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Soft Music, Dim Lights

Junior Prom

The soft lights dim and through the still night comes the rhythmic beat of a tom-tom. As the king and queen slowly emerge from opposite ends of the brightly lighted anchored steamer, the drum begins to beat gayer and gayer. The royal pair slowly approach the tiny island, where they meet and then glide to the colorfully decorated altar, where their attendants excitedly await their arrival.

To the strains of a Hawaiian melody, the leis of red carnations are dropped to the shoulders of Irwin Witte, prom king, and Helen Schuett, his queen. Robert Reiland, runnerup, and his partner, Barbara Williams and members of the Junior Council act as attendants.

Palm trees with real coconuts, brilliant colored flowers, ferns, Hawaiian figures, and an anchored ship in the harbor create for you an atmosphere of enchantment.

This is just a preview of what will actually take place June 7, at Niles Township's South Sea Island Prom.

"June Mad"

Curtain! Curtain going up on "June Mad!" This hilarious three act comedy which played so long on Broadway, will be presented at NileHi in our Assembly Room, May 29 at 8:30 p. m. by the Chicago School of Expression.

The play is directed by Ruth Rossiter and features Bob Harms and Barney Brauch, two former NileHi actors. Also in the act will be Bill Stevens of NileHi.

Tickets can be purchased for 35c from Helen Miller, Katie Nelson, Cherie Neutz, Pat Harms or Mrs. Esch.

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CALENDAR

- May 16—Eighth Grade Night
23—Northeast Conference Track Meet
30—No School; Memorial Day
June 1, 6—Review Week
7—Junior Prom; Gym at 8:30 p.m.
9, 10, 11—Final Examinations
11—Senior Breakfast
12—Commencement; Gym at 8:15 p.m.
13—Senior Picnic

International Night Pleases Crowd

Last Monday night the Assembly Room was the scene of festive gaiety, as Spanish señoritas and dashing caballeros, peasants from the Rhineland, gay Parisians and "betogged" Romans danced the evening away to the lilting strains of Artie Shaw's "Stardust."

International Night, the annual Foreign Language Club party, is the only costume party of the school's social program.

The bright, canopied sidewalk cafe featured French pastries; cokes at the German "Bierstube" quenched many a thirst; little Latin ladies sold litters of lilacs and lilies-of-the-valley to the lads and lassies; many were attracted by the vividly decorated Spanish lottery booth—prizes were won by Phyllis Schlotterbeck, Robert Gerhardt and Wayne Kunkel.

The entertainment featured a galaxy of stars: Bob Reiland and Bob Krier in a German comedy; Betty Kelly whistled; JoAnn McKeown gave another of her novel readings; Marie Throop sang and Bernice Franson danced; Roberto Barton translating for Bill (to mucho) Stevens, Mildred Bergmark as flower girl and Paul Perlman as the comic station master were featured in the play given by the Spanish group. Mexican street dancing wound up the program led by the Razkows, Olga and Gene, and songs by the Spanish group.

The advisers, Miss M. Ronalds, Miss Bronson, Miss Berry, and Miss Kranz, must certainly be thanked for the festive occasion.

Students Visit Hull House, Fort Sheridan, Great Lakes

The annual Junior field trip taken on May 14, to Fort Sheridan and The United States Naval Training Station, added much to the student comprehension of national defense.

A brief, but informative tour was taken through the Hawthorne Melody Dairy Farms, where each student received a bottle of chocolate milk free.

Although the students were confined to the buses at Fort Sheridan because of military reasons, the Juniors were able to view and comprehend many interesting sights.

After spending about 45 minutes at Fort Sheridan, the group then continued to the Naval Training Station, where the students were allowed to leave the buses. Escorted by several petty officers of the navy, the pupils were shown the interiors of several buildings; the swimming pool, the armory, the new "mess hall," and old armory were a huge regimental parade took place.

The Hostess House was turned over to the navy's guests, and many hours sped away hurriedly in playing checkers, drinking "cokes", buying candy bars and ice-cream and talking to the sailors.

Misses Kranz and Lant and Mr. Ohlson accompanied the students.

One hundred Seniors participated in a tour of the Hull House in Chicago last Wednesday, May 14.

Guides from the Free Educational Tours Bureau conducted the trip through the Jane Addams Housing Project. The students visit Hull House and churches and stores in the vicinity.

They attended a movie on the Hull House activities and later had luncheon there.

Tuesday the freshman class spent the entire day viewing some of the wonders in Chicago. Broken down into five groups, each group visited two of the following places: Shedd Aquarium, Field Museum, I.C. Station, Rosenwald Museum and Northwestern Station.

The groups were under the guidance of the following teachers: Miss Stone, Mr. Galitz, Miss L. Ronalds, Mr. Kent and Miss Johanns.

A Senior Comments On The Draft

Every boy, sooner or later, must serve one year in military training. That time will soon arrive for many of our seniors. The age limit, 21 years, seemingly places the present graduates at a disadvantage. Wouldn't it be better for the young men to spend their year immediately after completing high school and then return, going to work or college. Numerous advantages may be seen in having youths enter before they are 21 years of age.

Many promising jobs and positions will be filled by high school graduates this summer. Most of these youths will progress for two or three years, at which time their advanced position will be interrupted or lost by the law.

Life in the army is a great physical builder—as attested by many local youths who have spent some time in that life. Along with physical development, there is great character development through the rigid exactness and qualifications of army life. These would undoubtedly aid the youths in leading a better life as a citizen of this country.

There is the slight possibility that war situations will necessitate remaining in service longer than one year, but in that event the draft age would also be lowered and selection would follow.

Starved Rock

Next See Chicago Trip

Starved Rock State Park will be host to the annual outing of the See-Chicago Club on Saturday, May 24th. School buses will take club members to the park to spend the day. Those who are interested may take a boat trip along the scenic river on which the grounds are situated. Starved Rock has long been a mecca for students of Indian lore as it was there that one of the great Indian battles of Illinois took place. The trip should prove of wide interest to the club members as it embodies both pleasure and historical background.

Class Reunion Of 1961

"Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen, this is your society newscaster, Isabel Hoth, bringing you the season's big event: the twentieth reunion of the class of '41 of Niles Township High School. This year the event is being held in the new Super Elite Country Club of Skokie. As you know, the club was built in honor of the '41 class and is open only to them and their families.

"The alumni are beginning to arrive. Here comes one of our prominent citizens, Sal Rizzo, in his chauffeur-driven hearse. He annually attends this banquet in hopes of bringing more customers to his Morte de Salon Funeral Shoppe. Riding with him is Bob Freres who has spent his years stuffing hot bread in his chain of bakeries. Following in this great procession is the newly elected mayoress, Carol Blameuser, who has carried on the tradition of the Blameuser family. . . We now have several famous personages arriving in Charles Williams' armored car. Mr. Williams, now owner of a large chain of "restaurants," is accompanied by his most efficient connoisseurs, Ralph Krier, William Stevens, and Dorothy Kranz. As guest of honor we have Kermit Faust, president of the Ajax Tool and Die Company. Mr. Faust has never let success go to his head. He still keeps his first job of putting nuts and bolts in hammer heads. Coming next are Dr. Howard Harrington and newspaperman Kuhn. Mr. Kuhn still occupies his spare time by throwing papers through second story windows.

"Oh! Here comes Lorraine Fullhardt and her "Swing Crew" truckin' down the avenue. The "Swing Crew" is one of the more famous bands of the year. Such notable musicians as Winnie Flag and Irene Haefal playing the hot fiddle, Irwin Witte and Nick May playing accordion, Jeanette Huemmer playing bass viol, Sue Schaefer playing clarinet, and Phyllis Braeseke playing tuba are included. With the group are soloists Matthew Nosal, whistler, and Clyde Henning, bird call imitator. Directing this parade are mounted policewomen Katherine Pewett, Jeanne Lee Hester, and Barbara Williams.

Just Imagine

Rita Miller with a heine
Armin Beirbaum without a blue sweater
Phyllis Braeseke without a smile
Pat Reiland without Dick Wasley
Jane Kadelac not looking cute
Paul Doremus leading a swing band
Rita Jane Fisher without a question
Phyllis Schlotterbeck with curls
Ben Domas without a girl
Jeanette Huemmer dancing with Frank Thulstrup
A Problems workbook without nursery rhymes

We would also like to announce that this year's Bob Hope is Don Rhodes. His two stooges are Armie Bierbaum and Don Fisher.

"As feature attractions we have Gloria Bartz and Chris Lindhoy, the world famous dance team, who came direct from Hollywood by truck. We are still waiting for Miss Bartz to name the day she will become Mrs. Paul Mikota. Mr. Mikota is now assistant onion grower at Richard Wasley's Maison de Produce. And here comes June Vincent who took a night off from Producer Merwyn Becker's "Gay 40's Review" where she is now making a great success as head Can Can girl.

"Coming up the walk is Frank Thulstrup who is Skokie High's History teacher. Oh, just a minute! We now have another celebrity, William Peterson, now known as Rene, the famous designer who runs the Chic Gown Palace. Some of his models are Eva Herman, Jeanne Armstrong, Grace Good, and La Verne Schuler. And there's Helen Miller, the feature dancer of the Ballet de Wolf, followed by Roger Trimble who, incidentally, supplies the community with goats' milk. Another use for this product was found by Kenneth Schrambeck who owns the Salon de Bath. Mr. Schrambeck says, "A goat's milk bath a day keeps . . ." (Oh, no, that's Lifebouy soap!)

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Upstairs and Down

"What is your favorite expression?"

- Betty Meuer, Senior—That's tough.
- David Jacobs, Senior—Strike three!
- Adell Sell, Junior—For "Pete's" sake.
- Mary Abbink, Junior—Oh to be on the honor roll.
- John May, Sophomore—Ah! Shaw!
- Virginia Lenzen, Sophomore—Hi Kid.
- James Kozak, Sophomore—Too Bad.
- Lorraine Betlinski, Freshman—Monkey.
- Patrick Bennett, Freshman—Nuts.
- Carrie—Be sure and turn in your suit and towel. Don't forget to use soap.

"Don't Take My Penny"

A combined cast of "Don't Take My Penny" entertained the Arlington Heights student body Monday, May 5, with an exchange assembly.

The complete cast with Mrs. Esch and Mr. Cotanche were guests at a luncheon which preceded the entertainment.

NIBLETS

Well, well, here we are again all ready to get the latest lowdown on Miss and Mr. NILE-HI. Whistle for the Gestapo reports and let's go: Davey Jones has been considering joining the Canadian Expeditionary Force (we're not kidding) . . . Next time Lois Jaycox gives a party she ought to pull the shades all the way down. . . Harvey Jensen and Jack Heiniger were seen last Sunday night and they weren't alone. da da. . . Sniff! Ginny Nordin is going to move to Pittsburgh next July. Oh "ca-ruel" fate . . . the Kadlac party was enjoyed by both the invited and the uninvited guest . . . we of the latter wish to extend our gratitude for Jane's hospitality. Admiral Williams likes splash parties so much he tried to make one out of a lawn party. . . Ask Jean Holmes or Joe Fisher if it worked or not. Glub, glub. . . Home room 210 should be congratulated for their Chewing Gum Parking Spaces and their backboards for waste-paper baskets with the words "in it not at it" written on them. . . Jean Nelson was seen by agent No. 48½ wearing Bob Shure's class pin. . . Pat Reiland, not to be out done, was wearing Dick Wasley's ring. . . Chuck Liebrant led the list of people who owed money to the library last week. Total \$1.43. . . Irv (Prom King) Witte is going to take Helen Schuett as his Prom Queen next June. . . Jean Bates has been running away from "Muscles" Jones. . . At the Cheer Leader's Party there were more people taking walks than there were at the party. I wonder why? . . . And at Betty Parrin's, Margy Berklund and Tom McClerry established a new record. They were outside for four hours straight. . . Jane Cecil is very obliging to people on scavenger hunts. . . Claire Juniac couldn't make up her mind whether to use the Brake or the Gas on her car. So she used both. The outcome wasn't the bestA number of

Leyden Assembly Thrills NileHi

The first of a new type assembly was witnessed by NileHi students when Leyden Community High School presented a novel musical, Wednesday, May 7th. Our guests from Leyden were really a little dubious about their ability when comparing it to the acting that a group from NileHi demonstrated a few weeks ago at Leyden. Despite their fears, the ninety-four piece band and the originality of their program really made this assembly one of the best we've had all year.

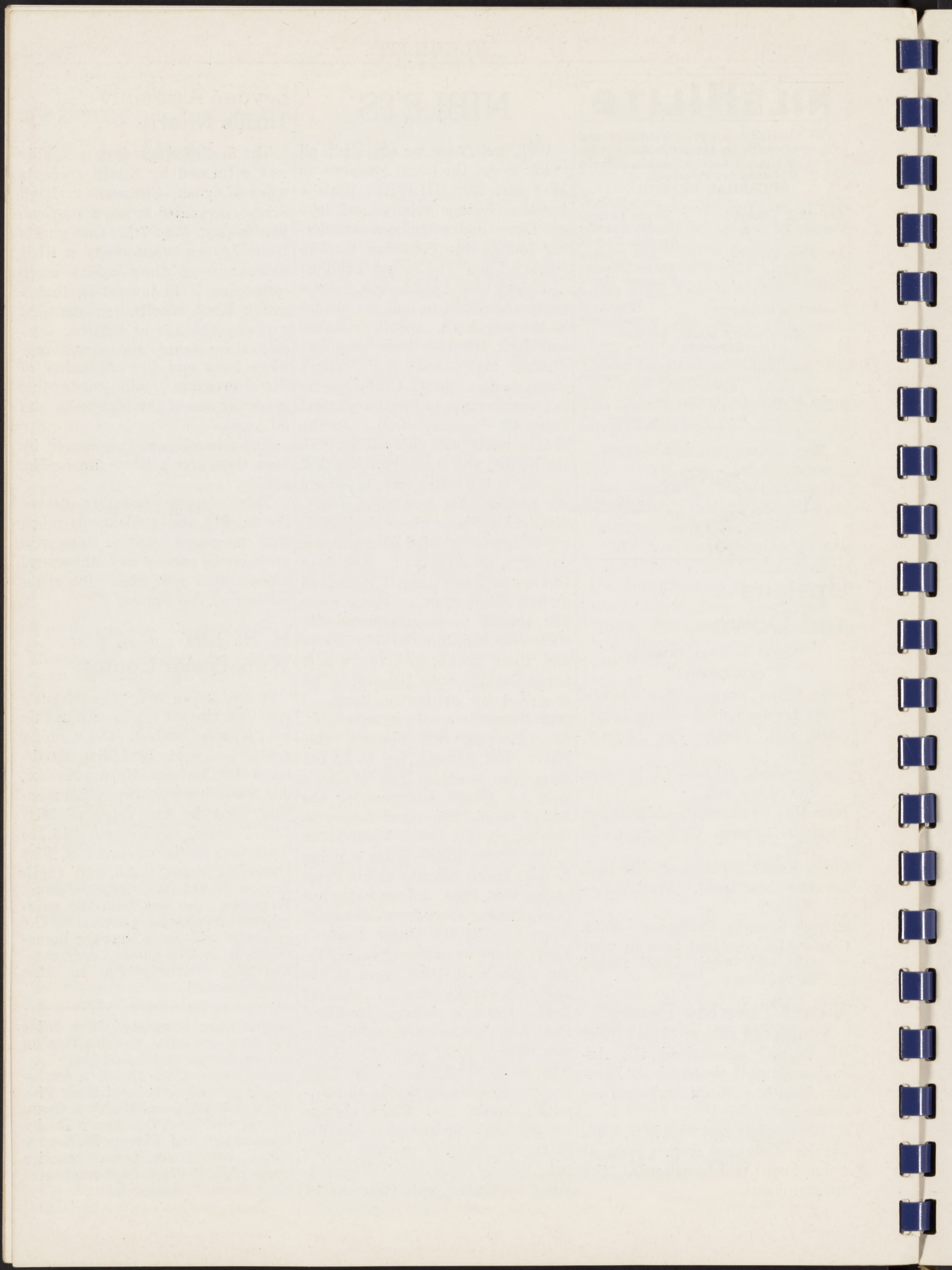
The assembly was sponsored by Miss Ostergren's Home Room, No. 214.

This exchange assembly pleased the faculty and students so much that programs of this type will probably be carried on with several schools next year under the sponsorship of the Forum.

H. R. 206 Wins Poster Contest

Home Room 206, Miss Kranz's room, carried off top honors in this year's poster contest. The winning poster was made by Lillian Meithke, Ruth Clarkens, Norma Heidke, and Merle Iverson. Honorable mention went to Ann Oden of Miss Line's room, home room 315, to Genevieve Becker of room 209, Miss Harbert's home room and Clark Barton of 313, Mr. Ohlson's room. Everyone who has seen the magnificent display of posters in the cafeteria will agree that the home-rooms of NileHi shower very commendable participation in this year's contest.

people have suggested that Niles put on a show like the one Leyden put on for us instead of plays . . . the German Club fooled a lot of people by selling coke at their Bier Stube. International Night. . . Question of the Week? Why do Bobby Rasmussen and Mardy McKeever watch the track team practice every night? What Sophomore has what Senior's Major letter?



What are your vacation plans?

- Travel?
- A Job?
- Play?
- Not Sure?

No doubt, when SPRING FEVER was epidemic, you vowed, along with most of the rest of us, to spend the vacation days at the luxurious business of catching up on your sleep.

But, by now, you are busy scheming schemes and planning plans for the good old summer time.

Why not budget your time so as to include one or two courses in the Niles Township Summer School of 1941?

THERE ARE REAL ADVANTAGES!

Summer school attendance will enable you to

- a. cover required courses to allow more electives during the regular school year;
- b. learn to swim, or improve your swimming, during the season when swimming is most enjoyable;
- c. make up lost credits;
- b. graduate with a June Class if you are a mid-year student;
- e. learn typing for personal use, or improve your typing speed in a review course;
- f. enjoy the benefits of individualized instruction.

All of these advantages are available to you at low cost.

... and, you will still have thirty eight days of vacation time after the summer term closes !

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N T H S SUMMER SCHOOL

5th Year

June 16 to July 25

Ask At The Office

Golf Team Meets Evanston

This afternoon the Trojan golf team will be matched against New Trier's very strong team in a six man 18 hole match on the Mission Hills Course. The Trojan squad is particularly good this year and the future should be better with five of the eight boys on this year's team returning next year.

In two matches the Nilehi team has defeated Evanston (12-3) and Leyden (11-1). Besides tonight's match, Mr. Galitz announces more meets have been scheduled with Evanston, Main, New Trier and finally, the Conference Meet. The top-flight Trojan linksmen are: Bob Podraza, Ray Keegan, Nick May, Chuck Leibbrandt, Henry Dahm and John Braeseke.

Nilehi's tennis squad, in its first year, has dropped two meets to Barrington while taking one from Leyden. Only one more event remains, the Conference meet on May 24th. Members of the team are: Red Williams, Bill Peterson, Bill Stevens, Chris Lindhoy, Lennie Christiansen and Dick Hartney. Most of these boys will graduate this year and with no underclassmen out for tennis the outlook for next year's squad is pretty dark.

Reunion-Continued

"And here comes Bob Reiland, the man to consult if you have patent leather hair shine. Bob now works for Norma Delfino in her House of Delfino hair tonic concern.

"We are very sorry to have to leave you now, but our broadcasting time is up. Don't forget to tune in to hear "Night Owl's Platter Club" with Betty Kelly, another distinguished alumni, in her natural element. Until this time next year, this is your Skokie broadcaster, Isabel Hoth, signing off."

Ideal Couple Of NileHi

After seeing the same old faces of Nilehi day after day, our slightly unbalanced minds began running over the different faces and figures of the student body and from them we assembled the following ideal specimen with:

Gene Bergmark's hair,
Kenny Schrambeck's eyes,
Bobby Brunson's smile,
Frank Thulstrup's teeth,
Ray Nitch's physique,
Dwain Kuhn's posture,
Ted Canty's sense of humor,
Don Fischer courtesy,
"Red" Williams' line,
Kermit Faust's charm,
Bill Stevens' speaking voice,
Ben Domas' athletic ability,
Jerry Jarrett's dancing,
Paul Mikota's clothing,
Dick Wasley's grooming,

Then have you got? Why, Nilehi's "supermale"! Now let's see how the feminine angle figures in with:

Jane Cecil's hair,
Mardy McKeever's eyes,
Cherie Neutz's smile,
Claire Juniac's complexion,
Nancy Allen's nose,
Jean Armstrong's teeth,
Caryl Jaycox's hands,
Carol Blaumauser's figure,
Barbara Williams' posture,
Betty Kelly's sense of humor,
Katherine Ann Nelson's courtesies,
Mary Lou Leonard's sweetness,
Joan Briggs' "come hither" quality,
Doris Burklund's charm,
Shirley Dilg's speaking voice,
Gerry Deily's athletic ability,
Ginny Nordin's clothes,
Janice Moore's grooming,

Don't you agree that these qualities would make up the Nilehi "supergal" to go with the "supermale"? She would also be some competition to our Phebe at the same time!

Horse Show

No casualties were reported as hoofs flew at the Flying VF Riding Stables last Friday evening. The participants in formation and novelty rides were: V. Berry, C. Blam-euser, B. Brach, B. Kraemer, G. Langan, J. Custler, B. Luckett, L. Holbeck, F. Schramm, E. Krysher, B. Kelly, P. Dolan, B. Williams, D. Kolen, E. Breitenbach, A. Mayer, R. Harms, R. Freres and D. Rodgers.

Trojan Nine Seeks Fifth Victory

This afternoon the Trojan nine will travel to Arlington seeking their fifth consecutive conference victory. The NileHi squad leads Warren in the conference race by one game.

Frank Thulstrup's 3-hit pitching featured the Trojan victory over Leyden by a 13-1 score.

Moore, Reiland and Faust are leading the onslaught against enemy pitchers. Today's starting lineup, besides the aforementioned three, will include: Druেকে, Friend, Hegerty, Jensen, Gockenbach and Thulstrup.

Northeast Conference Track Meet - May 23

The Northeast Conference Track Meet will be held at Crystal Lake on Friday, May 23, at 1:30 P. M. Student Tickets may be purchased in advance at the office at reduced rates.

Nilehi will be represented by a stronger squad than last year. Expected point makers are:

Nitch, Kramer, Canty, Kendall, Clarke, Eichelkraut, Biegert, Bair, Miller, Dever, Aleckson, Kitteridge Dahm, Nelson, Rau, and Coursey.

The First Place Club [boys who have won a first place in competition] has now increased to 7. They are:

Miller, mile; Nitch, shot; Aleckson, low hurdles; Kitteridge, low hurdles; Kramer, ¼ mile; Biegert, Pole Vault; Coursey, ¼ mile.

Play Day

Ten members of the G.A.A. represented our school Saturday, May 10, from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m. at Elgin High at the Annual Play Day.

Each G.A.A. class elected two representatives. These girls were: Carol Jaycox, Bettie Perrin, Beverly Kramer, Patricia Bennett, Marilyn Bennett, Ruth Hennig, Dorothy Neumann, Pat Harms, Doris Burklund, and Arlein Madsen.

The theme of this years Play Day was "Hit Parade." The girls raced to the number, "Beat Me Daddy" and played volley ball to the tune of "I'm Putting all My Eggs (balls) In One Basket." "Little Red Riding Hood and The Wolf," as a modern comedy, was presented by the girls of this school. Skits were presented by representatives from each school.