty Bates, '46, and Jo-Ann McConnel, '45, did a clever version of the "Trolley Song," Elinor Mann, '46, and Ruth Welsh, '46, were all togged out in old-fashioned clothes. As quite a contrast, Norma Johnson, '45, posed as a modern singer. She sang, "I'll Walk Alone."

"By the Sea" was the accompaniment of Marcia Leake, '45, who wore an old-fashioned, knee-length bathing suit and strutted nonchalantly across the stage. Ann Graham and Shirley Champlin sang several duets, as did Lorraine Schain and Evelyn Miller. Dona Kimelblot was an innocent appearing bloomer girl, while Janice Hauf appeared in a modern sports outfit. Carol Jacobs sang in an antiquated evening gown that was quite charming.

Barbara MacMahon, '45, mistress of ceremonies and president of Quin, did a beautiful job of making the sophomores feel at home. In fact, she looked so nice she almost stole the show!

Miss Sabol kindly chaperoned—and she sure did eat. Of course the biggest attraction was not the entertainment, not the decorations, but alas, the refreshments!

## Poll Results

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Typical of those who opposed it was: "Big armies are open invitations to future wars. The forced draft of youth in peace-time would be contrary to the principles of democracy and would interfere with the educational careers of many boys."

Representative of the reasons given by those who favored a year's service not necessarily, is the following: "Everyone is not suited to military life. Boys should be allowed to choose a field in which they can adapt their abilities."

Typical reason of those who opposed any form of compulsory service was: "This land is supposed to be a land of freedom and liberty. I can't see any freedom in compulsory service of any kind."

**Student Editors Discuss**  
Student editors, representing the Institute of Student Opinion, discussed the poll questions on the radio Saturday, November 18, during the Mutual Network's "Rainbow House" program at 10:30 a. m., e.w.t.

The poll was conducted in Milne High School by the CRIMSON AND WHITE, the school publication and member of the Institute of Public Opinion.

The poll questions for November have been received from the Institute, and students in Milne have been polled.

## School to View Xmas Assembly

The Christmas Assembly will take place Dec. 15, with the music department and some art students participating. The assembly will be highlighted by a reproduction of the famous painting "The Sistine Madonna." The reproduction will be enacted on the stage by various Milne students as the choir walks down the aisle singing. Working on this are Lois Messent, in charge of people and props, Ann Graham in charge of people, Jackie Pfeiffer in charge of costumes, Franny Hillard working with her, and Caryl Ferber in charge of setting, stage sets and writing descriptive piece. The music and art students are working hard to make this assembly a huge success.

## Xmas Cards

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### Joe Hunting Writes

Excerpts from Joe Hunting's letter are as follows:

The other day I received through the mail the mailing addresses of the Milne grads in service, plus a copy of the CRIMSON AND WHITE. It was sure swell to read once again Milne's fine paper, and I want to take this opportunity to say thank you very much.

At present I am writing for the base paper here at Camp Shoemaker, and it is really very interesting work. Up until about six weeks ago, yours truly was working in the torpedo shop at Hunter's Point; overhauling, making and repairing the "tin fish" that are some day to find their way to the sides of some Japanese man o' war.

Last Sunday while at the football game between St. Mary's Pre-Flight and Fleet City Bluejackets, I ran into—Lt. Richard Cassiano, who was at Chapel Hill with Lt. Hatfield and Ensign Grogan.

### Sees Chuck Locke

Though the news is very old, it's something that may have some appeal. Last spring, while passing through on my way to Chicago, I ran into Charley Locke, Milne, '41, in Los Angeles, California. He really looked good, Dr. Frederick, and he said that I was the first one he had seen in 18 months, that he knew "back when." Interestingly enough, he was the first one from home that I had seen for the same length of time; with the exception of my running into Mr. Hatfield and Mr. Grogan at Chapel Hill almost two years ago.

Well sir, it's time that Joe was getting back to work. Though this is Thanksgiving Day, the Navy recognizes it as just another working day, and one day closer to victory.

Sincerely,

Joe Hunting.

These boys are lonely and appreciate mail.

### AN INVITATION!

All parents and friends of Milnites are invited to attend the Xmas assembly on Dec. 15.

## Down Beat

by Marcia

The releases are coming fast and furiously this week. Included in new discs are the latest in popular songs. Victor has one by Charlie Spivak; one of them is the haunting Irish melody from "Going My Way," **Too La Lou La Loo La**; Spivak's solo is really solid. The reverse side contains "Let Me Love You Tonight." This tune is done very well and by far the best arrangement we've heard. Decca has released its Christmas stock. Bing Crosby is the star of the releases; having "White Christmas," "Silent Night" and "I'll Be Home for Christmas" to his credit. Also by Crosby is the current hit "Don't Fence Me In" which is fast rising. These recordings are all done in typical Crosby style and that means good.

### Andy Russell

Decca has its Crosby, Columbia its Sinatra, Victor its Como, and Capitol has the latest favorite, Andy Russell. Russell sings "I Dream of You," just as well, if not better than Sinatra. The other side "Magic Is the Moonlight" is sung better than Sinatra could ever sing it. This record is going to be a hit. An-Kenton, is "Sweet Dreams Sweet-others Capitol hit, this one by Stan heart" and "Gotta Be Gettin'." Kenton has an appealing style and is receiving good crowds wherever he plays.

### Albums in the Headlines

Capitol's "New American Jazz" album has arrived. It is done by the "daddy's" of Jazz with the help of some of today's swing stars. This album should be in every collection of records. Its done to perfection. "Off the Record"

Artie Shaw's new 17-piece orchestra will make its debut soon. Shaw has no strings in his band. Charles Gentry who, before being drafted, sang with Goodman and J. Dorsey, is signed as male vocalist.

America's fighting men will have a musical Christmas no matter where they are. Records done by great names in music will be sent overseas. Included in this show are: Ella Mae Morse who sings "Patty Cake Man." Johnny Mercer sings "Accentrate the Positive" also Jimmy Dorsey, Lena Horne, Bing Crosby and many others. This ought to be some record!

Woody Herman's newest addition, Marjorie Hyams, is creating lots of talk. New girl who plays hot a vibroharp just joined the band. She's pretty too!

## Things to Come

**Saturday, Dec. 9**  
7:30-10:30—Jr. High Party

**Wednesday, Dec. 13**  
12:27—Senior Student Council Meeting

**Thursday, Dec. 14**  
Report cards given out in home-room

**Friday, Dec. 15**  
2:30—Joint Assembly  
3:15—Christmas Recess Begins  
7:00-1:00—Basketball, Rensselaer—Gym