MILNE'S NEW BAND REHEARSES

By William Rockenfeller

Congratulations are due to Dr. Frederick A. Weed, Milne eleven- grade history supervisor, for the completion of his degree of Doctor of Philosophy at Columbia University.

Crimson and White introduced Dr. Weed, in the October 17 issue, as being schooled at New York State College for Teachers, Albany, and Columbia University, New York City.

A more recent event revealed that Dr. Weed needs no introduction to Milne because, ten years ago, he taught Milne seniors in an American history class while a practice teacher.

In preparing for the doctor's degree, Dr. Weed majored in political science and international affairs.

Dr. and Mrs. Weed, who live in Slingerlands, have two pre-school children, whom Milne will certainly welcome when they reach the seventh grade level, just as we heartily welcome and congratulate Dr. Weed this year.

Seven Milne Students Receive Acceptances

Seven Milne School seniors have been accepted at various colleges.

Those accepted include Joyce Robert, who was awarded an art scholarship to Canisius Junior College; Sonia Melius, who was accepted at Russell Sage College; and Beverly Oertle and Judith Horton, who have been accepted at LaSalle Junior College.

Among those tentatively approved are Ward Tracy, Clarkson Tech.; Schuyler Sackman, Siena College; and Leon Feinberg, University of Colorado.

History Teacher Acquires Degree

Seniors Try-Out; Decide On Gowns

Preparations are already underway for the senior play to be presented in the Page Hall auditorium on Friday, March 24. The senior class with the aid of Mr. Richard Montgomery, English supervisor, has selected the play, “Best Feet Forward” by John Cecil Holme.

Try-outs for the various parts were held on January 25, 26, and 27. Any senior interested in acting was eligible to try out for any one of 37 parts. There are ten male and seven female roles.

Harwood Helps

Mr. Francis Harwood, supervisor in the science department and senior class advisor, has agreed to handle the ticket and program committees which have not yet been formed.

Two seniors at New York State College for Teachers, Albany, experienced in dramatics, have been enlisted to help with the production.

Mr. George Christy will direct the play and Miss Joan Farrell is to be technical director, responsible for the sets, properties, costumes and make-up.

Mr. Montgomery described the play as an amusing high school comedy. He stated that although he has never seen the play produced, he has read it several times and feels it would be a very successful presentation.

Prepare for Graduation

Preparations for graduation are also in progress. Caps and gowns have been ordered by a committee composed of two representatives from each of the three senior home-rooms, and headed by Edward Butler, senior class president. It was decided that the boys' gowns would be deep maroon and that the girls would wear white.

Members of the Milne band are shown in the music room rehearsing selections to be played at home basketball games.

Band Reinstates Milne Custom: Plays at Games

Milne now possesses a large band of approximately 40 members. In the recent pep assembly of January 11, Mr. Roy York, Jr., head of the music department, introduced the Milne band in “Victor’s Song,” “We Are for Crimson,” and introduced a new number entitled “Hello Song.” He closed the program with the Milne Alma Mater.”

The band is actually a band with strings, but since it is using band scores and arrangements, it is not an orchestra.

Large Quantity of Talent

A Milne band has not played at home games since 1943 because there are three types of assemblies to the school day to concentrate sufficient effort on rehearsals and program management. It was decided to organize such a group because, in observing the incoming seventh graders at the beginning of the school year, a quantity of musical talent was noted, and all were willing and eager to learn.

Included in the plans of Mr. York is the preparation of the band to perform at graduation exercises this year. At this time the band will play the full band with an arrangement of “Pomp and Circumstance” and Milne’s Alma Mater.”

To Learn Other Songs

Mr. York also plans in the future to have the band complete the learning of the school songs. Among these is the “New Milne High School,” “We Are the Kids of Milne High School” and “Crimson and White.”

In a recent interview, Mr. York stated: “I am very proud of the accomplishments of my band members during the past three months. I am sure that this band will prove to be a most unifying factor in school life here at Milne, with the help of musical assemblies and the spirit of participation in games.”

Gardner Announces Future Assemblies

Dr. Randolph Scott Gardner, supervisor of mathematics, has announced a schedule of the year’s assemblies.

Dr. Gardner stated that Milne offers three types of assemblies to the school. These are the student participation assemblies, non-student participation, and combinations.

Scheduled assemblies are: a fashion show by the home economics department, supervised by Mrs. Anna Barsam; the budget assembly; the election assembly; concerts by the Albany High School band and orchestra; the honor assembly at the end of the year; the Senior Play preview; and a movie or play by a professional group.
What Do You Think?

In a city there were two high schools, School X and School Y. School X was a big school with about 1,000 students. School Y was smaller with only about three or four hundred. Each school had a basketball team which played various other schools in the city. If you look at the record books, you will see that School X won practically all of its games while School Y won only about half of their’s. In both these schools about the same percentage of the students attended the games.

Now let’s see what your answers are to a couple of questions. First, which school do you think was better athletically; the big school that won practically all its games, or the smaller school that, against the same competition, won only about half of its? Second, in which school would you say that the students showed more school spirit?

I don’t know what your answers to these questions are, but try and remember—anyone can go to a game and yell for a team that always wins. It takes much more school spirit to support a team regardless of what you think the final score will be.

The INQUIRING REPORTER

By “COOP” and “DAVE”

Question: “If the government were in your hands how would you run it?”

Cynthia Barbanian—“I would put more honest and God-fearing people in the government.”

John Collins—“Grow a mustache.”

Alison Parker—“I would incorporate Milne all over the country for educational purposes.”

Barbara Stevanow—“I would not spend as much as is being spent of the national budget on armament.”

Guy Miller—“The capitol at Feura and Thomas as the president.”

Wend Tracy—“I have all the Representatives representing my part of town.”

Helen Pigras—“I would cut the National Budget and put the government on a sound financial basis before attempting any Socialistic measures such as universal social security and socialized medicine.”

Judy Whittam—“I feel we should help our country more but also feel that we should keep out of war.”

Dick Salisbury—“Oh dear, my gosh, what?”

Joan Olsuf—“I would not change the government at all.”

Nancy Bryant—“I would change the government so that the Republicans and the Democrats would be in agreement.”

Dick Steffen—“Me as Truman’s right foot—he needs one.”

Art Cardell—“Don’t want the Republicans! Am I kidding?”

Pat Birkel—“I would try to make the government more responsible to the people and to the people’s will.”

Sonia Melius—“I would try to bring about a limited number of terms for the President.”

Suzanne Gunther—“I would change the color of the Army uniforms as the present color is very unbecoming.”

Doug Billson—“Lock all the rooms in the Senate house cellars, keeping officials and mice to the main ball rooms.”

Barbara Leete—“At the present there is too much concentration upon war instead of peace.”

Numerous senior high students welcomed former Milnitees at the Alumni Ball during our Christmas vacation. Ronnie Hughes, Judy Traver, John Kinnun, Beverley McDowell, Bob McClure, Sandra Dore, Pat Barnes, Joan Clark, Ernest Whitfield, Helen Pigras, Paul Huprich, Nancy Gotier, Jack Magrew, Sue Armstrong, Fred Cottrell, Jer- ron- nie McGrath were among those seen greeting the alumni.

Marion Siesel entertained Doris Mehlan, Greg Angier, Jan Hicks, Ed Butler; B. J. Thompson, Dave Bates, and Malcolm Haggerty at a dinner party before the Alumni Ball.

Junior High Milnites were well represented at a recent Aurora Club dance. They were Beryl Scott, Arthur Melius, Pat Candler, Don Wilson, Margaret Moran, Eugene Cassidy, Phyllis Barnett, John Murphy, Sue Keltter, Creighton Cross, Gwen Hart, and Dick Nathan.

Nan Bird’s big party saw many senior girls chatting as usual. Among them were Judy Horton, Anne Coniglio, Diane Grant, Ellie Jacobs, Bobbie Leete, Rev Orett, Bobbie Dewey, Marlene Cooper, Sonja Melius, Mary Faller, and Helen Good. Naturally, some of the senior rosettes showed up too!

Lois Levine and Helene Good went to Florida during Christmas vacation. What a life!

A terrific smorgasbord dinner was given recently by Barbara Sandberg. Terry Hilleboe, Carol Nichols, Barbara Stewman, Edith Cross, Judy Traver, Ben Bull, Lois Tewell, Jo Milton, Brenda Sandberg, and Tommie Tomlinson literally stuffed themselves with good food and then raided the Palace with horns and whistles which were factors.

Nancy Bell, Doris Perlman, Beth Seligman, Beatrice Weinberg, Linda Yaffe, Leila Berkowitz, Schuyler Sackman, and Bert Sackman attended a dance sponsored by the Councilettes.

On recent Saturday, 20 seventh grade girls got together and had a bowling party at the Rice Bowling Alley. The highest score 86, was made by Ann Galle.

Seem taking in a movie on a past week-end were Nancy Shaw, Alice Pinnie, Pat Ashworth, Shirley Bennett, Mary Panton, Kathleen Kelley, and Del Runckle.

—Tommie n Marion.

ALUMNEWS

From the number of engagements it seems like June in January.


The gym was an attraction to many of the male ex-Milnites. Bob Randles, ’48, Ed Lux, ’49, Art Walker, ’49, Dick Bauer, ’49, and Don Westbrook, ’49, played a little “hoop” against the varsity.

A few of those attending the Alumni Ball were Greg Angier, ’48, Nancy Bethan, ’49, Marge Norton, ’48, and Pat Colburn Brodie, ’48.

Seem at Bev Ball’s open house on New Year’s Eve were Lloyd Schonbrun, ’48, Sherwood Rorker, ’48, Don Miller, ’47, and John Taylor, ’47.

Jeanne Faessel, ’48, Betsy Dunn, ’48, Anne Car- lough, ’49, Scott Hamilton, ’46, Don Christie, ’46, Carolyns’ Herrick, ’48, Nancy McAllister, ’49, and many others found time to pay a visit to Eddie’s during their vacation.

—Nancy n Judy.
Milne Five Loses to Academy, 32-37; Columbia Triumphs in Close Contest

Albany Academy turned court. Milne ran up a 13-5 swamped by a Red and Black
Four for Milne's defeat was its inability to score from the floor. Accurate foul shooting kept the Raiders in the game, but could not make them victors.

In the final stanza of the game, the Crimson five held the Academy second team scoreless for the first half of the period, and allowed them only two field baskets and a free throw for the quarter while scoring 13 points for Milne.

Milne Leads At Half
Academy's first attempt to close the gap between the two teams after their entry into the game in the second stanza. At half time Milne still was out in front by one point as the intermission stood 15-14 in favor of Milne.

The Academy team took the lead in the first minutes of the second half, but Milne was never more than two baskets behind during the third period. The third quarter score was 26-25 with Academy out in front.

The final stanza found the Milne trailing by a few points until the last five minutes of play, when the Raider defense fell apart and Academy poured in 18 points.

Tim Anderson of Academy took the lead during the second semester. At half time, the game was already lost. Dick Taylor led the Milne attack during the second stanza, and outscored the victors 5-2 in the last frame, but by this time the game was already lost.

B. C. H. S., V. I. Rout Red Raiders; Cathedral Academy Downs Team

An undefeated BCHS quintet handed Milne its fifth setback of the year, rolling over the Crimson, 58-30, in a Class C League tilt played on the Delmar court.

After the first five minutes of play, BCHS cracked the Milne defense and tallied 10 markers while holding Milne scoreless.

The BCHS team had the Crimson on the wrong side of a 18-5 score at the end of the first quarter, and went back to the locker at half time holding a 54-14 advantage.

Milne matched BCHS in the second half of the third stanza, and outscored the victors 5-2 in the last frame, but by this time the game was already lost.

Dick Taylor led the Milne attack with six field goals and six free throws for a total of 18 points.

Cathedral Drops Milne
Milne was dropped by Cathedral Academy, 49-37 in a game which was played on the Hackett court.

After the opening minutes of play, Cathedral began to hit, outscoring Milne two to one during the first half.

The first quarter score was 13-6, and the Eagles led 26-13 at half time.

Raiders Close Gap
The third stanza found the Milne five looking much better than they had before the intermission. The Crimson outscored the Elms 14-10 during this period. Hopes of the Milne fans for victory vanished in the final quarter when Cathedral regained the upper hand and secured the margin they had held at half time.

V. I. In Rout
Vincentian Institute ran wild in the last quarter of a game played back Milne, 38-27, in a closely played game on the Page Hall first quarter score over the Academy's second team, but was scoring sparse in the last five minutes of play.

Hi-Y Plans Events For Next Semester

Milne's Hi-Y organization is discussing plans for several events during the second semester.

Plan Banquet
One of these would be a banquet for Milne Hi-Y members. At the banquet the new Hi-Y members would put on short skits or make impromptu speeches on subjects chosen by the officers and older members of the club. The banquet and entertainment by the new members is designed to replace the formal initiations of years past which have been abolished.

Ernest Whitfield heads the committee in charge of planning the banquet.

To Hold Area Meeting
The organization is also considering participating in an area Hi-Y meeting which would be held one or two weeks after the start of the second semester.

on the Page Hall court and routed Milne, 47-28.

B. C. H. S. scored 17-12 on the East Greenbush school's court.

The game was evenly played with the leading changing frequently. If it proved nothing else, the game showed that the Milne team looks much better than its record when matched with teams from schools somewhat the size of Milne. The scores of the two teams were always close together, and Milne was very much in the ball game until the last minutes of play.

Both teams scored freely in the first period with the lead changing frequently. Columbia collected 10 points from the floor and two from the foul line. The Raiders also made their shots and got 11 points in the quarter, scoring five times from the field and once from the free throw line.

Raiders Behind At Half Time
A second quarter surge by Colum­bua put the Blue and White out in front 22-17 at half time. Columbia's lead soon evaporated after half time when an inspired Raider quintet took the floor and outscored the home club 12-6 in the third period. This rally gave the Crimson a one-point advantage over the Blue and White, and the final stanza started with the score, 29-28.

Columbia gained the lead in the final frame and kept it although the Raiders were never far behind until the closing minutes.

Schuyler Sackman shoots one-hander from foul line in Academy game.
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Students Dream
Of Escalators
In Milne School

BY NANCY GOTIER

Of course the senior room is no place to try to think of a subject for a feature story, but I, enjoying the comfort of soft easy chairs, could not muster the ambition to try to find a quieter spot to meditate.

Strangely enough, the conversation switched to school and someone began to day dream out loud. "A utopian school. Oh brother, what a life that would be!" Immediately we tried to stretch our imaginations and dreamed up the most utopian school that has ever been dreamed about.

Sit back, close your eyes and see yourself sitting in history class in a soft leather easy chair. Thirsty? Put a nickel in the slot on the side of the chair. You have a choice of a bottle of orange, grape, coke, or root beer. Feel lazy? Press a button and your notes will be taken for you by an automatic hand.

Books Kept in Classes

The buzzer rings. No need to rush, you have 10 minutes between classes. Since there is nothing except escalators, the traffic officers are still needed as a few misguided souls run up or down the wrong escalator.

"Hurry, it's a strike!" This process was heard, but not too often, at the Playdium Bowling Alleys, Saturday, January 21.

The final scores showed a 94.9 average for Sigma, and an 85.5 average for Quin. Barbara Dewey and Nancy Shaw, presidents of Sigma, and Quin respectively both expressed their pleasure at the success of the party.

Science Department

Buys Microscope

One of the newest and most important pieces of equipment in the school's life is a microscope made by the American Optical Company, Buffalo, New York, costing $250. "The microscope," said Dr. Carlton Moore, head of the department, "is used for magnifying small objects, such as rocks, frog's eggs, small tadpoles, etc., in the tenth grade biology class.

College Bound Take
Scholastic Aptitude Test

Scholastic Aptitude Tests of the College Entrance Examination Board were given on the morning of January 14 to all seniors intending to go to college.

Pupils Undergo Fire Drills

Fire drills are practiced monthly in Milne.

There are three exits by which students may leave the building: Western Avenue, Western Avenue, and through the Hall auditorium. The faculty superintendents have a job which this is a drill. They see if the rooms are empty, and also direct students to the stairs.

The fire drill ran approximately two minutes and thirty seconds for students to clear the building. After investigating the exits by spring different classes leave, it was found that by making certain changes, the building could be cleared faster.

During the fire drill on January 4, the students were outside in two minutes and ten seconds.

Dr. Theodore Fosseick, principal, stated, "If we can help you react automatically and quickly to a fire drill it will make you safer citizens."

Popolizio Announces
Milne Art Exhibition

Mr. Vincent Popolizio, art supervisor, announced that there will be an exhibit sometime in the spring of the work done by Milne students in their art classes.

A tea will be held accompanying this exhibit in the Richardson Hall lounge. It will be for the parents of Milne students and the Milne faculty, as well as for the students.

The chairman of the exhibit committee will be Lorraine Walker, member of the junior class, and members include Joyce Robert, Jack Magrew, Marlene Cooper, Ernest Whitfield, Richard Lytle, Betty Jane Thompson, Alice Wasmann, Nancy Gotier, Barbara Tomlinson, Ted McNeil, and Barbara Stewart.

Societies Bowl
At Recent Party

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Midyears From

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