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## Top Students Receive Awards

Outstanding Milnites received awards from Dr. Theodore H. Fos-sieck, principal, during today's all-school honors assembly in Page hall auditorium. Prizes and winners are as follows:

Art: John Olendorf, senior high; Glenn Simmons, junior high.

Business Education: Dayle Metzger, Arleen Susser.

English: Ellen Sherman.

French: Esther Clum.

Latin Eltza honor certificates: Stephanie Condon, Ellen Hoppner. Latin certificates: Thomas Cantwell, Stephanie Condon, Bruce Daniels, Martha Hesser, Ellen Hoppner, Doris Markowitz.

Spanish: for ability and interest, Judy Malzberg; for improvement, James Allen Cohen.

Mathematics: Wayne Somers, senior high; Earl Miller, junior high.

Music: Russell Webber.

Ninth grade science: Judith Allen.

Bricks and Ivy: Virginia Huntington, Doris Markowitz, Peter Pappas.

Crimson and White: Eugene Blabey, Helen Stycos.

Principal's prize for excellent scholarship in senior year: Doris Markowitz.

Robert M. Taft memorial award for improvement in scholarship in senior year: William Hoff.

John J. Barsam memorial award for contribution to senior play: Terri Lester.

Rensselaer Polytechnic institute award: Robert Kercull.

Syracuse university citizenship conference awards: John Garman, Stephanie Condon, Robert Killough, Jean Verlaney.

## Clubs Elect

The following Milne clubs have elected these new officers.

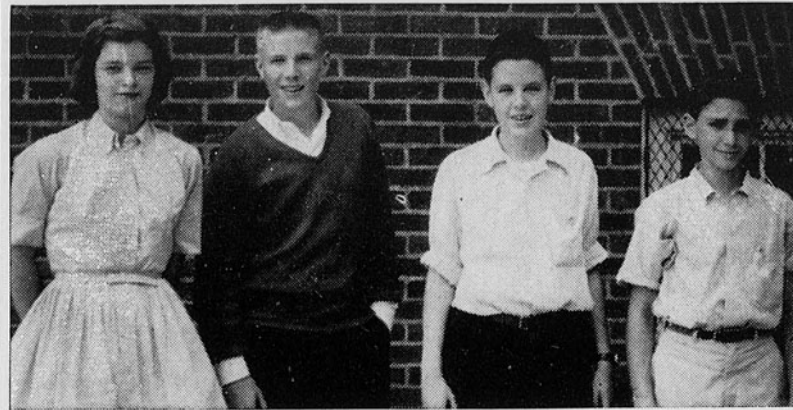
Hi-Y: president, John Garman; vice-president, Dick McEwan; secretary, Jack Binley; treasurer, Clayton Knapp; chaplain, George Hartman.

Tri-Hi-Y: president, Sue Goldman; vice-president, Ann Marshall; secretary, Mary McNutt; treasurer, Abby Perlman; chaplain, Sue McNeil.

Quin: president, Katie Simmons; vice-president, Karen Dougherty; secretary, Barbara Sager; treasurer, Diana Reed; mistress of ceremonies, Abby Perlman.

Sigma: president, Annabel Page; vice-president, Ann Pitkin; secretary, Nancy Jones; treasurer, Margy Fisher; mistress of ceremonies, Sue Goldman.

## Commencement Nears



The new officers of the junior student council are, left to right, Janice Lenda, secretary; Steve Rice, vice-president; Dave Blabey, president, and Alan Markowitz, treasurer. (Story on pg. 2, col. 4)

## Seniors List Full Schedule

Seniors are enjoying social activities and completing future plans as they prepare to graduate.

Commencement exercises for the 65 members of the class of 1957 will begin at 8:15 p.m., June 21, in Page hall auditorium. Dean Charles C. Noble of Hendricks chapel, Syracuse university, will be the principal speaker.

The junior class is making arrangements for commencement. Annabel Page heads the reception committee, which plans an outdoor reception. Decoration and cap and gown committees also have been formed.

The senior class officers have chosen those juniors who are to be marshals and ushers at commencement. Jane Armstrong and Bob Killough are marshals. Katie Simmons and Brud Snyder are head ushers, and Stephanie Condon, Rita Gosnell, Annabel Page, Abby Perlman, Charlotte Sackman, Jean Verlaney, Kent Gardiner, John Garman, Dick McEwan and Ed Sells are ushers.

### Senior Ball To Be June 14

The Senior ball will be from 9:00 to 1:00 on the evening of June 14. Harry Vincent and his band will provide music for dancing.

### Colleges Vie for Milnites

Many seniors have heard from the colleges of their choice in recent weeks.

Orange County Community college has accepted Esther Clum.

James Aronson Cohen has been accepted by Carnegie Tech. and Georgia Tech.

Leicester Junior college has notified Bill Englander of his acceptance, and McGill School of Nursing has accepted Sue Hershey.

Ellen Hoppner has heard from Connecticut College for Women and from Smith college.

Purdue and R.P.I. have accepted Bob Kercull, and Colby has notified Bob Knouse of his acceptance.

### Seniors Win Scholarships

Numerous seniors have proved their academic ability to colleges and have earned scholarships.

Eugene Blabey is the recipient of a Cornell university dean's scholarship.

Rochester university has made a scholarship available to Doris Markowitz.

Harpur and Hartwick have offered scholarships to Trudy Frey, and Bob Horn is alternate for a Navy R.O.T.C. scholarship.

Wayne Somers is winner of honorary mention in New York state for his participation in the National Merit scholarship examination.

## Do Milne Scholars Rate?

By ANNABEL PAGE

Have you heard the following statements?

"The Milne school is a country club, in which a student can enjoy active membership for as many as six years before entering the workaday world."

"Boys and girls in Milne are laboratory guinea pigs, dissected, examined and sewn together time after time by a group of aspiring teachers."

"You have a wonderful time while in Milne, but as for preparation for college or an interesting job . . . well, you might get accepted by some college, or you might find work, but it's doubtful."

This reporter, upon hearing these misleading statements, set out to investigate them. Is it a fact that Milne doesn't adequately prepare her pupils for advanced study and for jobs? How do Milne students compare, as scholars, with other high school pupils?

Are Milne graduates accepted by colleges? With an increasing number of high school boys and girls trying to enter already-crowded colleges, these institutions have become more selective than ever before. Let's examine the record of the Milne graduates of 1956. Of the 64 students in the class, 52, or 83%, went to college.

Of the remaining 12 members of the class, one girl was accepted by a college, but was unable to enter because of a serious accident, seven girls accepted private employment, and four boys took private jobs. (Two of the boys were subsequently called into military service.)

Once they are in college, are Milne graduates able to remain there? Of the 52 students in the class of 1956 who entered college, all have earned acceptable grades and are still there with the exception of one boy, who was forced to leave because of illness.

Experience shows that when a student enters college, his grades usually go down one level. A review of the grades of a sampling of "average" Milne graduates shows that they are doing better than the average college scholar. One student who had a B+ average while in Milne is getting B- grades in college. Another with a Milne B+ is getting college B's. Still another with B's in Milne is now earning C+ in college, while a fourth Milne B student is receiving C grades in college.

How "dumb" (or how "bright") are Milne students? One well-established measuring rod is the College Entrance board examination. How does our "country club set" do on this exam? Let's examine the record of the class of 1957. Forty-four seniors have taken the College Board Scholastic Aptitude examination. Nationwide, the average score is 500. Of the 44 Milne students who took the examination, 24, or 54%, had scores of 500 or better, and of these 24, there were 16 who had scores ranging from 554-716.

The New York State Board of Regents Scholarship exams, prepared by the state department of education, are generally considered to be "toughies." The education department awards the scholarships to only 5% of those high school seniors who take the exam. However, as the following table indicates, scholarships have been won consistently by more than 5% of Milne graduating classes:

Year	Tot. No. in Class	No. Won by Milne	Pct. Won by Milne
1952	65	4	6.2%
1953	65	5	7.7%
1954	Data is not available.		
1955	67	6	9.0%
1956	63	8	12.7%
1957	65	5	7.7%

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# Now Is The Hour

Another June and another graduation are upon us. Or call it a commencement, if you will, for it is a beginning as much as it is an end.

Seniors are apt to look forward as well as backward at this time. They have reached the culmination of many years' work, but we doubt if any of them is without new hopes and ambitions which are worth more time and work.

As the rest of us see the seniors realize their common goal, we are reminded that we are nearer to the end of our careers at Milne, and nearer to whatever we choose as our future.

We now face a period of vacation which should provide relaxation and recreation, but which should not result in any degree of mental sluggishness. Is not today the future of a few years ago? It may or may not be the future for which we hoped and planned. If it is not, let us make it so.

## ALUMNEWS

Dave Quickenton, '56, was recently initiated into Delta Lau Delta fraternity at Syracuse university.

Virginia Pitkin, '56, and Carl Eppelmann, '56, have announced their engagement.

Steve Levine, '55, has left Miami university for the remainder of this year in order to recuperate from an illness.

Adelia Lather, '53, will graduate with honors in home economics from Russell Sage college.

Bert Sackman, '52, is the father of a bouncing baby boy.

Mary McNamara, '54, and Dick Nathan, '53, are engaged.

Alma Becker, '55, has earned honors in the sophomore class at Russell Sage college. Alma will be secretary of her class next year.

Connie Olivo, '55, is the new chaplain of Beta Zeta, social sorority at Albany State Teachers college.

Mimi Ryan, '54, will be president of the athletic association of the Bouve-Boston school next year.

Cecil Blum, '55, will be social chairman of Sigma Phi Sigma, social sorority at Albany state, next year.

Art Melius, '54, has been elected president of the student senate at Hamilton.

—by Abby

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Sybillyn Hoyle, Linda Dreis, Joan Haworth, Jed Allen and Chuck Lewis attended the Tulip ball.

Carolyn Male, Sue Clizbe, Bill Nathan, Pete Moran, Doug Margolis, Grace Stephens, Carol West, Howie Berkun, Joan Switzer, Steve Einhorn and Henry Hallett all found great pleasure in seeing Doris Markowitz and Jan Welt in "Anniversary Waltz."

Mic Grogan, Karen Ungerman, Peter Hitchcock, Chad Grogan, Kathy Ring, Susie Hanke and Nancy Daniels had fun at Mary Lewis' party.

Janice Lenda, Julie Propp, Stu Horn, Steve Rice, Dave Blabey, Ken Lockwood, Joan Switzer, Mike Clenahan and Carol West enjoyed Ricky Stuart's get-together.

Karen Ungerman's party attracted Carol Ricotta, Judy Hewitt, Johnny Coughtry, Jim Roemer, Roger Seymour, Susie Sutphen, Buddy Parker and Patty Jerris.

Bill Hoff had an "open fire-house" in Rensselaer. Roger Stumpf, Ellen Hoppner, Andy Stokes, Carolyn Stein, Rose Becker, John Fenton, Arlene Heinmiller, Sue Hershey, Bob Knouse, Sandy Wurst and Lois Grimm were there.

Nancy Starker gave a bridal shower for Sue Baldwin. Kathy Hall, Charlotte Sackman, Betsy Price, Joyce Seymour, Cynthia Frommer, Katie Simmons, Carol Becker, Mary Lou Bentley, Suellen DiSarro, Eileen Hannan, Annabel Page, Nancy Einhorn, Sue McNeil, Diana Reed, Abby Perlman and Doreen Goldberg attended.

The Quin-Sigma picnic was well attended. Stephanie Condon, Mary McNutt, Esther Clum, Betty Wassmer, Ann Marshall, Connie Evans, Sue Goldman, Ann Quickenton, Dayle Metzger, Joyce Eppelmann, Elaine Cohen, Sheila Burke, Ellie McNamara, Debbie McMillan, Margy Fisher, Carole Rathbun, Ginny Huntington and Barbara Sager were among those who went.

Kathy Hall and Suellen DiSarro attended the recent C.B.A. formal.

Pat Lewis, Ann Quickenton, Joanna Wagoner, Barbara Kircher, Bruce Daniels, Wes Jacobs, Martha Hesser, Nancy Mathusa and Kip Grogan were "living it up" at the sophomore class picnic May 25 at Thacher park.

Punky Seiter, Richie Lockwood, Paula Propp, Jane Siegfried and Jan Mattick were among the usual gang at the Madison theatre on a recent Friday night.

Moira Hickey gave an open house after the Senior banquet. Larry Berman, Sandy and Shirley Myers, Betty Wassmer, Lou Hauf, Helen Stycos, Dan Brown, Penny Male, Jim Allen Cohen, Andy Stokes, Jim Aronson Cohen, Lois Grimm, Bob Horn and Dayle Metzger were some of the party-goers.

Doris Markowitz is planning a party for the entire senior class. It will be June 20 at O'Connor's restaurant.

—by "Pit", Jane and Chuck

## The Inquiring Reporter

By ANN

Question: What do you think of yourself?

Wilma Mathusa: One of the nicest girls in the whole school.

Jan Welt: I think I'm great.

Henry Hallett: Twice as good as Welt.

Sue Goldman: I'm an ignoramous.

Kent Gardiner: I never really thought about it.

Jiggs Englander: I'm a party doll.

Chuck Lewis: Oh! I'm fabulous.

Ellen Hoppner: I'm Fifth avenue's answer to "Baby Doll."

Steve Rice: I'm very handsome.

Nancy Alfred: Never mind.

Kip Grogan: Greatest kid that ever lived.

Dick Collins: You'll never know.

Marylou Haworth: Ask Dee, she never lies.

# JUNIOR HIGHLIGHTS

By DAVE

Everyone in school was quite aware that there was an exciting campaign on in the junior high the week of May 20. Dave Blabey, Steve Rice, Janice Lenda and Alan Markowitz emerged victorious from the campaign, and are the new officers of the junior student council.

As might be expected, campaign managers were working hard handing out buttons, pictures, badges and cards on behalf of their candidates. Eight managers and what seemed like eighty assistant managers certainly did create a stir.

The eight candidates were rushing hither and yon giving instructions, taking advice and figuring out what to put in their speeches, to which the junior high listened May 23.

After due deliberation, ballots were cast.

Dave Blabey was elected over Mark Kupperberg for president. Dave had Stu Horn for his campaign manager, and Mark had Howie Berkun.

For the vice-presidency, Steve Rice, with his campaign manager Ken Lockwood (plus the help of some coolies), defeated Glenn Simmons with Sandy Berman as campaign manager (not to mention tail-wagging "Minnie.")

Janice Lenda, assisted by Ricky Stuart, campaign manager, was winner over Sue Crowley, whose campaign manager was Carol Klemka, assisted by a "Martian." Janice will be the new secretary.

Al Markowitz won the office of treasurer with the help of manager Chuck "Swami" Lewis. Al's rival was Penny Pritchard, who was helped by manager Henry Hallett with whiskers, top hat and all.

### Clean Up!

The junior student council is sponsoring a clean-up campaign.

For years, students have been eating on the steps of Page hall and many have not bothered too much to clean up after they were through.

The subject was brought up in the junior student council, and it was decided that the council would start a campaign to clean up. The council felt that it was a disgrace to allow the situation to continue, and that the matter was a junior high responsibility since the majority of those who eat outside are from the junior high.

To promote the campaign, the council announced a poster and jingle contest. Linda Shincel won a \$2.50 prize for her poster, and Linda Dreis won \$2.50 for the jingle which she submitted.

Since the beginning of the campaign conditions have improved, but much more can be done. Remember, a cleaner school makes for a better reputation!

### Allen and Boppers Audition

Congratulations are due Jed Allen and the Boppers, who have secured a "tape audition" with the Event Record company. The record concession of Jan Welt and Doug Margolis has already sold about two hundred recordings of the Boppers.

# REED RITES

Since summer is just around the corner, and since this is a girls' sports column, I'll try to give a brief dissertation on what you may find girls doing during the summer, mainly for the benefit of any imisogynists who are beginning to feel uninformed.

As far as I can see, the most popular summer sport is riding around in convertibles. This is an occupation that most girls are very talented at, and can always find time to do. The only equipment needed is a scarf and a pair of sunglasses.

Another favorite activity is swimming. This, however, often involves complications and difficulties of various sorts.

To go swimming, most girls need a minimum of one large beach towel, a big bottle of suntan glop, lipstick, ear and nose plugs, comb and brush, curlers, a scarf, something to read, a portable radio, a bathing cap, money, and, if she still has room in her beach bag, a bathing suit.

## Sun-Worshiper Begins Ritual

When the average girl gets to the beach and gets herself settled, it is then time to smear herself with whatever type of glop she happened to bring along.

Right after this is accomplished, she usually decides that it is a good time to go in the water. (This generally has the effect of washing off about 50¢ worth of suntan lotion.)

She energetically dives in, but begins to wonder why she is sinking so fast after going only about 10 feet; this is when she remembers that she took up smoking the foregoing winter. This ultimately comes to a choice between giving up smoking or giving up swimming. The latter usually wins out.

Girls are often found on tennis courts, except perhaps in Albany, where the number of tennis courts is practically negligible.

## Mother-Daughter Banquet Success

The Mother - Daughter banquet was a huge success this year, as usual. Congratulations are in order for this year's M.G.A.A. officers, with special credit going to Terri Lester, and to Miss Murray.

The council provided a great number of prizes and surprises for the more than 350 Milne mothers, daughters and faculty members who attended. Humorous awards, as well as G.A.A. honor pins, chenille M's, insignias and cheerleading pins, were presented.

An important feature of the affair was the announcement of 1957-58 G.A.A. council officers. New officers are Jane Armstrong, president; Ann Pitkin, vice-president; Judie Allen, secretary; Ann Quickenton, treasurer; Annabel Page, business manager, and Nikki Genden, office manager.

Next year's class representatives to the council are Margy Fisher, twelfth grade; Martha Hesser, eleventh grade; Dorothy Hoyle, tenth grade; Carol Klemka, ninth grade; and Susie Sutphen, eighth grade.

# Raiders Win Only Two



Ed Sells, No. 23, has a ripple during the Milne-B.C.H.S. game at Ridgefield.

## Lose Chance For 2nd C.D. Crown

Milne's Red Raiders had won two baseball games while losing eight as of May 29. Their league record was 1-6. Bill Hoff was the team's leading hitter with a .367 b.a., and Bill Warren had notched the two victories on the mound.

## Milne Cops First Over Columbia

In a home game on May 15, an eight-run seventh inning gave Shenendehowa a 13-9 victory. The lead changed five times during the 21-hit slugfest. Roger Stumpf took the loss in relief. Larry Berman drove in four runs, on two doubles, for Milne.

Milne came from behind to score sixteen runs in the last four innings and register an 18-7 victory, their first of the season, over Columbia. Trailing by five, the Raiders staged a four-hit attack, led by Al Alpart's two-run double, and scored six in the fourth frame. They added one in the fifth, eight more in the sixth and a final run in the seventh. Two doubles by Alpart were good for four r.b.i.'s. Rog Stumpf saved the win for starter Bill Warren.

## Raiders Lose Three League Games

Milne's bats were silent against Van Rensselaer, getting just two hits. The Raiders trailed all the way in this 7-2 setback, which was May 21 at Ridgefield. Warren and Stumpf combined for seven strikeouts. Bill Hoff and Al Alpart had Milne's two hits.

Milne again was held to just two hits as Academy scored seven runs in two innings to gain a 7-1 victory. Roger Stumpf went all the way for Milne, fanning seven, walking four and allowing eight hits. Berman and Stumpf got Milne's safeties.

The Red Raiders and Rog Stumpf lost an extra-inning heart-breaker, 3-2, as Shenendehowa pushed over the winning tally in the eighth. The game was played at Elnora. Milne took a 1-0 lead in the fifth inning, but the Plainsmen tied the score in the sixth without getting a base hit. Stumpf chalked up nine strike outs while walking four. Killough, Hoff and Snyder got the Raiders' three hits.

## Warren Tosses Four-Hitter At B.C.H.S.

Effective four-hit pitching by Bill Warren gave Milne a well-earned 7-2 victory over B.C.H.S. in a non-league affair. The game was played May 28 at Ridgefield park. The Raiders jumped out into an early 3-0 lead and led the rest of the way. Warren struck out eleven and allowed four bases on balls. Bob Knouse got two singles, and Bob Killough rapped a double.

These last two ballgames were the outstanding pitching performances to date by Milne hurlers.

## Crimson Scores Seven, But Bows

Dick Lockwood scattered nine hits, but lost his first varsity start, 12-7, to Guilderland. The game, which was played May 29 at Ridgefield, featured a two-run triple by Bill Hoff.

## Banquet Honors Milne Athletes

The annual Father-Son banquet was held at First church May 22. The highlight of the affair was the presentation of athletic awards by Coach Grogan.

Each year, it is customary to present gold trophies to the varsity players voted most valuable by their teammates. This year, trophies went to Bill Hoff, basketball; Bob Horn, baseball; and Aaron Jasper, tennis.

Letters were presented to boys from grades seven through twelve for participation in varsity, j.v., and freshman sports, and for managing.

Jim Cohen, Bill Hoff, Bob Knouse, Pete Pappas, Clayton Knapp, Ed Sells, Bill Warren, Bob Blabey, Kip Grogan, Don Lewis, Dick Lockwood and Bud Mehan received varsity basketball letters.

Varsity baseball letters were given to Al Alpart, Larry Berman, Bill Hoff, Bob Horn, Bob Knouse, Roger Stumpf, Bob Killough, Brud Snyder, Tom Sternfeld and Bill Warren.

Clayton Knapp, Larry Giventer, Jon Harvey, Aaron Jasper, Max Streibel and John Breeze earned varsity tennis letters.

Eugene Blabey, Jim Dougherty and Jim Lind received letters for managing.

Sweater awards were given to Eugene Blabey, Larry Berman and Bob Knouse. To earn a sweater, a boy must earn fifteen credits. Participation in a varsity sport is worth three credits, in a j.v. sport, two credits, and in a freshman sport, one credit.

Mr. Robert G. Blabey was master of ceremonies, and entertained the gathering with some humorous stories.

Mr. Dexter Galusha, an Albany Red Cross aide, was guest speaker. Mr. Galusha talked about water safety and outboard craft, showing a film on the safety rules of the water while presenting his talk.

## All-Opponent Team

1b.—Burwash	Shenendehowa
2b.—White	Academy
3b.—Edlund	Academy
s.s.—Scott	Rensselaer
l.f.—Rainka	Academy
c.f.—Phillips	Columbia
r.f.—Laverdiere	Shenendehowa
c.—Wilkinson	Rensselaer
p.—Yaun	Guilderland

## NETMEN SCORE

This year's varsity tennis team had compiled a record of two wins and four losses as of May 28. The netmen still had three matches to play.

Milne's wins were chalked up against Van Rensselaer by scores of 6-0 and 5-1. The team suffered two 7-0 shutouts at the hands of Academy, a 5-0 loss to B.C.H.S. and a 5-2 setback by Columbia.

Larry Giventer had compiled the best record on the team with a four and three record.

The squad is coached by Dr. Fossieck. Members of the team are Pete Pappas, Clayton Knapp, Fred Bass, Larry Giventer, Jon Harvey, Aaron Jasper, Max Streibel, Jed Allen and John Breeze.

## JV Cops Pair

Ed Sells, pitching his first high school game, beat Guilderland's j.v., 10-6, at Ridgefield. This marked the j.v.'s first win of the season.

Dick Lockwood, Kip Grogan and Tom Sternfeld each had two hits for Milne.

Dick Lockwood chalked up his first mound victory and batted in the winning run over Academy, 8-7, in a home encounter. Dick's infield hit in the eighth proved the decisive blow.

Milne suffered defeat at the hands of Columbia, 10-5, at Ridgefield May 23.

## Faculty Defeats Young Golfers, 11-1

Experience won out as the faculty golfers whipped the student team, 11-1, in a nine-hole match played at Western Turnpike golf course May 29.

Scoring was based on medal play competition between each faculty member and student in the two-some and two foursomes which participated. One point was allowed for each man to man victory, and an additional point was earned by the low scorer in each group.

Dr. Randolph Gardner was medalist with 39, and Jerry Powell scored 42 to lead the students and register their lone victory.

## MILNITES HEAD DOWN STRETCH

By KATIE SIMMONS

With summer vacation advancing quickly, the Milnite's head is filled with thoughts. (You kids had better watch your step. This thinking business could get to be a habit.)

The major part of the brain is occupied with thoughts of final exams and how to pass them. So far, I have heard of no one applying for a patent on a new cheating device, so I recommend that you start studying now, or simply buy a new pair of magnifying glasses.

Another very depressing factor pertaining to exams is that Richardson 20 has been renovated for the T.V. project and those nice old chairs, on which the kind hearted test-taker of the past has written every formula imaginable, have been removed. I hear, though, that these infamous chairs are available at bargain prices if you can just pull the right strings.

### Seniors Don Caps and Gowns

If all exams are passed, the next thing on the agenda is Graduation day. As the day approaches, seniors are filled with growing apprehension. This dread is hard to understand, as all year they have been dying to get out of school.

Finally, the day is really here, and everyone is in a tizzy. The seniors are just plain scared, and the juniors are rushing madly around trying to find the people who promised to supply the necessary flowers. This is quite a job, as most of these people have quietly left town.

The day passes quickly, however, and at about six o'clock you can see a few seniors straggling up the walk to Page hall. This idea isn't the best, since there is nothing for them to do but stand around and get nervous.

### Stage Fright Grips Grads

As the long-awaited time approaches, the air is filled with such phrases as "Don't forget to pin the front of your gown so your slip doesn't show!" and "Which side does the tassel go on?" Somehow, the seniors get themselves lined up and march down the aisle to their seats.

This is it! Sixty-five attentive faces are turned toward the speaker. Sixty-five minds hold but one thought: "Wouldn't it be awful if I tripped and fell in the middle of the stage!" The ceremony goes on with very few hitches, although the M's wind up with the S's diplomas and vice-versa.

All too quickly it's over, and as the seniors sing the Alma Mater for the last time, they find themselves remembering only the good times and forgetting the bad ones. This moment of reflection is quickly dispelled, however, and after changing their clothes, the graduates take off for the big blast which is being held to celebrate their good fortune.

## Do Milne Scholars Rate?

By ANNABEL PAGE  
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It might be noted here that, unlike students at some other schools, Milne students are given no special preparation for the Regents Scholarship examinations.

**How well-planned are Milne's courses to give students the preparation they will need to do satisfactory work in college?** Dr. James Cochrane, Milne English supervisor, did a survey last summer to get some answers insofar as English is concerned. Dr. Cochrane asked numerous college students to name the areas in English which they wished had been emphasized more in high school. Dr. Cochrane compared their answers to the content of English courses being taught in Milne. What the students wished they had had, and what Milne is giving are as follows:

**More emphasis on writing.** In Milne, students are assigned an average of one 350 word theme a week.

**More and better training in writing research papers.** During his junior year in Milne, each student writes a research paper. (No Milne graduate questioned indicated this area of English as a deficiency.)

**Free choice of composition topics, as much as possible.** Several papers assigned in Milne have no specific topics.

**More training in taking lecture notes.** Note-taking is stressed in Milne classrooms; actual lectures are given in Humanities, English 12-C and psychology.

**More vocabulary.** We are given systematic drill, and are expected to gain more vocabulary from reading assignments and from leisure reading.

**More short expository writing and paragraph development.** Both are emphasized in our weekly themes.

**A recognizable system to keep track of individual progress.** Milne English records are kept by means

of folders in which error charts and themes are kept.

**More free periods for individual help.** In Milne, we have a remedial period set aside for this purpose. In addition, a supervisor or student teacher may be found at any time during the day.

**One composition a week.** As mentioned before, this is done in Milne.

**Develop reading ability.** Reading tests are given in the seventh, ninth and eleventh grades to determine students' progress. One period each week is set aside for leisure reading.

**More grammar.** This is taught in drills and in the correction of errors in themes.

From the facts given above and from the analysis of course emphasis in a typical Milne course, English, this reporter concludes that Milne students not only find getting a high school education an agreeable experience, but, at the same time, are being adequately prepared to compete successfully with other high school students in getting into college and staying there or getting a job.

Perhaps the key to the Milne school's enviable record lies in the objective of Milne, as stated by Dr. Theodore H. Fossieck, principal:

"In Milne, there is an emphasis put on thinking rather than memorization. Milne students who are willing to work get into good colleges and good jobs."

Or, perhaps the key to the Milne student's success can be found in the words of Dr. Sidney Smith, president of the University of Toronto:

"If you choose to work, you will succeed; if you don't, you will fail. If you neglect your work, you will dislike it; if you do it well, you will enjoy it.

If you spurn wisdom, wise people will spurn you; if you seek wisdom, they will seek you."

## Faculty Makes Summer Plans

When most Milne students have put aside their books and readied themselves for a season of relaxation, many members of the faculty will still be going to school.

Miss Dunn, of the English department, will teach a summer school class this year; this will be the first such class in Milne. She will also teach a group of twenty-one sixth graders who will be seventh graders at Milne next fall. This class will serve as orientation for the future Milnites, and also as a demonstration for State college students.

Dr. Cochrane and Mr. Smith, also of the English department, will be teaching at State college. In their leisure time, they will stage a summer-long duel on the golf course.

Mr. Fagan, English supervisor, plans to do research work at the state university.

Mr. Bayer, of the commerce department, will study for a degree at St. Lawrence university.

Dr. Moose, of the science department, is planning to attend an

atomic energy workshop during July. Dr. Moose will not be teaching this summer for the first time in many years, so he intends to stay at home and work at gardening.

Mr. Johnson plans to work, and to do some swimming, fishing and waterskiing.

Mr. Winn will attend State college, and then go fishing.

Miss Glass, mathematics supervisor, will be working in a laboratory, and plans to do quite a bit of gardening.

Miss Dewey, Latin supervisor, plans to study at the University of Michigan.

Dr. Wasley, of the French department, will travel to Purdue university to attend an audio-visual aids workshop, in connection with teaching through television.

Mrs. Walker and her husband will take art courses at N.Y.U. while living in Greenwich village.

Mrs. Barsam hopes to vacation in the Pocono mountains during the month of August.



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ELLEN SHERMAN

Ellen Sherman, born in 1940, came to Milne in the seventh grade.

In her junior year, she attended the C.S.P.A. conference in New York. She was this year's fourth page editor of the C & W, and is a member of Sigma and the Senior Glee club.

Spare time finds Ellen a playlady at Albany hospital, or just plain relaxing with a good book and listening to the radio. We understand she does quite a bit of eating, and those favorite dishes? . . . why, pizza and angel food cake, of course. Ellen has the peculiar habit of trying to slam revolving doors, which we hope is not indicative of unusual mental tendencies!

Her pet peeve is pop quizzes. "I hate them!" she declares.

Ellen decided that getting multitudes of report cards is among the things she likes most about Milne.

One of the things she will miss most when she has left Milne are those daily morning hours spent in the senior room, where Elvis Presley is the center of attention.

Ellen plans to enter the field of elementary education. We understand her inspiration was received at P.S. 23, which she attended before entering Milne.

In the fall, Ellen will attend Cornell university, where she will take up this study for the next four years.

JAMES ALLEN COHEN

James Allen Cohen was born on October 10, 1939 (seems to be a popular year) and came to Milne in the seventh grade from P.S. 16.

One of Jim's favorite interests is sports. He likes baseball, basketball, and water skiing, to cool off. Eating pizza 'most any old time and taking English courses are some of Jim's other likes.

Student teachers who supervise at the cafeteria, and waiting for summer vacations to come are among Jim's dislikes. Another source of annoyance is having T.V. classes and getting the feeling that one is in a type of goldfish bowl.

Jim has taken an active part in school activities. He has belonged to several organizations and has been a valuable member of the senior class. This year, he was sports editor of the C & W and is vice-president of Theta Nu. In past years he has belonged to International Relations club and Hi-Y.

After graduation, Jim plans to work as a bank messenger for the summer. In the fall, he will enter Syracuse university with a number of other Milne seniors. Upon completing his formal education, Jim would like to go into the field of journalism.