Senior Callender stated, “I want to thank all the kids in the class for taking such an active interest in the preparations for the dance. Let’s all turn out and make this the best ball yet!”

Dr. Fossieck Grants Off-Campus Privilege

Seniors recently received their off-campus privileges entitling them to leave school for two hours during their lunch period. These were granted to them because they have shown satisfactory behavior, and a sense of responsibility.

At another senior class meeting, a budget was discussed to cover the expenses of the coming year. Due of $3.00 for the girls and $4.50 for the boys were decided on to cover all expenses except graduation invitations and flowers for the girls. The subject of flowers will be discussed later in the year.

On January 14, seniors who intend to go on off-campus will take their college entrance examinations.

Future Homemakers Form Milne Chapter

Milne is forming a chapter of the Future Homemakers of America. On November 19, Nancy Prescott and Judy Horton attended a district meeting at Hartford, New York, with Mrs. Anna Barsam, head of the home economics department. Any pupil in junior or senior high school who has completed or is taking a homemaking course is eligible.

The proposed chapter has to collect all dues and become recognized by the state organization before it is a member of the national FHA. Forty-five states, Puerto Rico, and Hawaii comprise the national organization.

Singers entertain the students. They are Judy Horton, president; Nancy Prescott, vice-president; Jean Clark, treasurer; Faye Keller, assistant treasurer, and Rosemary Chura, secretary.

The future members have already decided to adopt the school of Colbyton in England as their service project.

Students Take Trips

Seventh graders have taken two trips this year.

The first was in the vicinity of Milne, on Western, Washington, and Central Avenues. The next trip was to the State Office Building to view Albany from above.

Choir, Band Presents More Serious Tunes

Milne will hold its annual Christmas assembly on December 20 at 2:30 p.m. in the Page Hall auditorium.

The chorus and students will sing the “Aima Mater” with the band accompanying.

Chorus Opens Concert

The program will open with the chorus and band singing and playing “Joy to the World,” “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel,” “Winter Lullaby,” and “Deck the Hall.”

Next on the agenda: Ruth Dyer, Joan Sterndell, Nancy Tripp, and Harriet McFarland will help Bennett Thomson sing “California, Here I Come,” in an imitation of Al Jolson. A “pony ballet” will be put on by Michael Myers, David Murhead, and Walter Van Dyke.

Edward Bigley is to give a trumpet solo. “Whispering Hope” will be sung by Ellen Sings and Barbara Van Dyke. Nancy Kelly will then entertain with a comic ballet.

Magic Act

Stephen Levine will perform several tricks. These will be followed by more serious piano numbers, “To Spring,” by Grieg, played by Cynthia Berberian.

Shayla Scott with Pattie Birkel will then present some humorous readings.

A complete dance routine will enliven the rendition of “Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer” by Allison Parker and Carol Jean Dyer.

Following this, Bennett Thomson and Joan Sterndell will return to sing and dance to “Carolina in the Morning.”

Chorus Sings Carols

The program will close with the band and chorus singing and playing “Silent Night” and “Oh Come All Ye Faithful.”

The music will be conducted by Roy York, Jr., head of the Milne music department.

Mr. Richard Montgomery of the English department and director of the production is quoted as saying, “Everything has been working hard and I am positive it is going to be a very lively and entertaining show.”

Attend Hi-Y Meet

Edgar Scott, president of the Senior Student Council, and Richard Lewis attended the State Hi-Y Assembly the weekend of Dec. 9.

At this meeting, which was held in Albany, the bill brought up by the Milne delegation was defeated 75-70.

Edgar Scott announced that the Hi-Y dance will be held on March 4.
The Christmas Spirit

Merry Christmas! On behalf of the entire Milne staff I would like to extend that and all of the other season's greetings to each and every Milne student. You may be sure that you will be in our thoughts throughout the holiday season, and we will be hoping that this will be the most enjoyable Christmas you have ever had.

In the midst of all the receiving with which Christmas is associated, I hope that you will do a little giving. I hope that you will devote a little of your time and money to help someone who is not so fortunate as you are. Attention to the needs of others is one of the signs of the maturity which we are trying to help you achieve in all of the experiences which we provide for you. If you can get satisfaction out of helping others, you will have a very Merry Christmas.

Theodore H. Bosseeick, Principal.

Coming?

Did you ever stop to think how lucky we are that Milne has such an affair as the Alumni Ball?

In most schools when a student receives his diploma that is the end of his relationship with the school. Milne enables its graduates to continue participating in some of its social activities.

Each year the junior class is given the responsibility of putting on this dance. When you become a junior, you realize the job is far from being easy. The class makes all arrangements including sending invitations, securing a band and decorating the gym.

Don't forget this year's Alumni Ball. It is for both Alumni and Milne students. Let's not make the mistake of thinking that the Alumni Ball is just for the Alumni and Milne students. Let's not make the juniors' job a thankless one. We can help make the dance a success by turning out in large numbers and backing the juniors one hundred percent!

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Carole de Rouville: "A yellow convertible with red leather seats and a horn that plays 'There's No Sunshine.'"

Berenice: "A lovely bunch of girls!"

Elizabeth: "A bmke motor, motor bike, a motor bike, a motor—oh gee!

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Winter Whirl

Hail, Hail the Gang's All Here

Dear Santa:-

Sometimes I Wonder?

Our Hearts Ring Out to You
Seventh Grade
Class Leaders
Show Ambition
By CHARLES KRITZLER
It is extremely probable that during a visit to the homeroom you have seen a short girl with dark hair energetically engrossed in producing melodious sounds from a violin. That is Nancy Kelley, the president of home-room 228.
Her favorite classes are naturally the ones that become homeroom activities. She has, for a future ambition a profession that will include music; that of the ballroom dancer. She will perform with the band in the Christmas program and on the stage with a comic ballet.

Active in Athletics
To speak of her other activities, she participates in girls intramural sports, a participation which should give her experience for future athletic activities.
Entering Milne from School 16, she has already formulated her idea for future college plans. The college she plans to enter is Green Mountain Junior College in Poultney, Vermont.
Moving on to homeroom 123, we find Larry Genden holding the gavel. Larry, seems to be a typical boy, since his favorite classes are gym, art and shop.

Hope To Be Lawyer
His future ambition is to go to Albany Law School, eventually becoming a District Attorney.
Entering Milne from School 16, he was immediately elected to the presidency of his home-room, and a place in the junior student council, all preparing him for future years in the school's government.
After leaving Milne, Dick expects to enter Annapolis in preparation for a career in the Navy, or to enter Union College to take a course in engineering.
He has two hobbies that bring him enjoyment in his free time. He has a collection of stamps, and he enjoys working with trains. His homeroom is also one of the homesrooms that are working on the Christmas package.

When Did You Learn Your Alma Mater?
Hail, Alma Mater true.
Our thoughts reach out to you. Pledges we render loving,
Endlessly revered.
Knowledge of truth and right
Guide us in paths of light.
Walk we together.

Puleez!
By Seniors, December 20, 1949.
Dear Santa Claus,
Although we haven't been perfect this year, we really meant to be.
We realize now that Christmas is almost here, that coming to school late on Monday morning would have been avoided, but it was awfully hard to get up after some of those big weekends. We答应 sending Bob's and Elsie's history homework and writing notes on the desk to look. We even admit that we went over the Albany High lawn once in a while.
If you'll forgive us just this one time, Santa Claus, and give us what we ask for; we promise to do our own homework, stay in Sunday nights, and write our notes to note paper instead of on the desks. We will try to be good and not let temptation get the best of us, honestly we will.
All we want for Christmas:
1. A new set of teeth for Paul Hubbs.
2. A terrific "Senior Play" picture.
3. Lots of basketball victories.
4. Two raccoon coats and porkpie hats.
5. A new record of "I've Got a Lovely Bunch of Coconuts."
6. A tunnel under the High School to Boyle's.
7. All the answers to the final mid-years.
8. The car for the Alumni Ball.
9. Some weather stripping for the Senior Room windows.

Now that we've told you all, isn't it too much of it Santa? We obligingly from this day forward to fulfill your agrees said promises and to think before acting.
We do so declare,
Joe and Josie Seniors.

14 Members On Freshman Team
By MICHAEL MYERS
This year's freshman team carries a player from each of the home-room classes.

First String:
Bob Mosvald, Donald Coombs, Bunny Walker, William Wade, Rich Nollan, Donald Leslie, Eugene Co-  
ynley, Louis Snyder, Toby Martin, Jay Eisenhart, David Muirhead, Douglas Billon, and Michael Myers.

Dave Muirhead, who also played football, has been a great asset to the team. Although he is short, his ability to handle the ball has given him one of the first string guard positions along with Bunny Walker.

The team which has played ten games so far started with this line-
up:
Front guards, Bunny Walker and David Muirhead; forwards, Willi am Wade and David Muirhead; center, David Muirhead.

The last game of the season was lost to the Russell High School, 23-13. We are all very grateful for the little things freshmen, 25-15, and we know that this team has good chances of completing a successful schedule.

Coaching this year are Kenny George and Coach Harry Grogan. Mr. George, who is a student teacher, coaches the team daily on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays because Mr. George has no other classes at the college. Coach Grogan takes over on Monday and Wednesdays.

Students Give Opinions About Xmas Vacations
By EDITH CROSS
Two weeks that always seem like two days. Yes, Christmas vacation has started. The whole school is thrilled including the seniors. Christmas greetings instead of spitballs.
I wonder just what the students are saying individually?
"Bobbing or Skiing?"
"How about Saturday at Municipal?"
"I hope the ski jump is pretty good this year."

"I'll always end up with a broken ankle.
"Let's go to the ski resort!"
"I bet there is enough money to get another horrible necklace. He's always like that."

Worry Over Dance
The juniors are concerned with the Alumni Ball. Last minute preparations are being talked over.
"Who will I ask?" he says. "Who will ask me?" she says. Everyone wants to go as it's sure to be a success.

"Gee, I hope it snows this Christmas. What if Santa presents a skis and a sub?"

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Van Rensselaer Triumphs in Closely Played Game

Van Rensselaer's fast moving quintet handed Milne's Red Raiders a 51-38 setback on the strength of a 17-point scoring spree. The game, which was played on the eastsiders' court, was the initial Class C league contest of the season.

Rensselaer in First Quarter Surge

The Blue and White opened the game with a burst of offensive power which combined speed with accurate shooting. Coach Thompson's charges sunk seven out of nine attempted field baskets in the first quarter. These and three charity tosses gave Van Rensselaer a 22-point first period margin as the Red Raiders connected on only two free throws and one field basket for a four point total.

McNeil Leads Comeback

In the second quarter Milne outscored Van Rensselaer as a tightening Crimson defense held the Rams to eight points while rejuvenated Red Raider offense poured in ten markers.

The scoring continued to be fairly even after halftime with the Rams staging a minor rally and scoring 11 points in the third quarter. Captain Ted McNeil of Milne sunk two baskets for his club while Ish Tunkin countered with three of the same for his team.

Milne Closes Margin

Going into the third period with a 37-23 lead, Van Rensselaer was hard pressed to keep its advantage. At one point, the hard driving Milne club cut the margin separating the two teams down to seven points, but the Blue and White rallied and gained back their commanding lead. After gaining an 11 point advantage on the Crimson and White, the Rams attempted to freeze the ball, but not too successfully.

The home club had the ball stolen repeatedly and was forced to give up the attempted freeze in order to match points with the visitors. The score continued up to the final second with V.R.H.S. scoring on a layup as the buzzer sounded with the score standing 51-38.

Sackman, Tonklin Lead Scorers

Sackman was high for Milne with 16 points, while high scoring honors of the night went to Ish Tonklin of Van Rensselaer with 17 markers. Milne showed a big improvement at the foul line where the Raiders got eight points on 10 attempts. Van Rensselaer was able to sink only nine points on 24 free throws.

Raiders Edge Schuyler

The first round of play opened with Milne edging Schuyler 2-0 on Alec Pirnie's two foul shots. Other games in this round found C.B.A. winning over Albany Academy 4-3, and Albany High trouncing V. I. 19-4. Van Rensselaer defeated Cathedral 4-2 in a foul shooting contest after their game had ended in a 1-1 tie.

In the first game of the semifinals C.B.A. dropped Milne 4-1. The Brothers had too much height on the Milne team whose low tally came on Alec Pirnie's free throw. Albany High marched on to the finals by shading Van Rensselaer 5-4.

Schuyler Victorious Over Crimson

Milne opened the 1949 basketball season with a 33-19 setback at the hands of Philip Schuyler High School in a game played on the Hackett court.

Although fielding a squad with little varsity experience, Schuyler looked very sharp as it used everything from set shots to a fast break in piling up its wide margin of victory over the equally green Milne quintet.

Schuyler Takes Lead

Schuyler jumped to a 9-3 lead at the quarter and was never headed. Milne looked a little better in the second frame as it added six points to its total while the Falcons increased their lead by tallying eight markers.

Going into the third quarter with a 17-9 lead the southenders made things hot for the Milne boys as they dropped six field baskets through the hoop while the Raiders collected five points on two shots from the floor and one free throw.

Weakness At Foul Line Shows

Milne outscored the Falcons in the final stanza 5-4 but the Milne boys clicked the Raiders' charity tosses to tighten up to eight points while a rejuvenated Crimson defense held the Rams to 11 of 12 charity tosses in the final quarter, for 22 free throws netted only five points during the course of the game.

Dick Taylor dumped in four field baskets to lead the Crimson scoring with eight points. Don Carter took all three of his charity tosses for the Milne boys to lead the Crimson scoring with eight points. Don Carter took all three of his charity tosses for the Milne boys to lead the Crimson scoring with eight points. Dick Taylor showed a big improvement in the second half, for 22 free throws netted only five points during the course of the game.

Before each of the quarter finals a clinic was held. The competing teams demonstrated various types of offense and defense. The Milne zone defense was demonstrated by Milne.
The Crimson and White December 20, 1949

**Theseus Plans Skating Party Over Vacation**

**By Bob Lawton**

Lemme see now—oh ye, that oh-ye, that oh-ye, that oh-ye, that oh-ye, now I re-ec-olled, Sara Toga's Lake.

Gym Good's camp, up in them sticks wheel be-go-ien. You re-member the "Hannah Hall"? Yep, fer them what aire sor-ier chicken-dick, there's a fine co-2 room er too in what y'ain ken set a spell.

Mentions Food

Then ingeniously notable goodies ya' ben hy-arrn tellin', "Of course, I'm a-gonna be helled Dec. 30th at open hoose stile skatin' par-tea Ectwaldo Scote, Freed Dolldorf, gies: Gym Goold, Chauncey Briggs, o' them whats totin' hossless bug-mellers to tosk. (Bring your own Happy Mai, Jai Lockner, Bib Cal-

**Band to Perform For Home Games**

Roy York, Jr., head of the Milne music department has announced the band schedule for the basketball games. It is subject to change without notice.

**Cheerleaders Will Direct**

In between the javvee and varsity games, the band will play a school song set to the music of the Notre Dame "Volley March." The singing will be directed by the cheer-leaders.

"March Militaire" and "Proclaim" will be other numbers played by the band. Following these will be the singing of the "Greeting Song" and the "Star Spangled Banner."

**School Song To Be Played**

At the half time of the varsity game, the band will play one of our school songs. The selections will be "March Adventurer" and "Beaver Lodge." The concluding song will be the Milne Alma Mater.

**Pep Rally Raises Cheers Aplenty**

Varsity and javvee cheerleaders held their first pep rally of the year on December 16, in the Page Hall auditorium.

**Squad**

The new cheerleading squad consisting of Joan Stensfeld, Ruth Dyer, Nancy Trupp, Nancy Bellin, Jean Taloch and Mary Alice Taloch led the school in several cheers, and introduced two new cheers, "Open the Gate" and "Shooit, I in the Basket."

**Varsity cheerleaders Anne Coniglio, Barbara Leete, Lois Tewell, Barbara Tomdson, Mary Alice Leete, Sandra Dare and Lorraine Walker, captain, introduced the newly elected officers of the society, and then gave a few varsity cheers.

**Plan Final**

The purpose of the pep assembly came as both squads led the school in the "Varsity Victory."

Lorraine Walker expressed the hope that the school will continue to show the spirit displayed at this rally.

**Classes Correspond With French Friends**

French II and III classes have secured names of French correspondents from the American Association of Teachers of French. The fee is ten cents for a steady pen pal.

Milne students submitted their ages, hobbies and experiences to the city they wish their correspondent to live in. The first letter will be written in English by the American student and the answer will come in French.

This correspondence has been undertaken in the hope of establishing better relationships between the two countries. Miss Ruth Westley, head of the French department of Milne, is supervising the arrangements.

Previous classes have done. Whether or not they will have some other social event has not been decided.

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**Girls' Societies Hold Luncheons**

Now that the excitement of rushes is over, Zeta Sigma and Quintillian Literary Societies are busy making plans for future events.

Quin held its annual installation banquet at Keeler's Restaurant on December 17. Sigma will also hold its banquet at Keeler's. The date has been set for January 9.

The sophomores provided entertainment for these banquets. Two society members choose one of their sister. The constitution of the society is read, and, as each girl lights a candle, she promises to obey the rules of the society. She then becomes a member.

A sleigh ride or dance with Theta Rho is the junior society of Quin, is on the agenda for some time in the future.

**Plan Bowling Party**

Barbara Dewey and Nancy Shaw, presidents of Quin and Sigma respectively, announced that they would like to have the two societies get together again this year for a bowling party.

The annual Quin-Sigma dance will be held in late February.

**Juniors Take Test To Find Preferences**

Juniors took the Kuder Preference test in their home rooms on Wednesday, November 30.

This test is given to find which occupation the student prefers. This may help in his or her choice of a career.

After the Christmas vacation, the juniors will have a project in English class to help them choose a career. This test will enable the students to make a choice more easily.

**Freshmen Take Trip To East Berne Farm**

Harry Gary's farm in East Berne was the scene of the first field trip taken by the ninth grade.

The whole class made the afternoon trip by bus. Mr. Gary explained the soil conservation plan he uses on his farm.

He also showed his stable, and some of the younger calves.

Miss Helen Coulter of the Milne social studies department supervised the trip.

**Junior High Stages Leap Year Affair**

Junior High Leap Year Dance was held in the State College Lounge on Friday, December 2, from 7:30 to 10:30. Mrs. Anna Barsam, home economics supervisor, and Mr. Fredric Weed, social studies supervisor, were the chaperones.

A door prize of two tickets to the Playhouse was given. Bennett Thomson entertained the guests with a imitation of Al Jolson. Soft drinks were sold.

The dance was strictly a leap-year affair; the girls asked the boys, furnishing transportation, and buying refreshments. Some girls even made corsages for their dates.

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**Eighth Grade Group Tours Local Mansion**

Section three of the eighth grade went to Schuyler Mansion on Monday, November 21.

The trip was sponsored by the social studies department in connection with the study of colonial history and the American Revolution.

The pupils were taken on a guided tour throughout the mansion. The pupils also viewed the collection of Milne's colonial history and the American Revolution.

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Mr. Clinton Roberts of the Milne social studies department went on the trip as the faculty supervisor. The teacher in charge of the class was Miss Devlin.

Transportation for the trip was provided by the United Traction Company.

**Eleventh Graders Choose Callender As Class Leader**

Juniors at a recent class meeting elected officers for this year.

The four members selected to lead the class are Robert Callender, president; Robert Tewell, vice-president; Harry Garry, secretary, and Marion Siegel, treasurer.

The eleventh graders decided not to put on a Junior Prom as the two...