

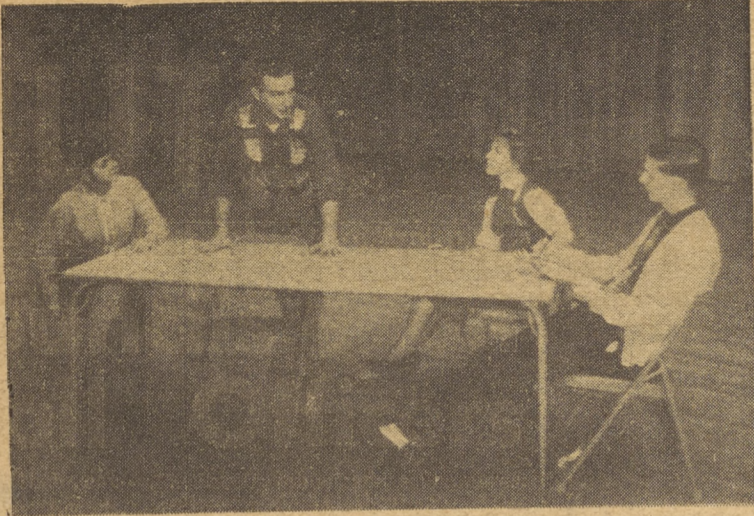
# 'Off Camera' Opens Tonight

## NILEHILITE

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Charlotte Cooperman, Chuck Ragland, Pam Bradley, and Tom Conners rehearse a scene from "Off Camera," which premieres tonight in the West Division auditorium.

Seven months of planning and compromises, meetings and rehearsals that involved almost 500 students will officially terminate at 8:30 tonight and Saturday night, April 17 and 18, when the conductor raises his baton and the Nilehi West auditorium curtain rises on "Off Camera," this year's musicale.

It all started with a "seed" of an idea "planted" during the summer by the faculty directors, Mr. Hugh McGee and Mr. Earle Auge. This "seed" was presented to a group of students known as the steering group, whose job was to write a play around the songs chosen for the musicale by the faculty directors and the plot that they had worked out.

After this had been done, tryouts were held and a cast, their doubles and their understudies were selected by the steering group. Directors were also appointed, rehearsals begun, and a few more steps towards opening night were taken.

At this time an Executive group composed of the directors and chairmen was formed to plan the last necessary jobs to be done in order to produce a finished product. This group included Marlene Derman and Van Bradley, directors of the musicale; Judy DuBonn, dance director; Harmon Motch, Shelley Wexler, and Madeline Dunne, publicity directors; Fern Nelson, property chairman; Kathy Kratzel, program chairman; Carolyn Obermaier, scenery chairman; Mike Singer, technical director; Judy Mattingly and Peg Walker, tic-

ket chairmen; Harry Taxin, lighting chairman; and John Hebblethwaite and Bob Bem, stage chairmen.

The Friday night cast includes Chuck Ragland as Leonard Thornton, Tom Conners as Jerry Burke, Charlotte Cooperman as Marge Grayson, Pat Teichert as Vivian Lassiter, Pam Bradley as Jessica Meredith, Gladyce Lindberg as Carol Lane, and Ron Bartsch as Larry Ward.

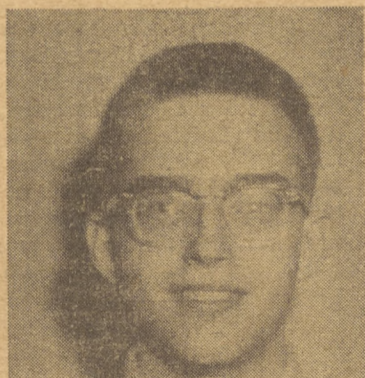
The Saturday night cast includes Larry Schwartz as Leonard, Van Bradley as Jerry, Marilyn Barnett as Marge, Anne Cusic as Vivian, Sue Spero as Jessica, Sandy Eggert as Carol, and Allan Goodman as Larry.

## Nilehi Students Receive Honors

Two Nilehi seniors are among the 41 young scientists, all high-school seniors in Illinois, who have been selected for special recognition by the Illinois State Academy of Science.

Ron Krischke and Doug Marshall will each be presented with a certificate of award and \$10 for expenses while attending the annual meeting for the Junior Academy of Science on the University of Illinois campus, May 8 and 9. They will be guests of honor at the annual Junior Academy banquet Friday evening and will be presented with their awards at a special meeting Saturday morning.

The awards were based on the results of an exam given in the



DOUG MARSHALL

state high schools last December and on the originality and quality of the student's written report of his own scientific project.

Miss Evelyn P. Tyner, Nilehi science teacher, guided Doug and Ron in preparing for their exams and in working on their projects.

Upon announcing the awards, Dr. G. R. Yohe, chairman of the Academy's Science Talent Search Committee, stated, "The 41 whom we are honoring at this time are the best of 232 Illinois high school seniors who took the examination. These students and their teachers are to be congratulated on their successes."

## East, West Councils Plan Election of Fall Officers

It's April, 1959. It's the time of year when the familiar traditions of kissing the girls, shaking all the fellows' hands, and forsaking homework for lack of time become synonymous of that chronic disease known as office-seekingitis.

Many of the major organizations such as Student Council, SSO, Student Union Board, the NILEHILITE, and numerous others are in the midst of choosing their 1959-60 officers.

The Student Council was one of the first to announce its plans for officer election. This election will be held Wednesday, April 22. Juniors will vote for president and secretary, and sophomores will ballot for vice-president on this day.

The slate of candidates includes: president, Leonard Engstrom and Mark Peppercorn; vice-president, Robert Feinberg and Kenneth Norgan; secretary, Phyllis Anderson, Beth Dickson, Susan Getman, Diane Miller, Lynn Miller, Mary O'Grady, Lydia Riccardi, Carole Waller, and Jill Wine.

On April 8 the petitions were distributed to the candidates. Each student in the running had to acquire 80 student signatures and two faculty signatures. All petitions were handed in after a vigorous skirmish on Monday, April 13.

During the week of April 20-24 there will be a junior assembly introducing the ballot of candidates. At this time the candidates will tell their qualifications and desire to be elected to their respective office.

The West Division Council is in the process of electing a president for the 1959-60 school year. A vice-president will be elected in the fall since he or she must be a member of the incoming Freshman Class.

The WD Council announced that five candidates for the presi-

dency have declared their candidacy. They are Ray Berens, Allan Curtis, Marcia Mankin, Sheryl Shapiro, and Pat Wulf.

These five candidates competed in a primary election held on April

15. The freshmen and sophomores, at that time, were asked to vote for three of the five. The three winners of the primary were placed on the ballot for final election to be held on April 29.



Six of the candidates competing for offices in the Student Council are Lenny Engstrom, Mark Peppercorn, Ray Berens, Pat Wulf, Sheryl Shapiro, and Marcia Mankin.

## Board of Education Picks New Niles Superintendent

Dr. Clyde Parker of Oak Park was named Superintendent of Niles Township High School by the Board of Education Monday night, April 13.

Mr. Paul Houghton, Acting Superintendent, announced the appointment of Dr. Parker to the faculty on April 14.

At present, Dr. Parker is Assistant Superintendent in charge of personnel and public relations of the Oak Park Public Schools. He



has previously held four superintendencies, the last two at Moline, Illinois and Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

"Dr. Parker has been active in professional organizations on both the state and national levels," announced Mr. Houghton. "He served two terms as president of the Iowa Association of School Administrators and one term as vice-president of the American Association of School Administrators. He has also been a member of the committee for the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education."

Dr. Parker is married and has two married daughters. He will take over his new position July 1.

## Girls Turn Tables At GAA Turnabout

Girls, put on your track shoes and start running! Your chance to do the asking is here.

Yes, the G.A.A. annual turnabout, "Showers of Spring," will be held in the West Division gym on April 25. All girls, freshmen through seniors, are eligible to buy bids, which cost \$3.

"Spring personified," an appropriate expression of the thoughts in everyone's mind, will be the theme of the dance. The centerpiece is a rock garden with a waterfall and live goldfish. The girls' stage will have a wishing well and the orchestra will be seated on a built-in patio.

Shades of lavender, orchid, and lilac will carry out the color scheme while Harold Erwin and his orchestra provide the music.

Publicity will be handled by Jeannean Babcock and all excited girls who spread the news by word-of-mouth. Mariana Marks, chairman, will be in charge of decorations in the boys' gym. The girls' gym will be decorated by Nancy Tovell, chairman.

Diane Meinke, chairman, will have charge of the bandstand, while the entrance will be decorated by Claire Tulsky, chairman, and her committee.

Deanna Olson's committee will plant the rock garden and obtain goldfish for the centerpiece. Plans for ceiling decorations will be made by Doris Swanson.

Bids are the responsibility of Barb Olson, chairman.

## Athletes Honored At Sports Banquet

The annual winter sports banquet honoring participants in basketball, wrestling, swimming, and cheerleading was held Tuesday, March 24, in the Nilehi East cafeteria.

Major and minor letters were awarded to the boys and girls by their coaches and instructors. The banquet started at 7 p.m. with a dinner served by the Nilehi East cafeteria staff. After dinner, speeches and the presentation of awards completed the program.

Most Valuable Player awards were presented to Bill Reading, for basketball, Glenn Kuehn, for wrestling, and Phil Karafotas, for swimming. Next year's team captains, who were also announced at the banquet, are Jim Dahman, basketball, Jim Miresse and Bill Carr, wrestling, and Raul Martin, swimming.

The banquet was sponsored by the Skokie Athletic Association and the Skokie Lions Club in cooperation with the Nilehi East physical education department.

## Council Convention Meets at Sherman

"You can, if you will," is the theme for the twenty-fifth annual Illinois Association of Student Councils convention to which Nilehi is sending three representatives.

Linda Randel, secretary, Lenny Engstrom, vice-president, and Mr. John Hallberg, Council sponsor, will attend this event on April 23-25. The convention, representing high schools from all over the state, is being held at the Sherman Hotel in Chicago.

While the student and sponsor representatives are there, they will be participating in various discussion groups, covering a variety of subjects.

During the time these groups are not in session, a complete social program is planned to aid the officers and representatives to get to know each other. The convention will close with a formal dance held in the ballroom of the hotel.

# Of Cabbages and Kings Me And America

(The following is a guest Editorial by Joe Tagliabue, Nilehi's Foreign Exchange Student.)

One of the things that worried my relatives when I knew that the A.F.S. had accepted my application was my destination in the U.S.A. In fact, in Europe there is a strong opinion that Chicagoland is the "Kingdom of the Gangsters." Therefore, my parents were afraid that I might get shot, by mistake, during a fight. Nothing of that kind happened to me, and maybe back in Italy, I shall be able to change people's mind about Chicago.

This is one of the most important purposes of the A.F.S.: to tell the truth about many things in America of which other countries have the wrong idea. These ideas come, many times, not only from Communist propaganda, but also from American movies.

When people in Europe saw "Blackboard Jungle," they made up their minds that the American kids were little delinquents. The movie "Payton Place," convinced them that Americans were immoral. People abroad do not think that those are exceptions; they believe that what they see is the average U.S. citizen.

One thing that impresses every foreigner here is a certain haste in doing things; this especially applies to businessmen. In Italy, I admit, there is more relaxation. There is not in the Italian vocabulary a word that corresponds to "deadline," because the word pertains to the American haste—a haste that we do not have.

The first question that my Italian schoolmates asked me in their letters was "How are the American girls?" To tell the truth teenage girls here appeared rather old to me at first. Let me explain: girls in Italy use no make-up until eighteen or nineteen years old.

Therefore, when I came here I noticed a huge difference between American and Italian girls. The first ones looked, without a doubt, more "sexy," and they seemed to me 20-22 years old with all that make-up on their faces. Instead, the first question of my American schoolmates was my opinion about Sophia Loren and Gina Lollobrigida — no comment.

If anybody would ask me what in the U.S. impressed me most, I would answer, without a moment of hesitation: "The innumerable pizza places!" There are more in Chicago than in the whole of Italy.

The Italian school is very different from the American one. An example: here you dress how you want, and nobody tells you anything. In Italy if you don't go to school with a tie and jacket, the teacher will politely throw you out the window.

I have learned how to appreciate that great American institution that is called "hot-dog," a simple food and yet so practical. Even in little things American people reveal their practicality, a quality that is perhaps the most important to build a civilization.

In no other country are the people of such different origins. It seems that every race gave its best as a contribution to the formation of the typical American. From the amalgamation of these elements came John Doe, and I can sincerely say that I am proud to be here passing through experiences that I shall remember forever.

I am not saying that the American is a person without defects, but here there is the typical atmosphere of the young country, full of initiative and willing to improve itself toward perfection.



Now that the warm spring days are here, many of us begin to get that lazy, sleepy feeling known as spring fever. This week, the Inquiring Reporter wants to know, "What is a sure cure for spring fever?"

**BARRY MINK, SENIOR:** Don't eat too man daisies."

**RON LIS, SENIOR:** "Don't go out with girls. They're troublemakers."

**CAROLYN KUCHAR, SENIOR:** "Take a long walk off a short pier."

**GLEN KUEHN, SENIOR:** "Dr. Fletcher's instant cator oil."

**LORNA FYFE, JUNIOR:** "Mr. Coypepper's kick-a-poo cocktail."

**LEE ISEL, SENIOR:** "Don't date boys. They're so bothersome!"

**JERRY HILEBRAND, JUNIOR:** "Hitting a home run in the 'Mating Game.'"

**LINDA HUBBARD, SENIOR:** "My second baseman."

**RON PINKOWSKI, SENIOR:** "Summer!"

**PHYLLIS MacLEOD, JUNIOR:** "I'm sorry . . . it's an old family secret."

**TOM DOMBROWLSKI, SENIOR:** "A fifth of cough medicine and (censored)."

**CAROL PETERSON, JUNIOR:** "Love! It's a sure cure for anything."

**SENNETT TZINBERG, SENIOR:** "A state championship in baseball."

**RAUL MARTIN, JUNIOR:** "Lots of sleep and much less homework."

**LENNY ENGSTROM, JUNIOR:** "An interesting female."

**CAROL STERN, SENIOR:** "Relax and have a picnic at beautiful Wrigley Field."

**PATTY DRESHER, FRESHMAN:** "Playing Alvin's harmonica."

## Al Shearn Spends Summer Overseas

THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE Student Committee of East Division Student Council recently received the news that Allen Shearn, junior, was accepted for the Americans Abroad Summer Program.

Under this program Allen will spend approximately two months this summer with a foreign family. The country to which he will be sent is not yet known. When he receives this information, he will correspond with his "family" for several months.

Pat French, chairman of the committee, remarked, "I think Nilehi should be very proud of Allen. It's really a wonderful opportunity, and I know many of us envy him."

She and Mr. Hallberg, Student Council sponsor, both agreed that Allen's experiences abroad will benefit not only him but our school and country as well. They sincerely hope that the Americans Abroad Program will become a tradition at Nilehi and that each year will see more students becoming interested in it.

## Counselor Explains Scholarships To Juniors of Upper Class Rank

What is the scholarship program as follows:

A meeting was arranged inviting all students in the upper fourth of their junior class to discuss this very question on April 8.

Miss Margaret de Booy, scholarship counselor, spoke on the scholarship program at Nilehi before a large group of interested students. "Scholarship means achievement, not money," commenced Miss de Booy.

There are two broad categories of scholarships offered at Nilehi—the local scholarships given by organizations of the school and businesses, and the national, state, individual college, and company scholarships.

Students interested in state scholarships have a chance to choose from one of three groups including the State Scholarship Commission, scholarships for teaching in any of the five state colleges, excluding Illinois, and scholarships exclusively for the University of Illinois.

Certain qualifications are necessary for interested students. Achievement, citizenship, leadership, and objective test records are a few of these.

Various tests will be given and the schedule to be remembered is

- 1) The last Saturday in April the Illinois University scholarship tests are given at Lakeview.
- 2) Saturday, May 2, 1959, the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying tests: Cost \$1.00.
- 3) Saturday, May 16, 1959, Preliminary to College Board for juniors.
- 4) October, 1959, Preliminary aptitude test: Cost \$1.00
- 5) November, 1959, State Scholarship Commission tests: Cost \$1.00.

## Play Rehearsal In Full Swing

"Cheaper by the Dozen," this year's spring play, will be presented on Friday and Saturday, May 15 and 16 at the West Division Theatre.

Tickets are \$1. for students and \$1.25 for adults.

"Cheaper by the Dozen," a comedy about a family with 12 children, has both laughter and pathos, according to Miss Virginia Stemp, dramatic coach.

The cast includes eight boys, eight girls, and a live dog.

Mr. Gilbreth (Stan Berman) has a mania for saving motions and time, and he practices his experiments on his large family. Ernestine (Joan Weiss) and Frank (Ken Fearn), two of the older Gilbreth children, tell the story by means of flashbacks.

Other members of the cast are: Mrs. Gilbreth, Ellen Enke; Jackie, Carol Bendoff; Dan, Gilbert Poppenhagen; Bill, Mitchell Goodman; Fred, Ed Lawrence; Anne, Sue Backus; Lillian, Roberta Kalas; Martha, Penny Johnson; Mrs. Fitzgerald, Julie Robb; Dr. Burton, Philip Warda; Joe Scales, Jim Kahn; Miss Brill, Carol Herman; and Larry, Bill Pflaum.

According to Miss Stemp, the play, which is to be staged in an authentic 1920's setting, is a wonderful play for every member of the family.

## TOTs Visit University

On Thursday, April 2, 22 enterprising Teachers of Tomorrow went on a two-hour bus trip to Northern Illinois University at DeKalb.

Chaperoned by mothers Mrs. Ruth Povlo and Mrs. Ceil Leftwich, and Mr. George Roth of Nilehi, the group spent four hours touring the University. Guided by two students, they visited the dormitories and toured the grounds. They also had a "free hour" during which they could go wherever they pleased within the campus bounds. Lunch was provided by the University.

## Nilehi Lists Favorites For Library Week

Many members of the faculty and student body disclosed their preference in reading during National Library Week, which was celebrated April 12 through 18.

Dr. Keith Kavanaugh enjoys a good biography while Mr. George Roth said he would be satisfied with a story about missionaries. His favorite is 'The Walking Missionary of Ozarks.'

Within the student body, Dixie Nelson, senior, rates 'Victorie' by Joseph Conrad as number one on her reading list. Oddly enough, Ron Henrici, senior, favors sports stories in his reading, while Barry Mink, senior, enjoys "a good Sherlock Holmes mystery." His favorite is 'A Study of Scarlet,' Susan Stockmar, senior, lists among her favorite 'Crime and Punishment' by Fyodor Dostoevsky.

Several new books have been added to the Nilehi library to encourage more reading. Among these are 'The Ugly American' by Williams Lederer, 'Exodus' by Leon Uris, and 'The American High School Today' by James Conant, which is especially recommended for the faculty as a must.

## Nilehi Selects Cheerleaders

On Friday afternoon, April 10, 24 finalists participated in the cheerleading tryouts.

From these 24, four girls were chosen for next year's sophomore squad and eight for the varsity squad.

The winners include Wendy Belgarbo, Barb De Mano, Carol Flaherty, Jaye Miller, Anita Musgrave, Pat Paul, Carol Peterson and Karen Stryker, all on the varsity squad.

The sophomore squad will be composed of Sue Bourgerie, Jeri Rae Hook, Donna Naylor, and Kathy Stockmar.

## Nilehi Talks . . .

Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter in reference to the selection of the juniors into the National Honor Society. During my two and one half years at Nilehi I have come to think of this award as representing outstanding achievement scholastically AND inextra-curricular activities. I sincerely believe that this award is now reserved only for those who excel in scholastic work, for many of those selected to be members of the Society do not participate in outside activities, or at least very few.

I feel that the selection should not be limited to the top ranked twenty or thirty students in the class. A respectable average, however, is essential, yet it need not be a straight "A" average. There has been a great deal of confusion as to what merits the students were judged on. I think the purpose of the Society should be made clear so that the word HONOR in the group's title will mean more than just scholastic ability.

A Concerned Junior

Dear Editor:

During spring vacation I attended the trip to Mexico sponsored by the school and would like to thank the three chaperones we had. (Mr. Blair, Mr. Da Rosa, and Miss Massmann)

They helped us a lot, and I, for one, appreciate it.

Mexico Tourist

Dear Editor:

We would like to thank you for the very humorous April 1 issue. It really was funny and shows that our paper isn't just straight-laced.

Seniors

Dear Editor:

I hope that in the near future the paper regains the quality it once had, as the last issue was a big disappointment.

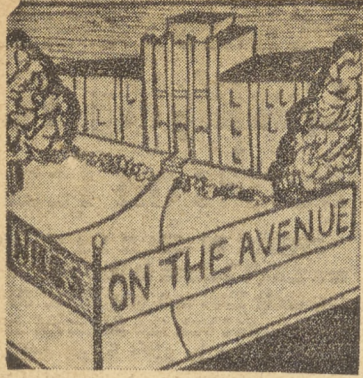
A Senior

The NILEHILITE staff would like to join the students of Nilehi in extending its deepest sympathy to Mr. Marvin Ihne and his son, Bill, on the recent death of Mrs. Ora Ihne.

Mrs. Ihne has long been known to Nilehi students. She worked for four years in the school office as secretary to Dr. Mason, former superintendent. Mr. Ihne is known as Assistant Principal of Nilehi East. Bill graduated from Nilehi only last year.

Mrs. Ihne was also a member of the Faculty Wives club, and the Booster Club. She was active in the P.T.A. and was always in attendance at sports events to see her son participate.

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# Spring Travelers Return

"We were in Boston at the Essex Hotel and about fourteen of us had piled into an elevator. All of a sudden we felt ourselves falling. When the elevator operator opened the door, we were four feet below the main floor. We all got out by jumping up from the elevator to the first floor.

"... so I asked the waiter in halting Spanish what the main course was. He looked at me calmly and replied in perfect English that it was merely chicken."

"There was snow in Montreal and Quebec, but we couldn't go skiing..."

Memories and stories of the spring tours to Mexico, French Canada, New York and Boston linger in the minds of those who were this year's Nilehi spring tourists.

## Nilehi Sends Rep. to UGG

Ten politicking Nilehi juniors and seniors will participate in the Illinois legislature's season on April 24-25. These students, members of the Nilehi Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y, are part of a program called the University of Good Government (UGG) sponsored by the "Y" organization of Illinois.

Each student who will sit in at this session is responsible for presenting one bill on the floor of the legislature. A meeting held at the Prudential Insurance building in Chicago orientated the students on types of bills that have been presented and helped in giving suggestions for this year.

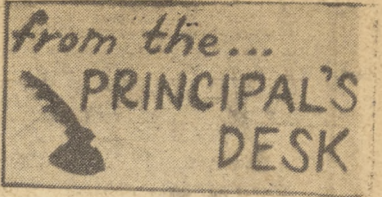
The students representing Nilehi at this session were chosen from our "Y" organizations, Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y. The presidents were given first preference in the selection. Those attending will be Carol Dankowski, president of Blue club, Jackie Hillstrand, Blue club, Joyce Gertler, president of Red club, Harriet Schachter, Red club, Nancy McAvoy, president of White club, Eunice Gustavson, White club, Penny Johnson, Gold club, and Lydia Riccardi, Gold club, all of Tri-Hi-Y East.

Others attending are Ron Denley, senior co-ordinator, Hi-Y East, and Lance Lindquist, president of East Hi-Y.

In Mexico, the 44 "adventurers" basked in the warm sun of Acapulco and Mexico City. "My only regret," said Susan Golde, junior, "is that we didn't stay another day in Acapulco. The weather was unbelievably beautiful." At the floating Gardens, the name Niles was spelled out in live flowers on the gondolas. Mr. and Mrs. Gentil Da Rosa, Mr. Donald Blair, and Miss Jean Massman were the chaperones.

Only one thing marred the New York trip, and that was that while the tourists from Nilehi were at West Point, the cadets were all in classes. At the home of Washington Irving, the group of 48 made a mad dash for the bus when they thought they would miss it. They didn't; the bus had a flat tire and they were an hour early. One evening they went into a New York restaurant for a steak dinner. Nothing was unusual until someone "counted heads" and found that 12 students were missing. Dr. and Mrs. John L. Betts and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Matka, chaperones, finally found them.

There was snow in Quebec and Montreal, but it didn't stop the sightseers. Uppermost in the memories of Marilyn Lees, sophomore, are the cathedrals of Notre Dame and St. Anne de Beaupre. Unlike Mexico, where the majority of the people speak some English, there were people in Quebec who spoke only French. Mrs. Cecil Sacher chaperoned the group.



BY DR. KEITH KAVANAUGH

I received a letter the other day from a student who was advocating that we have a Senior Dress-up Day. It seems to me that it would be a good idea. I'd like to hear what other students have to say about it.

I was very much impressed by the National Honor Society Assembly. Miss deBooy and the students who participated certainly are to be congratulated for the fine job they did in organizing and carrying out the program. It seems to me that activities in which students take a major part are the kind we want to encourage at Nilehi.

Seniors — the time of the year is fast approaching when we must all begin to take stock of our gains and losses, our shortcomings and our successes. This is a time when attention to details becomes most important because time is no longer available for you to make up for lack of good judgement in school, work attendance, or our relationships with teachers and fellow students. As you come to the conclusion of your high school careers, make every effort to see that you will finish up your high school days in the way you want to be remembered — as a credit to yourself, to your parents, and to Nilehi.

### Flash...

You're invited to attend the Nilehi Band Concert, directed by Mr. Leo Provost. The concert starts at 3 p.m. on April 26, and will be held in the Nilehi East gymnasium. Admission is free.

### Hi again!

Now that the initial excitement of signing prom leader petitions is over, Nilehi students are eagerly looking forward to the campaigns and parade. This year's prom campaigning promises to be the biggest and best yet.

### Squelch line...

During Mrs. June Todd's American Ideas class, Tom Mandel added his personal opinion in a discussion without Mrs. Todd's consent. She quieted him by declaring, "You must have a hard time getting dressed in the morning with your foot in your mouth."

### Did you know?...

That there are exactly 301 girls and 301 boys in this year's graduating class? The chances that this will happen again are about 180,000 to 1!

That four generations ago, the grandfather of Nilehi junior, Sandy Dresher, shod the horse of Jeese James in Saint Jo., Missouri.

That Nilehi East and West had a total of 65 exhibits in the District Science Fair.

### Something new...

Mr. David Jackson gives this suggestion to Nilehiers: "Study, even if it's only for the novelty of it."

### Count much?...

During an explanation in his seventh period algebra class, Mr. Brett corrected a student for talking. The student explained that his friend was having trouble counting. "Never mind," interjected Mr. Brett, "he can take off his shoes."

### Alum news...

Dave Chevrier, a Nilehi graduate now a junior at Dartmouth College, was selected for membership in Sasque and Cauntler, one of the three senior societies at Dartmouth.

Bill Ruyle, '58, was recently elected president of Norris House at MacMurray college.

Joan Comiano, '57, was recently elected vice-president of the Independent Women at the University of Michigan.

That's all for this issue. See you in two weeks. On The Avenue.

Bye For Now,  
Sandy Brumley

## Nilehi To Become Locale of Movie

Nilehi will be turned into a movie studio during one week-end in April!

International Film Bureau is going to make three instructional movies here about AVA department service and techniques. Actual classroom situations will be simulated with Nilehi students playing the actors. "The films, which will be ready next September, will be sent all over the world and will be shown on television," revealed Miss Norma Barts, AVA head. "A credit line to Niles will also appear in the pictures," she added.

Supervising the production will be cameraman Bob Longine, who was recently mentioned as one of the top men in his field by Saturday Evening Post.

"IN ABOUT TEN YEARS I would like to see myself living in a very modern house in China or Japan!" stated Sue Backus who has an intense interest in the Orient.

Sue's top accomplishments range from having female leads in the spring plays, to Tri-Hi-Y, National



SUE BACKUS

Honor Society, Thespians, Golden Galleon, Reflections, Student Council, secretary of SSSH, and Honorary Hi-Y member.

"I'm going to become a Social Service Worker," Sue explained. Her immediate future plans will be to attend St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota.

"My secret ambition is to work in the American Prison System and to see methods of punishment changed to fit the personality of the individual rather than the crime," Sue softly said.

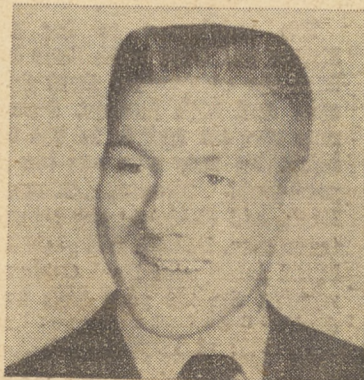
"The chief dislike I have concerning Nilehi is the present class rank system. It isn't fair for the kids with advanced courses—math and science for example—to be made to compete with students

taking subjects which require a lesser degree of intelligence."

"As far as people go, I can't stand hypocrites; I look for friends who can talk as well as listen," she seriously added.

"My most memorable experiences at Nilehi are making Girl's State last June, where we set up a model Illinois government. The other experience is attending the Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y Conference last month," Sue reminisced.

"MY AMBITION IN LIFE is to become a trainer of Lippizzaners," was the word straight from the horse's mouth, (so to speak) according to Rodney Swanson. No horsin' around. There are such animals as Lippizzaners! According to Rod, there are only thirty of this species of horses in the United States, which are born jet black and by the time they are ten years old, have become pure



ROD SWANSON

white. Looking to the future, Rod's secret ambition is to go to the Spanish Riding School in Vienna,

## Introducing...

and to someday ride in the Olympic games.

However, this boy has found plenty to keep him busy at Niles until his future materializes. For instance, there was the time "during my freshman year when I took modified PE," recalls Rod, "that after a 'thrilling' game of horseshoes I walked through the girls' locker room. Most embarrassing!"

Rod is not known for mistakes of this kind, but rather for his many services to the school through German Club, Ski Club, Biology Club, Riding Club, Homecoming, and musicales. He has also been very active in Church activities and 4-H work.

The college he plans to attend is Fort Lewis A. & M., in Durango, Colorado. "I feel that when you are far enough away from home you study better. Out there I know I cannot come home on week ends so I will more likely get a lot more studying done."

THE BEST THINGS come in small packages. This familiar adage certainly applies to Linda Hubbard, one of Nilehi's most active seniors.

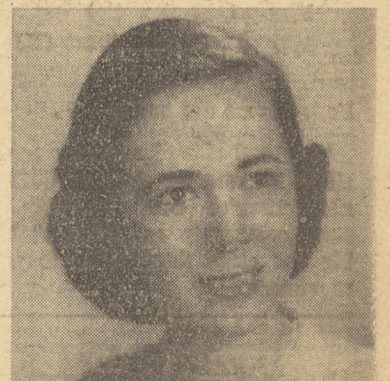
"Being short has its advantages," laughed Linda, "at least I don't have to worry about being taller than the boy I date."

"Next fall, I plan to attend Michigan State University in East Lansing," Linda explained. "Then, in two years, I'd like to transfer to the Chicago Wesley Memorial School of Nursing."

"My four years at Niles have

really been wonderful," recalled Linda. "I believe you should participate in as many activities as possible during your high school years. By doing so, you develop an important facet of your character, getting along with and working with people."

Linda is a girl who practices

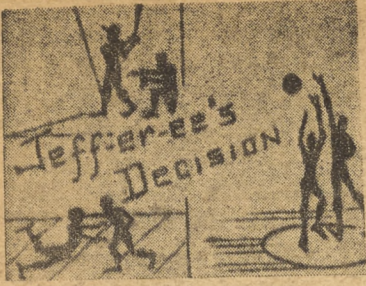


LINDA HUBBARD

what she preaches. While at Niles, she has been active in Tri-Hi-Y, Racket Squad, SSSH, monitors, Latin Club, Reflections, and yearbook.

As co-editor of the yearbook activity section Linda remembers working from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. to get the yearbook copy in on time. "That was a lot of work," she smiled, "but it was a lot of fun too."

This agreeable girl has few dislikes. "The only things I don't like," she revealed, "are stubborn boys, liver, and lima beans." Her list of likes is headed by the universal favorite, pizza. "I also like hot fudge sun-raes and baseball," she added.



BY JEFF LAMPERT

THE JEFF-ER-EE is at home

with mono (the kissing disease)! Many thanks to Mike Ruby for writing this page.

**BASEBALL SCHEDULES**  
Varsity (Coach Phipps)

- April 15, Oak Park (T)
- April 18, New Trier (H)
- April 22, Proviso (H)
- April 25, Waukegan (T)
- April 29, Morton (H)
- May 2, Evanston (H)
- May 6, Oak Park (H)
- May 9, Highland Park (T)
- May 11-13, State District
- May 15, Proviso (T)
- May 18-30, State Regional
- May 23, Morton (T)
- May 25-27, State Sectional
- June 4-5, State Finals

**Junior Varsity (Coach Odlivak)**

- April 27, Sullivan (H)
- May 21, Evanston (H)

**Sophs (Coach Coyer)**

- April 18, New Trier (T)
- April 25, Waukegan (H)
- May 2, Evanston (T)
- May 6, Oak Park (T)
- May 9, Highland Park (H)
- May 12, Evanston (H)
- May 15, Leyden East (H)
- May 16, Proviso (H)
- May 20, Proviso West (T)
- May 23, Morton (H)
- May 25, Proviso West (H)

**Frosh "A" (Coach Schnurr)**

- April 18, New Trier (T)
- April 21, Leyden West (H)
- April 25, Waukegan (H)
- May 2, Evanston (H)
- May 6, Oak Park (T)
- May 9, Highland Park (H)
- May 12, Evanston (H)
- May 15, Leyden East (H)
- May 16, Proviso (H)
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**Fads across the nation . . .**

"Big and clean" are new catch-all adjectives at Purdue University. They're used teasingly in such comments as "Was that a big and clean thing to do to your roommate?"



Bill Nack, Les Berens, and Bill Hess of the track team prepare to start running at the sound of the gun.

# Diamondmen Start Spring Posting Winning Record

IN THE SPRINGTIME A YOUNG MAN'S FANCY TURNS TO . . . . . BASEBALL. NILEHI BASEBALL, WE HOPE.

Yes, baseball's back in full swing and so are the Nilehi Trojans who started their 1959 campaign with two victories, one defeat, and one game called in which they were winning.

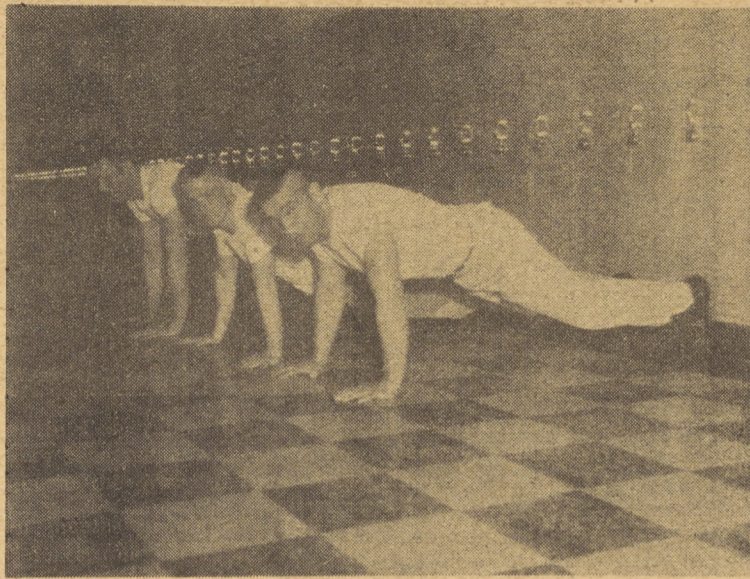
In the winning efforts, the Trojans have whipped Arlington Heights of the West Suburban Conference 9-1. Another victory was over Glenbrook of Northbrook-Glenview 2-0. In the opening contest of the year, the Trojans lost their second straight to the same team. That team is the Maine Blue Demons, the defending state champion. Last year in the championship game, the Nilehiers were edged 3-2 to finish second in the state.

In another game, the varsitymen were beating Leyden 3-1 when the contest was called because of weather conditions.

In the Glenbrook victory, Tom Dobrowolski, senior, pitched the whole game, recording his first shutout of the early season.

Returning lettermen on the squad include all the boys who went downstate with the team in '58. They are led by Barry Mink, Ron Lis, and Ron Henrici. Mink is catcher and outfielder while Lis plays shortstop and Henrici catches. Mink and Lis led the team in hitting last year and were both all-league choices.

Sharing the varsity pitching duties this year will be Tom Dobrowolski, Bill Maryanski, and Jim Hubberty. Starting Juniors on the team are Frank



Ron Henrici, Ron Lis, and Barry Mink do push-ups to stay in condition for the coming baseball season.

Warda, outfielder, and Bob Klingensmith, third baseman.

The last varsity game was this past Wednesday against Oak Park. Tomorrow, the varsity plays New Trier on the Nileis field.

On the Junior Varsity level, the Trojans have been running hot and cold. Their record of 4-3 includes victories over Lane Tech of Chicago, Taft and Tuley, also of Chicago, and Glenbrook. Losses are credited to Maine,

Morton of Cicero, and Evanston.

In the Glenbrook game, Fred Benjamin pitched a 1-0 shutout while going all the way. Besides this feat, Fred also struck out 15 men and only faced 29 batters. The Trojans were led by Bob Longfield who drove in the only run of the game.

The next Junior Varsity game is April 27 when the Trojans play host to Sullivan on the Nilehi diamond.

# Golfers Begin Qualifying For Berths on Team

SPRING IS HERE but the golfers didn't believe it last week during their first two practices. Partially snowed out, the linkmen managed to get in nine holes each of the first two days of practice.

Of the five men that play in a match, the Trojans have three lettermen returning. These boys are Dick Iverson and Dave Magnuson, both seniors, and Bob Zender, sophomore. Bob became one of the few athletes to win a major letter in his freshman year.

Besides these returning lettermen, there are a host of other golfers who are anticipating a spot on the team. Seniors looking forward to a position are Bill Reading and Ron Denley. Hopeful juniors include Mike Pildes, Bill Levin, and Bob Hederick. Hederick won a minor letter last year on the sophomore squad. Levin is a new Nileis student who went to Evanston last year.

The two-day practice of last week was, strangely enough, led by the youngest of the competing varsity golfers. Bob Zender led the linkmen with a 41 the first day and a 40 the second for a total of 81 for 18 holes. Second to Zender was Bob Hederick with 38, the low total of both days, and 44 for a total score of 82. Levin ranked third with 42 on the first nine and 45 on the back holes. Dave Magnuson was next in line with 45 and 43 for 88. Dick Iverson, who was sick the first day of practice, shot 46 his first day out.

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of this past week and Tuesday of next week, the golfers will be playing for the five positions on the first team.

The Trojan golfers will have their first meet April 23 against the Cardinals of Arlington Heights.

The varsity team lost all but two men from last year's varsity team. Only returning lettermen are Steve Rioff and Ken Kramer. Other seniors who may play are Al Birkholtz and Ron Krone.

Frosh-soph team is led by Dennis Redding, sophomore. Last

# Racketmen Look Ahead To New Tennis Season

TENNIS ANYONE? This is the motto of the Nilehi tennis teams as both varsity and frosh-soph prepare for the opening season.

Under instruction of Coaches Markus and Durette on the varsity level, and Coach Sappone at frosh-soph, the teams have played one meet so far. This was against the Maine Blue Demons of Des Plaines last Saturday on the Trojan courts. The Demons won, three matches to two.

Although they lost, the Trojans pulled one upset to brighten the defeat somewhat. Ken Kramer, playing the first singles position, whipped his favored opponent 6-3 in the first set. In the second set Ken defeated his opponent by the same score.

The Trojans managed to sal-



Steve Rioff and Kenneth Kramer smile as they think of the prospects of the varsity tennis team.

vage one more match because of Phil Karafotas, junior, and Al Birkholtz, senior. This second doubles match was the only one which went three sets. The visitors won the first set 6-2, but the junior-senior combination won the next two, winning the finale 6-3 to end the varsity competition.

An earlier match at Glenbrook was "snowed" out.

year, Denny played second doubles. Other promising sophs are Tod Wise and Steve Wise. A host of freshmen are led by Paul Bishop and Jim Carder.

The last meet on the Trojan schedule was with Arlington Heights last Tuesday. It was too late though, to get the results. Following this, will be a meet with New Trier tomorrow on the Trojan courts.

# Cindermen Boast Five Lettermen

SNOWED OUT ONCE already this year, the Nilehi Track team is just getting into full swing with its practice.

With only five returning lettermen, Coach Harmon will probably use quite a few juniors and sophomores. Other coaches are Coach Frala and Coach Byram; Mr. Byram instructs the weightmen.

The returning lettermen are Bill Hess, Don Hanson, Bernie Roos, Ray Thomas, and Arny Goldstein. Promising seniors who haven't previously won letters

are Gary Penrith and Bill Nack. Juniors in the same situation are Les Berens and Paul Heinze. Paul Goldman, sophomore, is looking very good in practice and may get the opportunity to run varsity.

The track events are divided into two categories, field events and track events. In the field events there are five different contests. They are the broad jump, the shot put, the discus, the pole vault, and the high jump.

The nine track events are made up of the 120 yard high hurdles, 100 yard dash, 880 yard run, 880 yard relay, 440 dash, 180 yard low hurdles, the mile run, 220 yard dash and the mile relay.

Top weightmen so far are Heinze and Roos while Hess has been the outstanding short dash man and high jumper. Berens runs the 440 and is in the 880 relay. He may also run the 220 yard-dash. Hanson, Thomas, Nack, and Goldstein are all distance men. Penrith will probably broad jump with Paul Goldman running the 120 yard high hurdles.

The last meets were against Waukegan last Tuesday and a Tri-meet with Morton and North Chicago.

Tomorrow the Trojans will be entered in the North Shore meet.