NILS ASTHER INTERVIEWED AT PLAYHOUSE

BY CAROLE JEAN FOSS

Nils Asther was born in Stockholm, Sweden, and he still has a very distinguished foreign accent. The only way that I can describe Mr. Asther’s appearance is by telling you that he looks a lot like Charles Gable.

The acting career of Mr. Asther began at the age of 16 when he was out ski-ing one day in Sweden. A famous director, Mauritz Stiller, was looking for some one to play a part in an important motion picture, and this director thought Nils Asther looked the part. Mr. Stiller was the director who discovered Grete Garbo and he offered her a part in the movies.

Since that day on Mr. Asther has made 48 motion pictures and acted in many stage productions. Some of the stars he has made movies with are Joan Crawford, Hardin Henry, and Greta Garbo. He has acted in Romeo and Juliet and been in French comedy plays before coming to the United States. His first trip here was in 1927. In the plays Nils Asther does abroad, he usually speaks in Swedish and Danish instead of English.

Mr. Asther told us that he liked the stage better than being in the movies. He said, “Movies are canned and all the stage is alive. Nobody interrupts you on the stage and in a movie the director will cut into the middle of a scene when he wants to.” Nils Asther said that television was alright, but he still would rather act on the stage.

Mr. Asther, presently playing in “The Three Thieves,” at the Playhouse, told us that not all the plays he had acted in were successful. “It isn’t an actor’s fault, in most cases, that a play is a flop. The people that the theater caters to can make the play a flop or it’s success. Either they come to see it or the theater will lose money on that particular play.”

Mr. Asther has a daughter, 19, and she is not interested in an acting career. She likes the theater but not well enough to become a part of it. We asked him about an actor’s salary but that is one thing that an actor never talks about. One thing you might be interested in knowing is that Nils Asther is his original name. It is not just a stage name.

Although he didn’t study dramatics in high school, Nils Asther recommends it to high school students. “If you are really thinking about the stage for a career, I suggest that you take Mr. Asther’s advice.”

Tri-Hi-Y to Give Dance

Club to Sponsor Square Dance

By Demand

Once again, by popular demand, the Tri-Hi-Y club is sponsoring a square dance. It will be held in Page Hall gym on Saturday, January 24 at 8 p.m.

Miss Lydia K. Murray, girls physical education teacher, deserves a lot of credit for the enthusiasm of the students interested in square dancing. It started in the girls gym classes, where square dancing became very popular with the girls. After the girls became more proficient at it, Miss Murray asked them if they would like to have the party on Mondays. Now the school is currently on a square dance spree.

Loudis To Play

The music will be provided by Paul Loudis Jr., his 16-piece square dance band. They supplied the music for the last dance sponsored by Tri-Hi-Y.

Pat Canfield, chairman of the refreshment committee, said that there will be cake and cookies served. The publicity committee, headed by Gail McCormack, is already hard at work. Tickets may be bought at the door, and the whole senior high is invited.

Dr. and Mrs. Theodore H. Fossieck, Dr. and Mrs. Randolph Gardner, and Mr. and Mrs. John J. Canfield will be chaperones.

Mary Frances Moran, president of Tri-Hi-Y said, “There is a lot of enthusiasm for the dance, and I think with everyone working hard, it ought to be a lot of fun, as well as a financial success.”

Art Students to Exhibit Work

Exhibition of student art work will be featured in a new gallery outside the art room.

Under the direction of Mr. Edward P. Cowley, head of the art department, the telephone booth was removed, walls repainted and exhibitions booths set up. Special lighting was installed and a drape hung over the balcony doors. A student group has been formed to aid Mr. Cowley in selecting and hanging the art work.

The interior design class has almost finished work on a scale model of the classroom. It is complete with lighting. In the modern home, furniture and decoration, including miniature abstract paintings, are the work of the students. The basic art class, now working on a remodeling of WRGB television signs, will soon have a unit on oil painting.
GIVE THEM THEIR CHANCE

Have you ever stopped to really think about your teachers? Many times I have thought of them as students like ourselves. We know they are students at State college but they are also teachers at the Milne school.

Our teachers are students at a college and share many of the same problems that we do in high school. Student teachers have to take exams, do a lot of homework, and keep up their marks just like any Milne student does. They do all this regular, routine studying and at the same time keep right on teaching classes in Milne.

I realize how young and friendly our teachers are, and we can’t help liking or kidding them some of the time. One thing to remember, however, is that all our teachers will be marked on their practice teaching.

Have some consideration for your student teachers and give them your full cooperation during a class. Show respect for your teachers at all times!

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THE INQUIRING REPORTER

By NANCY n’ JIM

Question: “What do you think was the outstanding event of 1952?”

Allison Parker: “‘The Play’ with Tony Kirby romancing Alice Sycamore—daft’s nice!”

Brenda Scott: “The stampeding of the elephants to the White House.”

Nancy Tripp: “The fact that they got the clocks working in Milne.”

Bennett Thomson: “I took a bath.”

Ruth Dyer: “I did too, but not with Bennett.”

Walter Ruth: “That was when I entered Milne.”

Marion Preisser: “I lived to see ’53.”

Alice Brody: “I like getting elected.”

Mary Felker: “I think ’52 brought forth the most superb Senior Play ever presented.”

Eugene Cassidy: “My first report card—it was good.”

Larry Berman: “Seeing Mommy kiss Santa Claus.”

Joyce Temple: “You’d be surprised.”

Henry Cohen: “Jackie Robinson popping out in the sixth inning of the seventh game of the World Series. It’s tragic.”

Isabel Ure: “Getting my lock open or first try.”

Marcia Wright: “Our own Bennett Thomson’s election as president of our senior Student Council.”

Mrs. Scully: “I think the Eisenhower landslide probably.”

Mimi Ryan: “Milne beating Rensselaer.”

“Bunny” Walker: “There’s no doubt in my mind. General Eisenhower’s election.”

David Bain: “Paul Howard scoring 20 points in the St. Joseph’s game.”

Sue Clime: “The Democrats losing.”

Bob Dennis: “The Dodgers getting into the World Series.”

Mary McDermott: “Ruth Dyer was still trying to sing.”

Sue Crane: “Senior off-campus privileges.”

Sandra Stegman: “Eisenhower going to Korea.”

Toby Scher: “I made Milnettes.”


Ezell: “Senior of the outstanding things.”

Gail McCormack: “Marilyn Monroe’s new plugging calendar—definitely.”

Sheila Fitzgerald: “The Republicans fairly got it in.”

Anna Requa: “Miss Murray got a new car.”

Denise Gardner: “That’s a good question.”

Bobby Knouse: “Johnny Mise hitting three homers in the World Series.”

Dick Keffer: “Bobby Shantz winning ‘off his bat in baseball.”

Carole Jean Foss: “I got my driver’s license.”

The Inquiring Reporter

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The gayest affair of the holiday season is always the Alumni Ball. This year was no exception. The boys looked real sharp, all dressed up, and the girls were at their prettiest. Doris Perlmutter, Henry Cohen; Marilyn Phillips, Ron Dillon; Ann Strebel, Marty Wolman; Marcia Wright, Ron Osborne; Cynthia Berichian, Jerry Hanley; Ann Crocker, Bob Richardson; Judy Cottle, Lorraine Pfeiffer; Lorraine Killough, and Bob Albert were a few of the couples seen having a wonderful time.

Those who lost the dance early and tiptoed out to the Circle Inn were: Fred Corrie, Sheila Fitzgerald; Wes Moody, Harriet McFarland; Doug Billion, Nancy Trippi; Bob Swassey, Ruth Dyer; and Bennett Thomson and M.F. Moran.

Celebrating the resulting victory of the Rensselaer game, Dick Nathan gave a party for some of his teammates, Sandy Cross, Pat Canfield; Bunny Walker, “Buzz” Sternfeld; David Clarke, Allison Parker; Don Coombs, Sherrill Miller and Mary McNamara.

Joining in the applause and laughter that was heard at the Strand Theatre, where the Mask & Wig show was playing were: Margaret Moran, Henry Cohen and Tommy Nathan.

Allison Parker held her annual open house the day after Christmas. Everyone spent the afternoon sitting on the floor waiting for a certain bird to make its appearance on the hop.

If you like basketball, you should have followed Tommy Sternfeld and Jud Lockwood to R.P.I. to watch the Harlem Globe Trotters in action.

Gail McCormack had a hen party for some junior girls. An unexpected surprise occurred when the senior boys raidied the party.

Shirley Vanderburg also welcomed the New Year by giving a party at her house. Ann Crocker, Pat Canfield; Bunny Walker, “Buzz” Sternfeld; Mary Killough, Wayne Harbinger; Lois Smith, Dean Erell; Jackie Boneycky, Bruce Fitzgerald; Linda Shoudy, David Wilson; Jackie Marks, Ronnie Killelea; Elsa Weber, Jack Cairns; Joan Canfield, Barry Fitzgerald and Kenny Jarrett were the couples yelling Happy New Year.

Even the seventh graders celebrated the New Year. Joyce Seymore, Dick Berberian; Sue Ellen Di Sarro, Peter Dowdall; Julia Mohling, Jack Binley; and Bobby Killough were the kids about which no peace was possible, but still having fun at Carol Schaeffer’s party.

Some of the sophomore girls got together at Carol Pfieffer’s house. Carol Beeker, Ann Gay; Alma Becker, Judy Hallenbeck, Honey McNeil, Ann Crocker and Alice Gonsell were the girls that were talking things over.

Bill Bullion, Sue Bower, Shirley Male, Bob Byrum and Beryl Scott gathered at Mary Lou Deitrich’s house for a party.

Winter is the time for many sports. Ice skating, in particular is loads of fun (if you can skate)! If you’d like to learn in one easy lesson (how to skate on your knees), just ask Art Heinnmiller, Phil Ring, Sue Crane, David Brown, Jerry Thomas, Tom Foggo, Arlene Heinnmiller, Alice Erwin or Peter Hopper. They’re pros! —”Buzz, Cynthia n’ Bobby

ALUMNENEWS

The Watervliet game attracted many alumni; among them were: Fred Corrie ’52, Lorraine Walker ’56, Doris Metzner ’51, Harry Stevens ’51, Don Mapes ’48, Barbara Tompkins ’51, and Stu Crawford ’50.

Barbara Stewman ’51, Joan Sutherland ’52, Helen Pigors ’50, Dave Bates ’56, Al Evans ’51, Ruth Staley ’51, Joan Deitrich ’49, and Bill Mesher ’50 were seen around Albany.

The Alumni Ball attracted many alumni that haven’t been seen for a long time. Among them were Terry Hilleboe ’51, Ted McNeil ’50, Eric Dodge ’52, Dick Salsbury ’52, Anne Coniglio ’50, Diane Grant ’50, Nancy Salsbury ’52, Alice Gosnell ’48, Gordon Kilby ’48, Harry Vance ’52, Bob Randles ’48, and Jeanne (Fausel) Randles ’48. —Sue n’ Cressy.
B.C.H.S. Rally Defeats Milne

Coombs Tallys 21
To Top Raiders

One of Milne's biggest rivals, the Bethlehem Central Eagles, invaded Page Hall gym last Friday, January 16 for a three game slate with the Raiders. The gym was packed with enthusiastic fans from both schools as excitement ran high throughout all three contests.

Fourth Quarter Proves Fatal

The contest, the Varsity game, was a "real thriller" as the two clubs displayed fine ball handling, teamwork and excellent defensive tactics. Both teams fought evenly until the fourth quarter when the Delmar quintet caught fire and rallied to grab a 13 point edge and a victory.

First Half, a "Battle Royal"

According to one of the local newspapers the first half was a "battle royal." This was very obvious as the action was thick and fast while the score swayed from one side to another. At the close of period number one, the scoreboard registered 13-13. The next quarter was just as fast, just as exciting, and just as close! The score at halftime was 29-29.

In the third period, the game continued at an even pace until suddenly the Eagles rallied to grab a comfortable lead. The Raiders quickly rallied and slashed the advantage down to three points. Here the period ended as the score stood 40-37.

In the last quarter the Eagles caught fire again. This time the Milnites did not put it out. The visitors hit on long set shots, while the home team continued to miss the mark. The final score was B.C.H.S. 61, Milne 47.

Don Coombs was high scorer for the evening with 21, while "Criss" Cross was second with 15. Dick Sharpe, Watervliet's 6'5" pivot, and then added a foul shot to take a 1-2 lead. The inspired Raiders led by "Flamingo" Cannoneers and "Criss" Cross outscored the visitors 16-8 in the remainder of the period to capture a 21-10 first quarter advantage.

The second period was exactly even as each team matched the other, basket for basket, while the Crimson maintained their 10 point lead at the half.

Cannoneers Retaliate

In the third period, Watervliet, by switching to a zone defense momentarily puzzled the "young pros," and cut their lead down to six points. The score stood 46-40 at the end of the quarter.

Leading by a slim margin to begin the last period, the fighting Raiders held the lead until the final two minutes of the contest when the Cannoneers suddenly rallied to knot the score at 52-52. George Rowe of Watervliet tallied on a set shot as the visitors pulled ahead by two points. Then the Raiders hit on a jump shot to once again knot the score. Unfortunately the "hard luck" Crimson just couldn't seem to buy another hoop as the visitors scored on two long set shots to grab the lead and the ballgame.

Cadets Victorious

Gradually pulling away in the second half, the Albany Academy Cadets defeated the Milne Varsity 45-31 on the winner's court. The game was hard fought all the way, and was much closer than the final score indicated.

Monticello Capture Early Lead

In the first quarter a close defensive battle as Milne's tight zone defense held the home team to only one field goal. Sparked by the driving play of Doug Billon, the Milnites grabbed a 6-2 lead at the close of the first period. Action speeded up considerably in the second period as the Raiders rushed to an 11-7 edge. However, a surprising 11 point rally by the Cadets gave them a 13-11 advantage.

The contest continued at an even pace as the score stood 19-19 at the halftime.

At the beginning of the second half the Raiders went into a full court press defense. Here the Academy team began to build up a slim lead. The Raiders hit shooting slump, and at the end of the third quarter they trailed by seven points, 30-23. The fourth quarter continued in much the same fashion as the Crimson, despite fine play by "Criss" Cross, gradually fell farther behind. The final score was 45-31 in favor of the Cadets.

The Raiders will meet the Cadets again on February 6.

Ruthie Dyer

There goes the ball down the alley—crash! A strike! This doesn't happen too often on Wednesdays during the junior bowling period but when someone does get a strike or even a spare, it is something to shout about. "Buzz" Sternfeld (she takes the gym with the seniors), Marcia Wright, M.F. Moran, Cressy McNutt, and Judy Behymer are a few of the girls who do deserve much praise for their high bowling scores. Hats off also to Doris Perlman who got a spare a few weeks ago. Next year, Doris, we want to see you in the bowling tournament.

Basketball Begins

Basketball intramurals for the senior high girls have begun. They will probably continue into February. At this time, basketball will begin for the junior high girls. Around this same time, bowling intramurals for both the junior and senior high girls will be over. This is when the fun really starts. Miss Murray will have the job of teaching a trampoline class to the freshmen and the seventh graders. I imagine that this sport is new to most of them. Not only will the new girls have fun learning it, I'm sure that the rest of us will enjoy renewing our acquaintance with this "bouncy" sport. The Intramural Committee plans to begin when the new girls know what the object and the outcome of the "trampoline".

Same Old Story

By now, you must be pretty sick of my telling you about the M.G.A.A. bracelets. It may be an old story, but it is a worthwhile one. Many of the girls have them already, but if you haven't ordered your own yet, just ask any of the M.G.A.A. council members and they will order one for you.

Cheerleading Contest

There are just a few days left to get your entries in for the cheerleading contest. In case you have forgotten, you can obtain entry blanks in the main office. All you have to do is write your name and hometown on one side of the paper and then write your cheer on the other side. You can submit as many cheers as you want, but remember, just one cheer to an entry blank. The judges of the contest are Allison Parker, Miss Murray, and Ruthie Dyer. The cheerleaders will work on all the motions to the cheers, so all you have to do is write the cheer. The three winning cheers will be announced February 4 at the M.G.A.A. assembly. In case you haven't gotten the urge to write a cheer yet, let me remind you of the M.G.A.A. trophies: first prize $10, second prize—$7, third prize—$5.

M.G.A.A. Assembly

On February 5 the G.A.A. will hold a meeting. At this meeting we will be explaining just how the organization works. "Buzz" Sternfeld will parrot the program while M.F. Moran projects illustrations on a screen. I am sure that it will prove to be both interesting and educational.

—Ruthie Dyer.
SHIRLEY WAGONER

"Gee, Swami, is he really in my future?" asks Miss Wagoner.

Crystal-gazing might well be a pastime of Shirley's for she has been in various gym classes since entering Milne in her sophomore year. She was then a member of the Student Council and is now its secretary. Shirley was a member of F.H.A. in the tenth grade, treasurer of Sigma and Tri-Hi-Y, band, violinist, secretary of the music council, graduation and senior play usher—all these are positions which she has held.

"Dig that crazy bush?" is "Shirly's" favorite expression. Need I add that she likes wolf-whistles and yankee-doodle horns? Her dislikes include Student Council minutes and people who always want letters written.

"BUNNY" WALKER

As you see, "Bunny" Walker is looking into his crystal ball trying to find advertisements for the yearbook, the yearbook (like the advertising manager.) How about that?

Our gazer likes homeroom with Mr. Raymond and vacations in Vermont. Some of his dislikes are algebra, mathematics, wise guy boys and women drivers. His only ambition is to play baseball with Ozark like and Hill Sweney. "Bunny" will be well qualified for that because he's played football, baseball and basketball at Milne.

"Bunny" was president of junior Student Council, graduation usher, chairman of tickets and programs for the senior play, secretary and vice-president of Adelphoi and chairman of decorations for last year's Alumni Ball. He also has been a traffic officer for two years and is a member of the Bricks and Ivy.

"Bunny" plans to attend either Colgate or U.V.M.

Milne Faculty to Introduce Student to Interview Participants

January 30, 1953, is being set as the date when the guidance directors, Miss Hudson and Mr. Tibbetts, and the supervisors will interview various Milne pupils. The conferences will be scheduled by the guidance department during the milne year exam for individual problems.

The conferences will be held in the various department offices to discuss achievement and advancement, pertaining to the coming semester. These conferences will be held all day.

Mr. Fossiek said, "I hope this day will help Milne faculty and students put their ideas for a very successful semester."

Ferroequinology

Since Mr. Guertin founded the Model Railroad Club at the beginning of this year, it has made great progress.

The club has been building a plan 8' x 8' for their trains. Members will then set up their HO-gauge trains. The club is planning an exhibition in the near future.

Both Mr. Cowley and Dr. Moore offered their assistance and past experience to make the club a constructive hobby for the Milne pupils.

Senior High Sponsors Drama Club

In recent years Milne students have made various attempts to start a dramatics club. Now through both the efforts and interests of the faculty and student body, the school has the club. This club is headed by Mr. Walter Goodell from State College, and directed the senior play last November.

Among other things, Milne's future theatre, music, art and play, plays next semester. One will be presented at an assembly during the second week in March, and the other at a future date to be announced shortly.

The dramatics club will listen to various members of the drama faculty and drama classes from State college. They will speak about different fields in the theater, such as scenery, make-up, and lighting techniques.

The group includes students of senior high and the total membership is 31. Every member is working hard, and Milnites can plan on hearing more about this young and ambitious organization.

Student Council Hard at Work

In the November 26 issue of the Crimson and White, the senior Student Council announced plans for the year. Since that time to this date, the Student Council has accomplished many things and is progressing rapidly on other issues.

The assembly committee has many programs planned for the coming year. The pep assembly committee's work of revision and rewriting is nearing completion. New constitution will be ready by the approval of the faculty, student body and the council before the end of the school year.

State and Q.T.S.A. scholarship plaques were purchased by the Student Council from Diges and Clust in the beginning of the year. The plaques were put up by the Council, because that is the society which sponsors the Q.T.S.A. scholarship.

An assembly of some type will be held at the end of the school year. A student-faculty sports night committee, headed by Harry Page, is now working for such a night.

Three senior meetings were held this year, and there have been two meetings with a few members of the faculty. It was decided that sometime in March would be the earliest time that the affair could be held.

It was announced by Milne's senior Student Council president, Bruce Fitzgerald, that the group is busily preparing for a dance, which will be held on February 14.

The council also had a representative in the football assembly, which was held on January 22.

Red Cross Baskets Sent to Families

The Milne Junior Red Cross this year, as in the past, sent Christmas baskets to local needy families. Each year fictitious names of families are obtained from the Catholic Social Services and the Protestant Family and Children's Service.

Every homeroom is assigned a family along with a list of the number of children and their ages. The baskets are filled and decorated in the home room and then sent down to the main office where they are counted and distributed to the families in time for Christmas day. This year 18 baskets and a bicycle were collected.

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