



Notice: In order that the fifteenth and last issue of the Nilehilita will be distrib-

uted on graduation day, the next issue of the paper will appear April 24, a week later than usual.

- April 3 Good Friday, no school
- April 10 All-School Dance, 8:30 p.m.
- April 14 Language Club, 7:30 p.m.
- April 16, 17, 18 Water Carnival 8 p.m.

To Pick Notebook Pan-American Day

The Foreign Language club will celebrate Pan-American day April 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the assembly.

Entertainment will be provided by the Spanish classes under Miss Edith Bronson. The program consists of an exhibition, slides, Spanish songs, a play entitled "Sunday Costs Five Pesos," a movie, "Americans All," and a radio skit.

Barbara Rasmussen is in charge of the play "Sunday Costs Five Pesos." Nancy Allen, Gloria Malchrist, Janice Yates and Fred Epton are the participants. Betty Westerlund is the chairman of the costumes committee. In charge of properties and lighting are Dan Petty, Robert Gerhardt, and Jerry Gafford.

Mr. C. J. Maloñey will show slides on Guatamala. Ted Canty, Mary Lou Leonard, Dolores Grembecki and Norris Mullendore will present a radio skit, "Tit for Tat."

All the Spanish classes will sing in Spanish, national hymns, folk songs, and "God Bless America."

Miss Kranz's History Classes Send 'Bundles' to Red X for Distribution

Bundles for the Red Cross contributed by Miss Theresa Kranz's U.S. history classes left the school on March 26. The bundles consisted of a variety of games, assorted puzzles, illustrated booklets, work books for children, and enough knitted squares for an afghan.

The games included all kinds, ranging from jigsaw and bean bags to travel and bowling.

Girls who contributed enough knitted squares for an afghan were Doris Burklund, Bernadette Spiczka, Peggy Kansteiner, and Nancy Allen.

Some of the outstanding projects are Paul Zellar's fully equipped hand-made portable lamp with a historical shade; Francis May's and Agnes Heinz's historical travel game; Betty Lannert's "Child's Garden of Fun"

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Tulips, Picket Fences, Windmill Landscape 'Dutch Treat' Clog

Dutch in every detail, the G.A.A. sponsored "Tulip Twirl" will, on April 10, bring springtime to Nilehi in spite of the weather. A newcomer among the dances at NTHS, the Tulip Twirl

offers a novelty budget plan — Dutch treat!

Picket-fences, windmills, and April flowers will adorn the gym, where from 8:30 to 12 p.m., everything will be on a strictly fifty-fifty basis. Cupid's role has been lent to the gals for the evening as the "Daisy Maes" drag their reluctant "Li'l Abners" off to the trot at the turnpike. And more — the fairer sex do the pickin' on every other downbeat.

Many plans for decorations have already been "blueprinted" by Jane Kadlec and the committee including Cherie Neutz, M'Lou Leonard, Nancy Allen, Claire Juniac, Mary Jane Nelson, Barbara Schaefer, Olga Krajchovich, and Barb Rasmussen.

At this writing, the jury for the band was still out, pondering a choice of rhythm-makers for the ball. Headed by Marie Throop, the committee numbers Connie Kohtz, Joan Blam-euser, Gloria Malchrist, and Pat Canty. Publicity will be managed by Pat Reiland and M'Lou Leonard; refreshments by Pat Bennett; and the booth by Rosanna King. Tickets are on sale at 40 cents per student.

Want to 'Toot Own Horn'? Here's How

Do you want to toot your own horn for a change?

Students who are interested in either the band or orchestra should see Mr. Clifford W. Collins, band and orchestra director, in room 101 immediately. Because of the number of students either being graduated or moving this year, there will be several instruments available for use next year. Mr. Collins stated that no knowledge of music is necessary; however, a musical background would make the advancement much quicker.

The list of instruments available for the coming year includes violin, viola, 'cello, string bass, oboe, bassoon, clarinet, flute, trombone, French horn, baritone, bass horn, and drums.

Any student who is in either of these organizations and who has study periods which coincide with the music schedule will take one lesson each week during his study period.

April 16, 17, 18 Set For Swim Carnival

An Arabian princess is attending Nilehi. Queen for three nights, she will reign over the 1942 Arabian Water carnival, at 8 p.m., April 16, 17, and 18 in the natatorium.

The synchronized swim committee, who has chosen the princess, is also planning the swimming numbers, all under the direction of Miss Mildred Schaefer.

Each swimming group has a leader, as follows: all girl floating group, Olga Krajchovich; the general group, Harriet Hart; comedy, Dick Boyd and Ed Breitenbach; mixed group, Beverly Kramer; finale, Jerry Deily and Mickey Callmer; decorations, Betty Wetmore; synchronized swim group under the direction of the swimming committee, Anna Bock, Eileen Heinz, Angie Weber, Bob Evans, Richard Hartney, and Ray Nitch.

Ticket sales for the six performances will start in one week.

equipped with cut-outs, things to paint, and articles to play with; Betty Perrin's "Famous ABC of Historical Men"; Mary Kay DeWitt's sewing book on the history of the United States flag, supplied with yarn and needle; Arline Madsen's hand painted illustrated story of Jenny Lind; Phyllis Brooks' bowling game; Virginia Wyatt's yarn dolls; Betty Stielow's dolls representing different historical ages; and Warren Donarski's bean bag game decorated with laughing clowns and blocks.

"All of the 100 projects were attractive, clever and showed hours of labor well spent," complimented Miss Kranz. "They certainly will provide a lot of pleasure in soldiers' recreational centers and hospitals for adults and children," she added.

Scribblers, Sirens, Drips Lend Bit To Provide Janitors with Extra Work

DO YOU know any of these persons?

First of all, there are the Scribblers, who write things anywhere and everywhere. Their favorite place of business, according to the janitor staff, seems to be the stairs, although the Scribblers are not particular. They march up and down the stairs with the tips of their pencils placed against the wall, making perfectly beautiful lines along the route. There seems to be no reason for doing this except, perhaps, to blaze a trail. There is certainly no artistic value in a thing of this sort, and it takes the janitors an hour or more to erase such markings.

Then there are the Sirens. These are the girls who apparently are out to REALLY get their men; for after putting on their lipstick, usually in the privacy of the washroom, they kiss the walls and mirrors, practicing, no doubt. But if they could see the effect that these rows of used mouths have on a male, especially the janitors, they might be more careful where they practice. The washrooms are not the only places where this occurs; lipstick has been found on the cafeteria walls also. There is quite a lot of work connected with getting this stuff off, as almost any boy can tell you; so, girls, please take note

Spring Buds Early As Hearts Bloom

A girl gets up quietly from her lunch table, slips into her coat, and glides past the candy counter, up the stairs, and out-of-doors. Just as her friends discover her gone, another person rises from a table at the other end of the room. This time it's a male. He sneaks stealthily down the lunch room, but not unnoticed for soon shouts of "sucker" ring in loud masculine tones through-out the room.

One boy says to another, "Looks like he's caught, too bad, he was a good guy."

Girls look from one to another and whisper, "Ah, a romance is budding," or "Don't they make a nice pair?"

But all this seems to bother the pair not at all. They go for their walk and talk about, well, any number of things including the weather and excluding romance.

On the return trip their hands are joined and their girls looking on, kind of wise were walking too.

and keep the lipstick on you where it looks best.

Next we present, but not proudly, the Drips, people who cannot keep ink in their pens, and allow the ink to drop on the floor. The gum-thrower-about-ers belong in this class too. We have tried to figure out whether it is a faulty pen that causes this or the carelessness of the pen-wielder; and have come to the conclusion that we have some careless people in our school. We have also concluded that ink does not harmonize with the pattern of our floors.

A word to the wise is sufficient.

Square, Purple Eggs Are Easter Surprise

*JUNIORS study Ogden Nash,
Seniors are all through
With his literary hash,
But his style I now continue
As the bard of old Niles Township.
EASTER comes but once a year
And when it comes it brings good
cheer,
And sometimes a new spring outfit.
YOU say you're seventeen
Too old for Easter bunny —
Gave that up when you're between
Five and six . . . huh, sonny?
DON'T be so sure that's just for
youth*

*Why be so darned uncouth?
There's got to be an Easter hare.
What else'd lay eggs that are
Purple and pink . . . and square?
I'VE never seen the rabbit,
Nor had a chance to grab it,
So don't ask me how I know him,
How I know he makes those baskets,
How I know he "comes on cat-feet,"
How he hides those candy gifts.
I repeat . . .
I've never seen the rabbit,
But I know he's there, I swear it,
'Cause he ate the green-topped carrot,
That Mommy left for him.*

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Niblets

Isn't it wonderful! Just think, there are three weeks for vacation in May! The weather will be swell too. Are you surprised? So am I — April Fool — or is it too late?

This is no foolin', though:

Couple of the Week: Carl Huscher and Pat Donnell.

Song of the Week: Somebody Else Is Taking My Place.

Saying of the Week: Please don't get a Heine like John Braeseke's!

Seen or Heard Hither and Yon . . .

Herb Mueller's sad face — Nancy Larkson moved to Dayton, Ohio . . . Katie Clark singing at the Aragon . . . men at the Tribune whistling in the press room, my, how futile . . . Norma Heidtke's eyes growing two and a half inches when she saw Ed Brietenbach's \$150 for defense . . . Bob Podraza actually at the dance . . . two doorstops in sixth period study hall to regulate traffic . . . Jim Moore building a house — a model one . . . Don Baumann's smooth tweed jacket for the choir picture . . . Ted Roess waiting all evening to say his part in the play . . .

John Braeseke has been dodging the bunny and is deathly afraid he'll mistake him for an egg—imagine having stripes and plaids on your head. He'll look like a surrealist painting.

"Pinkish gold hair" is the way Mrs. Ruth Esch described Janet Gaynor's short bob in tiny little ringlets all over her head . . . Mrs. Esch saw her at Field's with Adrian . . . this sounds like a fashion column.

The mural at the dance was really a masterpiece, especially Krewer's position and Hezzie's tongue hangin' out. It was fun comparing the handsome Trojans with their portraits, even if they didn't think so.

Easter shade of the season is RED according to Chuck Leibrandt and Billy Meyer's faces as they crawled track-style into Miss Stone's fourth period study hall.

Watching Evy Anderson, Calvin Koller, Don Smyser, and the rest of dramatics major class dropping to the floor looking as though they had ptomaine poisoning, but it was just their performance for Dramatics Night.

Bright Remarks

Jack Fredericks: I'm hoarding my sugar!

Teacher: Don't you think clothing is a necessity?

Student: No, if we didn't have it we'd have fur as the animals do. (Think of it, girls, a permanent fur coat.)

New Book in Library Gives Out Low-Down on Personalities

Personal life stories of 991 persons who are part of today's news are now available to students in "Current Biography 1941," a new 947-paged book just received at the library, according to Miss Louise Myers, librarian.

More than 160 important international and domestic government figures, 26 military leaders including

Gen. Douglas MacArthur, and 26 diplomats are included among the personages of 24 professions whose biographies and photographs appear in the publication.

Among the little-known facts brought to light in this second annual volume of "Current Biography" are such items as: **Yosuke Matsuoka**, Japanese Foreign minister, was graduated from the University of Oregon in 1900; "Cowboy" **Gary Cooper** is actually the son of a former English lawyer; **Gen. Douglas MacArthur**, sued two leading Washington columnists for libel several years ago; **Lilly Dache**, French-born hat designer, daily closes her New York establishment for an hour so she can lunch undisturbed with her husband; **Cosmo Gordon Lang**, Archbishop of Canterbury, became converted to the Church the night before taking his Bar examinations; **United States Senator Wagner** from New York, said to have placed in the books "legislation more important and more far reaching than any American in history," was born in Germany; before **Carmen Miranda**, South American "ambassador of good will," was "discovered" in America, she had already toured the South American continent nine times.

This 'n That

SKITS SHOWING how personalities may be improved will be presented at a junior assembly by homeroom 219 the second week in May. The program is under the direction of **Dorothy Cowie**, **James Rau**, and **Russell Bair**. **Gordon Davis** is president of the homeroom.

NEWS from the shorthand classes . . . **Lillian Baptist** and **Florence Ochs** have received Gregg certificates for taking shorthand at the rate of 80 words per minute for five minutes, and then accurately transcribing their notes. **Ruth Buthman** has also received a complete theory certificate for writing and transcribing 100 words accurately.

ANY BOY OR GIRL interested in becoming an accompanist for a choral group next year, see **Miss Clara Klaus** at his earliest convenience. The accompanist will earn a minor credit.

THERE HAS BEEN a rush of students to join the Boys' Glee club. It's rather late in the year, but maybe the plea could be traced to the new accompanist. Here's a clue: she's short and dark.

CONSERVATION IS the by-word in **Miss Alice Line's** boys' food class. When assigned to make cookies for **St. Patrick's Day**, **David Von Gillern** cut his cookies out with an old tin can. How's that for being patriotic?

ON APRIL 21, **Miss Edith Bronson** will give an account of her South American trip for the **East Prairie School P. T. A.** Her Spanish students will give a few selections in Spanish, and there will be other folk music by our choral groups.

ON MARCH 26, **Miss Grace Harbert** and several students attended the fifth in a series of lectures at a job clinic in the **Merchandise Mart**. Career opportunities for girls in the radio field—from glamour jobs to an assembly job in the factory production line—were analyzed and interpreted by prominent women in the radio field.

'Carry On' Theme For Spring Victory

With spring and war first in the hearts of NTHS students, this question arises, "How does the war affect our school life?"

As yet the noticeable changes are the rising prices of swim suits, gym suits, and food.

The teachers, cooks, and janitors have greater troubles. Chlorine for swimming pools is scarce; the price of towels has doubled; grocery deliveries have been cut to the minimum; and some types of athletic equipment are hard to obtain. The future holds sugar rationing, more walking, and a possible paper shortage.

What can you do?

1. Carry on!
2. Keep your chin up!
3. Take education seriously.
4. Keep physically fit.
5. Practice thrift.
6. Invest in America.
7. Keep informed.
8. Know — and obey — civilian defense rules.
9. Be fair, tolerant, and considerate.
10. Be loyal.

Mary bought a little bond,
She also bought some stamps,
You say you want to whip the Japs!
Well—come on now, here's your chance!

Do Air Raid Warnings Bewilder You? Here are Some Clarifying Suggestions

Skokie may soon participate in a general air raid drill in cooperation with **Chicago** and other neighboring communities. Until more definite instructions are issued, students and teachers are to be guided by the following tentative directions.

1. AIR RAID WARNING.

The warning for a school air raid drill shall be a series of intermittent notes on the regular fire alarm system.

2. WHERE TO GO.

Corridors on floors other than top floors are the best air raid refuge centers for schools. In a drill, therefore, proceed as follows:

a. First and third floors and Assembly room. All students on these floors shall proceed to the first floor corridor in the main part of the building. Students in rooms 306, 308, 310, physics and chemistry will use the south stairs to the first floor. Students in rooms 312, 314 and home economics shall use the north stairs to the second floor.

b. Second floor. All students on this floor shall remain in the second floor corridor.

c. East wing. Everyone in the shops, gymnasium, music, art, drawing, and locker rooms shall congregate in the east basement corridor. Those in the gymnasium will go to the basement by way of the west stairs; those in the other rooms may use the east stairs.

Note: Students and teachers in the pool may remain in the pool when the alarm sounds.

d. Cafeteria. All of those in the cafeteria shall pass to the first floor. This may be done by either the center or north east stairs.

REMEMBER

WALK. DO NOT RUN.
DO NOT GET EXCITED.
DO NOT PUSH.
COOPERATE. OBEY.

3. ALL CLEAR SIGNAL.

This shall be by announcement over the P. A. system. Remain in corridors until signal is given.

Trojans Meet Tigers April 10

Arlington Cardinals
Here Friday, April 17

Trojan tracksters will be out for revenge when they engage Crystal Lake here in the first conference meet of the season, April 10. In an effort to repay the Tigers for the defeat of last season, Coach Morgan Taylor will put on the cinders a squad that is set on winning.

Led by returning varsity trackmen Nitch, Kramer, Eichelkraut, Canty, Kittredge, and Miller, the team shows promise for a good season.

Promising frosh prospects will go into track competition for their first time when they will engage the Tiger lightweights.

Friday, April 17, will find the Trojans hosts to the Cardinals of Arlington. April 28 Nilehi will meet Highland Park of the suburban league here. This should be one of the major tests of the season. Many a mile will be run before it's time to put the spikes away and as Coach Taylor says, "Let's hope many of them will run to victory."

Last Saturday the varsity entered the Oak Park relays. This indoor event was the first of its kind in which Nilehi has participated.

Badminton Classes Meet Thursday's

Two badminton classes meet on Thursday evenings from 7 to 8 and from 8 to 9. Mr. F. Morgan Taylor has charge of the instruction.

After the badminton exhibition that was presented at the school a few weeks ago, enthusiasm was worked up among the student body and enough of these enthusiasts came to the first class to warrant continuing weekly classes. The badminton rackets are furnished by the school free of charge but if a student has his own he may bring it. The shuttlecocks or "birds" can be bought at school for 30 cents each. The charge to play is 20 cents an hour and the price of a bird can be split among four players, so the cost of an evening's play is only 30 cents.

Plans for a badminton club are being formulated. If the club is formed, the cost of playing will be reduced. Anyone who is interested in playing badminton or in joining the club should see Mr. Taylor.

Chatter From Room 13

By Berniece Franson

Volley Controversy

With the tournament drawing to a close, your guess is as good as ours as to which team will be the champs.

Champion teams in the periods that have completed their tourney are:

Monday IV "Lockett's Bucketts"

Monday VI "Jean's Beams"

Tuesday I "Carol's Barrels"

Tuesday II "Kracky's Krumbs"

Eight more classes have yet to find their victors and then on to the play-offs.



Aquatic News

About one week ago, fourth period, the door to the girls' locker room opened, a wild western yell rang through the air, and there stood Bobbie Lockett, dripping with excitement; she had received her blue cap!

Rosemary Lutz has returned home every Wednesday for the past three weeks looking like a lobster. Those (?) plunges!

Mother and Daughter Tea Tidbits

About 160 mothers and daughters witnessed a unique program featuring the novelty trio.

Miss Evelyn Harrell, 23 year-old pianist, who so beautifully played "White Cliffs of Dover" on the solo-vox, carries a bottle of dill pickles around to eat between performances.

Mr. Stephen Markham, the 19 year-old former national baton twirling champion, has been twirling only four years. With flying batons, he held the audience spellbound and with his flowing locks and sparkling witticisms he kept the audience in giggles — imagine 160 ladies' giggling.

Mr. Nelson Thomason, the Texan who used to be with Ringling brothers circus, trains horses as a hobby. He had everyone holding her breath and crossing her fingers as the Texan stood on his thumbs on top of two gallon jugs which were on top of a table.

The trio has been traveling since last September. In the past three weeks it has traveled 20,000 miles, covering 10 states. The tour closes April 10.

Baseball Draws 55 Candidates

First Conference Game
Here with Woodstock

It's a hit! Baseball for '42 proved to be just that at Nilehi as 55 candidates, the largest in school history, turned out for varsity positions.

Returning letter winners, whom Coach Kent will rely on to form the nucleus of the team, include Glenford Bremner, Vernon Druke, Richard Glauner, Charley Gockenbach, Bart Hegarty, Bob Moore, Dick Nelson, and Dan Petty.

Before leading his stalwarts into their first game April 20 with Woodstock, Coach Kent is faced with the problem of finding a pitcher, short-stop, outfielder, and reserve strength, as well as hitters.

From his observation in early scrimmages Coach Kent has drawn the conclusion that the boys need plenty of hard practice. Putting it in his own words Coach Kent says, "The boys look pretty green."

The tentative baseball schedule for '42 includes eight conference games which are as follows:

Baseball Schedule

Date	Place	Place
April 20	Woodstock	Here
April 23	Arlington	There
April 30	Warren	Here
May 2	Leyden	There
May 9	Woodstock	There
May 11	Arlington	Here
May 16	Warren	There
May 20	Leyden	There

Priorities may change present plans but until they do, the boys will be out to regain the conference crown which Warren won last season.

To Receive Letters

Some 65 members of both the swimming and basketball teams will receive their letters today in the second award assembly of the year.

Virgel Van Cleave '35 who is now coaching at Evanston high will be the guest speaker.

Varsity swimmers who will receive major letters include Howard Wertz, Bob Gerhardt, Gene Lebbin, Bradley Fredericks, Ray Nitch, and Bud Tracy. Frosh-soph award winners are Jack Kendler, Jerry Heinz, Don Christianson, Jimmy Holmes, Tom Cook, Bill Clynes, Jim Tagney, and Al Wittorf.

For a list of basketball letter winners, refer to the March 6 issue of the Nilehilite.