

# NILEHILITE

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## Hearts and Flowers

Nilehi's annual summer formal has been planned to the n'th degree, and it looks, from where we stand, to be even more florid than those in the past. Many interested people have asked permission to see the charming and novel decorations. The Junior Council is very sorry, but this is to be a student dance. No spectators will be admitted. The very regal and impressive coronation ceremony is to be as interesting as it is beautiful.

With Dick Carlton's staccato rhythm furnishing inspiration for the swaying and dipping couples, flowery formals, and beautiful decorations, and with their lordly majesties reigning over all, the Junior Prom promises to be a "must" of the season.

## Summer School Plans Made

Summer school at Nilehi will begin June 17, and will continue for six weeks, ending July 26. The subjects to be taught for credit are as follows: world history, geography, typing, social studies, and various mathematics. In addition to these, there will be swimming for grade school pupils three times a week.

## DAILY EVENTS

May 30- Memorial Day-no school  
June 3-7 Review week  
June 6-7 Senior Exams  
June 8- Prom  
June 10-12 Semester exams  
June 12 Senior Breakfast  
June 13 Graduation Exercises  
June 14 Close of second semester  
School closes



"Well, the Prom can start now, 'cause we're here!"

## HOBO DAY

Hobo Day will be on Friday, May 31. Mr. Benette is faculty adviser, and the committee in charge of activities in Jean Bates, Howard Wertz, and Doris Anderson.

There are a few rules for dress on Hobo Day.

### DO'S

1. Girls may wear slacks, overalls, or house dresses.
2. Girls may wear hair ribbons or flowers in their hair.
3. Boys may wear overalls, slacks, or old suits.
4. Costumes representing characters in fiction, comic strips, etc., are very good.

### DONT'S

1. Do not be late to school or to any class. Regular school routine is to be followed on this day.
2. No shorts will be permitted.
3. Clothes usually worn only in the house such as pajamas, etc. are not to be worn.
4. Pipes, cigars, liquor bottles, and things of that type are not to be brought to school on this day.

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## FAREWELL SENIORS

After four long years of class work, cramming, and homework, our seniors at Nilehi are going to leave us. Some of them are perhaps planning to enter college in September, after long talks with their parents and advisers and careful investigation of different schools. Others are going out into the world to look for immediate jobs, while several we know of have jobs already promised to them. In any case, we wish them success, and we hope they will use some of the knowledge they have obtained in high school. By that we don't mean book knowledge only, but the ability to get along with others, to be able to understand others' interests, and to be able to cooperate. Always remember, the little things in life count.

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## Conference Baseball standing

FINAL

|             | Won | Lost |
|-------------|-----|------|
| N. T. H. S. | 5   | 1    |
| Arlington   | 5   | 1    |
| Leyden      | 3   | 3    |
| Warren      | 2   | 4    |
| Woodstock   | 0   | 6    |

## Nilehi Receives Recognition

Word has been received by Superintendent R. E. Contanche from the Secretary of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools that the Niles Township has been approved as a member school for the 1940-41 school year.

This recognition is granted to schools whose policies, administration and faculty bear a high rating, and it entitles all graduates to enter college and university without writing entrance examination. The, Niles Township High School, Mr. Cotanche advises, was approved by the Association last April following the completion of the new building without the customary year of probation which is required of practically all schools. This honor was bestowed upon the local school, he said, because of its very fine facilities, and the high qualifications of its faculty, most of whom hold Master's Degrees with many years of experience.

## POPPY DAY

Eighty girls sold poppies last Monday in all of the main places of Niles Township. Mrs. Bruce Harris of the Niles Center American Legion Auxiliary and Mrs. Siewert Bus of the Morton Grove American Legion Auxiliary were in charge of the helpful students. The beneficiaries, Mrs. Bus said, are the hospitals and community in general; some of the money will be used for service work. Three of the hospitals that receive part of this are the Hines Hospital, Veterans Tubercular, and the North Chicago Hospital.



## Ex-am-i-na-tion

The senior examinations will be written on Thursday and Friday, June 6 and 7. Exams in English 8, office practice, and shorthand will be given in regular class periods on each of these days.

Seniors writing in other subjects will write with the freshmen, sophomores, and juniors on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, June 10, 11, 12, at the time scheduled (See the bulletin boards. Exams on those three days will be written from 9:00 o'clock to 2:30 in one and one-half hour periods. Conflicts will be taken care of after 2:30.

## History Repeats Itself

Exactly 1997 years ago, Belgium was invaded. At that time it was by one of the greatest figures in history. Julius Caesar led his Roman troops into the tiny country with much of the same strategy that Adolf Hitler is using today. Caesar's policy, "Divide and conquer" is being practiced by the Nazi leader wherever he goes. The sites of many of the ancient battles are being used again for bloody purposes. What was then known as the "world" is again afire as it was in 57 B.C. when the Roman general spread terror in the hearts of the people as Hitler is doing today. Yes, history repeats itself.

## Foreign Language Club Meeting

The Foreign Language Club had its last meeting of the year in the form of a picnic at Harms' Woods, Tuesday, May 28, at four-thirty P. M. The four branches of the club: French, Spanish, Latin, and German, prepared games, typical of the country they represented, to be played at the picnic. Members brought their own lunches.

## It's Almost Time to Travel

Traveling has been contemplated for those who seek minor credit this summer. One major, and from ten to twelve local trips may be arranged. Such places as Wisconsin Dells and Starved Rock have been suggested as destinations. All Nilehiers seeking further information should see Mr. Flagg or Mr. Cotanche immediately.

## HOBO DAY - Con't from Page 1

5. Costumes must follow the rules of decency, being in length below the knees. Any teacher may refuse admission to class to any pupil not obeying these rules.

6. No blacking of faces and hands.

7. Hats if worn, must be removed in all class rooms.

8. No neck ties should be worn on this day.

During the last period, everyone will go to his homeroom and choose two representatives, a boy and a girl, for the king and queen election. The thirty-four chosen (two from each of the seventeen homerooms) will report to the girls' gym. The rest of the student body will go to the boys' gymnasium for the final selection of Hobo King and Queen.

The committee wishes all pupils to have good clean fun on this day, so that this may be an annual affair. Do your part to make this day one to be remembered.

## LEST WE FORGET

Tomorrow we honor those who gave their lives in wars. Let us hope and pray that their numbers will not be increased in the future.



## Nilehi Niblets

Scoop! "Doc" Brauch, Nilehi's Jerry Colonna, is our "suspect" for the unknown "Octopus" with Chris Lindhoy as El Gato!! Now that Bob Hope has visited Chicago, some of our bewildered students are still in a fog about Yehudi--One of our sophomore screwballs borrows money in small amounts, and issues certificates for the absent money.... Boner Department: from Junior English is heard the following, "Sandburg drove a milk wagon between the ages of 15 and 17." "Amy Lowell was not a dainty person; she smoked black cigars and stayed up all night writing on fifteen pillows".... "Katie" from our cafeteria has a special order every day, a "BILL STEVENS' SPECIAL", containing peanut butter, mayonnaise, sugar and lettuce, all this piled very carefully on two slices of bread and slit down the middle... WE SALUTE: Ruby Bowser for her creation of Bonnie and Johnie, and their subsequent adventures.. Speaking of boners- oh, these sophomores- "Queen Gullivere was married to King Author"! .... Perhaps before September rolls around some of the sophomores and juniors had better take lessons on how to spell their class names. The following spellings were turned in on the minor enrollment blanks: "sophamor" and "sophmore" were just as popular as the correct spelling, "sophomore." Others were "southmore," "sophomr," and "sophmore." For "junior" the following spellings were noted: "gunior," "jenior," and "junier."

**Don't forget the Prom**

## Our Country

America, the Beautiful-

Extending in broad expansion  
from sea to sea-

The land of golden forests, for-  
ests of stately timbers,

A panorama of majestic beauty  
beyond the power of art.

Here, surely, man may find a  
home for his spirit.

America, the Land of Plenty, blue

waters, fertile valleys against a  
background of lofty mountains-

With wealth of fruitful harvests  
and unlimited resources,

Whose unstrained bounty and  
blessings afford opportunity for  
all.

A country where men may re-  
ceive peace and abundance.

America, the Land of Freedom-

Our fathers who believed common  
wealth could be made of wilder-  
ness,

A country of courage, optimism,  
and progressiveness,

A strong nation made democratic  
by the blood of many people.

Surely, a place where man bears  
no ancient hatreds.

America, the Mighty Union

A continent of cities, industries,  
and countrysides-

Where all people live in security  
and brotherhood

May she be the cradle of liberty  
and the light of democracy.

And we shall thank God that this  
nation is our own.

*By Olga Krajchovich*

**See Our Yellow Tulips?**



## WHAT TO BE A MAJORETTE?

The twelve drum majorettes are making progress. According to Mr. C.W. Collins, there will be a summer class for majorettes, in connection with band and orchestra classes. In his own words, Mr. Collins warns that, "Now is the time for beginners to enroll for instruction in twirling and for the instrumental classes."

## Premier Boy's State

Nine boys of Niles Township will attend Premier Boys State in the New Youth Building State Fair Grounds in Springfield, Illinois from June 22 to June 29. The purpose of Boys State is "to educate our youth in duties, privileges, rights, and responsibilities of American citizenship."

The following nine boys will attend: Victor Baptist, Merwyn Becker, Robert Harms, Werner Heitdke, Fred Huscher, Richard Paroubeck, Edward Westerlund, Richard Wilson, James Winklhofer.

## From Prom Cupid's Mailbox

The Prom Cupid is working again. Last week Cupid received this letter:

Dear Cupid:

Would you help me out of a desperate situation? I am going to the Junior Prom on June 8. A few of my absolute necessities are as follows:

1. white flannels
2. my dad's car
3. a good looking corsage for a good looking girl
4. plenty of romance and a full moon.

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**The Lil' Birdie** asked yesterday  
 "What are your plans for the summer?"

- DOROTHY VAN CLEAVE**, senior: "I may go to business college."  
**FRANK THULSTRUP**, junior, "I'll play baseball and basketball."  
**JEAN FLORUS**, sophomore, "I'm going to New Jersey to be the Maid of Honor at a wedding."  
**ERWIN DOMBROWSKI**, freshman "I'll go caddying and play baseball."  
**MR. MEIER**, printing teacher, "If work at shop permits, I'll attend National Graphic Arts Educational Guild Conference."

## Prom Cupids Mailbox Continued

How can I obtain all these on my allowance?

Yours for hearty cooperation,  
 A Prom Goer

P. S. My income rarely exceeds \$2.00 a week. P.G.

Cupid sat down immediately and answered our troubled Prom Goer with this letter;

Dear Prom Goer:

I hope cooperation is hearty enough. My advice to you is:

1. Dye your Dad's red flannels white.
2. Push Bob Fawcett's car.
3. A dandelion corsage would no doubt be a novelty.
4. You will have to hope for a full moon but as far as romance, you are on your own.

Yours for a good time,  
 CUPID





he's taken up modeling-  
 Ah, yes, 'tis true!  
 From long, dark lashes  
 She looks out at you.  
 She's slender and tall,  
 Her hair's almost black.  
 Her brother's in school  
 And his name is - - well,  
 Her eyes are blue,  
 Her hairs naturally curly.  
 She laughs thru her nose-  
 You know who 'tis, surely! !

Last week: Wayne Barton

### Last Vocational Talk This Year

"Insurance" was the topic of the very interesting Vocational Assembly given on May 21, at 9:30. The speaker was Mr. Robert S. Throop of the Boyk, Flagg, and Seaman Insurance Company.

### Just Imagine

"Red" Williams with black hair.  
 Bart Hegarty in Beanie Fields's trousers.

Jack Kristof riding in an Austin.  
 Olga Razkow in Frank Thulstrup's shoes.

Bud Lauth with Katherine Pewitt's fingernails.

Marie Loutsch dancing with George Struck.

Mr. Isaacson with his hair parted on the side.

Ruby Bowser without her dog, "Teddie."

Eva Herman learning to dance.  
 Ruth Roberts without her "Stinky"  
 Betty Brauch with a Roman nose.

### WHATZIT?

Reaching the sky  
 In the midst of Nilehi;  
 Stately, serene, and tall-  
 It never will fall.  
 Concealed within it are  
 A dark room and foyer.  
 Whatzit?

Answer to last week's:

Fire Alarm

## ALUMNI

Byron Kluesing, a graduate of '37, is in his junior year at Bradley Tech in Peoria, and he is very active in athletics. He was known as the super salesman at Nilehi because he always sold the largest number of tickets. Byron was a member of the lettermen's club, baseball, basketball, and football teams.

### Our Speedy Typists

On May 6, eight pupils of Miss Mildred Johnson's second year typing class received awards for accurate typing in a ten-minute run. Two of them received gold pins for typing over fifty words a minute. They were Nick May and Mary Hegarty. The other six who were awarded Progress Certificates were Gloria Bartz, Josephine Brodtke, Ruth Clarkens, Eleanor Schon, Evelyn Such, and Bernice Zika.

### NICE WORK, BOYS!

Congratulations to the Baseball Squad and Coach Lester Galitz for winning a share of the Northeast Conference Baseball Championship. This is the first championship held by any Nilehi team.



## More Fun Than A Picnic

Rumor has it that Nilehi students have been "slackening" lately, and it has it right if last Saturday was any indication, when we packed our lunches and cameras and set out for Brookfield Zoo via Bus 4. We spent a very busy day tramping through buildings, feeding the giraffes and monkeys, stopping at every third step to trip the shutters of our cameras. Gerry and Martha got more shots than anyone else - up in the thirties. Did you ever see Martha's camera? It takes pictures indoors, in the rain, and on cloudy days. There are no dials or levers. You just push the button.

The gorillas threw sand in our faces in disgust and every animal in the zoo turned its back on us as we leveled our weapons. The leopards proved amusing as they chased each other about their cages before feeding time, biting each other's tails. Helen Miller was riding on the back of one of the lions. What beautiful statues! We ate our lunches lolling on virgin terraces shaded by stately oaks. We didn't see the signs. The rainy afternoon found us returning home with empty cameras and a weary but happy look in our eyes.

## Teachers Entertained

Miss Linda Bernhart, Miss Esther Fledderjohn, and Miss Ruth Lant entertained the women of the faculty and Miss Irene Tess and Miss Laura Ross at a buffet supper, Sunday evening, May 26, at the Stevens Hotel. The group presented to Miss Ethel Schoenbaum a wedding shower gift.

Dear Students:

Was my face red last Wednesday morning? To hide myself, I thought of sprawling in the public address system. Then when that cute little boy, Carl Mueller, came in and told D. W. F. that no sound was coming into many homerooms, you can just bet that I did some tall scrambling. Do you know where I landed? My gracious, when I unwound myself, believe it or not, I was right in front of D. W. F., so there I had to stay. If I had a mind (I'm not sure that I have) I wish that it would click as Miss Bernart's does. Do you suppose Miss Line would give me a manicure and tell me what to do with my figure? There doesn't seem to be much the matter with her on all counts mentioned. Don't you think Frank Thulstrop's one of the grandest boys? I do hear that his little sister thinks he's pretty fine. Some day some gal is going to notice that handsome young Ed Krupa. My, my, that devastating smile of his! Do you think I could snitch Maralyn Woodworth's pretty new white raincoat? Speaking of brothers and sisters, Mildred Bergmark's brother, Eugene is going to be—or is—one of Nilehi's coming men. Don't you think so? Have you heard whether or not Bill Stockfish is going to make four A's this semester?

So long, I'll be seeing you at the Prom.

The Octopus

## BASEBALL RESUME

Another baseball season has been completed at Nilehi with the Trojans tied for the conference championship: 5 games won, 1 lost. This loss was against Arlington in the most heart-breaking game of the year, Ed Boyk allowing but one hit. Ed was the head man of the team, leading the pitchers with 6 wins against 2 losses and leading the batters with .515 in 33 times at bat.

Ben Domas, who started the season as a pitcher with a 1-1 record, finished with a .381 average. Frank

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## NORTHEAST CONFERENCE TRACK AND FIELD MEET

The Conference Track Meet was run off May 24 at Niles Township before a crowd of about 500 people. The day was bright and sunny but a trifle cool. As predicted, Crystal Lake finished first with a score of 72 $\frac{3}{4}$ , Arlington was second with 44 $\frac{3}{4}$ , Lake Forest, third with 43, Leyden fourth with 26 $\frac{1}{4}$ , Libertyville fifth with 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ , Woodstock sixth with 8, and last Niles Township seventh with 7 $\frac{3}{4}$  points. Although the Trojans came in last, we should remember that this was Nilehi's first year of track, whereas other schools have had track teams in other years. Anyway, the conference officials selected our field for the first conference championship meet, because we have the most modernly equipped and best athletic layout in the conference.

**Record-holders in the first  
Northeast Conference Track Meet**

| Event                      | Name and School  | Time      |
|----------------------------|------------------|-----------|
| 1. Mile Run                | Wilson, C. L.    | 4:51.2    |
| 2. 120 H. Hurdles          | Schneider C. L.  | :16.9     |
| 3. 100 yd. Dash            | Bacon L. F.      | :10.9     |
| 4. Frosh-Soph<br>440 Relay | Lake Forest      | :49.6     |
| 5. 440 yd. Run             | Bell Libvl.      | :57.2     |
| 6. 220 L. Hurdles          | Vynalek C. L.    | :24.1     |
| 7. 220 yd. dash            | Bacon L. F.      | :24.2     |
| 8. Medley Relay            | Lake Forest      | 4:02.8    |
| 9. 880 yd. Run             | Wilson C. L.     | 2:09.6    |
| 10. 880 yd Relay           | Crystal Lake     | 1:37.0    |
| 11. Shot Put               | Milligan Arlgt.  | 44'1"     |
| 12. Pole Vault             | Ross, J. C. L.   | 11'       |
| 13. Discus                 | Milligan Arlgt.  | 122'8"    |
| 14. High Jump              | Tarte L. F.      | 5'8"      |
| 15. Broad Jump             | Joorfetz Woodstk | 20'8 1-2" |

## Baseball Resume cont.

Thulstrup, who'll probably be in Boyk's shoes next year, suffered one loss against no wins but gained experience by finishing up many games Faust who was at bat the most times finished third with .316; E. Miner .294; E. Springer .286; B. Harms .273; F. Huscher .273; D. Sullivan .214; D. Drueke .214; B. Reiland .167; H. Jensen .150; and D. Nelson .125; follow in that order; Boyk got 17 hits, Faust, 14 hits. The entire team gathered 78 hits in 284 times at bat for an average of .285.

## Keeping Up With The G.A.A.

Up to Monday Afternoon

Much last-minute activity has carried the buzz of the G. A. A. far beyond my deadline. Dorothy Gutman, Doris Anderson, and Ann Jurasitz will be awarded the Illinois map for having earned 2,000 or more points in the G. A. A. Congratulations.

### Ping-Pong and Shuffleboard Finals

After defeating many skillful opponents with seeming ease Barbara Williams paddled herself to the girls' ping-pong championship of the school. Similarly Jean Peterson and Lillian Krupa won the shuffleboard championship.

### To Camp They Go

Special mention should be given to those six girls who were elected by their fellow members to represent N.T.H.S. at camp. They were, as you all must know by now, Annette Carroll, Dolly Baumhart, juniors; Marilyn Bennett and Angie Weber, sophomores; Rosanna King Arlene Madsen, freshmen.

### What's Left

This afternoon the G.A.A. hike will conclude the organization's activities for the school year. Seniors, this is your last chance to turn out for a G.A.A. activity! Next Wednesday afternoon Ann Jurasitz will have a tea for the G.A.A. executive board.

### And Next Year

Already plans are being made for next year. The junior and senior girls interested in physical education leadership as a future vocation, will be able to partake in leadership of G.A.A. classes. Girls, see Miss Schaefer for further details as soon as possible. G.L.