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SCHOOL CALENDAR

- March 15 -- G.A.A. Water Carnival
8:00 and 9:15 P.M.
March 16 Water Carnival 8:00 P.M.
March 17 St. Patrick's Day
March 18 Assembly 1:15
March 19 Foreign Language Club
Latin Group In Charge
March 22 Good Friday. No School
March 26 Know Your Money
Program 9:10A.M.
March 29 All-School Spring Dance

Time Will Tell

March 11 at 3:30 and what happened then marked the start of what might be a very interesting feud. No one was hurt except perhaps the teachers' standings in bowling! Five Nilehi boys bowled against five teachers in three games and beat the faculty members by 261 pins. The high game for both teams was bowled by George Howarth with 210 pins.

Like Snakes?

Jack Raymon will talk to the pupils of Niles Township on March 18 at 1:12 P.M. about "Our Reptile Friends."

Mr. Raymon will exhibit fifteen live snakes: rattlesnakes from Texas, Coral snakes from Florida, Copperheads from the Mid-West, Cottonmouths from the South and others. Besides giving this exhibition, the speaker will give amusing stories which he has gathered from Main to Arizona. He will also entertain the pupils with whip-cracking and rope-spinning.



"You should have had the handicap instead of me!"

Water Carnival Tonight

Long-handled fans gently swaying, lotus blossoms, warm breezes, birds of every hue, shiny, dark-skinned slaves, the flash of the slaves' brown limbs in the blue, green water of the Mediterranean beautiful Egyptian girls, and, queen over all, Cleopatra on her stately throne-- with these, for one brief hour, you too can live again in the glories of Egypt, for "Egyptia" is the theme of the Water Carnival presented by the Girl's Athletic Association under the direction of Miss M.A. Schaefer. The original idea is that of Mr. J. G. Wilkins. The program will be presented Friday evening, March 15, at 8:00 P. M. and 9:15 P. M. and on Saturday at 8 P. M. The tickets are 35c per person.

The story of the program dates back to the time of Egypt in the height of her glory. Cleopatra entertains her royal guests at her favorite Water Carnival. None of the pride and glory of Egypt is overlooked in the splendid array of interior decoration of palace and garden. Beyond the garden one looks

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Confucius Say!

Last week, Confucius popped in and surveyed Niles Township with eagle eyes. He jotted down several things while glancing over the building and gave them to me as he left. Here they are:

1. Boy who swear in hall, later sweat in office.
2. Student who shove in cafeteria get indigestion seventh period.
3. Strong boy who no hold door open for girl is lazy.
4. Student who leave paper on floor miss wastebasket.
5. Boy who leave hat on head, cover vacuum.
6. Student who does not wipe off shoes when weather is bad have cold feet.
7. Girl who no say thanks, later have no one to thank.

So students, if Confucius should pop up again, let's see if we can't show him an improvement, so he'll have nothing to say.

Appreciation

We wish to express our appreciation for the notes of sympathy from you, our friends, during our sadness.

Sincerely,

The Jarrett Family

MOVIES OF MEXICO

Mrs. L. A. Westerberg of Niles Center presented her colored movies of Mexico to all of the high school classes in three performances.

Teacher's Institute Here

About one thousand teachers of divisions one and two of the Cook County Teachers' Institute met in Niles Township High School on Monday, March 11, for an all day session. Since this high school has a new building, Mr. R. E. Cotanche, the principal, had all of the rooms open for inspection. At the morning session, Dr. Guy T. Buswell from the Department of Education University of Chicago, talked on "Reading and Successful Learning in the School". Professor Dora V. Smith, from the University of Minnesota, then spoke about "Putting First Things First in the Teaching of English."

Following the morning session, a cafeteria luncheon was served in the school cafeteria to several hundred of the visitors. Boys of the cooking class and girls of the home economics department assisted with the serving.

Noble J. Puffer, the Superintendent of Cook County Schools, began the afternoon program with his talk on "Current Problems in Cook County Education." "Dr. Thomas Henry Briggs of Columbia University, concluded the session with his comments on "Appreciation." Mrs. Kathleen G. Ammerman, principal of the Central School in Glencoe acted as the chairman of the program committee.

Sense Impressions

The sophomores have been writing paragraphs on sense impressions in English these days. The following are two of the most interesting ones:

Squeaking Leather

Ever since I can remember, my favorite sound has been that of squeaking leather. When I was smaller, I would take my father's belt and move it a certain way; then it would produce "the" sound. I still can remember the many scoldings I'd get when the other members of the family would find their long sought leather possessions in my room. When I started buying my own shoes and accessories, I always managed to come home with a lovely, but very annoying pair of shoes. My latest noise maker is a pair of Huraches from Mexico, and do they squeak!

Jane Kadlec

A Thermometer's Touch

A cool, slim rod is placed under my tongue. That old remembered pressure of the thermometer is felt again. Memories are aroused, and they flash like slides in a projector. There are hot feverish memories with my parched lips around that eternally cool, merciless rod. There are humorous memories, too like the time I sprouted red blotches over night, and mother suspected measles. I fooled her. It was chicken pox! I stir impatiently, and the jar of the thermometer's contact with my teeth annoys me. At last the doctor, armed with his best bedside manner, invades my busy thoughts. He takes the thermometer. That cool slim visitor is no longer present. Ah, my month is my own again!

Mardy McKeever

CONTEST

All of the following questions except number 10 have been answered correctly in some copy of the Nilehilite. Put your answers in the Nilehilitemailbox in Room 214 by 12 o'clock, Tuesday, March 20. All winners will have their names printed in capital letters in the March 29 issue.

1. Who was editor of the first copy of Nilehilite?
2. How much does the trip to Washington cost?
3. What was the slogan for Clean-Up Week?
4. Who says "sweeters" for "sweaters?"
5. What three girls celebrate birthdays on Christmas?
6. Identify "Dark Victory"?
7. What was the score of the Woodstock-Nilehi football game?
8. Who were "south of the border"?
9. Who makes our cartoons?
10. How many are enrolled at Nilehi?

Dear Tortured Souls:

Now that you are clutched securely by my many fingers, shall I crush you into many pieces or shall I watch you wriggle and writhe? You are such unsuspecting and innocent mortals that to squash you seems much too heartless for even so dreadful an animal as I. My tentacles are slowly creeping up to you Harley Anderson. It might be only a matter of a few days until you will no longer be able to walk to your locker on third floor north. And if my long arms ever reached your flowing locks, Colleen Thomas, what would your shorn-self be like? Miss Tess's pretty blue dress with the cherries appealed to my aesthetic sense and my sweet tooth. Maybe I shall snatch that some day and carry it away to my secret cave where I dwell with the Cyclops.

Signed

THE OCTOPUS

NILEI NIBLHETS

We gave Evelyn Jorgensen four bells on her beautiful performance Dramatics Night, and they are still ringing . . . Ginger Kadlec was more correct than she knew in her Mexican lecture recently when she told of "our bloody stock markets," then blushed . . . Mr. Ohlson, the "Monarch of the third floor," has had some poetry published but has been ashamed ever since . . . Did you know Florence Margalski's dog won the first prize in two classes in a Chicago dog show recently? Her dog has "the longest tail" and was the "largest Mutt" in the contest . . . Mrs. Esch doodles rectangles during rehearsals of "What a Life." We didn't know she was a boxer . . . The girls of NTHS are carrying on a man hunt for the barber, if it is a barber, who is giving the boys those "economy special" haircuts . . . Al Johantgen's breathtaking brogans are the highlight of our hall hagglers . . . Carl Fehrow's third hour gum chewing campaigns are getting on Miss Lant's nerves who, by the way, was quite a hunter in her pig-tail days. She bared her dad's barn of all wild life . . . Danny Petty has at last been dropped from the bachelor list. What's her name Danny? . . . Mr. Benette is wondering why he received a baker's dozen in that order of frogs last week . . . One of our students was sent a letter in which there appeared the following description, "Now I shall describe myself. I have blue eyes, blond hair, and a nose in the middle." That's strange, isn't it? . . . In geometry classes recently books and papers have been disappearing. Don Baumann, upon finishing his work, fastened his papers together with a nut and bolt. It was a "nutty" idea, but Miss Schoenbaum sympathized with him.

New Course Is Popular

The fifteen members of the Home Nursing Course which began this semester meet on Monday and Wednesdays during the seventh hour in room 110. Mrs. E. Schulman, R. N., from the American Red Cross, is the instructor. Her pupils are learning about home hygiene, care of the sick, and infant care.

Good Grades Or Else

The three Nilehi boys, Bob MacDonald, James Rau, and Charles Freuke, who are employees of the Downtown Shopping News will have more than one reason for getting passing grades in all subjects. In a statement issued recently to all of their 2,000 young men employees, the News emphasized the necessity for getting average or better than average school grades. The statement read in part as follows: "Whereas the grades of all Shopping News carriers is well above the average of all students, a few have not maintained satisfactory grades. Unless the grades of these students show immediate improvement they will be replaced."

This attitude toward scholarship is typical of most business organizations. They feel that if a prospective employee is successful in school and doing his school work as well as he possibly can, he will probably be equally successful and conscientious in business.

Hundreds of employers in the Chicago area specify when they are in need of beginners within their organizations that candidates rank at least within the upper third of their graduating class and preferably within the upper ten per cent. Come on, students, let's get in that upper bracket!

ALUMNI

Thomas O'Connell was graduated from Nilehi in 1937 with the first graduating class. His peppy personality has always made him a popular person in any group. At present he is employed at the J. Weller Thompson Company in Chicago where his chances for promotion are excellent. Tom played basketball while in school, and recently did his duty in the Alumni-Varsity game.

NONSEQUITUR

Hectic rehearsals have marked the progress of "What a Life" to date. Witness this: a member of the first cast blundered on to the stage the other evening and piled into four chairs. Was he sitting pretty! Then, there was the first fight (in the play) between Art Hanneman and Bill Taylor, in which the victim hit the floor before he was touched. Also, two girls in the cast are constantly worrying about their diaphragms. And on the cuff: the Nilehi character actor in the role of the ruddy Italian, Vechitto, "just sits."

Miss Ronalds Saw Mussolini

Miss Marjorie Ronalds tells of this incident she experienced in 1936 during her trip to Italy. At the time she was in Venice, a crowd was gathering at the Grand Canal, and out of curiosity she walked to the shore to see for herself what was going on. To her surprise it was Il Duce himself, dressed in a white naval uniform, going along in a motorboat and saluting his subjects on the bank of the canal. Miss Ronalds, upon remembering, comments, "Very impressive!"



THE LIL' BIRDIE ASKS

"What do you think of the 'Heinie' haircuts that the boys have been getting lately?"

Bob Glatz, freshman--

"All right."

Marie Throop, sophomore--

"Not the best."

Clark Barton, junior--

"Comfort before looks."

Marie Nordby, senior--

"Awful!"

Miss Burnhart,

From what goes on in the heads of students, they don't need so much hair."

At Random

Nelson, Ted
Iverson, Merle
LeGoff, Lorraine
Eichelkrant, Bob
Schmelzer, Rosemary

Tomczak, Florence
Ochs, Florence
Wettengel, Donna
Nosal, Florence
Struck, Wilbert
Hallberg, Russell
Inman, Jocelyn
Putman, Dorothy

Hennig, Arthur
Isaacson, Mr. H.
Gallipo, Marjory
Hamilton, Frances

Siemson, Grace
Conrad, Genevieve
Huscher, Carl
O'Connell, Bill
Ohlson, Mr. H.
LeClercq, Jeanette

LIKE SNAKES?--con't.

Mr. Raymon will exhibit fifteen live snakes: rattle snakes from Texas, Coral snakes from Florida, Copperheads from the Mid-West, Cottonmouths from the South and others.

WHOZIT??

Flipity-flip he goes down the floor
When he's on the team we don't
ask for more.

He's quiet at times, but is full of fun.
When he's in a hurry he sure can run.
His hair is dark brown
His eyes are too.
Come on kids,
And follow through!

Answer to last week's:

Sonja Greiner

WHATZIT??

Brick upon brick
With many signs in front.
You can always get a seat
If you're not afraid to hunt.
The kids all like to gather
To be among their pals.
Boys get two seats together
And bring along their gals.
Last week's: The New Subdivision.

SPRING DANCE

The annual spring frolic will be held in the high school gymnasium on Friday evening, March 29. Catherine Ann Nelson, social chairman, and the social committee will have charge of this affair. It will be an informal all-school dance. Tickets will go on sale March 25.

Students Present Program

On March 6, eleven girls were excused at 2:10 P. M. to sing at the Central Church. They were: Janice Moore, Lois Jaycox, Jean Cambell Marie Throop, Arlene Madsen, Patty Todd, Frances Etherton, Ruth Johantgen, Ann Oden, Arlene Lalashis, and Audrey Brown. Seven other students were excused at 3:00 P. M. to repeat several of the Dramatics Night skits. They were: Paul Mikota, June Vincent, Patricia Dickinson, Catherine Nelson, Clyde Henning, Bill Dickinson, and Carl Mueller. Miss Clara Klaus and Mrs. Ruth Esch supervised these groups.

Radio Skit

by June Berg

Once upon a time there lived a little worm by the name of Elsie. Elsie wasn't like all the other glow worms who danced, played, and worked. Poor Elsie would just sit and glow. She would glow all sorts of colors, red, blue, green, yellow, purple, and orange. On special occasions she would glow polka dot and on the Fourth of July it would be red, white, and blue. One day she met Roger. Roger was a grasshopper. They fell in love and got married. Elsie had a home where she could, clean, and bake. But Elsie didn't. She just sat and glowed.

One day Elsie saw a girl's plaid skirt. She said to herself she said, "I must glow plaid. I just must glow plaid." For several days after that Elsie didn't glow. Now Roger started to worry. He thought she wasn't happy so she wouldn't glow, so he asked her what was the matter. Elsie said, "Roger just wait. I have a big surprise for you." Two weeks passed. Then Elsie called Roger to her side and said, "Roger, I am going to glow plaid." Well, of course, Roger was awfully impressed. Elsie had been able to glow every shade of the rainbow. But here she was going to glow plaid. What an achievement!

Well, Elsie glowed and glowed, but she couldn't glow plaid. In fact she glowed so hard she got a stroke. Roger quickly called the doctor. After examining Elsie, he said, "Elsie, if you glow once more you will die." Now, just think what this meant to little Elsie. Her whole life had been devoted to glowing and now she couldn't. All of a sudden she glowed. As she lay there dying, Roger said, "Elsie dear, didn't you hear what the doctor said? If you glowed once more you would die." Elsie replied, "Yes Roger, but when you've gotta glow you've gotta glow."

Key to matching in last issue: Middle names, Harold, Francis, Ralph, Dean, Leo, Hairman, Lee, Smythe, Ann, Wellington.
Key to True-False: T, F, F, F, T, T, F, T.

The J.V's.

Not much has been said about the Junior Varsity of Nilehi. Always taking a back seat for thier big brothers, the men on the Varsity, they seem to have been lost in the scuffle.

This year Nilehi had one of the best pony squads in the school's history, winning nine games and losing three. The J. V.'s finished in second place in the Conference, just behind Crystal Lake.

Water Carival - con't

out over the blue Mediteranean where the ships, laden with spices and jewels from the Orient, come to port.

Cleopatra's colorful pageant consists of:

- Lotus Blossom Ballet
- Race of the Sea Horses
- Dancing Girls
- Slave Race
- Synchronized Swimming
- Diving
- Finale

The participants of the program are:

Cleopatra : Virginia Mehren

Lotus Blossom Ballet -P Balley, J. Bates,

P. Braeske, D. Cotanche, N. Delfino, P.

Donnell, B. Farr, D. Franson, P. Galitz, E.

Gohl, P. Harms, C. Jaycox, C. Juniac, O.

Krajchovich, E. Muto, V. Pearson, G.

Regan, K. Sutter, B. Wetmore.

Slave Race -E. Fields, J. Hegarty, A. Mayer,

K.Kellen, J. Kristof, D. Mueller.

Synchronized swimming: L. Becker, C.

Blameuser, J. Blameuser, A. Bock, G.

Deily, J. Eves, S. Greiner, A. Weber, B.

Williams.

Sea Horse Races: A. Celmer, C. Kohtz, L.

Krupa, G. Langan, V. Lenzen, J. Peter-

son, D. Rings, L. Ruthenbeck.

Slaves: R. Bowser, J. Ellis, H. Evett, A.

Jurasitz, F. Keegan, J. Moore, F. Schramm,

E. Zarvel.

Cleopatra's guests: B. Birkenheir, L. Cun-

ningham, R. Johantgen, J.Pike, V. Wyatt.

Diving: L. Becker, C. Blameuser, A. Bock

H. Grant, S. Greiner, J. Hegarty, A. Mayer,

D. Mueller, R. Nitch, A. Weber.

Orchestra: J. Allen, A. Brown, A. Guenther,

A. Johantgen, E. Johnson, F. May, K. Pike

H. Klehm, H. Maier, E. Miner, S. Schaefer

R. Throop, E. Westerland, R. Wilson.

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and costume design: John Wilkins.

Produced by students in the Art Dept.

Orchestra - Mr. Clifford Collins

Boys' Intra-murals

The boys' physical education classes have been divided into forty volley ball teams. These will participate in a two-round play-off, with three games to a round. The winners of the playoff will compete in an elimination tournament.

Every boy in the physical education classes will also play in a ping pong tournament.

Intramural Swimming Results

50 yd. back stroke

Roger Schoenenberger	1st
Jack Heineger	2nd
William Carroll	3rd
Time - 40. 8 sec.	

50 yd. side stroke

Duane Ford	1st
Bud Lauth	2nd
Keith Pike	3rd
Time - 38. 5 sec.	

50 yd. breast stroke

Richard Kerley	1st
Roger Shoenenberger	2nd
Ben Domas	3rd
Time - 31. 7 sec.	

50 yd. free style

Duane Ford	1st
Bud Lauth	2nd
Ray Nitch	3rd
Time - 31. 7 sec.	

25 yd. Novice free style

Boys who could not swim upon entering school in September.

Ed Westerlund	1st
Calvin Clarke	2nd
Wm. Brodtke	3rd
Time-20.1 sec.	

Diving

Ray Nitch	1st
Robert Harms	2nd
Don Hezner	3rd

Water Carinal - con't

Lighting - Werner Heidtke

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Ticket Sales - Olga Krajchovich

Ticket taker - Ed Boyk

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Appreciation is expressed to all faculty members who permitted students to practice during the school day and who assisted in the locker rooms.

"After The Games Are Over"

Now that basketball has completed its reign on the sports' parade at Nilehi and the equipment has been put into the mothballs for another year, the followers of the Trojans have many pleasant memories.

How can we forget the one man scoring race of Ed Boyk, Nilehi's ace, with the amazing total of 230 points in 15 games, giving an average of 19 points a game, a record that will stand for many years to come, perhaps; or the startling floor play of little "Ikie" Huscher who cut the big fellows down to his size! Yes, the followers of Nilehi have much to be proud of in all the members of their 1939-1940 quintet.

Nilehi came to be the most feared team in the Conference, save for Crystal Lake, the champs of the Conference. The Trojans won eight games and lost four for second place. The only teams to beat these "Men of Troy" were Crystal Lake (who whipped us twice), Libertyville and Lake Forest. Libertyville defeated us by two points in the most exciting game of the year. Lake Forest's men proved to be our jinx team; they beat us early in the year in their gym, but we trounced them here later on in the season, scoring 57 points. Our highest total of the year was the 69 against Warren's 26. At the regional tournament in Waukegan the Foresters were hot, beating us by five points and eliminating us from the tournament.

BOYK RECEIVES HONOR

Ed Boyk was unanimously voted "the most valuable player" award by the members of the Nilehi basketball team. For the last three years, Flip has been the highest scorer in the Conference. One-handed push shots are his specialty.

Bowlers' Results

Eighteen girls of the Niles Township Bowling League competed in the Herald-American Bowling Tournament, March 2, and were among the first to open the bowling classic. The girls entered the high school singles event. Dorothy Lund's total of 429 gave her the highest score of the group, and she will be awarded a pair of bowling shoes. Dorothy Gutman placed second with her total of 408; Doris Anderson third and Virginia Kadlec fourth.

G.A.A. Skating Party

The G.A.A. is sponsoring a roller skating party at the Broadway Armory, Wednesday, March 27. Tickets will be given to each G. A. A. girl Friday, March 22. Two hundred tickets are available. Any girl who wants to bring a guest should come to the G.A.A. office, March 25. Tickets obtained at the school will be FREE; at the armory, 30c!

Mermaids' Meet

Advanced girl swimmers held their first intra-mural meet March 4. Competition was keen in all events. Norma Delfino took first place in the side stroke event. Mary Baumhardt placed first in the novice swim. Winner of the breast stroke race was Sonja Greiner. Joan Blameuser outdistanced her sister, Carol, who came in second in the free style relay. Greiner took the diving honors receiving 25.5 points. Angela Weber placed second and Leone Becker third.

See The Water Carnival

Tonight Or Tomorrow