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NTHS 'Brains' Go Over Ether

Three students of Niles Township high will be the voice when "Young America Speaks" November 8 at 11:30 a.m. over station WBBM in the Wrigley Building.

Sponsored by the Board of Education of Chicago and broadcast non-commercially through C.B.S. in Chicago, six glorified quiz kids chosen from Nilehi and an opposing school, the name of which has not been announced, will vie for honors on the "Young America Speaks" broadcast. No prizes will be awarded.

The John Kierans of Nilehi will be Mildred Bergmark, Lillian Miethke, and Ted Canty. Alternates will be Grace Langan and Wayne Barton. All contestants are members of Miss Grace Harbert's problems class. Free tickets to the broadcast may be obtained from her.

Students were chosen by teachers and selection was based on their scholastic record. The questions will be primarily on social sciences and current events.

The See Chicago club is planning to attend the broadcast and spend all day at places of interest after the broadcast. Some of the members may go to the Rosenwald museum.

Free Day Comin' Up

Oct. 31. Hallowe'en Dance. Gym.

8:30 p.m.

Nov. 6 Foreign Language Club.

7:30 p.m.

Nov. 7. G.A.A. Initiation. Gym.

7:30 p.m.

Nov. 8. See Chicago Club Trip. All Day.

Nov. 11. Armistice Day. No School!

Only Until 1:45 Today To Name School Event

In approximately 3 hours and 45 minutes your opportunity to submit a name for the Harvest Festival, called the carnival last year, will end. With it will go forever your chances of becoming immortal for having named this traditional event and winning a dollar's worth of tickets which will more than enable you to dance, attend a vaudeville, play games, see a swimming exhibition, and eat. Go now and place your entry with your "John Hancock" written on it in the receptacle in the cafeteria.

In order to have a more unbiased selection of names, the following procedure will be used: the faculty publicity committee will choose the ten best entries; these will be submitted to the Student-Faculty forum who, in turn, will elect representatives by whom the winning name will be chosen.

Erman Kramer, New Senior President, Assumes Leadership of Class of '42

"Well-'er-you know," constituted the only feeling Erman Kramer could modestly stammer when asked how he liked being senior president. Being head of a group, however; is no innovation for Erman since he was president of his class at Gale school.

The Arkansas Traveler would find a person of his own type in "Erm." For Erman hasn't stayed long enough in one place to even "get the smell of it." Born in Portland, Oregon, Erman has taken a hop-skip-and jump across the continent by way of Chicago, Albany, N.Y., New York City, and finally Skokie. Consequently, Erman has attended numerous high schools: Albany high, one month; Baysides, N. Y., one year — establishing a new

record for Erman; Sullivan, two weeks; and then to — guess where?

Regardless of where he has been, his three hobbies have remained the same. Being handy-man at a lodge for five weeks up in Minnesota this summer, "Erm" pursued one of his three hobbies — fishing. Falling in with "rod-throwing" comes sports, chiefly football, as the second hobby which occupies Erman's time.

Because he plans to attend Lehigh, an engineering college in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, Erman will have no chance to devote either time or money to his third hobby — girls. Not that he doesn't want to, but when only boys attend the school, what can he do?

Nilehi's Hop Is This Eve

As little Bertha Nilehi was walking along near State and Madison early this morning, a witch suddenly tapped poor, little Bertha on the shoulder.

"Tonight from 8 to 12 in Nilehi's big gym," she cackled, "the unpredictable Wayne Barton will reign as master of ceremonies at the dance. I have also been told by my magic cat that in the supporting cast will be Mardy McKeever and Ed Brietenbach.

The black-clad figure, cape flying, and a broomstick trailing behind, gazed into a huge volume and read thus to the astounded Bertha: "Folks used to believe that by jumping over a lighted candle one would have his future mate disclosed to him. So tonight is ripe for the Hallowe'en Hop.

"The school is co-operating," she mumbled on, "with your town's Chamber of Commerce, which is to supply the orchestra, the refreshments, and part of the entertainment. Every student is invited free of charge."

Continuing to gaze into her brilliant crystal ball, she added, "I am informed that Grace Langan is the publicity manager, and that her campaign supporters are Marie Throop, Rita Miller, and Ruth Roberts.

Her parting words of wisdom were a reminder that no alumni or guests may attend, no costumes or jeans will be permitted, and all standard party rules must be observed.

Honors at Audition Claimed by Eleven

Seven groups which tried out at the N.B.C. auditions held October 23, won the chance to appear at the final tryouts held Wednesday at the Builders building, 223 North La Salle street.

The seven accepted scripts were written by Rita Miller, Cherie Neutz, Mardy McKeever, and Evelyn Myers and monologues by Ruth Roberts, Mary Baumhardt, and Evelyn Myers. Those who won are now eligible to appear on future broadcasts of the "High School Studio Party."

All scripts and monologues were original and the production and casting were in the hands of students. Participants earned the praise of Mr. Everett Lande who said he had never granted final audition privileges to such a large group of students as he did at Nilehi.

Niblets



Tonight comes that maze of fantasy and surrealism—that crazy chaos of goblins and ghosts, well-mixed with food and fun—Halloween.

But more important than Halloween have been three hectic days of senior presidential campaigning. Wayne "Mugwump" Barton provoked a sensation when he spoke Monday in class for Erman Kramer, and Tuesday rooted for Mardy Mckeever over the PA system . . . Cries of "traitor!" rose as he returned to second period problems class. Anyway, Erm won—thereby proving that "The Male Animal" has *something* . . .

Music from nowhere kept popping up in one of the second floor classes last week. Teacher wondered if the office had been forgetful and left the speaker on, but perhaps Jean Holmes' concealed portable radio was more significant . . . And while on the subject of amnesia, mention should be made of the student waitress, who, serving at the coaches' banquet, blankly put an empty plate in front of one of the coaches. She thought a piece of was attached. . .

Three-Act "Play." Modern Version

SCENE: Dottie Lund's living room

Act I: Enter Joe Weber

Act II: Enter Glenford Bremmer

Act III: Re-enter Joe

Ad: Lipstick removed from clothing. No extra charge. Phone Tea Tock cleaners.



Memo on the hay rack party: Next time, fellas, better

remember to bring kleenex.

Puzzle of the week rests in what the "sink-squad" is to do with Bob Evans. The poor boy can't float, and the team feels that a pair of water wings would be a bit obvious . . . Bake or broil makes little difference. to wit: Tom, Dick, Rich, and John thought the rule for broiling toast held in "cooking" muffins! What happens when muffins are broiled? See the chefs!

Get hep, kids, for the Halloween hop! Tonight is the one night of the year that you can go around "looking like the devil" and not have any kicks coming!

Growls from the Grandstand

Dear Editor:

I'm just an ignorant junior with practically no knowledge of election mechanics but it seems to me that the senior presidential campaign was a "Martin and the Coys" affair. Isn't it ridiculing Emily Post's standards to print "Joe Blow for President" across the length of a blackboard in four-foot letters without first getting the teacher's permission? Isn't it rather "corny" humor to erase Prunella Pipsqueak's name on a poster and put Sebastian Sanskrit's in its place?

Ed Shuns Excuse 'My Nose is Shiny'

"I have to powder my nose."

According to Eddie May this is the most over-used alibi to gain passage to any place but the outdoors or cafeteria during the fifth period. Eddie ought to know. He's the popular monitor on the northeast stairway every fifth period of the week.

Personality smile, nice tan, and genial manners make Eddie a well-liked junior around N.T.H.S. His pastime is spent in sleeping and downing milk shakes. He drops into dreamland with ease if Kay Kyser, his favorite orchestra conductor, plays something quiet.

"No doubt," mused Eddie, "certain teachers think that I am in a sleep most of the time. That may be so, but I think better when relaxed."

Eddie enjoys sports and the jingle of money in his pocket. His ambition is to enjoy life.

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Doesn't rushing into a quiet class room without permission and putting up a poster in a noisy manner show amazing audacity on the campaigner's part?

If the answer to these inquiries is "yes," then all I can say is—when I'm a senior I hope these questions won't be asked of our class.

Yours with a growl,
Disgruntled Pestbrook Wegler.

Whozit?

She's a junior this year
And I'll add if I may,
She seems to like boys
By the cognomen, Ray.
These clues are enough—
They give her away.
So, come on you kids;
Now, What-do-ya-say?

Florence Schramm

Mr. Benette's 312 Offers Mystery

Not even the witches of old could brew the magic and get the results found in Mr. Benette's dark room; so if you're afraid of the dark, steer clear of the Photography club.

Shelves bearing odd-shaped flasks add to the mysterious atmosphere. The room has a sink with hot and cold running water for washing films. Above the sink is a light that sends out weird, greenish-yellow rays that make the people in the room look like Zombies.

However, there are still too many camera-ite fans that would like to take photography but cannot as class numbers must be limited to ten students in each of the three different sections that meet in the biology room on Monday's, Wednesday's, and Friday's during eighth periods.

Disc Dope

All aboard! "Disc Dope express" leaving for "My Kentucky Home," Bing Crosby's latest recording. On the way Woody Herman's arrangement of "Hey Doc!" and Duke Ellington's "Giddybug Gallop" gives all a chance to jitterbug.

Next stop "A Gay Ranchero" with songstress Connie Boswell and Tommy Dorsey's "Neiani" sets a picture of swaying grass skirts and palm trees.

As the express pulls in on track 39 Al Donahue's "Why Don't We Do This More Often" completes the round trip ticket.

'Forward with Books' is National Theme

Evanston Teacher Will Present Slides

"Kommet Alle!" is the invitation Miss Theresa Kranz's German group is extending to the Foreign Language club members at the meeting November 6 at 7:30 p.m. at the high school.

Mr. E. L. Mothole, prominent lecturer of the Evanston Township high school language department, will show colored slides that he made during his tours through Germany and other European countries.

"Since Mr. Mothole is in demand as a lecturer at many universities and colleges, the language club is fortunate to arrange for his appearance here," said Miss Kranz.

To add to the program's interest will be that old substantial favorite—food!

This 'n That

Fifteen bus trips are necessary to transport approximately 550 of the 800 pupils to their homes. Six buses leave at 2:45 p.m., six again at 3:45 p.m., and three buses carrying participants in athletics at 5 p.m.

Only 55 days until Christmas—that's the theme in homeroom 206. This far-seeing homeroom turned over its \$2 prize money won by its float in the homecoming parade to a Christmas tree fund.

Mr. Kenneth Weidau, twirling instructor, stated that there has been an increase in enrollment in that department over last year. Fourteen girls have just begun twirling, and the six intermediate twirlers, Jane Breckenridge, Carolyn Huemmer, Eleanor Jacobs, Rosemary Racine, Gladys Rossman, and Pat Tracy will become majorettes next year, providing that they can meet the test.

Step close, step . . . that's what the eight freshman homerooms hear every week in the girls' gym as they learn the principles of dancing in preparation for their future "social life at Nilehi," and incidentally for the frosh party, November 18.

Exclamations of wonder changed into bursts of laughter when Grant Kuhn masqueraded as a danseuse at the sophomore party two weeks ago. His/her escorts were Tom Davidson, Frank Buofford, and Eugene Paulsen.

Talented Freshmen will Observe Book Week

Brain experts in Miss Lucille Ronald's freshman English classes will observe National Book week beginning Monday with a "Hidden Talent" contest.

The national theme, "Forward With Books" will be carried out by dramatizations, posters, and maps of the students' favorite books.

Hungry Bookworms Eat Solid Nutritive Material

When some authors wrote their titles, they must have been thinking of everyday situations at N.T.H.S. Since book week starts Monday, we thought we'd give you an idea of these animated manuscripts found loose in all the best libraries!

"Stranger in the House." Freshmen.
 "Great Hunger." Just before lunch.
 "Far from the Madding Crowd." Escaping into a quiet room from the study hall.

"Forever Free." Feelings of a senior just before (not after) graduation.

"Seats of the Mighty." Place on the Student-Faculty forum.

"Come and Get It." Katie's call.

"Hold Back the Dawn." The feeling one has on Sunday evening.

"And the Time will Come." Senior's words to a freshman.

Become Well-Informed By Reading New Book

If you enjoy running up the light bill, you might read James Craig's "Danger is My Business" which relates the life of a man who gambles with death for a business.

There is a beauty tip to the fellows in Dorothy Stote's "Men, too, Wear Clothes" which presents the personal appearance of the tall, short, fat, or thin man.

Other new books are Irving Crump's and John Newton's "Our G Man," Irvin Cobb's "Exit Laughing," and Frederick Allen's "Since Yesterday."

Four Choristers Picked For All-State Chorus

Audrey Brown, Marilyn Hohns, Danny Dever, and Zenon Turski have been chosen to represent NTHS in an All-State sing. This chorus will meet at the University of Illinois, November 5 to 7.

I Reckon You'll Have Fun Elmer

Dear Elmer:

Here's somethin' I been burstin' to tell you ever since I first heerd about it. I'm counting the days 'till November 14, when there's gonna' be, sure 'nough, big doin's here at Nilehi. They've always called it the carnival before but I don't know yet what they're callin' it this y'ar. If you read the next issue of the Nilehilite, you can find out all you need know about it.

You fill up your wagon with all the gals and guys you can find and hall 'em into town for the big doin's. I hear it ain't gonna' cost much, but save all the egg money you can and you'll have a barrell o' fun.

Don't forget to bring your shoes 'cause there's gonna' be dancin', an' to a mighty fancy orkestry, with real honest-to-goodness instruments.

Got to go tend to the milkin', now.
 Slim.

P. S. Do you think we oughta' ask some purty gals?

Miss Line Is Teaching New Clothing Course

For the first time, Niles Township high school has an advanced clothing class which Miss Alice Line, the instructor, has been wanting for a number of years.

The thirteen students in the class have all had some experience in sewing, either at home or in one of the school's beginning courses.

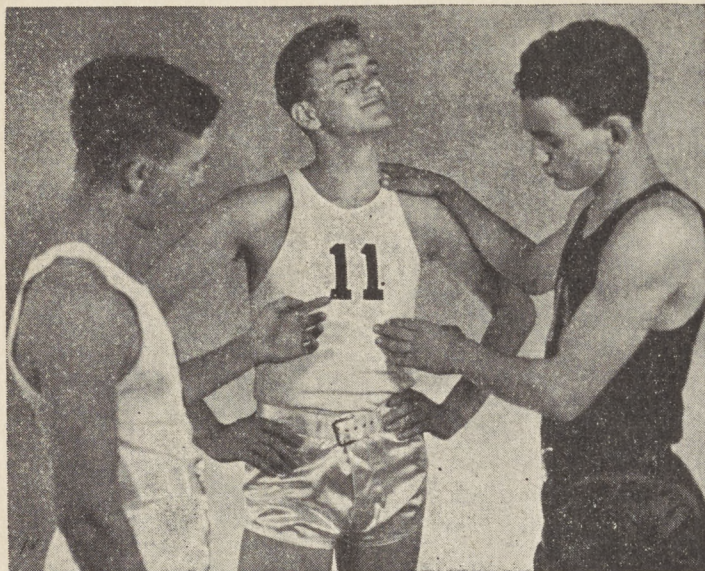
In collaboration with Miss Line's other classes, the girls will give two fashion shows this year, one for the freshmen on October 31, and the other at the end of the school year.

'Book You Left Behind' May Be Under Stairs

A new duty which the Monitor and Ushers' club has taken over is the lost and found department. Formerly, the office handled all lost articles. The new system will relieve the office staff of this task.

All lost articles will be brought to the office as usual, but will be transferred to the closet under the main stairs off the cafeteria. This closet will be kept open during all lunch periods. If articles are not called for in 30 days, they will be sold.

Something New Is Added



That smug look of Bob Podraza's is for the benefit of Carl Huscher and Henry Dahm who are getting a preview showing of the new 1941-42 basketball uniform. All three boys are major lettermen. The uniforms are white satin for home games and blue satin for "away games."

Trojan Bucket-eers to Start Practice; To Meet ETHS Wildkits November 19

With but three weeks to prepare for their first tilt, Nilehi's varsity and J.V. basketball squads hold their first practice session tomorrow morning. Both teams will meet Evanston's Wildkits November 19 in their season opener, and take on New Trier the following Saturday.

New uniforms, as well as last year's speedy J.V. conference champs, have been added to the 1941-42 varsity squad. As only three senior veterans remain to form the nucleus of the Trojan varsity, the team will be chiefly comprised of newcomers to the senior squad.

Nilehi's season on the maple this year will be marked by a two-day

G.A.A. Plans Initiation For Freshmen Nov. 7

Seventy-five G.A.A. pins will find new owners at the formal initiation of freshman girls November 7. This meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the gymnasium.

Speakers at the initiation will be Jane Kadlec, Claire Juniac, Rosanna King, Pat Cole, and Beverly Kramer, all members of the G.A.A. executive board. Further entertainment will consist of dancing, singing, and a dramatic skit performed by G.A.A. girls.

Parents of all the members are invited to attend this program. Refreshments will be served in the cafeteria at the close of the entertainment. During this time the girls will introduce their mothers and dads to their friends.

tour to southern Illinois where Trojans will play two strong down-state squads, Watseka and Sheldon. Other non-conference games included in this year's schedule are against Maine, New Trier, and Evanston.

One of the high-spots of the basketball season will come when the teams meet the Alumni five on December 20. Keen rivalry will make this "must see" contest one of the most exciting games to be played.

TERMITES

In the Bench

Nilehi's cross country team dropped the meet with Leyden's runners 27 to 30. In this race, which was not the full two miles, Howard Johnston, sophomore prospect, ran off with first honors. Bob Glatz was second and Bob Podraza finished sixth.

Here's to the salesmen who helped put to death the G.A.A. debt. From all reports the magazine sale was another success.

According to Richard Hartney, plans for a lettermen's club are well under way. At present a constitution is being formed. Members of the planning committee, Robert Eichelkraut, Donald Hezner, Wayne Barton, and Bud Cook, will meet with Coach Isaacson to discuss the matter further, after football season.

Eddie should be an "A" one student in auto shop if the bump-out job on his car is any example of his ability, or haven't you seen it?

15 Trojans Say Goodby Sat.

Tomorrow as Nilehi plays host to Woodstock's varsity and junior varsity, 15 Trojans will fight their last grid battle. The games will start at 12:30 and 2:30 p.m. In this, the last and Henry Dahm who are getting a preview showing of the new 1941-42 basketball uniform. All three boys are major lettermen. The uniforms are white satin for home games and blue satin for "away games."

Trojans Favored

Each team has fought the same conference opponents and so, on the basis of past scores, the Trojans should win by at least two touchdowns. Against Lake Forest the Trojans won 6 to 0 while Woodstock lost to the Foresters 13 to 0. Woodstock lost to Leyden 26 to 0 while Niles Township won from the Eagles 20 to 7. However, this was Woodstock's first game of the season and since then it has been improving.

Team Plans Victory

Reports from Coach Isaacson indicate that the Trojans have definite plans for ending the season with a victory. He has put the team through stiff drills the past week and unless last minute injuries occur, the team should be just about at top strength.

48 Cage Teams Vie For Championship

Again intramural football is put on the shelf for another year, and out of the mothballs come the basketballs. From out of the boys' gym classes come such words as cooties, bedbugs, skunks, and rats. It's not that the boys are calling each other names but these titles are just a few of the monickers used by four of the 48 teams in the boys' gym classes.

Play Width of Floor

With the short 40 minute periods it has been necessary to play the width of the floor in order to enable a team to get at least 25 minutes of actual playing time.

Winners of basketball letters last year act as referees. Regular basketball rules are followed and although the playing time is short, there is plenty of action.

Plaque Award to Champs

Each team has a definite schedule of games. From each class will come a winner. Class champions will play until one team emerges undefeated. To this team goes the honor of having its members and team name placed on a plaque and displayed in the trophy case.