Students Attend Interscholastic Events

Ten Milne students recently attended an Interscholastic Congress on National Issues at the St. Agnes School. Five seniors—Craig Atkinson, Craig Leslie, Libby Johnson, Robert Isemah, Val Chevrette and Liz Scherer—were those who attended. They were accompanied by social studies supervisors, Mr. Daniel Ganeles and Mr. Michael Lamin.

The purpose of the Congress, according to Mr. Ganeles, was to give the students an idea of the national issues. "To acquaint the students with the important issues facing American national politics today and to give them more of an interest."

Students from many area schools attended the Congress to hear speakers' demonstrations and to discuss literature and works, having guest speakers at the meetings. The committees consisted of the following: Medical Care, Foreign Aid, Taxation, United Nations Budget, Nuclear Weapons Control, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Status of the Supreme Court, the Viet Nam situation, Poverty and Housing, and the Draft.

Each Milne student reported on the event to his class.

Ski Club Begins Season

To start off its 1965 season, the Milne Ski Club recently held its election officers, but to students and faculty of the Milne School, organized ski trips to various areas within driving range of approximately two hours of riding time. ski trips are not the only activities available this year. Movies and speakers' demonstrations are open to everyone in order to enable students to learn more about skiing. In the words of club president Zalay, "Members will not only get a chance to ski, but learn as well."

To make their trips more interesting, informal ski contests will be held, along with the free help for beginners. Also, ideas have been expressed on the theme of having more than one overnight ski trip.

Vacation Begins With Assembly

In honor of the Christmas holiday and the corresponding vacation, the Music Department is sponsoring an assembly this morning at which time the Milneettes and Milne Band will perform.

The band, including Judith Ann Zschweizer and Leo Lavallo from State University, will play an opening march and the national anthem. They will be followed by the Milneettes singing "Joy to the World." "O Little Town of Bethlehem," and "You'll Never Walk Alone," a lullaby known to Milne students.

Dr. Roy York, music supervisor, has said that the groups are "not quite what they used to be," this year, but that they are doing well and "It should be quite an enjoyable performance." Parents are invited to attend the assembly. Following the performance, school will close for the Christmas vacation and resumes will begin on January 4, 1965.

Societies Organize

Quintillian and Zeta Sigma, Milne's two literary societies, have begun a new year of activity. Student Council sponsored a sale of Schraft's candy, the school's foster child. Fabio is now ten years old.

For every box of candy sold, the Student Council received forty cents. They hoped to raise the entire sum of $180 which is needed toward the support of Fabio and his family.

An assembly to introduce the candy sale to the students was held on December 3. On Thursday of the following week another assembly was held to review the sale. At that time 440 boxes of candy had been sold, yielding a profit of $178. It is expected that the goal of $180 will be surpassed.
Reflections on the Snow

The season we are approaching, merits at least a few moments pause for meditation. Almost 2,000 years ago a child was born, signifying the rebirth of the magnificent ideals of love and compassion. Over 2,130 years ago at this time of year, Hebrew soldiers struggled to fight off a greatly overpowering Syrain occupation, winning the first recorded fight for religious freedom in history. This season of the year was the worst enemy of our own bedraggled freedom fighters, who, tired of war and exhausted from harrying the British in every conceivable way, settled down to the basest privations in Valley Forge in 1777, to fight off a cold and painful winter. They, too, in their year, fought for freedom and for the rebirth of an ideal: the majesty of man. They proved their majesty, those hungry, freezing Americans, just as the ancient Macabee soldiers proved, when left no other way but the way of the cross.

This season of beautiful but cold snow and icy temperatures that permeate the very bone of a person, has always been either a symbolic or a real challenge to man. Today, winter comes to mean the death season, as foliage disappears and we all retreat into our warm homes. In older times it meant a challenge for survival. In the times of the Macabees, Christ, and even later to the time of the Continental Army of George Washington, winter posed a threat to men who had to live so that they desired freedom also, just as the Christ child has come to represent all the Godliness of love and virtue, the basis of a great religion.

As we trudge along this winter, secure persons in this day and age, cursing the ice and snow for its inconveniences, we should remember that we have never had to struggle or fight in any way. We should realize that when we are to be dealt with the harshest, it will be our duty, like those before us, to respond all the more positively.

To the Editor

Dear Sir:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the cross-country team for their thoughtfulness in presenting me with a fine wrist watch. It is a perfect gift that is useful and nearby at all times.

ARTHUR AHR,
Milne Teams Finally Start

Varsity Takes First Three

AVERILL PARK

After having their season's opener postponed three successive times, Milne's Varsity basketball team launched its campaign by defeating Averill Park, 47-42, in a Capital District League contest. Led by senior Jim Mullen, the Red Raiders for the first time in two years defeated Averill Park, in a game which saw Milne commit twenty-eight personal fouls.

Beginning very slowly, each team had difficulty scoring in the first half. Fouls began to mount as Averill Park led 25-16 at the end of sixteen minutes. With more than five minutes to play in the third period, Bill Day began to create a gap for the Raiders, and most of the other Raiders were in serious foul trouble. The Raiders widened their lead during the period, but Milne fought back to trail by nine, 36-27. It was at this stage of the game that Nelson began to find the mark. Using a pressing zone defense and an offense 'centering' around Nelson, the Future Pros began to cut into the AP lead.

With less than 1:30 to play and Milne trailing by one, 42-41, John Mellen, scored unimpeded on a driving layup and John Margolis tossed in two charity shots from the line. At this point the Raider defense stiffened and did not allow the Warriors to score during the final minute of play. The game was locked up by Nelson's nineteenth and twentieth points of the evening.

ST. JOSEPH'S

Playing its second game of the young season, the Milne Varsity held off a late rally to gain an 82-72 non-league victory over visiting St. Joseph's. Placing five men in double figures, the Red Raiders, although outscored from the field, were able to click on twenty-six out of forty shots from the free throw line.

In a game that began very late to the night before, the Red Raiders committed numerous travel violations and once again began to pick up many unnecessary personal fouls. The score, however, was another story. The Raiders led 21-16 after the first period and 38-31 at the end of the half.

G. A. A.

After finishing their season with a 6-8 overall record, the Milne girls' basketball team will begin GAA's planning to sponsor a sweatshirt night (Milne girls' basketball games), and most important of all, to see you all at the games when you return home.

Intramural Bowling

Three years ago Milne instituted intramural bowling as part of its extra-curricular activities. At that time thirty boys participated. In 1962, intramural bowling began its second year with about forty-five boys. It was also in this year that Milne's varsity bowling team came into existence. Although Milne did not fare too well in the regular season, winning only three games and losing twenty-five, the sectional proved a different story with Milne coming out the winner.

Last year the intramural bowling team began with Milne's junior boys. The varsity did much better winning 13 games and losing 19. Top bowler was Steve Fabio, who won with a 175 average for 24 games. The sectionals last year were held at the Bowler's Club where Milne again bested the nearest opponent by over 100 pins.
**Location and Eloquence**

By AGNES ZALAZ

"Herbert, was George Washington the first president of the United States?" asks a hopeful social studies teacher.

"Oh yeah, that was the guy who fought in the Injun War and later became top-notch," Herbie brightly answers.

This is one example of student-talk that hard-working, conscientious teachers are trying to eliminate. There are as many types of speech as there are many types of students. Perhaps the most aggravating type is the "philosopher." An unsuspecting teacher might ask such a student: "Ludwig, why was Lincoln murdered?"

"For score seven years ago our fathers brought forth a new nation conceived of liberty, justice and the pursuit of happiness. Therefore..."

Another offspring of the incessant talker is the "beat around the bush student." A verbal joker. An ancient history teacher might ask: "Bruno, who was the author of 'The Raven?'" Bruno says: "Why, he was the man orphaned at an early age and forced to live with his godfather. He was born in Boston, Massachusetts and learned everything about the question except the correct answer.

The last type of problem student, and perhaps the worst type, is the loker. An ancient history teacher might ask: "How is the man who lived at Forty-two Shorter than runner say after running 26 miles?"

Hermie replies: "He said Boy am I pooped, couldn't go no farther." A roar of applause and laughter greets this intelligent answer.

From this account, a moment of silence for all the suffering, self-sacrificing teachers of the twentieth century would be appropriate.

**EXCHANGES**

By SUE HOHENSTEIN

In the future, the newspaper Milne receives from other schools will be available to Milne students to read and study.

Students at Ravena-Coeysmans-Selkirk Central School are privileged to own a Memorial Painting Collection which is added to every year. As of now, the gallery includes four original paintings by local artists on display in the school lobby. The Staff and Shield halls the collection as something to be proud of.

Seventy girls of Irondequoit High School in Rochester have been rehired for the annual swan show. The presentation, entitled "Oceans of Love," will include some twenty numbers, including "Pink Panther" and "Hello Dolly."

At Bethlehem Central High School in Albany, an English teacher, Mr. Fosseck, has worked hard to make his students interested in literature. A native of Wyoming, Bob lives in Seattle, Washington. His hobby is helping his child, along with the school's housekeeping, to finance his college education.

Mr. John Deans, a typical student teacher at Milne, reveals many interesting facts about student teaching. Mr. Deans, a senior history major from State (of course), says that in order to do practice teaching at Milne, one must apply for the privilege. As a teacher of eleven grade American History and ninth grade World Geography, Mr. Deans remarks, "I like it. Teaching takes a lot of work and a lot of time (much more than I ever expected)."

What about those mysterious meetings the teachers have with Dr. Poseske? Mr. Deans says that they are held to discuss what is happening in school, the administrative duties of the teachers, and various routine matters.

And methods courses, what are they? In certain student teacher's replies ("Nothing, they're useless"). Mr. Deans feels that methods courses prepare the prospective teacher for his duties. Included in the syllabus are instructions in preparing lesson plans, making up test questions, and answering questions (other students know as "how to trick your students").

What do a student teacher think of Milne and more important, of Milnettes? Mr. Deans remarks, "The girls are great! I find them very understanding."


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**Senior Spotlight**

By SUE LURIE

**BRUCE McFARLAND**

One guy who likes to get where he's going in a hurry—and if he can't do that he'll settle to just going—is Bruce McFarland. Bruce possesses a great love for travelling and he knows the city of Albany like a book after three years of cross country. However, all his travelling is certainly not local: Bruce has visited Europe, California, and "practically all of the United States." When he's not on the other side of the world, Bruce does his part as a member of Milmen, Chess Club, and MBAA; he is also vice president of his youth group.

One of the top ten in his class, Bruce has already been accepted at Lehigh, which he plans to attend next fall.

**ROBYN MILLER**

Fairly new to Milne, but a girl who has already made her mark here, is Robyn Miller. Robyn is President of the Student Council and, as such, has initiated many projects and reforms within the school. But she does not limit her interests to the council; Robyn is also an avid member of Sigma Literary Society, Milnettes, and Fri-Hi-Y.

Out of Milne, she is helping to finance her college education by working at Albany Hospital. Her hobbies include playing the piano, singing, and goofing off with the kids.

For the future, Robyn envisions herself as a successful elementary teacher having graduated summa cum laude from Cortland State.

**CINDY NEWMAN**

As one of the class of '65's most popular and versatile members, Cindy commands a tight schedule. Athletically inclined, as a member of the Ski Club, Bob possesses a great enthusiasm for the sport, which is his favorite. In his spare time, he irrigates the senior folk song loathers by playing his guitar for the senior folk song lovers.

The immediate future will find Bob studying accounting at Buffalo State, Albany State, or Syracuse.

**BOB MOORE**

On May 4, 1947, a bouncing, boozing boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Moore—so they called him Bob. After his enrollment in the esteemed Milne School, Bob lived up to his name, and bobbed around the basketball court for three years. He gets a great kick out of watching little white boys go hobbling across the grass and big black balls go bobbing down alleys; thus he also makes substantial contributions to the golf and bowling teams. A member of the Ski Club, Bob possesses a great enthusiasm for the sport, which is his favorite. In his spare time, he irrigates the senior folk song loathers by playing his guitar for the senior folk song lovers.

**Left to right: Bruce McFarland, Robyn Miller, Cindy Newman, Bob Moore.**

**Wanted: Male Student Teachers**

By KYTHY LANGER

Tall, dark and handsome—that's the description that best fits a movie star. But it's a little too much to expect from a student teacher, that is, if you don't go to Milne.

Student teachers in Milne are all Mr. Novak's and Dr. Kildare's combined. If you can't go to Jefferson High where Mr. Novak teaches, then the next best school to try is Milne. If you don't fall in love with some handsome student teacher the first quarter, don't despair. Remember there are three more quarters left, and after that you change teachers.

Of course, there are complications; that is, if by some chance you get a woman teacher. Don't be distressed. In a few weeks there will be another Mr. Novak and two more glorious months of school.

**Retaliation**

By BARRY PRESS

As I have stalked the streets of this city, I have noticed the ever-increasing number of Christmas decorations that greet you from every conceivable spot. Being a member of the select group who do celebrate, I demand equal time to gaseamode to you the marvalous advantages Hanukkah has over Christmas.

Firstly, there are eight major reasons why Hanukkah is better than Christmas, each one of these reasons is the inerasable fact that there are very few jokes in the English language that rhyme with Hanukkah, hence the lack of Hanukkah songs and jingles. Secondly, if you are interested in unacknowledged facts, there are a few that are of interest. The commercialization of Hanukkah has never equalled that of Christmas, due to a few obvious reasons. One of these reasons is the inerasable fact that there are very few jokes in the English language that rhyme with Hanukkah, hence the lack of Hanukkah songs and jingles. This great figure of human kindness and good will has been hidden in the annals of Jewish folklore for over two thousand years.