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NEWS

BRIEFS

Doomsday Coming

Second quarter began last Tuesday. Report cards will be handed out on Friday. Seniors with "N" will lose the right to eat off campus and to use the senior room.

GOP Gets U.S., Not Milne

For the second time on record a Democrat won a Milne mock election. Hubert Humphrey carried Milne overwhelmingly. Johnson in 1964 was the first Democratic winner in Milne. Senator Jacob Javits and Republican Daniel Button easily carried Milne.

NHS Busy

National Honor Society members are deliberating the selection of new members from the senior and junior classes. Induction will be November 15.

The Honor Society has scheduled four programs from Lincoln Center. The first of the series, a pianist from Juilliard, will be presented November 15. In the future the student body will see a woodwind quartet, a piano and clarinet recital, a drama presentation and a dance performance. An opera by Mozart will also be presented one evening in March.

Hoop Week Away

The basketball team opens its season on Wednesday, Nov. 27 at home against Catskill. The seniors will conduct fund raising projects at the game.

Paper Coming??

The *Student Independent*, a private paper, will serve the purpose of informing Milne students what is happening in the world, our country and on the local scene as well as Milne activities.

Hoping to get a charter at the next Student Council meeting, the private paper will have Dr. Francis Hodges as advisor.

State Studies Us

The Board of Regents is studying unrest in secondary schools with a \$7,000 grant from the Danforth Foundation.

Commending on the project, Education Commissioner James Allen pointed to evidence that student unrest is being expressed in some secondary schools. He said, "Before this develops into large scale activity a special project (will) be undertaken to determine the extent and causes of unrest and possibly the development of recommendations for dealing with it."

Dress Code Dispute Rages; Repeal Advocated! Students Charge Council Misrepresentation!

Most students, especially those in grades 9-12, disapprove of the recent dress code changes, according to a poll of 140 randomly selected students conducted by the *Crimson and White* on Nov. 4-5.

DO YOU FAVOR THE RECENT CHANGES?

Grade	Yes	No	Opinion
7 and 8	56%	38%	6%
9	20%	77%	3%
10	25%	67%	8%
11	15%	82%	3%
12	46%	46%	8%
Boys 9-12	26%	70%	4%
Girls 9-12	26%	68%	8%
Total 9-12	26%	68%	6%
Total 7-12	36%	58%	6%

DO YOU FAVOR ABOLITION OF CODE?

Grade	Yes	No	Opinion
7 and 8	42%	46%	12%
9	61%	35%	4%
10	46%	46%	8%
11	49%	48%	3%
12	59%	37%	4%
Boys 9-12	62%	32%	6%
Girls 9-12	41%	51%	4%
Total 9-12	54%	42%	4%
Total 7-12	50%	43%	7%

Leading complaints against the dress code were the restrictions on culottes and sideburns. Many upperclassmen complained about the restrictions against facial hair.

Student Council has banned culottes resembling pants and clarified the restrictions on sideburns. Mr. Bell recommended the changes to council. No provisions for enforcement of the dress code were agreed on.

After school last Wednesday the Council sponsored a discussion on dress code. Between 30 and 40 students debated dress code and related matters until 4:30 p.m. Stu Welch presided over the discussion.

Junior class president Bob Anolik called for a new dress code. *Crimson and White* Editor Aaron Kuperman termed the code ridiculous.

The May 26, 1967 C&W said the dress code was prepared by the Council vice president but that, "Student Council meetings show that the majority of the homerooms are against such a code."

Mr. Yolles, Mr. Neiderberger, and Dr. Fossieck participated in the discussion. Dr. Fossieck said the Council's 1967 dress code was written at his request to replace the administration's guidelines. He said he would respect the Council's code within reason. He cited bikinis and beards as types of distracting appearance that wouldn't be tolerated by the administration.

Ralph Benko said his homeroom overwhelmingly opposed the dress code but his delegate voted for the changes. The Council's officers at the meeting replied that his homeroom could remove him.

Crimson and White Editor Aaron Kuperman accused the Council of serving the administration's views instead of the student body's. He called on Council to fight dress code and to appeal to the University if Milne's administration wouldn't yield to their demands.

President Welch and Vice-President Hardmeyer said that if we repealed our liberal dress code the administration would impose a stricter dress code on the student body. Lynne Miller, Ann Boomsliker, and Representative Kathy Siebert also called for moderation.

Crimson and White co-president Aaron Kuperman and Margaret Diggs may form a political party to work for repeal of Milne's dress code. The *Crimson and White* editorial board urges repeal of dress code in an editorial on page 2 of this issue.

Upperclassmen Have Financial Difficulties

Once again the senior class is short of money. They have only \$191.12 of the needed \$1,200.

In an effort to raise money, the senior class plans to sponsor a spaghetti dinner in December, a car wash, a movie, a fair with an international flare and of course, the traditional Card Party. The senior class will also be receiving the profits from the school play this year. To help defray the cost of caps and gowns, the class dues were raised from \$2.00 to \$5.00. In addition to the aforementioned projects,

the senior class plans to sponsor a school dance on January 29, and sell hot dogs, pizza, and soda before the first home basketball game on November 27.

Additional Money Needed

The junior class is also experiencing financial problems this year. Additional money will be spent for the Alumni Ball because the juniors have not been able to secure a hall using State University's facilities due to the inconvenience of the

scheduled date for the ball. This extra cost was not anticipated and there is a possibility that the Alumni Ball will be in Page Gym this year.

Auditing Committee Suggested

Joe Hanley, Student Council Treasurer, has begun checking into the expenses of clubs and organizations. The chance of establishing an Auditing Committee was brought up. It was felt that this committee could keep a close watch on organizations and control expenditures.

SPORTS: BEARDED BOWLING COACH BANNED



Pictured above: the Senior-Faculty game won by the seniors, 35-14. "Spider" Kayne was part of all five senior TD's and Mr. Bell scored two.

Mr. Cecil Johnson of the science department can't coach bowling this year due to a ruling by the administration and the athletic department that coaches can't wear beards. His problem is complicated by an allergy which he developed last spring.

His allergy is being treated by shots which are so far ineffective. To fight his allergy he has to take a pill which controls his allergy and leaves him very tired at the end of the day.

Even if his allergy cleared up he would still be unable to coach bowling since it was ruled that no coach can wear a beard. Dr. Fossieck said that the ruling was made because coaches should set an example for their players and beards are taboo at Milne.

Mr. Mark Yolles will serve as coach bowling this year. He said he will serve the team as, "a sort of chaperon" as I'm not "an expert bowler."

The members of the bowling team dislike the forced retirement of Mr. Johnson. One said the decision is unfair while another expressed a preference for a "real coach."

Ban Dress Code

The dress code suppresses individual freedom by legislating mass conformity. It doesn't help anyone's education. Contrary to what the administration advocates, its abolition wouldn't disrupt our education.

SUNYA's effectiveness as an educational institution isn't hampered by beards or culottes that resemble shorts. Their administration knows that brains and not clothes determine a student's ability to learn.

So far our council "representatives" have kowtowed to every administration "recommendation" in respect to dress code. It's time our delegates fought for the students' opinions and not the administration's.

We encourage students to force their delegates to oppose a dress code even if a confrontation between the council and the administration results.

The Crimson and White urges the abolition of dress code.

1968-1969 SPORTS PREDICTION

November 1st Milne's keglers and hoopsters went into action. Leading the bowling contingent were returning vets Bob Schacter, Gordy Smith, Luke Finklestein, Kevin Bartlett, Alan Hutchins and Dave Rood. This year the team can look for added support from Tony Hazapis and Peter Meyers. Due to the "retirement" of Coach Johnson, the team will be coached by Mr. Mark Yolles.

The strength of this year's bowling team lies in its experience. This year's varsity will be composed of boys who have been bowling since 9th grade. Each varsity member will have at least one year's experience. These boys should respond well under pressure. With a few breaks and some new talent to reinforce an already solid unit Milne can look forward to successfully defending its CHVL crown and garner the sectional championship.

On the hoop scene Milne can look forward to continued success, providing that many of last year's junior varsity members can make the transition to the big time. It is true that Milne's varsity hoop team will lack experience. In the forecourt though they should be strong. We can look for "Spider" Kayne and Mel Grant to provide Milne with as much board strength as any team in the CHVL. Both boys matured into top-notch ballplayers last year.

Yet Mel Grant needs some more finesse and "Spider" must learn to keep himself out of foul trouble. Helping out up front will be 6'7" Brian McCabe, Karl Krichbaum and Joe Hanley both up from last year's JV's. This year's backcourt will contain only one returning veteran, "Fuzzie" Graham. "Fuzzie" has a talented shooting eye but will have to improve his speed in order to average double figures.

Filling the gap in the backcourt will be Lou Milstein, Mark Goldfarb and Gene "Atlas" Altus, each of whom has the natural attributes to handle a starting role in the backcourt. Yet, they all need experience. Coach Phillips promises that this year's team will "run and gun" and "scoot and shoot." In Coach's words, "Anyone who doesn't adhere to these standards will be picking splinters this year."

Such a brand of basketball spells fast-moving, exciting, and high-scoring games. It also requires that each boy be in top physical condition. Since November 1st Coach Phillips has had his charges burning up the hardwoods and running the stairs.

The prediction for this year's squad is 10-6. They should be hot in the running for league honors and should sweep on to their third straight sectional crown with an outside chance of garnering the combined C-D championship. In any case each and every game should be well-contested. Win or lose this year's crop of varsity cheerleaders lend an element of poise and beauty to the proceedings.

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Poetry Pleasure

Hydrant
Urban cactus
Shooting metal
roots out
Water filled
Defying drought
Don't park against!

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A corpse on the floor
Blocking the door . . .
I could say more
But I dislike gore.

by Ralph Benko

DESTINY

by Susan Boochever

I'm scared, I'm frightened of this world I'm in.

The faceless people without emotion, the endless killings make me want to cringe and hide . . .

I'm terrified!

War, revolution, poverty, the draft—

Where can I go or what must I be,

I must find an essence of peace and security . . .

God help me!

What is the answer, who knows the truth?

How can we save our desolate society from utter ruin, indignation and decay?

The question is WHO will lead the way?

DRESS CODE CRITICIZED

To the Editor:

We have all heard the latest amendment to the dress code passed by our illustrious Student Council. It seems that the institution of learning in this country teeters on the brink of destruction due to the length of sideburns and whether culottes do/do not look like skirts.

Boys! If your sideburns are one and one-eighth inches wide pride yourself on having saved the Milne School!

Girls! If your culottes pass the rigorous standards of the new dress code you have helped preserve the educational system in our society!

Huh?

I must be rather dense for I honestly can't see what effects sideburns and culottes have on one's thinking processes. Do they tap one's mental resources, steal from one's ability to concentrate? If they do, does such a terrible drain commence when one's sideburns exceeds the said limit or when one's culottes cease to look like skirts?

If so, then the Student Council is shirking their duties. Shouldn't we eliminate all margin of doubt by banning culottes and hair altogether? Then, truly, Milne would rank among the greatest institutions of learning in this country!

Huh?

—April Shelford

To the Editor:

. . . As for the Student Council, shouldn't you concern yourself with problems such as fights in the hall, (of which there are plenty) or the lunch line rather than the infraction of the individual's right to wear his or her hair as they wish?

—David Aronson

To the Editor:

In my opinion, an excellent example of an efficient dress code which could be adapted for Milne use was developed at Warwick Valley Central High School. The Survey (the WVCHS newspaper) reported that a committee of students and teachers arrived at the following dress restrictions: 1) a dress that is so short as to show stocking tops, or trousers that are too tight should not be worn, 2) clothes that are too "noisy" and distract from class instruction will not be tolerated, and 3) potentially dangerous articles such as angora sweaters in cooking class or beads in a shop class are not allowed.

The above dress code combines both common sense and good taste in determining what types of clothing are appropriate for in-school use. A similar code would be considered reasonable at Milne and thus gain the approval of both faculty members and students.

—Alan Jupiter

How 'Bout Yourself

When you see people whose clothes, you think, are out of fashion and you want to criticize—don't! How 'bout yourself?

When someone makes an error in speech—don't laugh! How 'bout yourself?

Next time you tend to immediately disagree with anything, hesitate a moment and think—how 'bout yourself?

—Barbara Orsini