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MERRY



XMAS



SANTA

Dear Santa; I don't want a train
Or cart or car or such.
Would a victory over State, Kind Sir
be asking you to much.

The Frosh of State are teachers, sir
And teachers are the bunk.
Just help us win, dear Santa clause,
Because they make us flunk.

We wouldn't want to hurt 'em much,
Just a point or two ahead,
But for heavens sake! don't fail me now
and let them win instead.

In closing, let me ask for more,
But not so much you see.
Just let the teachers take their turn
To squirm in misery.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

! BEAT FROSH! !

MARY WINSHURST IS
CHAIRMAN FOR THE
CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLIES

THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL
CHRISTMAS PLAYS ARE
A VERY GREAT SUCCESS

Milne's annual Christmas Assembly will be under the leadership of Mary Winshurst, Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The main event of the program will be the judging of the Christmas boxes by Miss Fillingham, Miss Martin, and Mr. Raymond.

The student body will participate in the singing of Christmas Carols throughout the program. The carols which will be sung are "Silent Night", "O Little Town of Bethlehem", "We Three Kings of Orient Are", "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear," and "O Come All Ye Faithful".

The trio will sing "Sweet Sue" and "Rosalie". Lois Hayner, Margaret Charles and Fran Seymour are in the trio.

Hazel Roberts will play "Prelude in C# Minor." Dexter Simpson will render a solo.

The students will also give some of the school cheers lead by Virginia Tripp and Marjorie Pond, co-captains of the cheerleading squad.

SENIOR HIGH HEARS
SPEAKER ON ALBANY'S
WELFARE CONDITIONS

On Wednesday, in assembly, Rev. Richard Morford spoke to the Senior High School. He told them what was being done for the poor families for the Albany community by the Albany Protestant Welfare Association. He spoke of the conditions under which many Albany families are forced to live. He asked different people to find out how many people there were on Home Relief, Old Age Assistance, WPA, and Dependant Children files. Rev. Morford also told how much good our annual Christmas Boxes do to help these families. He suggested that we try to help all year long, instead of just at Christmastime. He urged us to add a course in community welfare to our curriculum and see what we can do as young citizens, about these conditions.

THE STUDENT COUNCIL SELLS
BELT BUCKLES FOR MURAL FUNDS

Leonard Benjamin is in charge of selling belt buckles under the auspices of the Student Council. They are selling them to make money for the murals. The buckles are made of burnished metal with a red and white M on them, and sell for \$1.50.

The Council has set up rules for the Christmas box competition in the assembly Friday. They are as follows:

1. The boxes must be on the stage ten minutes previous to the assembly.
2. The number of each family must be attached to the box in a visible place.

The various sections of the Dramatics Club busily prepared for the Christmas Plays which were presented in Page Hall auditorium, Thursday, December 16, at 8:15 o'clock.

Betty Schultz was in charge of the props committee. Those assisting her were Marcia Wiley, Ann Hunting, Dorothy Sherman, and Helen Barker.

The make-ups were done by Mr. Garrett, with Jean Best and Miriam Freund assisting him.

Marian McCormack was assisted by William Saunders, Charles Barnes, Robert Bingham, John Fink, and Russell Jones in the sets group.

Sally Devereaux and Betty Barden were costume chairmen. Those assisting them were Evelyn Wilbur, Elinor Parsons, Jane Phillips, and Ada Snyder.

Robert Wilke was in charge of General Utilities. Adele Corwin and Bryna Ball assisted him.

Richard Andrews was in charge of the programs, assisted by Roger Orton.

Shirley Burgess checked all material which was loaned to the Dramatics Club for the plays as it came in.

Benjamin Douglas and Fred Regan acted as business managers for the plays. Mr. Douglas was the Chairman. They took charge of the tickets, house, and other financial affairs.

Margaret Charles, Janet Cole, Betty Holmes, Doris Welch, Jane Vedder, Jeanne Tarsches, Martha Freytag, Doris Mochrie, Betty Mann, and Betty Schriener ushered at the plays.

SIXTY COUPLES ATTEND THE
THETA-NU - ADELPHOI DANCE

The Formal Dance sponsored by the two boys' societies, which took place last Saturday night was heralded as a great success by all who attended.

Approximately sixty couples were present, dancing to the music of Lew Rider's orchestra. The decorations consisted of blue and white crepe paper intertwined from the ceiling.

The highlight of the evening was the musical Hit Parade, the favorite songs of Milne students, played by the orchestra. "Stardust" was the most popular song, taking first place on the Hit Parade.

Although the proceeds have not been definitely accounted for, the boys feel that a good time was had by all who attended.

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READ YOUR BIBLE

As far as we know, no one, through this newspaper, has ever before advised students to read the Bible.

And why not? Those of us whose creed places a deep religious meaning in December 25 should read our Bibles at this time of the year especially.

Someone said that the Bible should be read as "living literature", for every novel, every poem, concerning men and their problems has its counterpart in some Bible tale. It is intensely interesting to note that even our favorite types of news are "as old as the ages". Scandal, rivalry, hate, love, travel, war, adventure, success, failure—you can find them all in the Bible! Just look and see for yourself!

SMOKE, TURGENEV

Just after the European Revolution of 1848 there occurred a reaction all over Europe. It became impossible to distribute any literature written by the free thinkers of the time on current events. To let their ideas become known, they put them into novels. The novels so written became immensely popular, and strange to say, were handed down to us, because they were fine literature.

Perhaps I have been too hasty in saying that the novels were merely conveyances for addresses. Rather, let me say that the books were written as literature, and that the writer, as do most novelists, put some of his ideas into the book.

The book suggests by means of a beautiful, but tragic plot (in which a love affair lasting two weeks wrecks a man's carefully laid plans for a lifetime) that all men are merely smoke formations, unstable, always changing, yet always the same, vanishing at last without a trace. It is pessimistic, reflecting the disillusionment of the author.

Turgenev was not the greatest Russian writer, but Smoke is truly a beautiful book; one which I've enjoyed reading.

RAH! MILNE!

We grant you the fact that Milne is not absolutely perfect. But it's evidently nearer perfect to you than any other school or you wouldn't be here. Perhaps you didn't realize that you were insulting yourself as you forgot your school pride and recounted the little imperfections of Milne. Why not sing its praises the next time you are involved in such a discussion? It gives your school a little boost and public opinion is always in favor of a person who is loyal to his associates. Just try it the next time.

You are a student of Milne. You gladly accept all the advantages of being allowed to call this your school. You enjoy to the utmost all the advantages which Milne offers you. But how do you sound when you are talking to an outsider? Do you, and this applies to many of you, forget all these benefits and concentrate only on the bad points of Milne's school system?

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* SOCIETIES *

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* EXCHANGES *

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Quin

The president, Lois Nesbitt, opened the meeting. Quotations were from Rudyard Kipling, Jane Phinney reported on his life, and Jean McDermott read the names of his works.

The girls decided that the Quin Alumnae Banquet will take place at the De Witt Clinton on December 31, at 1:00 o'clock.

Theta Nu

There was a discussion of the Boys' Formal dance which took place last Saturday night.

John Hodecker gave a report on the book, What College?, by Hale.

Sigma

Betty Barden named the Bible as the book from which the members will take the quotations next Monday. Eleanor Parsons gave a short report of the history of the Bible.

The author for January 3, will be John Masfield. Doris Welsh will give his biography, and Janet Jansing will report on his works.

There was discussion of the Quin - Sigma Dance.

Adelphoi

Stanley Edison gave a report on the book, The Grey Riders, by Vandewater. The book consists of the history and narratives of the New York State troopers. The account is very well written, and everyone will enjoy it.

The society discussed the banquet to be held at Keeler's Restaurant, Friday night.

FRENCH CLUB INITIATES NEW MEMBERS SOON.

Last Friday in the regular meeting of the French Club, the president appointed Patricia Gibson to see Miss Crocks about a sponsor for the club.

Those on the committee for the initiation of new members who were admitted this week are Patricia Gibson, Althea Wallace, Elizabeth Simmons, and Edward Walker. The secretary, Hazel Roberts, wrote the invitations in French.

The members sang French songs at the end of the meeting for entertainment.

The Quitto of Ellenville, N. Y., is especially noted for its fine variety of columns.

The Boulder of Schenectady, is very interesting for the Junior High people.

The Mur-Mur-Ette of Oswego High, is another good paper with interesting material.

The Hoot Owl of Coxsackie High, is an exceptionally large paper containing several good articles.

Doctor--"When did you suspect your husband was not right mentally."

Cole--"When he shook the coat tree and began feeling around on the floor for apples."

-The Quill

Mrs. Funk, at dinner: "Seeley, I wish you'd stop reaching for things on the table. Haven't you a tongue?"

Seeley: "Sure, Mom, but my arm is longer."

-The Buccaneer

MISS CONKLIN ANNOUNCES COMMITTEES FOR PLAYS

Miss Conklin called a joint meeting of the Dramatics Club last Friday in the Little Theater. She announced the following committees:

Sets; Marian McCormack, John Fink, Russell Jones, Charles Barnes, Robert Bingham, William Saunders, and Shirley Burgess.

Props; Betty Schultz, Ann Hunting, Dorothy Sherman, Helen Barker, and Marcia Roberts.

Ushers; Betty Holmes, Janet Cole, Alora Biek, Margaret Chase, Martha Freitag, Jeanne Parsches, Doris Welsh, Betty Schreiner, Jane Vedder, Byran Ball, Adele Tazanus, Doris Mochrie, Betty Mann, and Shirley Rubin.

The Business Manager is Benjamin Douglas, and Assistant Business Manager is Fred Regan.

Programs; Richard Andrews, and Roger Ortan.

General Utility; Robert Wilke, chairman, Adele Corwin, and Byrna Ball.

Costumes; Sally Deveraux, Evelyn Wilbur, Betty Barden, Eleanor Parsons, Jane Phillips, and Ada Snyder.

Prompter; Doris Holmes.

MANAGER LASHER
DICTATES A LETTER

MILNE GIRLS FORM
BASKETBALL TEAMS

Dear Milnites,

Sometimes I wonder if the interests towards basketball in Milne is sufficient to repay the boys for the practice and hard work they put into it. At our home games the Milne stands are usually filled. I have no complaint to offer concerning this. Anyone can come to his own school to see a basketball game, but it takes a person with plenty of school spirit to go to a foreign court to help our team to victory.

Last week the Milne team went to Rensselaer to play Rensselaer High School. The team was about the only representation from Milne. There were some cheerleaders and a few loyal supporters in the stand but this is not enough to carry our team to victory. The team needs support at every game and especially when they play at school where they are strangers. If Milne's reputation is to be where it should be, we must show interest towards our school activity. If the attendance at our away games is as low as it has been, the public will begin thinking that if our team is not good enough to draw supporters from its own school it can't be very good. So at the rest of our games let's have the stands full of Milne rooters. Find out from a manager or players where the game is to be and gather your friends and come.

Sincerely yours
C. Kenneth Lasher
Manager of Basketball

CRIMSON TIDE WILL
PLAY STATE FROSH TONIGHT

Today at 4:30 in Page Hall gym Milne's Crimson tide will meet State's Frosh team. From the looks of our team in practice, we should say that for once we are going to teach the teachers to be.

Remember, Milnites, this is the last game of 1937 so we will be looking for one and all of you, to see State go down at the heels of mighty Milne.

GIRLS' SKI CLASSES
ARRANGE PLANS

The skiing club is already beginning their plans for an active season. Any-one (girls) is allowed to join, but she must naturally have the necessary ski articles. These are shoes, harnesses, two poles and of course, a ski suit. It promises to be a very active year, if only Old Man Weather will allow us a nice, snowy winter.

The girls' basketball teams are practically formed, and are as follows:

The Senior team is using a new system this year. Instead of having the conventional first and second teams, they have divided the girls into groups of A, B, C, and D. The forwards are either A, or B, and the guards are either C or D. This was done because the girls are of equal talent and to eliminate hard feelings.

The Senior girls have voted Patty Gibson captain. The girls who will play are as follows: A-Stanton, Haynor, Nesbitt, forwards, C-McDermott, Charles, D. Winhurst, guards. B-Seymour, Tripp, Simmons, Forwards, D-Gibson, Pond, M. Winhurst, Soper, guards.

Kay Newton was elected captain of the Junior first team. The team will be as follows: Forwards--K. Newton, V. Nichols, R. S. Kirk and D. Welsh. The guards are: R. Rasp, D. Dey, J. Murdock, L. Eccleshymer and J. Grace.

The second team for the Junior girls is Shattuck, E. Stulmeyer, U. Underwood, and M. Fletcher as forwards. The guards are M. Freund, J. Best, J. Clark, and J. Jansing. This is only tentative.

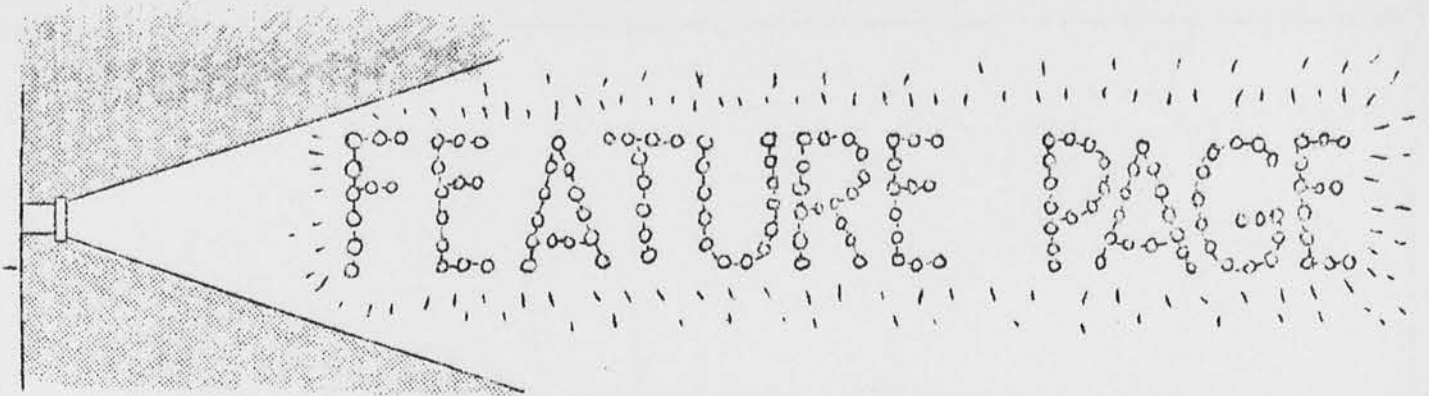
The Sophomore girls have chosen two teams to be equal to each other. They are called the Reds and the Whites. The Red team has elected Betty Mann as their captain. Her team consists of M. Chase, J. Tarsches, B. Thompson, S. Roberts, S. Rubin and E. Parsons.

The White team is led by Martha Freytag. The girls on her team are A. Beik, J. Vedder, B. Schriener, and B. McGhie.

MILNE TEAM LOSES FIGHT
WITH RENSSELAER HIGH SCHOOL

Milne High School played an aggressive and hard fought game against Rensselaer High School last Friday night. After leading for over three quarters the Crimson Tide was defeated by the long shots of Darcy and Betts in the closing period of the game. The score was 22 to 19. The high scorer was Dick Game with eight points. The boys played a game to be proud of as they led a fighting Rensselaer team until that decisive fourth quarter.

The Milne High Junior varisty won their fourth successive game, with a score of 22 to 4. Paland was high scorer with ten points.



WHAT MILNITES WANT FOR YULETIDE

The inquiring reporter set out determinedly one December morn to find out what Milnites really desired for Christmas.

"What do you want Santa Claus to bring you?", the reporter asked timidly of Jane Grace.

"Charley McCarthy!" said Jane with emotion. "He's so cummin' and just the right size for me!"

Adele Corwin said she "just loves" that new State model. Our esteemed president, Kenneth Lasher, craves a new toothbrush; his fellow Senior, Mr. Funk wants a brownette, and brownette! Ginny Jordan doesn't want anything; she's got everything already.

Roger Orton simply must have a new Buck Rogers suit (he takes size 18). As usual, Betty Holmes is looking for a big date. Al Wheeler wishes to own an auto but his father is going to surprise him with a book. Your reporter thinks Al ought to have a soap box (he's a Communist, you know.) Ray Newton wants to pass Chemistry, just once!

Betty Tincher is what Lenecard Benjamin would like very much for Christmas. (source of this information is secret). Our fair Betty herself says she isn't very choosy; an ermine coat or an ermine wrap will do.

When your reporter approached Dr. Bayles with the frivolous question, her knees were rather shakey (the last report was only two weeks ago).

"What I want for Christmas? Good health throughout next year", replied Dr. Bayles, heartily.

My Christmas wish takes its cue from our beloved principal; I, too, want good health next year---but after this, I don't think my future looks any too encouraging!

WHAT THEY GET!

Shirley Baldwin - a birdcage (So that's what she's going to keep them in!)

Eddie Starkweather - a big, baby doll from Westhaven.

Harriet Gordon - rosebud (??????)

Bud Hill - a coffin for one of his teacher's. (He'll probably end up in it himself.)

Dot Shattuck - another Oscar.

Barbara Soper - a date for New Year's Eve
George Farrington - a date for New Year's Eve.

Jaret Clark and Ducky Dey - two bottles of Dr. Quack's Giant growing Emulsion.

Charles Sanderson - a baby carriage

Doris Mochrie - Skis with brakes.

New't Cross - Model T Ford (Isn't there some other reason why New't wants the holidays to hurry up and arrive?)

Midge Stanton - a trip to Switzerland so she can ski and find a nice instructor.

Nancy Glass - henna hair dye and a silk stocking run-stopper.

Earl Goodrich - a pair of skis, a snowy mountain top, and a pretty girl.

Simmons and Walker, Inc. - accident insurance.

Junior girls-boyfriends who will escort them home.

Mary Winhurst - an honor average

Jack Skinner - a mask to make him handsome

George Scoville - Dy-die doll

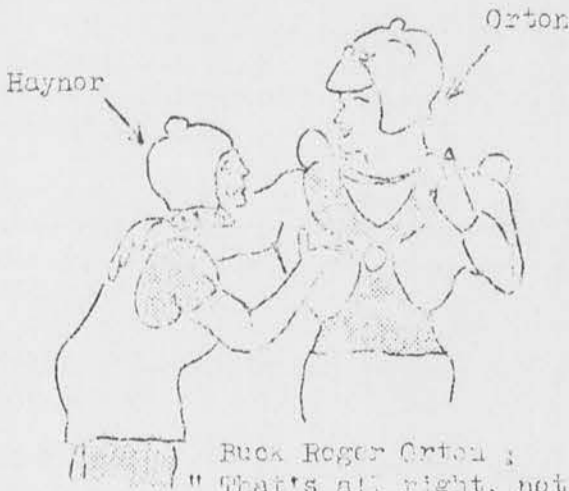
MICKY MOUSE VISITS MILNE!

Probably everyone has heard about it, but in case you haven't, read on.

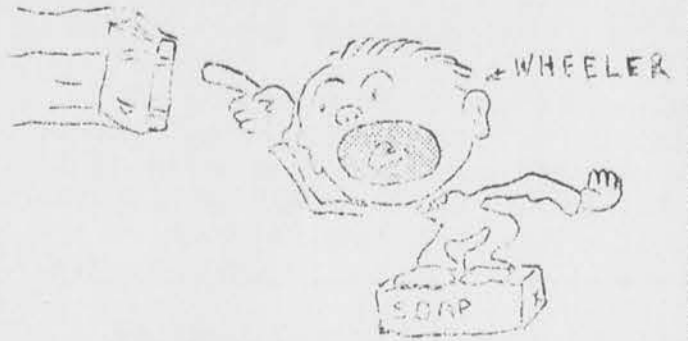
Recently a real live mouse was seen running around the one o'clock English IV Class to the consternation of everyone. He ran past Althea Wallace's feet and she let out a shriek. The teacher, Mr. Densmore, told us to remain calm, and then he climbed up upon the desk!!!!

The mouse soon disappeared into the Crimson and White files. A wise-cracker might say that's why the paper smells, but then we don't have any wise-crackers around Milne, or do we?

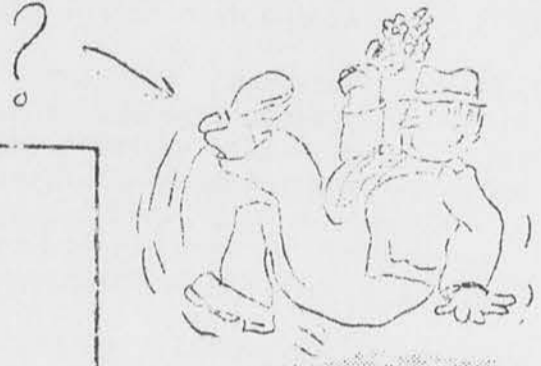
FEATURE FUNNIES



Haynor
Orton
Buck Roger Orton :
" That's all right, not
many saw you crash through in dress
rehearsal. "



Al gets his book!! Look out Al.



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Looks like Betty's Big Date
is falling hard !!

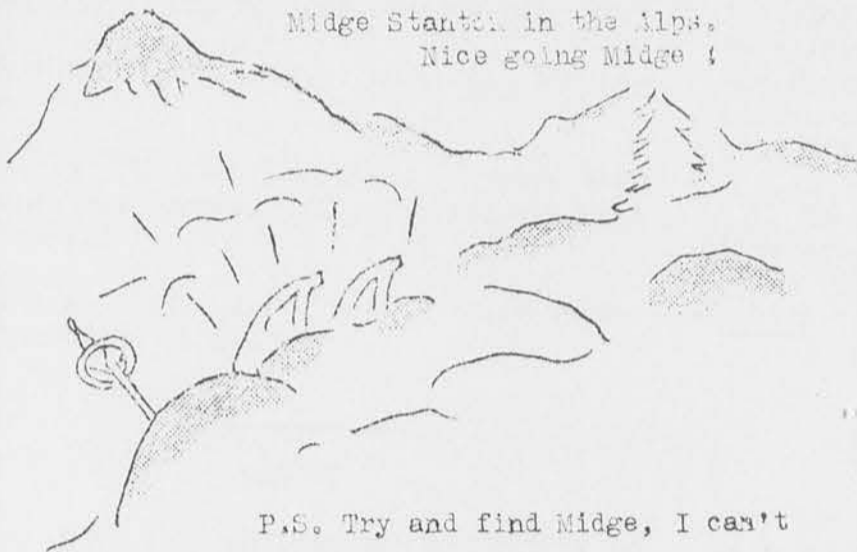


George Scovill
" Darn those Di-Dee Dolls !
(dolls)

SPLASH



Charlie :
" How do you like my new
dummy ?



Midge Stanton in the Alps.
Nice going Midge !

P.S. Try and find Midge, I can't

GREETINGS



1937

DON'T FORGET YOUR SELLS !!!!



Ken Lasher
" What do I want a toothbrush for,
I haven't any hair on my teeth ! "

DO YOU DO YOUR HOMEWORK THIS WAY?

Have you ever thought of the many different methods people you know use for doing homework? Here are some used around Milne.

Barden: "First I take off my shoes, then eat three apples, four pieces of candy, drink one glass of water, and I'm off."

Rasp: "Smoking's wonderful to get in the mood."

Al Wheeler: "There's nothing like making the rounds to get a few answers."

Tincher: "I prefer the telephone method."

Tarsches: "Say 'It Can Be Done' ten times. Sometimes it works."

Ed Stark: "I don't do it."

Dey: "My brother's Chemistry experiments come in right handy."

Stanton: "Oh, Seeley's a whiz at homework."

Vedder: "Any old way to get it done."

Hume: "I go to night school."

Barker: "Oh, those fellows from Yale and Harvard help me out."

Baldwin: "Oh, Bob and Freddie help me."

Corwin: "It's easy, I know all the answers."

Davis: "I have a special formula that sometimes works. '2 parts wine, 1 part women)."

Seth W: "I'm kept pretty busy in the preceding class."

HABITS

Have you noticed the odd habits of some truly intellectuals? Joyce Mardock of the junior clan is a giggler. When the French teacher asks her a question, she giggles and mutters something about "What the heck am I doing," or "Where am I?"

Have you ever noticed Brud's coaching during a basketball game or (speaking of games), Dick Games' gum chewing contest? Doesn't Dick Andrews' collection of senior dollars get you down? When are you going on your spree, Dick? You deserve a real old-fashioned one after all you've gone through as an installment collector.

(continued in next column)

DID YOU SAY REST?

The other day we overheard someone saying that they would catch up on their sleep during this vacation. That was an entirely new idea, so we thought we'd see how some of your prominent Milnites felt about it.

We went first to Barbara and Midge, the fascinating femmes, and asked them how they felt about this idea of resting during Christmas vacation. Almost in a chorus they trilled, "Rest? But of course not! We have a date for every night - with each other."

Then we approached Ken Lasher, (And by the way, girls, Ken is going to be a perfect husband some day.) He considered the question for a moment and then replied, "I'm sorry, but I can't give any statement to the press until I've consulted Ruth."

Betty Tincher was the next on our list. She gave us a haggard look and whispered, "You bet your life I'm going to rest if I live through the Christmas Plays, unless I can find something better to do." Well, that was that.

Seeley Funk was quite definite on the subject. "I never rest any more than I absolutely have to", he growled, "and you should know that by now."

We finished our tour with Marjorie Pond. She gave us a look of utter astonishment and fairly shrieked, "Don't be silly! You know as well as I do that the Cronell fellows will be here for Christmas. What time will I have to rest in?"

Thus endeth this story -- with just time enough to sneak in under the deadline. Ho, Hum. Anyway, there'll be a little time to rest in, dern it!

(continued from column one)

When there is a knock on a classroom door, do you ever take note of the breath-taking gasps of the students therein, especially around report card time? Robert Nattell's favorite saying is, "Well, what I mean is....." Then too we often hear Harriet Gordon's squeals of "Oh's" and "Ah's".

The sophomore sophistication gripes the upper classman. A date around Milne is cause for a great celebration. The more rare a thing is, the more precious it becomes, we suppose. We're a little off the subject here if we're talking about habits so maybe we'd better let it go at that. Habit good time, chilluns.