



## New Members Inducted In Candlelight Ceremony

"I BELIEVE in character as the foundation of life; in scholarship as the means to achievement; in leadership as a worthy aim; and in service as the object and end of living . . ."

Thirty-four Nilehi students repeated this pledge of the National Honor Society Wednesday, March 26, when they were inducted into the society. These thirty-four received news of their election to the society only a week previously on March 19.

The newly elected seniors, fifteen in all, are Charmaine Berg, Donna Bistolfo, Judy Bolin, Diane Courtright, Vicki Day, Judy Erickson, Bob Hartley, Karen Hine, Lillian Hoffman, Gene Igolka, Ronnie Johnson, Chuck Kadish, Bob Ketelson, Barbara Ladd, and Carolyn Schweig.

The newly elected juniors, nineteen of them, are Murray Averbach, Jeanne Babcock, Sue Backus, Linda Burkhart, Judy Comiano, Gerda Halbreich, Mary Lee Isel, Lou Janson, Keith Krause, Kent Krause, Ron Kriskchke, Bruce Norgan, Donna Norman, Noel Ostrom, Arlene Pfaff, Mike Sachs, Carl Sigel, Mike Skol, and Betty Stine.

The induction ceremony was planned and conducted by the present Honor Society members. Tom Boumann acted as master of cer-



PRESENT Honor Society members conducted the induction

ceremony for the newly accepted juniors and seniors.

emonies. After Jean Weissburg presented the new members, Al Johnson, Jill Linn, Don Samuelson, and Barb Norris spoke on the four criteria of National Honor Society: Scholarship, Character, Leadership, and Service, respectively.

Robert Johnson presided over the formal induction ceremony itself. Paul Carder and Sharon Crawford presented the new members with certificates.

Emblems were presented by Vicki Averbach and Judy Frankfurt, who were followed by John Hederick and Ruth Ann Morten, who lit the candles. Finally, the new members took the pledge, under the direction of Dan Mendelsohn.

OTHER MEMBERS of National Honor Society are Arnie Feinberg, Jim Iverson, Mike Levine, Alex Maurizi, Don Saunders, Rochelle Silverstein, Dave Turner, Richard Young, Jim Eischen and Richard Guess.

## Seniors Make Plans For Graduation 1958

GRADUATION, 1958, only 76 days away! Plans for the graduation are now being completed by the senior cabinet under the direction of Mr. O. T. Hendrickson, class sponsor, and Bruce Fyfe, class president.

The Breakfast committee headed by Carol Czarnota, Russ Kofoed, and Alex Maurizi has the breakfast wall planned. The theme will be "Time Was," bringing back many happy memories of the past four years to graduating seniors. The committee has been divided into seven major divisions, the chairmen of which have chosen members of the senior class to serve on their committee.

The committees include directory of graduating seniors, Charlene Lascody; program, Ann Ide and Paul Carder; class will, Dick Young; food and waitresses, Judy Frankfurt and Judy Erickson; invitations, Jean Weissburg and Lois Gerber; decorations, Jill Linn and Sharon Crawford, and setup, Ken Haas, Alex Spiegel, and Arnold Feinberg.

Diane Courtright and Barbara Gorden head the cap and gown committee. The four dollars for the cap and gown rental was collected during homeroom periods Monday, March 24, through Friday, March 28. The seniors have already been measured for the gowns which they will receive through homerooms on graduation day.

The staging and rehearsing committee under the direction of

John Dragisic and Bill Dutton has planned an indoor and an outdoor ceremony. Where the ceremony is held depends upon the weather. The number of tickets each student will receive has not yet been determined.

The gift committee, consisting of Jim VanDerVelde, chairman, and Jack Kaplan, Joanne Otiopka and Karen Hine, recommended to the cabinet to present Niles with a lectern as the class gift. The entire cabinet voted approval. The style of the lectern was chosen by the committee.

Spies Company has been chosen to print this year's announcements, according to Suellen Mills, chairman of the announcement committee. Other members include Jack Kaplan, Karen Hine, and Dick Benson.

Graduating seniors will order their announcements in the middle of April.

The program committee, consisting of Nola Knepper and Dick Benson, is busy working on the design of the programs and the selection of the main speaker. The ticket committee, headed by Ron Johnson, is planning to have the tickets printed in the Nilehi print shop. The decoration committee is headed by Faye Allendorfer and Joanne Otiopka.



- Mar. 28 — Spring Vacation begins
- Apr. 8 — School resumes
- Apr. 16 — Baseball, Morton, there
- Apr. 18 — Musicale
- Apr. 19 — Baseball, Highland Park, there
- Apr. 26 — Turnabout dance
- May 29 — Junior Prom
- Jun. 12 — Commencement

## 'Suddenly It's Spring'

# Dance Portrays Oriental Setting

THE BEAUTY AND EXCITEMENT that fills the air when Spring arrives will be reflected at "Suddenly It's Spring," Nilehi's first spring dance of the year, presented by the West Division Student Council.

The dance, to be held in the boys' gymnasium on March 29, 8:30 p.m. through 11:30 p.m., will feature decorations in an Oriental motif. Gals and guys smitten with spring fever will dance to the music of Danny Brast and the Blue Notes, while winners of this year's "Reflections Revelries" provide the entertainment.

COMMITTEES working on the dance are headed by Maureen Pernitz, social committee chairman.

The various committees include publicity, Charlene Levine, Fern Gilbert, and Carol Flaherty; decorations, Barbara Kalfin; bids, Rosalyn Chapman; tickets, Scott Best; band, Ann Davis; finance, Bob Saltzman, and entertainment, Barry Katz.

Bids went on sale on March 24 and were available to both divisions.

## Niles Representatives Attend Youth Government Program

ON APRIL 25 AND 26, four Nilehi students will represent the Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y Clubs at the annual Illinois Area Council of YMCA's Youth and Government Program, which is held in Springfield.

During these two days, students from all over the state take over the legislature, holding such political offices as governor, speaker of the house, secretary of the senate, and clerk of the house, and will thus 'run' the government.

This year's Nilehi representatives are Ken Grubb and Dick Young of Hi-Y East and Barbara Kretschmar and Judy Matter of Tri-Hi-Y East.

The representatives of each club present a bill to the youth legislature. These bills go to various committees and are treated like any regular bills. Bills passed by the youth legislature are printed in the newspapers and viewed with interest by legislatures of Illinois.

The Niles Hi-Y bill this year calls for limiting the personal property tax only to motor vehicles, and that of Tri-Hi-Y concerns sanitary food containers.

Some 240 clubs from metropolitan Chicago will be represented at Springfield this year. Plans for the state-wide program have been made through pre-legislative conferences and local department meetings of U. G. G. or University of Good Government, which is a YMCA training program for democracy for Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y members.

Representatives are chosen on the basis of personality, academic record, and leadership ability. The 1958 session is the ninth session of the Youth Legislature. This is the first year, however, that the Nilehi Tri-Hi-Y is being represented, and the third year for Hi-Y.

## Sun-Times Directs Career Conference For Teen Students

AN ATTEMPT is being made to help high school and junior college students in Chicago and surrounding areas learn more about different careers and their advantages and disadvantages.

On Saturday, March 29, the Chicago Sun-Times is sponsoring a career conference at the Illinois Institute of Technology. Students are invited to attend as many as four of the various group meetings at different times.

The choice at the 8:40 to 10 a.m. group consists of graphic arts, engineering I, home economics, merchandising, music, small business, social sciences, and elementary teaching.

The second group convenes from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and includes engineering II, finance, nursing, pharmacy, professional entertainment, psychology, physical sciences I, and secondary teaching.

Architecture, engineering III, physical sciences II, medical professions, trades, therapy, writing, and journalism will be offered between 1:30 and 2:50 p.m.

The last group will meet between 3 and 4:20 p.m., offering art, engineering IV, law, physical education, library science, secretarial and clerical commerce, and medical services.

# Cast, Crews Try to 'Keep It Gay' With Opening Date Fast Approaching

REHEARSALS are now in full swing as the date for the third spring musicale, "Keep It Gay," draws near.

The show will be presented Friday and Saturday nights, April 18 and 19. It is under the direction of Jill Linn and Rick Ricordati, co-directors.

The crew heads consist of Marlene Derman, stage manager; Judy DuBonn and Pat Teichert, dance directors; Judy Bolin, secretary and ticket sales manager, Mike Singer, lighting and amplification, and Carolyn Obermaier and Jan Peterson, scenery and

art direction.

Also, Judy Frankfurt, publicity director; John Hebblethwaite, stage crew chief and Dick Gunsaulus, assistant; Lou Jansen, properties director; Diane Courtright, wardrobe director; Judy Erickson, make-up director, and Judy Matter, assistant; Mr. Blackburn, front cover, and Jan Peterson, program.

Faculty co-ordinators are Mr. Hugh McGee and Mr. Earle Auge.

The dialogue for the show was completely written by a "steering group" of about twenty stu-

dents and Mr. McGee. Music is supplied from the "King and I" and "My Fair Lady" with such hit tunes as "Hello, Young Lovers," "On the Street Where You Live," "Getting to Know You," "I Could Have Danced All Night," "With a Little Bit of Luck," "We Kiss in a Shadow" and "Keep It Gay."

All seats for the show are reserved. Main floor seats are \$1.25 and all seats in the first and second balcony are \$1.00. Tickets may be purchased every day after 4:30 p.m. outside of room 100.

## Of Cabbages and Kings A Book By Its Cover

WHEN WE WERE eighth-graders, we looked at high school students and said, "I'll never smoke or drink or drive a hot-rod; that would make me a 'hood'." But some people never outgrew this system of judging people on the basis of obvious characteristics.

Some of the people who do these very things are actually finer citizens than the person who appears to be a clean-cut, collegiate, All-American boy. This is not a defense of sloppy grooming, inappropriate garb, and improper indulgence in said "vices," but an admonition to look past the surface when judging others, if judge you must.

It becomes very annoying to see some students accepted, even fawned over, and others rejected, by both students and faculty, on the basis of what they think they know about the various persons.

AS AN EXAMPLE, take a HYPOTHETICAL case of the typical fair-haired boy in a senior class. He may get excellent grades, take part in school affairs, and have a reputation for fine character, but many of these boys are transformed on weekends to foul-mouthed, wild Indians who cannot come to school on Monday morning because of a hangover.

In another hypothetical case, take the boy who realized long ago that he could never get "A's" and decided that, since he had to stay in high school, he might as well have some fun at it. So he went along, bothering teachers a little, upsetting study halls, and, to attract a little attention, growing long hair.

But outside of school, and to the people who really knew him, he was one of the grandest people imaginable. He had few "vices," was rarely loud, and "would give anyone the shirt off his back." There is even the argument that he is a better person than the first because he is not a hypo-



crite.

As already mentioned, this is not meant to defend anyone, and neither are these cases absolute, far from it. But that is just the point: if these examples are not the whole story, then neither is the other version. All that is being asked here is that judgments either be made on the basis of the REAL truth or NOT AT ALL.

## Nilehi Talks...

DEAR EDITOR,

SINCE I WAS among those who signed the letter complaining about the manners displayed by Nilehi boys, I received many comments in response from senior boys and felt obligated to record them here.

One of the most compact and expressive remarks was made by Tom Jacobs, who said that "Where there are ladies, there are gentlemen."

Bernie Cannata commented that girls should expect to be shoved if they stand in big, giggly groups and block the halls.

Tom Lowe seemed to think the letter was right because "everyone in this school is out for himself and the boys just don't care."

"The letter wasn't fair," claimed Alex Spiegel, "because all the boys aren't to blame. It might do some good, though, in waking up the boys who are at fault."

Phyllis Bronis

DEAR EDITOR,

I AM A NEW student at Nilehi and I am proud to be a member of this school. When I invited some friends from other schools to see our talent show, however, I was disappointed.

My friend and I bought tickets to "Reflections" and then did not get to see the show because there was no room in the gym. We were a few minutes late, which could not be helped, but felt you should not sell tickets to more people than you can seat.

The outcome was this: we didn't get to see the show, we paid for the tickets and my friends got a bad impression of my school.

A Junior boy

DEAR EDITOR,

IT SEEMS that certain school clubs receive very little publicity in the school newspaper.

One of these that concerns many students is the Teachers of Tomorrow. This club benefits many students and we, the F.T.A. board, feel it should receive more attention.

Our country's future is in the hands of our teachers. Perhaps if more students knew about the Teachers of Tomorrow we would have more and better teachers for America.

Karen Rosenquist

DEAR EDITOR,

WHY CAN'T something be done about Nile's drawn out graduation ceremonies? Every year the students and parents must sit through this three hour ceremony, much of which could be eliminated.

There are so many seniors this year that it is a bit unnecessary to have some distinguished gentleman get up and tell us about the future and about being good citizens.

If the weather is unpleasant graduation will have to be held in the gym, making things worse. With a little planning, however, graduation can be made less boring and more pleasant.

If speeches must be made, let them be made by our students.

Two Seniors

## Nilehiers Advance To Latin Sectional Contest — April 19

ON SATURDAY, March 8, nine Nilehi students competed against 17 other schools in the district con-

## Sarongs Steal Spotlight At Gala Hawaiian Union

DREAMS OF romantic music under clear Hawaiian skies almost came true last Saturday night, March 22, when the Student Union Board climaxed its successful year by presenting a Hawaiian Student Union.

From 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., dancers swayed to the music of the Off-Beats, who helped in creating the desired spirit of Hawaii.

To add to the Hawaiian theme, girls received Hawaiian leis as they stepped into the gayly decorated gymnasium. Credit goes to Gloria Mengarelli and her committee for the appropriate decorations, which included palm trees, fish net, and shells.

The fact that the Union Board members were on hand in authentic Hawaiian costumes provided that extra something that made the evening a success. Costumes for the evening included sarongs, grass skirts, and loud shirts.

Even the cinemascope movie of the evening, "The Lieutenant Wore Skirts," contributed to the Polynesian theme since the story was set in Hawaii.

Other entertainment included the winners' acts from Reflections, television, for watching the State Basketball Tournament, and a hula dance done by Penny Johnson and Carol Peterson. The customary services regularly provided by the Board, such as ping pong and cards, were also available.

Although one more Student Union will be held on May 24, this was the final Union to be held in the East Division building. The May 24 Union will initiate the use of the new Skokie Youth Center.

## Debaters Best Bloomington In Forensic League Meet

THE ANNUAL National Forensic League Contest, the last debate of the season was held on March 22. Alan Birholtz and Stan Berman,

the Nilehi varsity affirmatives, coached by Dr. John L. Betts, beat Bloomington but were defeated by West Aurora, Mendota, and Pekin. The varsity negatives, Ron Wanke and Steve Rosen, lost to New Trier, Maine, Thornton Fractional and Arlington.

The sub-varsity squad, coached by Mr. Charles Matka, won four and lost four. The affirmatives, Marcia Braverman and Frances Greisdorf, beat Freeport and North Chicago but lost to New Trier and Joliet, Jim Jungwirth and Mike Lerner, negatives, defeated Mendota and Sterling but lost to New Trier and Lyons.

The Nilehi debaters gained a fifth place out of fourteen participating schools in the State Sections held in DeKalb on March 15. The varsity affirmatives, Russ Kofeod and Dick Young, defeated Evanston and Rockford West and lost to Maine and Elgin in a tie-breaker. Stan Berman and Aaron

test of the Illinois State Latin contest which was held at Highland Park High School.

Judy Erickson and Mike Sacks received superior rating in the Cicero exam, making them eligible to continue at the sectionals on April 12.

Bernard Roos also was given an excellent rating on the same test.

Aaron Bloch, Mark Peppercorn and Joan Wolter received superior ratings in the second year Latin test and will continue at the sectionals.

## Galleon to Go On Sale

WHETHER YOU LIKE short stories, poems, or essays, Golden Galleon, Nilehi's creative magazine, will have a phase of literature that appeals to you.

Galleon will go on sale at 50 cents per copy in the English classes shortly after spring vacation. The major portion of the magazine will be devoted to junior and senior compositions, while a part of it will include Silver Clipper material.

Students who prefer serious writing, as well as those who enjoy humorous compositions will find poems, short stories, and essays written in both tones in the Golden Galleon.

"A large selection of material has been submitted to Galleon this year," remarked Barb Norris, Galleon chairman. "This should be one of the best magazines we've ever had."

All manuscripts were submitted before the March 14 deadline and are being impartially judged by Galleon members. Students whose manuscripts have been accepted will be notified after May 1.

A banquet will be held for both old and new members on the first Tuesday in June, at which time new members will be initiated.

## Sue Backus Has Role of Bridgett In Spring Drama

SUEE BACKUS has landed the leading role of Bridgett, the fifteen-year-old embittered product of a broken home, in "A Roomful of Roses" to be presented in the Assembly room at 8:15 p.m. on May 8 and 9.

Others in the recently selected cast include Charlotte Cooperman and Charmaine Berg as Nancy, Bridgett's mother; Stan Berman as Jay, her stepfather; Carolyn Kuchar as Lorry, her seven-year-old sister; Lynn Eggers as Grace, friend and neighbor of Nancy, and Karen Kramer and Dave Morgan as Jane and Dick, Grace's teenage children.

Also chosen were Liz Wood as Willamay, the Negro maid, and Mike Levine as MacGowan, Bridgett's father.

Assistants to Miss Virginia Stemp, faculty director, are Bill Ruyle, stage manager; Mike Skol, assistant director in charge of cast, and Carol Dankowski, assistant director in charge of crews.

The story revolves around Bridgett's life as it has been affected by her parent's divorce, and the efforts of Nancy, her husband, and her neighbors to bring Bridgett out of her shell.

Miss Stemp stated, "I found it an amusing modern play, timely for both parents and teenagers. Although there is great deal of meat to the story, it also boasts a considerable amount of hilarious dialogue."



WETHER you are a sun seeker heading South, or a contented stay-at-home, you've probably made some plans for your spring vacation. Our inquiring reporter has uncovered some plans of Nilehi students. Maybe they'll give you some suggestions.

BARBARA PAM, junior — "Look forward to summer vacation."

ALEX SPIEGAL, senior — "Stay home and save money for the prom."

BRONSON DAVIS, freshman — "Sleep, play baseball, sleep, play basketball, and sleep."

MR. JOHN HALLBERG, teacher — "Relieve my wife of the children."

MR. GEORGE SCHROCK, teacher — "Relieve the children of my wife."

TWILA WELLS, senior — "Hunt up prom prospects—for my FRIENDS."

BOB KLINGENSMITH, sophomore — "Mourn and mope." (???)

PAUL SIMON, junior — "And away I go—to Washington!"

SUE DEBBS, junior — "I'm going to follow the sun to Florida."

JUDY MATTER, junior — "I'm going to lay under a sun lamp and think of all the kids in Florida and Mexico."

HAROLD RUTTENBERG, senior — "I'm going to bring back a coconut for poor Judy."

LORNA FYFE, sophomore — "What I'm going to do is a deep dark secret."

KEN MASTERS, freshman — "Ask 'someone' to go steady again. (big lover!)"

ROD SWANSON, senior — "I plan to go riding, riding, riding. (on a horse of course)."

SANDY HERRIMAN, junior — "I'll do what everybody else does . . . !?"

JUDI GODELL, senior — "TERM papers, TERM papers, TERM papers!"

MR. BLAINE GEMENY, teacher — "I'm taking a trip in my convertible and see what I can pick up."

VICKI DAY, senior — "I'll sit home and grow my hair!"

BETSY KISO, freshman — "Chase boys."

JOHN MCGINNIS, junior — "Hide away in Wisconsin."

JAYE MILLER, freshman — "Hunt elephants."

MISS MARY KONSTANS, teacher — "I think I'll have some lost week-ends."

PEARLEE FREEBERG, junior — "I'll recover from my spring fever."

ARLENE BUSH, senior — "I'm joining the Polar Bear Club." (brrrrr)

MARY KNOWLES, freshman — "I'm not going to do ANYTHING."

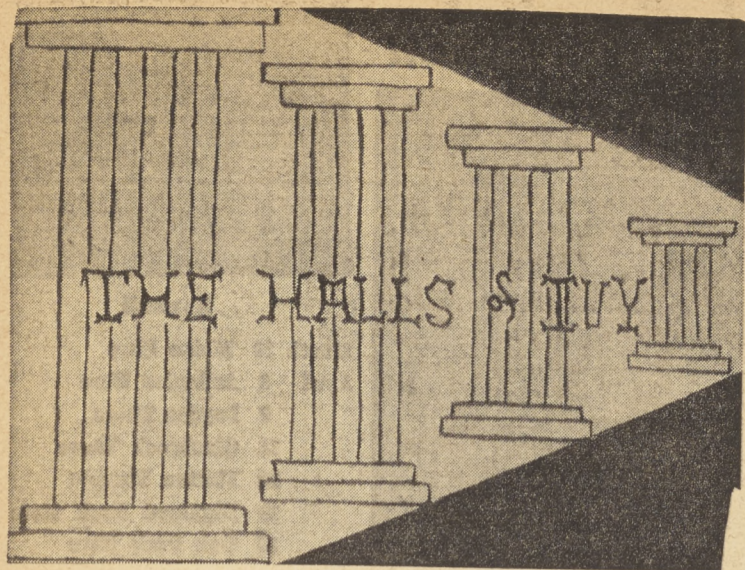
MR. ARTHUR COLVER, teacher — "I'll write a book entitled What Teachers Should Do with Their Spring Vacations."

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## Patter from Other Papers

BY JUDY COMIANO

**LYONS** Township High School boasts twenty-six "comrades" who are charter members in a new course offered in Simplified Russian Grammar.

**VIA BRADFORD H. S.** in Kenosha, Wisconsin: School motto: Laugh and the class laughs with you, but you stay after school alone.

**WTHS** has an unusual course offered only to seniors — Social Problems. It is unique in that they themselves choose the problems in which they are most interested. This year's selection was teenage problems, discrimination, mental illness, crime, religion, and marriage.

**FROM WEST** Covina H.S. come the Commandments of School.

1. Thou shalt not come to school late. (Take the day off.)
2. Thou shalt not look at someone's paper. (Have it passed to you.)
3. Thou shalt not copy from someone's paper. (Have them do it for you.)
4. Thou shalt not run in the halls. (Sliding is more fun.)
5. Thou shalt not skip the stairs. (Use the banister.)
6. Thou shalt not whisper in class. (Shouting draws more attention.)
7. Thou shalt not chew gum in class. (Candy is more tasty.)
8. Thou shalt not push students down stairs. (Trip them, they fall harder.)
9. Thou shalt not talk about the teacher behind his back. (Tell it to his face.)

Now that spring is here, more and more cars are being driven to school. But Rocky River High School keeps its students and cars safe through an efficient Traffic Safety Committee which provides parking lot supervision and conducts regular car checks.

**FROM W.T.H.S.:** My blind date was so thin that when she drank tomato juice, she looked like a thermometer on a hot day.

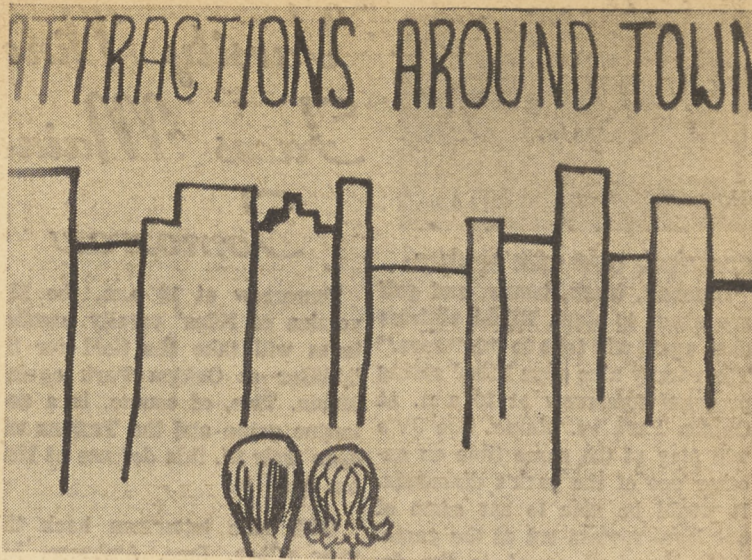
**COMMUNITY H.S.** reports that according to a recent survey in the U.S. only 20 per cent of the people were physically fit, while in overpopulated India, the survey shows that over 98 per cent of the people are physically fit.

to keep smiling!"

In comparing Nilehi to his former school in New York, Mike explained, "There is much more social life here that is connected with the school than at my old school in Brooklyn. This is probably because New York is such an exciting town, and there is always so very much to do." Mike loves to relate how he used to go up to Broadway and watch the city and its people bustle by.

"The best part of New York is, without a doubt, its plays on Broadway. 'New Girl In Town' was one of the most exceptional I ever saw, and 'Pajama Game' was so funny that I nearly fell out of the balcony!"

Mike plans to study either business administration or politics. If he finds politics to be his prime interest he will also study law to give him a firm background. "When I am out on my own, I would like very much to go back and live in New York."



By JOYCE GERTLER

**ONCE THE FIRST EXCITEMENT** of spring vacation is over, the familiar cries of, "What am I going to do?" will again be heard. All it takes is a little ingenuity and allowance, the second being optional, to make a busy, worthwhile vacation.

If you are fortunate in being able to follow the sun to Florida or Mexico, your problems have already been solved. If, however, you will be spending your vacation at home perhaps you will welcome suggestions.

Your first thought might be to catch up on much needed sleep and work on your term papers. For a refreshing break between these pastimes, why not organize a king sized picnic with your friends, complete with baseball, sandwiches and potato chips? You might even bring along your tennis rackets and golf clubs, to start brushing up on your technique.

Do you remember that imposing structure with all the monstrous fish that you visited years ago? That aquarium could prove an interesting place to visit during an afternoon. It would involve a trip to Chicago's Grant Park, but you'll find it worth it. It's free, too.

Nearby is the Adler Planetarium! It has several interesting shows daily comprised of views of the stars and other composites of the solar system. Star gazing can be leads of fun, especially at night.

Horse back riding should be enjoyable, especially in this weather. There are several stables in Morton Grove that charge reasonable rates and the trails are just beautiful in spring.

A special night on the town might rate a trip into Chicago. "South Pacific," playing at the McNickers theater, is a sprightly musical that ought to leave you in a gay mood. You'll probably recognize many of the songs from its well known musical score.

If you are in a particularly musical mood that night you may want to hop over to the London House for some top notch jazz entertainment. Teddy Wilson will be tickling the ivories for your enjoyment.

If you're in the mood for some tasty Italian cuisine, a jaunt to the Como Inn will be to your liking. Amid costumed waiters and Italian atmosphere you can munch happily on pizzas, spaghetti, or lasagne.

Kungsholm, a Swedish restaurant on Ontario Street, is a unique place promising an interesting evening. An opera performed entirely by puppets is included with the dinner fee. The opera house is a world famous miniature designed in true Scandinavian style. The music is provided by records and is sung by famous operatic artists. An evening at Kungsholm is quite an experience.

Regardless of what you do over vacation have a wonderful time and remember to COME BACK ON APRIL EIGHTH!

## GETTING TO KNOW ...

### Margo Calamaras

"I USED TO run around the neighborhood nude when I was a neighborhood nude when I was a kid." But most everyone will agree that Margo Calamaras is not still possessed with that spirit that grips the very, very young. Rather, Margo is now the victim of the urge to act and sing.

This desire has manifested itself throughout Margo's four years at Nilehi. She was in glee her first and second years and in Vivace and Choir her third and fourth year. Since her sophomore year Margo has been in the musicale without missing it once.

This year's musicale, "Keep It Gay," will find Margo in the lead role. Reflections Revelries is another school production that has featured Margo's talents. In fact, she was Helen of Troy, queen of Reflections, during her sophomore year.

Margo is a gym leader, the chaplain of Gold Tri-Hi-Y, head secretary of SSSH, and a three year member of Thespians. Membership in Thespians is achieved by earning points given for hours de-



voted to dramatics.

Margo has been in a school play every year since she has been in high school. Many varied roles have come her way. She has been a teen-age daughter, a movie producer, a scientist's wife, and the mother of a juvenile delinquent. Margo was the assistant director of last fall's play, "Stage Door."

"I am planning to prepare myself to be a drama or speech teacher at the University of Wisconsin. If I am fortunate and am blessed with the opportunity, I should love to live in New York and be on stage. My more realistic plans include marriage, five children, teaching, and working in little theater groups," she concluded.

FOR BOTH the teachers and students next week is going to be a wonderful time. It is my wish that everyone will have a grand vacation, and a very happy Easter.

They took him up on it! As the second period Spanish two class tried to learn the language, their teacher, Mr. Donald Blair, stated, "I could teach a parakeet to speak Spanish faster than you guys." The class got together and bought him a little blue parakeet, giving him until June to teach the bird Spanish. Mr. Blair named his prize pupil Chico. Good luck to you, Senior Blair!

In Miss Virginia Stemp's fifth period public speaking class a young man was mumbling something, and Miss Stemp said, "Are you talking and trying to say something or are you gargling?"

Mr. Paul Eberhardt was explaining to his second period junior English class the difference between the objective and nominative case by using the examples, "The dog bit Sharon, and Sharon bit the dog." Pointing to the second sentence he commented, "Those of you in journalism know there's a story behind a statement like that."

Mrs. Parepa Rice's Honors reading classes were trying to understand the Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam. In one stanza it is stated that maybe our only use after death is as a fertilizer, explained Mrs. Rice during fourth period. Judi Godell piped up, "Start your own orchard!"

THE OTHER DAY in the lunchroom I heard some junior girls talking in a conversation that was a bit unusual. Lynn Eggers was saying to Noel Ostrom, "You remind me of a man."

Noel then replied, "What man?"

Lynn, "A man with power."

Noel, "What power?"

Lynn, "The power of woodoo."

Noel, "Who do?"

Lynn, "You do."

Noel, "I do what?"

Lynn, "Remind me of a man" — and so the conversation went on all through lunch.

AS I PASSED Jan Fagerman and Peggy Walker on my way to my table, I heard them conversing.

Jan was saying, "Well, that's Life."

Peggy then asked, "What's life?"

Jan, "A magazine."

Peg, "How much?"

Jan, "Twenty-five cents."

Peg, "I only have a nickle."

Jan, "Well, that's life."

Peg, "What's life?"

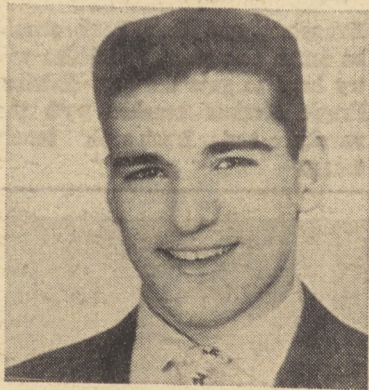
I have found that once you enter into a conversation like this there is no way out!!

### THOUGHT FOR THE ISSUE

"Never sling mud — you may miss your mark, but you'll surely have dirty hands."

## GETTING TO KNOW ...

### Mike Ratner



"YOU SHOULD HAVE seen all the girls in sarongs!" exclaimed Mike Ratner, president of the Union Board. Mike was referring to the costumes worn in accordance with the theme of the union of March 22.

Since Mike, who came to Nilehi last year from Brooklyn, New York, has been president of the Union Board, Student Unions have made more money than ever before. Undoubtedly this is because the Unions now have added activities, a band under contract, plus a central theme for each one. "Of course," Mike adds, "credit must be given to Mr. Hallberg. He has done 'millions' for the unions."

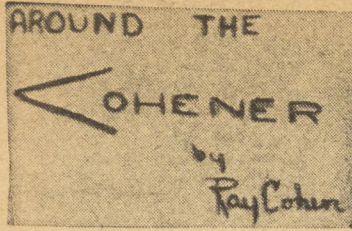
Next year all the unions will be held at Nilehi West with both divisions attending jointly. "Very likely this summer will see many unions held at the new, beautiful youth center on Dempster and Cicero. This May we are holding a

union at the center.

There will be music and dancing outside under the stars and the sky," said Mike in revealing some of the board's future plans.

Mike also is on the Senior Breakfast Committee, worked on the Valentine dance, and was out for baseball and football.

There is an explanation as to how Mike has become well-liked at Nilehi in so short a period of time. Perhaps it lies in his basic outlook: "True life lies in laughter, love, and work. Never forget the laughter part—you have



# Varsity Nine Seven To Bolster Trackmen Faces Maine Tomorrow

## STARTING OFF THE SPRING:

Baseball, track, tennis, and golf are about to start. Nilehi athletes once again will take to the "wars." The varsity nine open Niles' spring program tomorrow at 10 a.m. at Oakton Park vs. Maine. The JV's will play at the same time on another one of the park's diamonds. It would be nice to see some of our loyal rooters out at the game.

The baseball squad is the defending league champ and it could become tops again this year. Proviso took state last year and lost only two starters and should be mighty tough. All the other teams will be stronger but the consensus of both players and coaches is that Proviso is our toughest hurdle.

I don't see why more kids don't come to the baseball games. If baseball is our national pastime, you'd never know it to see the attendance at one of our baseball games. I doubt very much if its the price that keeps them away because the admission is free! The attendance at tennis matches and track meets is even less. I, of course, don't expect 200 kids to follow our golfers around, and I don't think Mr. Kiviluoma (the coach), does either, but some support would be graciously welcomed.

In track, the indoor track season has, as usual, built Oak Park, Proviso, Evanston, and New Trier into powerhouses in excellent condition. These schools, along with all others with indoor tracks, have turned it into a spring and winter sport. They begin practicing in December and have meets all winter long, whereas, without an indoor track our season doesn't start until April. I sincerely hope that an indoor track will be added to the new school in a very short while. Facilities and practice play a major role in any sport and an indoor track is a big part of this.

At the sports banquet Tuesday the captains and most valuable players were announced. In swimming this year's Captain David Oakes was voted most valuable and Norm Carberry was elected captain for next year. The wrestlers chose co-captain Ron Chez as most valuable and Bill McGrath as captain for the '58-'59 season. All-area guard Jerry Keidel had another honor heaped upon him as his teammates chose him as most valuable. They also chose Ron Henrici as cage captain for next year.

With spring upon us and our athletes out practicing it won't be long now until "the bell rings" opening the golf, tennis, track and baseball seasons. You will find the 1958 schedules on this page, column 5.

## Vicki Day Visits Pittsburgh School

ON FRIDAY, March 14, Vicki Day flew to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, to speak the following day before 2500 students about the Nilehi Code of Ethics. She accompanied Mr. David Taylor, executive of WGN, who is interested in the Code of Conduct movement which has spread throughout the United States.

VICKI GAVE a formal presentation about our Code, its background, meaning for Nilehi students, and its application in our school. Later, in small informal groups, Vicki answered questions students had about our Code.

Tomorrow at 10 a.m. the 1958 version of Niles' varsity baseball team will take the field for the lid-lifter at Oakton Park against Maine. This, of course, is a non-league game and the Trojans will open their SL title defense at Morton April 16.

With nine lettermen back this year (Chez, Ihne, Ambrose, Lis, Berg, Keidel, Fyfe, Dragisic, and Henrici) the chances seem to be good. Coach Phipps says, however, "The league is a lot stronger this year. Proviso won state last year and only lost their first-baseman, right-fielder and their second string pitcher and should be especially tough." All the teams will be rugged.

When asked if he felt that Niles could top the league again he said, "We should have a winning record but I don't know how winning." The coach also continued to say that it takes a lot of breaks to win the league.

John Dragisic's knee has not healed completely yet and it will be a while before he will be playing. When he gets into shape Coach Phipps expects John to give the Trojans a boost both as a



Roy Swenson, Hans Jung, Bill Bell, Gary Krauss, Earl Arnold, Frank Fortuna, Dick Pankey, and Tom Baumann are the track lettermen returning for another year.

SEVEN RETURNING lettermen will bolster this year's Nilehi varsity track squad. They are: Arnold and Fortuna (dashes); Baumann (440; Krauss, Pankey, and Jung (hurdles); and Swenson (high jump). Murray Averbach, a transfer from Ohio, is expected to help out considerably in the shot put and the discus.

Although the varsity turnout was somewhat light, the frosh-soph turnout has been overwhelming. More than 100 boys have been out for the west division squad, which is an all-time record for this

school in track. "The outlook is not too bright," says head coach John Harmon, but he continues, "An indoor track could improve the future Nilehi track teams." Niles is the only school in the Suburban League that does not have the benefit of an indoor track. Not having the indoor track cuts down our time from practice and necessitates the use of the halls. Most of the other league teams can and do practice all winter, and have had some meets already this year.

## Netmen Boast Six Lettermen

Six returning lettermen brighten the Nilehi tennis picture somewhat. With six boys who won their majors last year as juniors back with a year's experience under their belts, chances are improved.

The six boys are Carroll Eichorn, Ron Johnson, Ron Carlson, Bob Glassberg, Dick Hodgkinson, and Jim VanderVelde. Last year's varsity record was average, finishing fifth in the Suburban League. The frosh-soph squad posted a winning mark up from the frosh-soph squad and hopeful of latching on to a varsity position are: Ron Krone, Alan Birholtz and Steve Rioff.

Number one man as a freshman at the season's close, Mark Peppercorn, is back to bolster the sophs. A transfer student, Phil Karafotas, and another remnant of last year's soph squad, Mike Ruby, will be the top-notch men of this year's soph team.

Eichorn and Johnson figure to be the top two men. New Trier, Evanston, and Oak Park should be tough this year, and Niles will try hard to gain the first division. Frank Markus coaches both the varsity and frosh-soph tennis teams.



Bruce Fyfe, Ron Henrici, Ron Lis, Bill Ihne, Jerry Keidel, Jack Berg, Ron Chez, and Wayne Ambrose are eight of

the returning baseball lettermen who last year took the Suburban League championship. John Dragisic is not pictured.

pitcher and an outfielder. This is the same injury that hampered him in the basketball regionals.

Ron Chez will again be the mainstay of the pitching staff. This strong right hander was the team's most valuable player award winner and was named all-league last year. So far in the intra-squad games, Ronnie has been "mowing 'em down" with wonderful consistency. His hurling has been the highlight of the pre-season contests.

Two more Ron's, Lis and Henrici, also are important cogs in the Trojans wheel of victory. Both were letterwinners as sophs last year and Lis was the team's highest batter with a .360-average. Henrici is a powerful catcher and has a good throwing arm.

Bill Ihne is in his third year at first base for Niles. A .300 last year, Bill is a slick fielder and will probably be used as a pitcher from time to time this year. Left-handed Bill is a senior. Also back from last year's infield is third baseman Jack Berg and second baseman Wayne Ambrose.

Although last year's usual regular outfield (Pegausch, Swanson and Tomsik) has graduated, Fyfe, Keidel, and Dragisic are with us.

again this year. These three seniors are thought highly of by Coach Phipps.

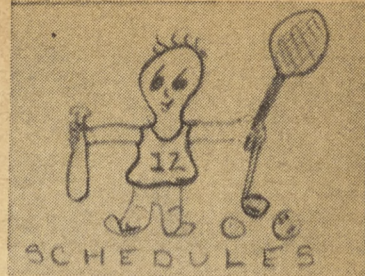
Probable starting lineup for Niles tomorrow:

- 1B Ihne
- SS Lis
- 2B Ambrose—Kloepfer
- 3B Berg — Fyfe — Keidel
- OF Rattner — Maryanski — Mink
- C Henrici — Mink
- P Chez



At a lull in practice we see five of the returning tennis lettermen: Ron Carlson, Jim Vander-

delve, Carroll Eichorn, Dick Hodgkinson, and Ron Johnson, Not pictured is Bob Glassberg.



## Baseball

- March 29 Maine Here
- April 3 Arlington Here
- 9 Leyden There
- 12 Glenbrook There
- 16 Morton There
- 19 Highland Park Here
- 23 Oak Park Here
- 26 New Trier There
- 30 Proviso There
- May 3 Waukegan Here
- 7 Morton Here
- 10 Evanston There
- 12 State District
- 16 Oak Park There
- 24 Proviso Here
- June 5 State Finals

The varsity diamondmen will once again be coached by Jim Phipps.

## Track

- April 11 Arlington Here
- 15 Waukegan Here
- 17 Morton-No. Chi. Here
- 19 North Shore Meet
- 22 Leyden Here
- 26 Waukegan Relays
- May 1 North Chicago Here
- 3 Mooseheart Relays
- 10 State District
- 12 Glenbrook Here
- 16 State Meet
- 17 State Meet
- 20 Palatine Here
- 24 SL Meet Waukegan

## Tennis

- April 11 Glenbrook Here
- 12 Maine There
- 15 Arlington Here
- 19 Highland Park There
- 22 Morton Here
- 26 New Trier There
- 28 Leyden There
- 29 Oak Park Here
- May 3 State District
- 6 Proviso There
- 9 Arlington There
- 10 Maine Here
- 13 Waukegan Here
- 16 Leyden Here
- 17 State Meet
- 20 Evanston There
- 23 North Chicago Here
- 24 Suburban League at Oak Park.

Frank Marcus will coach both the varsity and soph racketmen.

## Golf

- April 24 Palatine Here
- 28 New Trier Here
- 30 Maine Here
- May 1 North Chicago There
- 2 Waukegan There
- 5 Evanston Here
- 7 Glenbrook Here
- 9 District
- 12 Morton There
- 13 Arlington Here
- 16 State Meet
- 17 State Meet
- 19 Highland Park Here
- 20 Glenbrook There
- 22 Palatine There
- 23 SL Meet at Waukegan
- 26 Oak Park There
- 27 Leyden There
- 29 Proviso Here

Thomas Kiviluoma will be the coach of the greensmen.