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SENIOR NEWS

Christmas Plays

ATHLETIC CLUBS HOLD MEETING; DISCUSS CONDUCT AT COURT GAMES ENTRANCE REGULATIONS TIGHTENED

A special assembly of the G.A.C., Varsity Club, Hi-Y, Athletic Council, and Student Council was held last Wednesday at 11:00 o'clock in the auditorium. The purpose of this meeting was to decide about the incidents which happened last Saturday night after the basketball game.

Two fire alarms were sent in from Richardson Hall and two windows in the gymnasium were broken. Although the Milne students are held responsible, Professor Sayles thinks that they were accidental.

Because of these occurrences, the following rules have been adopted: 1. The only entrance open into the building will be the three front doors of Page Hall and the door to the locker rooms in Richardson. 2. It will be necessary for the girls to come back outside from the locker room and come in through Page Hall. 3. Absolutely no one will be allowed downstairs into the gym without a ticket; all outsiders are required to have a. ticket.

4. Milne students with student tax cards will not receive pass-out checks but will use their student tax cards.

5. The janitors have the privilege to expel any one from the gym whose conduct is not satisfactory.

All students are asked to co-operate with these rules. If any more disturbances occur, it will be necessary to have police cars patrol the grounds every fifteen minutes.

CHRISTMAX ASSEMBLY TO BE HELD LAST D.Y OF SCHOOL

The annual joint Christmas assembly will be held Friday afternoon at 1:00 o'clock, just before dismissal for Christmas vacation. The Christmas boxes which were made by the various homerooms for the poor families of the city will be on display and will be judged by members of the faculty. THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PLAYS TO BE DECEMBER 18, AT 8:30 MISS CONKLIN IS IN CHARGE

To Be Wednesday

The annual Christmas plays widd be presented next Wednesday at 8:15 o'clock. Tickets may be bought from any member of the Dramatics Club who have them on sale for twenty-five cents. Three plays will be presented.

The first, Knave of Hearts, by Louise Saunders and directed by Augusta Katz includes Fred Regan, Flue Hose; Robert Nattell, Yellow Hose; Mildred Mattice, first Herald; Ruth Selkirk, second Herald; Robert Gardener, Pompebile, King of Hearts; Edward Sternfield, Chancellor; Robert Wheeler, Knave of Hearts; Elaine Drooz and Charlotte Kornit, Ursula; Esther Stuhlmaker, Lady Vidletta; Norman Andrews, Donner Atwood, Helen Choper, Leah Einstein, Jerome Levitz, and Jean Marhish, pages.

Sham, a social satire by Frank Tomkins, under the direction of Norma Taylor, has the following cast. Walter Simmons, Charles; Virginia Kelsey, Clara his wife; Betty Potter, Reporter; Wilson Hume, Thief.

Off Nag's Head, by Dougald MacMillan and directed by Jayne Buckley, includes Ralph Norvell, Fisherman; Cora Randles, Old Woman; Virginia Tripp, "Gal"; Kenneth Lasher, Doc tor; Priscilla Simpson, Sick Woman.

The stage committees are as follows: Sham, Thelma Segall; Off Nag's Head, Betty Boyd. The general utility committee is made up of Frances Levitz, chairman, Edgar Harding, Jean Ambler, Margaret Charles, Betty Hine, Dorothy Harrison, Helen Barker, Janet Crowley, Irene Hawkins, and Jean LaGrange.

The prop committee for Off Nag's Head is headed by Vivian Snyder assisted by Lois Mesbitt and Dick Selkirk. Sheldon Bond is the head of the prop' committee for Sham. He is assisted by Marjorie Pond, Frances Seymour, and Herbert Smith. Sally Ryan is the chairman for the props committee for Knave of Hearts.

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MILNE TO FACE RENSSELLER; ST. MARY'S OF AMSTERDAM IS OPPONENT ON SATURDAY

Tonight the Crimson tide will meet the Rensselaer team in the Page Hall court for the last home game of 1935, as they have been unable to win a game yet this year on the home boards, the Crim-. son and White squad will put forth the greatest effort to win one, thus making the score two games to seven. Tomorrow night the Milne team will go to Amsterdam where they will be featured against the St. Mary's squad.

Both of these teams are new rivals for Milne. Rensselaer played Milne in baseball but have never met the Crimson and White cage team. Up to date they are undefeated. St. Mary's has turned out another fine cage team which recently defeated the State frosh by six points. The Milne boys will find stiff opposition in them. Their first squad boasts of four men of over six feet in height and a fine zone defense. This will be Milne's first contest against this type of defense this season.

The starting lineup for the St. Mary's game will largely depend upon the showing tonight against Rensselaer. The combination that is most successful tonight will start tomorrow night. The a-vailable players for the week-end games are Douglas MacHarg, Howard Rosenstein, Raymond Hotaling, Ralph Norvell, Gordon Carvill, Walter Simmons, and Robert Taft. assembly of the athletic associations.

ENGLISH CLASSES ATTEND "MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM"

Yesterday, about two hundred students of Milne visited the Madison Theatre to see Max Reinhardt's production of Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream." Miss Fay of the State College Co-op arranged for the sale of the tick-ets. The play will be discussed in English classes on Monday.

The showing of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" is the first in Albany and one of the first in the country, as the picture has not been released to the public as yet. The matinee showings have been attended by school children from all parts of the Capital District.

The cast boasts of such stars as Joe Brown, Jean Muir, James Cagney, Dick Powell, and Mickey Rooney.

FENTON GAGE HONORED AT UNION

Fenton A. Gage, '37, who graduated from Milne High School in 1933, was on Betty Nichols, Margaret Sinoa, Virginia the Dean's List for the first marking McDermott, Alice Wander, and Gertrude period in Union College. He was one of sixty-six so honored. All people re-ceiving an average of 80 or more are placed on this list, Gage is working for a Bachelor of Arts degree.

SENIOR HIGH PARTY JAN. 17 TO BE OLD CLOTHES PARTY COUNCIL DISCUSSES MURALS

The Student Council decided in its meeting last Friday that the senior high party will be on January 17 from 8:30 to 11:00 o'clock. It will be an "old clothes" party and absolutely no one will be admitted unless he is fittingly dressed.

Ralph Norvell and Raymond Hotaling are in charge of hiring an orchestra. Edmund Haskins will get the callers for the square dancing. The committee for refreshments and decorations is composed of Mary Winshurst, Lois Nesbitt, and Seeley Funk. No one will be admitted without his student tax ticket.

The council also discussed the problem of raising money for the murals. They decided that dances during lunch and homeroom periods or even after school would be the most profitable. However, no suitable place has yet been found.

GLEE CLUB HOLDS MEETING; TO MEET IN AUDITORIUM

The Glee Club in the weekly meeting practiced the songs that they plan to sing the evening of the Christman plays. The attendarce was small because many of the members were attending the joint

Although the club has met regularly in room 28, Richardson Hall, they plan to use the auditorium in the future.

LIBRARY FINES DECREASE

Miss Eaton wishes to announce that the library fines have decreased greatly this year. In 1934, the fines for Novem-ber amounted to \$7.33 as compared with \$4:10 for this November. This is a great improvement as Miss Eaton likes all books in the library when they are due.

CHRISTMAS PLAYS (Continued from page 1)

Leslie Sipperly is the business manager in charge of the plays. The assisting staff is as follows: publicity-Elizabeth Simmons and Mary Winshurst; tickets - Jane Bulger, Roger Orton, and Jane Wier; the ushers, headed by Jean Graham are: Lilian Allen, Lucille Armstead, Roberta Brandwin, Janet Bremer, Frances Bremer, Martha Gordon, Carolyn Hausemann, Marion Kasbob, Betty Leitch, Wheeler.

Peggy Waterbury is in charge of the make-up group and Jane Fromm, the costumes.

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THE POINT SYSTEM ---- PRO AND CON

Lately, there has been much talk on the question of the point system which is being used at the present time in Milne. This system, whereby all offices are given a certain numerical rating seems to be a constant question in the minds of all the students.

Let us now, for a brief period, consider the merits and deficits of the arrangement.

The system promotes a feeling of friendly competition among the students, for one thing. Euch strives to gain more offices than the other and thus gain more service points. If this rivalry is in good spirit, it is a good thing; if it is not in good spirit, it is a thing to be avoided. Secondly, it gives each person a reward for his efforts. If one for instance, is president of an organization, he probably works hard to benefit his club. For this, he should re-ceive a reward, which, at this time, is a certain number of points.

On the other hand, some organiza-tions seem to get credits while others do not. The orchestra members each get five points (but there is no or hestra). The Glee Club members do not get any, and they work hard.

Some of the boys may "kick" because there are only five points for their letters, while the girls who get many more letters get the same amount. The boys probably think that they should get more credit. Another argument against this system of points is that there is no school credit for them.

The two sides of the question are stated. The decision of the matter rests with you, as students who are receiving the benefits of the system. If enough of you want the system to be abolished, perhaps it will be. In either case, it still furnishes food for thought.

NOTICE: After only five more days of school, vacation will begin on December 20. We will reconvene January 2, 1936, at the usual hour of eight o'clock. Please do not be absent on these two days.

OUR CHRISTMAS BOXES

Have you ever walked along South Pearl Street about this time of the year and noticed the number of poor people standing in front of store windows, the shabby half-starved lot of humanity who have never known the luxury of a good home or even enough to eat These poor people stand on the outside and look in. They press their faces against the cold glass so that they may better see the things which might have been theirs, had they been born to a family with more money. We allude to the honest poor, to the men who have tried to make something better of themselves, to those poor unfortunates to whom financial security is still a vague dream. What can Christmas mean to these people but just another day of suffering? Perhaps Christmas only serves to accentuate their comparative poverty. Probably it stirs within them a resentment toward life in general. Mr. Unemployed, an honest man at heart, comes home to his family on Christmas Day and partakes of the slimmest fare. Can there be any cheer in his heart when he hasn't had a square meal in weeks?

It has been the custom in Milne in previous years, to have a box of food contributed from each homeroom to be distributed to some worthy family that has not been as fortunate as you and I have been. This year is not going to be an exception.

Most of the homerooms have already planned their boxes. Undoubtedly, each homeroom plans to have the winning box May as they are judged on appearance. we make a plea, however, to devote more attention to the contents than to the outside of the box. Crepe paper does not make a very satisfying meal. Let's all get together and contribute toward the happiness of a family on Christmas Day.

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MILNE IS BEATEN BY C. B. A. AS J. V.'S ARE VICTORIOUS

The Milne varsity took one step nearer the bottom when they lost the fifth game of the season to Christian Brothers Academy Saturday night, 36-30. This was Milne's third straight loss, having won from Delmarin the third game of the season. Although the varsity failed to win, the jayvees did them one better in trimming the C. B. A. junior varsity, 33-27.

The Brothers' team, in their flashy new uniforms, demonstrated good teamwork. Their ability to keep moving at the fast pace aided them greatly in the last few moments of play. De Masseo was the star of the game tallying 27 of C. B. A.'s 36 points.

The Crimson team showed a decided improvement over their performance the night before but were still below par. The Milne boys had great difficulty in working the ball down under the basket and their passwork was none too good. On the defense they were very weak indeed. In about the first two minutes of play De Masseo scored seven points. The Milne team put on its traditional last minute drive but failure to score on the last minute foul shots and to hold De Masseo proved their defeat.

MacHarg was: high scorer with eleven points while Taft tallied six. The two substitutes, Sipperley and Simmons, scored three and one points, respectively. For the short time that Norvell was in the game he, switching men with Rosenstein, held De Masseo scoreless.

SCHUYLER TRIMS MILNE TEAMS

Once again the Milne quintet has not gone down in defeat, but has been firmly put down. The jayvees were stopped by the Schuyler junior varsity with a score double theirs, 20-10. The Crimson Tide also had their score doubled by their opponents and then some. The total points when the last whistle blew were 32-15. This encounter was Milne's second failure to break vactorious into the city basketball circle.

The Red and Blue squad had a fine system of passwork and fast cutting. They were a very scrappy team and were in the game all the time.

There could be a lot or nothing said about the Crimson squad. They just didn't play ball. The type of game that they played is not even related to the old Milne fashion of basketball. Time and time again they deliberately threw the ball away. Long shots were taken with not a Milne man near the basket. Both the offense and defense were pretty bad.

GYM SCHEDULE ARRANGED

CLASS TEAMS SELECTED The girls' basketball classes have d for this winter. They have the

started for this winter. They have the new gymnasium Monday from 3:00 to 4:00 and Friday at 2:00 o'clock for regular classes. Varsity practice is Tuesday night at 6:30 o'clock.

The three class captains have been chosen. They are: Ethel Gillespy, senior; Frances Bremer, junior; Elizabeth Simmons, sophomore. Each of these captains appointed two sub-captains for the second and third teams. The senior subcaptains are Leslie Sipperly (2nd team) and Jane Bulger (3rd team); juniors: Virginia Soper (2nd team), Dorothy Harrison (3rd team); sophomores: Lois Nesbitt (2nd team), Marjorie Stanton (3rd team).

The class teams have been arranged and they will start inter-class games soon. The members of these teams are: senior first team - Ethel Gillespy, Jean Graham, Ruth Mann, Barbara Birchenough, Sally Ryan, Vivian Snyder, Elspeth Fromm, and Cora Randles. menior second team - Leslie Sipperly, Mildred Dootz, Virginia McDermott, Betty Boyd, Gertrude Wheeler, Doris Shultes, and Alice Wander. senior third team - Jane Bulger, Catherine Hall, Marion Comp, Irene Hawkins, Marion Cooper, Anna Oliver, Betty Nichols,

junior first team -Frances Bremer, Janet Bremer, Frances Levitz, Betty Potter, Carolyn Hausemann, and Virginia Kelsey. junior second team - Virginia Soper, Norma Kapewich, Thelma Segall, Priscilla Simpson, Jean Ambler, Ethel Fasoldt, and Grace Gallien.

and Dorothy Thompson.

junior third team - Dorothy Harrison, Marion Kasbob, Jane Weir, Jane Tincher, Roberta Brandwin, Helen Anthony.

sophomore first team - Elizabeth Simmons, Frances Seymour, Virginia Tripp, Mars, garet Charles, Hazel Roberts, and Jean McDermott.

sophomore second team - Lois Nesbitt, Marjorie Pond, Patricia Gibson, Damia Winshurst, Mary Winshurst, and Wirginia Mitchell.

sophomore third team - Marjorie Stanton, Harriet Richter, Recilla Rudnick, Barbara Soper, Betty Holmes, Sylvia Rypens.

CLUB DISCUSSES TRIP

The Varsity Club held its meeting Wednesday and discussed the crowds of people that they expected to get at the games with Christian Brothers Academy and Phillip Schuyler. The Club also wishes to thank all those alumni who showed up at these games. They also discussed the bus trip to Saint Mary's in Amsterdam. As yet (Wednesday) they have not decided whether to take one or two buses.

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- SOCIETIES * * * * * * * *

Quin:

At the weekly Quin meeting, quotations were from Sara Teasdale. Vida Ben-jamin gave an account of her life and Ethel Gillespy read some of her poems. OCHRE - A giant or monster including "I Shall Not Care" and "The Crystal Gazer." The life of Edgar Allen Poe was also discussed.

All new members of Quin are requested to attend the meeting next Tuesday at 11:00 o'clock in room 135.

Plans for the Quin party were also discussed at this meeting. The quota-tions for next week will be from the Reader's Digest.

Theta Nu:

The regular meeting of Theta Nu Literary society was held last Tuesday during the home room period. A short business meeting was held by the members. A report concerning Andrew Jackson was given by Kurt Eben.

Sigma:

The meeting was called to order at 11:05 by Barbara Bladen, president. The roll was called and the minutes ware read and approved. A discussion was then held concerning the literary program.

Lucille Armstead gave a report on the "Silver Cord" by Warwick Deeping. The acceptances and refusals were read by Thelma Segall.

The quotations next week will be from Edgar Allen Poe. Dorothy Harrison has his works and Barbara Bladen, his biography.

After the singing of the Zeta Sigma song, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30.

Adelphoi:

Robert Ely gave a report on the "Two Thieves." It dealt with the two robbers who were crucified with Christ who planned to overthrow the Roman government in Palestine.

They discussed the dances which are to be held in Milne this year. Adelphoi aims to aid in keeping order at the future basketball games.

FRENCH CLUB MEETS

The meeting of the French Club was called to order by Barbara Birchenough in the absence of the president, Cora Randles. The minutes were read and approved; the roll was called. The program chairman, Gertrude Wheeler, conducted a game of Lotto, in which the numbers were called in French.

ONLY FIVE MORE D.YS OF SCHOOL!

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The rest of our Fictionary

OBOE - 1 tramp or bum

- PARASITE Native of the capital of France. QUAIL - Just above Lake RUFFLE - A lottery SAFFRON - Undergoing extreme pain
- SCINTILLATE To misbehave until the wee
- hours of the morning. TALON - To squeal or snitch; as, T'11 talon you
- URCHIN Begging or persuading
- VALID A man servant
- WAX Stupid or silly persons; as, a bunch of. wax.
- WHIFF A married woman; as, that's no
- lady; that's my whiff.
 Y.W The mar bone forming the frame-work of the mouth; as, a sock on the yaw, by yiminy.
- YOKE A witticism or pun; us, some yoke, eh, kid?
- ZINC To submerge or cluse to descend below the surface; as, zinc or zwin.

NOTES FROM THE CO-OP

A thank-you note from Christopher Morley to Miss Fay of the State College Co-op has been published in the eleventh grade English text book by Brubacher and Wheeling. The letter was written after he had spoken at State College and had been entertained at Miss Fay's home in November 1931.

"November 7, 1931

Dear Helen Fay, I mustn't let another night go by without telling you what a happy time you and all your friends and pupils gave us. Frank Henry and I spent most of the ride back to New York in comparing notes on all the charms and kindnesses. Farticularly, I shall never forget the delightful replica of Roger Mifflin's sanctum; the peaceful brightness of your fireside out on the plain; and little Bobbie Mead's scarlet dress disappearing into the gloom of the auditorium when she left me solitary and alarmed in front of the large audience. Again and again I do thank you for your many understanding benevolences and I hope you will let Frank Henry and me assist the Co-op in any way in our power. The chil-dren were enchanted with the beautiful book of photographs.

With all best wishes to you all and a renewed including bers of the Council, Yours indeed, a renewed homage to all the comely mem-

Christophor Morley"

NOTICE: This year the Christmas issue of the Crimson and White will be given out in homerooms on Friday, Lecember 20, the last day before the vacation.

FRIDAY