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SCHOOL CALENDAR

- Feb. 16- Basketball- Warren here.
Feb. 19- Foreign Language Club
Program- 3:40 P. M.
See Chicago Club Program-
8:00 P. M.
Feb. 22- Washington's Birthday-
no school.
Feb. 23- Basketball at Arlington.
Feb. 27- Matinee Dance- Junior-
Senior 3:40 P. M.
Feb. 28- Begin District Basketball
Tournament at Waukegan.
March 2- Junior Party.

DANCE TONIGHT

Miss M. A. Schaefer announces that there will be an informal dance held in the assembly immediately after the basketball game with Warren tonight, Feb. 16. The orchestra for the dance will play from 10:30 until 12; this affair is open to the guest students from Warren, our alumni, and Nilehi students only. All proceeds will go to the cheerleaders to pay for their new outfits. Admission will be twenty cents per person. This dance, originally planned to follow the alumni game, was postponed because of the conflicting American Legion Dance scheduled for the same time and place.

PLAN TO ATTEND

Monday, February 19, the Foreign Language Club will sponsor a program which should be of interest to all. It will show films with scenes from abroad, elaborating on Italy, Germany, France, and Spain. The various habits and peculiarities of these lands and their people will be discussed. Everyone is invited, with a small charge of ten cents. Come one, come all!



A basket gained-a feather lost!

HELLO!

We're back again and now we know who we are. May we introduce ourselves: **BONNIE and JOHNNIE**. Merrie O'Sullivan, a sophomore in homeroom 306 named us. We want to thank her and the many others who cooperated in the contest to get us identified. Ruby Bowser shows you what we're doing and, believe us, it's great to be part of Nilehi. We hope you will like us and go with us to tonight's game.

Sincerely yours,

Bonnie and Johnnie

Social Studies Night

At eight o'clock, Monday evening, February 19, the third of a series of "Know Your School" programs will be presented at N. T. H. S. under the supervision of Miss G. Harbert and Miss T. Kranz. One feature of the evening will be a debate by Loyola freshmen on the question: Should the United States remain isolated? A film concerning Washington D. C. and a talk by a representative of the Baltimore Ohio Railroad will complete the program.

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WHAT'S WRONG WITH US?

With a student body as large as ours, why doesn't our school have more people at the basketball games? It has been said by good authority that over 300 of our fellow students have never seen their school's teams in action. Can it be that they don't have school spirit, or don't they understand and care for basketball? There isn't anybody in Niles Township who can be accused of not having school spirit, so it must be that basketball doesn't interest that indifferent fifty per cent of our students. If the people who say that basketball has no attractions for them would come to ONLY ONE game, there would be 300 more Trojan followers. Cheering a masterful long shot and holding one's breath during the momentous wait for the free throw, are thrills reserved for basketball fans. Nilehi's teams are a school tradition for their quality, and this year's squads are not exceptions; but their "following" could be rated in last place. Our last home game is this evening, February 16, against Warren. There is no excuse for missing that game; show your school spirit by coming. The District Tournament starts at Waukegan on February 28. Let's all go up there to cheer the Trojans on to victory!



HONOR ROLL Second Quarter 1939 1940

SENIORS

Margaret Dahm	Doris Anderson
Josephine Brodtke	James Winkelhofer
Viola Nelson	Mary Winger
Ted Wunderle	Victor Baptist
Willard Baumann	Harriet Bus
Werner Heidtke	Mathilda Hermes

JUNIORS

Donald Fisher	Jeannette Hummer
Dorothy Kranz	Phyllis Schlotterbeck
Laura Nunemacher	Clark Barton
Gloria Bartz	June Berg
Phyliss Braeseke	Ben Domas
Isabelle Hoth	Marjorie Riser

Edward Springer

SOPHOMORES

Mildred Bergmark	Norma Heidtke
Grace Langan	Ruth Clarkens
Richard Hartney	Donald Baumann
Bernice Franson	Olga Krajchovich
Lillian Miethke	Raymond Nitch
Virginia Reuter	Beatrice Rossman
Colleen Thomas	Wayne Barton
William Brodtke	Ruth Buthman
Donna Jean Cotanche	Gertrude Dahm
Wayne Kunkel	Florence Och
Paul Perlman	Antoinette Thlimmenos

FRESHMEN

Richard Boyd	Dagmar Franson
Tom Sheridan	Bill Stockfisch
Carl Mueller	Viola Stoll
Maralyn Woodworth	Nancy Allen
Adele Partz	Patricia Galiz
Ernest Nordquist	Ted Wojtkiewicz
Muriel Beuder	Danny Dever
Helen Evett	Rosanna King
Connie Kohtz	Catherine Kretsch
Virginia Lenzen	Dorothy Miethke

Betty Stielow

GOING TO WASHINGTON?

All aboard for Washington, D.C.! Students who are planning to go to the Capitol City on April 28 are already making their deposits toward the total cost, \$46.00. This cost includes train fare, hotel bills, and every other necessary item. About thirty students have announced that they intend to see the Capitol, Mount Vernon, and the Lincoln Memorial, along with the other wonders of that great American city. The trip to Washington is made only every other year.

BONERS

Every examination time seems to bring forth new boners; this last siege was not an exception. Seniors made real contributions in following comments on their English exams (You Alumni will appreciate these--and we hope we have a few Alumni Readers!):

Merchant of Venus

Cotter's Saturday Night Out

Ode to the Week End

Bellow's Life of Sam Johnson

Robinson Caruso

Paradise Tost-deals with the evolution of man. The hero is Satin

Pilgrim's Progress -story of how the Pilgrims lived in America.

[another says]"a poem about the idea of this new world.

Moral of Dr. Faustus never to sell

your sole.

Point of "Of Studies"-Even though you don't like a book, you should read it and forget about it.

In the Music Exam, crazy answers appear too:

The band is composed of the following families of instruments: woodwind, brass, and concussion."

"The teutonic scale is used in Indian music."

Two boners that appeared on the general science papers are prizes:

"Voices bounce just like rubber balls."

"A cyclone is a wherling wing."

In biology somebody said:

"Coal is organic because it is made up of tiny things."

In another set of papers these appeared:

"I like mathematics because I like to construct angels."

[Comparing a trip across the ocean today with one in Irving's time]

"You can eat when there is a storm."

"The only amusement they had was to look at the stars."

The sophomores lived up to the true meaning of their name when they contributed these on their English papers:

"My words almost frooze."

"Everyone's noses were red."

WAR

War! War! Witch of destruction,
With hate in her eyes and a mocking laugh

She clutches a youth in her snarled,
clawed hand,

She tears him asunder from his
mother's heartstrings,

Leaving her heart to bleed in its
sorrows.

Into her boiling pot she casts this
youth,

Mixes in rats and lice and decay
Blood and slime and grease and

soot,
Gases and bombs and cannons and

fuses.
Youth after youth she hurls to his

doom,
Casts in a spell of gloom and sorrowful nights,

Casts in a spell of gnawing hunger
and craving.

Black smoke arises from this pot,
Forming misery, sickness, worry-des-

pair,
Forming horror, heartaches, death,

destruction.
After many winters this witch is

conquered,
But she cannot die; she is immune

to death;
She shall return to haunt and murder.

War! Destructor of mankind and
civilization. D.G.

FASHION SHOW

On February 6, the freshmen had an assembly with a carefully planned program to show them the proper clothes for school wear. A group of upper classmen modeled, and Miss A. Line lectured on the good and bad points of their outfits. There was also a movie showing the beauties of the out - of - doors.

"It was cold. Ice cycles were hanging on the trees."

"Her had a fround on her face."

If you can't appreciate these boners now, you will when you get to the part of the courses which called them forth. Take it from us, they're bony!

How to Quarrel - If You Must!

There are seven essential rules:

1. Stop. Be silent until your opponent asks you to speak.

2. Suggest a bargain: that each be given a certain time - be it 5 or 15 minutes to speak. The other person is not to say a single word during that time.

3. Try to bring to the surface all the unmentioned and fear-ridden reasons that you could not face while arguing.

4. Do your utmost to keep impersonal.

5. Set a time for each to respond to the other's statement.

6. Then go apart for one hour to think quietly. Do not brood.

7. When alone, consider the other person's points honestly.

David Seaberry in 'Better English'

NICKNAME 'EM

a. Betty Riser	Daggie
b. John Anderson Double Dimples	
c. Phyllis Schlotterbeck	M'Lou
d. Allen Cantre	Hezzie
e. Ruth Hennig	Dill Pickle
f. Dagmar Fransen	Kitten
g. Zenon Turski	Mardy
h. Clara Ketter	Irish
i. Fred Huscher	Bubbles
j. Lorraine Baumhart	Frenchy
k. Marilyn McKeever	Filly
l. William Ross	Alley-crow
m. Marilyn Benett	Penny
n. Mathilda Hermes	Farmer
o. Howard Welden	Rickie
d. Mona Mailander	Dolly
p. June Eves	Bird
r. Stanley Widinski	Turk
s. Shirley Mae Dilg	Stack
t. Joe De Chambre	Ike
u. Mary Schilling	Moe

Key to first Nickname Match: e, f, l, i, k, p, a, m, o, r, c, d, h, u, d, s, t, b, n, g, j.



THE LIL' BIRDIE ASKS

"What's your favorite food?"

Ralph Becker, senior - "Ice Cream!"

Annette Carroll, junior - "Ham salad sandwiches."

Evelyn Zavrul, sophomore - "Fried chicken and chocolate."

Lucille (Soupy) Sou, freshman - "Vegetable soup"

Mr. Benette - "Hot mince-meat pie"

THE HANDBOOK COMMITTEE

The Handbook Committee has met three times already and work is far under way. The purpose of the handbook is two-fold: to familiarize all freshmen and new students with the school and its surroundings, and to help the freshmen select the subject they will enjoy and from which they shall receive the most benefit. The book will be ready sometime in May and distributed to the freshmen pupils on Freshmen Night.

Miss Green is the director of the committee and its members are: Jean Dudick, Mathilda Hermes, Dorothy Kranz, June Berg, Edward Pearson, Daniel Deever, and Clyde Henning.

SPRING STYLES

The clothing display, which is across from the assembly hall, consists of three outfits planned by students of the home economics classes under the supervision of Miss A. Line. One ensemble, by Jean Warren, is a spun rayon, wine colored dress with navy blue hat, purse, and gloves. Another, by Irene Gwenter, is a part-wool, blue dress with gold costume jewelry. Josephine Brodke's dress is a gay print with a wine-colored background and tiny shell-shaped buttons. The accessories are black. All of these clothes make one feel that spring is "just around the corner."

DOLLAR DAY

I feel it my duty, as one who has suffered, to warn you against the harmful effects of Dollar Day. This atrocious day occurs semiannually, but the only one we high school students must beware of is the one that occurs during our summer vacation. These observations came from my last Dollar Day onslaught.

"Yesterday, I must confess, I fell into the clutches of that most demon-like of thoughts, the thought of getting something for nothing, but I have paid and paid dearly for my folly.

"We left the cottage, our summer home in Michigan, at eight, and from this time until the time we reached the metropolis where Dollar Day was being observed, I dodged this newspaper advertisement and that newspaper advertisement which my mother and her friend read with great interest. If you can imagine two, not-thin women, seated in the rear seat of an automobile, with my anatomy squeezed between, you realize my dilemma.

"There were five of us. When we reached the city our forces were divided, one to this store and another to that. My objective was a boys' apparel shop in which I was to fight for, not purchase, a pair of trousers. I naturally attempted to use some dignity and courtesy, but after a poke in the esophagus and a squashing of my right foot, the attempt was given up. I elbowed my way to the display counter, grabbed a pant leg, heard a faint rip, let go, grasped another pair which proved to be only three inches too long, fought my way to a salesclerk, had my booty wrapped, and hunted the exit.

"The rest of the day was spent in hectic rush with time grudgingly taken out for lunch. The only incident in connection with this "struggle" which I can distinctly

WHOZIT?

The shade of his hair
I'll not say just what,
Cause it'd give him away
As it is pretty hot!
His eyes are blue
And he's six feet tall.
My mind's in a blank
So I guess that is all.

Answer to last week's:

Virginia Mehren

WHATZIT?

A board expanse of green;
Hills and vales with a purpose.
Patches of sand which are feared
By many a swinger, expert or dub.
With winter snow comes a quiet'
Not to be disturbed 'til spring.

Answer to last week's: the "L"

NOTICE TO SENIORS

From Miss Schoenbaum, we have just heard that there are only 29,952 minutes, 33½seconds until graduation in June. Make it count!

remember was hunting for my mouth amid the packages I held for fear of losing them.

"The ride home was most uncomfortable. As I gladly raised my bundle-burdened body from the car, I resolved never again to play nursemaid to a lot of unappreciating packages. Home, oh, how good it looked, a place to treat my bruises and newly acquired corns."

From this account of my sufferings, I feel sure you will avoid this body-ruining, disagreeable adventure, and will warn your future children and grandchildren not to beware of "the big, bad wolf," but rather to beware of Dollar Day.

D. F.

An Appellation for the Teacher

Mr. Wilkins:	John
Mr. Taylor:	Therese
Miss Shoenbaum:	Clara
Mr. Benette:	Ruth
Miss Bernhart:	Mildred
Mr. Kent:	Harold
Mr. Collins:	Linda
Mr. Cotanche:	Calvin
Mrs. Esch:	Grace
Mr. Flagg:	Norman
Miss Fledderjohn:	Clement
Mr. Galitz:	Marie
Miss Green:	Clifford
Miss Harbert:	Ralph
Mr. Isaacson:	Ruth
Miss Johnson:	Dean
Miss Klaus:	Esther
Miss Kranz:	Alice
Miss Lant:	Carolyn
Mr. Lindley:	Lester
Miss Line:	Louise
Miss Lumppp:	Harold
Mr. Meier:	Ethel
Miss Meyers:	Lucille
Mr. Ohlson:	Mildred
Miss Ronalds:	Morgan
Miss Ronalds:	John
Miss Schaefer:	Marjorie

Oh, Johnny, Oh!

Jeannette Huemmer went a-hunting in the attic, and found--not mice, but one of the oldest editions (1917) of "Oh, Johnny!" See it on display in room 214.

Nilehi has a few up-to-date Johnnies. Here they are: Johnny Nelson, Johnny Henning, Johnny Reiland, Johnny Allen, Johnny Dinelli, and Johnny Anderson.

NEW MINORS

Three new electives have been added to the list of minors this semester. They are salesmanship, home nursing, and the select chorus for students that have been chosen by Miss Klaus. Forty-seven students have enrolled for these new subjects, and it is hoped that more electives will be added next year, to help us find our vocations.

Our Air-Minded

Some of our people here are very much air-minded. According to data received recently by the Journalism Club, the following are planning to be aviators: Allen Coutre, Bill Keating, Bob Paroubeck, Berton Bloethner, Edward May, James Krzmanski, Don Mueller, Norbert Conrad, Dick Hawkinson, Joe Webber, John Dinelli, Bill Roman, and Bob Podraza. Phyllis Breseke wants to be an aviatrix.

Then, there are the air hostesses of tomorrow:

Jane Cecil, Bernice Zika, Barbara Rasmussen, and Dolores Kot.

Good luck to you all as you ride the airways! !

NILEHI NIBLETS

At the G. A. A. Banquet Mr. Flagg remarked that his nickname is "Slivers." Careful now!

The seniors received proofs of their pictures, and it is rumored that some have exchanged proofs. Hmm.

Ginnie Nordin went to a dance at St. John's Academy, Febuary 3. Don't forget to follow the Trojans to the Regional Basketball Ball Tournament.

Red and Blue pipe stem cleaners are used for name pins now---poor Dad!

The new select chorus has already begun practice.

Ahoy there, you land lubbers! Did you know that both Lake Forest and New Trier require students to pass swimming tests prior to graduation?

Kracky and Babe Krajchovich are going to Florida tomorrow. Hurry back!

Bill Taylor is having difficulty with a sprained ankle. We're sorry.

The French, Spanish and German units of the Foreign Language Club recently emptied their treasuries to buy a portable phonograph.

PAGING THE PAPERS

"A scientist recently said men are of vegetable origin. We know that men descended from monkeys. Monkeys descended from trees."

—*The Evanstonian*

"Alligator tails are considered the gourmet's latest delight. Most of us, however, wouldn't force ourselves to such ends."

—*Crystal Lake Herald*

"Highland Park High School has a serial, 'The Last of the Mohicans,' shown every Thursday."

—*The Shoreline*

DEVELOPMENT

His first long pants came years ago,
He's learned to drive a car;

He works as usher at the show,
Can boot a football far;

But now pride his path will pave,
A man at last, he's begun to shave.

—From "*Sullivan Schedule*"

"Epilogue: If all the boarders from all the boarding houses in the country were placed at one long table, they would reach."

—*New Trier News*

EXECUTIVE SPEAKS

Mr. L. S. Donnel was the guest speaker at the fourth vocational assembly held on Wednesday, February 7. He spoke chiefly about office management, giving many details concerning the duties of an executive. The assembly, sponsored by Mr. D. Flagg, was very interesting and educational. Approximately three hundred students attended.

Snapshooters

Members of Mr. Benette's photography class are progressing rapidly in learning the technique of taking pictures, developing, and printing them. Mr. Benette stated that they will be taking group pictures of the freshmen in the very near future. These pictures will be put on file for future use.

MEMORIES OF LA FEMME HOP

"Thanks for a wonderful evening" was the comment heard on all doorsteps last Saturday night. That's the usual way to end a date, you say. Well, maybe it is, but in these cases the boys were saying it to their fair escorts. It was the evening of the Nilehi "La Femme Hop," to which the gals took the men of their choice and paid all expenses. The music of Art E-dgren's orchestra provided an enjoyable evening for all present, not to mention the hilarious "shoe dance." Maybe some new conquests were made then, who knows? The balloons floating around during the sixth dance made the place sound like a battlefield. Highlights of the evening: Wally Strange and Laverne Schuler — who got the first bite of his carrots? . . . Barbara Rasmussen beating Bruce Jarrett gallantly at the drinking fountain . . . Betty Kelly struggling to hold the door open for "Red" Williams . . . "Kracky" keeping Armin's corsage under cover . . . "Jilky" gave Klehm forget-me-nots! "Ginger" lost Bud Lauth's ticket! Did you see the "three musketeers" at the door who just "wouldn't dance?" Miss M. Tess cutting the first piece of the birthday cake. Who blew out the candle? Let's hope there are more dances like this for Nilehi in the near future!

See This--

The trophy case in the hallway adjoining the gym contains a physics exhibition demonstrating the electric eye, stroboscopic wheel, tesla coil, synchronous motor, and fluorescence. This display will be operation during the lunch period next week. Four students of Mr. Ohlson's physics class were instrumental in the preparation of this fine display. They are James Winkelhofer, Robert Faucet, Jack Ellis, and Victor Baptist.

See Our Last Home Game Tonight

Along the Way

The interest in intra-mural basketball has been high for the last few weeks, and tonight it will reach its peak with the playoff of the finals as intermission entertainment.

Some time ago the gym classes were divided into four teams each, and the last three have seen some mighty combats in the school gymnasium. The quarter finals found the Bloomer Boys, the Black and Blues, the Screwballs, and Kerley's Kids stubbornly bowing to the more nearly superior Mudcats, Mermaids, Raiders, and Hungry Five, who, with the Basketeers, all bruised and scarred, proudly entered the semi-finals.

Tonight we shall see our surviving heroes of the semi-finals, with a long and bloody trail behind them, go forth into the arena. Woe unto the weakling.

DOWN OUR ALLEY

The Bowling League of N.T.H.S. got under way Monday, February 4. There are eighteen mixed teams, eight teams bowling on Monday and ten on Wednesday. Monday bowlers, who are advanced, will spend the first few weeks getting averages. The beginners belong to the Wednesday night teams. Of the Monday night team, the boys with the highest averages so far are Allan Brauch, Bob Rieland, Harvey Jensen, Wayne Adams, and Art Baumhardt. The girls who rate best are Dorothy Gutman, Dorothy Lund, Carole Blameuser, Virginia Kadlec, and Joan Blameuser.

Girls' Intra-Mural Sports

The girls of our school follow the rules of the Women's Division of the American Physical Education Association and so do not sponsor basketball tournaments playing boys' rules. To take the place of this team sport, Miss Schaefer announces an intra-mural tournament in ping pong, shuffleboard, and volleyball. Every girl will participate.

Three in Row for Trojans

The evening of Feb. 2, marked a big day for Ed Boyk and the Nilehi teams. On this date "Flip" set a new record for the Northeast Conference, smashing his previous high of 31 points with a record-making 35 points. Earlier in the season Lake Forest had dealt us a twin defeat but on this occasion we gained revenge by beating the Lakesters twice. The Varsity ran up 57 points, their highest this season, to the Lake Forest Varsity's 38. Thulstrup was high man for the Junior Varsity as they won 23-14.

A week later at Woodstock the Varsity easily won 41-26 against the conference tail-enders. Baumann acted as high man with 19 points. The Junior Varsity won 22-18 in a close game to place themselves in a three-way tie for first place.

The Nilehi team was again victorious in the alumni game, 36-52. A taller and huskier Alumni bowed to the Trojan quintet mainly because of its lack of teamwork.

"Hank" Carroll was high man for the "old grads" with 6 points while Boyk was leading the Trojans with 20. The Junior Varsity defeated Northbrook 26-14.

Gym Class Swim-Meets

For the last two weeks Mr. Isaacson has been conducting swimming, diving events in the high school pool during swim periods. In those already held, eliminations have left five boys for each of five events and one novice.

Those in the five events are as follows: 50 yd. Backstroke by B. Jarrett, J. Heiniger, J. Weber, R. Schoenberger, W. Carroll; 50 yd. Breast stroke by B. Domas, M. Becker, W. Fiech, R. Schoenberger, and R. Kerley; 50 yd. Side Stroke by D. Ford, K. Pike, B. Fiech, W. Lauth and R. Kerley, 50 yd. Free Style by D. Ford, J. Heiniger, J. Weber, W. Lauth, and R. Nitch; Diving by B. Jarrett, D. Hezner, J. Weber, R. Harms, and R. Nitch.