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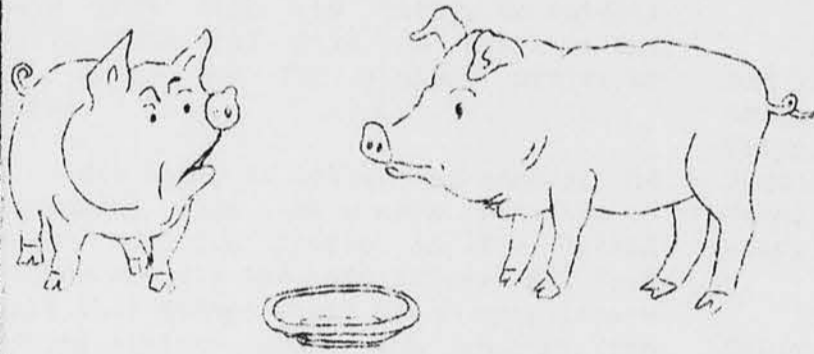
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→ AIN'T IT THE TRUTH ?



You Pig !! Why didn't you save some for me to eat.



Some Dummy, I'll say.

PAPER MISTER?

How does polly like her new home?
 Sqawk !! The house is all O.K.--



Xray of student's brain before midyear. *

* Note the wrinkles in the Cerebrum caused by over studying.



The late bird always gets the worm, or does it ?

HOBBY CLUB HEAPS
SPEAKER FROM FORT
ORANGE STAMP CLUB

At the December 3rd meeting of the Hobby Club in room 235, Mr. Ward, vice president of the Fort Orange Stamp Club, gave a talk on his collection of stamps.

Mr. Ward began his talk by telling about the different hobbies that people have. He said that one did not have to make his hobby the collecting of something, but might have hiking, fishing, swimming, or many other things for a hobby. He believes that a person should have more than one hobby; an outdoor hobby which will give him exercise and an indoor one for wintery and rainy days.

His hobby is collecting stamps. He estimated that there were from five to eight million people in the United States who did the same thing. Mr. Ward said that stamps would teach many interesting things about the country from which they came. He told about the ways in which a friend of his became interested in stamps. An interesting part of his talk concerned the origin of the postal service. He said that the present postal service was only ninety-eight years old.

At the conclusion of his talk, he exhibited his collection of United States stamps, most of which are mint and considered very rare. He showed his collection of first day covers, envelopes which are stamped on the day the stamp is issued. Mr. Ward also showed a very interesting copy of an old Boston newspaper which dates back to the War of 1812.

NEW PLAQUE LISTS MILNE'S
STATE SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Have you noticed the new plaque in the hall near the office? It contains the names of the Milne students who have won State scholarships. Those who have received a State scholarship in the last five years are as follows: 1932, Lois Potter; 1933, Frances Bates, Sue Cadwell, Elfreida Hartt, Marion Shultes, Winifred Wilcox; 1934, Carleton Powers; 1935, Barbara Allen, Paul dePorte, Clive Roman; and 1936, Vivian Synder, Robert Apes.

Each county is given fifteen of these scholarships for each assembly district in it. Since Albany county has three assembly districts, it has fifteen State scholarships.

DRAMATICS CLUB PLANS
CHRISTMAS PLAYS FOR
NEXT THURSDAY EVENING

On Thursday evening, December 16, the Dramatics Club will present their thirteenth annual Christmas plays. The plays will begin at 8:15 o'clock. They will be presented in the auditorium of Page Hall.

The first play will be "The Diabolical Circle" by Beulah Bomstead. The cast includes Shirley Baldwin, Robert Gardner, Alfred Wheeler, and Robert Wheeler. Miss Appledorn is the director.

"Op-'o-Me-Thumb" by Frederick Fern and Richard Pryce is the second presentation. Those taking part are Virginia Tripp, Marjorie Pond, Lois Hayner, Betty Tincher, Jacqueline Townsend, and Wilson Hume. Miss Whelan is directing this play.

The Junior High will present "The Enchanted Tree" by Percival Wilde. The cast included Robert Schamberger, Elaine Drooz, Leah Einstein, Jerome Levitz, Jack Coaner, Janet Westbrook, Roberta Smith, Rhea Kovar, Joseph Rose, Miriam Steinhardt, Russell Langwig, Stanford Golden, Kenneth Langwig, Lillian Leng, Elaine Becker, and Charles Kosbob. The director of the play is Miss Daniels.

Marian McCormack is in charge of the sets group. Helen Barker, Dorothy Sherman, Betty Schultz, Ann Hunting, Shirley Burgess, William Saunders, John Fink, Russell Jones, Robert Bingham, and Charles Barnes are assisting her.

Benjamin Douglas is the business manager. He is assisted by Fred Regan. The tickets are twenty-five cents each and may be obtained from any member of the Dramatics Club.

STUDENT COUNCIL ANNOUNCES
NEW VOUCHER SYSTEM

The Student council has announced a new system for signing vouchers. They must be signed by the following persons, faculty sponsor; Student council treasurer, Mary Winhurst; and by either Dr. Sayles or Dr. Frederick. The faculty member and the council treasurer must sign before the voucher is presented to either principal. Vouchers must be made out three days before the check is drawn.

The Student council also stated that they would like the Christmas boxes to be more practical this year. This includes the decorations and the food which is put in the box.

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THE "GENIUS"
BY THEODORE DREISER

This book stands out as a masterpiece among all the contemporary American novels that we have ever read. It is a character study, dealing with the life of a genius of painting. It is much more a task of artistry to create and develop an imaginary person than to write biography. In the latter the person is interesting for himself, while in the former the writer must make his character interesting solely thru his imagination.

The "Genius" is an example of a beautifully rounded depiction of the development of a character. It is complete and full. It is a thing that shakes one and leaves a clean feeling; it is the highest order of poetry because it appeals to the mind. The book is not a medium for the author to express his ideas in, although ideas may be drawn from the book. It is pure art, unattached and in a sense, abstract. We enjoyed reading it immensely.

EXCUSE IT, PLEASE

If you want something humorous to read, try Cornelia: Otis Skinner's Excuse It, Please. This is a small volume, a collection of essays that is likely to make one hysterical with laughter. However, with proper precautions, you may enjoy this book without dire results.

In one commentary, the author deploras the inconveniences of "Room Service" in the New York hotels. As our poor Cornelia languishes in her room, she hears the waiter coming down the hall. Crash! The poor lady envisions the waiter salvaging peas from the carpet and rescuing the chop from the fire extinguisher. He squeezes the tomato juice from the tablecloth back into the glass; then, relaxing on his heels, Mr. Waiter waits for the butter balls to drop from the ceiling. Cornelia does not enjoy the dinner as much as she might.

Soglow's illustrations (he draws the Little King) embody the author's mood; these little sketches are really hilarious! One picture shows our plump heroine straddling a horse on her stomach while two grooms struggle to place her in the saddle the right way. This cartoon precedes the chapter On Riding.

Did I tell you about the adventures at the skating rink? I really haven't time but anyway, forget your own grievances and learn about Cornelia Otis Skinner's amusing troubles in Excuse It, Please.

LISTEN!

A few Milne rooters at Philip Schuyler game last Saturday must have avoided comparing their cheering section with Schuyler's. Easily discouraged cheerleaders, and absent cheering section, and a losing game all combined to make the Milne stands look foolish beside the army of Schuyler rooters.

Just because a game is not played in our own gymnasium is no reason why the majority of you Milnites should lose all interest in it. Rather it should be a signal for everyone to make even a greater effort to be there. Your team plays on a strange court, and they need your support more than ever. The Milne cheers don't sound like anything unless they are raised by more than half a dozen voices.

The cheerleaders were evidently not sure of themselves; this added to the general confusion. They've taken the shabby exhibition at Schuyler to heart enough to double the practice time in order to be perfectly co-ordinated at the Rennselaer game tonight.

Doesn't it occur to you to take this example to heart too and to be there tonight? It's entirely up to you.

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* SOCIETIES *
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* EXCHANGES *
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Quin:

The president, Lois Nesbitt, called the meeting to order. Quotations were from Emily Dickenson. Janet Clark gave the works, and Betty Schultz gave the life.

The members discussed the time and place for the Alumnae Banquet, but reached no immediate decision.

The new members present were Sally Deveraux, Suzanne Roberts, Shirley Baldwin, Jacky Townsend, Doris Mochrie, Jane Vedder, Betty Schriener, Barbara Thompson, and Estelle Dilg.

Theta Nu:

The members discussed the plans for the coming Theta Nu - Adelphei dance. It was decided to have the banquet set for December 17. George Farrington is in charge of arrangements.

Roger Orton gave a report on the book, Last Flight, by Putnam. This is a story of Amelia Earhart's last flight as told by her husband, George Palmer. Putnam. In a brief biography of her life, he tells of how she first became interested in aviation, and of outstanding parts of her life. Mr. Putnam discusses the plans and preparations for the last flight in detail, as well as the flight itself, and the possibilities of her still living.

Sigma:

The president, Midge Stanton, called the meeting to order, and welcomed the new girls. Betty Barden opened the literary meeting. Esther Stulmaker gave the biography of P. G. Woodhouse, the author, and Marian Freund gave some selections from one of his books. Sigma elected Doris Holmes to the position of Marshall of the society. The president swore in the sophomores. Sigma decided to have a theater party at the Palace at 1:30 on Saturday. The meeting closed with the singing of the Iota Sigma song.

Adelphei:

Nowell Cross gave a report on the book, Twenty Years Under the Sea, by Williamson. The book is about pictures taken under the sea by the author. The setting is the Bahama Islands, where many exciting incidents occur while the pictures are being taken. The author took the under-sea pictures for the moving picture, Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea. The members discussed the coming banquet, and the details for the Theta-Nu - Adelphei dance tomorrow night.

The Record of Mamaroneck, N. Y., is very interesting, due to its excellent editorials.

The Scrip of Central Park Junior High School, has interesting pictures accompanying the articles.

Spectator Junior of Watervliet has a column entitled Class Room Boners, which is very good.

The Susquehanna High School View has an excellent column on library material.

Mr. B. "So she returned your engagement ring?"

Mr. C. "Yes, she mailed it to me and had the nerve to paste a label on the outside: Glass, Handle With Care."

-Spectator Junior

Prof. - "What's your name, son?"

Julius - "Jule, Sir."

Prof. - "You shouldn't abbreviate. Your name is Julius. Next, what is your name?"

Bill O'Brien - (A half-scared voice piped out) - "Billious."

-Spectator Junior

"You complain that you have had to support your wife's family?" the court questioned the man seeking a divorce.

"Yes, your honor."

"How much of a family has she?"

"Four children, your honor."

"Who is their father?"

"I am, your honor."

-The Baptist Courier

Teacher - "Oh, Paul, are you counting on your fingers?"

Creesy - "OH, no'm, I'm just seeing if they're all here."

-Scribbler

Bob - "How is the boy that swallowed the half-dollar?"

Prof. - "No change yet."

-Spectator Junior

FRENCH CLUB DISCUSSES
NEW MEMBERS

The French Club discussed the admittance of new members who are interested in French, at the meeting last Friday in Room 130. They also considered the selling of the Milne emblems. Patricia Gibson, Elizabeth Simmons, Herbert Marx, Franklin Steinhardt, and Robert Taft spoke on their French correspondents.

RED RAIDERS MEET FIRST DEFEAT

The Milne "Red Raiders" were defeated last Saturday by the Phillip Schuyler "Falcons", with a score of 39-23.

Milne had great difficulty in both their offense and their defense. By the time they were gaining strength, they were ten points behind.

Only the outstanding efforts of Bob "Tiger" Taft saved the team from being swamped. "Tiger" was a sensation on the offense, and he scored 15 points which made him the high scorer for the second time this year.

The main stays of the Milne defense were Bob Taft, Dick Game, and Ed Harding. Ed played the game of his life, even in spite of his badly twisted ankle.

The "Red Raiders" will meet another great team tonight when they meet Renssalaer tonight. The same team defeated Milne last year.

MILNE JAYVEES MAKE IMPORTANT VICTORY

The Milne Jayvees continued their undefeated season by a victory over the Phillip Schuyler Jayvees, 25-15. During the game, one of the Falcon forwards was the cause for much merriment when he made a basket at the wrong end of the court. The players all took this play as a joke.

The Milne team was quite jubilant over this particular victory, as this is the first time in three years that a Milne Jayvee team has beaten a Phillip Schuyler Jayvee.

Russel Jones was high scorer for the game with 9 points to his credit. Russell is a very good prospect for the varsity team next year. He knows how to dodge and work around any defense work the other team may have. Also "Russ" has a good eye for baskets. He seldom misses any baskets--at least not widely.

A TAKING GIRL

She took my hand in sheltered nooks
She took my candy and my books
She took that lustrous wrap of fur
She took those gloves I bought for her
She took my words of love and care
She took my flowers, rich and rare
She took my time for quite a while
She took my kisses, maid so shy
She took, I must confess, my eye
She took whatever I could buy
And then she took another guy.

MILNE PLAYS RENSSALAER

Tonight the Milne basketball team will meet the Renssalaer High School team on the Renssalaer court. The first game, played by the Junior Varsity, will start at seven o'clock, and the Senior Varsity game will play at eight o'clock. If it is possible, do come! The Milne team needs your support. The opponents have very strong teams, and the two games promise to be exciting.

NESBITT ELECTED GIRLS VARSITY CAPTAIN

The girls elected for captain of their varsity basketball team, Lois Nesbitt. She is very enthused with the girls, and gives them all a chance to play a while during practice.

So many girls come out to the meet that it will soon be necessary to cut down to about 20 the number of girls to attend practices. From these 20, the regular varsity will then be chosen.

THE DUTIES OF A REAL BASKETBALL PLAYER

In the dictionary we see basketball defined as a fast game played between two teams. It seems that the players of this game must be, at least in a state where they are able to propel themselves around under their own power.

Any player who has spent the night before the game running around until morning, cannot expect to play a game worthy of his name.

If a player didn't play for the honor of his school, his ability would be wasted. Basketball is a game, yet it is extremely important to the school it represents. Every member of that team has his responsibilities---to be in good condition, to play a clean game, and to do his best. Fellows, it's up to you to do your best. Forget about the wrong things, and concentrate on making your team one looked upon with respect and admiration.

Cooeey-Fooeey sittee on railroad track
Chooeey-Chooeey go - "Tooeeey-Tooeeey"
But Cooeey-Fooeey no hear Chooee-
Chooeey go -- "Tooeeey-Tooeeey!"
Cooeey-Gooeey!

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* FEATURES *

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A LETTER TO THE BOYS

One of the most popular girls in Milne handed us this letter a few days ago and asked us to be sure and print it in the Crimson and White. If any of you boys disagree with her, we are perfectly willing to present your side of the matter, too. Here's the open letter to the Milne boys.

Dear Boys,

Most schools have a reputation to be proud of concerning their dances. Everyone goes; everyone dances, and everyone has a good time. At Milne dances, too many of our boys come stag and at basketball games, you either leave when the game is over or you drape yourselves around the edge of the dance-floor and occasionally look pleasant. Is it because you are too tired to dance or because you think you make better wall decorations?

Some boys excuse themselves by saying that they don't know how to dance. We suggest that an easy remedy would be to join the dancing club or purchase a book on the subject. Of course, there are exceptions to every rule and if you are one, we congratulate you.

Are you senior high boys going to let the seventh and eighth graders outshine you on the dance floor? At your first game, the dancing afterward resembled a junior high party.

Come on fellows, get into the swing and dance!

Yours truly,
Jimmy Meddler.

HE'S ALL WET!

Talk about humorous incidents in cafeteria, you should have seen Dick lame last Tuesday. Or did you?

After settling down to enjoy his lunch, he became aware that everyone was laughing. Being a good scout he laughed with them, but soon he realized that the joke was on him. Or rather he was on t.

"Ducks" like water and a "Dey" is no exception, so when a glass of water had been spilled on a chair, could anyone help it if Dick was so eager to eat that he sat down without looking.

Poor Dick! He walked backwards all afternoon, but who cares. It's all a game anyway.

MY TEACHER'S DREAM

My teacher last night in his bedroom
Lay sleeping away on his bed.
His body was bruised and was broken
"From teaching those pupils," he said.

As he dreamed of each darling pupil;
He glowered at each little one.
For hours he dreamt of those spitballs
Along with those lousy old puns.

Kay Newton told little Dick Paland
"Oh Dick, that's an awful cold breeze."
"Want my coat?" asked Paland of Newton.
Said Kay, "Not the coat; just the sleeve."

Then he heard small Tafty reciting
An old-time nursery rhyme,
And who was that boy with his shoes off?
None other than lefty Walt Seim.

Then he heard Dick Selkirk start shouting,
"In this multitudinous crowd,
I can't hear a thing that you're saying
'Cause Davis is snoring so loud."

Then after a night full of nightmares
My teacher awoke with a start.
Again he must enter the classroom
With knowledge to try to impart.

SNOW FUN

Our first snowfall brought many comments from many different people. Overheard in the locker room was Fran Seymour saying, "I knew it would rain or snow today, just when I wanted to have my picture taken. Now my hair has drooped and I won't go."

The first thing we heard from Betty Schultz was; "I'm going right home and wax my toboggan."

Midge Stanton was a little worried when she came in. She was afraid she was the only one who wore high overshoes. But soon we found that Barbara Soper had worn them too. Barb said; "Don't you hate to wear overshoes? Honestly, it spoils my whole day."

Jeannie McDrumott also had a little trouble with her new curls. She arrived with them all pinned up. Her comment was, "Lock! I had to pin my curls up or else they'd form a window shade over my eyes."

Soon we wandered up to homeroom where we heard the boys talking about skiing. Roger Orton asked; "Are you going skiing Guzzle?"

Ed Miller came back with; "I'd like to see Guzzle ski. He skis on barrel staves."

ELIZABETH SIMMONS URGES
CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS ISSUE

Elizabeth Simmons, editor-in-chief of the Crimson and White magazine, has announced that this year contributions for the Christmas issue are going to be handled differently than in former years. All of the students will be asked to hand in their contributions of their own accord instead of having them assigned in classes.

Poetry, humor, and short stories will be equally acceptable. The staff urges everyone to make an effort to contribute some original work. Contributions should be turned over to Hazel Roberts, Sylvia Typins, or Miss Conklin.

The publication of the magazine may be delayed until after Christmas because of the short time before vacation begins. Everything is being done, however, to publish it before the holidays.

This year the Christmas issue will be put out in a different form than in former years. In previous years the Crimson and White magazine has been published in two issues. Both of these have been bound with cardboard covers. The Christmas issue contained original literary works by members of the student body. The June issue is the year book of the senior class. The students voted to eliminate the bound issue at Christmas time and substitute a mimeographed issue in its place. This issue will contain the original works of the students as in former years. The money which would have been spent on the Christmas issue for printing and binding will be added to the fund for the June issue. With this extra money, it is the plan to have more pictures and other items of interest in the Senior's year book.

ATTENTION, PARENTS

Every year, since 1925, the Milne Dramatics Club has presented several one-act plays, for the public around Christmas time. It has become a custom, and is observed as such, both here in school and in the community. In school it is considered a signal honor to be chosen for a part in the Christmas plays, and indicative of dramatic ability. Almost everyone who has been in our audience agrees that the Christmas plays make up one of the best amateur dramatic programs which is presented in Albany, and, as you will realize, they are deserving of that honor.

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SENIOR COUNCIL APPOINTS
WINSHURST AS CHAIRMAN
OF CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY

Every year there is a Christmas assembly the last day of school before the Christmas vacation. At this time, various boxes of food for needy families are decorated and filled with the necessary items of food for a Christmas dinner. The various homerooms compete with each other for the most attractive box. This year the assembly will be a 1:30 o'clock on Friday, December 17.

Mary Winshurst is in charge of the assembly. Mildred Mattice will have charge of arranging the boxes on the stage.

Each homeroom has elected a chairman to make arrangements for their box. The chairmen are Betty Earden and Janet Clark, 329; Robert Gale and Walter Seim, 129; William Saunders, 324; Richard Andrews, 333; Virginia Nichols, 228; Betty Mann, 127; Marilyn Smith, 227; Janice Crawford, 130; and Russell Jones and Estelle Digg, 126.

WHICH DO YOU PREFER?

The Question: Do you think that blonds have more appeal than brunettes?

The Answers:

Janet Clark and Hazel Roberts: "Oh, definitely!"

Roger Orton: "No, they are apt to be dumb and I like them smart enough to catch the points of my jokes." That's a compliment to you, Lois.

Seth Wheeler: "Yes, there is so much uncertainty about it all. You never know whether they'll still be blonds or not by the next time you see them."

Fred Regan: "No, it's not the hair that counts; it's the heart and the head." You've got something there, Freddie!

Fran Seymour: "Well, I should say not! Dark hair is just as appealing as it can be." We wonder how appealing that is, Fran. Maybe Jack can tell us.

Bob Gardner: "Either one is O.K. as long as she's a redhead."

Male Chorus: "We're undecided. Yes and no. Definitely. We have no statement for the press but you may say that we love any way they come."

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Amateur dramatics are not produced for profit, but for training, and in Milne High School, those taking part in the plays receive an excellent brand of this. The price of admission is small, you will admit, for the glimpse of the possibilities of amateur dramatics which you will obtain.