

BEST OF LUCK
TO THE
GRADUATES

NILEHILITE

Vol. 20 — No. 15

Niles Township High School, Skokie, Illinois

Friday, June 5, 1959

DON'T FORGET
TO COME BACK
IN 90 DAYS!

Both Divisions Seek Additions

THE GROWTH OF enrollment at Niles has again made a building addition referendum necessary, according to Mr. Harold R. Ohlson, administrator in charge of public relations and research.

Because classroom space for 1,300 more students is needed by September 1961, and in order to forestall the split-shift system in 1961, there is a building additions referendum proposed to be voted on June 6.

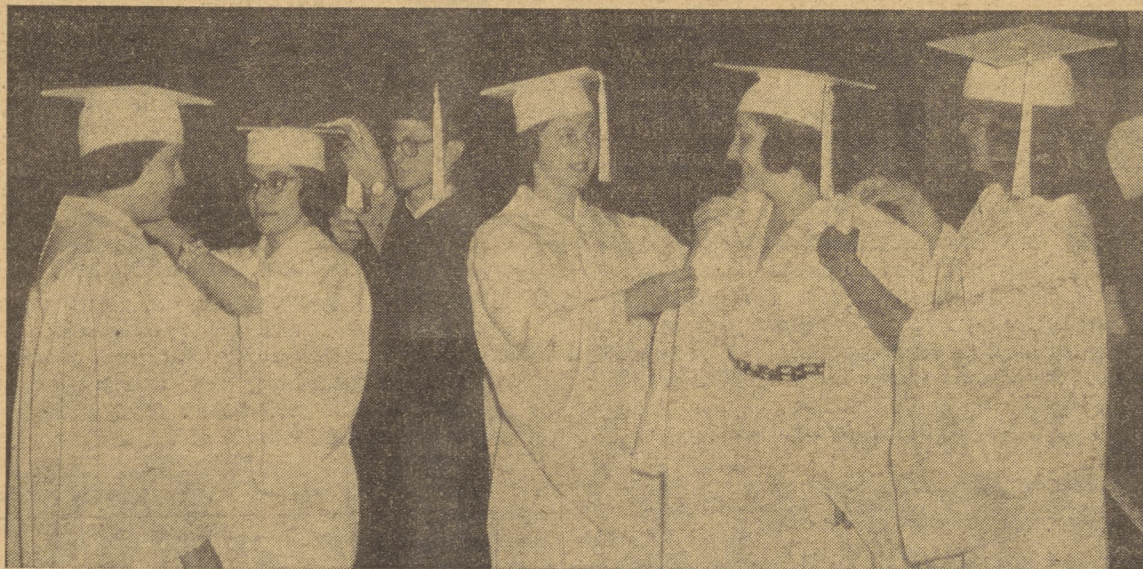
The provisions of the referendum apply to both divisions. The East Division will get 24 new academic classrooms, enlarged physical education facilities, relocated and enlarged music department, new and larger library, a new study hall, and remodeled cafeteria.

The West Division will get 24 new academic classrooms, including five industrial arts shops now lacking, larger cafeteria facilities, one new study hall, and additional corridor and staircase installations.

Although the proposed expansion lends itself to easy conversion to two four-year schools and to satisfy the needs that will arise up to September 1961-62, it is only the first step in a program, according to Mr. Ohlson.

The need for expansion of gym facilities is shown by the fact that senior girls at Nilehi must skip physical education next year because of lack of these facilities. However, enlarged gym facilities will be a major part of the expansion program at Nilehi East.

Final Plans Are Completed For Graduation Festivities



This scene from the 1958 Commencement showing seniors making last-minute preparations will be repeated Thursday, as Nilehi graduates the largest class in its 20-year history, 601 students.

THE STRAINS OF "Pomp and Circumstance" permeating from the music room walls on the East Campus have been the unofficial signal that Graduation Day is here.

For the first time since June, 1953, the graduates will receive their diplomas indoors, in the West Gymnasium. The school's largest class of 601 seniors will be presented with their diplomas by the Board of Education president, Dr. John Speer and Board Secretary, Mr. Kenneth Littrell.

Beginning at 8:00 p.m., the graduation program will open with

an overture of music by the Nilehi Concert Orchestra. Guest speaker is to be Leland Carlson, President of Rockford College and former Northwestern University professor.

Others to be on the platform on this occasion will include Mr. Paul Houghton, Acting Superintendent; Dr. Keith Kavanaugh, Principal of East Division; Mr. Keith Hertwick, and Mr. Marvin Ihne, Assistant Principals of the East Division; and Mr. Onni Hendrickson, Senior Class sponsor.

The class of 1959 is presenting as the class gift a movable staircase for the stage to be used at assembly programs and other functions taking place in the

gymnasium and assembly hall.

June 11, it seems, will not be long enough for the graduates. After the traditional Senior Breakfast and class program in the West Campus cafeteria, the dress rehearsal for the graduation ceremony will begin. The seniors will be finished with all morning activities at 1:00 in the afternoon.

Yearbook Staff Chooses Chief

GENE VETO has been chosen to head the 1959-60 Reflections General Staff, according to Miss Jean Jackson, sponsor.

The associate editorships, which will be filled in the near future, are classroom, section, activities, special events, sports, faculty, and portraits editors.

Seniors who will fill these positions and serve on the General Staff are Marcia Braverman, Phyllis Baran, Judy Anderson, Robin Withall, Joan Wolter, Jack Wollman, Shelley Wexler, Joanne Zweig, and Mary Maselli.

Junior members of the staff, who have been chosen so far, are Trudy Saunders, Mary Ann Freda, Steve Bookchester, Ken Norgan, Marilyn Hirsch, Ken Williams, and Carol Martin.

These students were part of the special sophomore staff sponsored by Mr. Henry Abram.

The sophomore staff was chosen last year to aid the East Division group because of the difficulties caused by the two buildings.

On Monday, June 8, the annual Senior Picnic and Outing will be held at Cedar Lake, Illinois.

Jrs. Elected in Homeroom For Next Year's Council

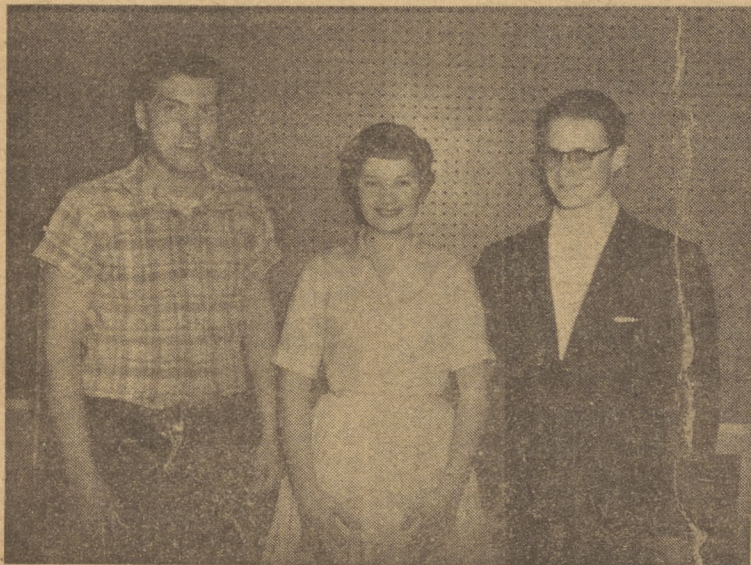
MAY 26 MARKED the day when juniors voted for homeroom representatives to the East Division Student Council.

Under the leadership of Lenny Engstrom, president; Bob Feinberg, vice-president; and Susan Getman, secretary, 34 seniors will sit in Student Council next year.

Newly elected representatives

Grossman, 221.

Others are Mike Pildes, 222; Carol Brandt, 223; Bob Bem, 224; Caren Fredson, 226; Jerry Hildebrand, 231; Mike Gordon, 223; Karen Johnson, 313; Jackie Callow, 315; Pat Burke, 316; Jeff Sippil, 319; Pat Camerus, 320; Sue Hyman, 321; Betty Mayer, 322; Bonnie Stevens, 325; and Jeri Banash, 325.



The new officers of the Student Council plan for next year, from left to right, are Lenny Engstrom, president; Sue Getman, secretary, and Bob Feinberg, vice president.

are Judy Hendrikson, 14; Diane Miller, 18; Steve Pinsky, 23; Lydia Riccardi, 107; Carol Egan, 108; Carole Waller, 110; Elaine Tension, 120; Clay Voegtli, 206; Dick Gunsaulus, 209; Dorothy Jaeger, 211; Phyllis Baran, 213; Mannie Pollack, 214; Marty Frank, 215; Kay Grabow, 217; Karen Paul, 219; Jackie Hillstrand, 220; Dave

Elections were held in the spring so that necessary programming could be arranged. Committees are now being formed from the new members for next year's Homecoming Committee.

Members of the 1959 Homecoming Committee will be announced on Monday, June 8.

Nilehilights

Too Many Leaders

DURING A RECENT sixth period American Literature class conducted by Mrs. June Todd, the subject of admission to colleges came up. Mrs. Todd related this actual incident to her students:

On the admission form to the highly-accredited Vassar's girl school in New York State there is one question to be filled out by the student's parents. It states, "Is your daughter a leader?" One parent, being very truthful, replied "no." His daughter was in tears for she knew this would disqualify her from admittance. This was the reply from Vassars to the prospective student:

Dear Mr. Parker,

We are very pleased to receive your daughter's application to Vassars. We gladly accept her, for you see, out of all the applications we've received there are 325 leaders and only one follower.

Sincerely,
Mildred Paskins,
Admissions Director,
Vassars University

No Bad Effects?

TO EVALUATE THE EFFECT of "Bermuda Day" on classes, a questionnaire was sent to the faculty. One-third has responded as follows: (1) It had good effects: nine. (2) It made no difference: eight. (3) It made little difference: nine. (4) It had some bad effect: three. (5) It had very bad effect: one.

Vivace To Hold Concert To Finance Texas Trip

VIVACE IS OFF to Dallas. That is, they will be on Sunday, June 14, when they leave Skokie for Dallas to sing at the Kiwanis International Convention there.

Before they leave, the group will hold a concert at Nilehi West on June 12 and 13 to raise money for the trip, so that the Kiwanis Club of Skokie Valley will not have to carry the entire expense of the trip.

The 44-girl chorus will sing selections from their repertoire which includes "A Bushel and a Peck," "The Lord's Prayer,"

Then on Sunday, June 14, the group will head for Dallas on the Rock Island Railroad. They will arrive in Dallas on Monday morning. The girls will stay in the dorms on the Southern Methodist campus.

Vivace will give concerts on Tuesday at the Memorial Auditorium Convention Hall at Dallas. On Tuesday evening they will sing approximately seven times at both the Baker and Adolphus Hotels in Dallas.

The group will leave Dallas



Vivace girls (from left to right) Betty Stine, Gladys Lindberg, Marlene Derman, Anne Cusic, Judy Matter, Penny Boom, and Nancy McAvoy practice for the Dallas concert.

"All in the Golden Afternoon," and "I Believe." The program will also include selections from "Off Camera," this year's musicale.

Tickets for the concert may be purchased from any member of Kiwanis, Vivace, or at the door on the night of the concert. Tickets are \$2.00 apiece.

on Wednesday night at 9 p.m. and will arrive Thursday night in Skokie at 9 p.m.

Mr. Hugh McGee, the chairman of the music department at Nilehi, directs the group. Vivace was started seven years ago when Mr. McGee came to Nilehi from Urbana High School in Urbana, Illinois.

Of Cabbages and Kings

Seniors Step Into Future

TODAY IS THE last day of school.

For the juniors, cramming, finals, and a whole year of high school life ahead. But for the seniors, it's a different story.

Some are finishing their high school careers and are going on to earn a B.A., M.A., or MRS. degree in college.

For others, today is the last day of formal schooling for the rest of their lives.

It seems that students about to graduate receive more advice than gifts. They may think, who needs advice at a time like this, a time when there is something as important as the beginning of a whole new way of life so near. Though we are not supposed to get sentimental, we will risk this much philosophy.

This may be the end of school, but it is also the step forward into a summer and a life which can be fruitful or completely wasted.

To many of us, summer is just a chance to lie in the sun until we become an equally painful red on both sides. We sometimes accomplish little more in a lifetime.

"No more homework, no more books, no more teacher's dirty looks." No more of these, true, but ending the push toward education that the law demands too often means ending the use of days in a worthwhile way, whether for the summer or for the rest of your life.

We don't mean that each of you must be a great scientist or athlete. The person who does his best to make some person happy has accomplished one of the most worthwhile things in life. The person who grows within himself or betters himself in some way has accomplished something.

One more thing, the person who speaks softly and says something worth hearing is heard above the person who shouts loudly and without meaning.

These kind of people do not become this way by chance. It takes time.

You may remember the play, "Our Town," by Thornton Wilder from junior English. When Emily died, she took the privilege of reliving one day in her life. An unimportant one, at that. Through this visit she realized how precious every moment is and how much time we waste, the time that should and can mean so much.

What are your plans for the summer and the future?

Nilehi Talks...

Dear Editor,

THE PRIMARY GOAL of education is to assist the student in thinking for himself. There is a course required of freshmen which is destructive of this goal. The course is variously known as Freshman Social Studies, and to those so inclined, Freshman Supervised Study. The latter, I fear, is the most realistic appraisal.

Quoting from "Information Please," distributed to all prospective freshmen:

"This course (FSS 1 and 2) is planned to help you to adjust yourself to high school life and to help direct your thinking toward future plans."

Basically what this adjustment and planning consists of is a trip around the school and preparing a schedule to serve for the next few years in high school. The objection is that about six weeks are spent on this. To be sure, this course includes personality and vocational preference tests, but basically all that is accomplished is the filling out of a tentative schedule. In devoting so much time to this task, F.S.S. performs a job which could be handled by the homeroom teacher with as much success and considerably less time and effort.

What then should be done about F.S.S.?

Two paths immediately manifest themselves. First, the elimination of F.S.S. and, second, the removal of it as a required subject and the substitution of, say, Ancient or World History for it, assigning these subjects to a position of electives along with F.S.S., but requiring freshmen to take one of these courses. The latter alternative appears to be the more favorable.

A Frantic Social Studier

New GGG Members Thrill At Seeing Stories in Print

TWENTY-NINE STUDENTS received the thrill of seeing their "masterpieces" in print at the annual Golden Galleon Guild banquet held on Wednesday June 3 at the Tally-Ho Restaurant in Evanston.

New members are Joel Baker, Stanley Berman, Rozalyn Chapman, Barry Duke, Jim Georges, Fern Gilbert, Allan Gold, Ginger Golden, Abby Goldsmith, Phyllis Gould, Jerry Hildebrand, Louis Tanson, Kaurryne Kayman, Nancy Klingberg, Bonnie Lehr, Sandra Limbos, Bruce Locher, Karen Lucas, Faye McCall.

Others are Dawn Murray, Carolyn Oakes, Bill Pfau, Brian Pine, Steve Roff, Myrna Scher, Nancy Tovell, Barbara White, and Richard Wilson.

Old and new members of Golden Galleon, sponsored by Mrs. Parepa Rice, received their copies of Nilehi's literary magazine before distribution was made

to the rest of the school body.

The magazine costs 50 cents a copy. It is composed of short stories, poems, and essays chosen from over 544 manuscripts submitted to the Galleon. These manuscripts were placed in folders and were read by all old members of the Guild. Each story was marked by the reader with 3, 2, or 1, according to the value of the story.

These points were then averaged and a list of the names was submitted for a final screening. The members who were finally accepted as Golden Galleon members were sworn in as part of the banquet ceremonies.

The Nilehilite staff wishes to extend deep sympathy to Paula Karol, senior, on the death of her father Friday, May 29.

Class Turns Author For Orphan Group

"SO FULL OF smiles and happy, too, the little red phone went home with Sue. So glad to say good-bye to the other store, the little red phone was happy once more."

This was written by a junior girl at Nilehi. When Mrs. Nancy Standley gave her junior English classes an assignment to write a children's book complete with cover, and story, and pictures.

"A Funny New Zoo," "Daffy Dill the Parakeet," "Poopinella the Scotty Pup," and "The Little Red Telephone," are just a few of the many titles of the books.

Some people may think it strange for juniors to be writing books for first and second graders, but Mrs. Standley explained that many older people could not communicate with people who are younger. "This is an assignment on communication levels," said Mrs. Standley.

The books will be given to an orphanage. The students of the classes will choose which one they would like to go to.

Senior Talents Merit Awards

FIFTY-THREE SENIORS from Nilehi have received scholarship recognition and monetary grants from various colleges and organizations.

The winning of a scholarship indicates superior ability in many fields; it shows that its recipient has excelled in some field to the extent that some organization thinks him worthy of gaining a higher education to develop this particular talent.

Nilehi certainly has its share of "talented" seniors, as this 53 represents nine percent of the entire class.

Those seniors winning scholarships are:

Murray Averbach: Illinois State Scholarship Commission (ISSC), Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and University of Chicago; Jeanne Babcock; Knox College; Joel Baker: Grinnell College, and ISSC; Mike Banks: Florida State University; and Stan Berman Forensic League, Skokie Valley Kiwanis Club, and Tulane University.

Al Birholtz: M.I.T.; Aaron Bloch; ISSC, Latin Club, Forensic League, G. D. Searle and Co., and University of Chicago; Penny Boom: ISSC; Linda Burkhardt: ISSC; and Bill Chaitkin: ISSC, and Lincolnwood Woman's Club.

Carole Crafton: American Legion, Post 320; Carol Dankowski: Western Reserve University; Joan Eggersted: Woman's Club of Skokie, ISSC, and Rockford College; Jerry Enenstein: ISSC; Sheila Erdmann: ISSC; Allan Escher: ISSC; and Fred Foss: Newspaper Distributors Association of Chicago.

Steve Fox: ISSC; Joel Frandzel: ISSC; Pat French: Kalamazoo College, and Washington University; Gene Goldstein: Automatic Electric, and ISSC; David Graham: ISSC; Bill Haerle: University of Tulsa; Gerda Halbreich: ISSC; Sheldon Harsel: ISSC, and Knox College; and Lee Isel: ISSC.

Mark Johnson: Appointment to United States Merchant Marine Academy and appointment to United States Naval Academy; Ken Kramer: Grinnell College, and ISSC; Dave Kreinick: Brandeis University; Ron Kirschke: California Institute of Technology, Illinois Institute of Technology, ISSC, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Rensselaer Polytech Institute, and Yale University; and Jerry LeBarbera: ISSC.

Bob Levin: Case Institute of Technology, and Rensselaer Club of Chicago; Lance Lindquist: Metropolitan Y.M.C.A. of Chi-

'Poor' Boys Outnumbered In Nilehi Drama Course

BOYS, HOW WOULD you like to be in a class where 78 out of 90 students are girls. Wouldn't it be awful? This is the dilemma you would face if you took Drama.

In the coming school year, there will actually be two separate drama courses. The first semester will deal with "Appreciation of Drama." This is a study of the history of the theater. It will include the study of written plays from ancient to modern times. "Oedipus Rex" by Sophocles, "The Glass Menagerie" by Tennessee Williams, and "All My Sons" by Arthur Miller are among those to be studied. Eight television plays will, also, be read and discussed in class.

Semester two will give the students a chance to participate in the art of acting. Individual reading, pantomime, and choral readings will be included. Also, recordings will be made of the students' acting. Stage design, makeup, and costuming will also be covered in this

course.

The objectives of the drama course are "to furnish a background which will encourage the intelligent appreciation of the drama and to improve speech, posture, and poise, as well as broaden educational interest and promote artistic discrimination."

Translated, this means that after this course is completed, you may find out that you are talented.

As you can see, even if you don't aspire to be an actor or actress, you can still take this subject. Playwriting, directing, costuming, and makeup are essential parts of the theater, and you may find that you are interested in one of them.

So far, a "full fledged" actor or actress has not been produced from the Nilehi courses in drama. Perhaps you will be the first one.

Summer School Adds 3 Courses

A total of 45 courses will be offered at this year's summer school session. An even more astounding total of 91 semesters of work is being offered, according to Mr. Orland Ruyle, summer school director.

This year, three new courses are being offered—industrial arts, chemistry, and Algebra 3 and 4.

A new plan has been initiated this year to allow for the completion of two semesters work in six weeks. Instead of taking the first semester first period, and the second semester during the next period, students will take the first semester during both periods for three weeks and the second semester during the last three weeks.

This plan pertains only to Geometry 1 and 2, Chemistry 1 and 2, Algebra 3 and 4, Biology 1 and 2, United States History 1 and 2, and World History 1 and 2.

Mr. Ruyle believes that the value of summer school is three-fold: make-up work, acceleration, and enrichment. Students deciding whether or not to take summer school courses have time to sign up for the courses they want until the opening date, June 22.

Two Orators Repeat Winning Performance

THE WINNERS OF this year's Oratorical Contest were: Aaron Bloch, first place; Joanne Zweig, second; and Stan Berman, third.

Aaron, a senior, has placed first for the second year in a row. Stan also, a senior, placed third last year. Joanne, a junior, took the place of last year's winner, Rochelle Silverstein.

These students will give their speeches again Saturday, June 6, for Kiwanis luncheon to be held at Dohl's Morton House.

Mr. Paul Houghton, Acting Superintendent, also will be present at the luncheon.

The judges were Mr. Carl Yule, a past commander of the American Legion; Mrs. Bernard Konopka, a speech graduate of the University of Michigan; and Mr. John Banghart, graduate of Niles in '54.

Junior Girl Chosen For N.U. Summer Courses

MARLENE MARGOLIS, junior, has been chosen as one of 30 students from all over the United States to initiate the Northwestern Summer Institute on Education.

Marlene will be on the campus for five weeks. Students will have a chance to demonstrate their teaching ability and will be instructed by Northwestern professors.

Students were picked on the basis of scholarship, participation in extra-curricular activities, and recommendations of teachers.

Camera Shines On Nilehi Band

AMONG ASSORTED dogs, cats, floats, organizations, and small children, the Nilehi band will be found in the La Grange Pet Parade Saturday.

The annual parade will be televised from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. via WGN-TV, Channel 9.

The band was also engaged in two parades last Saturday when they appeared in both the Lincolnwood and Morton Grove Memorial Day parades. After these parades the band members attended their annual picnic. However, rain intruded upon the festivities. Despite the rain, on the other hand, the day was not a total loss to all, as over 45 dollars worth of ice cream was taken home by the participants.

NILEHILITE

Vol. 20 — No. 15 Friday, June 5, 1959

Published bi-weekly by the journalism department, Niles Township High School, Printed by J. Joseph Meier Publishing Company, Skokie, Illinois.

Shelley Wexler.....Editor-in-Chief
Dave Grossman.....News Editor
Jan Lanoff.....Feature Editor
Mike Ruby.....Sports Editor
Bonni Dicker.....Associate News Editor
Barbara Epstein.....Associate Feature Editor
Fran Grelsford.....Picture Editor
Connie Brodzik.....Exchange Editor
Staff Photographer.....Ted Masters
Special Writers.....Jerry Hildebrand
Linda Jackson
Faculty Advisor.....Mr. Paul Eberhardt



BY IAN LANOFF

CONTENTMENT OR IMPROVEMENT?

AFTER MY LAST column, many students told me that I was being too critical of our school. One student in particular told me, quote, "Since we are so much better than many of the high schools in this area, why don't you write nice things about our school?"

Those are the words of a contented person. There is an old saying, "It matters not where we stand, but in what direction we are moving." It does not help us to look back over our shoulders. We must look forward.

Where would our country be today: if Columbus was satisfied with a flat world? . . . if after reading a few books Abe Lincoln had thought, "I have read more than most of the people that I know; why should I read any more? . . . if Edison had been satisfied with candlelight?

The only way to make sure that Nilehi becomes a better school in the future is to point out what needs improving. Flattery will not bring action, but criticism will.

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE SENIORS?

It looks as if the day is finally approaching that will be solely for seniors: Graduation Day. After spending almost one-fourth of their lives, up to this time, at Nilehi, I feel that the seniors are entitled to a day of their own during the school year.

The blame for the lack of a Senior Day does not fall on the administration alone. It falls as well on the student representative organizations.

Perhaps if Student Council or Senior Cabinet had convinced the administration of the practicability of Senior Day, there might have been one. Then again, it seems as if the administration was not too cooperative. They wouldn't allow a sloppy dress day for seniors. They suggested a dress-up day. Naturally this was not acceptable to the students. Even when a Bermuda Day was permitted, it was for both juniors and seniors.

Until the students and the administration can work well together, other ideas will be stashed away and more privileges will be taken from the students.

"Ships just don't come in; someone has to steer them." The student council must be the captain of the ship Nilehi. It must steer a straight course towards better student faculty relations and more privileges for the students.

The seniors were the first ones to be hit by this lack of cooperation. Maybe the entire student body will be next.

Senior Steals Show At Chicago Nite Club

SANDY KLAPMAN senior, got his big break on Prom night. Sitting at the Black Orchid, he was coaxed by his friends to go on stage and lead other Nilehians in the school song. While on stage, he proceeded to steal the show. What next Mr. Klapman, Hamlet?

Principally Speaking

Self - Accounting

AT THE END of each year, directors of a business typically look back over the past months to evaluate the success of the business and at the same time to note its weaknesses. The coming year is then charted, using this evaluation as a guide to future action. In any successful organization such a plan of accounting is essential to its operation. This procedure is no less important for each individual. If you, as an individual, are going to be successful, you must "take stock" ever so often to see how you are progressing.

In order to measure your progress through life, however, you must have a goal. Do you have one? Is it clearly defined? Do you really know what you are going after? A clearly defined goal

is one of the major requirements you must meet in working out your plan for self-accounting. It is so easy to be vague or very general about where you want to go or what you want to do in life. Because of this, a great deal of effort is required to set forth clear, purposeful goals, but it is worth the effort . . . make it.

After you have set up your goals an honest appraisal of your progress will lead you to ask:

1. What things did I do this year that helped me toward my goals?
2. What things did I do this year that retarded my progress?
3. Did I put forth my best effort?
4. How can I correct my errors?
5. In the light of the past year's experience, are my goals still reasonable . . . desirable?

In one way or another each of us answers these questions throughout his lifetime. The successful person knows the importance of working out a plan for self accounting in an organized way, and systematically evaluating his progress. How are you coming with your self accounting?

With this last issue of the NileHilite I want to express my thanks to the students for their cooperation during my first year at Nilehi. We have a wonderful school. In the years to come let us work together to release the full potential of this great school so we may be ever proud to say . . . "We're from Niles Township High School!"

Keith Kavanaugh



Introducing Judy Comiano

AS OF NOW Judy Comiano ranks first in the senior class, but her secret desire is far from the classroom. Judy wants to play the drums, but "no one else in my family goes along with me," she laughs.

"Coming down to earth, I'd like to be able to help educate people. The only way that the world is going to find happiness is through understanding, and understanding comes only through education," she added.

Next year will find her at the University of Michigan starting her preparation for her teaching career. She would like to major in English and minor in French. After graduation from college, her goal is to teach high school.

Like most people, Judy has one fervent dislike, and this is people who have too many dislikes. "I guess I'm just normal when it comes to likes and pet peeves.

I like the usual foods, ambitious and sincere people, and, of course, Frank Sinatra," she said. "But music is a main hobby. I'd like to see an elective music appreciation course here at Nilehi. I don't know how many people would sign up for it, but I would."

During her four years at Nilehi, Judy's been active in the National Honor Society, Choir, Vivace and the musicales among other things. "Right now I'm looking forward to graduation and Vivace's trip to Dallas."

"You know," sighed Judy, "if I could be any off-beat thing, I'd like to be a beautiful rose blooming in a garden."



Showing off their knees are, from left to right: Lois Carlson, Sue Graff, Jeff Lampert, Sue Levin, Mickey Kadison, Sheila Erdmann, June Solomon, Norm Messer, and Ken Noesen.

Knobby Knees Displayed On Nilehi Bermuda Day

THE TWO THINGS most in evidence Friday, May 29 were prom plans and legs.

Last Friday was the first Nilehi Bermuda Day, causing more legs to be shown around the old school than at the Follies Bergere. All the upperclassmen were allowed to wear Bermuda shorts to school with only one qualifying rule: the shorts could not be more than two inches above the knees. Some rulers we know won't be this busy again until the Geometry final.

On the whole, the students behaved well. There were, however, a few incidents. After second period a group of kids set off the fire alarm and cleared the building. Rumor has it they were trying to sell lap blankets in the parking lot.

The day dawned cool and crisp, and the nurse reports she treated three cases of frost-bitten knees. In the afternoon as the temperature went up, the students in shorts remained cool. Their fellow students, clad in long pants or skirts, began to show signs of wilting. By 3:20 not one person wearing Bermuda's had fainted from the heat (there's a testimonial for you).

A visitor to the school was heard to say, "When I was their age, I always wanted to wear long pants;

It's the best that it's ever been. Beatniks are for the birds. All they ever do is tear something down—they never offer suggestions for improvement. I'm a pepnik or an optinik.

But, man, I sound like a square. Gee, cats, I'm not. I like hamburgers with mustard and ketchup on them. Those hall monitors who act like Simon Legree and chew you out on every detail of your pass are my pet peeve. Baseball and football really rate. At California Tech I'm going to go out for both sports.

I have just one suggestion to offer for the improvement of Nilehi which is a real swingin' school. I feel that the school board, the administration, faculty and student body should work together to build a family unit sharing common interests based on basic principles and goals.

One of my main interests is the church group of which I'm president. Here at Nilehi I've been in the National Honor Society for two years, sports editor of the yearbook, in Racket Squad, Tri-Hi-Y, and the Science Seminar.

Gee, cats, it's getting late so I'll have to say good-bye. In conclusion I'd just like to say that my four years at Nilehi have really been great."

now that they've got long pants they want shorts." He was later seen walking down Lincoln Avenue mumbling to himself.

The few students who did not wear the shorts were kidded good-naturedly by their classmates. Many were stoned, and a few were burned at the stake. "We must show the administration we all want this privilege," one lad said.

At the end of the day, happy juniors and seniors went home to care for their sunburned legs, and get ready for the prom.

Twirlers Keep Busy During Entire Year

MANY ACTIVITIES AT Nilehi exclusively for boys or girls have their off seasons. Boys can play football only in the fall and baseball only during the spring. Cheerleading takes place during the football and basketball seasons. One group that works all year round however, is the majorettes.

Perhaps you have seen the girl who have appeared at all of the home football games and at two of the basketball games. Just last week four of the eight girls participated as a team in an Aurora, Illinois meet and won a second place trophy.

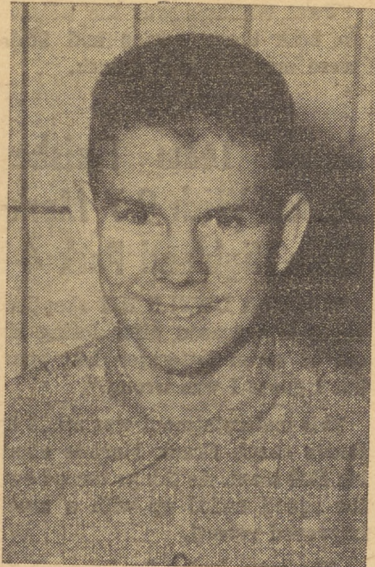
The girls participated in the Memorial Day Parade and will parade at LaGrange, Illinois, both with the Nilehi band. This Saturday they will appear on T.V., channel 9, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the LaGrange Parade. The girls also have plans to practice this summer and prepare their steps for next year.

The eight majorettes, junior Diane Meinke, sophomores Judy Appleton, Sharon Brei, Ruth Sack, Barbara Gibson, Barbara Menrichs, and freshmen Sherry Otto and Irene Freske, are coached by Mrs. Audrey McWhorter of Glenview. Mrs. McWhorter also coaches groups from Maine and Glenbrook.

There are actually two groups at Nilehi, a junior and senior group. Most of the senior group members have been in the twirlers since last year. The members of the junior group are mostly beginners.

The junior baton twirlers group must perform before Mr. Groeling and Mrs. McWhorter before they can be moved up to seniors. The girls practice with the band at Nilehi East every day. They hope to make the majorette organization a lasting one around Nilehi.

A fitting end to this is a quote from Judy Appleton, one of the majorettes, concerning baton twirling. Quote, "I love it."



Introducing Ron Krischke

RON KRISCHKE needs no introduction for most students. He's the guy that is winning those science contests and appearing in the Nilehilite. But there's more than science that interests Ron s-ooooooooo-Ron's going to take this opportunity to introduce himself.

"Well, cats, next year I intend to go to the California Institute of Technology on an Alfred P. Sloan scholarship. I applied to five colleges, but I finally chose California Tech because it offers good courses in rocketry which is my main interest. I guess I want to be a kind of Werner Von Braun. My greatest wish is to be on the first rocket to the moon, and come to think of it, with all that I've got to do right now, I wish I were on the moon at this moment.

I'm also interested in politics. I like people and I think life is great.



By Mike Ruby

THE LAST EDITION of any column is usually a time to go over the past events of the season. This column is no exception.

Nilehi has seen many records tumble this year, not only in school but in athletics. Almost every sport at Niles has seen at least one record go down the drain.

The team that broke more records this year is the football team. With an overall record of five wins and three losses, the Trojans had their best season in the history of the school. A 4-3 Suburban League record was good enough to take the same honor. The best record previous to this was in 1955 when the Trojans had a league record of three wins three losses and one tie.

Another football record to go down was the record for the most points in a single season. The Trojans topped the mark with 160 points this past year. They also scored more points (33 against Crystal Lake) in a single game than ever before. The 27-0 victory over Morton was the first victorious homecoming and the biggest shut out in Nilehi history.

The most important thing of all is that the Trojans finished third, the best record by any Nilehi football team. Captains for next year's squad are Paul Heinze and Jim Dahlman.

The cross-country team also had their most successful season to date. The Harriers came up with a fourth place finish in the league. Next year's captain is Larry Konopka.

The basketball team, though not truly outstanding, did tie the record for the best season in Suburban League competition.

In wrestling, the varsity, besides sending one man to the state championship in his weight class, finished in the top 20 in the state. The sophomore squad had an undefeated season of 17-0. This made them the only team in Nilehi's history to ever go undefeated in any sport.

The swimming team, though not having as good a year as expected, are waiting for next year when they should improve. With four top swimmers back, the Trojans could finish as high as third or fourth.

The baseball team was not quite as good as last year but to be better it had to go pretty far. Barry Mink was certainly one of the best outfielders in the SL both offensively and defensively.

The golfers also had a very good year. With a 3-3-1 record and a third place finish in the Suburban League meet, the linkmen finished third in the league.

The tennis team had a 4-3 record in league competition and finally cracked the ice against one of the "country-club set." These teams are Evanston, Oak Park, New Trier, and Highland Park. The racketmen beat HP this year 4-1.

The spring sport most valuable players are as follows: baseball, Barry Mink; tennis, Ken Kramer; golf, Bob Hederick; track, Bill Nack.

Trojans Lose Close One To Mustangs in Finale

Finish in Third

BAD LUCK PLAGUED the Nile Trojans in their closing games of the season. They lost to the Proviso Pirates by a score of 3-2. Besides the fact that the game went nine innings, the run that the Pirates pushed across was an unearned one. It came on one of the six errors committed by the Trojans that

ing a triple off the bat of Bob Klingensmith.

These games rounded out the 1959 schedule for the Nilemen. It gave them an overall record of 5-8-1 in league competition.

One of the highlights of the season for the Trojans was a double victory over New Trier. It was



Barry Mink, Nilehi centerfielder, was his teammates' choice for the most valuable player award. Barry hit .438.

afternoon. As a matter of fact, pitcher Tom Dobrowolski did not give up an earned run in his last four mound efforts.

In another late season game, the Nilehians lost to the Mustangs from Morton, by a score of 3-1. The Trojans only managed one hit, that be-

the first time the Trojans beat the Green Wave twice in the same season.

In the first game of the double-header, Dobrowolski went all the way for a 6-1 victory.

Fred Benjamin, a junior who has been converted from third base, pitched the second game

liam Coyer, have not been as successful as the freshmen team. Their two outstanding victories were over Oak Park and Highland Park 7-1 and 5-1, respectively.

Paul Williams was the winner in both these games and both were errorless ball games.

Frosh Only Lose One All Season

WITH THE BEST RECORD of any spring sport team, the Nilehi frosh baseball team finished their season with a 17-1 record. Their only loss was at the hands of the Morton Mustangs who had been undefeated thus costing the Trojans the Suburban League championship. This game was also the last of the season.

A week previous to this defeat, the Trojans whipped Proviso by a score of 9-1.

Other league victories have come over New Trier by a score of 11-6 and over Waukegan 10-3. Evanston fell to the Trojans by a score of 10-5 and Oak Park was beaten by a score of 11-5. Other than their loss, the Trojans closest game was against Highland Park. The Trojans edged the Little Giants by a score of 3-2. This was also the Trojan lowest scoring contest of the year.

Non-league victories have come over Glenbrook by a score of 9-1 and over Arlington Heights by a marker of 5-2. In their highest scoring game of the season, the Trojans clobbered Leyden West by a score of 17-4.

In two games against Suburban League foes that were exhibition games, the Nilemen whipped Evanston 4-1 and beat Oak Park by a score of 9-3.

The team has centered around three players this past year. They are Rick Artwick, Chuck Prebish, and John Suelzle. Artwick is a pitcher and won 60 per cent of the victories. He also plays third base when he is not pitching. Suelzle is the other pitcher and he plays first base while not on the mound. Prebish is the team's leading hitter. Artwick also led in runs scored and stolen bases while Suelzle led in runs batted in.

The sophs, coached by Mr. Wil-

and went the route for a 5-0 shut-out victory. Al Hoffenberg, playing third base, led the hitters with two for four and two runs batted in.

Another double victory was over Evanston. A true baseball oddity occurred in these contests. The same pitcher won both games! Even stranger was the fact that he won both contests in relief roles. Cliff Schey started the first game and Mike Hirschtick came on to get the victory. This game was won in the last inning when Dave Kleopfer led off with a ground out and then Ron Lis walked. Barry Mink then won the game with a long triple into right field. Lis went two for three in this game.

The nightcap was a different story. The Trojans won it 10-6 and were leading all the way. Two homers highlighted the action. Barry Mink blasted a three-runner in the first inning and Dave Kleopfer hit the same type in the sixth. These two, along with Dick Elke who went four for four, were the hitting stars of the game.

Linkmen Finish Third With Tie

THE NILEHI VARSITY GOLF team rounded out their 1959 campaign with a 7½-7½ tie with New Trier. With this meet, the Trojans finished their season with a 7-5-1 record and a third place finish in the Suburban League.

Leading Trojan scorers in this meet were Bob Zender, a sophomore, and Dick Iverson, a senior, with scores of 78.

With 3-3-1 in league competition, the Trojans finished behind Highland Park and Waukegan, respectively.

In other meets this season, the Trojans topped Morton 10-5 behind the play of Dick Iverson and Bob Hederick. Iverson had a 77 which led all the golfers. Hederick shot a 78.

A non-conference meet against Glenbrook was also played and the Trojans were beaten 9-6. The meet was highlighted by low scores by both teams. The Trojans leading scorers were Dick Iverson with 71 and Bob Zender and Bill Levin with 75's.

In another meet, the Trojans were beaten by the state champs, Highland Park 10-5. Zender led

with Ken winning 9-7, 3-6, 9-7. The Leyden match was a 4-1 victory, with Glen Eales and Mike Ruby the only losers in three sets.

After this, they whipped the Morton Mustangs 5-0. All the Nilehi

THE NILEHI TRACK team had far from a successful season but did manage a few bright moments. One of these was the third place finish by the sophomores in the Suburban League meet. Jerry Zimmermanoff led the sophs with two firsts. They were in the 100 and 220 yard dashes. Paul Goldman also did well for the sophs. Both these boys received major letters. The varsity failed to score in the league meet.

In the only other victory that the Trojans experienced, they won a tri-meet with Elmwood Park and Fenton. The Trojans took seven first places out of the 12 events. Bill Hess took two firsts in the 100 yard and 220 yard dashes. The mile relay team also won. This team is composed of Arnie Goldstein, Les Berens, Bill Nack, and Bill Hess. Paul Goldman, running on the varsity level had the best day of anyone. He took four first places. They were in the high jump, the broad jump, the 120 yard hurdles, and the 180 yard hurdles.

In another tri-meet, the Trojans did not fare so well. This meet was against Glenbrook and Palatine. The Trojans took third in this meet and could not take a first place. They also managed to take only two second places. These seconds were by Bill Hess in the high jump and by the mile relay team consisting of the above mentioned.

In a dual meet against North Chicago, the Trojans did even worse. They could only manage one second against their hosts from North Chicago.

Top team in the league was New Trier, which had one state champ. Evanston was also strong as was Waukegan and Proviso.

the Nilehi golfers with a 75. Against Arlington, the Trojans were beaten by the identical score. Zender again led the Trojan linkmen with a 74.

In another meet, the Nilehians whipped Oak Park 12-3 behind the 77 and 79 of Bob Zender and Bill Levin.

Proviso was also a Trojan victim by almost a perfect score. The Trojans trounced them 14-1. Levin led with a 75 followed by Iverson with a 76. Dave Magnuson had an 80.

The Trojans also whipped Leyden by the same score. Zender had a 73 and Iverson and Hederick had 76 and 77 respectively.

Bob Zender, with a 77 missed by one stroke to qualify for going to the state finals. Highland Park won with a team score of 297.

players won in two sets.

The feature meet of the season was against Highland Park in which the Trojans won 4-1. The only Trojans to lose was Kramer. He lost to George O'Connell 6-1, 6-0.

Tennis Team Finishes Season With 9-7 Mark; Whip Highland Park 4-1

"I WAS A LITTLE BIT skeptical about this season after losing six out of seven lettermen last year, but I guess I was wrong."

This understatement was made by tennis coach Frank Markus about his 1959 team. As things turned out, the squad ended up with a much improved record.

The team had a final record of 9-7 with 4-3 in the Suburban League. The SL record was also their best effort to date. This was good enough for a fourth place finish.

The Trojans started the season as though it wasn't going to be too successful. After a close loss (2-3) to the Maine Blue Demons, the Trojans whipped Glenbrook 5-0. No match went into three sets.

After this, the Nilemen ran into a bit of trouble. They met New Trier and lost 2-3. Only winners were first man Ken Kramer and first doubles consisting of Steve Rloff and Mike Ruby. Then the Trojans were hit with their only shutout of the year. They lost to Oak Park 5-0.

The Trojans then got hot. They won four matches in a row, three of them by shutout scores. The first victim was Elmwood Park 5-0. No one had trouble winning and second man Gary Sawyers won 6-1, 6-0.

At Waukegan, the Trojans also won 5-0. Mark Peppercorn and Ken Kramer were the only ones to have any trouble in winning. Kramer's match went three sets,



Ken Kramer, the Trojan first man on the tennis team, received the most valuable award in tennis.