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Homecoming Plans Completed

At Nilehi's annual Homecoming celebrated next weekend, Oct. 11 and 12, alumni return to the scene of their former conquests and freshmen get their first taste of high school social life. As this is the most important fall school activity the entire student body is urged to participate. Indications are that the alumni will be strongly represented.

Things start rolling Friday night at 7:30 with a bonfire on the cinder track, east of the school, followed by a snake dance through town.

Saturday morning an automobile parade has been planned, starting at the school at 10:30. Every student who can get a car - loud horns are a help - is invited to join. After touring the township, the parade will return to the school.

The kickoff of the first game of an afternoon of football will be at 12:30 when our J. V.'s duel Crystal Lake J. V.'s. At three o'clock, the Trojan Varsity will attempt to avenge last year's defeat by Crystal Lake.

NileHi will round out a perfect weekend with what promises to be a perfect dance.

Jack Ketter and his orchestra will be featured at the annual football dance on Saturday evening at 8:30 in the gymnasium. A unique door prize, in keeping with the weekend, will be given away at 11 P. M.

Language Club to Hold Meeting Oct. 14

Refugees of the numerous language classes will be herded into the Assembly room on October 14, for the first meeting of the Foreign Language Club. At a recent election new officers were elected and will be installed at the informal program planned by the nominating and program committee with Miss Marjorie Donalds in charge.

Those in whose hands our future is intrusted are Don Fisher, president, Bill Stockfish, vice president, Jeanne Nelson, secretary, and Barbara Williams, treasurer. Good luck to them!

Mr. Cotanche Cites Need of Cooperation

Superintendent Cotanche in his remarks before the student body at the first all school assembly expressed the feeling which we, who think, must have deep within us.

Mr. Cotanche said, "In a school, which is growing as fast as our school, many problems arise which do not confront a school where a stability of enrollment has been reached. We, faculty and students alike, must grow with the institution. We must build within ourselves a responsibility for our own growth as individuals. We need to learn to be more and more considerate of others. We need politeness and courtesy at all times: in the class room, in the corridors, on the school grounds, in the school busses. We need to be loyal to the purposes and traditions of our school. We need to have good students.

We need to act at all times in such manner that we continue to show our community that such loyalty exists. It is only when these goals are reached that we can say that we have really achieved."

And so another day, and still another. We sow. We reap. We harvest. Our harvest, Mr. Cotanche believes, will depend upon the effort each of us extends toward the goals he has outlined for us.

CALENDAR

- October 4 Football - Leyden, there
- 5 J. V.'s. Leyden, there
- 5 Frosh vs. Evanston, there
- 7 Vocational Assembly-Banking
- 8 Frosh - Soph Matinee Dance
- 11 Annual Bonfire
- 12 Football Home Coming Game
- 12 Home Coming Dance
- 14 Foreign Language Club Dance



Freshmen Embark On Four-Year Voyage

A young army of freshmen started their four year trip through the mighty halls of NTHS. That is to say, we hope it only takes them four years, but taking all things into consideration, as one must do with a Freshman, it looks as though it will be an outstanding class.

The class as a whole started its high school career with a bang. In the music room Mr. Collins had visions of a better orchestra. He mopped his forehead and welcomed Doris Hampton at the piano, Nona Jane Haloppa and Bob Humburg in the clarinet section, Anna Nachbauer playing trombone, and Billy Meyer beating time on a drum. In the gym some of the freshmen trying out for cheerleading and praying that they would get "in" were: Jane Breckenridge, Dolores Chapman, Marilyn Hynes, and June Ohlson.

Out on the football field Grant Kuhn, Bob Dahm, and several other freshmen are showing up all the upperclassmen.

All in all, it looks as if the freshmen might lose the title of "Greenhorns," before the year is up and prove competition even for the sophisticated older students."

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OUR SECOND YEAR

This issue marks the beginning of another year in the existence of the NILEHILITE, NTHS's youngest publication. On this, our first anniversary, we feel it is rather appropriate to acknowledge the favorable manner in which your paper and ours was received here at Nile-Hi. We wish also to express our desire to serve you with the news and high-lights of all schools activities during the coming year.

The NILEHILITE first appeared on Nov. 22, 1939 after weeks of preparation by the journalism and printing classes. Incidentally, the NILEHILITE is one of the few papers in the Chicago area to be both edited and printed by the students exclusively. Examining a front page article of that first issue we find this prophesy, — "and the NILEHILITE will grow with Nile-Hi." We believe this prophesy has been fully realized during the past year.

The NILEHILITE, we feel, has become a real student project. The name was suggested by a student, the design was drawn by the mechanical drawing classes, the office has handled the circulation, the journalism and printing classes, as mentioned previously, have taken care of editing and publishing. There are other cases where students have helped and speeded up production of this publication, too lengthy to mention.

NILEHI NIBLETS

Your Editor — I insist on capitalizing that word — has been too busy doing homework, trying to find out who the "it" was that "caused" Miss Schaefer to lose a Bass — in attempting to dig up a date for the dance, to do much.

But then I've had fun back at school — Watching Miss Berry's pumps precariously dangle on the tip of her toe — waiting feverishly for them to be lost in the shuffle . . . looking with delight at Corky Harrington's rainbow shoes . . . and just looking at Miss Bronson.

Miss Lumpp had a wonderful summer divided between the soft music and quiet breezes of Hawaii; and gay sparkling Hollywood parties . . . The staff wishes Helen "Pee Wee" Miller happy birthday, but a bit late . . . Katie Ann Nelson had a "coming-out" party at the Blackhawk recently — the party, we regret was one tentative to an appendectomy . . . Crutches are quite the fad now — but I seem to have "misplaced" mine.

Bill Stevens is going out with who again? I'll offer 5 to 1 odds that "he" takes "her" to the football dance . . . Ted Canty takes his football — among other things — very seriously. He calls up Mr. Kent — among other people — in the middle of the night to ask his way about the — (Censored) — play — etc. . . Miss Kranz has her classes chewing bubble gum that she can save five hundred wrappers for a set of historical pictures . . . I was excused from class to pick some grass . . . a freshman, naturally, took a shower with her shoes on . . . Bill King had a "tasty" meal in Foods after someone had scattered soap chips in it — he ate it — for a while, unknowingly — and then he knew! . . . an explosion on the frontier of the third floor — Room 316 — found frightened freshies watching the "mad scientist" experimenting in explosions. Need we mention that he is a Finn?

As I put this column to bed, I rest assured that its territory shall never be invaded by that "demon" radio; nor by any bigoted biped who has been reading dime novels about tough reporters.

61 Receive Scholastic Awards

The scholarship assembly was held Thursday, Sept. 19. This assembly, which traditionally is the first all-school assembly of this year, was presided over by Mr. Flagg, who presented scholarship certificates to 39 pupils. Bronze Keys were awarded to 13 and Silver Keys to 9. Students who received Scholarship Certificates are:

Adele Bartz, Richard C. Boyd, Danny Dever, Dagmar Franson, Patricia Galitz, JoAnn McKeown, Rosanna King, Virginia Lenzen, Janet Lutkehaus, Carl Mueller, Dorothy Rings, Tom Sheridan, Betty Stielow, Willard Stockfish, Viola Stoll, Betty Westerlund, Maralyn Woodworth, Gloria Alterini, Donald Baumann, Ruth Buthman, Donna Jean Cotanche, Bernice Franson, Wayne Kunekl, Grace Langan, Virginia Nordin, Paul Perlman, Daniel Petty, Beatrice Rossman, Armin Bierbaum, Bernice Bovk, Norma Delfino, Shirley Dilg, William Fiech, Winnifred Glagg, Florence Gabel, Mary Hegarty, Edith Luxem, Sue Schaefer, La Verne Schuler.

Bronze Keys were presented to: Mildred Bergmark, Ruth Clarkens, Gertrude Dahm, Rita Jane Fisher, Marjorie Riser, Norma Heidtke, Olga Krajchovich, Lillian Miethke, Isabelle Hoth, Florence Ochs, Virginia Reuter, Colleen Thomas, Laura Nunemacher.

Those who received Silver Keys, and eligible for Gold Keys at the Senior Commencement are:

Gloria Bartz, Ben Domas, Dorothy Kranz, June Berg, Don Fisher, Edward Springer, Phylliss Braeske, Jeanette Huemmer, Phylliss Schlotterbeck.

The third all-school assembly will be held in the gymnasium at 2:00 P. M. on Oct. 17. Mr. George F. Morse of the University of Chicago Biological Department will speak on birds, wild animals, and animals in captivity. Mr. Morse is a recognized authority, being associated with Shedd Aquarium, Boston Zoo, and the Chicago Zoo.

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Climate — the way to get up a tree
Prism — where prisoners stay.

Vitamin — if someone comes to your house vit-am-in.

Copyright — what students should when peeking at someone's paper.

Hollywood and Return

A rather familiar figure on the Paramount lot, gadding with the stars, and dancing before the grinding cameras and glaring lights this summer, was Miss Carole Lee of NTHS.

One of the famous Abbot dancers, Carole spent some six weeks in the Movie Colony during the shooting of the New Jack Benny-Fred Allen smash hit, "Love Thy Neighbor." Working at the studios from 7:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily, there was no fear of boredom. The maze and panorama that spells Paramount is just like a little village with hordes of people scurrying about the streets; the stars on bicycles, and huge sound sets jammed to overflowing with hungry but eager extras, make-up and costume directors, beautiful scenery and noise and excitement reigning supreme.

The luncheon rendezvous of the stars is the studio commissary where Carole lunched with Johnny Mercer, Hoagy Carmichael, and the Merrie Macs, all of the musical world. Bing Crosby, after eating his own, borrowed Carole's dill pickle and smiled his thanks. Bound for rehearsal one day, on sound stage 8, she got into "10" by mistake and walked right in on the filming of "Virginia," starring Madeline Carrol.

Carole, a very busy girl, still found time to visit the Cocomanut Grove, where Eddie Duchin dedicated some songs to her birthday. At the Wilshire Bowl, Frankie Thomas, the young star, stepped all over Carole's new pumps to the accompaniment of Phil Harris' orchestra; but she got even, spilling her drink — coke, I'm sure — on Frankie another night at Ciro's. While out driving with Jackie Cooper, Carole saw Peter Lorre and found he was as weird off the screen as on.

Hollywood is a movie, a book, a play, and a bicarbonate all mixed together.

Now Carole is home rehearsing for the new show at the famed Palmer House with big ambitions, a huge scrap book, and wonderful memories.

Majorettes on Parade; Request for Drum Major

The marching of feet — the flash of twirling batons — and everyone knows that the drum majorettes are again on parade under the direction of Mr. Weidal. Seven new majorettes have enlisted in the class in addition to the eight twirlers of last year. An after school class is also being organized.

According to Mr. Collins, it is planned to have the drum majorettes twirl at one or two of the football games. Group twirling exhibitions will be given at home basketball games.

A special request has been sent out to have boys who are interested in leading the band report to Mr. Collins. The one selected will be given strutting lessons and thereafter lead the band on parade in a handsome uniform.

WHOZIT?

There's a fellow, tan and tall,
And when he goes through the hall
Anxious glances can be seen,
For competition is quite keen.
His is the voice you always hear
Advertising throughout the year,
For party, picnics, dance, or plays,
The latter in which he portrays
Begger, hero, or the detective.
As in last year's play, effective
When he called with voice of
thunder,

"Give me Oxford 0100!"

Kelly On Underclassmen

Freshman whither comest thou
With thy solemn scholarly brow?
Tred these halls with trembling feet,
Lest some seniors thou shall meet.
Sophomore's you are up a step,
Don't let that give you too much pep.
Two more years you have to go,
Before you've really seen the show.
Juniors step ahead with glee,
But do not lose your dignity,
All traditions you uphold,
When you become a senior bold.
Seniors what have you to gain
With your look of great disdain?
Work will have to go quite fast,
Else a senior you will last—and last.

See Chicago Club Plans Tours

The See Chicago Club has again started its year of tours. This club, made up of Juniors and Seniors, takes six to eight trips in and about Chicago during the school year. The final trip of the year is either to Washington, D. C. or Springfield, Illinois. This year a two-day trip to Springfield and New Salem will be planned.

The first jaunt was an all day bus trip taken Sept. 4. During the morning the group visited the Oriental Museum, which is a part of the University of Chicago, and the Museum of Science in Jackson Park. This building houses many exhibits formerly seen at the Chicago World's Fair. In the afternoon the group visited the Field Museum and Shedd Aquarium. After a strenuous seven hour day the weary sight-seers returned to Niles Center.

The club this year has on its calendar trips to the Historical Society, the Chicago Civic Opera, the Post Office, a broadcast, and of course the members will go to Maxwell Street to do their Christmas shopping. Plans are also being made for a trip to Chinatown which will include dinner.

Trips are not made two years in succession unless requested. Other plans will include visits to places of business such as a telephone station or a candy company. And effort will be made to take at least a small group to the Northwestern Observatory.

All trips are made on Friday evening, Saturday or Sunday. By request there will be at least two Sunday trips. Shore trips may be made after school.

This club, which has a membership of over one hundred twenty, is sponsored by Miss Harbert, Miss Lump, and Miss Kranz.

Lost And Found

Found: Coach Isaacson wearing a green hat; oh well, nothing like breaking old traditions.

Found: One Freshman in search of room 308 at the corner of Cicero and Dempster.

Lost: 225 Freshmen.

Injuries Take Three Regulars

The Trojans, bound for Leyden this afternoon, will fight their heart out despite the fact that three good men, Hegarty, Permer, Krier, will be unable to play due to injuries. Permer and Krier's foot injuries were sustained during practice while Hegarty's rib injury happened during the Northbrook game. We hope that these three pluggers will be back with us soon.

The powerful Libertyville eleven weren't as tough as we expected them to be or is it that we are better than we thought. Their hefty line provided excellent blocking for their hard running backs to beat NileHi.

Early in the game the Wildcats recovered a Trojan fumble which started the Libertyville march to a 13 to 0 victory.

Our game against Northbrook three weeks ago was a sorrowful event to everyone that was watching. We got off to a good start with Jack Heiniger running the first play of the game 58 yards to a touchdown and in the same quarter NileHi scored again with little Bart Herarty plunging through the line after a long march down the field. Barrel chested Vernon Permer was a charging demon in line plunges.

In the second quarter Northbrook scored seven points after a punt went offside in Trojan territory. The last quarter was our Waterloo when Northbrook blocked a kick and recovered on our two yard line. They plunged over and won the game 14 to 12.

Karl Klein scored both touchdowns for Northbrook.

NTHS gained 138 yards through scrimmage and completed 3 passes for 37 yards. Northbrook gained 149 yards through scrimmage and completed 3 passes for 44 yards. Niles lost 70 yards through penalties while Northbrook lost only 40.

The Trojan frosh this year are the bulkiest and most promising in the history of the school. In their first game against Maine Township they lost 12 to 7.

The freshmen played a good game, but they have to improve on their passing defense and blocking. They have a heavy line, outweighing the varsity.

G.A.A. Start Activity

The G. A. A. is initiating the new members of their organization today. After opening doors, carrying books and buying lunches for the older G. A. A. girls, they will have completed the first step in becoming a G. A. A. member. A hike to Oakton woods has been planned for all the G. A. A. girls after school. This is the first event of the G. A. A. program for this year.

Annette Carroll was elected President of the G. A. A. at a meeting held Sept. 23. Virginia Nordin is the new Vice Chairman and Social Chairman. Phylliss Braeseke is Secretary, and Winnifred Flagg is Treasurer. They were elected by the Executive Board which consists of nine members. They are Annette Carroll, Phylliss Braeseke, Claire Juniac, Winnifred Flagg, Virginia Nordin, Jane Kadlec, Rosanna King, Jean M. Peterson, and Ginny Martell. The seven class representatives of the G. A. A. are: Shirely Kluesing, Eva Herman, Florence Schramm, Joan Briggs, Betty Bray, Lorraine Splatt, and Barbara Rasmussen.

The schedule for the coming sport events in Physical Education classes includes tournaments in archery, tennis, ping-pong, shuffleboard, volley-ball, and soft ball. The winning teams from each class will compete for the school championship. G. A. A. members will receive points toward their letters for participation in G. A. A. classes which meet every Friday.

Freshman Impressions

Some of our scampering freshmen have slowed down enough to gulp out their impressions of NTHS and so we find they think. . . "Too big and too much of it." . . "They don't treat you like infants here." . . "Would like to have Mr. Kent give me a piece of gum." . . "Sort of big and I get pushed around a lot." . . "A grand place to receive and education and plenty of it."

42 Respond to Call for Cheerleaders

Attention all freshmen, new students, guests and everybody!! We have it on first-hand information that most of NileHi noise doesn't originate in the boy's Locker Room or 213 but, strange as it seems, from behind the door marked "Girl's Gymnasium." Some 42 enthusiastic stagers answered the call for cheerleaders sounded by Miss Schaefer, who this year is organizing a regular club. NTHS's bouncing pepsters will have to watch their N's and T's this season in order to earn a letter. They must tread the straight and narrow path of rules and regulations.

Phylliss Braeseke, Eva Herman and Helen Schuett, our veterans, are captained by Pat Reiland to make up this year's Varsity squad, which welcomed Doris Burkland, Connie Kohtz, Rosemary Meyer and Jean Peterson.

Junior Varsity includes June Alson, Phylliss Brooks, Lulu Deatricks, Joe Fisher, Nona Holappa, Marilyn Hynes, Lois Jaycox, Lillian Krupa, Lawrence Miller.

Sound good? All right, let's see if we can yell!! huh?!

UPSTAIRS and DOWN

As fooball player, "What Does Homecoming Mean To You"?

Mr. Kent, J. V. Coach—It all depends upon how late I come home. If I get home late my wife is displeased. If I get home early I'm displeased or broke. But if your referring to N. T. H. S.'s Homecoming, it means we're all displeased if we don't get one hundred per cent student support at the game.

Ben Domas, Senior—It means we wear ourselves out in the game in the afternoon and then finish the job at the dance Saturday night. But we have a lot of fun doing it.

Ted Cauty, junior—Means a good football game. Hope I get to play.

Duke Hezner, sophomore—It's the game we want to win more than any other in the season.