

Skokie Rotary Honors Nilehi Football Heroes

Football was definitely the topic of conversation at the annual football dinner given by the Skokie Rotary Club, on Tuesday, November 16, in the Rotary room at Nilehi.

In this way the Rotary Club honored all major-letter-winners in football for the recently closed season, and Mr. Warren Meyer, president of the Rotary, presented the team's choice of their most valuable player, Tom Black, Trojan full-back and third-year varsity player, with a gold trophy.

Highlighting the event was a short speech given by Mr. Harold Isaacson, varsity football coach, thanking the Rotary on behalf of the 24 boys present. Movies of the Chicago Bears were then presented by Mr. William De Correvont, former Austin High School and Northwestern University football star, now playing with the Bears.

The 24 boys to earn major letters this season:

Ed Beebe, Tom Black, George Bussey, Don Carlson, Conrad Cornell, Burton Gerhardt, Bill Grafke, Gil Kluesing, Jack Larson, Bill Mickey, Roy Nelson, Ward Nipper, Dick Norman, Jesse Porter, Nick Rollick, Don Siegel, Allen Stillman, Charles Voss, Ralph Walberg, Bob Witte, seniors; Pete Heiniger, Jim Kennedy, Lenny Lange, and Martin Seidler, juniors. Also present were the two team managers, Bob Peterson and Dick Swanson, and Mr. Charles Hussey, second varsity coach.

Spanish and Latin Classes To Hold Christmas Parties

The Spanish-speaking senores and senioritas are all in a dither these days preparing for the Spanish party to be held in the assembly room on December 14 at 3:15.

The highlight of the affair is a play to be presented in Spanish by the second-year Spanish class under the guidance of Miss Jean Small, Spanish instructor.

The student chairman for this play is Geri Dodge, and the students with major parts are Dorothy Gill, Tom Haddow, Jean Heath, Claire Strand, and Robert Taylor.

The Latin classes are also planning a party under the guidance of Miss Grace Pendleton, Latin instructor, on December 16 at 3:15 in the assembly room.

According to Miss Pendleton, the students are going to sing songs in Latin, and then a program of short plays and skits will follow with a group from each class contributing.

Those in charge of the groups are Don Baumann, Myra Wokoun, Barbara Shields, Joan Searing, Jack Kirby, and Charles Owen, who is president of the Latin Club.

200 Students to Sing In Christmas Vespers

The traditional Christmas Vespers with its robed processional will be held on Sunday, December 12 at 4 p.m. in the Nilehi gymnasium. A total of 200 students will participate.

The Glee Club, consisting of 116 girls, will sing "As It Fell Upon a Night," "The Virgin's Slumber Song," and "What Can This Mean?"

The Choir will sing a cantata entitled "The Rose of Christmas." Soloists are Mary Jane Netwig, Esther Schaal, Kenneth Gengler, Leonard Maier, Bill Perrin, and Dan Winger.

"A Joyous Carol," "Praise The Lord," and "A Joyous Christmas Song" will be sung by the Madrigal singers.

The "Hallelujah Chorus" will be sung by the entire group, along with the choir alumni who have sung this Chorus before, and who will be invited to participate in this, the last number on the program.

Tom Black, 'Most Valuable,' and Ed Beebe, Honorary Captain of Football Squad, Tell of Future Plans

He's 5' 8", 17 years old, weighs 160 pounds, and has blue eyes and light brown hair. This is the description of Tom Black, senior, who recently received the Most Valuable Player award in football from his fellow team mates.

Tom, who played on the varsity football team for three years, has also been on the basketball squad for four years. He thinks this award is the most important thing that has ever happened to him and describes it as "a dream that came true."

He was a very prominent man in the sports world back in Cleveland Grade School. That could be called his starting point in sports.

Tom is very fond of all kinds of food, but his favorite dish is leg of lamb with mint sauce and mashed potatoes. He likes to listen to semi-classical music, and his hobbies are sailing, and of course, football.

During his freshman year Tom was an active member of the Freshman Board of Advisers, and is now serving in the Senior Cabinet.

He is planning to finish his education at Beloit College, Wisconsin, where he will take up advertising, and major in economics.

Asking Tom what he was going to do with his football trophy, he answered, "I'll probably put it away in moth balls, to make sure I'll have it all my life. I'll never forget it, though, the same as I'll never forget the help I received in football from Coach Harold Isaacson."

'June Mad' Curtain To Rise December 10

On December 10 and 11, the curtain will rise on the first Nilehi play of the year, "June Mad," a comedy in three acts. The play starts at 8 p.m. both nights, in the assembly.

In the play, Penny, played by Joan Andrews, buys a red formal that's a three-alarm fire in order to captivate her heart's desire. This has little effect, however, on Chuck Harris, played by Dick Martin.

Bill Graefen, as Roger, stretches his vocal chords in some love songs and charms all the women of the Wood household. These are many of the exciting events, according to Miss Stemp.

The cast: Joan Andrews, Dick Martin, Bea Bornemeier, Bob Jaeger, Tom Robb, Sonya MacIntosh, Doris Lyde, Jack Brown, Bill Graefen, Don Kettel, Sharon Thompson, Ted Eckert, and Geri Dodge.

SHORT CUTS

According to Miss Grace Harbert, problems teacher, something new is going to be added to the long list of activities of her problems classes.

Voting in the recent election was very much simplified by the use of a tricky device called a voting machine. In order to acquaint the students of Nilehi with the operation of this gadget, Miss Harbert arranged for one of the machines used in the election to be brought to our school recently for examination by the students.

Miss Harbert would also like to invite interested citizens from the community in to view the machine.

The next trip scheduled for Nilehi's "See Chicago Club" is Maxwell Street and Chinatown, on Sunday, December 5, according to Miss Grace Harbert, social science teacher who sponsors the club.

Maxwell street has always been of great interest to the club for its open market with the various displays of stalls and wares, Miss Harbert says. Adding more color to the trip is the milling about of almost every race and nationality living in the area.

From there, the club will travel to Chinatown to visit the quaint Chinese shops and to note their many unusual customs. Winding up the day's activities will be a typical Chinese dinner served at one of the restaurants there.

The previous trip of the club was on November 14 to the Chicago Historical Society.

Miss Marie Green, of the Nilehi business education department, traveled to Peoria, Illinois, November 5, to assist in the preparation of the program for the annual convention which will be held in Peoria next March 24, 25, and 26. Miss Green is a member of the Executive Board of the Illinois Business Education Association.

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Two Blue Eyed, Brown-Haired Thespians Take Leading Roles in New Production

Those who attend "June Mad" will see a familiar face in the leading role. Familiar, because she is also a cheerleader. Think! You guessed it! Joan Andrews!

This isn't her first performance on the Nilehi stage. You may remember her as Ada in "Kind Lady" last year. If not, to give you a brief description, she is five feet five inches tall, has blue eyes and brown hair. She has dimples when she smiles and is as active as a Mexican jumping bean.

Joan likes spare-ribs and sauerkraut but dislikes alarm clocks.

Her ambition is to be a commercial artist; naturally, her hobby is drawing.

Acting is a natural ability for Joan for she has never had any training outside of minor dramatics here in school.

Nilehi can expect to see a lot more of Joan in the future, as she is only in her sophomore year.

The 100 Per Cent Club held its second annual banquet last Wednesday, November 10. The banquet was given by the club for its alumnae.

After a turkey dinner, Joan Conrad made the welcoming speech. She then joined her sisters Helen and Lona in entertaining with some songs. They were followed by interviews with the alumnae who told the club about their first jobs. The banquet ended with a community sing.

The 100 Per Cent Club also put out a small Business Education pamphlet written by the students, with Barbro Martinson as editor.

The Niles Hi-Y Club is now recruiting players for its basketball league. The club, coming in fourth in touch-football, which they just finished, hopes to do even better in basketball. Any fellow may play on the team if he has attended three Hi-Y meetings, according to Mr. Roth, Hi-Y leader, and there is still room for a few more members.

Dean Whitton, Hi-Y president, reports that the club is now raising money for the annual Hi-Y scholarship, by operating the checkroom for the Sunday Evening Club.

The Forensic Club, Nilehi's debating society, entered its first tournament November 6 at New Trier High School. Although the debates were not judged formally, Niles did make a good showing, according to Mr. John L. Betts, debate instructor.

Participating in the debate for Niles were Ed Archibald, Don Verlenden, John Young, Ashley Craig, Jim Arthur, Tom Shields, Nancy Gerhardt, and Elsie Epler.

Niles may be invited to the Hammond, Indiana, tournament December 11, Mr. Betts hopes.

He walks, he talks, he kisses girls. Yes, Dick Martin, a thespian taking part in the forthcoming play "June Mad," goes all out for airplane gliders, fencing, and a little bit of romance in the role of Chuck Harris. Chuck is a clumsy teen-ager who has almost as many troubles as Henry Aldrich.

In real life, however, Dick hasn't any gliders. The brown-haired and blue-eyed actor has a special love for cars and a special dislike for silly girls.

Dick, as you remember, had a major role in last year's production, "A Date With Judy". He appeared as Randolph, Judy's bratty younger brother.

He would like to continue in dramatics after he gets out of high school, and is very interested in radio work. His choice of college is as yet undecided.

Assemblies, So Far, Include Travel, Music, and Air

The wonders of liquid air were presented at an all-school assembly by Walter Everman on November 15. Mr. Everman demonstrated the freezing and burning powers of liquid air.

At 2:30 p.m. today, December 3, the student body will troop to the gym to hear fine old Southern tunes presented by the Deep River quartette.

The next assembly, scheduled for February 8, will be "Romance in Morocco," presented by Victor R. Griffin.

Armin Watkins, senior, played both the violin and piano in his concert on November 24 for the Nilehi student body. Armin's violin selections were "Rondo Capriccioso" by Saint-Saens and "Zapateado" by Sarasate. Miss Betty Arenberg, his music teacher in Chicago, accompanied him.

The piano arrangements Armin played were "Prelude and Fuga" by Bach, "Rhapsody in B Minor" by Brahms and "Prelude in C Sharp Minor" by Chopin.

On February 13, 1949, Armin will make his professional debut at Kimball Hall in Chicago on both piano and violin.

Election of officers of the Nilehi chapter of the Junior Red Cross took place at a meeting on November 17, under the direction of Miss Alice Line, clothing instructor. Those elected are: president, Kay Jaeger; vice president, June Sprungman; secretary, Rose Marie Denk; and treasurer, Doris Krause.

The members present at the meeting decided that a Christmas activity committee be formed to collect gifts for service men. This committee is made up of one girl from each of the four classes: Sally Lundin, freshman; Joyce Schrambeck, sophomore; Shirley Timberg, junior; and Mari Cysewski, senior.

This 'n' That - Horn or Siren Needed!

SONG OF THE WEEK....."Slow Boat to China".

SIGHT OF THE WEEK...Bill Graefen rehearsing his love scenes for "June Mad."

QUESTION OF THE WEEK..."Are you going to the Christmas Dance?"

SAYING OF THE WEEK....Beat Arlington!

Seems all the feminine population of Nilehi are knitting for Christmas. Argyle socks rank foremost on the knitting needles. The most original pair we've come across are those being knit by Rosemary Shuman, junior. Rosemary is knitting a miniature job with thread, and on toothpicks!

If, when glancing through the pages of the November "Ladies' Home Journal," you pause to gaze at the mouth-watering advertisement on page 180, it might interest you to know that these delicious-looking baking powder biscuits were made by our home economics teacher, Miss Florence Butler. During her summer vacation, Miss Butler prepared various dishes of foods to be used for photographs which have appeared in "Woman's Home Companion" and "Life," besides the "Journal."

Every day for the past few months, a strange face has been poked into Mr. Napier's advertising class. The face has a mouth, which it opens every morning to say "Hello." Mr. Napier has no idea of the face's identity, except that it belongs to a girl. A new "Miss Hush"?

Magazine Parallels Found

Nilehi has quite a few literary tie-ups in the magazine field. For instance:

- Woman's Home Companion....
- Lenny Lange
- American Girl.....Nancy Watson
- LookIf only he would
- EsquirePaul Lange
- GlamourCarol Briggs
- LibertyFriday, 3:11 p.m.
- Time..... For a vacation—almost
- Boy's Life.....Jerry Seltzer's parties
- Downbeat.....Bob Hicks
- FortuneG.A.A. funds
- Holiday ...Just 22 more days to go!
- LifeWithout homework it would be bliss
- Calling All Girls.....7 p.m. Saturday night!
- Outdoor Life..It's so healthful playing soccer—ask Anne Juul
- Child Life.....Freshman Parties
- Jack and Jill.....Al Haut and June Sprungman
- Good Housekeeping..Boys' ninth period foods class
- True Confessions.....Girls' slumber parties
- Plain Talk....Coach Mackey between halves
- This Week....Thanksgiving hangover
- Future...I wonder if he'll ask me to the Christmas dance?

Wanted: An automobile horn or siren for "June Mad." Contact Miss Stemp or one of the cast immediately if you know

where one can be obtained.

Leah Falknor, senior, blithely announced to Miss Harbert recently that she would be glad to go down and "pick up" the voting machine. She was talking about the machine now being used in the Problems classes for demonstration. Leah overestimated her ability slightly, since the voting machine weighs over 2,000 pounds!

Several peroxide blondes were seen making quite a fuss at the Niles-Evanston basketball game. Would you say the "bleachers" went wild?

Nilehi's 'Perfect Date' Continues Romantic Tale

by Bill Graefen

As you remember, we were walking up the stairway, in the last installment of this thrilling serial. A gorgeous curvaceous blonde came floating down before me..She paused, dropped her handkerchief...I moved quickly toward it, reached down, and...I saw a man's trouser leg. Darnit, she was out with her father.

Doris and I proceeded on our way. We reached the first balcony and there was a man in a little blue uniform, as there are in all theaters, saying, "Stairway to the right, stairway to the right." We finally reached somebody's blue heaven and went into the darkness of the theater.

I heard a bloodcurdling screech. I turned around and saw my date lying flat on her back. She had bumped into an usher and fallen over a cuspidor.

We came across two seats, three rows from the ceiling. The only trouble was that they were separated by an elderly gentleman. Doris told me to ask him to move over, but I thought it would be silly to disturb him. So she sat on one side and I sat on the other. Guess who kept the carmel-corn! It wasn't too good though, and I gave most of it to the lady on the other side of me.

The movie dragged on and on—finally it was over. Once, however, Doris leaned over and asked me for some carmel-corn. I laughed and said that was finished during the news-reel.

I left my seat and went down to the head of the stairway and waited for Doris. She came down in about five minutes struggling with her coat. All of a sudden....(to be continued in the December 17 NILEHILITE.)

- Doris Christensen, sophomore: To be a Good-Humor man and ring the bells.
- Mr. Schubert, swimming instructor: Win the State swimming championship.
- Ronald Gawrys, sophomore: To be President of the United States.
- Ed Bedony, sophomore: To earn a million dollars.

Many Unusual Objects Spotted in Office

By John Young

While browsing in that small but crouched section of the office called the lost and found, you are apt to run across some very unusual objects.

"Aqua Vues", underwater glasses obviously misplaced in the swimming pool, one slightly used bicycle seat cover, a girl's gym suit, and a key purse marked "Vancouver, B. C." — are just a few of the items.

You could also find about 100 house keys...maybe this is a sign that people don't lock their doors anymore. Could the world be getting more honest?

Wallets, both empty and full, have been left unclaimed for as long as three years. Their contents range from French franc notes and Japanese money to just plain American bills. Some of them even have library cards and chances on cars.

In the line of bracelets, the field is endless. Identification bracelets are lost more frequently than any other kind of jewelry. "Billie and Joyce," "D. M. B." and "Herbert" are just a few of the students who have misplaced their identification.

Pens, glasses, and compacts also abound in large numbers. One pair of specs has the little inscription "Karen and Bruce" entwined with hearts and arrows.

At this point you may be wondering just where all these articles finally go to rest. Hats, scarfs, mittens, and other types of clothes are turned over to the Good Will after a period of time. However, all items such as keys, pens, and glasses just remain in the office, building up an enormous pile, much to the dismay of the office staff.

If you've recognized some of the items listed or have lost something recently, why not take a look in our Lost and Found? Nine times out of ten you'll find what you've been looking for!



Within the depths of your being, do you harbor secret ambitions known to no man?

Most everyone does, so we decided to reveal some of these ambitions to the public. When asked the question "What is your secret ambition?" we were given these answers:

- Ralph Walberg, senior: To overcome my bashfulness around certain girls.
- Kay Haefel, senior: To go to Alaska and be an Eskimo.
- Ferol Kent, senior: Climb to the top of the gas tank on Oakton street.
- "Butch" Thompson, freshman: See the Cubs win the World Series.
- Joan Hamlet, junior: To have a super deluxe custom-built hot-rod of my very own.

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Trojan Cagers Lose Two Games; Evanston, Waukegan Beat Varsity, Sophs

A tall, hard-driving Evanston basketball team handed the Trojans their first defeat of the season, 48-22, Friday night, November 12, on the Nilehi home court.

Niles dropped in three baskets in a row near the end of the first quarter, that period ending with the Trojans leading 10-8.

Niles slowed down considerably in the next period and at the intermission Evanston led 26-13, a lead which they never relinquished.

The Trojans looked weary as the third period ended with Fred Brei scoring their only basket. Evanston was leading a decisive victory march to the tune of 36-16.

A brief flurry by Niles was insufficient in the fourth and final frame, and Evanston won 48-22.

The Waukegan Bulldogs beat the Nilehi Trojans 65 to 23 for their first victory of the year Friday night, November 19, at Waukegan.

The Trojans just didn't have the power to overtake this fast Bulldog team. Minus two would-be first-stringers, the Trojans had trouble in putting the ball in the basket. Jesse Porter led the Trojans with 12 tallies, while Mertes led the Bulldogs with 18.

Sport Slants

by Ed Beebe

Nilehi has four basketball teams this season just at it had four grid squads. The freshman cagers are under the direction of Charles Hussey, the sophomores are directed by James Phipps, the juniors are under Harold Isaacson, and the varsity is coached by Robert Mackey.

The defeat of the powerful Austin football team by Lindblom High School, 13-0, for the City league football championship, ended a 26-game winning streak by the Austin eleven. Fenger, who tied Lindblom, 13-13, in the semi-final play-off, and lost the right to play Austin only by a flip of a coin, has a right to share any laurels Lindblom received from their victory.

Trojan Tankers Lose

In the third swimming meet of the year the Nilehi tankers were defeated by Highland Park 46-29 at the Highland Park pool on November 23.

The Trojans dominated the diving event with Dick Provost placing first and Bill Nickel second. Bob Lindahl captured the 100-yard free-style and placed second in the 40-yard free-style race. Dennis Joyce also took second in the 100-yard breaststroke event.

The Frosh-Soph team also lost to Highland Park 48-18. Bill Provost won the diving event and Dave Ellis placed second in the 40-yard breaststroke.

The Nilehi sophomore cagemen were hopelessly outclassed by a fast, tricky Evanston team, as the local five lost their opening basketball contest, 38-9, at Niles, Friday, November 12.

Don Walters grabbed high scoring honors for the Trojans with six points.

The Nilehi sophomore bucket-men were vanquished at Waukegan by a score of 31-21, Friday night, November 19.

The Trojans were behind at the ends of the first and second quarters but worked their way up during the third to lead by four points—16-12.

The Bulldogs came fighting back toward the end of the third period to lead Niles by a score of 18-16.

In the fourth quarter Waukegan racked up 10 points more than the Trojans could gather.

Seven Alumni Play Football At Midwest Colleges

Throughout the football season a person sitting in the stands at a game would often hear, "If only Joe was playing this year. I wonder what he's doing this year?"

Perhaps that sets you to wondering what last year's Nilehi varsity players have done since their graduation in June. Are they going to school. Where? Are they playing football? Here's the dope on the 18 varsity gridmen who were graduated last spring.

Of the 18, six of the boys are working: Laurence Hall, Noel Kiefer, Art Miller, tackles on last year's squad; Don Carlson, end; Ed Kutz, quarterback; and Ed Kadlec, center.

The other 12 boys are all attending college or university. Five of them are not continuing in their football careers. They are Howard Siegel, back, attending Northwestern; Jim Wead, center, Monmouth; Herb Jones, end, Augustana; Lee Garner, back, Illinois; and Bill Fotsch, tackle, Notre Dame.

Seven of last year's varsity Trojans are adding to their laurels on the gridiron at college. They are Jim Blessing, oack, playing for Lake Forest; Tom Fitzgerald, guard, at Iowa; Jim Heiniger, back, Bradley; Bill Comstock, end, Wisconsin; Ed Linskey, guard, Detroit; Ray Batz, guard, at Bradley; and Ed Soergel, quarterback, on the gridiron at Illinois State Teachers College.

Mermen Second in Tri-Meet

In opening the 1948-1949 season, the Nilehi varsity swimming team placed second in a triangular meet with New Trier and Schurz at the New Trier pool, Saturday, November 13.

Totals for the meet: New Trier-52; Niles-21; Schurz-14. In the frosh-soph events New Trier had a total of 49 points; Schurz, 16; Niles, 14.

Glamazons

By Danna Barbour

With the changing of seasons comes the changing of games for the Nilehi Glamazons. The basketball whirl is in all gym classes, as new teams have been chosen. Competition is already very keen, according to Miss Montgomery.

Saddle Club

The following Saddle Club officers were elected at a recent meeting: Noel Church, president; Diane Leach, vice-president; Billie-Joyce Kortopates, secretary; Barbro Martinson, treasurer.

G. A. A. Tidbits

Coming up on the G. A. A. agenda is the annual Christmas dance to be held December 18. A new twist will be added this year, as the theme is Toyland Trot, and decorations will resemble Santa's workshop.

A new schedule has been set up for after-school activities. There will be basketball for upper classmen on Monday and Wednesday, square dancing on Tuesday, G.A.A. Board meeting on Thursday, freshmen basketball on Friday.

Nilehi Football Records-1948

Varsity, Coach H. Isaacson			
N.T.H.S.	12	Steinmetz	0
N.T.H.S.	13	West Aurora	25
N.T.H.S.	27	Belvidere	7
N.T.H.S.	42	Farragut	0
N.T.H.S.	0	Blue Island	21
N.T.H.S.	0	Arlington	12
N.T.H.S.	0	Leyden	41
N.T.H.S.	13	Woodstock	6
Total	107	Total	112

Juniors, Coach C. Hussey

N.T.H.S.	13	Leyden	25
N.T.H.S.	0	Maine	33
N.T.H.S.	7	Maine	20
N.T.H.S.	0	Arlington	9
Total	20	Total	87

Sophomores, Coach R. Mackey

N.T.H.S.	18	Steinmetz	14
N.T.H.S.	14	West Aurora	18
N.T.H.S.	37	Belvidere	0
N.T.H.S.	20	Blue Island	38
N.T.H.S.	18	Arlington	14
N.T.H.S.	6	Woodstock	0
Total	113	Total	84

Freshmen Coaches, J. Phipps,

A. Schubert

N.T.H.S.	7	Arlington	0
N.T.H.S.	18	Leyden	6
N.T.H.S.	6	Maine	18
N.T.H.S.	7	Arlington	0
N.T.H.S.	13	Maine	43
N.T.H.S.	0	Leyden	6
Total	51	Total	73

Cross-country-1948

Record

(Low score is winner)

Niles	No places	Riverside Invitational	
Niles	33	Arlington	22
Niles	35	Evanston (F-S)	29
Niles	33	Leyden	17

Nilehi Swimmers Lose, 42-33

The Trojan mermen were "drowned out" at Evanston, Illinois, Thursday, November 18, by a strong Evanston swimming team. The score: Varsity-42 to 33; Frosh-52 to 14.

Despite the defeat, several Trojan swimmers showed their ability. The medley team composed of Delbert Whitney, Dick Provost, and Don Brod, placed first. Bob Lindahl placed first in both the 100-yard and 50-yard free-style events.