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NILEHI'S FIRST MEATLESS DAY is heralded by Mrs. Schuler, shown here serving Vito Colano, Joe Byron, Jack Zimmerman, Tommy Wetmore, Roger Milz, Walter Kelting, and Gilmore Catanzaro.

Nileli Aired Over WGN

Wednesday, November 4, was a red letter day for Nilehi when the cast of the "Citizens of Tomorrow" radio program, sponsored by WGN, visited the school. They recorded the program presented by the school and the regular cast at an all-school assembly in the gymnasium. The recording is to be broadcast next Sunday afternoon, November 8, at one o'clock.

Dr. Biehn gave the main address, stating what Nilehi was doing for the war effort. He was introduced by Mr. Phillip Maxwell, a member of the Chicago Tribune's editorial staff. Mr. Maxwell commented upon the fact that Dr. Biehn had been voted the most popular boy in his college.

Continuing the program, Miss Klaus directed the school choir in two concert numbers, "Rain and River," and "I Pledge Allegiance to the Flag." Later the choir and the entire student body sang the school song.

Bill Stockfisch, a senior, was selected because of his high scholastic record to be interviewed by Mr. Maxwell. Bill's name was then added to the show's Roll of Honor.

Seniors! Are Your Photographs Made

This year seniors and the faculty are being urged to have their pictures for the annual taken before November 12, at Toloff's Studio, Evanston.

A representative from the studio will be here on November 12, 13, 14 to take pictures of those seniors who were not able to go to the studio. The faculty, however, is expected to have their pictures taken at the studio.

One proof must be selected by each senior and teacher and turned in to Mr. Blanke by December 1. If the proof is not returned, one will be chosen by the staff and prepared for publication.

The staff is hopefully looking forward to having the pictures ready to be put into the yearbook by Christmas.

C'mon seniors, 'lens' us some smile, give them the 'birdie', and proof to us you candid it.

Alumnus Joins Waves

Carolyn R. Throop has joined the Waves. A graduate of this school in 1938, she was outstanding in the Honor Student Council, bowling, the yearbook committees, and G.A.A.

Mom And Dad Change Places With Students

The worm has turned! Monday, November 9 is Parents' Night on which occasion Mom and Dad will come and take their places in Junior's classes. Parents are to follow the pupils' regular Monday schedules — fathers attending sons' classes and mothers attending daughters' classes. If both parents attend the son's class, the father will be seated in his boy's regular chair, and the mother will take any vacant seat after roll is taken. The same applies if both parents attend the daughter's classes, but in the reverse order. Periods will be shortened and lunch hours doubled in length. Since all the seats in every class room and study hall will be numbered and parents will be given the number of the seat in each class-room on the card sent home, there should be a limited amount of confusion.

After roll is called extra visitors will be seated and teachers will outline the course. The study hall teacher will explain library slips, utility slips, etc. Home room teachers will explain excuses, and home room organization.

The steering committee composed of Mr. Ohlson, Miss Harbert, Mr. Bennette, and Miss M. Ronalds, has made all arrangements for the program.

Students! Here's your opportunity to find out the truth about those stories of Dad's scholastic ability. Get your parents out for the parents' night program.

Military Regime Seizes War-Time Latin Class

Miss Margery Ronalds' second year Latin class has developed a novel idea for creating a war-time atmosphere in the class room. The spirit of friendly competition has been aroused by dividing the class into military ranks according to the grades received on major tests.

A general, Peggy McNeill; 6 colonels, Joan Cutsler, Doris Hampton, Leota Harper, Harriet Hart, Barbara Mason, and Ted Roess; 6 majors, Irene Weis, Helen Koehne, Beverly Kramer, Jane Permer, Lois Steek and Sally Hadston; captains and privates constitute the division of the class. The captains and majors vary according to the results of daily tests consisting of grammar drills.

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The Manifestation of A Mighty Mystery.

You mystery fans will probably be over-joyed to find that Nilehi has a real mystery on its hands. The burning question is: "Why don't teachers use the teachers' lunchroom?" This lunchroom is more private, more comfortable, and should be more enticing. Intensive research work has been done in many independent laboratories, and startling conclusions have been reached.

LABORATORY No. 1

This laboratory must have been made up mostly of sophomores, for the logical thing to investigate seemed to misled freshman would mistake them be the freshman problem. It was finally decided that the teachers fear some for a meatball, and spear them in passing, [Not that we think teachers even resemble meatballs.)

LABORATORY No. 2

Someone in the second laboratory must have seen people entering and departing from said lunchroom with queer suit cases, unsheathed horns of all descriptions, and sundry other noise making materials. It is their unbiased opinion that teachers like music, but after all, we must stop somewhere. Maybe the very memory is enough to keep them away.

LABORATORY No. 3

These chemists spent many hours of grueling work on the problem. After trying all the formulas they

Nothing Sacred

Greetings, dear people!

All you hep-cats probably saw Jeff carrying Mutt around at the Homecoming dance. Maybe the poor little fellow had been disabled in the rush — but then, hadn't we all. And while we're in the comics, we might mention the rumor that Gordon Davis is growing his hair so that he can bleach it, and the girls will call him "Atlas Maidenswoon."

These autumn gales certainly do ruin one's hair. Maybe that's why certain senior girls park in the southeast wing to take down their hair of a morning, eh Rosemarie?



Someone is going to mistake this for a Nazi Youth Camp, the way we're forever marching. And then there are always the dear little people that yell "To the rear, march! in the midst of traffic, and then proceed to do so. We personally have lost three toes that way. It must have affected Patricia Bennet also, for she looked rather flustered when caught with her shoes off in class!

We're wondering if it's fashionable to roll one's sleeves up and down during the pledge to the flag. Note the N.T.H.S. poster to this effect.

Before putting this column to bed, some note should be made of the faithful few who did show up at the First-Aid, and similar meetings. Hats off to them!

could think of, they finally hit on the answer they believe to be correct. They believe the teachers want to be near the pupils. The cheery faces, the quiet voices, the excellent manners and complete consideration of the student body draws them out of their luxurious lunchroom.

LABORATORY No. 4

This laboratory hit upon a very probable situation. Perhaps you have noticed a weird sound issuing forth from the doors of the lunchroom. Is it a dying cow? Is it a shade from the world beyond? It is rumored that it is some sort of club; a club of haunts, no doubt.

Here you have it. Our personal opinion is that laziness has overcome our teachers. What is yours? L.L.H.

Faculty Corner

Why Not Shoot the School

Many High School pupils are interested in photography, but never know what pictures to take. Why not take pictures of the school, school activities, and, incidentally, of your classmates, especially those who are particularly good as mimics?

As you know, the photography classes take most of the pictures for the yearbook, but there is not a reason in the world for your not taking some of these pictures yourselves. Get in the habit of shooting pictures of school activities which you attend, and submit them to the committee for the yearbook.

Here are a few tips to help you get good pictures: (a) Do not tip the camera sideways; (b) Keep the lens clean; (c) Hold the camera still; (d) Do not put your finger in front of the lens as you are going to shoot the picture; (e) Focus accurately; (if the camera is equipped with distance scale, step off the distance between subject and camera) (g) Wind the film or change the plate holds after each picture to avoid double exposures; (g) Watch the picture in your viewfinder or you will discover that the head or feet of your subject have been cut off in the finished picture; (h) Use simple backgrounds, preferably contrasting.

By following the above simple rules, you will get better results with your pictures, and therefore you will derive greater pleasure from your hobby.

Mr. Benette

Today's Armistice

November 11 and no school! A vacation — a day when we can sleep as long as we wish and do what we please!

Perhaps that's all Armistice Day means to you. But when you stop to think about it, does it seem logical that millions of men gave their lives merely to furnish posterity with an excuse to miss school?

Twenty-four years ago the misery, the bloodshed, and the hate of centuries was declared ended. The battle fields were littered with dead, and many fathers, brothers, and sons were lost; but the war to end wars was over. Tyranny had succumbed forever. Democracy would reign.

This year men are again fighting each other, and unless we of today give more thought to the mistakes of our last peace, there will be more lives lost, more suffering, and more war time armistices tomorrow.

Turn Song Writers, Students Urged

Why don't you write a song?

High school students throughout the country are being urged to write new songs in connection with the sale of War Bonds and Stamps. These songs should emphasize the three related activities of the SCHOOLS AT WAR Program: **Save, Serve, Conserve**. The songs can be in one of two forms:

- A. Original words and original music.
- B. Original words set to well-known tunes that are in the public domain.

Outstanding songs will be submitted to the Advisory Committee on Music Education for the Treasury Department. The best of these songs will be submitted by the committee for publication in "The Schools at War Teachers' Bulletin" as well as for use by other students in their SCHOOLS AT WAR Program.

Miss Klaus will receive all contributions and will be glad to give further information.

This 'n That

As we frantically did our homework for our third period classes the other morning in homeroom, the voice of our dear teacher rent the silence, giving forth some startling news.

It was the announcement of Parent's Night. Noting the varied expressions on the bright and shining faces surrounding us, we were prompted to get the opinions of several students.

Here are the statements given to us:

Shirley Kutz—Freshman:

It's a good idea.

Howie Johnston — Junior:

I don't like it. It might make my folks wonder why I haven't taken any books home all year!

Marion Eichelkraut — Junior:

It's all right with me, but I can just see my dad taking over my leader's swim class!

Evanne Thomas — Senior:

It's a good idea. It will show our parents our real trials and troubles.

Mike La Monica — Sophomore:

I don't like it. My parents'll find out what I should be doing.

Francis May — Senior:

It's a good idea as long as teachers don't tell the whole truth about grades, etc.

Mr. Leinhard:

From a previous experience, I think it should be very successful, and very entertaining for all concerned.

Freshmen Have Big Doings; Sophomores Hope For Same

Esch Players Overwork Preparing For 'Old Doc'

How would you like to be in the plight that Jimmy Holmes is in the play "Old Doc?" In love with the most beautiful girl in the world, he is not allowed to place even one small kiss on her brow before the play reaches its end. Pat Canty is "so near but yet so far!"

Every afternoon after school in room 121 rehearsals for the play are taking place. Have you been wondering what goes on at these practices? Many amusing things occur at them.

While no one seems to know his own part at the present, the lines of the rest of the cast seem quite familiar. But by the time of the presentation of the play, November 21 and 22, they will all be letter perfect even though several rehearsals have been missed due to Mrs. Esch's illness.

If the eating continues in the way that it has started, the members of the cast had better watch their figures. On the bill-of-fare are ice cream cones, ice cream bars, sandwiches, pie, popcorn, potato chips, candy, and anything else that is edible.

First Meeting Home Nursing Class Held

As a result of Mrs. Lloyd's visit to Nilehi, 22 junior and senior girls attended the first Home Nursing Class at the municipal building in Skokie on October 15, at 7:15 p.m.

The course will consist of hygiene, public health, child care, and care for the sick and injured. Training of this kind is an excellent preparation for girls planning to attend nursing schools. It also is very useful now since many nurses are with the fighting forces and the need for them is urgent here at home.

The instructress, Miss Jorgenson, had many interesting experiences as a nurse in World War I, and is now a public welfare nurse in Evanston.

To acquaint the girls and 13 women with the Red Cross, Miss Jorgenson gave a summary of its history — particularly the home nursing department.

Mrs. Burklund, the home nursing chairman of Niles Township, assisted with enrollment and fees.

The sophomores are giving vent to their underclass feelings by throwing a class party November 12, from 3:30 to 5:00 o'clock. Since the freshmen have started the plan of having their parties in the afternoon, the sophomores are following suit. The idea is to save tires. It looks like our underclassmen are really all out for defense.

Miss Lytle is in charge of the dance committee with Paul Jacobs, Laura Breckenridge, Sally Fjellman, Ed Sembach, and Jo Ann Detweiler assisting. The game committee, headed by Mr. Kent and Mr. Mackey, includes Pat Canty, Mary Lou Kendall, Ray Nelson, Pat Lanert, and Don Lyon. Miss Line and Miss Klaus are in charge of refreshments with such assistants as Delores Mertes, Marilyn Wahlberg, Al Hubert, Dolores Brooks, and Dorothy Gustafson.

On October 20 about 200 freshies showed up at a party planned for them by Miss Carolyn Lumpp, Miss Marjory Ronalds, Miss Lucille Ronalds, and Miss Frances Ellerbrake. Upperclassmen who lent a helping hand were Fred Gaines, Horace Lindecker, Don Lyon, Jack Fredericks, Charles Valkenaar, and Betty Bray.

A "Mock Track Meet" was the main feature of the party. Throwing straws, blowing up balloons, carrying potatoes on their feet, rolling ping pong balls with their noses were among the events in this laughable track meet.

Home room 211 had the highest number of points gained from the track meet. The prize given them was a box of Hallowe'en suckers. Refreshments were served and the party wound up with a half hour of dancing.

Cluesing on Committee

Marilyn Kluesing, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Kluesing, 7007 Fargo Avenue, Chicago was a member of the publicity committee for the Barn Dance which was given by the Athletic Association of Mac Murray College on Saturday evening, October 24.

Miss Kluesing, a graduate of Niles Twp., in 1939 is a senior art member and a member of the Theta Sigma upper class society. While attending Nilehi, she was active in G.A.A. activities, the Chicago Club, Bowling Club, French Club, Monitor's Club and was a member of the Junior Prom Committee.

Girls' Sports

Students of Nilehi are warned not to be frightened by any weird sounds heard coming from the swimming pool on Wednesday afternoons. It's only the lifesaving class learning how to save some supposedly drowning person from a watery grave.

The class is made up of a few brave souls who alternately rescue or are rescued by their classmates. After trying the various holds and approaches, (no remarks, please), on the other prospective life guards, some of them dragged in a few innocent bystanders in their regular swimming classes. Little dreaming what they were getting into, these poor deluded souls consented to be the victims. After being partially drowned, pushed under water, and having a kind of drastic ju-jitsu practiced on them, they staggered away from their rescuers as fast as their weakened conditions would permit, vowing never to be so foolhardy again.

If anyone lives through the course and completes it successfully, she receives a badge for her suit, and a certificate.

The heroines-to-be, under the direction of Miss Spikings, are:

Marion Eichelkraut, Nona Jayne Holappa, Jane Permer, Peggy McNeill, Betty Heiniger, Dolores Chapman, Gerry Deily, Rosemarie Racine, Gerry Thulstrup, Evanne Thomas, Marilee Thomas, Mary Lou Kendall, Eleanor Jacobs, Shirley Lawrence and Betty Bray.



The boys are not the only ones that can run the obstacle course. The girls can, too. There were a few minor injuries. The victims and their reactions were:

Peggy McNeill — junior — "It puts you in fine shape for the undertaker. If you live through it, you'll make a commando, no doubt."

Joan Cutsler — junior — "I can tell you but you can't print it in the paper."

Pat Galitz — senior — "I think it's swell. I'd like to try it again sometime."

One of the other girls, sophomore Bernadette Creaney, said: "It's a lot of fun, not very hard, but I couldn't get over the 7 foot wall."

It is too bad the girls had so many accidents. In the spring if they go out they will be more careful.

Bergstrom and Isaacson

Pessimistic Over Nov. 6

Termites In the Bench

The boys' gym classes have begun the new game of soccer in Nilehi's physical "fitter upper" program. For once, however, they won't have to worry about getting their clumsy paws on the ball. One of the few rules of the game, given attention by these candidates for a nut house, is that one stating that the players are not allowed to touch the ball with their hands or arms. (For our critics, the exception is the goalie who may pick the ball up and throw or kick it if he stays in the goal box.)

Anyhow we understand that several of the bruisers were made just that by either well or mis-placed kicks, and we were wondering, what with the obstacle course and all, whether the physical education department is going to turn out physically able or physically disable men come out next June.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Mah, Mah. So the gals heve appropriated thet muscle massacree, Nilehi's own jolly obstacle coo'se. Us'uns hez seed ever'thin now. Th' males hed betta be alookin tew theah lauhrels.

(Ed.—Kindly excuse Sambo's spelling. He only went to Nilehi three years and then joined the armed forces.)

CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations — are in order for our cross country team and in particular for Howard Johnston, who literally put the school on the "cross country map." Johnston won the large sectional meet last Friday at Proviso, Illinois, and broke the course record with the spectacular time of 11 minutes and 6.6 seconds. There were about 100 men running in the meet, competing from nine schools, most of which were much larger than Niles.

The team placed sixth in the meet in spite of the fact that only four local students out of the hundred men competed. Meinke finished 29 and ran a very good race. Hall finished 46, and Langan 59.

The season will close on Friday, November 6, with Niles traveling to Evanston.

The most unusual game of the season will be played against Libertyville, Friday, November 6, at 2 o'clock. The unusualness is brought about by the pessimistic note held by the coaches.

The record shows that Libertyville has won her first two games against Crystal Lake and Zion, 13 to 0. The last two games with Leyden and Lake Forest were ties, 0 to 0. Everyone knows that the Trojans have won 4 straight, and lost to Lake Forest.

In a letter received from Coach Bergstrom of Libertyville the following facts were pointed out. In his opinion they had started out with a good team but are now handicapped with a small line, averaging about 160. Two of their best linemen, Paul Schaffer and Al Kranz, have been injured and it is doubted whether either will play. On the other hand rumors have been circulating to the effect that Coach Isaacson is equally pessimistic. This opinion is not verified by last year's record when the men of Troy marched over Libertyville in an exciting game.

All this seems to point to one fact—coaches are the most pessimistic persons there are. In all probability the game Friday will be better than this attitude shows.

G. A. A. Hayride

Amid clattering hoof beats, and hay galore, seventy-eight Nilehi students rode gaily out to Miami Woods where they feasted on hot puppies, apples, and marshmallows.

The hayrack party, sponsored by the G.A.A., set out at 7:30 with Misses Line, Schaefer, and Johanns. They returned to the campus at 9:30. The 55 cent charge was considered cheap.

The party was held to celebrate the close of the recent G.A.A. magazine campaign.



Up to Now

Trojans 26	Evanston Lights 6
Trojans 13	Leyden 6
Trojans 25	Crystal Lake 7
Trojans 19	Warren 6
Trojans 0	Lake Forest 21
Trojans 12	Woodstock 12