

Seniors Become Finalists In Merit Scholarship Race

They've done it again! Nilehi's ten National Merit Scholarship semi-finalists have all reached finalist standing in the scholarship program. These seniors are Sue Backus, Allan Birkholtz, Aaron Bloch, Pat French, Dave Kreinick, Rone Krone, Bob Levin, Bernie Roos, Mike Skol, and Joe Spitzner.

The seniors distinguished themselves by their high scores on the two college aptitude tests used in the National Merit Scholarship competition. About six-tenths of one percent of the seniors in each state received the awards. A national total of 10,000 students were honored.

Over 478,000 students were tested in the 1958-59 National Merit Scholarship competition which began last April. The test results have pared the competitors down to the 10,000 Finalists. Some 700 of the Finalists will be named Merit Scholars this spring.

They, and the colleges they have chosen, will share in \$3,500,000 in Merit Scholarship funds offered by over eighty different organizations

and individuals. The winners will be determined by the results of final judging now being conducted. The Merit Scholars will be announced about May 1, 1959.

The names of the Certificate of Merit winners are being sent to over 1,500 colleges, universities, and other scholarship-granting agencies for consideration for thousands of other private-financed scholarships offered outside of the Merit Scholarship Program.

The selection of the 700 Finalists who will be awarded Merit Scholarships in 1959 is performed by the Merit Scholar Selection Committee, a panel of experts in academic selection, and by special judging teams convened by various donors of Merit Scholarships. High school grades, leadership, citizenship, and extra-curricular activities are considered, as well as test scores.

The fifth program will begin on April 28, 1959 with the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test, to be given in an estimated 15,000 high schools.

East Club Offers Clerical Services

Members of the 100% Club are now offering to become personal stenographers for students and faculty members by doing typing and general clerical work.

The rates they are charging are: a one-page typewritten business letter either copied or dictated, 25 cents; a two-page typewritten business letter either copied or dictated, 35 cents; ditto-master, 35 cents; stencil, 35 cents; a manuscript, 20 cents a page; and general clerical work, 90 cents an hour.

The sponsors of the club are Miss Ada Immel and Miss Alice Richards. The president is Linda Weinberg, homeroom 333, from which further information may be obtained.



Here are the spring semester officers for Hi-Y: Jack Benson, Carl Segal, Ron Denley, Lance Lindquist, Denny Sullivan, Gene Veto, and Jack Becker.

Hi-Y Elects New Officers; Members Attend Retreat

Camp MacClean in Burlington, Wisconsin, played host to eight Nilehi East Hi-Y members, February 11 and 12, when they attended a Metropolitan Hi-Y Council retreat. A total of 70 Hi-Y members from Chicago, the suburbs, and much of northern Illinois took part in this two day retreat.

Tobogganing, skating, and other winter sports were but a few of the many activities in which the boys took part at the camp. A two hour mass meeting on February 12 completed this activity. Discussed at the meeting was club affiliation, an all-city dance to be held at a Chicago hotel in spring, Honor Clubs in Illinois, programming, and general club problems.

The Nilehi Hi-Y members who attended this retreat include George Elliot, Jerry Becker, John Becker, Carl Sigel, Fred Foss, John Rutherford, Gene Veto, and Lance Lindquist, who is vice-president of the Metropolitan Hi-Y Council.

At a recent February meeting the second semester officers were elected. They include Lance Lindquist, president; Gene Veto, vice-president; Carl Sigel, secretary; Denny Sullivan, treasurer; Ron Denley, senior co-ordinator; Jack Benson, junior co-ordinator; and Jerry Becker, chaplain.

New Arts Club Offers Culture

Through discussions, visits, guest speakers, and other various means, the new West Division Arts club is presenting the seven lively arts to interested freshmen and sophomores.

On Thursday, February 19, 36 members of the group heard a concert by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Fritz Reiner.

Since its organization three months ago, the club has discussed contemporary art, the role of the symphony conductor, and the poet Shelley's Pogo. Its future plans include trips to the opera, the Art Institute, and Rush Street.

Sponsored by its originator, Mr. Richard Gragg, the club meets every Thursday afternoon from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Thus far, between 25 and 30 students have attended the meetings of the Arts Club, which has an open membership.

National Merit Commends Ten

For their outstanding performances on a nationwide test of educational development, ten seniors at Niles have been commended by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

The seniors honored are Barbara Barabas, Penny Boom, Allan Escher, Sheldon Harsel, Keith Krause, Ronald Krischke, Jeff Lampert, Douglas Marshall, Michael Sacks, and Marty Zimberoff.

These students were runners-up in the 1958-59 Merit Scholarship competition. Each has been sent a Letter of Commendation. "While the students receiving this commendation did not quite reach the finals of the 1958-59 competition, each of them has demonstrated highly superior ability and outstanding promise to benefit from college training," declared Mr. J. M. Stalnaker, President of NMSC.

Over 478,000 students in 14,600 high schools entered the 1958-59 competition, which began with the qualifying test on April 29. Another group of about 10,000 students, the highest scorers in each state, were announced last October. These students have since been retested; the Merit Scholars of 1959 will be chosen from this group about May 1. The students receiving Certificates of Commendation are the next highest scorers in each state.

13 Seniors Graduate

Seniors who are especially anxious for the graduation and for the beginning of their college lives are probably quite envious of their thirteen classmates who graduated mid-year.

Those graduates who have notified Niles of the college they are attending are Harley Argentar, University of Illinois in Chicago; Melanie Lewis, National College of Education in Evanston; Robert Mann and Edward Schneider, University of Illinois at Urbana; Neil Shapiro, Bradley University in Peoria; Mimi Stone, Indiana University; and Howard Gordon, Amundsen Junior College in Chicago.

Members of Golden Galleon Guild Create Romantic Messages At Valentine Party

Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y Attend Conference

Singing "Home on the Range" and participating in small discussion groups composed of eight or ten people were but two of the activities occupying the attention of 150 Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y members on Sunday, February 15.

The scene of the activity was the Second Annual Skokie Valley YMCA Youth Conference, sponsored by Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y and held at Nilehi West. Lasting from 2:15 to 5:45 p.m., the Conference was attended primarily by upperclassmen.

Mr. Kenneth Littrell, general chairman of the conference and a member of the Skokie Valley Board of Directors and the Nilehi School Board, opened the general assembly and introduced the speakers.

Dick Yawger, of the Y.M.C.A. of Metropolitan Chicago, led the group in the singing of a variety of songs, including "America the Beautiful," "Home on the Range," and "Row, Row, Row Your Boat."

After the general assembly, at which Douglas Monahan, General Secretary of the Evanston YMCA, was the keynote speaker, the group broke up into small discussion groups.

Discussion topics included "Dating Days," "Your Career and You," "Developing a Philosophy of Life," and "College and You."

Following the discussion groups, hungry conference-goers filed into the student cafeteria for hamburgers, milk and cake. Entertainment was provided by a female vocalist.

To help Cupid along with his activities, the Golden Galleon Guild held a party with a Valentine-making contest as their special event. This Valentine's party marked one of the first parties since January planned for the G.G.G. members.

All G.G.G. members were invited to attend this Valentine's party, which was held to increase the social life of the Guild. About 25 members were present.

The games played at this Valentine's party were the Human Bingo, won by Sheldon Harsel, senior, and the unique Safety pin game. Each player began the game with one pin and after being questioned by other Galleon members, had to give up one safety pin for each "no" answer uttered. The players collecting the most safety pins won. The one who wouldn't say "no" was Aaron Bloch, senior, who received a baby rattle for his efforts.

A box of candy in the form of a heart was awarded to Ron Raben, senior, the writer of the "Most Original Valentine" contest by Mrs. Parepa Rice. Ron's romantic work of art goes:

Love is a worry, love is a pain,
Love is enough to drive you insane.
Love is daffy and dopey it's true;
So pad me a cell 'cause I'm crazy for you.

It seems the word "cell" struck the fancy of another writer, Joanne Zweig, junior who wrote "to her friend in the pen."

You are my brightest ideal;
You my heart are able to steal;
But you, dear, I wish were free
To start a life of crime with me!

Fall Honor Roll List Published

The West Division boasts 314 names on its honor rolls for the first semester. The students represent a grade point average of 3.0 (on a 4 point system).

Of the freshmen and sophomore students, 121 are on the gold honor roll (3.5) and 193 on the blue honor roll. The respective lists are displayed in the hall, and the parents of gold honor roll members received congratulations from Mr. John Gach, West Division principal.

The East Division, where 74 seniors and 101 juniors received honor roll standing, is still operating on the "old system" of computing semester academic recognition. A 3.25 average is required for honor roll ranking while a 2.75 average is needed for honorable mention recognition.

Science Association Grants Student Aid

The American Association for the Advancement of Science granted \$50 to the Chicago Academy of Science for the support of high school research projects.

The Director of the Academy of Science, Dr. Bucher, who has spoken to Niles' Science Seminar, and Dr. Edgren, a Seminar faculty member and the secretary of the Academy, decided on several members of the Academy whom they thought worthy of support. These are Nilehi students Ronald Krischke, Jerry Le Barbera, Douglas Marshall, and Jerry Gould.

Of Cabbages and Kings

What is Good Sportsmanship

Some people think that the only place that calls for good sportsmanship is the athletic field, but they are wrong. Good sportsmanship is important in everything that a person does — school-wise, home-wise, or otherwise. Everyone enjoys being with a good sport because he makes life just a little bit more enjoyable. Instead of constantly complaining, he makes the best of any situation, thus making others more fond of being with him.

Just what is meant by a good sport? A good sport is a person who does not complain when things do not go his way. A good sport never tries to "get even" with others. A good sport never gossips about people he does not like, and he gladly goes along with other people's wishes.

You know a good sport when you see one. He is the fellow who goes up and pats his winning opponent on the back when he loses an election. If his suggestion for decorations for the dance is rejected, he devotes his time and energy to help make a success of the decorations suggested by another person. Need a ride to the basketball game Saturday? Call him and he will be glad to drive you there, even if he has to go out of his way to do it.

You can tell a poor sport, too. He is not selected editor of the yearbook; so he quits the staff completely. If his friends do not want to go to see the movie he suggested, he goes home and sulks instead of going along with the wishes of the group. Or, if he does land a part in the school play, he is so proud of his accomplishment that he steals every scene and tries to push everyone else around.

Good sportsmanship off the athletic field has been explained. Now let us examine good sportsmanship in athletics. Everyone realizes there is nothing worse than a poor loser, whether he is a player or a spectator. A poor winner is just as bad: a victory is something to be proud of, but the loser does not enjoy being teased about his loss.

Poor sportsmanship in athletics is probably the worst kind of poor sportsmanship. Consider the basketball player who puts his pride above his team spirit by trying to outscore his own team members, the cheerleader who values personal gain more than the respect of her school, or the fan who cannot admit the shortcomings of his team. Each is a poor sport, and each contributes to the loss of respect of his school.

People realize that it is not always easy to be a good sport, especially when something disappointing happens. That is why everyone likes and respects a good sport. His company is sought by those who know him, and his acquaintance is sought by those who do not.

Nilehi Talks ...

Dear Editor:

I THOUGHT THAT there might have been some mention of this in the last Nilehilite, but as I didn't see anything, I decided to make some notice of it myself.

I hope that the students of Nilehi will learn the proper thing to do, not only at a pep rally but at a play, too. At the Friday night presentation of the play, "Mrs. McThing," more than half of the audience started to walk out before the last curtain went down. While the actors were still saying their lines, the students put on their coats and walked out.

Remember, this is your school and your classmates and have some respect for them and show some courtesy to them.

A junior

Dear Editor:

I'd like to use THE NILEHILITE as a means to congratulate our Varsity basketball team. Though they are not the Suburban League champions, they are nevertheless a good team. Their long hours of practice have finally payed off with three wins. It was indeed a great day for the Trojans when we beat the Evanston Wildkits. This is one team that will long remember the Trojans for giving them one of the best fights they've had in a long time. The large margin of 74-65 proved that our boys are on the ball! Congratulations.

A Junior With Plenty of School Spirit

Dear Editor:

EVERYONE AT NILEHI places too much emphasis on an outward show of school spirit. This means that we judge a person's school spirit by how loud a person yells at a basketball game or how many school functions he attends. While all these things are important, there is the intangible feeling of pride in your school that seems to me to be the most important part of school spirit.

A Junior

Dear Editor:

I HEARD ABOUT the flood that occurred in school on February 6, and I think the cafeteria help should be commended for the wonderful job they did in cleaning up the water.

I work down in the cafeteria fourth period, and when I was down there I didn't even know there was a flood until told.

The speed with which they cleaned up the cafeteria is really a job deserving of praise. Good work!

A Marveled Junior

Dear Editor:

WE HAVE WAITED four years to be seniors and now that we have finally made it we're disappointed. We don't think that it is fair that we don't have even one special day for seniors. We feel that we do not need a reason for a day set aside for us.

4 upset Seniors



This week, the Inquiring Reporter asked Nilehiers, "What is your secret ambition?" Here are their answers.

Judy Pouzar, senior: "I've always wanted to fly a jet airplane."

Barry Mink, senior: "To paint French postcards."

Lynn Miller, junior: "To call Tom Dobrowski on the telephone in 5B study."

Tom Dobrowski, senior: "To answer the phone in 5B study."

John Peterson, junior: "To be a successful multi-millionaire businessman."

Lynne Hicks, senior: "I'd love to be a movie star with a swimming pool, a pink poodle, and a million dollars."

Al Lurie, junior: "To marry some millionaire's daughter so I'll be able to bathe in wine every evening."

Joel Piell, senior: "To have one. Everything I do is public."

Sue Herter, senior: "To get all my homework finished. What an accomplishment!"

Kathy Luber, freshman: "To become a sophomore!"

Mike Singer, senior: "To be the popular Ron in the last Inquiring Reporter."

Steve Poster, freshman: "I just want to be a garbage man."

Ron Lis, senior: "To play professional baseball."

Harvey Nilehi (?): "To be 21 years old so my mother will let me date."

Mitch Portugal, senior: "To take over Jim Tansor's position in SSO and make all study halls free of officers and red tape."

Bill Reading, senior: "To sell 'I Like Fidel' buttons in Cuba."

Penny Johnson, junior: "My secret ambition is so secret, even I don't know it."

Don Brei, senior: "If I told you, it wouldn't be a secret any longer."

Jay Doniger, senior: "To own a Cadillac with a Volkswagen motor."

Principals Attend Pa. Convention To Aid Schools

PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, was the scene of the convention of the National Association of Secondary School Principals held on February 7 through 11, where problems and possible improvements in the present high school systems were discussed.

The theme of the Convention was, "Opportunity For All Youth."

Dr. Keith Kavanaugh, Mr. Marvin Ihne, Mr. John Gach, and Dr. N. T. Mannos, heard addresses on, "The High School — Birthplace of American Leaders," and "How Adequate Is Our American Secondary School?"

While participating in discussion groups, the four Nilehi representatives heard various accounts of high school experiments. They discussed experimental changes in class schedules, student groups and team teaching being tried in junior and senior high schools, provisions for the academically talented student, and the most effective way of arranging the length and use of the class period.

A demonstration was seen concerning improvement of instruction through modern teaching aids. Many educational supply companies displayed textbooks, equipment, and supplies.

During the Convention the four Nilehi administrators toured Philadelphia, "the Heart of American Independence" with stops at Independence Hall, the Betsy Ross House, Christ Church and other points of historical interest.

Entertainment was provided by various secondary schools in the Philadelphia area. Choral groups, orchestras and bands performed for nearly three hours. The following day, tours of the represented schools were taken.

"One of the most outstanding meetings was the one dealing with the use of Audio Visual Aids in the classroom. Techniques suggested here should prove most interesting to our teachers and useful in the school program at Nilehi," stated Dr. Kavanaugh.

GAA Runs Year 'Round Program Of Various Sports and Activities

Brains, skills, and beauty are combined by Nilehi girls to form a GAA program of year-round activity under the sponsorship of Miss Barbara Ray; East Division, and Miss Helen Heitman; West Division.

Members have an opportunity to participate in any of their choice of seasonal or yearly activities. The sports offered are tennis, badminton, volleyball, basketball, golf, tumbling, and softball. Year-round activities include bowling, modern dance, horseback riding, and swimming. The horseback riding and swimming clubs sponsor annual shows and invite the entire school to attend.

The girls receive two points for every hour that they participate in an activity. At 75 and 150 points, they are eligible for their first and second letters. Two hundred twenty five points earns the first state letter, and the second state letter, the highest athletic award for girls, is won at 300 points.

GAA is governed by a board of directors made up of one manager from each activity. The board sponsors such events as

the annual Turnabout dance in the spring which gives any Nilehi girl the opportunity to ask her "secret crush."

A basketball tournament was held in the West Division from November through February. Twenty-four teams with more than 180 girls participated in the play-offs which were held each Tuesday and Friday. A game between West Division teachers and the top team will be held in the near future.

Each year, two junior girls are sent to summer camp at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. The winners of this trip are announced in May. One senior member is selected each year for a \$150 college scholarship.

A recent project held by GAA was a service day on Lincoln's Birthday. In the morning, the girls went to an orphanage where they held organized games; the modern dancers performed. They were Marianna Marks, Roberta Kiviluoma, Pat Camerus, Sue Seegren, Connie Slavo, Sue Miller, and Linda Goldstein. In the afternoon, the girls entertained at an old people's home and Vivace sang.

New Art Workshop Organized For All

THE EAST DIVISION ART COUNCIL, under the sponsorship of Mrs. Hazel Loew, has inaugurated a new branch of its organization, the Art Workshop. This new concept of the ever-advancing Art Department will be open to all students in the various aspects of art.

Students desiring to take part in this workshop do not have to have any previous experience or ability, just a genuine interest.

The Workshop will be conducted every Thursday after school in room 102. Mrs. Loew and members of the Council will be on hand to give assistance.

"We hope that our new Workshop will give those students interested in art a chance to further their interest in the many fields," stated Carolyn Obermaier, the newly elected president of the Art Council. Other officers of the council include Gwen Urellius, vice president, and Carol Kloeche, treasurer.

Juniors Take Iowa Tests

NILEHI JUNIORS came to school for only a half a day on February 24, 25, and 26, for on those dates the Iowa Tests were given to third year students.

These tests are primarily concerned with the educational development of the students over a period of three years. The examinations contain questions from various subject areas such as social studies, natural science, correctness in writing, quantitative thinking, the reading of social studies, natural science, and literature, general vocabulary, and the use of sources of information.

The juniors will get the scores of the tests through the mail, but, if they want to, they may find out the results from the school.

Art Students Wait Judging of Work

THERE IS AN AIR of tension in room 102. Everyone of the 80 art students in both East and West Division is eagerly awaiting the results of the 1959 Scholastic Art Awards.

The Awards are being sponsored by Wieboldt's Evanston Store in cooperation with "Scholastic Magazine."

All art students in junior and senior high schools of northwest Illinois are eligible.

The exhibition will be held at Wieboldt's in Evanston from February 21 to March 7.

After the regional show, the best work selected for the regional winners will go to New York City. There they will be judged along with finalists from 34 other regions for the National High School Regionals. Among the awards will be many scholarships to art schools and colleges.

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Introducing Judy DuBonn

The cymbals clashed, the audience hushed, and the house-lights began their initial dimming. The excitement of a Broadway opening mounted. In the audience sat the choreographer's husband and ten beautiful children occupying the entire third row center.

Judy DuBonn was dreaming again; her favorite day-dream at that. "Ever since I began dancing," explained Judy, "I've wanted to become a famous



choreographer-producer. I also want a large family."

Judy has come as close to her dream as possible here at Niles. Beginning her sophomore year, Judy has worked in Reflections and in the musicales. As a junior,

and again this year as a senior, she was named choreographer for the spring musicale.

Her activities don't end with dancing, however. Judy has been active in Freshmen and Sophomore Cabinet, Student Council, and Choir. She is also an honorary Hi-Y member, and this year's Gold Tri-Hi-Y president.

This "girl-on-the-go" really likes all sorts of interesting people, watching football games, and teaching boys how to dance. "They get so thrilled when they finally catch on!" laughed Judy.

Her pet peeves include cliques, drivers who don't use their directional signals, and the fact that this is her last year at Nilehi. "I'm already beginning to feel sad about leaving," sighed Judy.

"My most embarrassing experience happened quite a while ago," reminisced Judy, "but it was enough to last me a lifetime." Judy was nine years old, and dancing in a recital. In the middle of the Can-Can, her ballet slipper fell off and went flying into the orchestra pit, landing on the drum with a loud thud.

Optimist Judy giggled and remarked, "But I look in the bright side of it. The dull thud was a lot better than the commotion it would have caused if it had landed in the tuba!"



Hi again!

With the weather so wintry many Nilehiers are eagerly looking forward to spring vacation and warmer days. The general question asked by everyone north of the Mason-Dixon line is, "Will it ever stop snowing?"

Comrade Pirok . . .

Mr. Mel Pirok, while talking about Communism, stated that it is an essentially good system. Upon hearing this, Sam Greene, a student in Mr. Pirok's U.S. History class remarked, "Good work, Comrade. You are a good promoter."

Overheard in Nilehi halls . . .

A junior boy was heard to say, "They say that all extremely bright men are conceited."

"Oh, come now," answered a senior sophisticate, "that isn't true. I'm not."

Honor system??? . . .

Teachers have the honor; students have the system might well be the motto of Mr. Frank Markus. Before giving a recent chemistry test, he remarked to his fourth period class, "This will be conducted on the honor system. Please seat yourselves two seats apart in alternating rows."

Times have changed . . .

After reading a short story about a romantic young girl, Mrs. June Todd's seventh period English Lit. class came to the conclusion that dating customs have changed since the story was written in 1940.

They decided that, back then, if a boy said he'd see a girl later, he really meant it. "Now," Mrs. Todd interjected, "when a boy says something like that, he means he'll be back in a few minutes to get the rest of her homework."

Fancy meeting you here . . .

When one of his students asked for a pass during his seventh period algebra class, Mr. Brett inquired where she was going. The student jokingly replied that she was going to a tavern in town. Mr. Brett quickly retorted, "Gee, I hope I don't meet you there!"

That ends another walk down The Avenue as we get a glimpse at the daily lives of students and teachers at Nilehi. Don't forget the game tonight with Proviso. It's the last league game, so I hope to see all the Nilehi supporters at the game cheering our team on to a victory!

Bye for now,
Sandy Brumley

singing group, has its sight set on the possibility of having an all-expense paid trip to Dallas in June to sing for the Kiwanis International Convention. This group has recently performed at Kiwanis Inspiration Night and for the Michigan Shores Country Club. On February 24, it will sing for Rotary of Skokie. Mr. Hugh McGee leads the group, which was formed seven years ago when he came to Nilehi.

A trip to the All-State High School Music Convention is a yearly event. This year the Con-

Introducing Susan Stockmar

It has taken Susan Stockmar four years to discover for which school she is a cheerleader. Susie hates to admit it, but after running off the basketball court when finishing a cheer, she turned around just in time to see the basketball drop through the hoop. She started cheering wildly only to discover that the two points were scored by the Evanston team. "Was my face red," laughed this blond senior girl in recalling this embarrassing incident. "Can you imagine?"

During Susie's four years at Niles, she has done other things for Nilehi which have proved her loyalty to her own school. Choir, Vivace, Tri-Hi-Y, Sophomore Cabinet, Reflections, and Racket Squad were among her activities, in addition to her four years of Cheerleading.

In the future Sue hopes to attend either the Chicago Wesley Memorial Hospital in Chicago, the University of Illinois, or Purdue where she will study nursing. "My ambition is to be a nurse, marry a doctor, be wealthy, and have five children — all boys," babbled Susie.

People that are always smiling annoy this friendly girl. "No one

can be that happy all the time," she stated. "Another thing that I dislike is stews," she continued. "I flip for Harry Belafonte, Jaguars, matching outfits, chevies, and, of course, pizza."

When asked what she would like to do to improve Niles, Sue said,



"Two things. First, I'd buy better athletic facilities and equipment, such as an indoor track. Then I'd make sure that the stands were packed for every sporting event in the school, so that our players would know that the students were backing them — all the way."

Introducing Dave Kloepper

It's the ninth inning at the baseball finals in Peoria . . . the second baseman is up . . . he hits a line drive and slides in dislocating his back! Dave Kloepper is that unfortunate second baseman who finished the game last spring by injuring his back.

Dave has earned a major letter



in baseball and hopes that his back trouble won't interfere with his earning another. "If our pitching staff pulls through, we will definitely go downstate again this year!" declared Dave.

Dave keeps busy in school as an assistant chairman of his first period study hall and as a monitor. Girls who wear black jackets and black scarves, and people who smoke are at the top of David's

vention took place January 30 and 31 at Champaign, Illinois. Numerous high schools send their representatives to participate in the activities offered at the Convention. This year Nilehi sent Anne Cusic, soprano; Marlene Derman, alto; Bruce Locher, tenor; and Lou Jansen, bass; from Choir, the selected singing group. Lynne Anderson, violin; Pat Nelson, cello; and Richard Genthner, Baritone saxophone, were sent from the band and orchestra.

The entire music department is preparing for the fourth annual music production which this year is called "Off Camera." Past productions have included "Student Life," "Riding High," and "Keep It Gay."

list of pet peeves. Other dislikes include stuck-up people, spaghetti, and Pepsi.

This active senior really goes for short girls, the movie Houseboat, and Jerry Lewis.

Embarrassing moments keep Dave blushing. When Mr. Basrak finished giving a pep talk to the basketball team, Dave got the ball, ran the wrong way, and then missed the basket. "That wasn't too bad, though. What really embarrassed me was the time that my car wouldn't start and I had to be towed from a drive-in," confided red-faced Dave.

Dave has had many memorable experiences at Niles, but one of his favorites was being the only sophomore to play varsity basketball. "I really goofed a lot," laughed Dave, "but I gained much valuable experience that way!"

New Students Learn Of Code of Ethics

Student orientation in the Code of Ethics was again reviewed when the East Division Student Council Orientation Committee and the school Code of Ethics Committee presented an hour long program for new students. About one hundred fifty students packed the Assembly Room February 10 between 8:20 and 9:05 a.m.

Mr. Keith Hertwick gave the welcoming address, and Jay Doniger emceed the program. Vivace started the program by singing "Getting to Know You," and eight successive speakers acquainted the new students with Niles through our Code and Crest.

Larry Schwartz, chairman of the Student Council Orientation Committee, began the speeches with a brief history of the Code. Following him were Joanne Zweig, Mark Peppercorn, Ginger Golden, Murray Averbach, Pauline Cotell, Stan Berman, and Aaron Block. Each spoke on one phase of the Crest and related it to life at Niles. Vivace closed the program with our traditional loyalty song, "Gold and Blue."

Introducing Jay Doniger

"One — one — one, two—two—two, three—three—three" is probably the phrase that best identifies senior Jay Doniger. This was part of a joke that Jay told in the spring musicale "Keep It Gay." Jay also keeps up his humor on paper—as cartoonist of the NILEHILITE and of the SSO NEWS.

Jay explained that one way of proving you go to a high school is participating in its activities; and so supervising the 7th period SSSH, contributing to Racket Squad and Senior Cabinet, attending track practice, entertaining at pep assemblies, being president of homeroom and a member of Student Council have been his way of showing he goes to Nilehi.

Outside of school Jay keeps active with figure ice skating, bowling, building a miniature railroad, and most of all, painting, sculpturing, and cartooning.

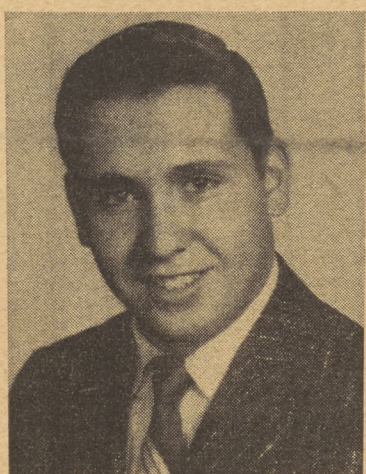
"My secret ambition, and I hope the climax in my career, is to create Saturday Evening Post covers like those of Norman Rockwell," confided this enterprising artist.

"I may get a lot of knocks for this but I detest rock 'n' roll music. I like big bands and orchestras—Glenn Miller for example. No classical music though."

"Gum chewing and eating apples and peanuts bother me to no end when I am trying to do something that involves thought. People that put on airs, trying to be something they are not, I try to avoid," stated Jay with a rare serious face.

"I'll never forget the time I left the emergency brake on when I went to a basketball game and then called my father to come and get me because I couldn't get the car started. He came all the way to school to tell me I had the brake on! Boy, I haven't lived it down yet!"

When Jay was nominated for the Hi-Y Citizenship award, it was



certainly a well deserved honor. Jay believes that "if I work as hard as I can with sincerity and perseverance, I am bound to attain some degree of self respect, which to me is very important."

Band and Orchestra Begin School Tours

NILEHI'S MUSIC department is spreading all over the "map."

The concert band and orchestra started their grammar school tours February 3. During the next eight weeks, they will visit eight grammar schools in Niles Township.

Going with the two groups will be the Barbershoppers, a group of 32 boys, of which eight perform at one time. They sing such "Gay Nineties" hits as "Goodbye, My Coney Island Baby" and "For Me and My Gal." Under the direction of Mr. Earl Auge, the boys have sung for PTA's, Kiwanis, and Rotary.

Concert Band, directed by Mr. Leo Provost, performed January 27 at a Nilehi East assembly, the first assembly of this type in three or four years. Another part of the band, the marching group, regularly performs at half time at football games and is led by Mr. Charles Groeling.

Vivace, an extra-curricular girls'

Reflections Theme Chosen



Mr. Hendrickson and Miss Stemp critically judge each auditioned act, while wondering if each will fit in with their theme this year, **STORYBOOK FANTASY.**



Jay Deniger goofed! Judy DuBonn looks on in horror, and the members of the Senior boy's chorus line practice. Left to Right: Mike Skol, Ralph Madden, Lance Lindquist, Ron Denley, Chuck Ragland, John Carlson, and Rick Ricordati.



Costumes are very important to the success of a Reflections act and Judy Pouzer, Gwen Johnson, Sue Herter, Lynn Hicks, and Judy Sonne have begun sewing early for their act, the "Seven Dwarfs."



Gladys Lindberg, Penny Johnson and Pat Teichert strike a pose in their trio act of "Three Old Ladies."

Words written by man since the beginning of time come to life in music, song and dance! This is the theme for this year's Reflections Revelries "Rhythm in Words," to be presented March 13 and 14.

During the week of February 2 to February 9 auditions were held in the Nilehi East Assembly Room according to Miss Virginia Stemp and Mr. O. T. Hendrickson co-directors of the program. Many weeks of conscientiously memorizing songs and dances have paid off for those students selected for this year's show.

The many nights that were spent in rehearsal instead of homework, and the moments spent waiting for audition results begin to have some value.

"Splash," "Wanna Bet?", "Courtin'", and "Remember?" are only a few of the words which will set the scene for the various acts. Each individual act will be backed up by a word to set the scene.

This year, for the first time, Reflections will be presented on two nights due to the increase in the number of students coming to watch the show. The acts will be judged on both Friday and Saturday nights, and the prizes will be presented on Saturday night. If you haven't had a chance to see Nilehi's new auditorium this is your chance to see your classmates perform and to comfortably watch your school's talent.

Story books that are represented in the show are "Uncle Remus" and his Bluebirds danced to life by a senior chorus line, and "The Wedding of the Painted Doll" coming alive with another senior chorus line. The seven dwarfs will also be danced by a group of seniors, and a group of Tin Soldiers will then sing, they are Diane Marterie, Sandra Glass and Fern Chapman.

Other solos in the show will be: Sandy Eggert singing "Voices of Spring", Phil Karafotas singing "Venice", and Allan Goodman singing "Serenade". Carole Crafton will sing "You Can't Get a Man With a Gun" and Ron Bartch will sing "I Believe". A Spanish violin solo by Peannan Barkbakoff and a piano solo by Kenneth Fern will also be in the show.

"Honey Bun", will be created by the trio of Pauline Cotel, Fern Gilbert and Anita Weinstein, and Sandy Orback will dance a Spanish Dance. "Sweet Violets," a junior chorus line, will bring back memories to many parents. "Cavemen Caperettes" will be danced by a group of freshmen girls.

The beautiful Ballet "Swan Lake" will be presented by a group of senior boys and "Sylvester and Tweedy" an acrobatic number will be danced by Karen Julian and Sandy Schmidt. "The Watermelon song and Swing Low Sweet Chariot" will be danced by a group of sophomore girls.

Backstage many students are busy at work to make the show a success. Mike Singer, Harry Taxis and Carol Bendoff are the stage managers. Others working backstage are Stage crew, Terry Shevelenko, Prop crew: Carol Herman and Sue Levin, and Make-up crew: Pam Bradley and Ruth Caplan. The lighting will be taken care of by Jim Murray.

"I hope this will be one of the best shows we have ever presented", commented Miss Virginia Stemp in conclusion.



Members of "Sweet Violets" practice dance steps. Meredith Hunter, Penny Hensel, Shirley Ferguson, and Phyllis Newton.



Part of the Sophomore chorus line, "Watermelons on the Vine," rehearse as Pat Paul directs.



Marianna Marks demonstrates a step in "Wedding of the Painted Doll," as members of the Senior girls chorus line follow, trying to learn their new routine.



Ellen Enke and Steve Smith look over the script for this year's Reflections Revelries. They are the two narrators for **STORYBOOK FANTASY.**

Miss Mary Konstans Tells All Of Fulbright Scholarship Trip

Cha, cha, tango, and mambo lessons were an added attraction of the trip to Greece made by Fulbright scholarship winners. Among these winners was Miss Mary Konstans, a former Nilehi English teacher who now resides in Salonika, Greece. But everything is not full of gaiety revealed Miss Konstans in a letter to the Nilehilites which tells of her trip.

"It took us six days to reach Lisbon, our first stop. During these six days life aboard ship was a hectic whirl. Our weather was pleasant most of the way. The food was indescribably wonderful — and as a result I gained about 15 pounds because I ate a minimum of five times a day. The ship, of course, had many kinds of activities for all.

"We arrived in Lisbon on August 26, spending a full day there. Lisbon is a beautifully clean city. We roamed past lovely quaint shops, interesting market places, beautiful beach areas, and the usual cathedrals. It is the extreme cleanliness that impresses one in Lisbon. It in no way resembles most port cities. On August 27 we came to Tangier — a most fascinating city of extremes. We first wandered into the Kasbah and I was literally hypnotized. One cannot conceive the filth and poverty that these people live in. It's quite a rude awakening for most of us from the

U.S. People were either sitting or lying in the streets selling wares amid horrid stench, filth, crawling insects of all kinds. We saw people fast asleep in dirt at mid-day. In contrast to the Kasbah is the exclusive section of Tangier with its lovely clean shops, beautiful hotels, and homes. I also had the opportunity to see one of those typical snake charmers complete with cobras from the distance of about two feet. Shopping in Tangier was maddening — everything was so inexpensive — beautiful leather goods, lovely copperware, perfumes, brass, and exchange of money were the best commodities.

"On August 29 we landed by ferry boats on the island of Majorca — a lovely resort island. Poverty is the first thing we ran into in practically all of our stops, and Palma was no exception. On September 1, we arrived in Genoa amid clouds and rain. The next day we debarked at rainy Naples. There we chartered a plane for Athens, and we landed amid sun and warmth. I spent 22 days in Athens — for the orientation program. On September 9, I learned that I had been assigned to the Commercial High school in Salonika.

These last couple weeks have been somewhat of a struggle—in trying to find accommodations. I was under the impression that I could get a furnished apartment here — but that's an impossibility. After many aches and pains, of the feet primarily, I ended up with an unfurnished apartment in a new building which is two blocks from the school. There is no hot water, no central heating, and no facilities to cook on. I had to improvise a "closet" as there are no such things here. I bought a long metal pipe, made holes at either end of the wall, shoved the pipe in, filled the holes with plaster and "magic" I have a closet. My bathroom is about two feet by four feet and I am fortunate in having a shower. As yet I do not have any hot water.

"Now I shall try to describe my school. The classrooms are worse than bare, and the students sit three and four to a desk (the big, black wooden kind). I have 20 hours of classes per week — and I'm teaching the 3rd through the 6th forms (equivalent to our high schools) — with ages ranging from 14 to 26 — all boys, by the way. Class sizes range from 30 to 49. The students are very well disciplined, most polite,

and most eager to learn English, which more than makes up for all the physical discomforts one must endure. I cannot cease to be amazed how much these students can learn amid such inadequacies. These kids here don't even know what a test tube looks like.

Salonika is a fairly small town, but quite pleasant. The poverty is prevalent everywhere you turn. Very little work is available and you see young men and old sitting at the cafes all day long because they have nothing else to do — no job to go to. The spirit of the Greek people seems to be quite hardy nevertheless—despite the many disasters they have all suffered, they always manage to smile and to turn every grim situation into a comical one.

"I hope my letter finds you all well. This entire experience thus far has been a tremendous challenge to me and has taught me what a wonderful asset a sense of humor can be. I shall write again later and give you my further impressions of what it's like to be a Fulbright teacher in Greece."

Sincerely yours,
MARY KONSTANS

Escher Meets State Governor

As a climax to eight years of Scouting, Allan Escher, Nilehi senior, met Hon. William G. Stratton, governor of Illinois.

Selected as an outstanding Explorer Scout, Allan represented the Northwest Suburban Council, Boy Scouts of America, at ceremonies observing Boy Scout Week.

The ceremonies, held on February 9, at Springfield, Illinois,



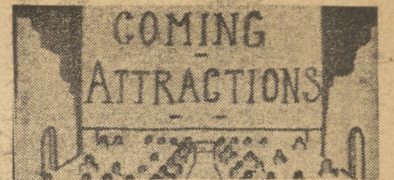
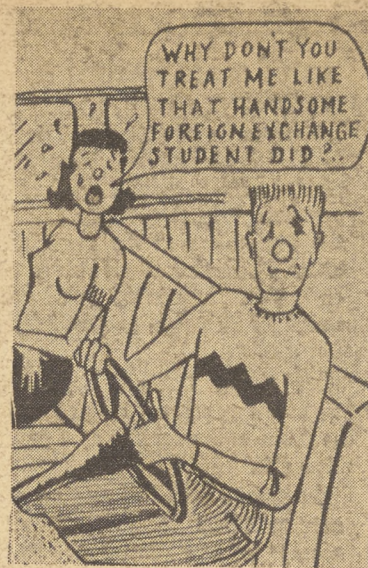
opened with a 12 o'clock luncheon at the Abraham Lincoln Hotel, with Governor Stratton as the honored guest.

The Explorer Scout Representatives of Illinois presented the annual report of the scouts of Illinois to Mr. Stratton. The governor then spoke on Boy Scouting in Illinois, and how scouting has helped the state.

Following these reports, Allan, as well as 27 other representatives, was introduced to Mr. Stratton and held a short conference with him.

After the luncheon, the representatives made a tour of the State Capitol Building, Abraham Lincoln's home, and also Lincoln's Tomb.

Since the state legislature was in session, Allan was able to watch proceedings of the House and Senate.



- Feb. 27 Basketball, Soph and Varsity, Proviso East, here
Wrestling, State Sectional
Swimming, State Meet
- Feb. 28 Basketball, Frosh "A" and "B", Proviso East, here
Basketball, JV, Proviso East, there
Basketball, Soph and Varsity, Palatine, there
Wrestling, State Sectional
Swimming, State Meet

Nilehi Students Pull Switch On Red Riding Hood Story

"Eat, drink, and be merry," was the famished cry of ten East Division boys as they sat down to eat during a recent 5A lunch period. The reason for their enthusiasm was the delectable banquet that lay before them. The lunchroom table never looked so good!

The table was covered with a colorful party tablecloth with two blue candles "lighting" the way as the boys feasted. Edibles on the banquet table included hot fried chicken (two large pieces for each boy), a box of potato chips, cold canned pop with straws, hot buttered biscuits, chocolate cake, and apples.

The reason for this extra-curricular lunch, "Boredom." The boys were tired of the same old thing each lunch period. And this lunch period was different!

The next question the many chop-licking onlookers were asking was, "How?" Gary Braver, junior, one of the "bored" boys, asked his grandmother to prepare the lunch. Sympathizing with the boys' plight, she agreed. She drove to school right before 5A lunch period and

left the basket of goodies with Gary. This was a real switch on the Red Riding Hood tale! The chicken was wrapped in aluminum foil, keeping it warm, and the pop was kept on ice. Each boy paid 75 cents for his share of the picnic. Will they ever do it again? Their answer (in unison), "why not?"

Math Analysis Sets High Fatality Rate

Although the Math Analysis program has been in effect at school only since the 1956-57 school year, it has already set a record for fatalities.

This advanced mathematics program started with an original enrollment of 50 sophomores. Today, from that original class, only 15 remain.

Math Analysis was inaugurated at Nilehi by Dr. Vern Haubrich, curriculum co-ordinator at school during the 1956-57 school year in co-operation with Mr. Thomas Kiviluoma and Mr. Harold Ohlson. Students were chosen on the basis of their grade school teacher's recommendation, their score on entrance exams, the student's personal interest, and the parent's consent. An I.Q. of 125-130 is also a requirement.

This pilot group started the program in their sophomore year, taking plane and solid geometry. In their junior year they passed into Math Analysis 1, 2, which consists of college algebra and trigonometry. This year, in Math Analysis 3, 4, they are taking introduction to analytical geometry and calculus. During this same school year, the accepted freshmen were put in special algebra classes consisting of elementary and intermediate algebra. They are now in Math Analysis, 1, 2. There is also a special Algebra 31 class which includes the regular course in Algebra 3, 4, but with additional topics.

"Students may be dropped from any course in the program at the discretion of the teacher," according to Mr. Kiviluoma, head of the mathematics department at Nilehi East. "If the teacher feels that the student is not profiting by the experience, the student will be dropped. However, a 'B' average is generally sufficient to keep the student in the class."

Right now, the Math Analysis program is not a part of the Advanced Placement Program at Nilehi, but Mr. Kiviluoma hopes that it soon will be.

Yang Hong Shik Writes Parents

Dear Foster Parents of Yang Hong Shik:

We shall see the Old Year, 1958, out and the New Year come in pretty soon. We are really thankful to you who have shown a great help and love to our little Hong



Shik for this one year. We hope you will continue to help him next year again.

Hong Shik enjoys going to school each day and studies hard, since they are in examination season. After this examination, they will have their winter holidays from school for one month.

It is getting colder and colder every day over here now. And Christmas is just ten days off now. The children in the orphanage are busy in the Xmas preparation and they are impatiently waiting for it very much now. Our church will hold a concert and give some gifts to the children on Xmas and there will be a grand Xmas service in our church.

We send you a picture of Hong Shik's school, which will show you how their morning meeting look like.

Wishing you a very Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year, we are,

Yours truly,
Hong Shik and his
teacher (Lee Chi Bok)

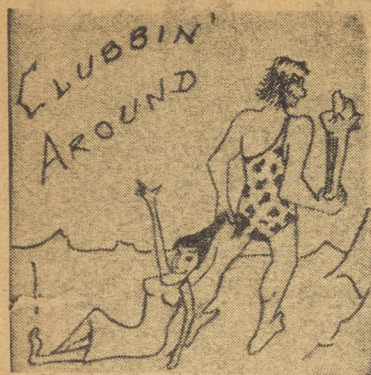
Parents Attend College Meeting

"After High School Plans" was the general concern of the parents of college bound juniors who on February 11 and 17 participated in the meetings conducted by Miss Aune M. Toivola, college counselor.

In her report Miss Toivola emphasized the selection of a college the requirements that students must meet in general and specific colleges, and the type of student for which the colleges are looking.

Following Miss Toivola, Miss Margaret de Booy, scholarship counselor, explained the scholarship program, and how a student might apply for a scholarship.

An open discussion period followed the reports; many parents participated at the two meetings.



Nilehi clubs again "make the news," as they continue to provide top entertainment and activity for their active members.

Forty members of the East Division French Club took a field trip to the Art Institute on Tuesday, February 17. The occasion was to hear a lecture on Gauguin, the famous French artist. Bus transportation was provided for all members.

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Nilehi now has the ability to show almost professional movie projections. The A.V.A. was recently given two cinemascope lenses, and a special cinemascope screen, by the Union Board and the school. These lenses will be used for Union movies as well as for numerous other projects.

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East and West Division Future Nurses met February 19 after school, for the movie "Weight Reduction and Diet." A guest speaker from Cook County Public Health Department, Miss Thomson, was also presented.

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BINGO! This was a familiar word heard in room 120, on February 6 when the Teachers of Tomorrow gave their Valentines party after school. A new form of Bingo was played; prizes were given; and refreshments were served.

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Nilehi students of the salesmanship classes are calling Avon and seeing what's up at Seven-Up, as part of an unusual term paper assignment. Each student goes to an industrial plant, then writes up a report on this project. Among others, the International Harvester Company, Curtis Candy, and the Ford Motor Corporation have been visited.

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100% Club members are attempting to raise the remainder of their scholastic money. As a new method of money making, the members are offering their services in typing and other clerical jobs to members of Niles faculty or the student body for a small fee.

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The East Division Hi-Y inducted fifty new members on Sunday, February 22. The induction ceremony was held in the East Division Assembly Room at 3:00 p.m. Mr. Ken Littrell, representing the Skokie Valley Y.M.C.A. and the Board of Education, was guest speaker. A tea for the inductees and their parents followed the induction ceremony.

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A representative from Patricia Stevens spoke to the members of the East Division Pins and Pans Club. Pins and Pans extended an invitation to all 100% West Division Pins and Pans Club members.

Juniors Begin Prom Planning

PROM COORDINATORS are already making plans!

Various committee chairmen for the Junior Prom have been selected. Each committee has a separate duty to perform toward the completion of the prom and after discussing their ideas at committee meetings, each presents its findings to the Junior Cabinet.

The Junior Cabinet, headed by Mark Peppercorn, is presenting the prom to the seniors as a graduation gift.

In charge of the committee for raising funds in junior homerooms is Dee Gislason. Each homeroom has been asked to raise approximately twenty dollars by holding bake sales, auctions, and other means such as selling pins or other objects and by sponsoring social functions.

As the money is being collected, other committees are functioning also. The Band Committee, headed by Gladdie Lindberg, has decided

to have a big-name band. The problem of renting tuxedos is left to Al Shearn and his committee. As in past year, boys attending the prom will have the opportunity to rent tuxedos at a discount.

Publicity for the prom will be handled by Phyllis Gould and members of her committee. This publicity will be seen in Nilehi halls and in the NILEHILITE and local newspapers. Bids are being designed and purchased by a committee led by Wally Bishop. The bids will carry out the theme of the prom.

The election of Prom King and Queen and the parade are being planned by a committee under the direction of Sandy Eggert.

Paul Macaluso is in charge of sending invitations to various members of the Nilehi faculty.

The selection of these committees marks the beginning of the true planning for the Junior Prom.



Liz Steplefeld, sophomore, displays the pie that won her the district title in the "Penny Flame" baking contest as Mrs. Ruth Akerlund, Dr. Nicholas Mannos, and Mrs. M. McNeill look on.

Sophomore Wins Baking Title In Penny Flame Pie Contest

LIZ STAPELFELD and Cynthia Weber represented Nilehi West and East respectively at the Penny Flame Pie Baking contest for high school girls on January 30.

Liz, a member of Miss Alice Line's Home Economics class, won the district contest sponsored by the Northern Illinois Gas Company. As one of two district winners, she received a cook book, a ribbon, a plaque, and an all-expense weekend to a large city.

Liz was one of seven contestants representing neighboring high schools. These included Arlington, Barrington, Glenbrook, Prospect High, and Maine.

The final bakeoff was held Saturday, February 21, in Aurora, where Liz vied for a \$400 scholarship and the title of "Penny Flame Pie Queen."

The blond, blue-eyed sophomore gained her baking knowledge both in her Home Economics classes and by preparing dinner for her family every evening. After high school, she hopes to attend college and enter the field of home or dress design.

But home economics are not Liz's only interests, as can be seen by her participation in various school and church activities. These include Tri-Hi-Y (she is president of Tri-Ed), Sophomore Cabinet, Foreign Language club, Luther League, and Church choir. Liz is also a Big Sister and an officer of Hi-C (High School Crusaders).

Liz's winning pie recipe was her own. "I was very glad to represent the school," Liz stated, "and am very happy about the wonderful experience, even though it was only baking a pie."

Liz hopes that she will be able to spend her all-expense weekend in New York.

Students Attend Gauguin Lecture

FRENCH CLUB MEMBERS went "high brow" on February 17 when they attended a special lecture and exhibit of the French artist Paul Gauguin at Chicago's Art Institute.

The students, who were accompanied by Miss Jean Hagemann, club sponsor, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Durette, and Miss Jean Jackson, chartered a bus, brought their dinner along, and sang French songs on the way.

"It was a very worthwhile experience, for students should be acquainted with the cultures of the language they are studying, not just the grammar," remarked Miss Hagemann.

East and West Debaters Discuss U.S. Education



Larry Schwartz demonstrates debate style and form, as Ron Kriskke, Stan Berman, Aaron Block and Alan Berholtz listen.

WITH WORRIED looks toward Russia, Americans have begun to place a great deal of emphasis on improving our educational and intellectual standards.

Though most of the furor has been no more than idle talk, Nilehi has taken a definite step by holding its sixth annual debate tournament with Dr. John L. Betts, varsity debate coach, as sponsor.

Forty-six teams from 19 schools participated in the tournament held Saturday, February 7. The 184 students came from Kankakee, Proviso East, New Trier, Evanston, North Chicago, Lyons, Glenbrook, Lemont, Elgin, Waukegan, West Aurora, Morton, Arlington, Dundee, East Aurora, Glenbard, Prospect, Maine, and Niles.

Proviso East and New Trier tied for first place in the varsity division with a record of five won and one lost. Niles' team, consisting of Aaron Bloch, Stan Berman, Larry Schwartz, and Ron Wanke, seniors, acted as judges.

Niles' sub-varsity record was split with three wins by Ed Winter and Mike Lerner, juniors, and three losses by Rita Rubenstein and Rosalyn Chapman, juniors. Elgin, Dundee, and Lyons tied at the top of this division.

The sophomore team recorded two wins and four losses, while the beginners won four and lost

eight. Two New Trier teams tied for first place in this group.

The topic which is now being debated all over the country on the high school level reflects the modern trend. It is, "Resolved: That the United States Should Adopt the British System of Education."

"Debate is the kind of activity which ties in well with these modern pressures for higher standards," according to Dr. Betts. "It should be the goal of debate and debaters to so conduct their activity that many more able and talented students would want to take part."

Tournaments are held each weekend and are attended by teams of two affirmative and two negative debaters. On December 13 at DeKalb High School, Niles' students won 9 out of 12 matches.

At Navy Pier branch of the University of Illinois, Niles placed fourth out of twenty-four teams, taking five matches and losing one.

The first annual tournament at Northwestern on January 16 and 17 found the Trojan debaters splitting even with a 6-6 record.

Augustana College played host to debaters on January 30 and 31 as we earned four wins and eight losses.

The students, who were selected

on the basis of tryouts, receive two points for participating in a match and four to nine points for winning. When a debater earns 25 points, he becomes a member of the National Forensic League, a high school interscholastic speech honor society. Upon reaching 75 points, he receives an honor position and at 150 points he is qualified for the Degree of Excellence. Two hundred fifty points earns him the highest degree—the Degree of Distinction.

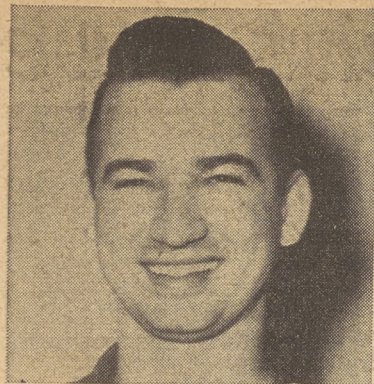
Aaron Bloch and Al Berholtz, seniors, recently received the Degree of Excellence.

The varsity debaters are Fran Greisdorf, Alan Berholtz, and Ed Winter, first affirmative; Marcia Braverman, Stan Berman, Mike Lerner, Ron Wanke, and Jim Jungwirth, second affirmative. First negative debaters are Roz Chapman, Allen Brown, Larry Schwartz,ack Abrams, and Rita Rubenstein and second negative debaters are Barbara Epstein, Aaron Bloch, Bob Odess, and Mara Sugarman.

Sophomore debaters are Gary Wanke, Joe Kremer, Jim Savage, Garry Olson, Bob Sachnoff, Dave Savner, Allan Pearson, and Loretta Goldstein. Janet Block, Sherry Herman, Joel Feder, Mike Frandzel, Neil Pollock, Burt Michaels, Karen Heller, Bobby Schwartz, Anne Kazanow, and Richard Lavin debate on the freshman level. Mr. Charles Matka is coach of these West Division debaters.

There is a great deal of work involved in becoming a good debater. But Dr. Betts pointed out that there are also certain qualities a person must have to debate "besides a strong larynx." These are the willingness to do research, the ability to speak persuasively and the possession of a pleasant personality to be able to work with your partner.

Having debated as a student at Evanston Township High School and coached since 1947, Dr. Betts feels that it is as important to a well-balanced school as athletics. He has expressed the wish that more students become interested in debate though he states that the response toward debate has been increasing as good education becomes more important.



Introducing Bob Frala

"I MARRIED my grade school sweetheart," laughed Coach Bob Frala, with a smile he reserves for his wife Erma, and his two kids, Jimmy, 5½, and Kathy, 2.

Backfield football coach Frala went to Illinois where he was a quarterback. After graduation, he was in the top 10% of the class and graduated with honors, he coached the Freshman team at Illinois for two years.

In the service he coached for two years. The basketball team he coached won 44 and lost only 3. They won the Army World Championship. "That was my greatest thrill," recalls the coach. The second year in the Army his team was second in the entire Second Army. Football was another sport he coached in the service; his team won the East Coast Championship.

Holding a masters degree in Education and a BS in Physical Education, the coach's secret ambition is to one day be a head football coach. "My most embarrassing moment was when Barry Mink dropped the ball in the Oak Park game and the Huskies made a TD," Mr. Frala admitted.

Mr. Mike Basrak says the coach's favorite expression is "OK." "He starts every sentence with it," Mr. Basrak revealed.

In high school, that was in Salem, Illinois, the coach played basketball, football, and was on the track team. He set a record on the track team which will never be broken. It was in the 200 yard hurdles, and since then they have changed the event to the 180 yard hurdles. Hobbies include all sports; nothing in the way of sports is uninteresting to the coach, from professional football to golf.

The coach was asked to be head coach at Salem Community High, but he turned it down. "I like Niles," he explained. One wish is usually hard to think of, but the coach had no trouble. "I want to coach football at the University of Miami (Fla.)," he laughed, "I love warm weather."

Nine Grapplers Win in Districts

NINE NILES WRESTLERS qualified for the sectionals, as Niles came in fourth in the Waukegan Districts. The firsts, by Bill McGrath, and Glen Kuehn, and one second, by Jack Maloney helped the Trojans cause.

Jack Maloney fought it out for a second place berth, he missed a first by only one point, as he was beaten by Richter of Evanston. Tod Wise took a third, while Bob Dilg came in fourth.

Glenn Kuehn pinned and decided his way to the top, and got his first place through a ref's decision. At 133 Fred Weil also had some help from the referee, he took a third place on a close ref's call. Mitch Portugal took a fourth and Dick Isel finished in third place.

After a close loss to Schaefer of New Trier, Bruce Herkert took a very strong third place. At 175,

Mermen Finish Fourth in SL Meet

SIX PLACES in the Suburban League swimming meet gave the Nilehi varsity tanksters a fourth place. The tanksters trailed Evanston, New Trier, and Highland Park. The meet was held at the Evanston pool.

The highlight of the meet for the Trojans was a third place by the 200 yard freestyle relay team. The team consisted of Rick Kroon, Raul Martin, Phil Karafotas, and Mike Banks. Their time was a new school record.

In other events, Martin took a fourth place in the 200 yard freestyle. Finishing two behind him was Captain Norm Carbery. In the 150 yard individual medley, Phil Karafotas took a sixth place. Banks took sixth place in the 50 yard freestyle while the medley relay team took a fifth place.

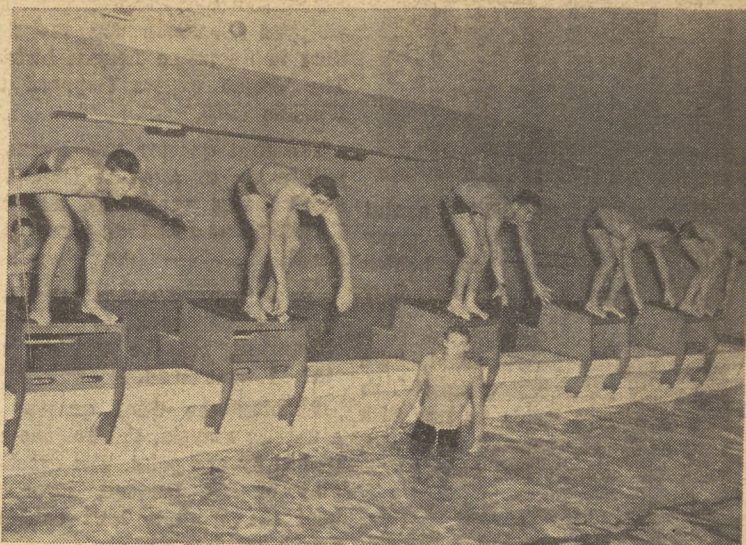
In dual meet competition, a 47-39

victory over Waukegan highlighted the late season meets.

A top performance by Martin in the 100 yard freestyle earned him a new school record of 56.1. Other firsts were taken by Karafotas in the 100 yard butterfly and in the 150 yard individual. Walt Isaac also won in the 100 yard breaststroke as did the medley relay team.

This meet ended the league dual meet competition, giving the Trojans a 2-5 SL record for the season.

In a non league meet, the Trojans whipped their hosts from Glenbrook 50-9 in the senior meet. First places were taken by Steve Wollack in the 100 yard backstroke and the 100 yard breaststroke. Mike Banks took first places in the 50 yard and 100 yard freestyles. Norm



Coach Larson's state hopes line up before a practice. From left to right they are; Karafotas, Martin, Carbery, Banks, Kron and Isaac.

Hoopsters Edge New Trier Cinching Seventh In League

THIS IS THE YEAR for Niles to beat New Trier and Evanston. The Trojan cagers whipped the Green Ripple from the North, 52-50.

Niles jumped into a quick lead, and held it for the rest of the game. The Indians only tied the hoopsters once. The closely fought fourth quarter, almost tied the game, but Niles pulled it out.

Top point man was Bill Reading, again, with 16. Lis had 14 and Jim Dahlman had 10 points. Cassell of New Trier had 25 points.

Niles 16 13 15 8 52
New Trier 8 15 14 13 50
Morton edged the Trojans as

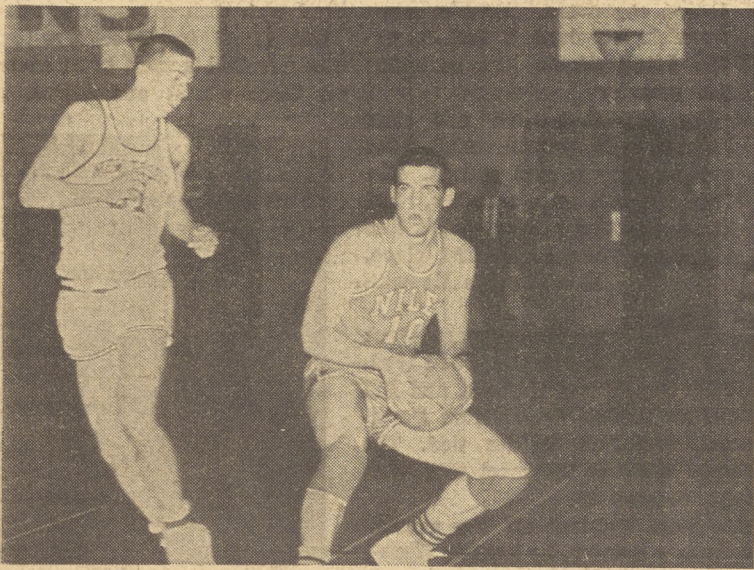
tangs held the boards throughout the game.

NILES 11 16 10 19 56
Morton 19 13 18 10 60

The box score alone should tell the tale of the Waukegan game. Reading came through with 16 points for the cause, and Ron Lis was held to 6 points. Jim Dahlman got 12 points, and two Waukegan cagers scored 20 points apiece.

NILES 12 11 13 13 49
Waukegan 18 24 19 14 75

Coach Fabri's old school, Palatine, bowed to Niles 59-22. Fabri coached there last year and his son starts on the Soph team.



Ron Henrici, holds the ball. As Niles takes their time getting into position. The Trojans won the tussle 52-50.

a result of a bad first and third quarter. Rick Tomek, Morton scored 32 points, while Niles' top man was Lis with 21. The Mus-

Captain Bill McGrath pinned twice, which with his one decision gave him an undisputed first place.

The team receives ten points for every first place one of its wrestlers takes. It gets seven points for a second, four for a third and two for a fourth. Each fall or pin is worth one point, as is each advancement. On this basis, Niles finished fourth. The grapplers finished behind Waukegan, Evanston, and New Trier. There were nine teams entered.

There is a great possibility that the "big three" of the Suburban League will finish in at least the top five in the state. From this fact one could say, Niles did very well in the districts.

Reading and Lis did most of their scoring in the first half, with Henrici and Dahlman taking over in the final periods. Their scores were, respectively; 15, 14, 10, 8.

The coach emptied the Niles bench and everyone who dressed got to play. The top point man for the Pirates scored only six points.

Niles led throughout the game and had complete control of the backboards at all times. The top scorer on the Palatine team was held scoreless, thanks to some fine defensive play.

NILES 15 17 13 14 59
Palatine 8 4 3 7 22

This leaves only one game on Nilehi's schedule, excluding the regionals. This is a meeting with the Pirates of Proviso tonight. Even if we drop the game tonight, the Trojans are assured of a seventh place in the league. The boys are up for the game and it should be a good battle.

Carbery also took two firsts. His were in the 200 yard free and the 150 yard individual medley. Bruce Norgan rounded out the firsts by winning the 150 yard butterfly.

The Trojans finished with an overall record of six wins, and six defeats. The Sophomore team took a sixth place in the SL Soph meet. Dave Katz and Bernie Schmitt both placed.

In the Suburban League Standings, Niles beat out Oak Park for fifth place, even though the Huskies won more meets than

the Trojans. This difference comes in the SL meet. Niles got more points in that meet, and edged out Oak Park.

SUBURBAN LEAGUE VARSITY SWIMMING STANDINGS

	Won	Lost
New Trier	7	0
Evanston	6	1
Highland Park	5	2
Proviso	4	3
NILES	2	5
Oak Park	3	4
Waukegan	1	6
Morton	0	7

Faculty Trounces N-Club In Fifth Annual Meeting

PLAYING BASKETBALL with boxing gloves and fire extinguishers, highlighted the fifth annual N-Club - Faculty game, on Thursday, February 19, at the Niles West gym.

The faculty team, who has never lost in previous games, made it look easy this time, as they whipped the N-Club, 43-20. The faculty had a fine defense, for when the N-Club got "hot" the faculty defense easily put out the fire — with fire extinguishers. Another brilliant tactic on the part of the coaches, was to have their men play part of the game with boxing gloves on. It wasn't quite as easy for the players to score, but they got in their licks.

High point man for the faculty was "Francie" Frank Markus, with 13 points. He was followed by "Stonewall" Sortal with 8 points.

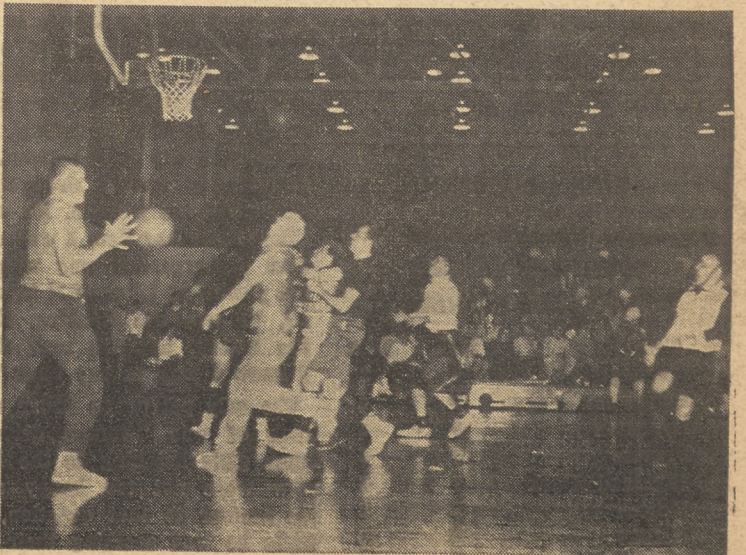
The faculty squad included: Mike Basrak, coach; Art Colver, Tony Schubert, Jerry Engle, Ken Jensen, Bob Brown, Harry Sortal, Billy Schnurr, Ralph Lyerla, Bill Coyer, Dave Burgett, John Gach, Ted Meyer, Carmelo Sa-

pone, Roland Durette, Jim Heiniger, Frank Markus, George Keilwasser, Mike Skuban, and Nick Odlovak.

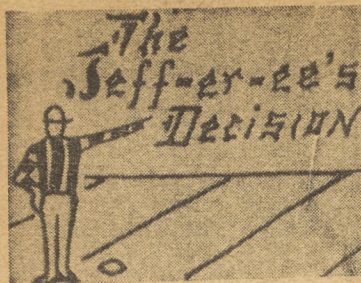
About 20 N-Clubbers participated in the action. Ken Kramer was the lettermen's top scorer, with four points. Referees for the evening were Sennett Tzinberg, Bill Reading, and Bill Nack.

The half-time show consisted of Coach John Cress and his gymnasts with a demonstration of their skills, and a skit presented by the faculty. Dr. Kavanaugh starred in the skit as Sick Clark of Bandstand fame. The Sick Clark Show went on as usual with lovers, (Mary Lutz and Dave Jackson) All-Americans, June Kraus and Don Johnson; beatniks Dave Burgett and Hazel Loew; and, of course, hoods Sandy Berns and Andy Maggio.

The largest crowd in the history of this game turned out. The attendance was well over 3,000. Proceeds from this game will go toward purchasing more and better athletic equipment for Niles.



Although it looks as if the faculty has no opponents, the N-Club has their own ball at the other basket!



THE FACULTY did it again! For the fifth time in as many years, the teachers have beaten the lettermen. I wonder how they do it?

Coach Mike Basrak said, "We are ready for anything the N-Club has to offer." "This is my fifth year as faculty coach," he added, "and we haven't lost once."

N-Club sponsor, Bob Frala, revealed, "It was the coaching that beat us." "Big Mike's clever substitutions were too much for the boys." "We have a lot of surprises planned for next year," he added.

ORCHIDS TO THE basketball team! The varsity hoopsters trounced Evanston 74-65. This is the highest score Niles has had all year. Now that we have seventh place cinched, let's get out and whip Proviso. The game is in the West Gym tonight, so let's close the season with a win and a record crowd.

All boys who are interested in athletics, but are not quite good enough for the other sports should go out for track. Even fat men like me!

Coach Bob Frala, who is really getting into the news this week, states that any boy who wants to work hard for stardom has a good chance on the track team. If you are not particularly fast you can be a long distance runner. The coach insists there is room for any boy who will train hard.

"The reason we have done so poorly in past years, is because we don't have enough boys interested in track," stated Mr. Frala. "Another major reason for our poor showings is that we are the only school in the Suburban League without an indoor track." "Until the weather breaks, the boys have no place to practice," the coach concluded.

Anyone who is interested in working out now, before practice officially starts, should see Coach Meyers any Tuesday from 3:30-4:00 in the gym. He will check out equipment for you.

Coach Frala feels sure, that if enough boys come out we could wind up with a good solid squad this year. Support your school by coming out for a team.

The wrestling sectionals are tonight and tomorrow at Waukegan. As you know, Niles placed nine men in sectional competition. We should do very well and I know the grapplers would appreciate someone to cheer for them. If you don't want to go to a basketball game, this should be just the thing for you.

SUPPORT YOUR TEAMS THIS WEEKEND!

SUBURBAN LEAGUE BASKETBALL STANDINGS

Team	Won	Lost
Waukegan	10	3
Oak Park	9	4
Evanston	9	4
Proviso	7	6
Highland Park	7	6
Morton	5	8
NILES	3	10
New Trier	2	11

Evanston Falls To Nilehi Five

ANOTHER NILES TEAM has whipped Evanston for the first time in Suburban League history. The Trojan cagers trounced the Wildkits 74-65.

The first quarter saw Evanston pull away to a quick lead. The scoring was very high and Bill Reading was rebounding very well for Nilehi.

In the second quarter the Trojans came back to outscore Evanston, but the Wildkits retained their lead.

Winning the third quarter by a narrow margin, the Trojans still trailed by one point. The excellent play of Bill Dawson, Evanston, kept the Wildkits lead until the fourth quarter.

Then the fourth quarter; Niles doubled Evanston's score. The Trojan's controlled the boards during the entire fourth. With 1:39 left to play, Keith Krause put in two charity tosses to put the game on ice for Niles, with a score of 69-63.

High scorer of the game was Dawson with 25 points. He put almost all of them in from the left-hand corner. Niles' top point man was Bill Reading with 22 points. Second Trojan was Ron Lis with 16 points.

The Trojans outscored their opponents by six baskets from the floor, but had only a 55% freethrow average. Evanston on the other hand hit for 78% of

their charity shots.

Ron Henrici, Stu Saken, and Jim Dahlman had four fouls on them, but they managed to stay in the game. Evanston lost its second and third top scorers on fouls.

This is another in the string of games in which Bill Reading has looked very good. Bill started his streak by helping the Trojan cause with 21 points against Oak Park.

Not only has Reading's shooting been helpful, but his rebounding has seen Niles through many a close moment. If Bill stays hot, and Ron Lis shoots well Niles might surprise them at the regionals.

	1	2	3	4	F
NILES	17	18	19	20	74
Evanston	23	15	17	10	65



Matmen Finish Season; Soph Team Undeclared

THE 1958 WRESTLING season closed with three consecutive wins. The Trojan grapplers whipped Highland Park, Proviso, and, in a non-league meet, Wheaton.

Four pins paved the way as the Nilehi varsity matmen slaughtered the Highland Park Little Giants, 40-5. The pins belonged to Glen Kuehn, Fred Weil, Jack Maloney, and Bill McGrath.

The only Little Giant to pull a victory was their heavyweight, who beat Carl Bonfiglio, 5-0. Bill Carr, Trojan 112 pounder, fought to a 1-1 tie.

The sophomore team made it a complete victory as they shut out HP 50-0. Steve Weiss, Jim Fung, Howie Alder, Dennis Manzardo, and Bill Fisher pinned their opponents. Dennie Dobrowski received a forfeit, as the Little Giants had no soph 175 pounder.

For the first time this year Proviso was beaten, and Niles was the team that did it. The Trojans won six matches, lost three, and tied in three. This loss toppled Proviso out of first place, and into a second place tie with Waukegan.

Winners for Niles were Jack Maloney, Glenn Kuehn, Fred Weil, Dick Isel, Bruce Herkert, and Bill McGrath. Bob Dilg, Mitch Portugal, and Bob Rhodes tied. The final score of the meet was Niles 24, Proviso 15.

Niles finished off the season with a flourish, by beating Wheaton 31-11. Jack Maloney and Ed Hagen pinned for the Trojans. The other 21 points were registered by Bob Dilg, Glenn Kuehn, Fred Weil, Mitch Portugal, Captain Bill McGrath, and Heavyweight Carl Bonfiglio.

This completes the season record, which stands at nine wins, five losses, and one draw. The Suburban League record is three wins, three losses, and one draw.

The sophomore wrestlers completed the season undefeated, and won top honors in the Suburban League. Among the boys who went through the year undefeated are Tod Wise, Larry Racanna, Jim Tune, Dick Isel, Bob Rhodes, and Bill Fisher.

The only two men to go undefeated on the varsity squad were Dick Isel, when he did wrestle varsity (5 times), and Bill McGrath, whose season's record stands at 14-0-1. Other outstanding records were Jack Maloney with 12-1-1, Glenn Kuehn with 13-2-0, Bruce Herkert with 11-4-0, and Fred Weil with a record of 9-3-1.

Out of 18 freshmen wrestlers, who wrestled a total of 31 matches, there wasn't one defeat. All

the freshmen have gone through the year undefeated.

In the soph division, the Suburban League standings are Niles 7-0, Morton 6-1, Evanston 4-3, Oak Park 4-3, New Trier 4-3, Waukegan 3-4, Proviso 1-6, and Highland Park 0-7. With another year of practice, wrestling varsity, the current soph team should be the one to watch in two years.

FINAL SUBURBAN LEAGUE WRESTLING STANDINGS

Team	Won	Lost	Tied
Proviso	6	1	
Waukegan	6	1	
Evanston	3	4	
NILES	3	3	1
New Trier	3	3	1
Morton	3	3	1
Oak Park	1	5	1
Highland Pk.	0	7	



Mitch Portugal (head gear) wrestles Don Hayes to see who will enter district competition. Mitch got to wrestle, but Don lost to Dick Isel.

Soph Cagers Triumph Over Wildkits

THE NILEHI sophomore basketball team performed like their varsity cohorts against Evanston, as they trounced the visiting Wildkits 48-27.

The sophs led all the way and by the end of the third quarter they were in front by 23 points. They outscored the visitors 21-5 in the third quarter. In the fourth, Coach Jim Phipps emptied the bench and put everyone in. The victory was the third in the league against ten defeats. Top players were Denny Crosby, Jim Reicherts, and Bob Koser.

Earlier, the sophs had lost a

54-49 decision to New Trier and 55-44 to Morton. Bog Koser, a guard, played well in both defeats.

The game following the Evanston contest, the Trojans were beaten by Waukegan 45-29. Steve Chester played well for the losers.

In a non-league contest, the Trojans whipped the Palatine Pirates 53-43. Bronson Davis, Larry Mills, and Crosby all looked good for the Nilemen.

The JV's won their fifth league game against NT, edging the Indians 50-49. The Trojans led most of the way but relinquished their lead late in the fourth quarter. They grab-

bed it back though and went on to win. Mark Peppercorn led the Trojan scorers with 15 and Bob Klingensmith chipped in 13.

In two other contests, the JV's lost 44-40 to Morton and 71-59 against Waukegan.

Despite the Mustang loss, Frank Warda poured in 18 points, one of the top JV performances all year.

Against Waukegan, Peppercorn had 14 while Lenny Sjostedt had 14.

A recent victory over Waukegan has highlighted the 5-7 frosh season. Ken Borgia and Rick Artwick are the top frosh scorers.