

# NILEHILITE

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Dress Up  
The Band

## New Chimes Ring In Announcements

Miss Laura Ross, our school secretary, is at present hard at work learning some new tunes with which to beguile sleepy students into listening to the morning announcements. You've all heard the new chimes, but you didn't know that over fifty tunes could be played on them, did you?

It all happened like this: someone wrote a letter to the Nile Hi Lite. Someone else brought it up in home room. Some other people started talking up the idea — and so what? A week ago last Saturday our Miss Tess went down town and bought the best set of chimes we could get for \$5.95. So students, the moral of our little tale is this: if you want things which will make our school more attractive and efficient you can get them. The school is always anxious to get your ideas and act on them when those ideas are practical.

## Foreign Language Club Installs Officers

The new officers of the Foreign Language Club were installed at an impressive candlelight ceremony last Monday, November 19.

Bill Stevens conducted the ceremony installing Don Fisher as president. Bill Stockfish as vice president. Jean Nelson as secretary, and Barbara Williams as treasurer.

Miss Marjory Ronalds, director of the club, held Latin and French classes on the stage, so that the parents would be able to see just how regular classes are conducted. Speeches about French art and French music were given by Dorothy Lund and Phyllis Brooks, respectively.

Phyllis Schlotterbeck, of German 11, gave a speech on German artists and musicians. This was followed by the singing of some favorite German songs by the two German classes.

## Calendar

- Nov. 30 - Carnival - Cafeteria
- Dec. 2 - Basketball - Frosh vs. Libertyville - here
- 3 - Forum Meeting
- 5 "Playgrounds of the Southwest" Assembly - Mr. Mitchell  
Sophomores and juniors at 1:50  
Freshmen and Seniors at 2:50
- 6 - Homeroom meetings  
Senior Class Assembly  
Basketball - Varsity and Junior Varsity vs Woodstock - here
- 9 - Basketball Frosh vs. Barrington here 3:45
- 9 - Foreign Language Club Assembly 3:45
- 10 - Forum
- 13 - Junior Assembly - Homeroom Meetings
- 13 - Basketball Junior Varsity and Varsity vs. Warren there 7:30

## Ninety-six Students

### On First Quarter Honor Roll

Ninety-six Nilehi students made the Honor Roll and twenty-nine names are on the Honorable Mention List. The Honor Roll total is composed of nineteen Senior, 21 Juniors, 23 Sophomores and 33 Freshmen. Honorable mention includes 10 Seniors, No Juniors, 7 Sophomores and 12 Freshmen

## Coming Assembly

"Playgrounds of the Southwest" will be the topic of Mr. Mitchell's lecture at the assembly on Thursday, December 5. He travels, lectures and conducts tours through the southwestern section of the United States.

## Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Tomorrow Night Is Carnival Night

"Step right up ladies and gentlemen, get your tickets here for the play of the day, 'The Perfect Gentleman,' only 15 cents — little enough for the most rollicking comedy Nilehi has ever seen."

"And in the gym, the greatest battle this Trojan stronghold has ever seen — 'Violet' Breitenbach vs. 'Daisy' Francis Keegan fighting for the 'pansy' crown of the world."

Barkers yelling, people laughing, balloons popping — it's just the hum of activity as NileHi's Annual Carnival gets under way tomorrow night.

Everywhere signboards proclaim the faultless form of the aquatic stars. The three numbers to be presented by the Wright Junior College Swimmers are Indian Summer, Waltz, and Tango. Miss Berniece Lorber will also direct them in an exhibition of synchronized swimming. Our Varsity swimming team and advanced girl swimmers will give an exhibition of medley and tandem swimming.

What'll you have — an electric clock, a study lamp, or a desk set? All you will have to do to win one of these beautiful prizes is to guess the correct weight of that enormous pumpkin now on display. Perhaps you had better take another squint at it, hadn't you?

In the cafeteria section lucky combinations will cause excited persons to shout BINGO and claim one of the valuable prizes. Father, mother, son and daughter will be trying hard to ring one of the canes or break the balloons so that they may carry home some carnival prize.

The vaudeville program will include twirling, toe dancing, music and five other attractions. Mr. Collins confides that the highlights will be the marimba ensemble composed of noted Chicago players.

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## "Dress Up The Band!"

What is a school band without uniforms? Have you ever pictured any band without uniforms? Our school band must be outfitted for the public appearances which they are expected to make.

Every student in school can do his bit to aid in dressing up the band. Many programs are being planned to raise money for the purchase of band uniforms. The proceeds from the Carnival, noon movies, and various Know Your School programs will be used for band uniforms. If you can't attend all programs, come to one or two. Everyone must be interested in at least one of these programs.

The aim of the school is to purchase sixty uniforms, which will cost over \$1,000. When the band is completely outfitted they will play at home basketball and football games and other school events.

## Niblets!

Winter has come — and a few bewildered souls found themselves with only moccasins to walk home in the day of the big snow! . . . There's a little blue 'nd orange box opposite Room 213 on the second floor — don't you like it?

Florence Schramm may have ulterior motives when she follows her bowling ball down the alley. It's a good idea, but her position is a bit clumsy . . . The other night June Vincent brushed her teeth in the dark, only to find out later that she had used Ungentine instead of tooth paste.

Who was that ingenious little fellow who lit the match during the blackout in Europe's mass meeting . . . Behind the scenes of the Thanksgiving pep assembly: Sixth period saw Ginny Nordin tearing — not just running — to see the reportedly arrived "Stinky" . . .

The school's population was increased by four guppies the other day — the infants are "coming along fine" according to "Kracky" Phil Braeseke turned as red as a fire engine when reprimanded for talking — again . . .

From the New Trier Game

"Why look it's just like football — the "Ref" always comes up from the pile on the floor with the ball."

— A Fan.

Mr. Bennett's "stick assignment" was met with grunts and groans from sophomores and seniors-juniors, indifferent . . . When asked for his twigs, Francis May complained that his "mother had thrown them out." Immediately, Winnefred Flagg, older and wiser by two seasons of schooling, suggested her method of "sneaking them from neighbors' trees when they are not looking" . . . On the long and short of the assignment to get twigs — as there always is — Lulu Deatrich boasts that she and her mother went out at 11 p.m. with scissors and a flashlight to collect twigs from the trees . . . Pat Harms gathered her sticks in her sleep, and still had them when she came to school — proving that it wasn't just a marvelous dream.

Though we are a bit late, we extend our best wishes to Carole Lee Rouse, who is in her second season as a member of the "Holiday Review" at the Palmer House.



"Aren't we going to look nice in our new uniforms!"

## The Perils of Phoebe

Editor's note: Characters or places having any similarity to the names of persons living or dead are purely coincidental.

It was a dark Cole night in May, continually getting Kohler. I was alone in the Stevens Hotel. I pressed my Roman nose on the window and looked out. I heard Gehrs shifting, and I saw a Green Kadlec come up Racine Rhode and stop at the hotel door. Am an got out and entered the lobby. I heard him picking the Yale lock.

My heart was in my mouth. (Did it taste Good!) In the Farr corner was a Brown Kot on which I lay until I got my bearings. My thoughts were whirling. What did the man want? What was he picking the Lockefer?

The lock gave; I heard him Cuming. I rushed into De Chambre (my French!). This did no good. He was in already! I was going to scream, but seeing his gun I decided not to.

"Listen, sister," he said. "No Kops taking me to the Stachon and put me in the Brigg. Betcher life they're not. If you want to give the Florus business go on and yell . . . Now hand over them Rings."

For a moment I was Struck senseless. Somehow I opened the door and ran out. A man was passing and together we managed to capture the burglar. From then on Dickenson Tracy, the detective, was my hero!

## First Quarter Honor Roll

### SENIORS

Don Fisher 16	Phyllis Schlotterbeck 16
Jeannette Huemmer 15	Betty Kelly 15
Dorothy Kranz 15	Donald Rhodes 15
June Berg 14	Phylliss Braeseke 14
Rita Fisher 14	Isabelle Hoth 14
Edith Luxem 14	William Stevens 14
Gloria Bartz 13	Ben Domas 13
Lloyd Friend 13	Edward Gatzke 13
Laura Nunemacher 13	Sue Schaefer 13
Edward Springer 13	

### JUNIORS

Mildred Bergmark 16	Norma Heidtke 15
Florence Ochs 15	Lois Anderson 14
Lillian Baptist 14	Lillian Miethke 14
Virginia Reuter 14	Gertrude Dahm 13
Bernice Franson 13	Dorothy Nelson 13
Virginia Nordin 13	Paul Perlman 13
Daniel Petty 13	Barbara Anderson 12
Donald Baumann 12	Ruth Clarkens 12
Margaret Dolan 12	Richard Hartney 12
Eileen Heinz 12	Grace Langan 12
Donna Jean Cotanche 12	

### SOPHOMORES

Adele Bartz 16	Audrey Brown 15
Dagmar Franson 15	Virginia Lenzen 15
Ernest Nordquist 15	Tom Sheridan 15
Harold Anderson 14	Richard Boyd 14
Danny Dever 14	Dolores Grembecki 14
Marion Hacker 14	Willard Stockfisch 14
Viola Stoll 14	James Watkins 14
Peter Conrad 13	Ruth Hennig 13
Lucille Lindemann 13	Carl Mueller 13
Janet Lutkehaus 13	Ralph Rentzsch 13
Dorothy Rings 13	Melvin Schultz 13
Betty Stielow 13	

### FRESHMEN

Joan Cutsler 16	Leota Harper 16
Beverly Kramer 16	Barbara Mason 16
Jack Price 16	Alma Gatzke 15
Doris Hampton 15	William Moorad 15
Jack Harrer 15	Nona Jane Hollappa 15
Marion Conrad 14	Thomas Davidson 14
James Keating 14	Margaret McNeill 14
Rose Marie Norum 14	Helen Roberts 14
Theodore Roess 14	Frances Smith 14
Betty Bray 13	Thomas Cook 13
Betty Cummings 13	Richard Cutler 13
Mary Kay De Witt 13	Harriet Hart 13
Robert Harston 13	Wilford Johnson 13
James Lannert 13	Robert Pasek 13
Gordon Peschke 13	Cecelia Rizzo 13
Lorra'ne Splett 13	Marie Stritch 13
John Warakowski 13	

### HONORABLE MENTION FRESHMEN

Lois Baity 12	Frank Boufford 12
Jane Breckenridge 12	Betty Farr 12
Patricia Foster 12	Howard Langan 12
Grace Nelson 12	Harry Peterson 12
Jean M. Peterson 12	Roland Poehlman 12
Roegene Scholow 12	Gloria Westerberg 12

### SOPHOMORES

Patricia Galitz 12	Agnes Heinz 12
Rosanna King 12	Ann Oden 12
Lois Ruthenbeck 12	Harvey Tolzien 12
Betty Westerlund 12	

### SENIORS

Virginia Baity 12	Clark Barton 12
Virginia Berry 12	Armin Bierbaum 12
Norma Delfino 12	Irene Guenther 12
Caroly Pearson 12	Marjorie Riser 12
Mildred Risinger 12	LaVerne Schuler 12

No Junior Honorable Mention

## Printers' Devils Work Hard

Although it will only take a few seconds to read this article, it took the fellows in Mr. Meier's advanced printing class two and one-half hours to set it up in type.

Readers of our publication who complain because the paper comes out too seldom ought to have a chat with Art Hanneman or Buell Brown, two of our best printers. Or talkative Bob Freres and Ray Hohs could tell you that the reason it takes conscientious Mat Nosal so long to set up an article is that every little letter, comma, period, question mark, and exclamation point has to be set by hand.

Then can you understand why it takes the printing class, which includes, besides those mentioned above, Henry Dahm, Ralph Krier, Henry Matchen, Herbert Mueller, Vernon Permer, Wm. Ross, Wm. Schnur, and Wm. Taylor, **forty man hours** to set **one** issue of the *Nilehilite*?

## Problems Classes Go to Jail

"We find the defendant guilty of murder in the first degree." This was an oft repeated statement heard by the Problems classes last Tuesday. The classes under the direction of Miss Grace Harbert, spent the day viewing several different trials in the various courts of the Criminal Court Building. They saw not only trials for minor offenses but also such "Front Page" trials as murder, manslaughter, and grand larceny. The different verdicts rendered were subject to many heated controversies among the student spectators.

As the Problems class walked the dreaded "Last Mile" to the electric chair, they observed the lockup system, the laundry, and other parts of the County Jail. They also noticed that every clock read differently — an added protection against jail-break!

After they returned home the seniors arrived at one conclusion — seeing is better than reading.

## Freshies' Debut To Social Life

So you let the little freshies get ahead of you! Oh yes, you did! What? You didn't hear about the freshman class party at which 115 of the freshmen danced, played games, and ate refreshments on the evening of Nov. 8? Yes, it was the first class party. It took the energetic representatives of the freshman home rooms, under the sponsorship of Miss M. Ronalds, to really get their class members well acquainted by giving a party.

After all the "panning" our freshies have taken, we offer our congratulations to them for their peppy way of being on step ahead!

## Cooks, Cookes and Crumbs

There is a room on the basement floor that has been given little publicity and yet is dearest to the heart of the student body. That room, our cafeteria, is truly a busy place, proving again that eating is the most popular pastime of high school students.

Our sturdy janitor squad takes care day after day, of the wrappings and scraps, flipped successfully (and unsuccessfully) at the many baskets.

We have also a very efficient group of cooks whose diligence keep us from becoming undernourished.

Some interesting facts can be gleaned from the lunchroom. Among the vital statistics we find the fact that sandwiches, those supporters of student life, disappear in the following order: ham salad, egg salad, and ham. What would our Mommas say if they knew that the pop sold daily in the cafeteria totals eight cases? These also show a definite system in their disappearing acts. Orange heads the list with root beer and cola as runners-up. We must give note to the capacity of the under-classmen who did away with three-hundred and fifty turkey dinners while the seniors were away.

## WHOZIT? ?

This lad is very small in size, In fact, he's the smallest of the guys.

His light brown hair and bright green eyes

Really add character to his size.

Come on, think now! Take your brains off the shelf!

Ah, here's a clue—he dances with himself!

## Girls Ping Pong Tournament Opens

When Monday comes, Miss Schaefer will officially "open season" in the Ping Pong tournament. The required participation of all girls is going to intensify the competition in this year's contest. Watched by swaying heads that anxiously follow the flight of the bounding sphere, nervous fingers will soon be stabbing futilely at the elusive Ping Pong ball in an effort "to get the paddle in the way." If you can make your opponent the unhappy victim of your skill in two out of three duels, somebody'll let you into the semi-finals.

... In addition to paddling about on the green table, those ambitious enough to enter the shuffleboard battle are to be in on quite an exciting bit of "pushing around."

When the whistling winter winds drive the husky bruisers from the football field, they huddle into the shelter of their gym and start dashing around shooting for baskets. If the names selected by the Intramural basketball teams are lived up to, something short of terror will reign. Will the Bzllkiwhlfs be as hard to beat as they are to pronounce? ... What is to be expected of Hitler's Hermites? ... Who are the 6 Hicks—and are they the only ones? ... The Skokie Smokies have a good idea there ... Are Krier's Beers flaunting the true reason for their agility? ... And what will happen if the Comets clash with the Skokie Rockets?

The boy's tournament of ping pongers has already started.

### WE BEG YOUR PARDON

In the previous issue the last three dates of the basketball schedule should have read:

Fri., Feb. 7—Warren—here  
 Fri., Feb. 14—Woodstock—there  
 Fri., Feb. 21—Arlington—here

The J. V.'s will also play a game with the Alumni on Jan. 3.

### Freshman Basketball Schedule

Mon., Dec. 2—Libertyville—here  
 Mon., Dec. 6—Barrington—here  
 Mon., Dec. 16—Arlington—there  
 Mon., Jan. 13—Libertyville—there  
 Sat., Feb. 1—Leyden—here  
 Mon., Feb. 3—Barrington—there  
 Mon., Feb. 10—Arlington—here

## G. A. A. Initiates Freshmen

Girls and their proud mothers attended the formal initiation of the new G.A.A. members on Nov. 15.

The evening's program included a talk and demonstration by the renowned archer, Mr. Hoogerhyde. After showing a newsreel on trick archery, Mr. Hoogerhyde demonstrated his own ability in several difficult shots including shooting a balloon out of Claire Juniac's hand.

To complete the entertainment part of the program, the Girls' Select Chorus sang some very beautiful selections, Pat Reiland performed an intricate acrobatic dance, June Berg proved herself a clever skit giver, and Janice Moore sang to a thrilled audience.

The main event of the evening, the initiation, was very solemn and beautiful. The girls, carrying lighted candles and marching down into the semi-dark gym to take their pledge of membership, made a picture few will soon forget.

The evening ended with the girls taking their mothers to the cafeteria for refreshments. Chatting over tea and cakes gave both the mother and daughters a chance to make new acquaintances. Such an enjoyable evening should make G. A. A. mean more to all its members.

## Competition Keen As Boys Bowl

Competition in boys bowling is getting keener as Bob Reiland and Ed Heinz battle for first place, each having a 170 average, Harvey Jensen with an average of 158 holds third place by one pin.

The Chemistry Team is leading with 8 wins and only 2 losses. Bob Reiland captains Bob Freres, Dan Petty, and YEHUDI on this winning team.

### Carnival Night - Continued

The twelve-piece orchestra playing in the Assembly "Ballroom" will be the cause of many pleasant moments.

Oh yes — refreshments! Katie assures us that refreshments will be served during the entire evening.

Remember that the proceeds of the Carnival will be used to uniform our school band.

**Answer to Whozit:**  
 Jimmie Holmes

## Conference Play Starts Tonight

Tonight the NileHi basketball teams will travel to Arlington Heights to open the 1940-41 North-east Conference Basketball season.

Although Arlington is reported to be one of the weakest teams in the conference, the Trojan offense, weakened by the loss of last year's aces, Boyk and Baumann, will unlikely be able to run up a very large score.

Last Saturday the Trojans played a real thriller with New Trier. The spectators saw the two teams battle on even terms for four quarters, the score at the end of the regulation time being tied, 23-23. In the overtime period the Trojans came through with five points to win 28-25.

Following is a running account of the overtime period. Domas was fouled and then sank his free throw. New Trier went into the lead by making good two free throws on Domas' fourth foul. Anderson, who replaced Domas, was fouled and sank one of his free throws. Petersen received a beautiful pass under the basket and made good on his shot. Williams contributed the final point on a free throw. Final score: NTHS 28, New Trier 25.

Williams, who was high man with eight points, kept the Trojans in the game with two beautiful long shots during the closing minutes of regulation time. On defense the team looked very good but looked weak on offense.

The Junior Varsity also played a close game, winning in the closing seconds, 22-20. After leading 10-5 at half-time, the JV's allowed New Trier to tie the score. As in the Varsity game, free throws played an important part in the final score.

Wednesday, November 20, the Trojans traveled to Evanston, where they seemed to do everything wrong, for their first games of the season. The teams were weak on offense, bad on passes, and inadequate on defense. One bright spot on the Varsity record was the percentage of free throws made. The players sank 9 out of 14 free tosses.

Evanston won the Varsity game 33-25 and the JV game 25-7.