The Class of 1939
dedicates this year book to
LYDIA ANTINETTE JOHNSON
with respect and admiration.
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The World of Tomorrow

THE Future is a strange and abstract thing. It ever beckons us, and yet we cannot reach out and touch it with our fingers. Time itself has always overshadowed man’s history, and it seems to many that the country which feels the rush of Time most is the United States. This is so, and it is so because in America we live for the future.

European and far-Eastern nations, with their hoary traditions, have a tendency to dwell in the past, patterning their existences on the precepts of their forefathers. In America there is no ancient past to look back upon, and so we must live, not in the world of yesterday, but in that of tomorrow.

Who will build the world of tomorrow? It will be we Americans, for we have shaken off the old bonds and have become imbued with the spirit of progress. We have already begun the work, for through new ideas and inventions we have shown the world its future path. America will go on completing this task, each generation contributing its share. Our generation, the youth of today, is soon to begin its part.

Youth is the world of tomorrow. The education and instruction of young people is all-important, for youth is fresh and strong, and powerful enough to raise or break down again the brightness of a future world. And we, the students of high school age, must realize that what we learn now in our school years will influence greatly our thoughts and actions in days to come. As we grow older, the future gradually becomes nearer and more distinct; and it becomes brighter, too, if we have planned it so.

Therefore, let us plan the future wisely, using the knowledge we have gained from our studies. Let us go on learning always; for learning does not stop with high school. Then only shall we rightfully be called the builders of tomorrow’s world.

MIRIAM FREUND, ’39
ELIZABETH JANE BARDEN
"Betty" "Batty" "B.J." "Liz"
State College
Sigma (2, 3, 4) Vice-President (3) G.A.C. (2, 3, 4)
Assistant Business Manager (3) Business Manager
(4) Glee Club (2) Dramatics Club (2, 3, 4) Secretary
(4) Homecoming Treasurer (1) Crimson and White
(2, 3, 4) Student Council Reporter (2) Associate Editor
(3) Editor (4) Annual Antics (1, 2, 3, 4) Varsity
Hockey (4) Prize Speaking (3, 4) Junior Essay Prize
(3) Named Yearbook (4) Honor Student (1, 2, 3, 4)
C.S.P.A. Delegate (3, 4) Reception Play (2) Christmas
Plays (2, 3, 4) Class History (4)
Betty’s intellectual and dramatic ability will always
make her life outstanding—as it has been in Milne.

LEONARD BENJAMIN
"Len"
Union
Student Council (1, 2, 3, 4) Treasurer (1) Vice-
President (4) Adelphoi (2, 3, 4) Treasurer (3) Presi-
dent (4) Hi-Y (2, 3, 4) Delegate National Hi-Y Con-
gress (3) Arts and Crafts Club (3) Homecoming Presi-
dent (1) Bricks and Ivy (2, 3) Advertising Manager
(2, 3) Boys’ Carnival (3, 4) Assistant Manager Varsity
Basketball (3) Manager Varsity Basketball (4) Cheer-
leader (1) C.S.P.A. Delegate (3) Boys’ Athletic Coun-
cil (3, 4) President (4) Traffic Squad (1, 4)
Len is a fellow who will always be remembered for his
friendliness and leadership.

JEAN FLORENCE BEST
"Jeanie" "Bestie"
Quin (2, 3, 4) Marshal (4) G.A.C. (1, 2, 3, 4) Dra-
amatics Club (2, 3) French Club (3, 4) Movie Club
(1) Excursion Club (1) Crimson and White (3, 4)
Exchange Editor (4) Annual Antics (1, 2, 3, 4) C.S.P.A.
delegate (3, 4) Christmas Plays (2, 3, 4) Class Will (4)
Our giggie girl! Her cheerful disposition has done a
lot to help others see the bright side of things.

JOHN WILLIAM BOUGHTON
"Jack"
Adelphoi (3, 4) Hi-Y (3, 4) Dancing Club (1) Shop
Club (3) Glee Club (4) Crimson and White (4) Boys’
Carnival (4) Cheerleader (1)
A tall lanky lad with his own ideas and ability to
express them.

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JANET MAY CLARK
“Jan” “Clarkie”
New Jersey College for Women
Quin (2, 3, 4) G.A.C. (1, 2, 3, 4) Glee Club (2, 3, 4)
Dramatics Club (2) Crimson and White (3) Bricks and Ivy (4) Social Editor (4) Annual Antics (1, 2, 3)
Prize Speaking (4) Cheerleader (3, 4)
Charming, clever, cute, Clarkie—the little girl with the big heart.

ADELE M. CORWIN
Quin (2, 3, 4) Typewriting Club (1) Dramatics Club (3) Glee Club (4)
Adele is considerate and generous—two qualities anyone would be proud to have.

JACK CRAWFORD
“Jake” “Hack”
Post Graduate at Milne
Adelphoi (2, 3, 4) Glee Club (4) Homeroom Treasurer (1, 2) Boys’ Carnival (3) Class Night Committee (4) Society Day (2) Class History (4)
“Handsome is as handsome does”—and Jack’s pleasing manner and humor supplement his good looks.

NEWELL C. CROSS
“Newt”
Adelphoi (3, 4) Hi-Y (3, 4) Secretary (4) Dancing Club (1) President (1) Shop Club (3, 4) Homeroom Treasurer (1, 2) Crimson and White (3, 4) Boys’ Carnival (3, 4) Class Night (3) C.S.P.A. Delegate (3) Cheerleader (4) Horse Show (1)
Our “man about town”—Newt has done much to add the word “smooth” to Milne’s vocabulary.
DOROTHY MARIE DEY

“Ducky”
Quin (2, 3, 4) Critic (2) G.A.C. (2, 3, 4) Secretary (4) Crimson and White (3, 4) Reporter (3) Typist (4) Annual Antics (1, 2, 3, 4) Varsity Hockey (4) Varsity Basketball (4) Varsity Baseball (4) C.S.P.A. Delegate (3, 4) Society Day (2) Typing Club (1) Sewing Club (2) Dramatics Club (3) Arts and Crafts Club (4)

Ducky, the girl with lots of pep and that certain something that makes her a friend to everyone.

BENJAMIN HENRY DOUGLAS

“Ben” “Doug” “Benjie”
University of Michigan
Student Council (4) President (4) Adelphi (2, 3, 4) Master of Ceremonies (4) Cooking Club (1) Dramatics Club (3) Business Manager (3) Orchestra Club (4) Homeroom Vice-President (1, 2) Chairman Senior High Party (3) Chairman Theta Nu-Adelphi Dance (4) Prize Speaking (4) Pruyn Medal (4) Class Night Marshal (3) Class Night Committee (4) Christmas Plays (2) Traffic Squad (4) Class History (4) Honor Student (4)

Honor, sincerity, high ideals—we’re proud of our President.

LILLIAN M. ECLESHEYMER

“Lil”
Cortland
Quin (2, 3, 4) G.A.C. (2, 3, 4) Arts and Crafts Club (3, 4) Dramatics Club (2) Ski Club (3, 4) Bricks and Ivy (4) Exchange Editor (4) Annual Antics (1, 2, 3, 4) Class Secretary (2, 4) Varsity Hockey (2, 3, 4) Captain (4) Varsity Basketball (3, 4) Varsity Baseball (1, 2, 3, 4) Cheerleader (1, 4) Horse Show (1, 2, 3) C.S.P.A. Delegate (4)

“The eyes have it” and Lil’s reflect her gay disposition and her sincerity.

HELEN L. EHMANN

“Ehmie “Hunnen”
Albany Business College
Sigma (2, 3, 4) Glee Club (2, 3, 4) Crimson and White (3, 4) Annual Antics (1, 2, 3, 4)

Helen has a quiet nature, but it cannot hide her winning ways.
JOHN ELDRED
"Johnny"
Williams
Theta Nu (4) Hobby Club (3) Secretary (3) Chemistry Club (4) Biology Club (1) Stamp Club (1)
Silence may be golden, but we are sure of Johnny's ability to be lots of fun.

MIRIAM FAY FLETCHER
"Fletch” “Mim”
Green Mountain Junior College
Student Council (4) Treasurer (4) Quin (2, 3, 4) Recording Secretary (3) Shop Club (1) Dramatics Club (2) Glee Club (2, 3, 4) Homeroom Secretary (1, 2) Homeroom Treasurer (2) Chairman Senior High Reception (4) Co-Chairman Quin-Sigma Dance (4) Bricks and Ivy (4) Senior Editor (4) Annual Antics (1, 3) Honor Student (1, 2) Class Night Committee (4) Class History (4)
"Decorative, dependable, and delightful to know”—besides being one of our most outstanding classmates.

WILBUR C. FRENCH
"Frenchie” “Will”
R.P.I.
Adelphi (3, 4) Hi-Y (4) Chemistry Club (3) Treasurer (3) Athletics Club (1) Secretary (1) Crimson and White (3) Reporter (3) Bricks and Ivy (4) Sports Editor (4) Boys’ Carnival (3, 4) Varsity Basketball (3, 4) Varsity Baseball (3, 4) Captain (4) Traffic Squad (4)
We admire Frenchie's powers as an athlete and envy his clever remarks.

MIRIAM FREUND
"Posy” “Freundie”
Cornell
Student Council (1) Sigma (2, 3, 4) Mistress of Ceremonies (4) G.A.C. (1, 2, 3, 4) Dramatics Club (2, 3) French Club (3, 4) Crimson and White (3) Bricks and Ivy (3, 4) Associate Editor (3) Editor-in-Chief (4) Annual Antics (1, 2, 3, 4) Varsity Hockey (4) Latin Prize (3) Junior Scholarship Prize (3) Honor Student (1, 2, 3, 4) Valedictorian (4) G.A.C. Song (3) Christmas Plays (2, 3, 4) C.S.F.A. Delegate (3, 4)
Posy's refreshing personality as well as her intellectual ability will take her far on the road to success.
ROBERT WARREN GALE

“Bob” “Windy”
Milne

Adelphoi (3, 4) Reporter (4) Homeroom Treasurer (1, 2, 3) President Junior Hi-Y (1) Hi-Y (4) Dramatics Club (2) Camera Club (2) Stamp Club (1) Shop Club (3) Glee Club (4) Chairman Senior Ball (4) Boys’ Carnival (4) Assistant Baseball Manager (3) Manager (4) Prize Speaking (1, 3) Cheerleader (1) Christmas Plays (1, 4) Traffic Squad (4) B.A.C. (3, 4)

Bob is always good company—and can he dance!

ROBERT M. GARDNER

“Rocky” “Screwy” “Bob”
Amherst

Student Council (1) Adelphoi (2, 3, 4) Secretary (4) Homeroom Treasurer (2) Fish and Game Club (1) Vice-President (1) Orchestra Club (3) French Club (1, 3, 4) President (4) Bricks and Ivy (4) Feature Editor (4) Varsity Tennis (4) Prize Speaking (3) Class Night Chairman (4) Class Treasurer (2) Class Vice-President (4) Christmas Plays (1, 3, 4)

Bob’s wit has outwitted the wit of all Milnites, and has made him a popular classmate.

DONALD G. GEISEL

“Guz” “Don”
Union

Theta Nu (3, 4) President (4) Chemistry Club (3) Glee Club (4) Prize Speaking (1) Boys’ Carnival (3) Varsity Baseball (3, 4)

We all envy Guz’s curly red locks and his success in piloting Theta Nu through an eventful year.

NANCY LEE GLASS

“Nance”
Simmons College

Sigma (2, 3, 4) Reporter (4) G.A.C. (3, 4) Dramatics Club (2) Arts and Crafts Club (3, 4) French Club (4) Crimson and White (3) Associate Clubs Editor (4) Annual Antics (2, 3, 4) Varsity Hockey (4) C.S.P.A. Delegate (4) Society Day (2)

Nancy is congenial and lots of fun—the kind of person that is always welcome wherever she goes.
W. EARL GOODRICH, JR.

“Benny” “Goody”

Union
Theta Nu (3, 4) Vice-President (4) Captain Theta Nu Bowling Team (4) Vice-President Homeroom (1) Hi-Y (3, 4) Vice-President (4) B.A.C. (4) Secretary (4) Athletic Club President (1) Hobby Club (3) Chemistry Club (4) Orchestra Club (4) Crimson and White Mimeographer (2, 3) Reporter (4) Boys’ Carnival (3, 4) Varsity Tennis (2, 3, 4) Assistant Manager (3) Manager (4) Captain (4) C.S.P.A Delegate (3) Traffic Squad (4)

Earl’s happy perseverance will see him through in learning how to play that clarinet like his idol, B. Goodman.

JANE KATHLEEN GRACE

“Gracie”

Connecticut
Quin (2, 3, 4) Recording Secretary (4) G.A.C. (1, 2, 3, 4) Glee Club (2) French Club (3, 4) Treasurer (4) Chairman Student Council Card Party (4) Crimson and White Society and Club Editor (3, 4) Annual Antics (1, 2, 3, 4) Varsity Basketball (3, 4) C.S.P.A Delegate (3, 4) Horse Show (2, 3) Society Day (2)

Charm, looks, good taste, and an unusual ability to make friends—Gracie has them all.

DONALD C. GRIGG

“Don”

Photography Club (1) Stamp Club (2) Hi-Y Carnival (4) Junior Varsity Basketball (3)

Don’s quiet manner hides a serious and pleasing personality.

JOHN R. GULNAC

“Johnny”

Union
Adelphoi (4) Homeroom President (1) Hi-Y (4) Athletic Club President (1) Chemistry Club President (3) Glee Club (4) Traffic Squad (4) Bricks and Ivy (3) Assistant Business Manager (3) Business Manager (4) Boys’ Carnival (4) Varsity Basketball (3, 4) Class Sergeant-at-Arms (2) Class President (4)

Maine won out in one election, anyway, for Johnny has proved his executive ability as our Class President.
EDWIN F. HUNTING
"Ed" "Hod"
Union
Vice-President Student Council (1) Adelphoi (3, 4) Treasurer (4) Hi-Y (2, 3, 4) President (4) Sports Club (1) Orchestra Club (2) Chemistry Club (3) Vice-President (3) Varsity Club (2, 3, 4) Glee Club (4) Athletic Council (2, 3, 4) Bricks and Ivy (3, 4) Assistant Sports Editor (3) Sports Editor (4) Boys’ Carnival (3, 4) Annual Antics (2) Class Night Usher (3) Cheerleader (1) C.S.P.A. Delegate (4) Society Day (2)
Eddie is a sincere friend and a dependable fellow in all circumstances.

JANET LEE JANSING
"Jan"
Lasell Junior College
Sigma (2, 3, 4) President (4) Homeroom President (2) G.A.C. (3, 4) Dramatics Club (2) Arts and Crafts Club (3, 4) Bricks and Ivy (3, 4) Associate Art Editor (3, 4) Annual Antics (2, 3, 4) Varsity Hockey (4) Class Night Usher (3) C.S.P.A. Delegate (4) Society Day (2)
Poise, pulchritude and “umph” in large quantities!

VIRGINIA HARRIETTE JORDAN
"Gin" "Ginny"
Kentucky University
Sigma (2, 3, 4) Dramatics Club (1) Glee Club (2, 3, 4) Secretary (3, 4) Bricks and Ivy (3, 4) Assistant Alumni Editor (3) Alumni Editor (4) Annual Antics (1, 2, 3, 4) Varsity Hockey (3) Varsity Basketball (4) Varsity Baseball (3, 4) Prize Speaking (3) Cheerleader (2, 4) C.S.P.A. Delegate (4) Society Day (2)
A little bit independent, a dash of sophistication and attractiveness.

JEAN JUANITA LAYMAN
"Lambie" "Jean"
Russell Sage
Quin (2, 3, 4) Homeroom Secretary (1) Vice-President (2) President (3) Sub-Deb Club (1) G.A.C. (2, 3, 4) Bricks and Ivy (4) Associate Editor (4) Annual Antics (1, 2, 3)
An appealing smile, generosity, fairness, and sincerity all add up to Jean.
JOSEPH E. LEDDEN

"Joe"

Union
Entered Milne (3) Theta Nu (3, 4) Treasurer (4) Orchestra Club (4) Chairman Tea Dance Committee (4) Chairman Sweater Dance (4) Bricks and Ivy (4) Club Editor (4) Class Marshal (3) Class Song (4) Class Will (4)

We look up to Joe not only because of his height, but because of his unusual musical talent and winning personality.

DOROTHY GRAY LEONARD

"Dot" "Dottie"

Principia
Quin (2, 3, 4) Glee Club (2, 3, 4) Honor Student (1, 2, 3, 4)

Our silent partner, but one we couldn't do without.

CHARLES EMERY MacCULLOCH

"Mac" "Chuck"

Union
Theta Nu (3, 4) Theta Nu Bowling Team (3, 4) Homeroom Treasurer (1) Orchestra (2, 3, 4) Chairman Senior High Party (4) Chairman Q.T.S.A. (4) Crimson and White (3, 4) Art Editor (4) Hi-Y Carnival (3)

Charlie, with his musical and artistic ability, has done much to make our social affairs successful.

WILLIAM JACK MacGOWAN

"Mac"

Annapolis
Entered Milne (3) Theta Nu (4) Arts and Crafts Club (3, 4) Ski Club (3, 4) Bricks and Ivy (4) Photographic Editor (4)

Jack's main interest is in photography, but we know him best for his cheerful disposition.
MILDRED ELIZABETH MATTICE
“Mil” “Millie”
State College
Student Council (2, 3, 4) Secretary (4) Quin (2, 3, 4) Reporter (2) Corresponding Secretary (3) Vice-President (3) President (4) Glee Club (3, 4) Dramatics Club (2) Shop Club (1) Chairman Assembly Committee (4) Chairman Christmas Boxes (3) Crimson and White (3) Student Council Reporter (3) Bricks and Ivy (4) Senior Editor (4) Annual Antics (1) Class Marshal (3)
Mil brims over with every perfect characteristic. Her patience, sincerity, and sympathy have won her many loyal friends.

WILLIAM H. Mcgregor
“Mac” “Bill”
Duke
Adelphoi (3, 4) Orchestra (2, 3, 4)
Musically minded McGregor—also an expert on subtle humor.

WINIFRED McLAUGHLIN
“Win” “Winnie”
Mildred Elley
Glee Club (1) Dramatics Club (2, 3, 4) Excursion Club (1) Annual Antics (1, 2, 3)
Winnie specializes in snappy comebacks and puns.

ELIZABETH VIRGINIA MITCHELL
“Mitch” “Ginny”
Quin (2, 3, 4) Crimson and White (1) Sports Editor (1) Annual Antics (1, 2, 3, 4)
Virginia is both practical and sensible: very admirable qualities in anyone.
IRA L. MOORE  
"Rush" "Ike"  
St. Lawrence  
Adelphoi (3, 4) Crimson and White (4) Reporter (4)  
Hall, hearty, and well met are Ike's bywords.

JOYCE MURDICK  
"Jerce"  
Duke  
Quin (2, 3, 4) Critic (4) G.A.C. (1, 2, 3, 4) Critic (3)  
Treasurer (4) French Club (3, 4) Vice-President (4)  
Shop Club (1, 2) Bricks and Ivy (3, 4) Sports Editor (3, 4) Annual Antics (2, 3, 4) Hockey Varsity (4) Baseball Varsity (3, 4) Basketball Varsity (3, 4) C.S.P.A. Delegate (4) Horseshow (3)  
Attractive, humorous, and swell are adjectives that fit Joyce perfectly.

KATHRYN A. NEWTON  
"Kay" "Newt"  
Cortland Normal School  
Quin (2, 3, 4) Corresponding Secretary (2) Reporter (3) Vice-President (3) Mistress of Ceremonies (4)  
G.A.C. (2, 3, 4) Critic (4) Knitting Club (3) Arts and Crafts Club (4) Dramatics Club (2) Bricks and Ivy (3, 4) Sports Editor (3, 4) Annual Antics (2, 3, 4) Varsity Baseball (3, 4) Varsity Basketball (2, 3, 4) Captain (4) Varsity Hockey (2, 3, 4)  
Kay has made a prominent place for herself as a congenial friend and as a good, all around sport.

VIRGINIA FRANCES NICHOLS  
"Nicky" "Ginny"  
Mechanics Institute  
Student Council Secretary (1) Quin (2, 3, 4) Marshall (2) G.A.C. (2, 3, 4) Arts and Crafts Club (3, 4) Bricks and Ivy (3, 4) Associate Art Editor (3) Art Editor (4) Annual Antics (1, 2, 3, 4) Hockey Varsity (2, 3, 4) Basketball Varsity (3, 4) Baseball Varsity (1, 2, 3, 4) Cheerleader (1, 3, 4) Head Cheerleader (1, 4)  
How we envy Ginny's dimples, artistic nature, and unlimited amount of vitality.
RICHARD WARREN PALAND
“Dick”
Brown
Student Council (1, 3, 4) President (1) Adelphoi (2, 3, 4) Business Manager (3) Vice-President (4) Homeroom Treasurer (1) Homeroom Secretary (2) Hi-Y (2, 3, 4) Business Manager (3) Treasurer (4) French Club (2, 3) Vice-President (3) Athletic Council (2, 3, 4) Treasurer (4) Traffic Squad (4) Cooking Club (1) Varsity Club (2, 3, 4) Crimson and White (3, 4) Assistant Sports Editor (4) Hi-Y Carnival (2, 3, 4) Chairman (4) Annual Antics (2) Varsity Basketball (2, 3, 4) Captain (4) Varsity Baseball (3, 4) Varsity Golf (2) Class Night Usher (3) Business Manager Senior Class (4)
Dick is good at almost everything. He’s an athlete, an executive, and a good companion.

JANE ELIZABETH PHINNEY
“Phin”
Quin (2, 3, 4) Corresponding Secretary (4) Glee Club (2, 3, 4) Bricks and Ivy (3, 4) Assistant Literary Editor (3) Literary Editor (4) Annual Antics (1, 2, 3, 4)
We all know how Jane can blush but realize that modesty is one of the finest of womanly virtues.

WALTER GRANT PLUMMER
“Walt”
Cornell
Entered Milne (3) Adelphoi (3, 4) Sergeant-at-Arms (4) Homeroom Vice-President (3) French Club (3) Sergeant-at-Arms (3) Hi-Y Carnival (4) Varsity Basketball (4) Class Treasurer (4)
Wherever Walt is, you can be sure of wisecracks and fun. He is one of our best “cut ups.”

RUTH MARGUERITE RASP
“Raspie” “Ruthie”
Cornell
Sigma (2, 3, 4) Marshal (2) G.A.C. (2, 3, 4) Vice-President (3) President (4) French Club (3) Shop Club (4) Chairman Hi-Y—G.A.C. Dance (4) Crimson and White (3, 4) Assistant Sports Editor (3) Sports Editor (4) Annual Antics (1, 2, 3, 4) Varsity Hockey (2, 3, 4) Varsity Basketball (3, 4) Tennis Team (3, 4) Captain (4) G.S.P.A. Delegate (3, 4) Swimming Team (2)
Sports seem to be Raspie’s middle name; she is not only good at them—she is one.
CHARLES WILSON SANDERSON

“Sandy”
Syracuse

Boys’ Sport Club (1) Dramatics Club (2) Orchestra
(3) Glee Club (4) Crimson and White (3, 4) Reporter
(3) Senior Associate Editor (4) Hi-Y Carnival (3, 4)
C.S.P.A. Delegate (4) Sons of Revolution Essay Contest
Award (4)

Latin has been Sandy’s headache, and the newspaper
his diversion. Although he’s the strong, silent type,
he often surprises us with his witty remarks.

GEORGE FREDRICK SCOVILL

“Shovel”
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Adelphoi (2, 3, 4) Hi-Y (4) Glee Club (4) Chemistry
Club (3) Athletic Club (1) Traffic Squad (4)
Athletic Council (3, 4) Crimson and White (3) Tennis
(2, 3, 4) Basketball (3, 4) Society Day (3) Hi-Y
Carnival (3, 4)

His ready wit, plus the fact that he is a grand fellow,
will make his success a certainty.

WALTER K. SEIM

“Walt”
Union

Adelphoi (3, 4) Homeroom President (1) Homeroom
Vice-President (3) Hi-Y (1, 3, 4) Secretary (1) Serge­
ant-at-Arms (4) Boys’ Carnival (4) Sergeant-at-Arms
Senior Class (4)

Walt’s a brick. If there’s anything he can do for you,
he does it.

RUTH C. SELKIRK

“Soupy” “Dutch”

Student Council (3) Quin (2, 3, 4) Marshal (2)
Critic (4) Homeroom President (1) G-A-C. (1, 2, 3, 4)
Marshal (2) Glee Club (2, 3) Crimson and White
(2, 3) Baseball (3) Basketball (3, 4) Hockey (3) Tennis
(4) Cheerleader (1) Annual Antics (1, 2, 3, 4)

Soupy is a very versatile girl. She has always been
active in school activities, and she is the
kind of person everyone likes.
DOROTHY SHATTUCK

"Dot" "Shadow"

Syracuse University

Quin (2, 3, 4) G.A.C. (3, 4) Glee Club (2) French Club (3) Shop Club (4) Crimson and White (3, 4) Reporter (3, 4) Annual Antics (2, 3, 4) Varsity Baseball (3) Varsity Basketball (4) Cheerleader (4)

It's the little things that count—at least, that's what we think about Dottie.

MARJORIE ANN SHERMAN

"Marge" "Margie"

Quin (2, 3, 4) Treasurer of Homeroom (1) G.A.C. (3, 4) French Club (3, 4) Bricks and Ivy (3) Assistant Literary Editor (3) Literary Editor (4) Annual Antics (2, 3, 4)

Those who really know Marge agree on her three most outstanding characteristics: attractiveness, sincerity, and frankness.

EDWARD E. STARKWEATHER

"Had" "Ed" "Fatboy"

Parks Air College

Adelphoi (3, 4) Homeroom Treasurer (3) Secretary (2) Hi-Y (3, 4) Chaplain (4) Athletic Club (1) Photography Club (2) President (2) Chemistry Club (3) Glee Club (4) Ski Club (4) Chairman Hi-Y-G.A.C. Dance (4) Crimson and White (2, 3, 4) Sports Writer (2, 3) Sports Editor (4) Hi-Y Carnival (3, 4) Varsity Baseball (3, 4) C.S.P.A. Delegate (3)

Ed is a good, all around fellow, and well liked by all who know him.

ESTHER STULMAKER

New York State College for Teachers

Zeta Sigma (2, 3, 4) Secretary (3) Treasurer (4) Homeroom Secretary (2) G.A.C. (1, 2, 3, 4) Glee Club (2) French Club (3, 4) Secretary (4) Quin-Sigma Dance co-Chairman (4) Book Fair Tea Chairman (4) Annual Antics (1, 2, 3, 4) Class Night Accompanist (2) Graduation Accompanist (3) G.A.C. Song (3) Honor Student (1, 2, 3, 4) Salutatorian (4) Christmas Plays (1) Society Day (2)

Esther has nobly supplied the musical accompaniment to our six years in Milne and has definitely succeeded scholastically.

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RICHARD ARTHUR SWIFT
“Dick“ “Swifty“
Union
Adelphoi (3, 4) Hi-Y (3, 4) Hobby Club (3) Treasurer (3) Chemistry Club (4) Shop Club (3) Camera Club (1) Bricks and Ivy (4) Circulation Manager (4) Boys' Carnival (3, 4) C.S.P.A. Delegate (4)
Dick is constantly getting stuck in the mud, literally, too. However, his perseverance has and always will help him to win out.

ELIZABETH MARIE TINCHER
“Bette“ “Tinch“
New Jersey College for Women
Student Council (1) Treasurer (1) Quin (2, 3, 4) G.A.C. (3, 4) Mistress of Ceremonies (4) Camera Club (1) President (1) Glee Club (2) Dramatics Club (2, 3, 4) President (4) Crimson and White (3, 4) Reporter (3) Feature Editor (4) Annual Antics (1, 2, 3, 4) Varsity Hockey (4) Senior Class Usher (3) Class Night Committee (4) C.S.P.A. Delegate (3, 4) Christmas Plays (3) Class Prophecy (4)
A ready wit, an attractive girl, vivacious personality—nice going, Bette.

UNA UNDERWOOD
New York State College for Teachers
Entered Milne (3) Quin (3, 4) French Club (3, 4) Vice-President (4) Bricks and Ivy (4) Book Review Editor (4)
Although Una spent only two short years with us, she became a definite and valuable member of our class.

DORIS ANN WELSH
“Dorie“ “Dee“
University of Vermont
Student Council (1) Reporter (1) Sigma (2, 3, 4) Critic (4) Homeroom Vice-President (2) G.A.C. (2, 3, 4) Glee Club (2) Dramatics Club (2, 3, 4) Secretary (3) Crimson and White (2, 3, 4) Reporter (3) Feature Editor (4) Annual Antics (1, 2, 3, 4) Varsity Hockey (4) Varsity Basketball (3, 4) C.S.P.A. Delegate (3, 4) Usher at Christmas Plays (2) Class Prophecy (4)
Personality and Doris go very well together, or, at least, that’s our opinion.
SETH WHEELER

"Wheel"

Adelphoi (2, 3, 4) Business Manager (4) Hi-Y (2, 3) Sergeant-at-Arms (3) Chemistry Club (2) Varsity Tennis (2, 3) Varsity Golf (3) Traffic Squad (4)

Seth’s ever-present grin and willingness to cheer people up have made him a valuable member of our class.

MARCIA HELEN WILEY

"Marsh"

Alfred University

Quin (2, 3, 4) Homeroom Treasurer (1) G.A.C. (2, 3, 4) Riding Club (1) President (1) Dramatics Club (1, 2) Arts and Crafts Club (3, 4) Chairman of Book Fair (4) Crimson and White (4) Art Editor (4) Bricks and Ivy (3) Annual Antics (1, 2, 3, 4) Varsity Hockey (4) Horse Show (1) Three Prizes (1) C.S.P.A. Delegate (4) Orchestra (4) Class Will (4).

Whenever you want something well done, just ask Marcia to do it.

ROBERT WORTENDYKE

"Wort" “Bob”

Theta Nu (3, 4) Chemistry Club (3) Glee Club (4) French Club (4) Crimson and White (3, 4) Distributor (3, 4) Circulation Manager (4)

Bob seems to have an unlimited supply of the world’s worst puns, but we think he’s a good guy in spite of them.

JOHN B. WYKES, JR.

"J. B."

Post Graduate at Milne

Theta Nu (3, 4) Inter-Society Council (4) Homeroom Treasurer (1) Homeroom Secretary (2) Hi-Y (4) Cartoon Club (1) Vice-President (1) Dramatics Club (2) Golf Club (2) Chemistry Club (3) Secretary (3) Glee Club (4) Crimson and White (3, 4) Circulation Manager (3, 4) Hi-Y Sports Carnival (4) C.S.P.A. Delegate (3)

Johnny is a tease and a cut-up—which fact adds to his being welcome at all times.
Who's Who in the Class of '39

Done Most for Milne - - - - Benjamin, Douglas, Paland
Best All Around Fellow - - - - Paland, Benjamin, Gardner
Best All Around Girl - - - - Newton, Nichols, Mattice
Most Athletic Boy - - - - French, Paland, Gulnac
Most Athletic Girl - - - - Newton, Nichols, Rasp
Most Likely to Succeed - - - - Douglas, Freund, Benjamin
Best Dressed Boy - - - - Starkweather, Crawford, Paland
Best Dressed Girl - - - - Grace, Tincher, Fletcher
Best Dancer, Boy - - - - Plummer, Gale, Seim
Best Dancer, Girl - - - - Welsh, Tincher, Jordan
Girl with Most Personality - - - - Tincher, Freund, Jansing
Boy with Most Personality - - - - Paland, Gardner, Douglas
Handsomest Boy - - - - Douglas, Hunting, Starkweather
Best Looking Girl - - - - Jansing, Selkirk, Murdick
Happiest - - - - - - Dey, Best, Scovill
Meekest - - - - - - Leonard, Ehman, Phinney
Friendliest - - - - - - Dey, Mattice, Glass
Wittiest - - - - - - Gardner, Goodrich, Crawford
Noisiest - - - - - - Goodrich, Jordan, Gulnac
Most Dignified - - - - - - Stulmaker, Fletcher, Mattice
Most Considerate - - - - - - Mattice, Fletcher, Ledden
Most Absent-Minded - - - - Wheeler, Wortendyke, Corwin
Most Gullible - - - - - - Grace, Jansing, Corwin
Class Clown - - - - - - Gardner, Goodrich, Scovill

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"Can anyone tell me where the library is?" These were the first words I uttered as a timid seventh grader. Ed Hunting did find the library—and managed to knock over a huge vase of water right away. He still thinks the library is a pretty dry place.

After a while, Milne seemed more like home to me. "Rocky" Gardner even took to eating his meals in the classrooms, saving his orange peels from lunch and washing them down with a tasty tube of paste. The final Social Studies exam is also clear in my memory, slightly smudged with chalk-dust.

Our eighth year was ushered in with a masquerade. I'll never forget Dick Paland as the dainty, old-fashioned lady; he was very convincing. Jackie Crawford came as a mechanic. He spent most of the evening trying to match the screws and nuts of our class. Oh, yes—did I feel good when I first saw "some dummy" written under my name in a slambook! Several of us bright social lights merited legends like "man about town" (Newt Cross, of course). "Swell kid" gave us all a thrill.

The next year sparkled under the brilliant leadership of "Dickie-Bird" Paland and a fourteen carat student council. We broke out in a rash of surprise parties for a while, but the fever died down after three strenuous months. Then came the one and only Milne Field Day! Well do I remember the crop of scorched epidermis and wrenched limbs, and the victory trophy prized by homeroom 123. Ah, me!

My greatest moment came the following year—I was asked to the Quin-Sigma!—my first "real" dance. We members of the Soph basketball team battled our way to the semi-finals in the Boys' Club tournament. And remember the swing sessions in 329? Half the school arrived at eight-thirty to listen to our radio.

In my Junior year, I returned to find Class President Way Hoyt moved away, and a sumptuous, new building. The addition was hardly a surprise, however, for its construction had dinned and echoed through my brain all during the preceding spring. In early November, on the coldest night of the year, Kay Newton threw a hayride. In spite of superhuman hardships, we had so much fun that sleigh ride plans evolved, but soon dissolved—in rain. How can I forget the Barn Dance that year—the live chickens provided that final touch! My last act as a Junior was to attend the class outing at Galway Lake. The memory of the ride there in Johnny Gulnac's flaming Franklin burns in my memory. The outing was a great success, and all praise to Ginny Kemp's folks for the loan of the cottage. The girls tell me they enjoyed their impromptu dip in the lake.

Then came the final lap—my Senior year. Johnny Gulnac very effectively shouted us down in class meetings. All during the year we Seniors were an example for underclassmen to follow, as we tripped around at the various dances. Well do I recall the the hayride out in the wilds of Delmar, and those noon jam sessions with Joe Ledden at the piano. I'll
always remember May 12, 1939! The Q.T.S.A. was even more gala than usual, for we had a May Queen. Yes, Janet Jansing won the honor of being Milne’s first “Her Majesty.”

“All good things must end,” sayeth the sage, and soon we were in the midst of Class Night and the Senior Ball. Oh, by the way, I believe there were a few exams tucked into our schedule about this time. But my sorrow doesn’t refer to failures in exams—you know, when you get ready to leave the place—Milne means a lot to you—aw, gosh, sometimes I wish—I weren’t graduating!

Betty Barden, ’39  
Ben Douglas, ’39  
Miriam Fletcher, ’39  
Jack Crawford, ’39

Class Song

Our years at Milne have swiftly vanished—  
There’s no time for sorrow;  
We all have visions of the future,  
Dreams to come tomorrow;  
The last scene is o’er, done is the play,  
Actors part, to meet some day.  
We’ve laughed the hours away together—  
Friends we’ll be forever;  
To reach the goal of work well done  
Has been our one endeavor;  
Memories fond—ever entwine  
In the hearts of thirty-nine, of thirty-nine.

With tear and sigh we say good-bye to  
You, to you, Milne High;  
What you have meant to us we cannot  
Tell, although we try;  
Our voyage is done, rough seas we’ve passed,  
Our new life—we start at last.  
Our ship, though docked, has merely paused; our  
Trip has just begun;  
This time we venture forth with surer  
Step, goals to be won;  
We set forth again, charting our trail;  
May God help us, so we won’t fail, so we won’t fail.

Original melody by Joseph Ledden, ’39  
Words by Miriam Freund, ’39  
Ruth Selkirk, ’39  
Jannet Clark, ’39
Prophecy of the Class of 1939

EARL Goodrich now graces the Barnum and Bailey Circus as “Waldo, the Beardless Man.”

Marcia Wiley, known as “The Silly Sandman,” guarantees that her Fantastic Fish stories will send the little ones scurrying to bed.

Dick Swift is deeply engrossed in the study of Botany—his chief interest has always been “Posies.”

Kay Newton and Ginny Nichols are co-heads of the W.P.A. (We Produce Athletes) school.

Don Geisel, of the “Albany Reds,” says “Playing all the positions and being manager is all right, but to be both bat-boy and water-boy hurts my pride!”

Dorothy Dey, a hard-working tenderfoot, has a new Scout policy: “You tell me your troubles—and I’ll listen to them.”

Ed Starkweather is a demonstrator for a new car called the “Can-Can.”

Ed Hunting has the esteemed title of “Supervisor of Drugs, Drinks, and Other Odd Jobs” in “Ye Olde Paternal Drugge-Store.”

Una Underwood, having her troubles in Congress, got her start back in Milne where she was constantly mistaking dust-storms for brain storms.

That tall, tan, terrific terror of the West, Ruth “Arizona” Rasp, is bringing her whole rollicking rodeo to Madison Square Garden for a Wild West show.

Willy French is the newly discovered “White hope” scheduled to meet the Brown Bomber sometime after Joe receives his pension.

John Gulnac, dictator of Alaska, has introduced a new salute, the old “bull sign,” for the Eskimos.

Helen Ehman has originated the “Peachy Printed Absence List” for schools.

The well-known firm of MacCulloch, McGregor and MacGowan, dealers in “everything that’s Scotch,” are featuring a sensational offer. For special affairs, they not only decorate and furnish the music, but take candid camera shots on the side.

Mildred Mattice, the favorite of 26 famed song writers, has just finished her first book entitled, Slingerlands, My Slingerlands.

Benjy Douglas, recently elected governor, has the appropriate motto—“Vote for the Man—with the Handsomest Pan.”

Dot Shattuck is brushing up on “the trials and tribulations of a political wife,” for she still hopes that the man who was governor back in May, 1939 will succeed in the next election.

Any Sunday, Joseph Ledden, the friendly minister, can be seen ushering his little flock inside, but don’t think he couldn’t still teach Eddy Duchin a thing or two.

Jean Best is the envy of all her tired friends. While at Milne, Bestie collected all those five minutes wasted by giggling, and will use the time for a long trip.

Bob Gale is manager of the town’s ritziest dancing academy, “Gale and Gals.”

John Eldred has received the Academy award for “the most convincing villain of all time” for his appearance in “Dr. Heckle and Mr. Sneer.”

The pride of Menands, Jean Layman, has been proclaimed the 2nd Martha Tilton, who was a popular vocalist many years ago.

Betty Barden, the newspaper magnate, is known as “B.J.” In her office there are half hour jitterbug contests each day. (No one has been able to beat the boss yet).

Miriam Freund is editing a monthly Latin magazine for intellectuals. Posy can be seen lately pasting signs which say: “Name the Magazine” on everything.

One of the world’s most traveled women today, Virginia Jordan, has just brought the art of jitterbugging to Stockholm.

The U.S.S.R. Monya Company has charged Ira “Rush” Moore with swindling, proving the old adage, “The Moore you get, the Moore you want.”

Adele Corwin, recently decorated by the Legion of Bravery, was the only one of 20 billion American women who offered to welcome Adolf Hitler to the country.

Newell Cross, who now takes the role of good Saint Nick during Christmas time, is known as Santa-Cross.
Jane Grace, after her year at the Sorbonne, has married and divorced three of France's most distinguished gentlemen.

Seth Wheeler, the Loudonville playboy, has broken all previous records for pole sitting.

The slogan of Jack Boughton's factory is "Boughton Baby Booties for the Boots of Little Babies."

Bette Tincher, Atlantic City Beauty Contest winner, has been chosen to play Scarlett O'Hara in a revision of the old picture.

John Wykes is now running an East Greenbush-Albany Taxi Service. His motto is: "A Hudson Goes Over the Hudson."

Miriam Fletcher, now playing on the New York Stage, does not belong to a "union." Fletch says, "I Ben portraying that famous character, Stepin-Fletchit."

Walter Plummer, the well known poet and philosopher, has brought sunshine into many homes by giving helpful advice to both sexes on his radio program.

Doris Welsh is now the head of an all-girl chorus billed as "Doris and her Nifty-Fifties," playing one-night stands at the local hot-spots.

In the North Woods where men are men, and nobody sees them, is Walt Seim, "carving" a place for himself.

Jack Crawford, a great skiing enthusiast, is trying to teach the mountaineers the value of the mountains or "the skiis the limit."

Nancy Glass, a missionary in the Pagan Islands, caused quite a riot among the natives not long ago. It was their first glance at a red-head and they doused her with water, thinking her on fire.

George Scovill and Jane Phinney have settled down in a little nest of their own. He has always had "aphinity" for quiet girls, "eddy"-way.

Esther Stulmaker, the tall, dark, and handsome professor's wife, is beginning her musical career. After her first piano lesson last week, the teacher stated she has great hopes for Esther.

Tops in publicity stunts for the year goes to Len Benjamin, who has completed his non-stop swim across the Atlantic in only eleven days.

Besides posing for the "Blondie" strip in your paper, Janet Clark is still forwarding womanhood by talks on "Woman's Place in the World Today."

Manufacturers have found it impossible to originate a contest that Bob Wortendyke can't win. They now employ Wort in a puzzle factory where he makes puns to end all puns.

Janet Jansing is the model for the cover of the magazine "Travel and Night Life." Jan acquired that "night-life" look back in Milne.

Dick Paland, who started out driving the "dinkiest," is now driving the largest truck-trailer this side of the Pacific.

Marjorie Sherman has been proclaimed the new RY-Krisp Girl of 1949. She has lost 50 pounds since her school days, and she says she's never felt better.

Down in South America is the great historian, Charles Sanderson, who, tiring of teaching his history teachers, manages the native baseball team of "Sandy" beach.

Ruth Selkirk has opened a chain of tobacco stores. In the Albany "Branch" she encourages women pipe-smokers.

We hear that Dorothy Leonard has dedicated her latest book of nursery rhymes to the Class of '39. Her poem Fleas Who Fly From Flues won national acclaim.

Lillian Eccleshymer has just received honorary mention for her prize pumpkins. Lil is now helping her husband make a success of the McKownville General Store.

Donald Grigg has hit his millionth home-run in the Great Sand Lot League. However, from hitting his same lucky ball so many times, it's now a "Bald-one."

Winifred McLaughlin, America's ace G-woman, says her training consisted of reading 994 mystery stories which she covered at Milne in History C class.

Joyce Murdick, proprietor of one of Albany's busiest Good Humor trucks, serves a specially prepared "cold-shoulder."

Bob Gardner is doing well in the hardware business. His motto is: "Come up anytime, and I'll show my collection of bolts and nuts to you!"

BETTE TINCHER, '39, DORIS WELSH, '39
The Last Will and Testament
of the Class of 1939

We, the class of ’39, of Milne High School, Albany, New York, being of sound mind and body, well—body, anyway—do declare this to be our last will and testament. We hereby bequeath our most cherished possessions to our fortunate fellow men.

1. We leave Earl Goodrich’s art of “getting along with the teachers” to Bruce Clements. (We think he needs it!)

2. To Evelyn Wilber we leave the remarkable intelligence of Joyce Murdick.

3. To Ardelle Chadderdon and Jacquelyn Townsend we leave the long and short friendship of Ruth Rasp and Ducky Dey.

4. We bestow Bob Gardner’s shyness and coyness with the women upon Ed Langwig.

5. We bequeath Bob Wortendyke’s collection of “Fulgentia dicta sine mente” (puny puns) to Barbara Thompson.

6. To Harriet Gordon we bequeath the quiet dignity of Esther Stulmaker.

7. We leave Don Geisel’s ability to throw the ball (not the bull) to Guy Childs.

8. To Dexter Simpson we leave Joe Ledden’s ability to get up in the world. And we do mean up!

9. We relinquish Dorothy Leonard’s boisterousness to Alma Brown.

10. To Carl French we leave brother Willie’s athletic ability, and—his ability.

11. To Johnny Fink we leave the woman hating tendencies of Newell Cross.

12. We bestow Bette Tincher’s vim, vigor, and vividness upon Margaret Chase.

13. We leave Dot Shattuck’s fondness for chewing gum to Shirley Baldwin.

14. To Jean Tarches we leave Soupy Selkirk’s wondrous blond locks.

15. We leave George Scovill’s formula for “How to be comfortable in a Milne Desk” to Leroy Smith.

16. We give the collection of college boys several of our girls have gathered to the Junior girls. Heaven help them! (the girls)

17. We leave Posy Freund’s theories and philosophy of life to Al Metz.

18. To Doctor Sayles we bequeath a bigger and better crop of P. G.’s.

19. Last, but not least, we leave Milne as a (w)hole for the lower classmen to fill to the best of their ability.

Signed this 16th day of June by

The Senior Class, ’39.

"Speaking of Pictures ..."
"Off the Record"

(Courtesy of Knickerbocker News)
Senior High Student Council

The Senior High Student Council is a democratic organization which carries out the ideas of the Milne students. With members chosen by the students, each senior high homeroom is represented in the council meetings. The president of the Council is elected in the spring of his Junior year. Benjamin Douglas was an able helmsman and steered the Senior High Council through a victorious 1938-1939.

Some of the functions of this council are: the preparation and presentation of the Budget, which was voted upon and passed by a large majority; the fourth Annual Card Party, a major success; the senior high parties, including the reception; the Christmas baskets; and numerous other activities and functions.

This year's list of members includes: 12th year: Leonard Benjamin, Benjamin Douglas, Miriam Fletcher, Mildred Mattice, Richard Paland; 11th year: Arthur Bates, Doris Holmes, Robert Wheeler; 10th year: Leah Einstein, Edward Langwig, and Marilyn Tincher.

The officers for the year were:

Benjamin Douglas, '39.................................................President
Leonard Benjamin, '39................................................Vice-President
Mildred Mattice, '39...................................................Secretary
Miriam Fletcher, '39...................................................Treasurer
Arthur Bates, '40.......................................................Reporter
Junior High Student Council

THE Junior High Student Council is an organization made up of members elected by all the Junior High homerooms—two members, one boy and one girl, from each. They meet weekly, and officers are elected within the council. The President is elected when he is in the eighth grade by the Junior High. This year's able president was John Poole. The Junior High Council is the connecting link between the student body and the faculty; through this body, the faculty and the students cooperate in managing the affairs of the school.

This year the council rendered many valuable services to the school. They assisted with the traffic squad and with messenger service. They planned and carried out three parties: a Halloween Party, a Sweater Dance, and a Summer Formal. The Eighth Grade Dancing Club, the Camera Club, and many other new clubs were approved by the council. They also helped arrange the Junior High assemblies for the year.

This year's active members were as follows: Lois Ambler, Jane Bailey, Bob Ball, Dick Bates, Alvin Bingham, Marcia Bissikummer, Charles Cross, Alan Ely, Robert George, Cornelia Heidenrich, Marian Horton, Tom McCracken, Lucille Phillips, Gerald Plunkett, John Poole, Dorothy Rider, and Marcia Shifferdecker.

Officers for the year were:

JOHN POOLE, '42 .................................................. President
ALAN ELY, '42 .................................................. Vice-President
LOIS AMBLER, '42 ............................................ Secretary-Treasurer
Quintillian


OFFICERS

(First Semester) (Second Semester)
Mildred Mattice, '39 .... President .... Mildred Mattice, '39
Betty Schreiner, '40 ..... Vice-President ..... Jean Ledden, '40
Jane Grace, '39 ....... Recording Secretary Jane Grace, '39
Jane Phinney, '39 ....... Corresponding Secretary Jane Phinney, '39
Jean Ledden, '40 ....... Treasurer .... Sally Devereux, '40
Kathryn Newton, '39 ... Mistress of Ceremonies Kathryn Newton, '39
Joyce Murdick, '39 ....... Critic .... Ruth Selkirk, '39
Estelle Dilg, '40 ....... Reporter .... Florence Herber, '40
Barbara Thompson, '40 ....... Marshal .... Jean Best, '39

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Zeta Sigma

This is Station S-I-G-M-A, bringing you the news of the year...

Flash... Nancy's balloon dance is hit of Sigma Rush... Condition of new members reported favorable after initiation ceremonies... Society News... Winter season opens with movie party at the Palace... Sigma sophisticates descend on Kenmore for two luncheons... Informal gathering at Betty's furnishes fun, food, and frivolity... Flash... Sigma and Quin go Hawaiian in annual dance... Flash... Sigma girls wipe the tears away after the banquet, go stepping at the four-society formal... Special bulletin... Janet adorns throne as May Queen at Q.T.S.A... Latest News... Outing at the White Beach finds Sigma girls "having wonderful time"... For further details see any member of Sigma.

Officers

Janet Jansing, '39........................................President
Doris Holmes, '40.....................................Vice-President
Martha Freytag, '40...................................Secretary
Esther Stulmaker, '39..................................Treasurer
Miriam Freund, '39....................................Mistress of Ceremonies
Doris Welsh, '39........................................Critie
Nancy Hochstrasser, '41.............................Marshal
Nancy Glass, '39.......................................Reporter

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Adelphoi

MHS 19 39—ALBANY, NEW YORK
BRICKS AND IVY
C/O SOCIETY EDITOR

FALL INITIATION STARTED YEAR WITH BANG STOP NEW MEMBERS SEEN STANDING UP WHILE EATING FOR SEVERAL DAYS STOP BANQUET AND PENGUIN PROM GREAT SUCCESS STOP FOR FIRST TIME SENIOR KEYS AWARDED AT START OF SECOND SEMESTER STOP SECOND INITIATION GREAT FUN PARENTHESSES FOR SENIORS PARENTHESSES STOP GRAND OUTING STOP PLENTY OF FOOD STOP QTSA ACCLAIMED BY SCHOOL STOP SPRING BANQUET FINAL EVENT STOP NEW OFFICERS ELECTED STOP BEST LUCK NEXT YEAR DON'T STOP

ADELPHOI.

OFFICERS

LEONARD BENJAMIN, '39 .................. President
RICHARD PALAND, '39 .................. Vice-President
ROBERT GARDNER, '39 .................. Secretary
EDWIN HUNTING, '39 .................. Treasurer
BENJAMIN DOUGLAS, '39 .................. Master of Ceremonies
SETH WHEELER, '39 .................. Business Manager

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Proposition: Resolved that Theta Nu Literary Society had a most eventful year in 1938-39.

Affirmative:

1. An initiation and an outing for the new members were conducted in the fall.
   A second initiation took place in March.
2. The Seniors received their keys at the winter banquet during Christmas vacation.
   An outing later in the year and a spring banquet added to the enjoyment of the members.
3. The annual dance sponsored by the boys' societies was unusually popular.
   The Q.T.S.A. was another great dance success.
4. Theta Nu and Adelphi vied in various athletic contests.
5. Reviews of current books added interest to the meetings.

OFFICERS

Donald Geisel, '39 .................................................. President
W. Earl Goodrich, '39 ............................................. Vice-President
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Edward Sternfeld, '40 ............................................. Business Manager
John Van Acker, '40 ................................................ Reporter
Crimson and White Finishes Banner Year

STAFF RETIRES AFTER SUCCESSFUL SEASON

"The Crimson and White's seventh year is one to remember," stated retiring Editor-in-Chief Betty Barden in an interview yesterday. Miss Barden's sentiments were echoed by Charles Sanderson and Fred Regan, associate editors, and the other members of the staff. This staff is retiring after an eventful season which introduced many new features to the Milne newspaper.

An outstanding feature of the year was a Journalism Class conducted every Monday morning by Miss Katherine E. Wheeling, the Crimson and White's advisor, and later in the year by Miss Jean Strong of State College.

Other innovations this year were: school credits for journalism work, three column news pages, and original cartoons throughout the paper.

The Crimson and White again won Second Place at the Columbia Scholastic Press Convention in New York, and Miss Wheeling was re-elected president of the Advisors' Association. Besides attending convention meetings, the Milne delegation of twenty-five managed to see a good deal of New York in three days.

Members of the staff also attended the semi-annual conferences of the Capital District Scholastic Press: the fall meeting at Lansingburg High School in Troy, and the spring gathering at Central Park High School in Schenectady.
Dramatics Club

Presents
THE PAST YEAR

Dramatis Personae

BETTE TINCHER, '39 ......................................................... President
ROBERT WHEELER, '40 ................................................... Vice-President
BETTY BARDEN, '39 ......................................................... Secretary
FRED REGAN, '40 .............................................................. Business Manager

The play takes place in Milne High School, Albany, N. Y., 1938-1939.

ACT I

As the curtain rises, the Advanced Group, led by Miss Marion Minst, is seen working on make-up and choral reading. Certain students have been given specific characters to impersonate. Florence Herber directs play, "While the Toast Burns."

We now see the Sophomore Group discussing plays and authors and practicing stage make-up, under the direction of Mr. Nordell and Miss Chrisler. They are working on two plays for assembly presentation: "Will O' the Wisp," by Doris Holman, and "Cured," by Ida L. Ehrlich.

ACT II

The curtain rises upon the annual Christmas Plays. The Senior High presents "Trifles," by Susan Glaspell, and "The Maker of Laws," by John Bayley. A cast of twenty takes part in Dickens' "Christmas Carol," the Junior High presentation. As the curtain falls, it is evident that the plays have been a dramatic, financial, and social success.

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French Club

Milne High School.

Dear Friend in France,

I was so glad to receive your letter, since that means we will be corresponding regularly from now on.

I have taken French for two years now, and I am in le Cercle Francais. It has been a lot of fun and very interesting this year. When the new members came in the second semester, we initiated them: they looked so silly acting out nursery rhymes, and in French, too! The rest of the year we’ve had slides about France and other programs that were conducted mostly in French. This club gives a prize of five dollars every year to the best French student in the Senior High. Do you have any such clubs in the Lycée? Please write soon and tell me about your school.

Your friend in America,

JOSEPHINE MILNITE.

OFFICERS

(First Semester) (Second Semester)
Robert Gardner, '39 .............. President .............. Robert Gardner, '39
Una Underwood, '39 .......... Vice-President .............. Joyce Murdock, '39
Esther Stulmaker, '39 .............. Secretary .............. Esther Stulmaker, '39
Jane Grace, '39 .............. Treasurer .............. Jane Grace, '39
Miriam Freund, '39 .............. Program Chairman Evelyn Wilber, '40
Report .................. Estelle Dilg, '40
Sergeant-at-Arms Robert Meghrebian, '40
Dear Diary,

Went to Glee Club to-day—2:30, as usual—in the Little Theatre. Practiced several new songs—"Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones," (I think we’re going to sing that for graduation, maybe), "Nobody Knows the Trouble I Seen," and Brahms’ "Lullaby." I just know I’ll be too choked up to sing a note during commencement! Dr. Sayles walked in to-day, in the middle of the period. Made us sing "My Country 'Tis of Thee," all in one breath! I’ve a faint suspicion he’s done that before—at any rate, he held out longer than I could. Long after we’d all wilted and lay languishing in our chairs, Dr. Sayles was fresh as a daisy, and suggested brightly, "Now let’s do it again!" Dr. Candlyn played some selections that were in the Mikado for us. Beautiful. He’ll make a singer out of me, yet! Good night, Diary. Like all good prima donnas, I’m off to my beauty sleep.
Under the guidance of the Girls' Athletic Council and Miss Hitchcock, sports for the Milne girls have become an important part of the Milne curriculum.

In 1935 hockey was substituted for soccer as the Senior High fall sport, and since then it has increased in popularity and power. Milne was victorious over Mont Pleasant, Delmar, and State Teachers College, in the fall. The varsity, captained by Lillian Ecleshymer, consisted of Betty Barden, Dorothy Dey, Miriam Freund, Janet Jansing, Joyce Murdick, Kay Newton, Virginia Nichols, Ruth Rasp, Dorothy Shattuck, Bette Tincher, Doris Welsh, and Marcia Wiley.

Basketball, as the most popular sport during the winter months, filled the schedule with many varsity games. Kay Newton, a veteran of last year's varsity, became captain this year. Her supporters included: Dorothy Dey, Virginia Nichols, Ruth Selkirk, Lillian Ecleshymer, Jane Grace, Margaret Chase, Barbara Thompson, Doris Welsh, Dorothy Shattuck, and Alora Beik.

This year Miss Hitchcock organized a modern dancing class which was taught by Miss Jessoy of the University of Buffalo. This class contributed much to the success of this year's Annual Antics.

The baseball varsity this spring ushered in the season by winning two games from State College. Lillian Ecleshymer was the captain of the varsity baseball team.

The girls' tennis team this spring played matches with Mont Pleasant, Delmar, and Cathedral. Among the members of the team were Jacky Townsend, Ruth Selkirk, Shirley Rubin, and Captain Ruth Rasp.

It is our sincere hope that the Milne girls will enjoy in the future as much success and good sportsmanship as they have had this year.
Riding Club

dear bricks and ivy

i hope you will come to the horseshow to see me perform with the riding club dash it is going to be very good semicolon they have me worn out practising exclamation point as you know ever since 1934 these milne lads and lassies have been giving a horseshow and believe me they certainly know their stuff period say do you know miss hitch-cock question mark she started the whole thing period by the way i have a secret crush on sally devereux the president of the club period i will have to stop now since my hooves are tired from pounding this typewriter but i apostrophe ll be looking for you at the horseshow dash you can tell me by my curly mane

your friend

charlie the horse
Girls' Athletic Council

"Dear old G.A.C., we sing a song of praise to you..."

You've had success in everything the whole year through:
In size you've grown immensely, and the things you've done are more
Than any other G.A.C. has done in years before:

Hockey sticks and basketballs, and bus rides for the teams...
To better sports for girls in Milne has been your aim, it seems;
Our parents watched us all perform on Annual Antics Night—
To see us marching must have been a truly wondrous sight!

We all enjoyed the "Pine-tree Stomp," the Hi-Y—G.A.C.,
We think it was as grand as any dance could ever be;
The Banquet and the Outing came, and now the year is done—
To next year's G.A.C. we wish good luck and lots of fun!

OFFICERS

Ruth Rasp, '39 ........................................ President
Jacqueline Townsend, '40 ........................ Vice-President
Dorothy Dey, '39 ................................. Secretary
Joyce Murdick, '39 ............................ Treasurer
Kathryn Newton, '39 .......................... Critic
Bette Tincher, '39 ...................... Mistress of Ceremonies
Mary Baker, '41 .............................. Marshal
Betty Barden, '39 ........................... Business Manager
Betty Mann, '40 ...................... Assistant Business Manager

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Hi-Y

HAIL a successful year for Hi-Y . . . They joined national Hi-Y council in fall . . . Leonard Benjamin seemed to have conventions in his bones; during the summer he was at the Hi-Y congress in Berea College, Kentucky. . . . Arrangements for tours through the various colleges seemed to fit right into their stride . . . About that time Dr. Frederick was prevailed upon to act as sponsor through the year. Flash! Leonard is off to the Hi-Y Conference in Schenectady. . . . On December 3rd came the Mid-Year Banquet; soon after the keys were given out to the Seniors. . . . In the midst of all this work, they still had time to have a bill brought up in the New York State Assembly. . . . To relieve the tension the fellows held the annual Hi-Y Sports Carnival, and later in co-operation with the Girls' Athletic Club sponsored the Hi-Y-G.A.C. dance. . . . On May 27th the Father and Son Banquet was held. . . . To end the year Hi-Y decided to give an award on Class Night to the person who they think has done the most for Milne. Officers for this year are:

EDWIN HUNTING, '39 .......................... President
EARL GOODRICH, '39 .......................... Vice-President
NEWELL CROSS, '39 .......................... Secretary
RICHARD PALAND, '39 .......................... Treasurer
EDWARD STARKWEATHER, '39 ........ Cha... Chaplain
JOHN FINK, '40 ............................ Corresponding Secretary
GIFFORD LANTZ, '40 ............................ Business Manager
WALTER SEIM, '39 ........................... Sergeant-at-Arms
Boys' Athletic Council

THE Boys' Athletic Council is a representative sports organization, consisting of the manager and assistant manager of each athletic team and two representatives from the tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grades.

In short, this council governs all the boys' athletics. It authorizes purchases and pays all athletic debts. This year, it passed a law providing for greater care in the handling of money for boys' sports. New basketball uniforms and baseball bats have been bought. This organization also sponsors the intramural basketball and baseball teams as well as the school varsity teams: basketball, baseball, and tennis. It organized intramural baseball this year.

Mr. Snader, faculty sponsor of the B.A.C. and the officers: President, Leonard Benjamin, '39; Vice-President, John Fink, '40; Secretary, Earl Goodrich, '39; Treasurer, Richard Paland, '39, as well as every member of the Council, have worked together to make this year a financial success.
Basketball

The Milne Red Raiders got off to a smashing start with overwhelming victories over Galway and Bethlehem Central. Lack of experience plus several injuries upset this brilliant beginning, and a double win over Philip Schuyler marked the only other triumph of the season.

Double defeats were handed the squad by Albany High and Rensselaer; single setbacks were administered by Cobleskill and Delmar.

The team, composed entirely of last year's Junior Varsity, was: Captain Dick Paland, Russ Jones, and Charles Locke, forwards; Guy Childs, center; and John Fink and Will French, guards. Held in reserve were: George Scovill, John Gulnac, Robert Stevenson, and Walt Plummer.

Len Benjamin, aided by Al Metz, did an excellent job as manager.

Merrill Hurd gave up his position on the State College Varsity to coach Milne under Coach Hatfield's supervision.
Baseball

Despite the loss of several of last year's varsity men, Captain Will French stated at the beginning of the season that he was looking forward to a good year in 1939. Manager Robert Gale arranged a tough schedule for the Milne Red Raiders. Games were played with Philip Schuyler, Albany High School, Rensselaer, and Roessleville.

This year's squad, coached by G. Elliot Hatfield, consisted of: Captain Will French, catcher; Bob Stevenson, first base; Charles Locke, second base; John Fink, shortstop; Dick Paland, third base; and Don Geisel, pitcher. Gif Lantz, Russ Jones, and Alton Wilson made up the outfield. In reserve were Ed Starkweather, Guy Childs, Kirk Leaning, Bob Clark, Jack Crawford, James Kirk, John Poole, and Donald Sommers. Bob Gale, assisted by Edward Sternfeld, did an excellent job as manager.

Tennis

Once again Milne High School was represented by a fine tennis team. The team made a fine showing on the Capital District courts. Despite the fact that only two veterans were able to play, the netmen showed up well against stiff opposition.

This year's team was captained and managed by Earl Goodrich, veteran of two years. The team was as follows: Earl Goodrich, number one; George Scovill, number two; Robert Gardner, number three; Robert Wheeler, number four; Marcus Myers, number five; and John Gulnac, number six.

Home and away matches were scheduled with the following schools: C.B.A., Vincentian, Albany High, Philip Schuyler, Rensselaer, Mont Pleasant, and Nott Terrace.

Although the team did not win the majority of their matches, they made an excellent showing against this tough competition. Earl Goodrich did a very fine job of picking the team and arranging the schedule. He was assisted by Robert Wheeler.
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Bulling
Fraternity activities
Driving a car and writing letters
Dancing
Movies and L. N.
Camping
Reading
Driving
Going to lectures
Writing poetry and stories
Dancing
Loafing
Mountain climbing
Talking in the Annex
Studying????
"Brud"
Sleeping
Dancing
Dancing
In New York, pick your own pastime
Sports
Prom-trotting
Hitch-hiking to Washington
Moving pictures
Reading
Not writing letters to people
We'll skip this
Dancing
Sleeping

WHAT YOU MISS MOST IN MILNE

General swell time
Classes of '37 and '38
The Critics
The kids
Remarks in class
Basketball and Baseball
Saturday night games
Members of the class of '38
Friendly spirit
The association of fine fellows
All the swell times
No 8 o'clock classes
Quin meetings
Quin noise
The Time Ticker
Young student teachers!
The kids
Monthly trips to the office
Fran Seymour
Practice teachers
Ease of Math, and Science courses
Quin
Co-ed Life
The Journalism room
Student teachers
Crimson and White
Spare time I used to have
The swell bunch of kids
G.A.C. and Quin
Assembly programs and tardy slips

IF YOU WERE BACK IN MILNE, WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO DO MOST OF ALL?

Put a drinking fountain on the first floor
Start a better relationship between faculty and students
Study Latin
Oh! do everything up red
Have some swell times again
Prepare to enter college in the fall
Graduate again
Take four years of Latin
Be on the newspaper
Take the business training course
Stay there
Take up some dances I missed
Have another class night program
See all the people I know
Graduate again
Help to raise the popularity and standards of boys' societies
Master shorthand
Meet all my old classmates!
Have long afternoons left to do things in
Publish another yearbook with the same staff
Sit in the Annex, drink coke, and talk
Shout "Hi-Yo-o-o Silver!" in the library
Say hello to all the kids again
Get a date with V. J. (Guess who!)
Graduate again
Play Baseball
See all the swell kids again

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Dictionary of Social Events

Card Party—When parents play for murals.

Excursion—Event when Milnites get sunburn at Kingston Point.

HiY—G.A.C.—A dance sponsored by two athletic organizations under a log cabin roof.

Horse Show—Where equestrian-minded Milnites compete for ribbons.

Junior High Party—Where the younger set tries to outdo the Seniors.

Prize Speaking—A time when Milnites vie for oratory recognition.

Sweater Stomp—Jitter-Bug Heaven sponsored by the Senior Class, with Joe Milnite hanging from the ceiling.

Senior Ball—Final event for Seniors.

Senior High Party—First function of New Year where Milnites initiate new social year.

Senior High Reception—A gala event where Sophomores dance into acquaintance with Juniors and Seniors.

Travel Hop—The Junior version of a Sweater Stomp.
AIR RAID

Fear . . .
Then suddenly
The droning blackness of the night
Is ripped to shreds by crossing beams
Of cruel, cold light; the planes
Climb higher, each flock a silver V
Trailed by whining bullets . . .
Gone.
The searching rays revolve again; the hum
Grows dim, the acrid smell of smoke
Drifts away, and timid folk
Clamber out from shelters in the earth; they
Blink like sleepy moles . . .
A baby laughs—
The spell is shattered, now they talk . . .
Zoom!
Three meteors dive straight for the world—
Silver flashes spitting fire
Dropping death and terror
Exploding men and dreams and culture . . .
Again they soar
Leaving sorrow, hatred, nameless horror
In their brilliant path.

If war must come, dear God
Let me not be here!

Elizabeth Barden, '39

*Prize-winning selection for the Senior High School.
THE DISADVANTAGE OF BEING YOUNG

Did you ever go into a dress shop with your mind set on buying a striking, sophisticated dress which would make you look twenty-one instead of merely sixteen? Have you ever heard mother say, "I believe those heels are too high. Have you something a little lower?" Have you ever heard father remark, "No, daughter, coffee is not good for you when you are so young"? You have to be content with a glass of milk or a cup of cocoa.

Those are the disadvantages of being young. You are made to feel small and insignificant. That dress, for instance, was beautiful, black net, strapless, and with hoop skirts while you have to console yourself with that pink organdie that looked so "girlish." The shoes are the worst problem, though, for being rather short, you feel about pint size in cuban heels when those white satin slippers had such divine "spikes." The coffee is a simple matter, for no one will see that you drink milk at home and if you should go out you might take some or merely say, "I don't believe I care for coffee tonight."

 Aren't these the problems of every young girl? Old people may well say, "Oh, if I were only that age again," but perhaps they do not realize the heartaches they experienced during those first few 'teen ages. They are independent now and may do as they please so why should they complain? However, they might think that black nets, spike heels, and coffee aren't the only things in life.

Jane Phillips, '40

SIGHTLESS EYES

Feeling my way along the vibrating and through the nauseating stench of the city street, I came to a stop near what I presumed to be a subway, for out of the depths beneath me issued the rumbling roar of cars. Past me, I knew, flowed countless numbers of power-driven machines, giving off an odor that pierced my nostrils, an odor to which most city people become accustomed. But, to me, it seemed as if I were hemmed in by this substitute for poisonous gas. About me, too, I knew, milled people bent upon some form of duty, duty to themselves or to others. At night, when I go home, the tramping of feet will still beat upon my mind and accompany me to bed, where I shall either sleep or wonder what miracle will enable me to regain my sight.

John Fink, '40
ON A WILD GOOSE CHASE

WE DISLIKE dictionaries; they’re too dogmatic—and dusty. However, as we passed by an open dictionary in the library yesterday, we glanced at it, feeling that we might pick up a little information painlessly.

“W-h-i-m-b-r-e-l” caught our attention. We shut our eyes tightly, then opened them again. It was still there. We proceeded with caution. Running a fingernail along the definition, we found: “Whimbrel—any of the several small Old World curlews, especially a species resembling the American curlew.”

Now it may be all right not to know what a whimbrel is, but a curlew—that’s too much! And it was too much, especially since the whimbrel was an Old World curlew. It’s not as though it popped up last night. Incidentally, we wondered, did curlews pop? But that was beside the point.

It was back to the C’s for us, then down past “curfew” and “curio.” The bloodhounds had the scent now; they were straining at their leashes. Ah! “Curlew—any of a genus of long-legged birds resembling the snipe, but with a long, downward-curving bill.”

So that’s what it was! A bill-collector! We had often seen those long-legged birds standing in office waiting rooms, with a “long downward-curving bill” to be paid. Since our picture of that kind of a bird was a little vague, and the dictionary said that it resembled the snipe, we flipped the pages back toward the alphabet’s end.

Wedged between “snip” and “sniper” we found the snipe, which the curlew was supposed to resemble. (We were remembering all the time that it was an Old World curlew, which was really a whimbrel.)

After snipe, we tracked down the definition—“any of several long-billed birds akin to the woodcock, especially in America, Wilson’s snipe.” Those last few words stunned us! Never again would we say that it can’t happen here. Why Wilson’s snipe was right here in America, probably stealing military data that very instant! Just as we were about to warn the librarian that it might be well to evacuate, we remembered that it was “akin to the woodcock.”

Here at last was something definite. We weren’t going to let this woodcock get away to his hide-out without cornering him between “woodchuck” and “woodcraft.” No, indeed! The only clue he disclosed was “woodcock—a small European game bird allied to the snipe and plover.” We wiped our foreheads in relief.

Thank goodness we had him back in Europe! Maybe his allies, the snipe and the plover, were still operating in America, while he might be associating with the Reds and the Communists. But if he were game, so were we!
With a warm scent we raced back to plover, and encountered “Plover—any of several allied birds, including the upland plover and the killdeer.” So they wouldn’t stop at murder!

Back we went hoping to avert the crime. When we reached kill-deer it was too late. We slumped back, exhausted, into the nearest library chair. Our eyes wandered over the definition of kill-deer. Then we startled the librarian with a whoop of a laugh as our eyes lit on two familiar words: “See whimbrel.”

Florence Herber, ’40

THE OCEAN

The waves come up to meet the sand,
I stand alone—the view command;
The ocean roars in angry quest;
It never seems to want to rest;
Against the rocks in angry rage,
It beats and beats for timeless age;
The tide goes out; the tide comes in,
All is hushed by its maddening din;
Though all is quiet and we stop life’s motion,
It still rolls on, the mighty ocean.

Elva Waggoner, ’40

TO A NURSE

Turn the crank and change the bed,
Raise my feet and lower my head,
Sink the ends and hoist the middle,
Flop me about like a cake on a griddle;
Fiddle with gadget, diddle with gear,
And when I get well, I’ll strangle you, dear!

Ruth Rasp, ’39
THE doctor walked slowly into the room, his every movement instilling confidence in the waiting clinic patients. An abundance of white flowing hair covered a large, magnificently-shaped head, and he had a habit of tweaking one ear thoughtfully as he viewed a difficult case. Around the kind blue eyes played many laughing wrinkles, sometimes romping over his entire face, sometimes deepening into hard lines in a serious moment. If one were to see his hands idle for an instant, he could not help but be amazed at their strength and beauty—the white tapering fingers ending in narrow, shortly clipped nails, a symbol in themselves of the doctor’s exactness. Yes, the doctor was a distinguished man, but perhaps his most impressive feature was his mouth. Firm, large lips formed a determined line in repose, but when the doctor smiled, lights seemed to burst all over his face. It was a face into which many patients gazed anxiously, and a face that not one of them ever forgot.

JEAN LEDDEN, ’40

THE SPRING

The sun shines very bright today,
In America it is spring;
But across the sea it is dark and gray
And the booms of cannon ring.

They cannot hear the bird songs sweet,
For Dread fills all the air;
The tramp, the tramp of marching feet
Is echoed everywhere.

When we look up we see blue sky,
And buds upon the trees;
Prophetic airplanes whirring by
Are all that Europe sees.

America! We thank Thee, God,
That here we see the spring,
And for our neighbors all, abroad
May someday Freedom ring!

MARCIA WILEY, ’39
*THE SEA

There's something in it that gets you—
I guess it's the stinging spray;
You may talk about your streamline trains,
But I'll take the water any day.

The heaving of a rolling deck,
And the "splat" as the bow hits a wave,
And although I've never been to sea,
There's something about it I crave.

When I get to be a man,
I'm going to be a rover;
I'll sail the seven seas, and then
I'll do it again, all over.

The sea, the sea it's in my blood,
I want to be a sailor,
That's what my great ambition is—
I hope it's not a failure.

BILL SOPER, '44

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JUNGLE FEVER

We were coming back from Africa
With a boat load for the zoo,
It was storming pretty hard
And the wind was blowing too.

The animals were wild that night,
There was murder in their eyes,
As the wind swept through the cages
With low and eerie sighs.

The hyenas all were howling
And the wolves were baying too;
The lions all were roaring—
It was a pretty stew.

Just then old Joe, the coxswain,
Who'd been with us many a year,
Cried out in a voice full of terror,
A voice that was full of fear.

"Old Leo's loose again!" he cried,
As he ran for the hold's only door,
But—he never reached there
Because old Leo arrived before.

We carried up old Joe's remains
And offered up a silent prayer;
We put them in a clean white sack
And left them in the water there.

I won't forget that tragic trip,
Though it was many long years ago,
As we carried up those few remains
Of the poor old sailor Joe.

THOMAS McCracken, '44

A STORMY SEA

The waves beat on the rocky shore like a giant trying
to break the bonds that held him there. The breakers
crashed with a sound like thunder, and the gray clouds
gathered together above the horizon like frightened sheep.
As I stood near the flagpole, I heard the flag flapping hys­
terically, pulling on the ropes that held it to the earth.

DOROTHY RIDER, '43
BURNING LEAVES

Oh! The smell of burning leaves,
Is a fragrant, musty smell,
Leaves of gold and orange,
And colors hard to tell.

The smoke goes up in clouds,
Now black, now grey, now white,
In patterns made of lace,
They blow out of my sight.

Ashes on the ground,
A bare spot black and sooty—
A fire of burning leaves,
The end of summer’s beauty.

Harriet Rypins, ’44

MOONLIGHT FAIRY

Softly through the shadows
Steals the bright moonlight;
O’er the shining meadows
Blow the breezes light.

Fragrances of springtime,
Noises of the night,
All are brought together
In the magic light.

Then, from out the darkness of the lea,
Comes the fairy queen,
Fairer than the flowers is she,
Though few her beauty have seen.

Alone, she dances throughout the night,
And when the sun begins to rise,
She leaves as does the moonlight,
To hide again from human eyes.

Ruth Salter, ’43
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