**Indonesian Teenagers' Customs Differ From Ours**

**American Dancing Taboo, Records Popular**

**By CAROL RICOTTA**

Mr. Edward Fagan has returned from Indonesia, where he spent a month familiarizing himself with the academic backgrounds of thirteen Indonesian students who are now studying in the eastern United States and whom he will advise. The Ford Foundation asked him to visit teachers' colleges in Indonesia because State University has a team working in those colleges to improve teacher education.

**Educational Facilities Inadequate**

Indonesian boys and girls go to school six days a week. They attend classes from 7:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., because of the intense afternoon heat. Many of the children can't attend school because there are not enough facilities. The only way to get to school is by foot. In passing certain tests or having a family that can pay their way, the grade system is like ours, with six elementary grades and six secondary grades.

Children who can't attend school work in the rice fields or small factories from about the age of ten, depending on where they live. The Indonesians have large families, so those that don't work start home and help their parents.

School buildings are shaped as squares and built with stucco walls. Instead of windows, there is an open space between the top of the walls and the tile roof. The teacher sits on a platform about three feet high. Because of the lack of books, teachers usually give lectures and the students must take notes. Books are not always available.

**English Required, Baseball Unknown**

High school courses are much the same as those we take. From seventh through twelfth grade, English is a required subject for all students. In high school, regular physical education classes including field hockey and soccer. Volleyball, which has just been introduced, is very popular. They have no games such as football and basketball.

Teenagers attending school dress much the same as we do. Those who study in the evening wear a kabaya, a type of shirt, and a sarong that creates a skirt-like effect. Girls never wear shorts, and violence in that country is practically unheard of.

**Thousands of Dialects Spoken**

Most of the three thousand islands have their own local languages, but the national language is Bahasa Indonesia. Until 1945, the Indonesian teenagers petitioned their government to have one language. Now Bahasa Indonesia is taught from the third grade up. Before that local dialects are spoken.

**Indonesian Social Etiquette**

Indonesian teenagers enjoy the social freedom that we do. Very little dancing is done and then only in groups. Dancing is considered illegal by the government and Western style dancing is forbidden by parents. In some areas they are permitted to take part in ceremonial dances. Dancing is permitted for adults only one night a week for adults only one night a week for two hours at hotels.

Most marriages occur between boys and girls seventeen and eighteen years old, and in the villages at a younger age. There are such strong family ties that marriage the youngsters usually live with their parents.

**Wyangs and American Movies**

Although not allowed to dance, Indonesian teenagers enjoy listening to American records. Our movies are also very much in demand, but two things are cut out of every movie; kissing and violence.

The most frequent form of entertainment is a play that tells of Indonesian history and family life. It is comparable to our soap-operas. There are three different wyangs. The wyang orang is enacted by live people. The wyang golkoy is done with wooden puppets, and the wyang kulit with shadow puppets. These wyangs take place during the cool evenings with music supplied by the village orchestra.

**The Joyful Selamatin**

On a special occasion such as a wedding, birthday, or funeral, a selamatin is held at someone's house. A selamatin is similar to our old-fashioned house warming, except that the entertainment is usually a series of ceremonial dances. Because of the scarcity of food in that country, the occasion usually becomes joyous, so the people can get together to share what they have with their friends.
Milne Under the Microscope

By ALICE WILTROUT

Question: For what reasons have you failed to join several of the clubs or organizations in which you might have expressed interest?

"Me" Gloria, who is not allowed out on school nights to attend club meetings or even to go to basketball games because I have too much homework to do. I have interested some of the clubs, which Evie and I attend, with the idea of leaving us as soon as possible in the afternoon, so I can't attend any club meetings at that time. Right now I have to pay for any club dues, and I don't have enough money to pay all the expenses of school clubs.

Tom Bennett: There was no publicity at the beginning of the year about the clubs, so I didn't know when it started. The heads of the clubs never come to the students in an effort to make the students feel interested. Besides, I am on the basketball team, which demands a lot of my time.

Barbara Currey: I think the clubs are too disorganized. Confusion tends to discourage new members. There is little discussion about the club activities, except a line or two in the C&W. But after the club begins to decline, the students are blamed for not attending any of the clubs' extracurricular programs.

Jane Lanme: I didn't join because the organizations themselves and their programs didn't appeal to me. I have been interested in various clubs but not for long.

Bob Hoff: One reason I didn't join was because of the great volume of homework which averages four hours or more. Many of the meetings are held during homeroom, and this is bad for students who want to finish homework. Within the next year or so, there should be complete intergrade cooperation instead of several factions determined by seniority. The existing clubs should have more of a social element instead of being just a stream of monotonous meetings.

Joan Kallenbach: I never joined any of the language clubs because the meetings conflicted with another activity. I have never been particularly interested in other organizations such as the cheers club. Of course, I love athletics and M.G.A.A. takes up an average of four afternoons a week. You can't belong to everything!

Nancy Ricker: I have too much homework and find that often I have several tests on the same day. The organizations all have dues, and it is expensive to join many clubs. I live a great distance from school and this makes it impossible for me to stay late after school or come in the evenings to attend meetings.

Interviewer's opinion: It doesn't seem to be the fault of the students, but the fault of school administration and planning. Many students are poorly informed because the organizations receive very little publicity. Many of the clubs talk of wanting to increase their membership but do very little to encourage prospective members. One specific suggestion is for the fraternities to follow the sororities' example in having some kind of a "rush" which would serve the dual purpose of attracting new members and organizing old.

Report on Adelphoi

By GAY DEXTER

Adelphoi, which at one time was quite active, has only six members at present. Dr. Carlton Moore, the faculty adviser, had much to say about this situation. He feels that there are too many other boys' organizations in Milne and recommends that Adelphoi and Theta Nu be combined. Dr. Moore said that the fraternities had lost sight of their original function as literary societies and were no longer needed by the school.

Andre Donikian, president of Adelphoi, said that the club's membership had decreased due to a lack of enthusiasm on the part of the members. He suggested that we combine Theta Nu and Adelphoi.

Ed. note: in coming issues the C&W editorial staff will further investigate the problem of Milne's organizational slump.

The Staff of the C & W Wishes You All A Happy Holiday Season

HAPPy HOLIDAYS

is for the homework we can anticipate over the vacation. "Isn't it marvelous that they can follow up a long assignment with, "...and have a wonderful vacation," is for the assignment that we don't have to hand in to the C&W for one whole month!

is for the perils that we shouldn't have put in the Christmas gift box in the first place. (Do you know that gallon of ice cream has started to melt yet?) is also for the plastic penholders you got for Christmas. "If you wanted..." is for Yankees, yellow jay, fraternity and Y.M.C.A.—none of which is "hip deep" but I challenge you to find one that is!

Ed. note to poet: Yule never guess what we are for the hangover of the New Year's day variety. Let's just hope no one finds out the hard way!

is for the opening, or more correctly, reopening of school. "What say we drop the subject?" is for the little old lady who probably won't invite you over for Christmas even if you didn't mean to knock over her Christmas tree.

For the last issue of the year, that you always seem to accumulate on ski trips. You can bet that they will be in time for school. "Do you think that you always seem to accumulate them?" is for the accidents—all sorts of them. ("After all, I didn't know it packed so well. Oh, I don't mind paying for your picture window... How much did you say they cost??")

Ya, oh no. Not this letter again! Why, why, why??? Hey, I did it!

—Dave Kermani and Martha Lowder

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Milne Wins First Two Games

Gay Gabs

Did they not look terrific? The Jayvee and the varsity cheerleaders both got new uniforms. The varsity squad now has long sleeved white blouses, with red ties and red circular skirts, while the Jayvee also has new white blouses to go with its red and white plaited skirts.

Mohonason Vlist Fall

Due to Coach Lewis and his new methods, bringing two new starters and being cheered on by a rather vocal audience Milne decisively beat its first opponent, Mohonason, 72-58. The victory was the first for the varsity in over 20 starts.

Came Close

That was the first half Mohonason held a small but steady lead. At the end of the first quarter Mohonason led the Raiders 16-15. Although the Raiders didn't close the gap in the second quarter, they began to score in the last few minutes and thus gave a preview of what was to come in the second half. Dramatic scoring by Mohonason's part Mohonason's lead was cut to three points, 33-30.

Milne Ties

As the third quarter started, the Lewismen scored quickly to the tie, and after a few more minutes of play went on to the lead. This lead was never overcome by Mohonason. The third quarter ended 49-43. In the last quarter, the Raiders simply turned on the gas and ran away from Mohonason by scoring 25 points to make the final outcome 74-54.

Our well balanced attack was led by Steve Rice with 16. He got strong support from Jon McClelland, Mike Daggett and Tom Bennett who had 15, 14, and 12 respectively.

Milne Vlist

Milne's comparatively long winning streak, when compared to last year's record, was stretched to two weeks with a hard-fought, last-minute victory over Watervliet. The final score gave Milne the victory, 52-51.

Score Close

The varsity jumped to a quick 5 point lead in the opening minutes of the first quarter but Watervliet came roaring back from this early deficit to tie the game at the quarter 9-9. With neither team being able to string points together, the score remained tied at the half 21-21. The visitors led only once, by the score of 34-32 near the end of the third quarter. However, Milne came back to lead at the quarter's end 30-34, and continued to pull away to a 40-34 spread early in the fourth period. This happened to give the Raiders a real score by coming from behind to tie the game with but a minute remaining.

Free Throws Decisive

In the final minute encompassing four time outs, Tom Thorsen was fouled while shooting. With 7 seconds remaining in the game, he scored on both charity shots to give the Raiders a two point victory.

The Milne scorers were led by Mike Daggett's 14 points and Steve Rice's 13 which helped keep Milne ahead in a game won by foul shooting. The Raiders scored 13 points on the free throws compared to 5 for Watervliet and this may have been the difference.
SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

JOYCE JOHNSON

Blonde hair, dimples, and a sweet smile for everyone—that's Joyce Johnson. Joyce has participated in many activities throughout the past five years. Last year she was vice-president of Sigma, secretary of Red Cross Council, and a representative on student council. Now that she's a senior, Joyce has moved up to the presidency of both Sigma and Red Cross Council. She is also secretary of the class of '61.

Golf, tennis and playing the piano are among Joyce's favorite hobbies, but those who know her well know that she's a real fanatic when it comes to politics. As a matter of fact, before the election this fall, Joyce and her cronies spent many long evenings amidst heated political discussions.

Next year Joyce will attend Clark University or Oneonta College of Education. She intends to major in child psychology and minor in—you've guessed it—political science.

Several weeks ago while walking through the halls, I chanced to see someone sniffling and muttering to himself. This naturally aroused my curiosity, so I walked over and asked what was wrong. I soon saw that this person was none other than Scott Bunn. I decided he would make a fine subject for the Senior Spotlight. I asked him if he would like to be in the "Spotlight." It's about time you got around to me," he said, "What took you so long?"

I was about to reply, when all of a sudden I heard something which sounded like, "That's obvious, isn't it?"

"Ah, you've guessed it, sir," I replied.

JOHN HILTZ

Want to see John Hiltz turn red? Just tell him, that your C&W article is going to be handed in late. This evokes a startling change. In a matter of minutes John undergoes a startling metamorphosis, and becomes a towering mountain of rage. John has been quarterback of the sporting world while at Milne and his important place in the Milne lives. He is a fiery contributor to the Milne newspaper and is a dominant member of the Hi-Y, a member of the Student Council, and a member of the Hi-Y Council, and last but not least, he is the editor of the C&W.

John has not neglected the lure of the sporting world while at Milne. During the past three years John has been quarterback of the Milne football team, and just last year, John broke the Milne high school touchdowns. John has a lot of things to do, but the main things are hunting, fishing, and playing the piano.

Next year John hopes to attend college, but he can't decide whether to become a premed student or a biochemist. Actually John, (also known as Hilt, Hiltzy, "My editor", and "The Biochemist") has always been a very peaceable fellow. Born in southwest Elizabeth, New Jersey, John came to Milne in the second grade. John has been, President of the Hi-Y, is a member of the Hi-Y Council, and last but not least, he is the editor of the C&W.

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The nomad of the class of '61 is none other than Ricky Stewart. Ricky was born in Los Angeles, California and since then has lived in Virginia, New York City, Florida, and Long Island. However, we are sure glad that she decided to settle down in Albany.

Ricky has shown her talents in many fields. She is presently Associate Editor of the C&W and president of the student council. She is also a past officer of Ham's and her favorite hobby is writing. Ricky is a prolific painter and writer. Last year she won an award for poetry in the C&W creative writing contest and this year she is taking art lessons to improve her skills in that field.

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