

Next Union Tomorrow Night



Members of the new Student Court meet every day in the school cafeteria. Left to right (seated) are Dave Brownlee, co-chairman; Sue Bastow, secretary; Bill Kuchar, co-chairman; Larry Schildgen; Miss Lois Lamberg, sponsor; and Jill Linn. Standing are Jim Voight, Dan Conway, and Harold Neimer.

Union Board Selects 15 New Members

THE NILEHI Student Union is the first step toward community-wide recreation for high school students.

The Unions, held on Saturday nights from 8:00 to 11:00 once a month at the high school, are helping to prove to the community that students can have the right kind of fun if given the opportunity and a few inexpensive props. Not operating on a money-making standard, the student-operated Union has used the money earned by selling 25 cents membership cards and refreshments to buy ping-pong table nets, and paddles, to pay student bands, and to buy table games.

Saturday, February 26, is the date set for the next Union. Making plans for it is the veteran board of 13 seniors and the 15 juniors who were recently chosen by the seniors and Miss Lois Lamberg, sponsor. The new junior members are: Claudia Joslyn, Joanne Lotz, Linda Morse, Elaine Schuman, Barbara Neuman, Barbara Busch, Barbara McKaig, Dorothy McDowell, Julie McGinnis, Jerry Vick, Dave Chevrier, Bill DiGilio, Daryl Bach, Jack Hagman, and Gary Mills.

DANCING to the band, shuffle-band, ping-pong, playing cards and checkers, viewing movies, or just having a coke and talking to friends are a few of the recreational opportunities available at the Unions. A group of boys acting as monitors to see that everything runs smoothly is under the direction of Mr. John Sheahan, co-sponsor of the Unions.

The board has decided that guests from another school may be brought in when a Nilehi student shows his Union membership card and pays 20 cents. All students are urged not to come to the Unions till 8:00 since no doors will be open until that time.

Council Creates New Court

ALLOWING students to be judged by their classmates is the purpose of the new Nilehi Student Court.

A standing committee from the Student Council under the chairmanship of Doug Bonebrake, senior, had worked on the idea since last September.

In addition to Bill Kuchar, a senior elected from the General Assembly of the Student Council as its representative, eight students—two from each class comprise the Court which will elect its own chairman and clerk.

Since the Court is to be experimental this semester, only smoking violation cases will be tried. The Senior Monitors have recently devised new rules for smoking restriction, because many students have complained that the smoking of some students too near the school tended to degrade the reputation of Nilehi.

FRESHMEN members of the Court are Dan Conway and Jill Linn; sophomores, Harold Neimer and Larry Schildgen; juniors, Diane Payne and Jim Voight, and seniors; Dave Brownlee and Sue Bastow.

Niles Gives \$423.44 To Polio Foundation

BECAUSE of the generosity of Nilehi's students in the March of Dimes Drive during the week of January 10, someone will be able to walk again. The total donation amounted to \$423.44, with the freshman contributing the highest amount of \$153.30.

Helping the total to zoom up were the junior class with their contribution of \$96.47, the sophomore class with \$83.92, and the senior class with \$81.25. The first high homeroom was Miss Doris Tillmann's seniors with \$30.92. The second and third place homerooms were Miss Florence Harrison's freshmen and Miss Joan Coon's juniors with \$27.00 and \$24.85 respectively.

Hats Off to the Nilehi Band; It's 'Hardly the Greatest'!

JAZZ, "blues," waltzes, marches, or mambos—whatever your taste in music, you can be reasonably sure that the Nilehi band can play it well.

Perhaps you've noticed the crowd of spectators that gathers around the band when they play for some of the home basketball games, or the way all eyes turn toward the band when it opens and closes the pep assemblies. Within the last two years, students seem to have been taking an increased interest in the school band, which is under the direction of Mr. Leo Provost. Call it pride or just plain recognition of ability; whichever it is, Niles is certainly beginning to sit up and take notice!

THIS YEAR there are approximately 60 members in the band, many of them new this semester. According to the members, two string basses have been added because they add what Mr. Provost terms "tone quality." When little groups within the band began jam sessions before the actual rehearsals were underway, Mr. Provost started ordering dance band music and working with it in addition to the marches and more serious music they were accustomed to playing.

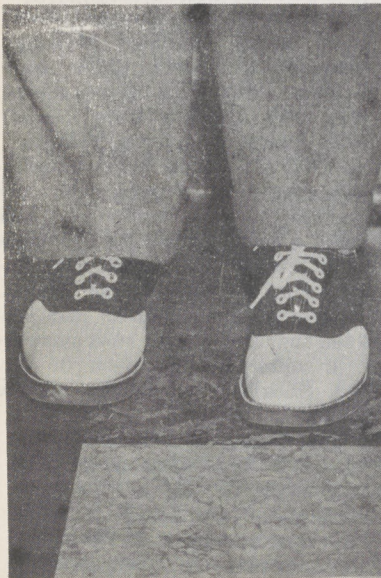
Senior Gordon Grabow, one of the band's trumpet players, is the student conductor. He helps the band "warm up" and also assists in the directing of numbers.

MEMBERS of the school band refer to Mr. Provost as a "perfectionist." Perhaps this attributes to the quality of the music produced by the musicians. From the critical student's viewpoint it seems to be a combination of talent, practice, and capable leadership.

At present, the band is preparing for the spring band concert and tours to grade schools throughout the township. As a part of an all-school music assembly in the near future, the band may present several jazz numbers. If this is the case, the band may be assured of student interest and enthusiasm, judging from past performances.

HATS OFF to Mr. Provost and every member of the band! They've become the pride of the school.

Will 'Saddles' for Boys Be a New Fad at Niles?



Dear Editor:

Miss Dorothy Lungmus and her homeroom 208 are having a little trouble. They don't know how to spend the profits which the homeroom made on their dance the "Bermuda Bounce." If I might give a helpful suggestion, why don't they send it to Care." "I'm sure it would do a great deal of good.

Tom Hirte
Senior

ED. Attention homeroom 208!

Dear Editor:

In regard to the picture of the "gummed-up" chair in the last issue of the NILEHILITE, I thought it quite disgusting to think of students in high school disposing of gum in such a manner. When each room is furnished with a basket this seems quite uncalled for and positively childish.

I doubt if such a thing would be permissible at home, so let's respect school property as we do home property.

Joyce Rossmann
Senior

Nilehi Talks Back

Dear Editor:

The best basketball games Nilehi has played this year have all taken place on our home court. The spirit and sportsmanship were wonderful!

The "away" games present a different picture. There are very few from Niles in the stands and the spirit isn't what it should be. Consequently, we find most of our losses in these games.

If enough interest was shown, I'm sure some arrangements could be made for some inexpensive transportation to and from the games.

We must remember that the regional tournament is not played at Niles and we certainly want to win that!

Caryl Bristol
Senior

Dear Editor:

I don't understand why the kids at Niles don't support the newly-organized Pep Club.

So many other schools rank their Pep Clubs as one of the best organizations they have, and they keep the club in a prominent spotlight so much of the time.

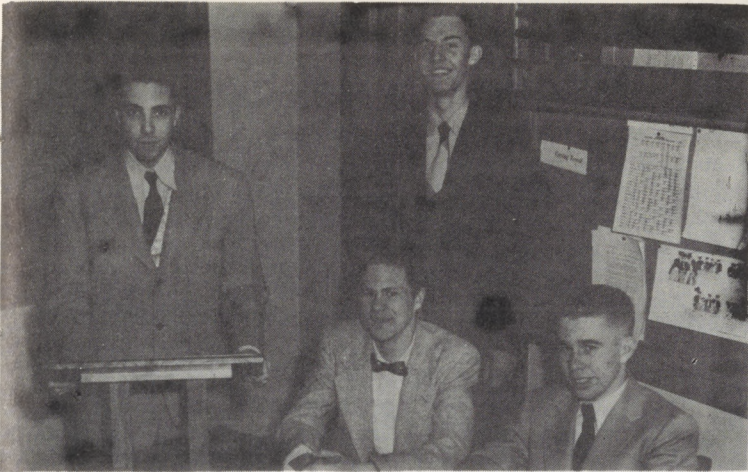
The idea of a club of this type has been tried at Niles before, but every time it has failed to make the grade. I know our Pep Club is trying hard to support the various teams and instill school spirit into the kids, so I think the kids, themselves, should give the credit and help the club needs to succeed.

Kay Christiansen
Senior

NILEHILITE

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This foursome won six and lost six rounds of debate at the Augustana tournament. Left to right (standing) are Jim Beddia and Jay Wollin. Seated at table are Phil Quigley and Jerry Vick.

Debaters Win at Blue Island; Tie for 15th at Rock Island

THE NILES sub-varsity debate squad swept all eight contests at the annual Lincoln Day Debate Tournament sponsored by the American Legion at the Blue Island High School, February 12.

The affirmative team of Joan Comiano and Carol Stine took decisions from Lyons Township, Arlington, New Trier, and Petersburg.

At the same time, the negative team of Joel Michael and Ed Pollock triumphed over twosomes from Thornton Fractional, Downers Grove, Bremen, and East Aurora.

On the varsity level, Phil Quigley and Jerry Vick took four wins from Blue Island, Lyons, West Rockford, and Evanston, but the negative half of the team, Eleanor Collins and Jay Wold, won from Thornton and lost to Arlington, Downers Grove, and New Trier.

JANET Erny and Sarane Crowther, debating on the beginner level, defeated Lyons and New Trier, but dropped decisions to Arlington and Thornton Fractional. The beginner negative twosome dropped all four decisions.

In this same tournament, Phil Quigley won a tie for third place in the individual speakers' ratings.

DURING the weekend of February 4 and 5, Phil Quigley and Jerry Vick, affirmatives, and Jay Wollin and Jim Beddia, negatives, participated in the annual Augustana Tournament held in Rock Island, Illinois. In one of the most important tournaments of the year, the foursome tied for 15th place out of 38 teams with 6 wins and

6 losses, according to Dr. John L. Betts, debate coach.

According to Dr. Betts, the Niles debate teams now boast a season record of 58 wins and 49 losses.

Golden Galleon Deadline Set for 'Ides of March'

ALL STUDENTS are invited to submit manuscripts for publication in the GOLDEN GALLEON, Nilehi's creative writing magazine. The deadline has been set for March 15, Caesar's "Ides of March."

Material can be submitted into any of the three fields—poetry, essays, and short stories. A student can write things of any length and can submit as many manuscripts as he wishes. All submitted material should be handed in through English teachers or directly to Mrs. Parepa Rice, English instructor, in room 206.

There should be no marks of identification on the manuscript itself. An envelope for each item should contain the name of the selection and its author. All material must be original, and anything suspected of plagiarism will

Enrollment of 6,600 Predicted for 1963

CLASSES are getting larger every semester, and now there are 1,535 students attending Niles. Last year at this time there were 1,241 students enrolled, an increase of 294 students in one year. At the end of last semester, the enrollment mark had reached 1,504.

A study recently conducted by the University of Chicago shows that Niles will have approximately 6,600 students by 1963 and probably about 1,900 next fall. With nearly 75 grade school students to every 25 high school students in the area, Niles Township is beginning to realize the need for a new school building.

EARLY in June, a bond issue will be submitted to the township to vote upon, and, if passed, a new school building will be built one mile from the present site on Oakton Avenue, just east of Edens highway.

Though it has not definitely been decided, if the bond is passed the new school will probably accommodate the freshmen and sophomores so that a duplication of such facilities as the shops, laboratories, and home economics rooms will not prove necessary. According to Dr. Joseph Mason, superintendent, a new football stadium and some type of accommodations for all-school basketball games (perhaps a spectator gymnasium or a fieldhouse) will probably be built on the new site of approximately 60 acres.

More information on a possible new school building will be related at a later date, probably through school assemblies.

AT THE present time, there are 319 seniors, 358 juniors, 415 sophomores, and 443 freshmen students. Last year's freshman class enrollment was 366 students, showing an increase of 77 in a year's time. There are 79 more sophomores this year over last year's class of 336. The junior class had 295 students last year and has grown by 63, while the seniors have 75 more than the 244 of last year.

be cancelled from competition.

Students who have their work published in the GOLDEN GALLEON, which comes out in June, are automatically nominated for membership in Golden Galleon Guild.



Jan Wahlen, senior, receives from Miss Alice Line, home economics instructor, the Betty Crocker scholarship pin which makes her eligible for the Cook of Tomorrow scholarship. Jan competed with over 100 other senior girls in a test given last month.

Juniors and Seniors Plan Trip to South

PLANS are now under way for the annual spring vacation trip which will be taken by the Nilehi junior and senior classes. Their destinations will be New Orleans and Biloxi, Mississippi. The students and chaperones will leave Chicago on the "City of New Orleans" on Saturday, April 2 at 7:50 a.m. and will return Thursday night, April 7 at 11:40 p.m.

The tentative itinerary includes lodging and meals at the Morrison Hotel, a sightseeing harbor trip, a Gray Line tour of New Orleans, a Gulf Coast tour, and a dance cruise. The approximate cost of the trip will be \$115. Reservations were made by February 11 and the last reservations had to be made by today, February 25.

Dance to Help Pay for Music for June Prom

A DANCE, sponsored by the Junior Cabinet, will be held in the cafeteria immediately following the last Suburban League basketball game with Evanston, February 25.

The purpose of the dance is to raise additional money to help pay for a good band for the Junior Prom, held in June, according to Dr. Arthur Ryden, junior adviser.

Mexico City, Acapulco Ahead For 51 Students This Spring

"ADIOS" will be the shout heard from 51 of Nilehi's Spanish students and three faculty chaperons when they start out for a week in the neighboring country of Mexico on Saturday, April 2. The group will take off from Midway Airport on an American Airlines Flagship, stated Mr. Donald Blair, sponsor of the trip.

The group will land at the Mexico City Airport and after customs and immigration formalities, they will be transferred to the Hotel Francis.

For an introduction to this "land of charm" a typical Mexican Fiesta has been arranged especially for the Nilehi students. The fiesta will feature Mexican music, native dancers, folksongs, and fireworks.

ON SUNDAY the group will visit the Palace of Fine Arts, and the Floating Gardens of Xochimilco, where they will have the experience of riding in a flower-bedecked gondola through the festive canals. At 4 p.m. the bullfights start with the colorful parade of the matadors. Staff members will explain to the students the finer points of this ancient and spectacular sport.

That evening the group will dine at the nightclub "El Patio," with music, dancing, and a floorshow.

On Monday morning the group will fly to Acapulco on the blue Pacific. They will stay at the Hotel Las Hamacas, located at the Los Hornitos Beach. The students may either swim in the Pacific or in the swimming pool of the hotel.

TUESDAY, students may relax in the Acapulco sunshine or do a little sightseeing and visit the shops.

On Wednesday, the group will fly back to Mexico City to continue seeing the historical and picturesque sights. Among the places the group will visit are the Cathedral of Mexico, National Palace, the Chapultepec Park and Palace, and the towering Pyramids of Teotihuacan.

ON FRIDAY, the group will visit the Ciudad Universitaria, the Borda Gardens and Palace of Cortez, and will drive to Taxco, the "silver city."

At 1:05 a.m. on Friday, the group will board the plane from the Mexico City Airport for the homeward flight to the United States.

Seven Win Honors In Speech Contest

WINNERS of the speech contest held in the Nilehi assembly room on Monday, January 31, are now eligible for the contest sponsored by the Illinois High School Speech Association which will be held March 5. Evanston, New Trier, Waukegan, and Morton High Schools will be among the competition along with about 6 others.

Winners were Janice Jack, junior, in the comedy play reading section; Sarane Crowther, sophomore, verse reading; Phil Quigley, junior, original orations; Carol Stein, sophomore, extemporaneous speaking; Bob Schroeder, junior, serious play reading; Marilyn Escher, original monologue, and Barry Schutz, junior, radio speaking.

Students Relate of Big Music Weekend

IT WAS a big weekend in Urbana, February 4 and 5, when the Illinois All-State Music Activity had its annual meeting on the University of Illinois campus.

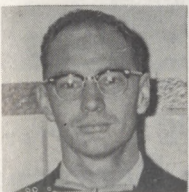
There were 243 schools submitting entries, and of them, 965 applicants were accepted. The chorus, numbering 600, was directed by Mr. Don Craig of New York.

The rehearsals of the groups were held all day Friday and Saturday morning, culminating in the afternoon with a concert which was recorded and broadcasted over station WILL, Saturday, February 12, at 11 a.m.

"IT WAS a great thrill as well as highly educational for the attending students, who were Lynn Watson, band; Diane Haas, orchestra; and Eleanor Collins, Bob Below, and Rudy Malz, chorus; to be directed by such prominent men," said Miss Clara Klaus, music teacher who accompanied the group on the trip.

Meet Mr. Sorensen

BECAUSE HE commutes every morning between Skokie and Bensenville, which is 15 miles away, Mr. Bruce Sorensen, Nilehi's new "redheaded" woodworking and industrial arts lab teacher, gets up at 5:30 a.m. each day.



Mr. Sorensen is kept busy with his twin girls, who were born during the Christmas vacation, to say nothing of his extensive hobbies, fishing, hunting, golf, and leather work.

Woodworking has always been his hobby, and when he was in the service, he decided to teach it. "Freshman girls in my two study halls who talk too much," he replied when asked his pet peeve.

MR. SORENSEN, who calls Kenosha, Wisconsin his home town, is the main "pusher" behind the formation of the Craftsman's Guild, a new club at Nilehi.

Meet Miss Smith

MISS HELEN Smith, Nilehi's new English teacher, has another job besides teaching English. She also gives corrective reading help.



Although she originally wanted to be a nurse, Miss Smith decided on teaching while she was attending Illinois State Normal College. Several of her students have become prominent in many fields; one girl is the head of all Speech Correction departments in Louisiana.

Her numerous hobbies are more like occupations! Traveling and taking colored slides top her long list, Colorado being her favorite haunt. She loves to read and make things with her hands such as cermaics and painting. She must have inherited her creative talent from her mother, who was an artist, and her father, who was a writer.

THIS FRIENDLY teacher's cur-

rent aim is to establish some sort of reading improvement program here at Nilehi!

Meet Mr. Smith

A "SKOKIAN" who is a freshman adviser and social studies teacher is Dr. Lyman Smith. He also sponsors the newly-organized Radio Amateur Club.

Dr. Smith likes participating in and watching football and basketball as was evident when he played in the Faculty "N" Club game. He likes "almost all kinds of food and photography." "I don't like to see peple satisfied with their accomplishments. If they are, there is nothing left to strive for."

Interrupted during college by the war, Dr. Smith served as communications and navigations officer with the Navy in the South Pacific. While there he decided to become a teacher.

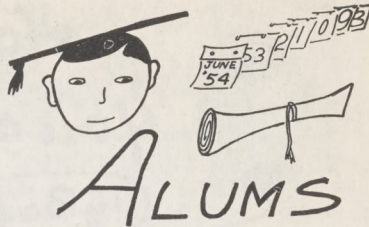
DR. SMITH, a married man, has two children.

New School Store Carries Many Items

A SCHOOL store carrying everything from school supplies to Kleenex has been established at Nilehi for the first time. The store, under the direction of Mr. Frederick Poor, head of the business-education department, is open from 7:30 to 8 a.m. before school, during period five and from 3:30 to 4 p.m. after school Monday through Friday.

The following items are for sale along with the usual gym equipment: Spiral notebooks, Scripto ball pens, Scripto pencils, long Scripto leads, Mohawk steno pads, typing pads, theme pads, typewriter erasers, Pink Pearl erasers, Rub Kleen erasers, and Kleenex handy packs.

THE LOCATION of the store is in the southwest corner of the basement of the old wing.



ALUMS

Shirley Swinyard, '53, has been named chairman of the Chi Omega sorority's activities during the Winter Carnival Week at the University of Wisconsin. Shirley, majoring in physical education, will take part in the spring water show as a member of the Dolphin Club.

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Due to a leg injury received last summer, Ken Howard, '52, has been unable to actively participate in basketball at Loyola University.

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Solvej Eklund, '53, was one of the 50 finalists in the Miss Photo-flash contest this year.

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George Lockwood, '53, is one of the four sophomores on this year's Northwestern swimming team.

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Dick Daus, '54, is beginning college this semester at Bradley. Cal Hartley, mid-term graduate, has enrolled for the second semester of this year at Valparaso College, Valparaso, Indiana.

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Barb Berner, '54, writes the Freshman News for the Physical Education Majors newspaper at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin. Barb was last year's NILEHILITE News Bureau chief.

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Paul Jorgesen, '51, is now on the U.S.S. Midway, which just completed a good-will tour in Capetown, South Africa, and is now joining the Seventh fleet in Formosa.

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Miss Pat Ebert, '51, represented Alpha Delta Pi sorority in the Syllabus Queen contest which was held at Northwestern University's Junior Prom recently.

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Kay Schmidt, '54, pledged Chi Omega at Michigan State College, East Lansing, Michigan.

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Frank Gutowsky, '53, a member of the Varsity Glee Club of the University of Illinois, sung with the group on Ed Sullivan's "Toast of the Town" on February 13. This appearance was one during a tour of the East of the Glee Club.



Have You Heard?

by Barb Dischert

DURING A recent orchestra rehearsal, Paul Grabow, sophomore, said that he couldn't find the beat. Bruce Reinger, junior, solved Paul's problems by announcing, "Of course not, this is a carrot patch."

Miss Rita Gauer's freshman all-girl homeroom does exercises every morning during homeroom period to keep in shape.

Juniors Charles Mark and Douglas Stryker recently conducted a poll to find out if people will choose numbers between one and six or between seven and 12 when asked to pick a number between one and 12. They discovered that four people to every one chose between one and six.

WHILE DEMONSTRATING punctuation of non-restrictive clauses in her period-3 English class, Mrs. Priscilla Baker said, "Sharon Davis' hair, which is blond." At this comment Jerry Best, senior, exclaimed, "The heck it is!"

When Mr. H. Palmer, head custodian, was asked how students could improve the appearance of Nilehi, he accidentally replied, "Tell them to stop throwing their drinking gum in to the chewing fountain."

Barry Sugerman, junior, has an accurate description of Nilehi's P.A. bell system. "It sounds just like Wieboldt's system for calling salesgirls."

IN MISS Virginia Stemp's period-8 drama class, the students and Miss Stemp were annoyed by the constant pounding of the men working on the new wing. "What are they doing?" finally asked Miss Stemp. "Oh, they're just making pound cake," slyly announced Joe Macaluso.

These modern interpretations of quotations from Shakespeare's Hamlet, which the seniors in English classes recently studied, appeared on a theme by Ken Man-augh.

How weary, stale, flat and unprofitable

Seem to me all the uses of this world.

Spoken by everyone the morning after they attended that "late" New Year's Eve party.

Frality, thy name is woman.

Oh! for the good old Shakespearean days.

Be wary then; best safety lies in fear. Youth rebels when none is near.

Father giving son advice the first time he gets to use the family car.

I am a native here and to the manner born.

Freshman on the first day at school trying to tell a teacher he belongs in that class.

Leave her to heaven.

Maybe they won't want her either.

The time is out of joint. O cursed spite That ever I was born to set it right

Spoken by electrician trying to fix the N.T.H.S. clocks.

Therefore, brevity is the soul of wit. Few T.V. writers have ever read Hamlet

O, My offense is rank, it smells to heaven.

Spoken by athlete opening his locker in the locker room during summer football practice.

Sweets to the sweet.

If you can afford them.

One senior girl was taking a bunch of kids home from school. To a girl in the back seat, she said, "Please stop winking at those guys. I keep thinking the car behind me wants to turn!"

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ADVICE OF THE WEEK

A sign posted as advise to young writers in Room 215 read—

"In promulgating esoteric cogitations and articulating superficial sentimentalities, philosophical and psychological observations, beware of platitudinvos discantings and unpremeditated explanations have intelligibility without thrasonical bombast. Avoid polysyllabic propensity and ventroloquial verbosity." Or—always use simple unaffected language.



Introducing . . . Dona Baumann

AN ATHLETIC-minded girl—that's senior Dona Baumann. She has actively participated in G.A.A. all four years.

Dona was G.A.A. treasurer during her junior year, and she attended G.A.A. camp last summer. She has served on the G.A.A. Board, which is composed of sport managers and officers, the last three years by being softball manager, treasurer, and this year volleyball manager.

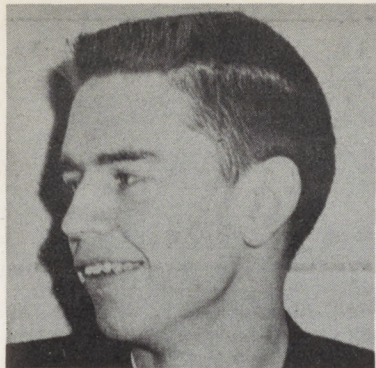
"Dogs, especially Taffy, pizza, basketball games, 'Colgate Comedy Hour' or 'Toast of the Town,' the Union, and fried chicken are my likes. I dislike dirty fingernails, canned spinach, people who are cruel to animals, being short, unfriendly students, and unpolished saddles."

Dona, was a cheerleader last year, has sung in Choir and Vivace for two years, and is now serving on the Union Board. This year will mark her fourth year swimming in Water Carnival. She was recently chosen by the senior class as one of the 12 outstanding seniors.

"Next year if Niles goes on shifts, it won't be possible to offer sports through the G.A.A. after school. Without G.A.A. many girls will have no chance to take part in sport activities."

After graduation from high school, Dona plans to become a teacher. "I like being around children. Although I would rather teach high school than grade school, I'll probably teach in an elementary school." Dona hopes to attend all four years of college at Iowa State in Ames, Iowa, but she will have to work her way through college.

Dona believes that the Student Code of Ethics is one of the best assets to Niles. "It is something that came from the students and it sets standards for all to reach."



Introducing Al Karnatz

THIS SINCERE lad, Al Karnatz, as captain of the varsity basketball team, is well known to everyone in this area, including the adults.

Although last year Al was only a junior, he was voted Most Valuable Player. He ended the season as second highest scorer in the Suburban League. As of now Al is leading scorer in all Chicagoland as well as the Suburban League.

"Money, food in general, records, (pop and jazz), sports, Art Hellyer, ('eat him up'), and Hiram are my likes. I dislike sour milk, GIRLS WHO SMOKE, dancing, hood's, DA's on boys, moldy bread, and macaroni and cheese."

Al, when only a sophomore, played on the varsity team the last few games of the season. During the regionals of that season, which were Al's first regional games, he was told to go into the game. "I forgot to take off my jacket. Somebody hollered at me, but then as I ripped it off, all the buttons popped off. I was so nervous." This doesn't sound like the calm Al of today who, with 32 points, is one point away from the Nilehi record of the most individual points in a game.

Speaking for the team, Al says, Niles' school spirit is tops. The students yell louder than the opponents even when the opponents are the home team.

Al has been offered two basketball scholarships, one from Marquette University and the other from Illinois Wesleyan, and has received six letters from Big Ten schools asking if he is interested. "Right now I want to go anywhere in the Big Ten. At first I was going to be a coach, but I think now I'll major in business administration."

Senior Girl Makes Jewelry as Hobby

MAKING CERAMIC jewelry's the new and profitable hobby of Marilyn Timberg, senior.

"When I first saw ceramic jewelry in the Evanston stores, I liked it a lot because it's so smart looking," Marilyn said.

Marilyn makes and sells ceramic earrings, cuff links, tie clasps, medallions, pins, and bracelets in different sizes and shapes. The colors range from the light pastel shades to black. One of the most popular items is a matching set of cuff links for a boy and his girl.

After she had completed some pieces of ceramic jewelry, Marilyn wore them to school. Her mother and her sister, Shirley, who graduated from Niles in 1950, wore the jewelry to work. They soon received orders from their friends. For a while the jewelry was sold in a Chicago book store also.

"Making the jewelry is fun and it keeps the family working together in a family project. We do all the designing and make everything ourselves" said Marilyn. "It's not too hard to make ceramic jewelry," she admitted. "All it takes is a steady hand and a lot of patience!"

THE JEWELRY, depending upon size usually costs between \$1.50 and \$2.00 if purchased from Marilyn.



THE STUDENT body was asked this week by the Inquiring Reporter, "What is your opinion of a blind date?"

Lennie Miresse, junior: "It's about the worst thing that ever happened to me. I went home before she did!"

Roger Peterson, junior: "Terrible! I went on a blind date once and the girl was bigger than I was."

Daryl Bach, junior: "A girl who's looking for a date will go out with anyone."

Mel Novet, junior: "It's okay as long as she's not deaf too."

Judy Reynolds, freshman: "Fine. I ended up going steady with one."

Joe Puccio, senior: "I will tell you after Saturday night."

Nancy Hauger, senior: "Blind dates are a challenge."

Wayne Johnson, junior: "I don't know. I can't afford to go out with girls."

Bill Howard, junior: "Sounds good to me."

Jerry Best, senior: "Never."

Joyce Baron, senior: "Venetian, or otherwise?"

Judy Lowes, senior: "Great! Jim without his glasses."

Bob Koif, junior: "One of the embarrassing moments of life."

Mr. O. Hendrickson, bookkeeping teacher: "No comment and a chuckle."



MARILYN Timberg, senior, works on a piece of ceramic jewelry, which she makes and sells as a hobby.



Custodian Grew Up With Frank Sinatra

When Nilehi's new custodian, Mr. Roy Keefer, grew up in New Jersey, he didn't know that his best friend would become a famous crooner and movie star.

This unusual story happened to Mr. Keefer, who grew up with Frank Sinatra.

They were friends while attending school together in Jersey City, New Jersey. Later they became even better friends during their work on the Jersey City Observer where Sinatra worked as a copy boy and Keefer drove a delivery truck.

Sinatra had his own four-piece band and, as Keefer said, "For three dollars those boys would sing and play all night."

Then came the end of high school and eventually the end of the newspaper career when "Uncle Sam" called on Keefer to help out in World War II.

Having lost touch with Sinatra for a while, Keefer visited Frank's ranch near San Bernardino, California, in 1946 after his discharge from the Army. Describing his week's visit as a wonderful stay, Keefer said they rode horses in the day and at night hit the "high spots" of Hollywood. He also told of his tours of the radio station where Sinatra broadcast and the MGM studio where Sinatra's pictures were made. This was the last time Keefer saw Sinatra.

Summing up his friendship with Sinatra, Keefer said, "Even after his failure in 1947, I always knew he'd make a comeback because he's a great guy."

Engaged Senior Girls Relate How They Met Boyfriends

"WEDDING BELLS are breaking up that old gang of mine." This might be applied to the 11 engaged senior girls busy making plans for their weddings. They will soon be substituting housework for homework.

Santa Claus brought more than the usual Christmas gifts to Marcia Johnson, Cindy Berquist, Jean Norman, and Evelyn Siegel. All these girls received their rings over the Christmas vacation.

Diana Haas played Cupid and introduced Marcia Johnson to Vern Jenetten, '52. They will be married June 25. Marcia intends to work for a while after her marriage.

Cindy Berquist will be married July 9 to Ron Harrington, whom she met when she was a freshman at Schurz High School in Chicago.

Jean Norman will be married sometime in June and will be doing office work along with housework after her marriage.

When Evelyn Siegel went to Batavia, Illinois, to visit her aunt, she didn't expect to meet her future husband! But she did, and wedding bells will be ringing for her in August. Her fiance is Ray Frega, and—he was also visiting his aunt in Batavia.

It's a good thing Maureen Maeder rode the bus to work every day because if she hadn't, she might never have met her fiance, Ron Darge. The bus driver on that bus introduced her to Ron. Maureen remembers not only the date but the exact time she received her ring. "It was December 15, at 9:04 p.m.," she recalls excitedly.

Rosalie Runge is going to be pulling up stakes in more than one way when she graduates in June. She plans to marry Harold LeMay right after graduation and then move to New York City, where she will work while he goes to school. Harold is from Rapids, Wisconsin.

Cindy Naaf became engaged to Gene O'Connor of Chicago when he gave her an engagement ring February 11. Cindy and Gene are looking far into the future as they plan their marriage for the first Saturday of June in 1956.

Shirley Godeman met her future mother-in-law before she met her future husband. Shirley worked with her fiance's mother who introduced her to her son, Richard Krizsanitz. Shirley and Richard have set the date for August 6. She will be doing secretarial work

after her marriage.

Arlene Duerr will be married sometime in July to Bernard Brady. After her marriage she will work. Arlene received her ring February 20, 1954.

PEGGY RUECKEL and Barbara Eimstad aren't too sure of their wedding dates or marriage plans, but each one is sure that some day soon they will become a "Mrs." Peggy is engaged to Bill Windemeier, from Skokie, whom she met through a church group at St. Paul's Church in Skokie. Barbara hopes too soon become Mrs. Bob Baumhardt. Bob graduated from Nilehi in 1953.

Niles Enrolls New Student -- A Man

NILEHI HAS enrolled a new student this semester. But he is not just an ordinary student—he's a married man with a family and a full-time job.

Frank Ruskowitz, 22, is enrolled as a junior. When his father died, he had to quit high school and go to work. He recently moved to Morton Grove from Highland Park and decided that he could better his job if he finished his high-school education. So—he came to Nilehi.

Frank has a family of two children. His boy is two years old and his girl is one year old.

HE IS leading the same school-day as the other students in taking four majors, algebra, 2, English, 6, U.S. history, and drawing and design. The only thing different in his schedule is that he goes home a little earlier, but he has a good reason for leaving the school building. He has to report to work in Deerfield, where he is a machinist at Rleinschmidt Laboratory. Frank works from 4:30 p.m. until 1 o'clock in the morning. When does he have time to do homework? You try and figure it out!

Karnatz, Winchester Star

Trojans Face Evanston Tonight In Season's Final Encounter

Beat Wildkits

KARNATZ-WINCHESTER and company will be out to wreck Evanston's title hopes tonight in the last home game in Trojanville this year.

Nilehi's answer to Ohio State's former great, Robin Freeman, will be gunning for a little extra something however.

Al Karnatz needs only two points to capture the all-time Suburban League individual scoring crown!

Dave Winchester, on the other hand, is no contender for top scoring honors but tops all in rebounding and fabulous team work. Winchester more than filled the shoes of last year's Larry Johns — which seemed to be the big problem at the season's start. Dave tallied 33 points over the weekend, harassed Morton to the point of rage as he continually grabbed rebounds, and stole balls to cinch his being one of the league's best.

EVANSTON posts a 9 - 3 league record and a chance to tie Morton for the championship going into the game, while the Trojans boast 7 wins in 13 starts.

Paced by Karnatz's 29 points, the Trojans whipped New Trier Friday night, 68 to 54, on the local hardwood.

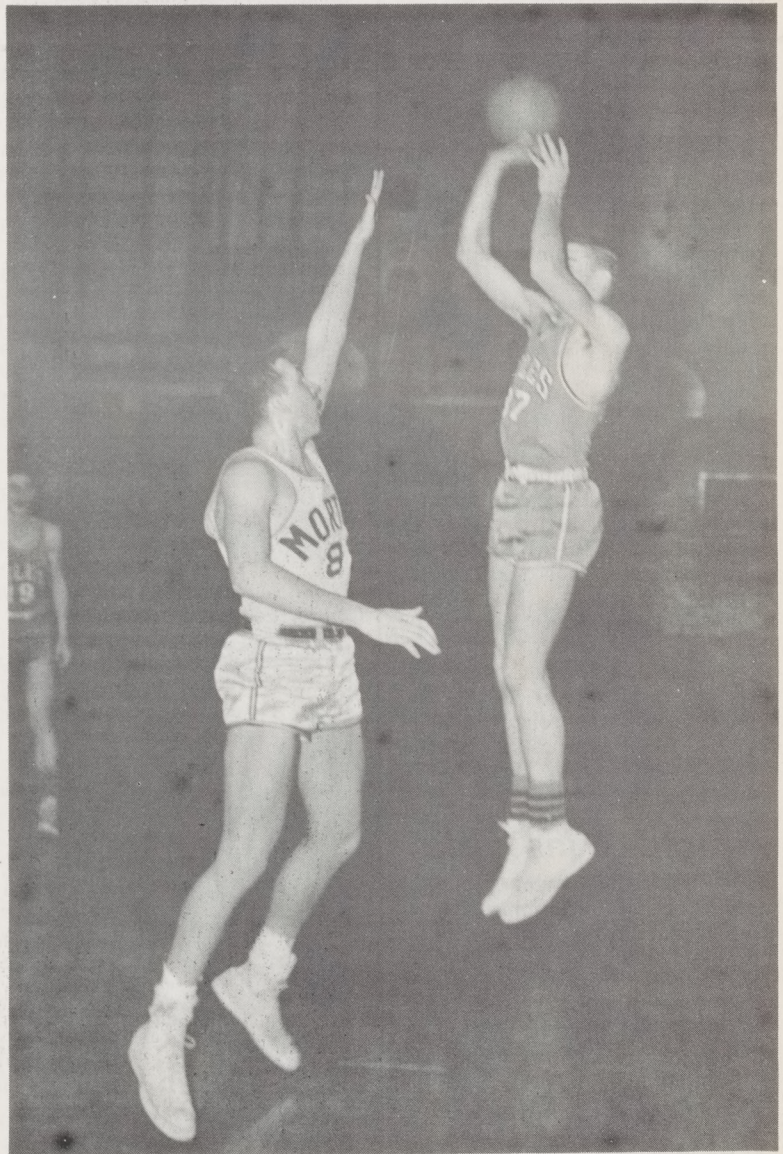
The Men of Troy drew first blood and never relinquished the lead.

New Krier's Kurt Christiansen did a fair job of tying up Karnatz in the first few minutes but the scoring giant shook him off later to pile up a good lead for Niles.

The team's smallest player and best dribbler, Jim Elliott, sparked the Trojans in the third period with six of his ten points as he stole the ball and darted downcourt to score. Elliott played a good game along with Dave Chevrier who tallied five points.

Winchester scored 15 points and played a fine game before he fouled out in the last period. Roger Peterson scored 7.

MORTON'S league leaders nosed out Niles Saturday night, 66 to 60



MORTON'S Arnie Cernik tries to block a jump shot by Al Karnatz Saturday night in Cicero. Morton beat the Trojans 66 to 60, while Karnatz scored 27 points.

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Karnatz copped 17 points and Winchester got 18 but the Mustangs' home court advantage was enough to trim the Trojans.

Niles found Morton's Franz, Koucourek, and Cernik as menaces —

especially Franz who tallied 16 points — mostly on drive ins. Koucourek is master of the tip-in and Cernik couldn't miss a free throw.

JIM ELLIOTT hit four set shots for eight points and Rog Peterson scored six points.

Petersen, Hartmann, Holzl, Stryker Set Swim Record

A NEW school record for the—200-yard free style relay was set by four of the Niles varsity swimmers at the preliminaries for the recent Suburban League meet at New Trier.

Jim Hartmann, Rich Holzl, Doug Stryker, and Bob Petersen streaked home in 1:46.6, clipping .9 seconds off the old record.

A large crowd gathered for the last Suburban League dual meet of the season recently saw the Men of Troy gain their first victory of the year, 40-35 at the expense of Morton's Mustangs in the Niles tank.

It was a see-saw battle all the way. With two events to go the blue and gold were back seven points, 35-28.

THE TROJANS had to win the last two relays or be doomed to last place in the league!

Coach Anton Schubert called on Captain Bob Petersen to swim as anchor man in both events. The medley relay team which has been great all years scored an exciting victory with a 1:31.7. Bill Friedner and Bob Dann went the first two laps.

Nilehi's natatorium was then thrown in an uproar as the 200-yard free style relay team of Holzl, Hartmann, Jim Stoner, and Petersen won their event, clinching the meet.

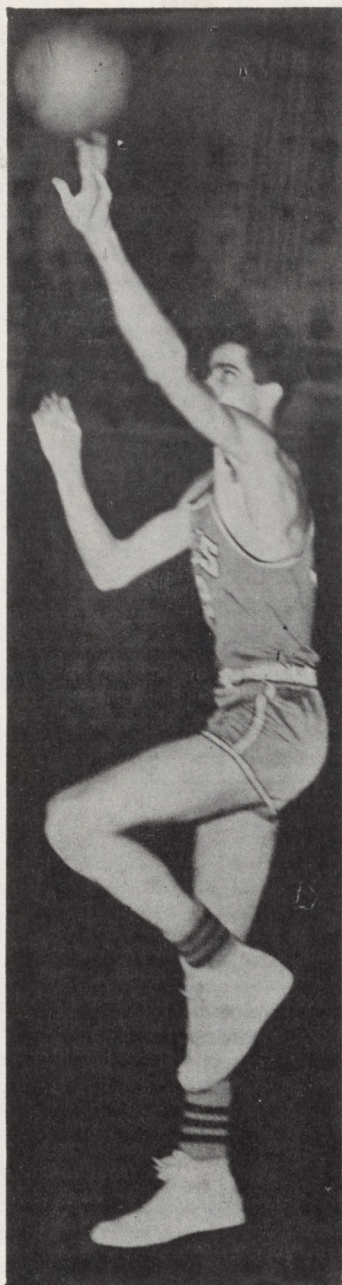
Arnold Wins Title

SOPHOMORE swim ace, Pete Arnold, began swimming the 50-yard breaststroke last year and now, just one year later, owns the frosh-soph Suburban League championship for the event.

Pete placed first in the qualifications two weeks ago and with a time of 30.4 seconds and also ranked first in the finals with 30.6 seconds for the trip.

He is also a member of the 150-yard medley relay team which placed third in the meet. Pete's teammates were Don Strand, backstroke artist, and Bill Yant, freestyler.

THE SOPH squad ended the league outing successfully with the 200-yard freestyle relay team of Bill Savas, Bob Martin, Don Minkley, and Bill Yant placing fifth in the meet.



Dave Winchester hits a set shot against Morton last weekend. Dave has proved to be terrific in team work and offensive maneuvers, making him one of the best the Suburban League has to offer.

Al Needs 2 Points To Break Record

One of the state's biggest names in prep scoring, Nilehi's own Al Karnatz, will be out to score the two points that will give him the new Suburban League individual scoring crown tonight.

Karnatz has 317 — one behind Bill George's record of 318 set three years ago by the Highland Park ace.

"Buckets" has tallied 31, 30, 30, 29, and 27 points in his last five games for the Trojans to give him an 86 point lead over Dave Kocourek of Morton.

Tonight, against Evanston, Al will try to maintain his better than 24 points a game average.

New Trier, Friday night, found the big boy hard to stop and Morton thought they had the answer (Saturday night but Al crossed them both by pouring through 56 points over the weekend.

The top scorers in the Suburban League are:

| | G | B | FT | TP | Ave. |
|-----------------|----|-----|----|-----|------|
| AL KARNATZ | 13 | 118 | 61 | 317 | 24.3 |
| Dave Kocourek | 13 | 68 | 53 | 231 | 17.7 |
| Don Danz | 13 | 74 | 56 | 204 | 15.6 |
| Allen Kennedy | 10 | 56 | 71 | 187 | 18.7 |
| John Magnuson | 13 | 71 | 45 | 187 | 14.3 |
| Ron Ruschke | 13 | 68 | 42 | 178 | 13.6 |
| Terry Medlicott | 13 | 61 | 52 | 174 | 13.3 |

Play Wednesday In Regional Classic

THIS YEAR'S Regional Basketball Tournament starts next Tuesday, March 1, at Leyden Township high school in Franklin Park.

Glenbard plays Maine, both of the West Suburban Conference, Tuesday night at 7 p.m., to start the tourney. York, also of the West Suburban, will take on Leyden of the South Suburban League, at 8:30 p.m.

The Trojans will meet Proviso Wednesday night at 7 p.m., and Oak Park faces a district winner at 8:30 p.m.

SEMI-FINALS will be held Thursday night, and the finals will be Friday night.

Tickets will be 75 cents for Nilehi students.

Varsity Five Picks All-Opponent Team

NILEHI'S basketball squad picked their ten toughest opponents last week as an All-Opponents team.

The ten who gave the Trojans the most trouble were Proviso's Ron Ruschke and Len Broz, Morton's Dave Kocourek and Terry Medlicott, and Waukegan's Allen Kennedy, as the first string.

OAK PARK and Evanston placed two on the second team of rugged opponents. The Huskies' Don Danz and Bob Barney, along with Evanston's Joel Farber and John Stack posed the most problems to coach John Sheahan and the varsity five. Morton's Arnie Cernik struck the Trojan's sore spot with his blazing charity tosses.

The Trojans may meet four of these boys in the Regionals!

Sophomores Beat Maine, Oak Park

NILES sophomore basketball team has found the formula for victory having dumped Maine and Oak Park recently on successive weekends.

"Our improvement was largely due to Larry Van Mersberger's fast development into a fine center," said Coach Jim Phipps after the 54-50 triumph over the Huskies. "David Kennedy and Ted Swanson have also aided greatly in the last few games."

Bill Pegausch and Hal Niemer have been outstanding for the Trojans all year. At Oak Park it was Niemer's two free throws with 49 seconds remaining that put Niles in the lead to stay.

THE TROJANS found themselves behind, 18-11 at the end of the first period, but managed to close the gap 30-28 at the halftime intermission.

Behind by one point after the third frame the Trojan hoopers found the range and jumped ahead at the beginning of the final quarter which developed in to a see-saw battle right up to the final minute.

TONIGHT the Sophs take on Evanston's Wildkits on the Trojan hardwood at 7 p.m. in the final encounter of the season.

Esbrook Gains State Finals; Matmen End Fine Season

Freshmen Defeat Palatine, Huskies

IT WAS PROVEN once again that the Suburban League is one of the toughest in the state.

Winning their third non-conference game in four starts the Nilehi frosh cagers trampled Palatine 57 to 30 on the losers floor two weeks ago.

Coach Leo Hoosline starting his usual quintet of Glenn Herriott, Jerry Keidel, Mike Sheahan, Billy Alberg, and Tommy Bauman jumped to a commanding 19 to 1 lead during the first seven minute period with Keidel dumping in 11 points.

PREVENTING IT from a rout, Coach Hoosline substituted freely in the second and third periods using second and third stringers to build up a 29 to 12 halftime advantage and a 37 to 25 third quarter lead.

Palatine could only connect on six baskets through the Trojans' defense, but were deadly from the charity line scoring 18 points from the 15 foot mark.

FASTER, fancier, and more accurate shooters were the frosh cagers as they won their fourth league game by beating Oak Park 50 to 32 on the Trojans' hardwood two weeks ago.

Paced by Herriott and Bauman, who scored 15 points between them, the Trojans jumped to a 20 to 8 halftime lead.

KEIDEL, scoring 19 points, brought his average up to nine points a game. He was followed by Bauman with 12 and Herriott who hit for 7.

DESPITE Joel Febel's 22 points, the Nilehi junior varsity cagers found the Oak Park five too much for them in suffering their second defeat in eight games, 60 to 49 two weeks ago.

FOLLOWING Febel in scoring was Kay who hit on five of six attempts from the field, and one charity toss for 11 points. Ken Walter and LeRoy Rennis added eight and six points respectively.

JIM ESBROOK, 112 pounder, will be the only Nilehi grappler to compete in the 1955 State Finals at Champaign.

Despite Esbrook's showing, the Trojan's made a dismal showing from their pre-tournament forecast in the Waukegan State Sectionals.

THURSDAY, February 17, was a day of great disappointment to the Nilehi varsity wrestlers as they journeyed to Waukegan for the State Sectionals with 11 schools participating.

Six of the eight who did not qualify drew opponents who finished in either first or second place.

Dale Wright and Bill Dilgilio, who were expected to go a long way, drew the Carlino brothers of Arlington, who finished second and first, respectively. Both Dilgilio and Wright lost, 4 to 0.

Esbrook defeated Bruce of Waukegan Thursday evening and came back the same evening and beat Grewer of Evanston.

Coach Howard Byram figured on Lennie Miresse to be heading downstate this week but was disappointed when Van Anrooy of New Trier, who later won first place in the 138 pound class, defeated Lennie, 1 to 0.

BILL ALBERT, Ron Hein, and Roger Simpson gained two decisions and a pin to be eligible to come back Saturday and try for a downstate berth.

In the semi-finals Esbrook defeated Guy Ierrez of Arlington which made him eligible to wrestle in the State Finals today and tomorrow.

The other three matmen, Albert, Hein and Simpson all lost to Arlington boys to put them in the consolation matches for third and fourth places.

In the consolation matches Albert gained a third place by a forfeit, while Hein and Simpson lost, giving them fourth place honors.

Esbrook lost to Martinson of New Trier in the finals to give him second place in the 112 pound class.

NEW TRIER gained five first places and two second places, while Arlington had four first places and two seconds to lead the 11-school meet.

Happy Victories



NILEHI'S joyous tank squad throw coach Anton Schubert into the pool after their victory over DeKalk, 46 to 29, two weeks ago at Nilehi. It was the second win for the Mermen, and the last meet.



Nilehi's sophomore basketball team jumps with glee after their recent victory over Oak Park, 54 to 50. It was their second win of the season after they whipped Maine the week before.

Trojanettes

NILEHI'S G.A.A. will host representatives from seven suburban schools at a playday, February 26. The sports for the day will be volleyball, basketball, swimming, and badminton.

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Parents Play Night is to be given by the G.A.A. for the first time. The girls will attend this affair March 8 from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. with one or both parents for a night of play. They all will participate in volleyball, relay races, basketball shoots, badminton, and ping pong.

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THE FORMAL G.A.A. initiation has been postponed to sometime in May to enable the girls to get their 24 point requirement. It will be combined with the girls' awards assembly. In the past, the awards assembly has been during the school day, but this year it will be held at night.

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A horizontal ladder has been added to the freshman girls' gym apparatus. Miss Helen Heitman, head of the girls' athletic program, said "Working on the ladder will build up their shoulder, upper arms, and hands."

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CAROLYN Onsrud scored a 199 game in G.A.A. bowling. Fellows, beware!

Feuerzeig Paces Grapplers, 35-15

NILEHI'S sophomore grapplers beat the Oak Park Huskies on the home mats 35 to 15 two weeks ago.

Henry Feuerzeig, captain of the squad, pinned his opponent in 44 seconds. Henry, whose string of 10 straight victories was broken by Proviso recently, has a record of five pins and six decisions in his favor, against one loss.

CHICK Richardson, Bill Enke, and Tom Paulus pinned their opponents at the Oak Park match, while Laurie Salamon, Ron Chez, Phil LeTourneau, and Dick Pankey won by decision.