

# NILEHILITE

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## Juniors, Seniors Act as Delegates In Nilehi's Nominating Convention

Parading, beating drums, and shouting will be the order of the day when demonstrations for Presidential nominations take place at the Model Republican Nominating Convention next Wednesday, May 12, in the boys' gymnasium. The convention, which will include the participation of all four classes, will begin at 8:40 and will last through the morning until the first lunch period at 11:40.

The problems classes, under the direction of Miss Grace Harbert and Mr. John Betts, faculty sponsors, are holding the convention to show the process by which the President of the United States is nominated. The sponsors feel confident that the convention will give the younger students a true example of what a democratic government is like, and that it will stimulate them toward thinking about the issues and platforms of the major political parties.

Delegates to the convention have been picked by the state chairmen from the junior and senior classes to represent the 48 states and four territories. The number of delegates to the states and territories is allotted on the basis of the number of Electoral College votes that each state receives.

The 11 Nilehi seniors who attended the Kalamazoo College Convention and have formed the National Committee are Lyle Dye, Phil La Veau, Roger Coverley, Clay Merrill, Pat Carlson, Jeannette Oehring, Ida Franson, Geraldine Novack, Dorothy Steek, Ed Soergel, and Bill Comstock. These students, with the aid of the sponsors, have chosen the various officers, chairmen, and committeemen and have drawn up a script of the program.

The program will begin when the presiding officer, Marilyn Pearson, senior, calls for presentation of the colors and the singing of the national anthem. Marilyn Pearson will introduce a speaker to give the address of welcome and another speaker to give a report from the committee of credentials. The keynote speech will be given by temporary chairman Bill Comstock, senior, who will then introduce the permanent chairman, Phil Le Veau, senior.

Phil will introduce several committee chairmen for their reports and will remain in charge during the presentation of the party platform, nominating and seconding speeches, and balloting. After the secretary, Jeannette Oehring, senior, calls roll, the balloting will begin.

A Nilehi student and a former student were killed, and four others were injured in an auto accident early this week. Howard "Red" Ryan, sophomore, and Sam Christofano, former student, both died from injuries, while Geri Bernard and Carole Ruesch, seniors, Bob Ruesch and Richard Merk were also injured.

## Seven Seniors Top Nilehi Honor Roll

The scholastic honor roll was released at Nilehi last week and the top positions were filled by seven seniors: Bill Bierbaum, Patricia Carlson, Donald Christensen, Ida Franson, Mary McNamarra, Howard Siegel, and Elsa Tamminga, ranking high with 14 points. Don Biehn, Hilda Bonaguro and Bernice Johnson followed closely with 13 and 12 points.

The honor roll system at Nilehi is based on points acquired through achievement in studies. For A, four points; B, three points; C, two points. To be eligible for the semester honor roll, 13 points are necessary and the award is two honor points. Honorable Mention requires 11 or 12 points and awards one honor point. Therefore at the end of four years of high school, 16 honor points is the most a senior can

## Twelfth Music Festival Is Held in Gym Tonight

The twelfth annual Spring Music Festival of Niles Township High School will take place tonight in the gymnasium at 8:15. The theme song of the concert to be sung by the choir, is I Hear America Singing.

Highlights of the program will be the lighter works of American composers such as Fred Waring's arrangement of All the Things You Are, and The Woodchuck Song. A new song, composed by Mrs. Philip Maxwell of Evanston, entitled Toast to Music will be introduced by the singers.

All the songs featured by the Nilehi musical groups will be songs composed by American composers. The concert will open with the Choir's singing of Pledge to the Flag and a special flag display. The theme song will be the next selection. The final number, to be sung by all choral groups and accompanied by the band, will be Flag of the Free by Forrest L. Buchtel.

Ticket proceeds will be turned over to the student activity fund.

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According to the tradition of awards, an honor certificate is given for three honor points, a bronze key for four, a silver key for 11, and for 15 honor points, a gold key.

In the junior class members with 10 points are Robert Dickens, Ted Eckert, Elaine Esch, Fred Gatter, Bill Graefen, Ann Morrison, Audrey Nordlof, Kathleen Russakov, Pat Sommer, and Donald Verlenden.

High 6-point sophomores are Beatrice Bornemeier, Albert Buthman, Georgia Coleman, Ashley Craig, Julia Dean, Joe Donovan, Mary Herring, Eleanor Kelly, John Krupka, Helen Nachbauer, James Nock, Barbara Olson, Marita Robinson, Pauline Sefick, Richard Swanson, and John Young.

## Annual Night of One-Act Plays Is Next Friday; Plan Three Plays for Assembly Presentation

One week from tonight at 8 p.m., the house lights will dim and the curtain in the Assembly room will go up on the first of three one-act plays to be given in conjunction with Nilehi's annual Night of One-Act Plays.

The school's dramatics classes have been working on five one-act plays, but only three of them are to be given during the show Friday night. These three will be chosen by Miss Muriel Higgins, Nilehi dramatics teacher. Miss Higgins says that the plays not given next week will be presented at class assemblies, sometime before the end of school.

Two of the one-act plays are being done by the advanced dramatics class, while the beginning and major classes

each have one. Sixteen, a radio presentation by Maureen Daley, featuring Barbara Banghart and Bil Wokoun in the leads, is being done by a combination of all classes. Thursdays at Home starliners, while in the dramatics majors' in Geri Dodge is sponsored by the play Murder Is Fun, all parts are about equal, according to Miss Higgins. The two plays by the advanced classes are Our Dearest Possession, and Bessie the Bandit's Beautiful Lady, or Curses on My Favorite Beauty. Angel Vosnos and Kaye Jaeger, and Mary Morse and Bill Graefin will be featured in these plays respectively.

Tickets for the Night of One-Act Plays will go on sale in the cafeteria next week.



## Nilehi Students Favor Military Training In Institute of Student Opinion Poll

More than 65% of the high school boys and 62% of the girls throughout the United States are in favor of compulsory military training for all boys between the ages of 16 and 21, according to results of the latest Institute of Student Opinion poll conducted by Scholastic Magazines, in which Nilehi participated.

### Club Flush

With the return of John Young, who recently recuperated from a bout with the mumps, the Forensic Club is hard at work again.

Last Tuesday, April 27, eight members journeyed to New Trier where they took part in four non-decision debates. Following the debates, a critique, or criticism, was held by the New Trier debaters. Tomorrow, May 8, the debaters will enter an invitational inter-school tournament at New Trier.

The Hi-Y baseball team beat the Lincoln Club of the Evanston "Y," 17-11 Tuesday, April 27, at Evanston. The Hi-Y also went to Evanston on May 4 for an all-division meet.

To Saddle Clubbers, the important thing about spring is the annual Spring Horse Show, to be given the last of May. All riding classes at the School of Horsemanship will be represented and N.T. H.S. will have two or three girls entered.

A movie on atomic energy will be shown to the Science Club in connection with its forthcoming trip to the museum of Science and Industry.

### Lyle Dye Places Third In Oratorical Contest

Lyle Dye, Nilehi senior, came in third last week, in one of the district contests of the Hearst National Oratorical Contest which is conducted every year by the Hearst newspapers.

Lyle was chosen to represent Nilehi after he had competed with Bill Comstock and Sam Bosnos. Each one of the three gave a speech on "Benjamin Franklin, Patriot and Statesman" before Mr. John L. Bett's eighth-period history class. Mr. Bett's class then voted that Lyle's speech was most satisfactory.

Mr. Ronald VanArsdale, public speaking and English teacher, who coached Lyle for the contest, accompanied him to the Hotel Sherman in Chicago, where he gave his speech.

Mr. VanArsdale was also chosen by the Chicago Herald-American as one of the judges for the National Finals of the Hearst Oratorical contest on May 14.

Staff members of approximately 1,500 high school newspapers assisted the Scholastic Magazines by sampling the opinion of students in all sections of the United States. Niles Township High School, accounted for 200 of the 84,531 ballots tabulated for the final results.

When asked the question, "Are you for or against the United States having a plan of compulsory military training for all boys at some time between the ages of 16 and 21," the answers received were:

	Yes	No	Opinion
Niles (boys)	57%	35%	8%
National (boys)	65%	27%	8%
Niles (girls)	68%	25%	7%
National (girls)	62%	27%	11%

The students of both the National poll and the Niles poll, by a great majority, thought that the training should be given after high school.

Also asked on this poll were questions concerning the reading of comic books and it was found that more than 85% of today's high-school students either do not read comic books at all or do so only occasionally. The survey reveals that present-day high-school students were most interested in comic books when they were in fifth and sixth grades, and that the reading of comic books decreases each successive year thereafter.

The tabulations compared with those taken at Niles when asked "Do you read comic books?" are:

	Not Ever or Practically Never	Occasionally	Frequently
Niles (boys)	31%	59%	6%
National (boys)	22%	61%	17%
Niles (girls)	52%	45%	4%
National (girls)	31%	57%	12%

Answers to the other questions made it apparent that comic books are less and less popular with students as they progress from grade to grade in school. More than half of the students related that they had read no comic books in the past week, about 29% said that they had read either one or two; about 13% had read three to five; and 6% had read six or more. Many of these students had read anywhere from four to ten comic books a week while they were in grade school.

More than 90% of the students stated that their greatest interest in comic books was from the third to eighth grade. This seems to indicate that if a great number of boys and girls of high-school ages are reading comic books, they are not attending high school.

## SHORT CUTS

### Two Go to State Latin Final

Tomorrow Barbara Olson, sophomore, and Joan Searing, freshman, will travel to Champaign to participate in the State Latin Contest at the University of Illinois.

At the sectional contest held recently in Barrington, Barbara won first place in the second year division contest and Joan placed second in the first year division.

Last year Mary Musson, a Nilehi student, took first place honors in the state contest. She will not participate this year, however, because she recently transferred to a school in New York.

### Language Material Is Displayed

During the month of April, the Foreign Language Department of Nilehi decorated the various bulletin boards and showcases on the first and second floor of the building.

The Spanish classes under the direction of Miss Jean Small, Spanish teacher, used a series of class projects to decorate the two large showcases. A Mayan Temple from Chichen-Itza made by Bill Poehlman, and a Mexican Village by Julia Dean and Ann Brown, added a colorful touch to the second floor.

On some of the Spanish bulletin boards are found special posters by Jim Kennedy and two Panamanian dolls by Pat Scheuerman and Dorothy Hammerman.

There were also two bulletin board displays by the French and German departments showing different posters and other modern language material.

### Plan Picnic for Seniors

Seniors! Keep Sunday, June 6 free! Homeroom in the library is sponsoring an all-day picnic for seniors only, on that day.

They plan to charter buses to take the students somewhere where there is swimming, places to play baseball, and perhaps golf.

The exact place has not been decided upon yet. Each senior will be expected to ride the buses and carry his own lunch. No private cars are to be used, according to Mr. Ohlson.

The fee per person has not been decided upon yet.

### Advisers Honor Ronalds

On Thursday evening, April 22, the class advisers, Mr. Harold Ohlson, Miss Margaret deBooy, and Mr. Marvin Ihne, held a dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ohlson in honor of Miss Marjory Ronalds' coming marriage.

Others who attended the dinner were Mrs. Marvin Ihne, Miss Lucille Ronalds, and Dr. A. L. Biehn.

After the dinner Miss Ronalds received a present of two figurines from the faculty.



## Fancies and Fashions Typify High School

Most oldsters think high-school life is one big round of fads, and perhaps they're not too far off. Webster says a fad is a passing fancy or fashion, and certainly Nilehi is loaded with both!

During the Nilehi lifetime of "Kind Lady" English and Cockney accents were quite the thing. So much so, that now both Angie Vosnos and Nancy Thiehl sometimes can't escape it while reading out loud.

Then there are those eager beavers who have to steal a jump on the rest of us by plunges under the sun lamp. Among these "natives" are Kaye Haeful, who insists she's never tan enough, Kaye Jaeger, Ellen Patzke, erol Kent, Jean Goodrich, Jackie Spencer, Carol Stockenberg, and Betty Loeffgren.

Twitching was quite a fascinating fad few versions, but no one ever equaled or even came near Ronald Le Ganger's eye twitch which he used on the Washington trip.

Rivalry among car owners, especially proud papas of "hot rods" is still going strong. The object, eventually, is in seeing who can boast the most peculiar whistles, horns, and lights. Active contenders for the title include Tom Reed, Louis Hilfer, Noel Keifer, Don Stolteben, and Clay Merrill.

The petticoat parade and short hair craze have caught many Nilehiers. Dona Korsmo is the chief advocate of the peeking petticoat, while Barbara Kaupert heads the list of short-sheared Sals. But right behind Barbara comes Nancy Adams, Pat Hartung, "Mugsie" Ritter, Doris Bernges, Mari Cysewski, Betty Joeckels, Sona Baptist, and Marez Corduan.



Love is funny, and quite frequently it has its problems. We don't want any of these problems (with prom time so close) so we've decided to venture on to a love-lorn question.

This week's puzzler is: John loves Mary, but John won't marry Mary. What should Mary do? Answer below may be tested if this situation ever actually prevails.

Bill Wokoun, senior. She should commit suicide.

Donna Groll, sophomore: Join the Foreign Legion.

Mari Cysewski, junior: Mary Harry.

Ardie Ball, sophomore. She should take the "Charles Atlas" course.

Dick O'Brien, senior: Call Mr. Anthony Ken Gregor, senior: Call Northside 777.

Frank Devitto: Drop the sap and get another one.

Mr. Paul M. Eberhardt, teacher: Go to work on another male—it's leap year!

## This 'n That - Nilehiers Are Enthusiasts

Nilehi representatives of the Chicago Daily News Keen Teen column have been quite busy lately. Two members of the journalism class attended the world premier of the movie "Casbah" and also on interview called "Movie Is My Business" two weeks ago, and last week Jan Sterling, star of the play "John Loves Mary" was also interviewed.

Val Lauder, editor of the Keen Teens, ran an incident in her column concerning Nilehi students that was related to her by Lee Harrer when she was interviewed in the journalism class here a few weeks ago.

Don Stolteben, Nilehi senior, had a little argument recently with an axe. The result was two very damaged fingers for Don and no mis-hap whatsoever for the axe! However, Don is now well on the mend.

When Mrs. Curl takes squirt guns away from her students she doesn't waste the water. She simply gives all the plants in the room a drink!

Many things can be found in the swimming pool, but the most recent entry was a literature book thrown in by some junior girls. One girl was supposed to catch it while treading water, but she missed it. The story invented for her English teacher to explain its swollen state was that it got dirty and wanted a bath! It's a cinch the fine on the mistreated book will be swollen too!

Mr. Robert Mackey, chief Nilehi engineer, was once in an automobile accident involving a fast-moving freight train. "Mac", considered himself lucky as he escaped with a cut head that only required 50 stitches to patch up.

It was recently "discovered" that Betty Riggs, junior, is engaged.

### Barbara and Bill Are Popular Names

The 1948 Nilehi graduating class is composed of 202 boys and girls with varied and numerous names. Let's see, now—there are Mary, Ed, and Bill, but just how many of each name are there?

A look into the file-cards in Mr. Paul M. Eberhardt's journalism room will reveal that out of a class of 202 seniors, there are 108 different first names.

The most popular names are Barbara, of which there are nine, and Bill numbering 13. The Dons run a close second to Bill with 11. The closest to Barbara are four Marilyns and one Maralyn. There are also two Jeanettes and one Jeanette. Mary may be "as plain as any name can be" but there are only four in the senior class. Out of the five Bobs, four are satisfied with their given names, but one likes to be called "Hot Rod Seltzer."

Some of the names that appear only once are Charlene, Ellen, Jack, Laurence, Willard, Rosemary, Harriet, Elmer, and Polly.

When Nilehiliter go out for something, they go all out. For instance, Nancy Thiehl recently tore a ligament in her leg during cheer-leading. That's really school spirit!

Then there are those baseball addicts like Don Brown and Ellen Patzke. Both were laid up for days as a result of sliding back to second base, and sliding into home, respectively.

The roller-skating party which the Washington D.C. club had at the Arcadia April 23, turned out to be a big success. Afterwards, the group went to Nott's where Art Wuest, president of the club ate two "Challenges." These are the specialties of Nott's and include over a pint of ice cream, sauces, cake, etc.

Jeanne Lee Eckart, Nilehi senior, appeared on Ruben's "Stars of Tomorrow" radio program Sunday, April 25. Jeanne Lee auditioned with WGN a couple of weeks before and was accepted immediately. The song that she sang was "But Beautiful."

### Is Your Homeroom Dull? Well, Brighten It Up!

What does homeroom period mean to you? Do you sit for a dull 15 minutes and wish that you had stayed in bed a little longer, or do you have a lot of fun and brighten things up a bit?

One of the best examples of the latter is Miss Johanns' homeroom, 121. They were the ones that gave the senior tea and sponsored the "Hay Hop" at the Youth Center not so long ago. Also, last fall they had a splash party for the Varsity football team, complete with hamburgers and cokes!

Here are just a few things that a roving Nilehilite reporter saw lately in some of the homerooms.

Room 121 was at it again! One of the students had given Miss Johanns a bunch of flowers for the faculty party.

Rog La Plant, 221, was seen busily combing his crew-cut.

Miss Tillmann, 219, had put a couple of freshman boys up in front of the room for talking, and was setting them as an example for the rest of the class.

A sophomore homeroom teacher was dutifully reading a story to the class.

Don Verlenden, 102, was standing outside his homeroom door listening intently. Upon being asked what he was doing, he replied, "you can't hear the P.A. system in there."

Most of the students in the other homerooms were either yawning, or just sitting and staring into space, not hearing a word of what was being said and too sleepy to care.

Anyone know where you can get a few regular Wheatie-eaters to pep up 930 little Nilehiliter every morning?



## Play Practice Pranks Precede Presentation

"Sheddup". This is what greeted a little reporter who entered the assembly one bright sunny afternoon. Joyce Matthews was having troubles. Ted Eckert and Mary Morse were insisting on studying their lines in the back of the assembly on one of the wasterpieces which are to be presented on the night of one-act plays, May 14, "Bessie, The Bandit's Beautiful Baby."

Joyce was trying to direct "Our Dearest Possession." Slightly confusing!

Another little uproar caused in "Bessie" was conducted by Bill Graefen (Bessie's hero) when he decided Bessie needed to be saved from Kenneth Gengler, the villain, and went roaring in.

Lyle Dye, co-director of "Our Dearest Possession" has decided that brutality and force are needed in directing. Those poor gals in the play suffered, but anything for the sake of art!

Ellen Patzke of "Our Dearest Possession" is certain to steal the show. Her lines are related below:

"The car is ready." Her interpretation is startling, to say the least.

But some of the most unusual rehearsals are in the major dramatics class. They practice "Murder is Fun" ninth period every day. "Thursdays at Home" and a radio script are also under way, and the best three will be chosen for production.

## Song Titles Hit Home With Student Additions

Song titles often seem incomplete to us, somehow, and we can't resist adding a word or two, to complete the meaning.

For instance:

"You Do" all the homework and I will copy it.

"Beg Your Pardon," teacher, my chair's out of line again.

"Manana" is when I'll do my algebra.

"The Best Things In Life Are Free," but only at the Public Library.

"Saber Dance." Prom given by marines.

"Now Is The Hour" that daylight saving can never save lunch period.

"If I Only Had a Match," I would have a match! (So what?)

"How Soon" will it be 3:11.

"The Stars Will Remember." Anyone could if he followed their shining example.

"Slap Her Down Again." After all, she was late for the detention she got for being late!

"Make Believe" that June 11 is here.

Well, you get the idea. I just got one, too, by the by:

"Temptation" to give in to Spring fever and stay home!

## Joan and Barb, Latin Contest Champs, Are Both Pert Brunettes, 5' 5" Tall

"Oh, I hate to do dishes," remarked pretty, brown haired, Joan Searing when asked what she disliked to do most.

Joan is five feet, five inches tall, has blue eyes, and is a freshman. She recently won second place in the first-year Latin examinations held at Barrington.

Her favorite movie actors are Alan Ladd and Marshall Thompson.

Joan enjoys all sports and she belongs to the G.A.A. and Saddle Club. According to Joan, the Chicago Cubs are her favorite Major League baseball team, and she thinks Andy Pafko is wonderful.

Joan's well-liked food is a hamburger with all the trimmings. She likes to buy new clothes, and she approves of the new styles. Her favorite recording is "Now is the Hour" by Bing Crosby.

Her favorite subject is algebra.

When Joan graduates from high school she plans to attend Beloit College.

In the recent Sectional Second Year Latin Contest, held at Barrington, a cute, green eyed Nilehi girl came out victorious, winning first place.

She is Barbara Olson, sophomore, who has dark brown hair, stands five feet five inches tall and will be 16 come June.

Barb has few dislikes but many likes, including movies, chicken, convertibles of any make, and dreamy music. "Stella by Starlight" is her favorite song, while Dinah Shore and Tony Martin are her favorite vocalists.

Her ideal man would be tall, blond, and lively, with nice manners, but she declines to say whether she has found him or not.

Barbara plans to go to a small college for two years and then on to Northwestern to major in journalism. Her ambition is to go into newspaper work.

## Glimpse into Future Unveils Strange Statistics of 1973

Many high school students are convinced that the coming modern age is going to be a thoroughly enjoyable period. Let's jump ahead of time about 25 years or so, and get a preview of this wonderful age.

Zoom! Well, we're here, but things don't appear very different. During every enjoyable minute one baby is born, two husbands get shot, three fires break out, four girls leave home, five come back, six autos are wrecked, seven people are hurt by them, eight people now need insurance, and nine agents are after them.

The girls seem to be wearing less on the streets than their grandmothers wore in bed. But the modern girl has other problems. For instance, she has to decide whether she wants a career or just one husband. And brother, what she doesn't know could fill a cook book!

Looking over the male, we find that he hasn't improved much either. He's still the same old schmo who'll stand a few weeks ago. There were quite a few for anything except a girl on a street car.

In school they're still teaching the three R's—rah, rah, rah, and at any modern party there's always rum for more.

The same love stories are told with a slightly new twist. Now the couples get married and live happily on their parents.

Good heavens! what's this modern generation coming to? Pretty soon the world will be so unsanitary it'll become streptococci'd. Quick let's get back to the good old days!

## Village Green Scuffling To Jive Is Long Step

Ever since the days of the cave man, people have shuffled their feet rhythmically and called it dancing. In the past few centuries, this popular group activity has been greatly advanced and refined.

Dancing, up to the middle of the past century, consisted mostly of a hop, skip, and jump on the village green, and stately toddlings to the minuet in a chandelier-lit ballroom.

Then, when the hoops got down to the almost indecent width where people could get within four feet of each other, somebody thought up the "scandalizing" waltz where two people could dance alone if they had a fiddler present. So much for ancient history.

Now, it seems, if a person isn't able to at least hobble around the dance floor, he's a social flop. Logically, to be a roaring success, one must also possess the gentle art of "jiving" which finds its sources in the Belgian Congo, and in the Charleston, with some Amazonian and Sioux Indian overtones.

For this phase of foot flopping each school has its own special technique, which has developed very far. It makes it as hard for a poor schmo from another school to dance at Niles, as it would be for a Ubangi to read a French menu!

In spite of this handicap, however, we like our dancing, but now we're becoming a little worried. If this trend for long skirts continues to progress, we'll be reduced again to hopping around on lawns within the next ten years!



## Hi-Y Softball Team Wins First Tilt, 17-11

The Nilehi Hi-Y softball team won its first game in the 12-inch, fast pitching Hi-Y league on April 27 by a score of 17-11. This game, played on the Evanston High School Field against Lincoln Club of the Evanston "Y", was a "knock-down, drag-em-out" as the score indicates. The score was knotted at five a piece at the end of the fourth inning of the five inning game.

In the fifth and last frame, Niles started to roll and racked up twelve runs. Dean Whitton banged out a home run while Don Brod and Fred Gatter helped the cause with two triples. Lee Larrar was the winning pitcher.

The Hi-Y will play one round against all five teams of the Evanston "Y".

Don Biehn and Dean Whitton were chosen for the All-Star basketball team and played in the game which the All-Stars won, 33-31.

After the final basketball game, the Niles Hi-Y team ended up in third place against teams that had more practice.

## Cindermen Second at Palatine

Arlington's Cardinals edged out the Nilehi Tracksters 60-52 1/7 to capture the Class-A title of the sixteenth annual Palatine Relays held on Saturday, April 24, at Ost Field in Palatine.

Due to a poor showing in the field events the Trojans got off to a slow start and were down in fourth place midway through the meet.

Coach Charles Hussey's relay teams brought Niles into the thick of the fight when they took first in the Frosh-Soph, Mile Medley, and 432-yard low hurdle shuttle relays. Niles also got firsts in the two-mile relay (Schrumpf, Davis, Berg, Grafke), the mile medley (Schrumpf, De Stories, Permer, H. Siegel), and the 432-yard low-hurdle shuttle relay (Walter, Davis, D. Siegel, J. Heiniger).

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Spring is here, according to the calendar, but the girls' softball tournament, at the present writing, is still awaiting the entrance of warm, sunny days so that they can play outside, says Miss Gertrude Montgomery, girls' physical education instructor. The warm days will also bring the new track work in Miss Thurman's classes.

The life-saving course is completed and the 15 girls who "saw it through" have passed their junior and senior tests. These girls are Barbara Martinson, Ann Morrinson, Jo Quesnen, Alice Clarkens, Ruth Munsterman, Lillian Forbes, Ann Brown, Georgia Coleman, Carole Proesel, Ruth Wachner, Bernell Coleman, Dorothy Hartigan, Joan Ash, Jacqueline Greenwood, and Joanne Nielson.

The members of the bowling club had their final meet April 29. Money prizes will be given. The maximum for each girl will be seven dollars and all the girls will at least receive four. The ten high girls taken from both leagues are scheduled for the seven-dollar bracket.

## Parkers Get Two Hits; Defeat Freshmen, 16-15

One of the oddest baseball games in the history of N.T.H.S. was played last Thursday afternoon when the freshmen team, coached by L. R. Mackey, traveled to Highland Park.

The frosh lost the game, 16 to 15, but they beat the Parkers in every other department except runs.

Just to give you an idea of what a wild and wooly battle it was, here are the sum totals.

Highland Park got 16 runs on only two hits. They had six errors and 13 stolen bases.

The Trojans had 15 runs on nine hits, with 14 errors and 23 stolen bases. The game took so long that the team didn't get back to Niles until 7:20 p.m.!

## Trojan Tracksters Swamp Palatine Thinclads

The Nilehi cindermen sprinted home to an easy victory over Palatine High School on Tuesday, April 20, by an overwhelming score of 86 1/3 to 31 2/3.

Jim Heiniger again paced the Trojans by scoring firsts in the high and low hurdles, pole vault, and by grabbing third in the broad jump. Jim tied for first with Steinbrink of Palatine in the high jump. Ward Nipper also scored a second-place tie in the high jump with Palatine's Pepper and Orzalek.

The Nilehi thinclads scored first and second respectively in four other events. Howie Siegel and Bill Permer were one and two in the 100-yard dash, Carl Schrumpf and Jack De Stories in the run.

Miss Montgomery is starting a badminton club, which is to be limited to 20 members. They will meet twice a week, if everything goes as planned.

The cheerleading class had their semi-final tryouts May 3. This reduced the class from 80 to 20 members. In June, in the final tryout, next year's squad will be chosen from these girls. A few openings will remain for freshmen interested in cheering activities, and for new girls coming in from other schools.

Elaine Esch and Alice Clarkins are the two lucky gals who will represent Nilehi at the G.A.A. Camp this year. They were chosen by the faculty from a pool of nine girls, which was made up by an informal nomination at the last mass meeting.

The G.A.A. Board is having a hard time finding a place for the skating party. Miss Thurman, sponsor, would appreciate any suggestions that might solve the problem.

### Twirling

Nimble fingers have certainly paid off for Delores Ide and Dottie Bowles, for they have each won scholarships, to the Alma College of Twirling and Marching Clinic from June 13-19. The school is run on a camp basis, so it really sounds like fun. The girls were selected because of their number of points.

While at camp, they will enter the Michigan State Twirling Contest. Good Luck, gals!

## Triangular Meet Taken By Cards; Trojans Second

In a triangular track meet held at Nilehi on Wednesday, April 28, the Arlington Cardinals defeated the Trojans and the Leyden Eagles by a score of 60 to 50 to 30.

Jim Heiniger led the scoring for the Trojans with 20 points. Jim took firsts in the 200-yard low hurdles, 120-yard high hurdles, pole vault, and second in the high jump and third in the broad jump.

Byron Clark of Leyden, who took firsts in the 100-yard dash, 220-yard dash, and broad jump, placed near the top in the 100-yard dash at the state meet last year.

Other men who earned points for the Trojans were Carl Schrumpf, 10 points; Ward Nipper, 5 points; Bill Permer, 6 1/2 points; Jack DeStories, 2 1/4 points; Bill Heiniger, 1/2 point; Jim Kennedy, 1 1/4 points; Jack DeStories, 2 1/4 points; Bill Graefen, 1/2 point; and Don Siegel, 2 points.

440-yard dash, Bill Permer and Jim Kennedy in the 220-yard dash, and Carl Schrumpf and Don Berg in the 880-yard run.



## Trojans Beat Redbirds On Comstock's Homer

Undefeated in conference play!

That is the record the Trojan baseballers maintained last Friday afternoon as they defeated the Arlington Cardinals, 1 to 0, at Arlington.

Don Biehn turned in his usual brilliant pitching job as he allowed the Redbirds only one scratch hit. The opposing pitcher, Bil Robinson, also did a fine job in allowing only three safe blows.

One of these hits, however, was a home run by Bill Comstock, third baseman, in the sixth inning.

Both teams played heads-up ball in this typical pitchers' dual. Biehn and Robinson never let up for a minute, and this was proved by the 13 strikeouts that Biehn had and 12 whiffs for Robinson.

## Ike Hears Famous Grid Coaches While at Purdue

Harold Isaacson, who recently returned from the Purdue University football clinic, plans to attend two more grid sessions before the start of the 1948-1949 school year.

While at Purdue, Ike heard many renowned football coaches speak, such as Stuart Holcomb, head coach at Purdue. Henry Fyrnka of Tulane University, and Jeff Cravath of Southern California. In his opinion, Henry Fyrnka, whose subject was pass protection, was the best of the talkers.

On June 14, 15, and 16, Ike will attend the Paul Brown football clinic, which will be held at Kalamazoo. Mr. Brown is the head coach of the professional Cleveland Browns of the All-America Conference.

The last session that Mr. Isaacson will attend will be at Champaign during the third week in August. This is the Illinois State Clinic, and it is attended by high school and college coaches throughout the state.

## Hosfield Hurls No-Hitter, But Loses to Cards, 1 to 0

The Nilehi Junior Varsity baseball team was defeated by Arlington by the Cardinals on Thursday, April 29, by a score of one to nothing.

Jim Hosfield, Trojan hurler, pitched a no-hit game against the opponents, but the Trojans lost, nevertheless.

In the last of the seventh inning with one out, an Arlington batter hit a ground ball to Hosfield, but he threw low to first base, and the runner was safe. After stealing second he scored on an error.

The Cardinal pitcher was equally tough, and Dick Hughes, Trojan catcher, got credit for the only hit of the game. on the Trojan second baseman, thereby scoring the only run of the game.

## SPORT SLANTS

by Don Brown

It doesn't take a big man to be a golfer. Ben Hogan, the little Texan, proved this fact by becoming one of the best men in the game. This same fact is also true of this year's Nilehi golf team. Kenny La Plant, sophomore, who has so far proved to be the lowest scorer on the team, is only five feet, five inches tall and weighs 124 pounds. The other boys and their dimensions are as follows: Dick Baumann, junior, five feet, two inches tall, 110 pounds; Bill Bierbaum, five feet, two inches tall, 118 pounds; Ted Eckert, junior, five feet, six inches tall, 135 pounds. The only skyscraper on the team is Dick Kessler, sophomore, who is six feet tall and weighs 165 pounds. Oddly enough, though, Dick had the highest score in the meet with Crystal Lake. And you may remember that Bob Dombrowski, no Paul Bunyan himself, was one of the best golfers in the state last year.

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Within the space of three weeks now, three Nilehi hurlers have turned in no-hit-run mound performances. Don Biehn, senior was the first to turn the trick against Leyden on April 16. Dave Boening then turned in a no-hitter against Evanston on April 23, as the frosh team beat the Wildkits, 7 to 2. Jim Hosfield pitched a no-hit game against the Arlington Cardinals last Thursday, but lost the game by a 1 to 0 score. Two errors in the last inning gave the Redbirds their only tally. Dick Hughes got the only hit for the Trojans in this contest.

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Spring football practice, the first of its kind at Niles, will end in a few weeks. Mr. Isaacson, football coach and athletic director, says that this early session accomplished its purpose, which was to brush the boys up on their fundamentals. Ike says that the blocking of the line-men has improved very much, and although the line is still somewhat slow, he expects this handicap to be overcome by the return of other gridmen who are out for baseball or track at the present time. The first fall practice will be held on August 25. This also is the earliest date that a fall practice was ever called, and there will be two practices each day.

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The senior swimming teams are still going strong in the second and eighth period classes on Thursdays and Fridays. In the second period, Noel Kiefer's water-churners are still way out in front of the other three teams, while Bill Bierbaum's team continues to set the

## Nilehi Golfers Win Over Crystal Lake

On their home course, Green Acres, in Norhbrook, the Trojan golfers, coached by Thomas Kiviluoma stroked their way to an easy victory over Crystal Lake on Monday, April 26, 14½ to ½. It was the first golf match of the season for Nilehi, and the team displayed mid-season strength by winning 14½ out of a possible 15 points.

Sophomore Ken La Plant paced his team with an eighteen-hole round of 79 for which he received 3 points. Bill Bierbaum, Ted Eckart and Dick Baumann also received 3 points apiece for hammering out scores of 82, 89 and 96 respectively. Dick Kessler took 2½ points with a 97, losing ½ point by tying his opponent on the first nine.

## Blessing Tops Basketball Scorers With 183 Points

Official statistics confirmed the fact that the Northeast Conference basketball champs, the Nilehi Trojans, scored a total of 914 points in 22 games while they held their opponents to 839 points.

Forward Jim Blessing, who played on the second string the first part of the season was high scorer on the squad with a total of 183 points in 22 games for an average of 8.3 points per game. Jim placed eighth in the individual conference scoring with 125 points. He was the "hottest" scorer in the conference, and in his last five conference games he averaged 16.9 points per game.

The most points the Trojans scored against an opponent last season was 56 against Highland Park while the most points scored against the Trojans was 49 points made by Libertyville and New Trier. In the final conference game at Leyden the Trojans scored their largest amount of points in one quarter, 25 points in the second period. At East Aurora the 'Men of Troy' made the highest percentage of the shots, sinking 16 shots out of 35 attempted for .457 average.

Going back to the individual scoring, Jim Blessing attempted the most baskets 244 and sank the most baskets 70. Out of the starting five, Gordon Anderson, center, had the best percentage of his attempted baskets making 46 baskets on 126 attempted shots for an average of .365 and also highest percentage of free throws. He sank 37 charity throws out of 56 attempts averaging .661. But besides this remarkable shooting 'Andy' committed the most fouls, 63.

pace in the eighth period. Below are the points up to April 20.

Second Period		Eighth Period	
Kiefer	166	Hilfer	82
Brown	98	Bierbaum	121
Gregor	86	Fitzgerald	118
Paollet	67	Ross	52