

Here, some of Nilehi's new equipment (used in the metals shop) is being demonstrated by Mike Nack, senior. The study of metals is one of Nilehi's new courses offered this year.

Fall Union Tomorrow Night

NILEHI'S first fall Union will be held tomorrow night, October 1, in the cafeterias. Movies and ping-pong will be in the old cafeteria, and cards, games, and dancing to the juke box and perhaps a band will be in the new wing addition. Hot dogs, cokes, and other refreshments are to be sold.

There is to be no admission charge for this first Union. However, season tickets will soon be sold for 25 cents. Tickets are to be sold only to Nilehi students, who may bring one guest.

The Youth Board for the student Union met on September 21 with the faculty sponsors, Miss Lois Lamberg and Mr. John Hallberg. The board, composed entirely of seniors, was set up to schedule and plan the Unions for the year.

OFFICERS selected at the board meeting are Kay Christiansen, chairman; Joyce Rossmann, secretary, and Carol Borchert, treasurer.

"The Union is planning more fun than ever this year. Its success depends upon the co-operation and attendance of the kids. I especially encourage the freshmen to come to get acquainted," commented Kay Christiansen.

Staff Selected to Edit '55 Yearbook

NILEHI'S 1954-55 Yearbook staff was recently selected by Mrs. Mary Ida McGuire, sponsor. Co-editors are Barb Dischert and Judy Coleman, seniors; copy editor is Janet Piper, senior; photography editor is Jerry Vick, junior; and art editor is Judy Boles, senior. Nancy Keppler and Linda Morse, junior, are in charge of the staff's public relations.

Last year's co-editors were Judy Swinehart and Kay Schmidt.

The NILEHILITE extends its sympathy to Linda Wolfson, sophomore, on the recent death of her father.

Addition Complete; Classes Begin in Modern New Wing

HAVE YOU been in the new wing? If you don't have any classes there, chances are you haven't! Here is your own personalized tour of Nilehi's new addition.

Walking into the new wing from the second floor, you'll notice the hall looks much like the rest of the school except that the lockers have detachable locks, and the doors to the rooms are completely wood except for a small mirrored window.

ON THE left, room 220, which houses sophomore study halls and a senior homeroom, has formica-topped tables with varied, unusual shapes on one wall, a mural painted by Jack Kirkby, '52 and Bill Ishmael, '54. All the rooms have fluorescent lights and green blackboards.

On the right, room 223, the clothing room, has six formica topped tables with two built-in sewing machines in each. Along one side of the room is a lengthy work table under which are individual drawers for each girl. Windows extend from the table to the ceiling. Matchstick drapes allow proper lighting. There is a circular nook providing space for looking at pattern books and showcases and mirrors surrounding it. There are sliding door closets, built-in ironing boards, a mirrored fitting room, and a sink. The walls are papered in a forest green, chartreuse and gray pattern with scissors, tape measures, and manequins. The furniture is gray; floor, green linoleum; and walls, chartreuse to harmonize with the wallpaper. Each day 107 girls use the modern room.

NEXT door is 225, the home-making room. It has gray walls and a chartreuse peg board for hanging drapes and curtains.

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'Elevator Pass' Disappears; Frosh Conform to Pattern

This year's freshman class is probably one of the tops as far as adjustment to Nilehi's pattern is concerned.

UPPERCLASSMEN seem to notice the freshmen with respect as a result of the orientation program and the aid of the two freshman advisers, Mrs. Marjory Schwab and Dr. Lyman Smith. The familiar "elevator pass" has disappeared almost entirely and few freshmen find themselves looking for the library or 213 study hall in the basement as a result of the "helpful" senior.

Despite the school's crowded conditions, these newcomers to Niles have fitted into the school's definite pattern and retained its smooth running value. Thanks to this year's senior monitors, all students, as well as the freshmen, are finding those five minutes between classes sufficient.

THE ORIENTATION program offers a complete study of the school's functions, rules, activities, and high school life in general. A freshman handbook, answering many questions, has been given to each new student to better acquaint him with Nilehi. Some of the mistakes made by freshmen were due to the fact that there was a delay in obtaining these handbooks, according to Mrs. Schwab.

Last week, representatives from the senior monitors visited each of the freshman homerooms and stressed the importance of rules concerning halls, corridors, and the lunch periods. Until this time, many did not know that freshmen are not to leave the campus during lunch hours, as well as some of the other rules.

FRESHMEN, you've taken the first big step in the change from grammar school to high school. This is just a "pat on the back" for the co-operation you've given and the pride you have taken in Nilehi.

Several Teachers Vacation Abroad

DURING THE summer months several Nilehi teachers traveled out of the United States.

Mrs. Priscilla Baker and Miss Doris Tillmann, English teachers, flew south on a month's trip to Puerto Rico, Barbados, Trinidad, Tobago, Jamaica, and Nassau. They saw monkeys running wild in Barbados.

ANOTHER Nilehi teacher, Mr. Eugene Napier, took a trip north to Canada. He spent two weeks touring Hamilton, Quebec, New Brunswick, and Montreal. Most of his time was spent looking at churches because churches were emphasized on the specific tours Mr. Napier attended.

Dear Editor,

I am very disappointed in the length of the line for soup and sandwiches in the 5B lunch period. The last few days it has almost extended the whole length of the lunch room. I wish something could be done about it.

Don Urich
Junior

Dear Editor,

Here is a compliment on the beautiful, new school furniture in our new wing and other rooms throughout the school building.

I think a big responsibility has been placed on the students who use this furniture in keeping it just as fresh and clean as it was on the first day of school. We've seen what careless people have done to other desks in the school, so let's keep the furniture on the same high level with our school.

Janice Jack
Junior

Dear Editor,

Friday, September 17 at 3:05, the students of Nilehi passed to the first pep assembly this school term. It certainly was great. Never heard so much spirit in all my life, and the class contest really set the walls vibrating!

I was surprised, though, at the end of the rally, while the school song was being played, and supposedly sung, most of the students left. This seemed to show very little respect to the school. Let's try to improve it.

Dona Baumann
Senior

Nilehi Talks Back

Dear Editor,

One thing at Niles puzzles me! The underclassmen do not have their study halls scheduled in the library. They cannot use it as often as they probably would like, because they must have a pass from some teachers as a form of permission.

When a student gets to be a junior, he begins to take a greater part in school activities and has very few study halls in the library. When he becomes a senior, he may serve as a monitor, or gym leader or take a double period class causing him to have even less time to spend there.

As a means of balance, couldn't members of all classes have their study halls scheduled in the library at sometime during the week? I realize the upperclassmen pride themselves in being able to occupy the library, but isn't the library for the use of all students?

Kay Christiansen
Senior

Dear Editor,

I've been wondering why more boys don't take an interest in some school activities other than sports?

When I joined the finance staff of the yearbook, I found to my surprise the whole staff was comprised of girls. I feel more boys should be a part of these committees also.

Why do boys feel that these various minor jobs are only for "sissies"? If a fellow turns out for these activities—such as the drama clubs, finance staff, or the Red Cross Council—the other boys look down on him. He has to be in sports to be a "big wheel"!

Joyce Rossmann

NILEHILITE

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'Good-bye, My Fancy'

Selected as Fall Play

"GOODBYE, MY FANCY," by Fay Kanin, will be the annual fall play, according to Miss Virginia Stemp, speech and drama instructor. Chosen because of the great variety of parts, the play calls for a cast of 20, including 12 girls and eight boys. Friday and Saturday nights, November 19 and 20, will be the performance dates.

The play revolves around a congresswoman who has returned to her alma mater, Good Hope College, for a visit and to renew acquaintances with her former beau, now the president of the school. The results are both amazing and dramatic, and a surprise ending is in store for those who see the play.

TRYOUTS will be held on October 6 and 7 at 3:30 p.m. in the Assembly Room, and all students are eligible to try out.

"Goodbye, My Fancy" was a successful Broadway play and movie. "It is a fast-moving comedy filled with romance and humor," commented Miss Stemp.

Pins and Pans, the new Home Economics Club, had its first meeting Wednesday, September 22. Miss Alice Line and Miss Florence Butler are the sponsors of this club which is open to all girls taking Home Economics courses.

Student Enrollment Passes 1500 Mark

A GRAND TOTAL of 1,519 students were enrolled at Nilehi on September 10, while last September's enrollment was 1,212, according to Mrs. Florence Keppeler, registrar.

The 107 upper-class transferes make the class totals as follows: freshmen, 423; sophomores, 421; juniors 352; and seniors 323. However, the average class totals of 1953-54 were freshmen, 335; sophomores, 325; juniors, 290; and seniors 220.

FIFTY of the transferes are from Chicago public high schools, while only eight come from other Suburban League schools. Other new students come from California, Texas, Florida, Alabama, Washington, Arizona, and Connecticut. One pupil has spent only one year in America; he is originally from Syria.



Kay Christiansen, senior monitor, checks the pass of freshman Bob Piper in front of the main office. Monitors are on duty during all periods of the day.

Monitors Enforce School Regulations

APPROXIMATELY three hundred senior monitors have duties in the halls at Nilehi this year, an increase of approximately seventy-five over last year's total.

The new wing, in use this fall for the first time, is the main reason for the extra monitors and is a major cause of traffic problems, according to Miss Lois Lamberg, senior monitor sponsor. The monitors urge the students to use the stairways in the wing and the center stairs as much as possible. This would relieve a great deal of the congestion at the library entrance.

The monitor captains, one on duty each period, insure the effectiveness of the system. They are Bob Petersen, Bill Scanlan, Bob Drake, Fred Melberg, Gary Cockrell, Tom Howard, Bob Bonebrake, Frank Comacho, and Jim Elliott.

MISS LAMBERG commented, "I have received a very favorable impression of the new staff of monitors. They have been co-operative and are doing an important job for the school."

School rules most worthy of mention at this time according to Miss Lamberg are (1) No smoking allowed either in the school or on campus; (2) Freshmen may not leave the campus during their lunch period; (3) Students may not enter any parked car during the lunch period.

When the freshmen and new upperclassmen become more accustomed to the school, monitors

Assembly to Launch Annual Magazine Drive

Thursday, October 7 marks the beginning of Nilehi's annual Magazine Drive to be continued through November 1.

AS IN the past, anyone can earn a discount on a yearbook or a free book for \$20 in subscriptions.

On each "turn-in day" (there will be seven), the top four salesmen in the school will receive cash awards of \$20, \$15, \$10, and \$5 respectively. Teachers of the three high homerooms will receive \$3, \$2, and \$1 respectively. For the highest homeroom at the end of the drive, there will be a free lunch in the school cafeteria, provided each member has sold a minimum of one subscription.

An all-school assembly, October 7, will launch the drive. Here all the final grand prizes for the high salesmen will be displayed. "The prizes are bigger and better than ever," stated Mr. Ronald Van Arsdale. They will include a phonograph, two wrist watches, a typewriter, a portable radio, a 3-D camera, and others.

Miss Ada Immel and Mrs. Par-epa Rice will assist Mr. Van Arsdale in the details of the drive.

MONEY FROM the magazine sales will help to finance the Golden Galleon, yearbook, and 100 Per Cent Club.

New Club Features Stars and Eclipses

Nilehi's newly formed astronomy club met September 14 and discussed plans for the coming year. Mrs. Hind, head of the V.A. department and club sponsor, said they are having a full schedule.

LAST WEEK'S agenda included a discussion of the Julian Calendar, election of officers, planning of committees, and a movie. The movie, showing a solar eclipse on June 30, was taken by Gerry Schultz, senior, and Bob Martin, sophomore, at Hayward, Wisconsin, which was in the direct path of the eclipse.

Newly-elected officers are Gerry Schultz, president; Chuck Wagner, vice-president; and Jim Beddia, secretary-treasurer. The club meets every first and third Tuesday of the month in 209.

will issue fines for violations of these rules and the others in effect.

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New Addition . . .

AT THE end of the hall is 227, the foods room. It is supplied with six separate kitchen units, each with a sink, cabinets and a table and chairs. Other equipment includes a freezer, dishwashers, refrigerators, electric and gas stoves, garbage disposal, wall ovens, washing machine, dryer and mangle. The color scheme of chartreuse and gray is accented by the light from numerous windows. Adjoining this room is the dining room decorated with a turquoise and pink color plan. It contains modern wrought iron furniture, a china cabinet and will be used for practice luncheons and dinners. One hundred girls use these rooms daily.

Room 125 is being made into a darkroom for photography classes. The small room used for advisers' meetings is room 122.

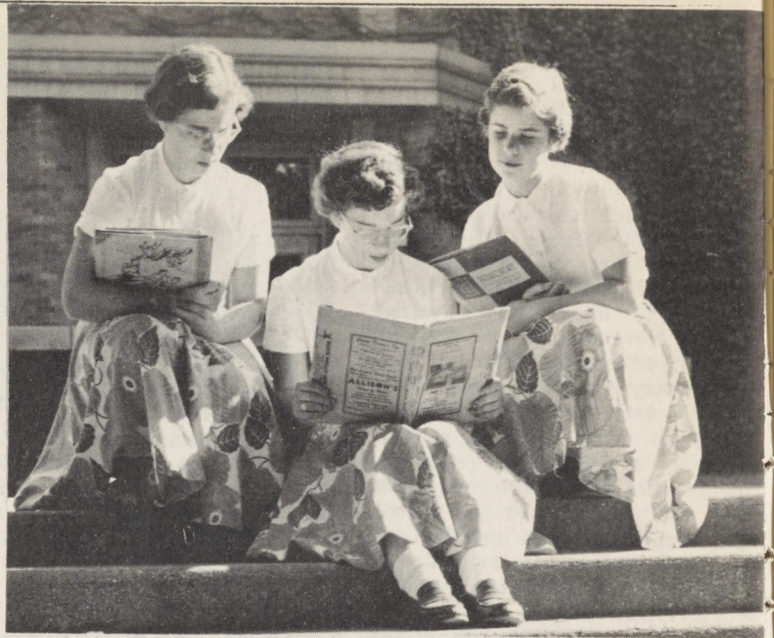
In the basement, room 20 is the new auto shop. It has a separate office for the teacher, pastel green cement walls, and door to bring cars in from the parking lot. Room 21, the metals shop, has extensive modern equipment, brown cement walls, and an instructor's office. This shop is a new department at Nilehi.

THE NEW addition to the cafeteria, located at the north end of the old cafeteria, has cement walls shaded upward from dark orange to yellow, and contains large windows. It is now being used as a freshman study hall, but will be used as a part of the cafeteria in the future.

The comments on the new wing are varied, but most are favorable. Miss Alice Line, clothing teacher, said "I feel like I'm 20 years younger!" "Even the seniors get lost in there," remarked Carol Callison.

In the foyer adjoining the auto shop is a bronze plaque, which reads: "This addition erected in 1953 by Niles Township High School Board of Education." Names of the board members are given in addition to Edwin C. Brune, architect, and Thomas J. Higgins, consultant.

THE NEW wing has provided more room and better facilities for special courses. In the near future, Niles will expand even more by putting a third floor on the newest wing and building a third wing.



TRIPLETS are enrolled at Nilehi for the first time in its history.

Barbara, Bernadette and Bernadine Fronczak, sophomores, come to NTHS from Alvernia High School in Chicago.

The 15-year-old triplets were born only half an hour apart. Barbara is the oldest; Bernadine is the youngest. While not identical, they do look very much alike. The only

other multiple birth in their family is twins.

THE THREE girls are all very interested in sports. Barbara and Bernadine played on a baseball team last year, and are now organizing their own volley ball team. Bowling, swimming, television, and movies also rate high on their interest list.

Homecoming Plans Now in Progress

PLANS FOR Homecoming, the big game of the year with a parade and dance, has been set for October 16, according to Mr. Harold Ohlson, senior adviser.

Our gridsters will play Morton High School with the varsity game beginning at 2 p.m.

TEACHERS managing committees are Mr. Howard Byram, orchestra and bids; Mrs. Parepa Rice and Miss Doris Tillman, decorations; Miss Lois Lamberg, ticket and sales promotion; Mr. Charles Suydam and Mr. Onni Hendrickson, parade management.

Air Raid Signal Erected on Tower

WHILE EVERYONE was on vacation this summer, an air raid siren was erected on the east end of Nilehi's tower. Its purpose is to aid our community in case an emergency arises. Every Tuesday at

Niles Debate Coach Receives Ph. D.

John L. Betts, Nilehi debate coach and U. S. history teacher, was awarded a Ph. D. degree in history at the University of Chicago this summer. Dr. Betts' thesis was entitled "The United States Navy in the Mexican War."

PREVIOUS degrees earned by Dr. Betts are B. A. at Northwestern University, M. A. in education at Northwestern, and M. A. in history at the University of Chicago. He has just begun his ninth year as a teacher at N. T. H. S. When asked how he felt upon the receipt of his latest degree, Dr. Betts replied, "Immense relief!"

10:30 a.m. three loud blasts will be heard throughout Skokie.

The siren is operated automatically and runs on a time basis. Its approximate cost is \$11,000. The Civil Defense Organization is responsible for the siren being placed on NTHS.

New Teachers Express First Opinion of Nilehi

"I'M VERY impressed with Niles and the students, and very proud to be a member of the Faculty. I mean it sincerely." This was the remark made by Mr. Nelson Grote, a new member of the shop staff.

The NILEHILITE interviewed each new faculty member and received these other remarks about our students.

Mr. Bill Bost, English teacher, commented, "The students are 'nicer' than those usually found in smaller schools and are much better behaved than I expected."

"All students here are 'good.' There are mischievous ones, but I haven't found a 'bad' one yet." This was the remark of both Mr. Bruce Sorenson and Mr. Jack Lain of the shop staff.

Miss Janet Loranger, English teacher, has been in public schools before, but thinks the students are "nicer" here.

Student's Pet Alligator Escapes From Its Cage

JERRY TROESCH, Nilehi freshman, recently was the center of much excitement when his pet alligator escaped from its cage. The alligator, a birthday present, was given to Jerry by his brother about a month ago. After being found by neighbors, Jerry's pet seemed to suffer no ill effects from its little journey.

THE STORY of the escaped alligator appeared in several Chicago newspapers. Jerry and his alligator were guests September 18 on the television show, "F-Bar-F Ranch" seen on Channel 9.

Mr. Mike Basrak, varsity football coach, is impressed with the behavior of students in the cafeteria and the quietness in the halls between classes.

Mr. Albert Rambis said, "They're all very co-operative and easy to get along with."

ON THE WHOLE, the new teachers agree that Nilehi students are "better than average" in many phases.



THIS WEEK your Inquiring Reporter asked the students: "If you could start a new fad at Nilehi, what would it be?"

Joe Furlong, sophomore: "Saddle shoes for boys."

Sharon Joyce, junior: "Girls wearing kilts to school."

Lee Brink, sophomore: "Gold and blue bucks."

Tom Tansor, junior: "Crew cuts for the entire school."

Dot Mueller, sophomore: "Long underwear."

Joanne Dahm, sophomore: "Green fingernail polish."

Barb Duckers, junior: "Everyone wearing Bermuda shorts in school."

Judy Sodeman, sophomore: "Scatter pins on socks."

Bruce Robins, sophomore: "Wearing clothes backwards"

JoAnn Schultz, freshman: "Initial socks."

Ken Lawton, sophomore: "Red and white turtle neck sweaters."

Vivian Bank, senior: "Pastel colored loafers."

Jean Nelson, junior: "Girls wearing long stocking caps in winter."

Larry Messe, freshman: "Socks that don't match."

Gary Ward, senior: "Plaid golf hats."

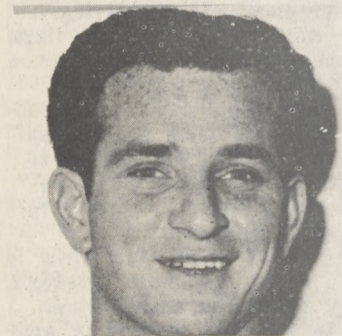
Severa! New Students Come From Abroad

NILEHI STUDENTS come from many countries other than the United States. Syria, Germany, Switzerland, Italy, and Cuba are only a few.

Gregory Ketabgian, senior, hails from Syria, where he lived until a short time ago. Cuba was the former home of Marilyn MacRae, freshman. She also has just recently come to America.

Anita Kubowicz was born in Germany but came to this country three years ago. Hans Jung, another student from Germany, lived in Frankfurt.

ITALY was the birthplace of Diana Caballai, freshman, although she moved to America when she was 10. Another new student, Rosemary Nutini, came from Myriad, Switzerland.



Get Acquainted With New Faculty

FIFTEEN new teachers are members of Nilehi's faculty this year. How many can you recognize or how much do you know about each? During the next seven issues, two teachers per issue will be introduced to the student body.

"THEY ARE different. I can't explain it—just different," said Mr. Bill Bost, the new freshman English teacher, when asked his opinion of Nilehi students.

Mr. Bost finds Nilehi very amazing. The students are friendly and well-mannered. The only thing he objects to is the large study halls.

MR. BOST is the new sponsor of Spotlights. He will also be in charge of Reflections Revelry this year.

"THE ONLY thing that disappoints me at Nilehi is that there aren't more boys representing a school as big as this on the football field."

That's the opinion of Mike Basrak, new varsity football coach and driver-education teacher.

"Big Mike" coached at Du Pont Manual High School in Louisville, Kentucky. Approximately 1800 students were enrolled. "Their turnout was good, and so was their team," he stated.

NILEHI'S beautiful campus impresses Mr. Basrak. "Students have shown good behavior in the halls and the lunchroom," he concluded.

Short Cuts

This is a brand new feature, a personal column. Our policy: No one dealt with unwillingly, unjustly, or unknowingly. Most important: No one's feelings will be hurt (we hope). **THIS IS NOT A GOSSIP COLUMN**, but a combination of the Corn Crib and Looking at Niles.

After reading this column you may want to contribute some news. If so, give it to Mr. Paul Eberhardt in Room 219 or me personally in Home Room 16B. The writers of the NILEHILITE can't possibly discover all "tidbits" around and about the halls. Your contribution will help make this column more interesting to the student body. Your news must be true — **NO GOSSIP WILL BE PRINTED.**

Seen here and there strange, new animals, called freshmen, trying to find lockers, room numbers, etc. Judy Ringle, did you find the elevator yet?

Even English teachers have trouble with English! In her period 4 senior class Mrs. Priscilla Baker asked Dick Griffith to go to Room 221 for some books. "In the cupboard," she started to say, but hesitated, "there's a teacher." She really meant that the books were in the cupboard, but another teacher was using the room at the time.

Due to a lack of boy reporters on the school newspaper staff, two senior girls may be covering fall sports. Look out, boys, they may have to ride with you on the team bus to other schools.

It's swell to see George Simmons back in school this year. He looks great and is looking forward to a big senior year.

Two Nilehi students are having trouble finding the right washroom. During the first week of school, a senior girl walked into the boys' washroom, and a freshman boy found himself in the girls' washroom in the new wing.

When Mr. Marion Brooks was asked by a student reporter, "What degrees do you have?" he replied, "Bachelor of Science." The student wanted to know what else. Mr. Brooks replied, "I am a bachelor." The student asked, "Bachelor of what?" Explained Mr. Brooks, "I mean I am a single man with hopes."

Caryl Bristol, senior, exclaimed when the public-address system bells sounded in Miss Shirlee Wilson's period 3 health class, "Mrs. Ihne must be taking xylophone lessons!"

Marilyn MacRae, freshman, has lived in Los Angeles (her birthplace), Bolivia, Canada, Mexico, and Cuba. Her interests include plaids (Scotch), boys, pizza pie, and dancing.

By Barb Dischert

Many students at Nilehi take a speak six different languages. Gregory Ketabgian, senior, has studied Arabic, French, German, Armenian, Turkish, and English.

What fun and confusion there would be if your name was "real gone." One of Niles' freshman boys is leading such a life as his name is Real Gaughan (pronounced gone.)

Mr. Marion Brooks, while illustrating the simplicity of math in chemistry, told his period 6 class, "I promise you that math in this class will only be as hard as this problem. If two apples give four cups of cider, what does four apples get you?" A meek voice in the back of the room said—"drunk?"

Before putting this column to bed, just a reminder that there is no school Friday, October 15.

Three Freshmen Have Teachers as Parents

THREE FRESHMAN students have a parent teaching at Nilehi. They are Mike Sheahan, son of Mr. John Sheahan, varsity basketball coach, Bill Ihne, son of Mr. Marvin Ihne, sophomore adviser, and Marcia Wesley, daughter of Mr. Gale Wesley, printshop teacher.

MIKE IS on the freshman football team coached by his father. He plans to try out for basketball and tennis, but the other two will probably not be in any classes with their parents.



FACULTY youngsters Marcia Wesley, Mike Sheahan, and Bill Ihne (left to right).



Introducing Anna Otiepka

ONE OF the peppiest girls at Niles is Anna Otiepka. This brown-eyed, brunette senior never finds enough hours in the day for all her activities.

"Winning the Hi-Y Citizenship Award in my junior year was the biggest thrill I've ever had," admitted Anna.

Besides being a cheerleader for two years, she has been a member of the Choir for two years; G.A.A., four years; Golden Galleon Guild, two years; and the Union Board this year. Last year Anna was vice-president of the Student Council.

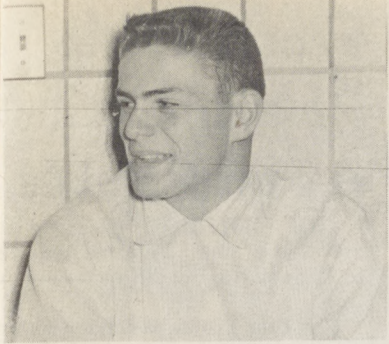
Breaded pork chops, graham-cracker pies, people, cheering and crew cuts are Anna's main likes. Number 36 on the football team rates high in her book also.

Anna keeps a scrapbook of all souvenirs from Nilehi's activities. "I will be able to remember 'the good old days'." This busy senior has never received a detention.

"An ideal outfit for girls is dark skirts, cashmere sweaters, bobby socks, and saddle shoes. I like to see boys dressed in gray flannel or navy slacks, pastel sweaters, and white bucks."

Anna's perfect day, if she could plan it completely, would occur on a Saturday. Arising at 10:30 a.m. she would get ready for a football game with Waukegan after having a big breakfast. She'd see two wins, both the frosh-soph and varsity teams being victorious. Then she would come home for supper, get ready for a date with a real neat boy (No. 36), and end the day by dreaming about it in bed.

AFTER GRADUATION Anna will probably study to become a teacher at Normal State Teachers College. When asked if marriage entered into her future, she replied, "Yes! I want to have five boys, all who play football."



**Introducing . . .
Fred Melberg**

THIS 17-YEAR-OLD senior, president of Hi-Y, secretary of the N-Club, Hi-Y Citizenship Award winner, and President of the junior class last year, needs no instruction. Fred Melberg has given much of his time to activities at Nile.

Tops on Fred's interest list are athletics, pizza, lobster, barbecued ribs, milk by the gallon, solid contact on a football field, and a peppy little senior girl.

"I like to give things away. It gives me a 'big charge.' That's why I enjoy Christmas and other people's birthdays so much," Fred admitted.

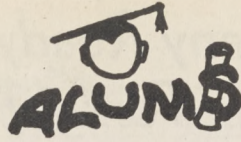
"My favorite school subject is geometry with 'Kivie,'" he exclaimed. "'Bee bop' Hendrickson gives me a 'big charge' also. He's 'hardly' a cool guy."

Fred attended Boy's State last summer, was a member of the Sophomore Cabinet, and won his major letter in both football and baseball.

"If I had a perfect day, I'd get up real late, around noon, eat lunch and breakfast together, go see that peppy little senior, play in a football game, and then eat dinner (triple helpings). A single-feature movie, because I hate long features, would be next, followed by something to eat, preferably java at the Check-board. I'd be in bed at 12 p.m. although if I was in training, the deadline would be 11 p.m.

Fred's secret ambition is to play in the College All-Star game after graduation.

HE BELIEVES that Nilehi's faculty and administration is one of the best. After graduation he hopes to become an architect. College, preferably at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, because of their great football team, comes first. "Marriage?" "Oh, absolutely."



Duane Peterson and Carlene Siström, '53, are living together in the Phi Mu house at the University of Illinois.

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Neal Cochran, '54, made the University Choir and is a soloist for the Men's Glee Club at DePauw University, Greencastle, Indiana. Neal also pledged Phi Delta Theta.

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Judy Vogel, '53, was given two extra credits in first year art by passing certain tests at the University of Illinois.

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Eileen Crowe, '54 and Nancy Freschke, '54, were appointed as full-time secretaries from a large stenographic pool at Allstate Insurance Company in Skokie.

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Angela Vosnos, '51, recently received a part in the play "Time Out for Ginger" in New York.

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Barbara Olson, '50, who graduated from Lake Forest College, plans to teach in the speech department of Highland Park High School.

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Jack Thiry, '52, is now stationed with the United States Army at Fort Eustis, Virginia. Paul Jorgensen, '51, enlisted in the Navy and is now stationed in Washington, D.C.

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Donna Jack, '52, recently pledged Kappa Delta at the University of Illinois in Urbana.

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Don Kneisel, Bill Proft, "Nibby" Lowes, Bill Pohslon and Al Sartini, '54, entered Bradley University in Peoria this fall.

**Smith Drives 30 Miles
Every Day to School**

DR. LYMAN Smith, the new freshman adviser at Nilehi, drives 30 miles from Mundelein to school every morning. He must arise at 6:15 a.m. every morning in order to arrive at school on time. Mundelein is a 35-minute drive on Edens Highway to Skokie.

This weekend Dr. Smith will move to Grove Street in Skokie.

HE DISLIKES the many accidents he has seen while traveling between the two towns. One week he saw three different accidents on successive days.

**Senior Girl Takes
Auto Shop Course**

FOR THE first time in this school's history, a girl is taking auto shop!

Marcia Johnson, senior, stated flatly, when questioned as to her reasons for taking the course, "It's not to be with the boys." She went on to explain that she had often helped her brother work on his car by doing little "odds and ends." Because he is giving his car to her in November, she decided that she'd like to know more about cars. "I'd like to make a real 'hot rod' out of it," she added.

Mr. Robert Mackey, auto shop teacher, exclaimed, "We couldn't have a girl in auto shop with a feminine name like Marcia. Because her middle name is Gale, that's what we call her now. She's done very well this far and I hope she keeps up the good work," concluded Mr. Mackey.

Marcia admitted that she was "ill-at-ease" in the beginning. Three girls had signed up for auto shop but she was the only one accepted because of the crowded classes. "Now," she continued, "I just ignore the boys and concentrate on my work."



Marilyn Cavaretta

**Phil Cavaretta's Niece
Enrolled as Freshman**

MARILLYN CAVARETTA is a freshman at Nile! Does her last name sound familiar? It should because she is Phil Cavaretta's niece. Phil is a former Chicago Cubs manager and now a player with the Chicago White Sox.

ALTHOUGH Marilyn loves to play baseball, she would rather watch her uncle play. Her father, Phil's brother, likes to play baseball too, though he is not a professional. In his spare time he referees basketball games at high schools around the Chicago vicinity.

Basrak and Company Ready; Journey to Proviso Tonight

TONIGHT the Men of Troy, one of the best coached varsity football squads ever to represent Niles in battle, will journey to Pirateville in Maywood to challenge a strong Proviso team under the beacons in the second Suburban League encounter for both forces.

Memories still linger about that opening season duel which pitted the Trojans against the Vikings of Amundsen on September 17 at Niles.

After Shel Mikkelsen had won the flip of the coin for Niles, Amundsen kicked off to quarterback Jim Elliott who ran the ball 56 yards with the help of the key blocks thrown by the Trojan fighting line.

Halfback Bill Barranco then scored on a five-yard buck off right tackle.

Elliott made another brilliant sprint of 55 yards zig-zagging across the field and back for his first tally of the year and the second of the contest.

NILES recovered three important fumbles, thanks to the alertness of linemen Lloyd Gadau, Bob Blowers, and Jack Breden.

Bill P e g a u s c h, sophomore, showed promise as the squads only underclassman. He intercepted an Amundsen aerial and carried it back for 30 yards, scored our only extra point, and looked very fine on both offense and defense.

Junior end Dave Chevrier scored the final touchdown when he intercepted a pass and jogged into the end zone.

After getting his first good look of the boys in action, Coach Mike Basrak sees the need for hard drills in blocking and pass protection. However, the coach seemed pleased with the fair job done against Amundsen.

For Niles: ends Dave Chevrier, Shel Mikkelsen, John Rice, Fred Melberg, and Jack Hagman; tackles Ron Hein, Bill Kuchar, Jack Breden, Lloyd Gadau, and Bob Drake; guards Gary Mills, Bob Bonebrake, John Pearson, Jim Stoner, and Bill Valaski; centers Roger Simpson and Bob Blowers; backs Jim Elliott, Bill Barranco, Chuck Holler, Bill Horning, Ken Walter, Bill P e g a u s c h, Bill Schofield, and Bruce Reinger.

Soph Gridsters Top Vikings, 20-0

THE FROSH-SOPH grid squad will tangle with the Pirates of Proviso tonight, October 1, at 6:00 p.m. in the second league game of the season on the Maywood grid-iron.

Completing the double defeat handed Amundsen recently was the sophomores 20 to 0 victory over the Vikings.

A weak Viking offense was easily contained while the Niles backfield mixed up line plunges and end runs, baffling the defensive Amundsen sops and producing scores in each of the last three quarters.

Chuck Vosnos, left halfback, drew first blood for the Trojans in the second period scoring on a 25 yard end run.

Fullback Larry Schildgen ran a pass interception for a six-point tally and halfback Jim Morrison completed the scoring in the final period on a four yard run.

VOSNOS who scored two extra points on end sweeps, together with Schildgen and Morrison gave Niles a strong running attack which was supported by a staunch defense.

Frosh-Sophs Can't do Any Worse -Kivie

THOMAS KIVILUOMA, Nilehi advanced algebra and geometry teacher, will take the reins of the Frosh-Soph Cross country team, and when looking back at the rather discouraging past record of his team he concluded, "It can't do any worse."

Last season the team lost all of its meets.

As to this year's prospects, forming an opinion at this time is difficult since most of the seventeen boys, freshmen and sophomores, are new.

Frosh Whip Palatine, 22-6 Await Pirates

THE TROJAN frosh gridsters defeated a small Palatine team 22 to 6, Sept. 19, on the victor's grid-iron.

The first Trojan touchdown came on a three-yard plunge by halfback Tommy Baumann.

In the second period Dave Wick-er, tackle, punted out of trouble to Palatine's three-yard line. On the next play Mike Sheahan downed a Palatine halfback in the end zone for a safety making the score 8 to 0 at the half.

In the second half Jim Jerard, halfback, and Baumann each scored once, with Jerard and Billy Alberg, fullback, making the extra points. Palatine scored their only touchdown on a pass play.

BAUMANN, Jerard, Alberg, and Sheahan proved to be the standouts for the Trojans. Mike Sheahan is coach John Sheahan's son. Assisting in coaching this year are Leo Hoosline and Charles Hussey.

Varsity Harriers Challenge Proviso There Tonight

NILEHI'S varsity cross country team will travel to Proviso tonight Oct. 1 for the second meet of the season.

Included on the varsity roster are Lou Sefick, the only returning letterman, Charles Gunsaulus, Dale Kaiser, Steve Baron, Bill DiGilio, Ken Kay, Leroy Renis, Tom Hawk, John Faust, Ed Malecki and Neal Martin.

The squad journeyed to Leyden, Sept. 28 for the first meet of the season.

Cross country is a two-mile race over a course chosen by the host school. Nilehi's course covers the track and campus.

Bill Horning, elected as Most Valuable runner last year, broke the school record with a time of 9:57.

THE VARSITY team lost all six of its dual meets last year. Coach Thomas Kiviluoma remarked, "Prospects looked much brighter this season until three of the first five runners transferred to football."



Quarterback Jim Elliott, number 2, trying to escape New Trier linebacker for more yardage last Saturday afternoon at Winnetka. New Trier won, 34 to 12.

Trojans Tally Twice Against Powerful New Trier Eleven

THE TROJANS last Saturday afternoon managed to crack a strong defensive bulwark and tally twice against the heavily favored New Trier eleven of Winnetka in what might have been called "the battle of the beef."

The Men of Troy found New Trier to be as big, fast and powerful as was previously expected. However, New Trier's enormous bench and stands had to stop and rub their eyes a little when they saw our scatback backfield often break away to pound the New Trier secondary for first downs.

THE GREEN WAVE scored three times in the first half by hammering the Trojan defensive for 21 points.

At the start of the third period, quarterback Jim Elliott ran the kick off back 60 yards and called on the team's powerhouse, Bill Barranco who moved the pigskin to the New Trier 20 yard line. Sophomore halfback Bill Pegausch drove to the 3 yard line and Barranco bowled over for the first tally for Niles. Elliott's extra-point try was blocked.

After New Trier scored again, Ken Walter, quarterback, returned

the kick off 45 yards and the next play again saw Barranco bust through for another first down. Walter then completed passes to Chuck Holler and Shel Mikkelsen but the Men of Troy fumbled deep in New Trier territory.

In a last quarter effort, Niles moved the oval into enemy grounds where coach Basrak sent Pegausch in with a special assignment. Pegausch delivered the message by scoring from the 20 yard line. Elliott's kick was blocked and the gun sounded with the score reading New Trier 34, Niles 12.

Center Jerry Best made a fine first showing in the game despite a serious foot injury which cost him the Amundsen game.

FRED MELBERG and Shel Mikkelsen, co-captains for the contest, looked good at their end positions on offense and linebacker and halfback spots on defensive.

Starting lineup for Niles: ends, Shel Mikkelsen and Dave Chevrier; tackles, Ron Hein and Bill Kuchar; guards, Gary Mills and Bob Bonebrake; cente, Jerry Best; quarterback, Jim Elliott; halfbacks, Bill Barranco and Bill Pegausch; fullback, Chuck Holler.

Trojanettes

THE EXECUTIVE members of the Girls' Athletic Association board are Bertie Jorgesen, president; Carol Larsen, vice-president; and Karen Holmberg, secretary.

Sandy Jacobsson, the treasurer, tendered her resignation.

The rest of the board members are Dona Baumann, Carolyn Drake, Anna Otiempa, seniors; Carole Constantine, Donna Cutro, Barb Duckers, Bette Halvorsen, Kaari Kivimagi, Elaine Sahs, Carol Scheweger, juniors; Eileen Corr, Marilyn Kamin, Nancy Phillips, Dorothy Platt, Betsy Reedy, and Judy Sodeman, sophomores.

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The G. A. A. board gave a "Get Acquainted Party" for the freshmen and all other new students interested in joining the G.A.A. Each board member gave a speech on the particular sport which she manages. After the formal part of the meeting, refreshments were served.

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THE GIRLS' bowling club began their season at Gabby Hartnett's Alleys under the sponsorship of Miss Betty Schmidt. It will meet every Wednesday after school.

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The junior swim and gym leaders meet Tuesdays and Thursdays respectively during the eighth period. Miss Shirlee Wilson is guiding their instruction.

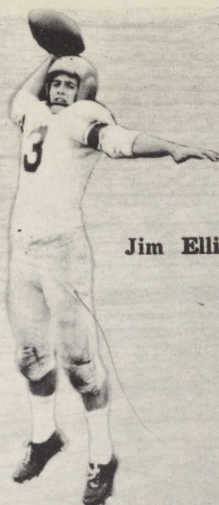
JIM PHIPPS, varsity baseball coach, played third base and outfield for the Skokie Indians this summer. He also coached summer school baseball and American Legion baseball.

NILEHI'S adult evening classes will begin October 4, 5, and 7 and will continue for 20 weeks under the direction of Marvin H. Ihne, sophomore adviser.

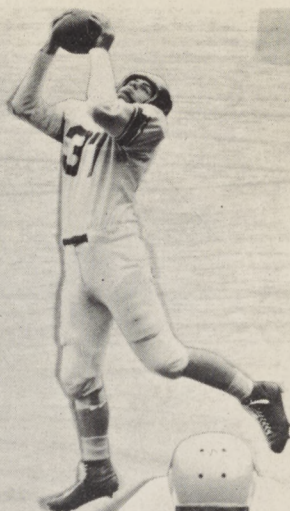
The curriculum includes new courses such as conversational Spanish, floral arrangement, cake decorating, citizenship training, and modern point-count bridge. All subjects are non-credit.



Bill Barranco



Jim Elliott



Bonebrake



Jim Stoner



Coach Mike Basrak



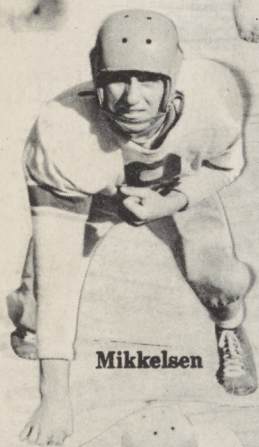
Jerry Best

Returning Lettermen

BOLSTERING Nilehi's 1954 football squad are these 10 returning lettermen and their new coach, Mike Basrak.

The team travels to Maywood tonight to tangle with the Pirates of Proviso at 8 p.m. under the lights.

Bill Barranco, halfback, height, - 5-10, weight - 170; Jim Elliott, quarterback, 5-8, 150; Chuck Holler, fullback, 5-11, 180; Jim Stoner, guard, 5-10, 180; Bob Bonebrake, tackle, 5-11, 175; Bill Kuchar, tackle, 6-2, 215; Jack Breden, tackle, 6-1, 210; Shel Mikkelsen, end, 5-11, 170. Fred Melburg, end, 5-11, 175.



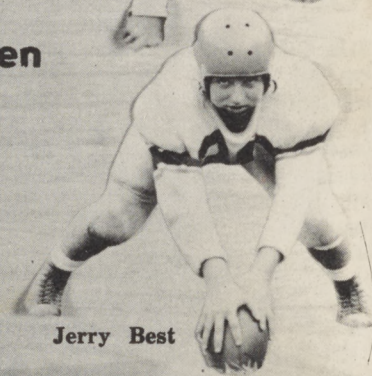
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