

# NILEHILITE

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Attend the Last  
Home Football  
Game, October 26

## Honors Course Offered For Seniors

Is there any way I can go to college with most of my expenses paid? Just what is expected of me when I enter college? Which college is best for the kind of training I want? These, and many similar questions, are being answered for the fifteen students now enrolled in the honors course under the direction of Miss Berry and Mr. Ohlson, offered for the first time this semester.

Twice a week these students are being given special preparation for college work. The students are being helped to determine weak spots in their high school training so that these can be remedied before the students enter college.

Review of high school work thus has become one important part of the course. Under the direction of Miss Berry, English and foreign language reviews are conducted. Mr. Ohlson supervises the review of science, mathematics, and social studies.

Another important part of this course is to train students for the writing of entrance, placement, and scholarship examinations. Next spring these students will compete with students of other high schools for scholarship awards. Winning a scholarship award usually means that part, or all, of the student's tuition fee is paid by the college giving the scholarship examination.

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## "Freshmen Get Bad Whiff"

Two-hundred freshmen journeyed to the Chicago Sanitary District last Monday, to view one of the largest sewage disposal plants in the country.

The plant represents an investment of \$34.75 for each taxpayer and costs an additional \$1.38 per person a year to operate.

## CALENDAR

- Oct. 19—Frosh vs. Main - here  
Varsity vs. Lake Forest there  
21—No school  
22—Know Your School Program - Science Dept. 8:00 p. m.  
24—Frosh vs. Woodstock - there  
26—J.V.'s vs. Woodstock - here  
Varsity vs. Woodstock - here  
28—All school assembly-Prologue to Glory  
31—Halloween Party - Chamber of Commerce  
Nov. 1—J.V.'s vs. Arlington - here  
2—Varsity vs. Arlington - there

## Attention, Juniors No Weekend Homework!

From now on all teachers will be prohibited to give Juniors any homework on Fridays. Such was the motion as passed by the Juniors at the meeting last Friday in the assembly room.

Of course the meeting was just a farce, but they can dream, can't they? Another matter which caused heated discussion was that dancers at all school affairs be required to dance in a conversational position. The opposition, however, cleverly shelved this discussion until the first meeting in 1941.

On the lighter side, the entertainment was a cleverly written play by Marie Throop. The characters were: Bill Stevens, Ginnie Nordin and Betty Kelly. In fact the play was so well written that there will be an attempt made to have it published.

For all the fun and entertainment, the Juniors can thank their

## Three Students Attend Classical League Meeting

own adviser, Miss Grace Harbert. Betty Cummings, Mary Kay DeWitt, and Virginia Reuter, accompanied by Miss Marjorie Ronalds, attended the Northern District of Illinois convention of the Junior Classical league at the Evanston Township high school on Sat., Oct. 12.

## Science Department Conducts First "Know Your School Program"

The first of a series of "Know Your School" programs will be presented on Thurs., Oct. 24, in the school gymnasium. The science department is in charge of the evening's program.

The Physics and Chemistry classes will combine their resources in presenting six demonstrations concerned with oxidation. Inasmuch as oxygen is so essential to existence, it is certain that these demonstrations will be intensely intriguing and informative.

The use of thermite in incendiary bombs and its use in welding processes will be demonstrated and explained. Also included in the program will be the production of hydrogen, demonstration of its uses, and adaptability to the demands of modern civilization.

The Biology class will exhibit preserved animals, a large collection of insects, an unusual assortment of biological fruits, and several scientific drawings. Lectures and illustrations on a balanced aquarium and a desert habitat, microscopic slides, and fall leaves in their new ensembles will be presented.

### Freshmen to Conduct Quiz

For the aquatic minded there will be a collection of sea shells. A vivarium and a chart showing the various elements in the human body will complete the impressive display.

The freshman General Science group will conduct a quiz to test the scientific knowledge of the average individual.

### "Prologue to Glory"

Three scenes from the Broadway hit, "Prologue to Glory," will be shown at an all-school assembly on Oct. 28 at 1:15 p.m. The show is a dramatic love story of young Abe Lincoln and Ann Rutledge.

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## Are You One?

Recently several students "cut" school in order to have a respite from studies on their own. Your editor does not intend to preach an object lesson to these "wayward" students. However, these pupils were not fulfilling their duty to their school and classmates; in fact, they were disrupting the usual procedure in class and school, causing trouble, and making the forces which operate the school to perform less efficiently.

The case which has been mentioned above is not far different from the cases of many "lacklustre" students here at NileHi who refuse to support their teams, either by failure to attend sports events, or by failure to participate in these sports. By "cutting" the various sports they show that the school is not squarely behind the teams, and the teams, in turn, play more poorly. How can the team put their heart in the game when the heart of the school is not behind them? Attending school functions is one of the most important elements of school life. Many students think it is necessary to know the finer points of the games to enjoy them. This is not necessary. The assembly last Friday gave enough "pointers," thanks to the football teams and Mr. Galitz, for any student to enjoy a football game.

## NIBLETS

Last Friday night hundreds of rambling wrecks drifted a hundred miles through Skokie-wildly cheering NTHS. Willkie, and anything else they liked. Around and around traveled the line—traveling in dizzy circles and sweeping with it things that no one would have thought existed—even in Skokie . . . The whole week-end was just one glorious whirl. . . at the "Tick Tock"—and you know when!—nobody seemed to care what time it was. . . the much sought after Joanne Briggs attended the dance with sophomore Dick Boyd much to the disappointment of umteen seniors . . . a pair of spirited young couples that seemed everywhere at once were: Margie Burkland with Chuck Taylor, and Kay Smith with Jackie Allen . . . speaking of peppy dancers — Josephine Murray and Fritz Paroubek won a recent Jitterbug contest at the Pickwick Country club.

A short time ago, I discovered that more than freshmen go around in a daze — consider the 2nd period Biology class that has yet to hear an announcement. The result: they never know what's going on . . . rumor has it that Mrs. Esch it attempting to sell Marie Throop's play "Preamble" (you Juniors saw it at your assembly) . . . I wonder if Ruth Johantgen's ankles are as "big" as they appear in angorra socks? . . . and I wonder if Bob Rieland hopes to realize an "A" in German for that extra project of his — catching — and killing 13 of the flies that were bothering Miss Kranz? — The political race is hot. Marilynn Woodworth's uncle is traveling aboard the "Willkie Special" as a reporter — that explains a lot of things . . . Mardy McKeever has a Wendell, too.

"Kracky" and Florence Schramm ought to go out for track — after that exhibition demonstrating "typical" Skokie speeding — and forever ending the regime of one fruit salad . . . just why wasn't one shrimp salad enough for "Bobby" Williams the other day? Will Al Johantgen ever buy Chow Mein for Eva Herman again?

**Note:** Mrs. Octopus please see the editor.

Athletic events and other activities were planned for your enjoyment, and we want you, as students, to enjoy them. You can't enjoy them at home, so come out!



"Let's All Yell!"

## From Our Readers

Dear Editor:

Where in the world can we buy school spirit? We certainly haven't too much here at Nilehi. When you go to a football game and look at the few students in the bleachers, you would think our school were only half the size it is.

I make a motion that we get some pep into us and back up our boys. Who seconds the motion?

A Nilehilite Reader

Dear Editor:

Have you ever been startled by a sudden "Attention please!" coming out of the loud speaker? And does the "That is all" make you feel as though the announcement were a police call?

Well, it had that effect on me, and I wonder if something can be done about it?

I suggest that the announcement be introduced and concluded by melodious chimes. In this way, no time would be lost. As soon as the chimes were sounded, everyone would sit up and take notice. Needless to say, our announcements would sound much more professional.

Very truly yours,

One Who Listens In

## Anagrams

Join the two words together and rearrange the letters to form another word.

1. sis tar . . . . .
2. cap for . . . . .
3. see sir . . . . .
4. hit ere . . . . .
5. sum love . . . . .

## FORCAST

### A Look Into The Future

Local . . . Clyde Henning, author of the best seller, "Away Went the Wind," is welcoming world correspondent Danny Dever back after a year abroad.

Gossip . . . Who is that gorgeous blond that Dwain Kuhn, millionaire playboy, is seen with lately. The initials on her handbag were "J. P." I wonder!

Theater . . . Helen Miller, famed New York actress-dancer, is dancing in the Red Cross benefit sponsored by Paul Mikota, director of the stage play, "Yesterday." Miss Miller's so-star will be William Steven's, the talented star of "Lulu." Miss Marie Throop, beautiful prima donna, wore a most enticing hat to her opening broadcast. The hat, designed by Connie Kohtz, the well known designer, is a little number trimmed with a small flower pot containing real flowers.

Sports . . . Frank Thulstrup, manager of the Skokie Skyrockets, is in bed with a fractured skull. The fracture occurred when he bumped his head getting into his car. Dr. Betty Holmes, eminent bone surgeon, operated on him immediately. Frank is under the care of a pretty young nurse, Gerry Thulstrup, his sister. Sanford Jensen is entering three horses in the Kentucky berby.

## WHATZIT ??

I'm blue and gold,  
And oh so small.  
I would not scold,  
Nor mind at all,  
If you would place,  
A joke inside.

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## Debits and Credits

"Banking" was the topic of the second Vocational Assembly of the year, held Thursday, October 10, in the assembly hall. Mr. Willard Galitz, of the Niles Center State Bank, was the very interesting guest speaker.

## Senior Discuss New Type Annual

The Senior assembly, Monday, October 4, was devoted primarily to the discussion of a new type of annual. Instead of having the expensive type of annual, as ours was last year, we will have one produced by the students without professional help from outside. This new annual, Mr. Cotanche advises, will contain more literary work, more photograph shots, more art, and more representation of all the classes.

## For You Who Claim To be Scientists

- The Illinois state tree is:
  - American elm
  - white oak
  - sugar maple
  - poplar
- Which of the following makes the grass green?
  - water
  - heat
  - chlorophyl
  - oxygen
- Which of these insects can look over its shoulder?
  - fly
  - butterfly
  - ant
  - praying mantis
- Plecoptera is
  - a mineral
  - an insect order
  - a rock formation
  - an element
- The largest planet is
  - Earth
  - Neptune
  - Jupiter
  - Saturn

## Interesting Courses

### Offered in Night School

Did you know that our night school, beginning Oct. 15, is going to offer special classes in mathematics for men who are subject to the Selective Training Service under the Federal Draft Act? Practical plane and solid geometry will be offered to help those men who may be required for work in the tank, mechanized unit, and aviation divisions of our army and navy. These courses are also designed to help men who seek advancement in private industry.

Our school is this taking an active part in serving the needs of our nation as well as those of our community.

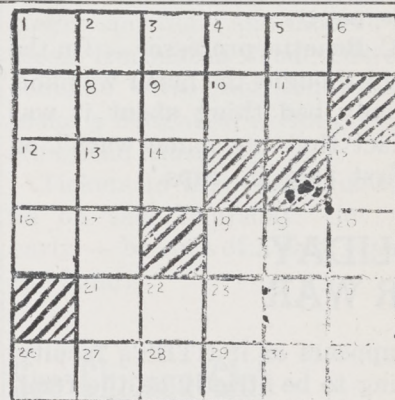
## Ruby Bowser '40 Wins Fashion Award

In the recent American Fashion contest, sponsored by the *Chicago Tribune*, Ruby Bowser, NTHS '40, won honorable mention. Her prize design, one of a fall coat, was selected as being among the best of thousands of entries. The drawings of the coat are now on display in WGN's new broadcasting studio, the sketches will be sold later.

After graduating from high school, Ruby was employed during the summer by a soap company for \$16 a week—at that price we won't mention the company.

Though well known to most for her dramatic work, orations, and as "El Gato," Ruby entered the Chicago Academy of Fine Arts on a full year scholarship, which she won competing in a large field of graduates from Chicago high schools.

Ruby rejected a partial scholarship to the Columbia School of Radio in order to study at the Academy of Fine Arts.

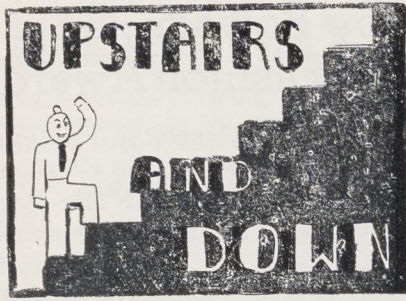


### Horizontal

- A million dollar investment
- Come in
- Sum up
- 3.1416
- Male Sheep
- To feel one's way
- To rock

### Vertical

- Pertaining to certain tribes
- Blue
- Limited
- Hour (Abbr)
- America (Abbr)
- Decay
- Hawaiian herb
- Route (Abbr)



### The NILEHILITE! What about it?

**Bill Peterson, senior** — A little less formal and scholastic articles and more things for the students. I thought this was a paper for and by the students. We demand freedom of the press! Remember the Constitution!

**Mardy McKeever, junior** — I like the bigger size as it seems to denote a larger and more important school but my first impression as I opened the paper was, "Where are the middle pages?"

**Danny Dever, sophomore** — I prefer the smaller size. Can't hide these from the teacher, but then what can you hide from the teacher?

**Grace Nelson, freshman** — It's very good. I like it better than last year's paper.

**J. C. Benette, professor** — On the whole I thought the paper was fine. The only bad thing about it was the fact that my name wasn't on the first page in 'caps.'

## HOLIDAY FOR WAR

It appears as if NTHS's faculty, is going to be strictly on the feminine side after last Wednesday. When Congress drew up the draft bill they didn't exclude teachers. So it now looks like Messers. Lindley, Ohlson, Meier, Kent, and Galitz will soon be wearing khaki.

Don't get excited, "chiluns," it's only a joke. But for one day at least, all teachers, including the fairer half of our faculty, were registrars at the Village Hall.

Answer to last issue's Whozit:

**Bill Stevens**

Answer to Whatzit:

**Nilehilite Contribution Box**

## Wanted: Noisemakers

Booming down the home stretch with a winning football team, NTHS is more than just a threat to win the conference. Pepped up by the thunder from the grandstands, the team is in there fighting. But there is a need for new cheers! The team, the cheerleaders, and you yourselves have been clamoring for new yells. Would you help the cheerleaders out by writing down your ideas and depositing them in the Nilehilite box.

## Girls Bowling League News

With many grunts, groans and shrieks, the Girls' Wednesday Bowling league started rolling Oct. 2. At the end of the second week, Marjory Riser's team, the Lucky Strikers, are leading the league. Jean Holmes' team, the Gay Ninties, are a close second.

The leading individual bowlers are: Dorothy Lund, 136; Carol Blameuser, 127; and Marjory Riser, 113.

## G.A.A. to Decide On Campaign, Today

The G. A. A. executive board and class representatives held a meeting Oct. 14, at which Mr. Thompson talked to the girls about raising money for their organization by selling magazines. The money will be used to send G. A. A. members to camp this year. This plan will be brought up during the G. A. A. periods today. If the girls are in favor of the idea the sale will start today and end on Oct. 28.

## Honors Course - cont'

Although it cannot be expected that all students who take the honors course will win scholarships, it is hoped that some of these students will bring honor to NileHi and financial aid to themselves by success in one of these competitive examinations. At least, these students can be confident that they will be well prepared to do college work, and that they will have selected the right school for the kind of training they want.

## Trojans Confident After Victories

"Is everyone happy?"

Of course we are! After seeing our Trojans trample Crystal Lake and our Freshman squad tie the Visitor's J.V.'s in the afternoon attractions of the Homecoming festivities last Saturday, how could we be otherwise?

By the display of heads-up football shown in the last two games, the Trojans are favored to whip Lake Forest and Woodstock in the games to be played tomorrow and next Saturday, Oct. 19 and 26. The Woodstock encounter is to be the last home game for the Trojans.

Following is a running account on how NTHS whipped Crystal Lake 20-0.

Early in the first quarter, Dick Fanning recovered a fumble on the Crystal Lake 45-yd. line. Taking possession of the ball the Trojans marched to the goal. In the same quarter the Trojans scored through a series of running plays and passes.

The final score was made in the fourth quarter on a 40-yd. run by Jack Heiniger. Ray Nitch added the points after the first two touchdowns through kicks from placement.

The entire squad deserves praise for their splendid play. Heiniger for his running, Nitch for his kicking, Springer's tackling and faultless centering, Domas and Dahm's pass receiving, the play of Faust, and the efforts of Reiland, Jarmuth and the other linemen and backs deserve special praise.

Two weeks ago the Trojans defeated Leyden, 7-3, by scoring in the last seven minutes of the game.

### Orchids and Onions

Orchids to Ed Breitenbach who was "knocked-out," but after a few minutes was back in the game. He was hit on the head (which may be the reason for the quick recovery.) Onions to whoever it was who brought a portable radio to the game and played swing music throughout the afternoon.