

# NILEHILITE

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## FEBRUARY CALENDER

Sat. Feb. 3 - La Femme Hop  
 Thurs. Feb. 8 - Dramatic Program  
 Fri. Feb. 9 - Basketball at Woodstock  
 at 7:30 P. M.  
 Mon. Feb. 12 - Lincoln's Birthday  
 NO SCHOOL  
 Fri. Feb. 16 - Basketball here at 7:30  
 P. M. Niles versus Warren

## DRAMATICS NIGHT

On Thursday, February 8th, at 8:00 P.M., the members of the Dramatics and radio classes, under direction of Mrs. R. Esch, will present the first in a series of programs to acquaint the parents with the different departments in the school. This program will consist of two plays, and a radio play. It will be a closed affair, open only to members of the dramatics and radio classes and their parents. It will be held in the assembly room. The casts of the two plays are as follows:

### "Wildcat Willie"

Willie	Paul Mikota
Gladys	Catherine Ann Nelson
Joe	Clyde Henning
Vernon	Bill Dickinson
Cathie	June Vincent
Celia	Patrica Dickinson

### "Grandpa Goes Hunting"

Grandpa	Allan Brauch
Margret	Evelyn Jorgenson
Rosalie	Marie Nordby
Johnny	Bud Lauth
Sheriff	Bill Stevens

The cast of the radio drama, "Paradise" is as follows:

Station Master	Chris Lindhoy
She	Marilyn McKeever
He	John Henning
Announcer	Bill Stevens

## The Oratorical Contest

Robert Harms, the winner of the Oratorical Contest, sponsored by the American Legion, won the gold medal for his oration, "The Making of the Constitution." Ruby Bowser received the silver medal and Isabelle Hoth was awarded the bronze.



## LA FEMME HOP

Come on all you "femmes"! Break open those "piggybanks" for tomorrow is your night! If you haven't caught a man yet, there's still time and they're not running very fast now. Do they ever. Tomorrow night's dance will go down in Nilehi's history as its first "femme hop." Art Edgren's orchestra will furnish music, and during the intermission a big surprise is in store for everyone. Miss G. Harbert requests that everybody remain in the gym during the intermission. Don't miss it. So, grab your partners, "femmes", and start hoppin' to "la femme hop." Don't disappoint those fellows; they are just waiting to be asked.

Aside from the regular dances there will be novelty dances and according to hints dropped here and there by the committees, they are going to be novelties.

This entire dance is being arranged by the following committees under the direction of Miss. Harbert.  
 Social Committee Chairman

Catherine Ann Nelson

Printing - Salvadore Rizzo  
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 Barbara Rassmussen  
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## EDITORIAL

Since we, the students of Niles Township High School, like to be considered original, we are trying something new in the way of cartoons. It is our plan to have two fictitious but typical characters of Niles Township High School--any similarity to persons living or dead is purely coincidental--play the leading parts, as their lives slowly unfold before the readers of the Nilehilite. We shall witness their trials and tribulations, as well as their happy moments as they go on their merry way - or as the case may be! throughout the school year. If any of you, Dear Readers, have any ideas as to what we should have our little proteges doing, all suggestions will be accepted with open arms. See if your little brain-storm cannot materialize into black and white.

It is the policy of the Nilhilite to please all its readers so if there are any kind that can be made we would like to have you get in touch with us. Don't forget to let us know how you like our little kiddies, and remember those contributions and suggestions!



Ruby Bowser

## NAME US!

"Please give us names; you know, names are pretty important, and, well, as long as we were going to be among you from now on as your friends, you'll have to have something to call us by- and anyway, we'd like to know who we are.

Give your suggestions to Miss Fledderjohn or Ruby Bowser and the verdict will be decided by the journalism class in the near future! Do not name us, however, after any N. T. H. S. students- our names are to be purely imaginary.

## COME AHEAD

The journalism class extends a sincere invitation to you to contribute to this, your school paper. When you feel you have a squib or when you know that you've hit a scoop, deposit your contribution in the 'News Box' in room 214, or hand it to any member of the journalism class. Those enrolled in the group this semester are the following:

Barbara Anderson

Ruby Bowser

Annette Carroll

Jean Dudick

Burton Glatz

Merle Iverson

Jack Kelly

Grace Langan

Mary O'Sullivan

Bob Rieland

Bill Stevens

Clark Barton

Phyllis Braeske

Paul Doremus

Florence Gabel

Clyde Hennings

Ann Jurasitz

Martha Krajchovich

Marie Nordby

Edward Pearson

Roger Schoenberger

Colleen Thomas

## La Femme hop continued

Decorations - Olga Krajchovich  
 Tickets - Carl Mueller, Sal Rizzo,  
 Gloria Bartz, Gerry Regan, Eva Her-  
 man, Marilyn McKeever, Colleen  
 Thomas, Patsy Harms, Robert Brun-  
 son, Dorothy Lund, Bert Bloethner,  
 Virginia Lenzen, Jane Comstock,  
 Virginia Nordin, Barbara Rasmus-  
 sen, and Olga Krajchovich.



## A Mathematical Romance

One day in spring a girl named Betty and a boy named Bill were walking down the street. They decided to have something to eat so they went into a drugstore which was 15 feet high, 60 feet wide, and 72 feet long. [How many cubic feet of space?] Betty's soda cost 20 cents, and Bill's cost half as much. [How much change should he have received from a half dollar?] On the way, Bill told Betty he loved her and asked her to marry him. She agreed, and they decided to elope the next night. Bill said he would bring a ladder to Betty's window at 12 o'clock midnight. [If her window was 30 feet from the ground, how long a ladder must he bring to place at a 45 angle?] The next night was bright moonlight. At 12 o'clock Bill stole softly up to Betty's window with his ladder. Just as he was about to ascend, Betty's 225 pound mother appeared at her window, grabbed him by the scruff of the neck, and threw him out into the yard. (If he flew 30 m.p.h. for 12 seconds, how far from the the house did he land? How much energy was released by Betty's mother?) However, another attempt was made, which was successful. They eloped the next week on a streamliner which went 600 miles. If they went 100 m.p.h. and Betty's mother followed on a train which went 60 m.p.h., how much before her train did the streamliner reach the destination? ] They eluded her, however, and settled in a small town [ population 4,000 ]. They had five children. -If the first one, was three times as old as the third one, and the third one was  $\frac{1}{2}$  as old as the second one, who was 6 years old-how old was the first one?

## MATCHING

1. Ed. Gatske      1. Yellow eversharp
2. Alvin Klusing      2. Benrus Watch
3. Phyllis Braeske      3. Hudson
4. Frank Thulstrup      4. 6', 3"
5. Ed. Springer      5. Green sweater on which is inscribed 'MGR'.
6. Miss Schoenbaum      6. Red hair 6' 2"

## THE NEW "Pep Song"

*Words and Music by Clifford W. Collins*

Nile High ! Nile High !  
 Go out and win this game,  
 We'll help you try.  
 The Trojans were a mighty race!  
 They fought with lots of vim,  
 Let's hold their fighting spirit,  
 And we'll win.  
 Let's go now!  
 Gold and Blue, We're true to you  
 We'll stand behind you always to  
 a man.  
 Let's keep our colors flying high,  
 Our motto is to do or die!  
 Let's win this game, Nile High!

The question has arisen as to whether or not we should stand when we hear this song or the other songs. The answer is yes! Definitely, yes! So remember when you hear this song, stand, and show your loyalty to a school well deserving praise. By the way, how about a name for this song? Give your suggestion to the editor in Room 214.

## A Mathematical Romance, cont.

In spite of an epidemic which wiped out 40 percent of the population--how many were left?-they lived happily ever after. M.N



## REMEMBER, Four Years Ago When--

Kenny Kuels wore his bathrobe and carried a fish pole for his initiation into the Lettermen's Club.

Mr. Flagg was Dean of Men.

Miss. Klaus was editor of the newspaper.

There were 327 pupils in the high school.

We had small playlets at our Pep Meetings.

Miss Marjorie Ronalds lost her voice during an extremely cold wave.

Harold Schuett was the Inquiring Reporter.

Mr. Olson was the tallest teacher. (He still is!)

## OF MICE AND MEN

A mouse is small and weak.  
His loudest call's a squeak.  
He eats cheese in small pieces,  
And sneaks up the stair  
Gray, scrawny, and dirty,  
With filth for his lair.

A man is bold and strong.  
His favorite noise, a song.  
He eats cheese in large pieces,  
And sneaks up the stair.  
I guess after fifty  
He has no more hair.

And so a description  
Of Jimmy and Ben,  
Funny, those creatures,  
Of mice and of men.

C.H.

## Nilehi Helps Foundation

The students of Nilehi contributed during the week of January 15, to the Infantile Paralysis Foundation. Mr. W. K. Lyon who represents the Cook County chapter in this locality was in charge of the banks. Eleven dollars and sixty-seven cents was collected. The seniors, home room 213, had the highest contribution.

## UNUSUAL HOBBIES

Some of our students do unusual things for hobbies. For instance Doris Bates collects skulls.....Virginia Kopp collects dogs,Bruce Jarrett says his hobby is night life [not too late].....Roger Trimble seems to spend his leisure time raising goats.....Richard Paroubek bakes pies-not too strange...Phyllis Schlotterbeck gathers facts about the World War...Adeline Stachon saves feathers, -wonder how she does it -rips pillows apart?-..... Ruby Bowser runs around collecting flies for Mr. Benette.....Alvin Hannemann collects wishbones..Betty Stielow's hobby is collecting corn....and Fred Huscher seems to prefer to try to get his assignments in at the last minute. Maybe you can get an inkling of these people's characters by their hobbies.

## Transcription Tests

Miss Johnson announces that in the Gregg Transcription Tests, on the basis of accuracy and efficiency, Certificates of Progress have been awarded for transcribing in short-hand sixty, eighty, and one hundred words a minute; and then having typed them out neatly.

Sixty words a minute was achieved by Barbara Kristof, while Louise Kruger, Viola Nelson, Lillian Bartz Harriet Bus, Gertrude Becker, Dorothy Van Cleave, Frances Dolan, Ruth Einhouse, and Grace Moorad were awarded certificates for eighty words a minute. Doris Anderson tops the class with having transcribed one hundred words a minute.



## ?MATCH?

- |                      |           |
|----------------------|-----------|
| a. Armeda S. Boneguo | Beanie    |
| b. Ruby Dean Bowser  | Mo        |
| c. Ed Boyk           | Chubby    |
| d. Mary Desmond      | Gardenia  |
| e. Eugene Field      | Web       |
| f. Marie Throop      | Sonny     |
| g. Irene Turski      | Army      |
| h. Merrie O'Sullivan | Duke      |
| i. Gordon Davis      | Wiener    |
| j. Anita Schaub      | Chee-chee |
| k. Joseph Webber     | Flip      |
| l. Shirley Kluesing  | Pudgy     |
| m. Donald Hezner     | Sully     |
| n. Doris Burklund    | Kentucky  |
| o. Werner Heidtke    | Bow-wow   |
| p. Sonja Griener     | Sandy     |
| q. Lois Ruttenbeck   | Taffy     |
| r. Carolyn Huemmer   | Dessy     |
| s. Sanford Jensen    | Dodo      |
| t. Wanda Dudick      | Tinks     |
| u. Ruth Hart         | Nedie     |

See answers in next issue.

## February - Important Dates

- 2 Ground Hog Day
- 4 Lindbergh (1902)
- 7 Ash Wednesday
- 8 General Sherman (1820)
- 9 William H. Harrison (1773)
- 11 Edison [1847]
- 12 Lincoln [1809]
- 14 Saint Valentine's Day
- 22 Washington (1732)
- 27 Longfellow(1807)
- 29 Extra!

## German Group Entertains

This group of Foreign Language Club sponsored a program given in German, January 17, 1940. Schubert's "Serenade" was played on the violin by Irene Haefel, accompanied by Werner Heidtke at the piano. Points from Shubert's life were given by Gertrude Mehring. "Rotcaepchen" - Little Red Riding Hood - was dramatized by M. Dahm, I. Guenther, Henry Maier and L. Meithke. Recitations by Bernice Boyk and Barbara Anderson followed. The group then sang German songs, and last but never least-- refreshments were served. Miss Kranz is the sponsor of the German group.

## Did You Know?

Trees and shrubbery have winter buds.

All photographs are taken upside down.

A potato is a stem.

The word NEWS is an abbreviation of the four points of the compass North, East, West, and South.

A tangerine and an orange have ten sections.

There are more girls than boys in our school.

## CLASSIFIED ADS

LOST! -- One address book with a list of phone numbers. Liberal reward when returned. Very valuable to owner.

FORSALE One portable radio. Price reasonable. Small - sized. No tubes or aerial necessary; picks up police calls, and some phone calls. Phone N. T. C. H. S. Tower for further information.

FOR RENT -- A mirror in the girl's locker room. Can be used any time after the tardy bell has rung. Very reasonable. See the lady who isn't there for full particulars. Z. Y. X.

EXCHANGE -- Will exchange a saxophone for a copy of *How to Win Friends and Influence People*. --- X. Y. Z.

## SOPHOMORE SUCCESSES

Have you examined the group of world history projects in the north corridor display case? It's right outside the library door and well worth your pausing. The Italian garden, the catapults, the castle of toothpicks, and the dozens of other interesting artistic pieces show great care and understanding of the subject handled by the sophomores.



## PAGING PAPERS

The commercial law class of Libertyville High School tried a gum chewing case.

*Ink Drops*, Libertyville High School.

The student body of Lake Forest college never exceeds 400.

Fred Waring has written a loyalty song for Wright Junior college.

"In one day's time, the heart pumps enough blood to fill a tank car." *Scientific Philosopher*.

A headline in the Silver Lake *Waves* read, "Aryshire VS Dickens." The heading was for a girls' basketball article. Silver Lake *Waves*; Ayreshire, Iowa.

An advertisement in the *Shoreline* read, "Flowers! Girls, send him a corsage for the turnabout dance from Drliske's florist shop. Make a hit! Highland Park; *Shoreline*

Jitterbugging is dying a slow death according to a poll taken recently at Mac Murray College for women. Ninety four per cent of the student body voted for smooth dancing. *College Greetings*

### ALARM!

Tick---Tick---Tick  
Tock---Tock---Tock  
Will somebody stop it?  
I hate a clock!

Around the face---  
The same old tune---  
Morning 'til ev'ning---  
Midnight 'til noon.

I try to think.  
I can, when it's quiet,  
But the tick---tick---tick---  
Sounds like a riot!

I try to sleep.  
It's a terrible fight!  
I roll to the left  
Turn to the right!

That short quick-tick ---  
That follow-up tock  
Will somebody stop it?  
I hate that clock!

P.B.

## FABLE

A lion met a tiger as they drank beside a pool.

"Tell me," said the tiger, "Why are you roaring like a fool?"

"That's not foolish," said the lion, with a twinkle in his eyes.

"They call me King of all the Beasts because I advertise."

A rabbit heard them talking, and ran homeward like a streak.

He thought he'd try the lion's plan but his roar was just a squeak.

A fox came to investigate ----- had luncheon in the woods.

Moral -- never advertise unless you have the goods.

"The Illinois Teacher"

## WHOZIT?

Has dark drown eyes,  
Is tall and slim,  
She takes up modeling,  
To keep in trim.  
Her hair is brown  
Her nails are long.  
With this description,  
You can't guess wrong!

Answer to last week's: Bob Shure.

## WHATZIT?

Some people think maybe,  
That Evanston's not so "fer".  
But don't let them fool you:  
For if by public transport you must  
go  
And wait for what seems about an  
hour,  
You'll think you've gone a hundred  
miles or so.

Answer to first Whatzit: Skokie  
Highway-41.



## NILEHI NIBLETS

Have you seen Thnlstrup's new hat?

Already Charles Williams has broken his New Year's Resolution: "Not to chew gum in class."

Ask Bob Carl where he got the silver shoes that he's wearing.

Howard Klehm slept in class in spite of the tickling and the bell!

John Nelson has invented a new way of carrying his books. Have you seen it?

In English class, the sophomores cast "Quentin Durward" for the movies. Errol Flynn was selected almost unanimously for the role of the hero. Olivia de Haviland was voted the heroine, Countess Isabelle. There was some disagreement concerning the person to play the part of king's jester. The vote was almost fifty-fifty for Lew Lehr and Jack Benny, and Zasu Pitts was given the part of Princess Joan.

## BONERS

The line was "puts forth one manly leg, to sight revealed." The absent minded senior read, "puts forth one leggy arm to height revealed." Yes, he's a senior in this school!

Question: What was the first great American short story?

Answer: "Rip Van Wrinkle."

(That's a new "wrinkle" to us,

Teacher: "Who was Kubla Khan?"

Sleeping Student: "A member of the Ku Klux Klan."

Monopolize-Get a large army ready for action.

A freshman scratched his head and pondered this question for ten minutes: Who wrote Lincoln's "Autobiography"?

## Cramming Isn't Fun Cont.

Well, maybe we do for about a week or so, but in the long run we go back to our old habits, and the same thing happens again. We don't learn anything; we don't gain anything; and we've everything to lose! M. O.

**HOW DO YOU, DEAR READER, FEEL ABOUT THIS, NOW IT'S "THE WEEK AFTER"?**

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Amid semester exams and sub-zero weather it was pleasant to recall a special date, January 23. On this memorable day the doors of our new high school building were opened so that the students might write their semester exams.

The second semester last year began two days late due to an unforeseen snow storm which made it impossible for classes to convene. However the opening of the second semester brought forth many eager and anxious students. The first semester in the new million dollar high school was indeed an adventure not to be forgotten.

It hardly seems possible that a year has passed so quickly. Let us all look forward to many, many more birthday celebrations for the Niles Township High School.

## SENIOR INVITATIONAL

On February 17, the seniors have their big day. At that time they will hold their invitational dance and party. Many features are planned. Among them are dancing, a floor show, and refreshments. Each senior has the privilege of bringing one guest. The dance starts at 8:30 P.M.; it ends at 12:00. The charge is very little compared to the enjoyment that is to be had. All it is going to cost you is 25 cents apiece. Come on, Seniors, this is your party so make it good!

## Cramming Isn't Fun

No sir! as the "voice of experience" I say plainly, "Cramming isn't fun!" All semester we just "fiddle and foodle," and then along come those dreaded pieces of paper known as examinations. Perhaps we have an English test the next day; we go home and study until late at night, hardly stopping for a breath. Then, the next day we take the exam and don't breathe safely for another week. Maybe we flunk, or maybe we pass by a "hair". We then, no doubt, resolve to do our homework every single day.



### Northeast Conference Standings

	WON	LOST
1. Crystal Lake	8	0
2. Libertyville	6	1*
3. Niles Township	4	4
3. Leyden	4	4
3. Arlington Heights	4	4
4. Lake Forest	3	4*
5. Woodstock	1	7
5. Warren	1	7

\* Games postponed

### BEAT LAKE FOREST!!!!

Tonight Nilehi hopes to obtain revenge from Lake Forest for the beating suffered from them earlier in the season. This evening's game promises to be one of the most thrilling of the winter. Do not miss it! Be in our gym at seven-thirty.

Since the last issue of this paper the Trojan Varsity has suffered two defeats in three starts, losing to Libertyville and Crystal Lake, but winning from Leyden.

The Libertyville game was probably the most thrilling so far this year. It was a slam-bang game with the Trojans losing in the last moments by two points.

In the Leyden game Nilehi snapped out of its slump and trimmed the Eagles.

In the Crystal Lake battle the Tigers showed that they are truly the Class of the Conference by defeating the Nilehi boys 41-28.

The Nilehi Ponies won their last three starts, and since Friday night, by beating Crystal Lake who were undefeated, they have a better than even chance to take the championship.

### CONGRATUIATION!

Seniors of Nilehi graduating last semester are Anna Anderson, Edwin Bold, Donald Henderson, Robert Hoffman, Lucille Lange, Eleanor Schramn, and Russell Warner.

## SCHOOL SPIRIT ?

"Where is all our school spirit?" asks Mr. Isaacson. Such was the topic of a personal interview with our head coach. The questions and answers were flying and here are the results:

Mr. Ike - "There is a fair amount of school spirit at N. T. H. S. but not as much as some other schools in the league. Everybody wants a winner but a few losses are showing up in the team's backing. I feel that the time to show real school spirit is when the team is not doing so well. That is when the team really needs it. It's easy to holler when you're winning, but it takes real spirit to cheer them on when they are losing."

X - What should our school spirit be?

Mr. Ike - "I remember when we were playing Warren. Every member of the Student Body and Band was there even though Warren has won only one game, the entire team was behind them."

X - What do you think of conduct at games?

Mr. Ike - "As a whole, our conduct is pretty good, however I have noticed that at the Crystal Lake game there was a lot of unnecessary unsportsmanlike conduct. Some of it came from adults. If they don't know how to act, the student body should teach them."

X - Ways to avoid bad conduct:

Mr. Ike - "I believe that every student in the school should feel that the opponent should be considered as a guest and should be treated accordingly. The officials are agreed upon before the game, and we should take their decisions as final.

"Again everybody wants to be a winner but we should know how to win and how to lose too!"

Say- by the way, where is our school spirit?