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Students Find New Teachers, Courses *Big Plans Made For Hi-Y: Roth*

Among the new faces around school this fall are a few new members of the faculty.

Missing members of the teaching staff from last year are Miss Muriel Higgins, dramatics teacher, and Mr. Arthur Ryden, history, both of whom are attending Northwestern University attaining advanced degrees, and Mr. Herbert Heiby, mathematics teacher. Marriage has kept Miss Marjory Ronalds, freshman adviser, and Miss Mary Evelyn Thurman, physical education teacher, from returning.

Taking Mr. Ryden's place, Miss Dorothy Lungmus is teaching world history and civics. In case you may notice a slight accent in Miss Lungmus' speech, it can be attributed to the fact that she taught for a year on Mt. Berry, Georgia. This past summer she spent at Northwestern earning her master's degree.

Another new teacher is Miss Helen Heitman, a graduate of the College of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio, who is instructing girl's physical education.

Miss Virginia Stemp was graduated from Milwaukee-Downer College with her B.A. in the field of speech and dramatics. After teaching for sometime at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, she spent a year teaching at Baret College in Lake Forest. Now at Niles, Miss Stemp has charge of dramatics and radio, and is the sponsor of the "Spotlighters," the school dramatics club.

Back at school this year is Mr. George Adams, returning after a year at Columbia University getting his master's degree in English. He reports that no school he had occasion to visit in the New York area compares with Niles.

Helping Mr. Babcock in his driver education program is Mr. Charles Suydam, who intends to help teach everyone here at Niles to drive or "know the reason why." He has taught at the National College of Education and more recently at Evanston Township High School. Mr. Suydam received his M.A. degree from Northwestern University.

Advertising and salesmanship, new courses opened to seniors this year are being taught by Mr. Eugene Napier, who formerly taught at Leo High School, Chicago, before coming to Niles.

Another new course will be a Home Management course given by Miss Florence Butler. It is open to all sophomore, junior, and senior girls. Thirteen students have enrolled so far.

The idea of the course is to develop and teach home responsibility, kitchen planning, care and specific use of all equipment, and timesavers that will help do a better job, according to Miss Butler.

A full and interesting program is being lined up for the Niles "Hi-Y" Club this year, according to Mr. Roth, boys' general science teacher, and sponsor of this club, which is open to junior and senior boys. A preliminary meeting of last year's members was held last Tuesday, September 28. The next meeting, on Tuesday, October 5, will be open to all junior and senior boys who wish to join.

One of the first activities on the agenda is a touch-football league. Niles expects to enter junior and senior teams. Any boy who wishes to participate should be present at the meeting next Tuesday.

The "Hi-Y", which is affiliated with the Y.M.C.A., plans on entering into basketball and swimming leagues later. Meetings planned to help members in choosing a vocation should be of special interest also.

Two officers have been chosen so far; Dean Whitton, president, and Bob Peterson, secretary. The remaining offices will be filled by new junior members.

Mr. Roth announced that Elsa Tamminga, who was the recipient of a \$50 scholarship through "Hi-Y" last year, is now enrolled at the School of Commerce at Northwestern University.

Illinois Extension Closes at Nilehi

Although the University of Illinois extension program at Nilehi was successful in the two years that it was in operation, this year the program has been discontinued, according to Dr. A. L. Biehn.

Dr. Biehn says: "The extension was planned as a temporary service to those students who wished to remain near home during their first year of college, and to those who were unable to get into the colleges of their choice. The need for this service apparently no longer exists."

Less than 20 inquiries were received concerning college classes for the '48-'49 school year. Dr. Biehn added that if the need again arises, the Nilehi Board of Education will be glad to co-operate with the University in establishing the extension once more.

'48 Reflections Printed; Ready for Delivery

After long anticipation the 1948 Reflections is ready for issue. Within the

Riverside Leaders See Cafe Monitor System

The Nilehi cafeteria is running smoothly under the able management of 205 seniors who have stepped into their new jobs like veterans, according to Miss Harbert, supervisor of monitors, and "Katie" Kestenholz, head of the kitchen staff. There has been no running or pushing, which is an improvement over previous years, "Katie" remarked, and she especially compliments the freshmen for adapting themselves so quickly to the rules.

There has been no change from last year's food prices, but if the cost of living continues to increase, prices on some foods may have to be raised, particularly on meat, "Katie" says.

Miss Harbert announced that the managers for the fifth period lunch are Diane Leach and Barbro Martinson, assisted by Ed Beebe and Bill Leeming; sixth period, Mel Halinton and Lester Febrow; seventh period, Judy Larson and Charlotte Dressel. Donita Yost and Joyce Ash are responsible for the posters and bulletins on school spirit brightening the cafeteria walls.

Three board members of the Student Council of Riverside-Brookfield High School visited our cafeteria Wednesday, September 22, to see how our senior monitor system runs in the cafeteria. These students, Dave Guintali, senior and president of the board; Carol Seibert, junior and chairman of the cafeteria committee; and Bard Turner, sophomore representative, unanimously agreed that Nilehi's system is tops.

Latin Students Know Hungarian, Greek Too

They're speaking Greek and Hungarian in the Latin classes! Many of the first and second year Latin students speak other languages besides Latin and English, according to Miss Grace Pendleton, Nilehi Latin teacher.

Harry Verras, sophomore, who reads and speaks Greek fluently, gave an illustrated talk on modern Greek in Latin III class recently.

Among other Latin students who can speak unusual languages are John Budai, freshman, who learned Hungarian from his mother; Joan and Joyce Van Parys, sophomores, who speak Belgian; and Paul Grasch, freshman, who speaks Polish almost as well as they do in Poland.

next few days, copies will be distributed to all those who ordered them.

Although it has always been the custom to have the school yearbook in June, the printers' strike of last spring held up publication and delayed it through the summer.

Arrangements will be made whereby last year's seniors will have an opportunity to get their Reflections, Mr. Van Arsdale said.

Club Flush

Spotlighter's Club-

The first meeting of the Spotlighter's Club was held Friday, September 17. The new board, all seniors, was chosen at the close of last year. They are: president, Angela Vosnos; vice president, Mary Morse; secretary, Nancy Thiell; treasurer, Jo Quesnell; and business administrator, Kaye Jaeger.

The dues for each person, which was one dollar last year, has been lowered to fifty cents.

The club plans to have guest speakers, give theater parties, and produce some outstanding plays during the school year.

Everyone is invited to join. Boys interested in building scenery, making properties, taking care of lighting, as well as performing, are especially welcomed, according to Miss Stemp.

Forensic Club-

The Forensic Club has high hopes for the 1948-1949 season after a practice season last year, according to Mr. Betts, adviser of the club.

Last year many non-decision debates were held with Arlington and New Trier.

The plans for this year include the possible formation of a debate league of nearby schools and entry in the Illinois High School Association tournament.

Also, the club members hope to win enough debates to gain a charter for a Nilehi chapter of the National Forensic League.

Returning debaters with interscholastic competition experience are Ed Archibald, John Young, Don Verlenden, Ashley Craig, Jim Arthur, and Nancy Gerhardt.

Their first meeting took place Tues-

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Slicked-Up School Pleads for Mercy

There are 52 weeks in a year and almost all of them are dedicated to something as 'Clean-up Week,' 'Baby Week,' 'Fire Prevention Week,' and 'Polite Week.' This next week we name and give to you, the students of Nilehi, a 'Be Kind to School Week.'

Now that you've got a whiff of what's coming, let's start at the bottom. No one likes to walk on a floor that's littered with paper wads, old lunches, and gum. If you don't want to push your way through debris between classes, throw your waste paper in the receptacles at the end of every hall.

Next on the list come the walls and desks. The janitors worked hard all last summer putting them back into shape again. Let's try to give the janitors a little less work this year by using an old piece of paper to doodle on during teacher's lecture and dull moments.

The lockers have been washed and sprayed and all the marks have been taken off. Did anyone notice how slick the halls looked the first day of school? Especially the lockers! Last year they were black from being kicked closed when there was something interfering. This year, think twice before you haul away and bang your locker!

Let's make EVERY week "Be Kind to School Week!"

day, September 21.

Ushers Club-

At a meeting held by the Ushers Club Tuesday, September 14, it was decided that the club's meetings will be held regularly on the fourth Wednesday of each month. The board meetings will take place on the second Wednesday monthly.

Mrs. Curl, faculty adviser to the club, announced the officers chosen at the meeting: president, Joyce Creaves; vice-president, Anne Juul; secretary, Pat Scheurman; treasurer, Sandra Ravencroft; senior representative, Diane Leach; junior representative, Phyllis Milazzo; and sophomore representative Donna Belik.

The freshmen will have a different representative appointed for each function.

'See Chicago' Club-

Nilehi's See Chicago Club, under the direction of Miss Grace Harbert, has once again begun plans for tours and excursions in and around the Chicago area.

According to Miss Harbert, a trip to the Chicago Post Office on September 27 is the first in the series, which includes the Brookfield Zoo, Maxwell Street, China Town, County Jail, Board of Trade, and Starved Rock, while the week of spring vacation will be spent at Springfield, New Salem, and other points of interest in Illinois.

Vacations Poll Finds Few Nilehi Loafers

If you just loafed this summer you belong in a category with very few other Nilehiers, for the majority of Nilehi students were very busy people. According to a Nilehilite poll, the most common occupation of the fellows was caddyng, while the plurality of the girls spent their time baby-sitting. Gas station tending and clerking in various stores ran a close third and fourth to these jobs.

Some students, such as Barbara Heim, freshman, went off on their own doing unusual jobs. Barbara played baseball in a girls' minor league, the "Northtown Coeds." A fellow freshman, Warren Erickson, sold worms during his vacation. He says the business is very profitable the morning after a rain.

James Dilley put in the summer as a chef at a summer camp. Delbert ("Honest Abe") Whitney followed in the footsteps of a famous American by splitting fence posts. Beattie Bornemeier gave a boost to the sick and ailing by working as a nurses' aid at Wesley Memorial Hospital.

Ralph Smith attempted to earn a livelihood working at the County Morgue. One day was enough for Ralph.

Cuban Student Likes Nilehi; Reporter Needs Interpreter

William Santos, a new member of this year's freshman class, has something more to talk about than the rest of us. Of course, when he tells you, he will have to speak Spanish, for Bill was born in Havana, Cuba, and has lived there all his life until he came to America this summer.

Bill is a handsome 13-year-old boy, with brown hair and brown eyes. He is about five feet tall and weighs 90 pounds.

When asked, through Miss Small, the Spanish teacher who acted as interpreter, how he liked the students at Nilehi, he just grinned and nodded his head. "Nilehi is a pretty school," he said, "and I am very impressed by it. Almost all the schools in Cuba are private and much smaller than this."

Bill is taking the same subjects as most other freshmen. His schedule includes algebra, English, science, and, of course, Spanish. He seems to be getting along quite well in his studies, even though he lacks a formal knowledge of the English language.

Bill is not going out for any sports this year, but he wants to continue his high school education here at N.T.H.S., so you may see him out on the baseball diamond or basketball court next year. He has many hobbies, but believes reading, baseball, and horseback riding lead the list.

Goldfinch, Gal, Trig Form Eternal Triangle

By Bill Graefen

As Herman Goldfinch, star athlete and "A" student, sat at the seashore's edge with his feet dangling and the cool clear water rushing between his toes, he thought of his return to school in the fall. Yes, already Herman's fingers were itching to get hold of a pencil and start writing term papers and just oodles of nice little daily exams.

Herman was waiting for his seashore sweetheart, but were his thoughts on her new two-piece bathing suit? Of course not! Herman was thinking what fun it would be to get back into the old swing of things. Chemistry, Latin, trigonometry, and biology. What a schedule! To sit down and go through a long involved history exam. Oh Boy!

Question: Give the history of man from Adam and Eve until 9:30 this morning. Be brief! This is not an essay question.

And then too, there will be football practice until 5:30 every day, swimming in the old tank on a frosty, tingling, below-zero morning, and homework... Gee, what fun it's going to be!

Oh well, Herman said that he could wait, and so he ran down to the boat-house where his girl was waiting. It was a quiet night and everything but the rushing in of the tide seemed still and lifeless. Herman moved closer and closer to her until finally his hand touched hers, and as chills ran up and down his spine and his finger tips tingled with the sensation, he said in a low whisper, "I'll see ya later; I'm going in now and work a few trig problems."

Interviews With Freshmen Reveal Various Personalities

The halls this year seem to be swarming with new faces, most of them freshmen. Getting acquainted with those new people has been fun for everyone here at Nilehi and we've discovered many of their opinions and ambitions, such as the following:

Richard LaVeau from Rugen School — Likes: the sports at Niles and the chance to get into them easily; the nice classrooms and teachers here. Dislikes: bigger fellows trying to pick on little guys. Hobby: Mechanics.

Virginia Wead from Cleveland School — Likes: the classes here, the kids and watching the fellows play football and basketball. Dislikes: having lunch seventh period, and climbing all the stairs. Ambition: to be a housewife.

Fred Bussey from Sauganash School — Likes: football, the friendly teachers at Niles. Dislikes: none so far. Ambition: to be a doctor.

Carol Rossmann from Niles Public School — Likes: the prettiness of our building, reading, drawing, movies, and horses. Dislikes: studyhall, nervous teachers. Ambition: fashion designer.

Fred Rummel from Glenview School — Likes: this big school and all sports. Dislikes: going to school. Ambition: joining the Coast Guard Academy.

Ellen Coleman from St. Peter School — Likes: Harold, watching football games, cheer-leading, playing the piano. Dislikes: noisy gum-chewers, conceited people. Hobby: photography, pets.

Allan Spethman from Edgebrook School — Likes: the swell teachers, the good food in the cafeteria. Dislikes: lots of home-work. Ambition: to be a farmer.

Sally Brewbaker from Egst Prairie School — Likes: some teachers, sports, the outdoors, cheer-leading. Dislikes: people who throw things. Hobby: collecting cards and stamps.



Have you noticed the lost and oh-so-bewildered look on the faces of the freshmen? Here's a little sage advice from the upperclassmen and sophomores. We hope it will help all frosh.

Question: What is your advice to this year's freshmen?

Joan Harrer, senior: Obey all seniors and try to keep the cafeteria tables clean.

Norma Seigel, sophomore: Don't let the upperclassmen scare you.

Bill Rummel, junior: Be sure to study in study halls.

Angela Vosnos, senior: Just be friendly and you'll get along swell.

Kaye Jaeger, senior: Remember—only two in a locker.

Barbara Daly, junior: Try to be on time to all of your classes. This sets a good example to your teachers.

Geri Dodge, junior: Keep admiring the juniors and seniors. Remember you'll be up there some day too.

Bev Dilley, junior: Don't let the seniors worry you.

Chuck Wagstaff, senior: You don't know what you're missing, but three years go fast.

Nancy Mohlar, sophomore: Be sure to come to all the games at school and as many away games as possible. School spirit means a lot.

Can You Imagine...

Pete Heiniger wimming a rumba contest?

Miss Harbert whistling in the cafeteria.

Kaye Haefel with a lily-white complexion?

Any senior girl not dieting?

Bob Witte with a 1949 convertible?

"Freshies" knowing where to go?

Miss Kranz chewing bubble gum in school?

What they say in a football huddle?

Lou Keeseey walking to school?

Karen Southworth without Bruce Harris?

Paul Jorgesen center on the Varsity basketball team?

Angie Vosnos with platinum blonde hair?

The Van Parys twins not looking alike?

Your reporter's identity?

Paul Byrd from Lincoln School — Likes: Nilehi and the swell kids. Dislikes: the too crowded atmosphere at school. Hobby: stamp collecting, woodshop.

Bonnie Kelly from Lincolnwood School — Likes: Don Pierce, her civics teacher, chewing gum. Dislikes: people who say "yes, ma'am" to her. Hobby: horse-back riding, piano playing.

Harold Kruger from Sharp Corner School — Likes: the cleanliness of Niles, the nice kids, the swell sports. Dislikes: study-hall. Hobby: playing the accordion.

Joanne Van Horne from Morton Grove School — Likes: swimming, music, shows, the subjects here at Niles. Dislikes: detention. Ambition: concert pianist.

Practice Is Key Word In Gridiron Vocabulary

By Pete Heiniger

What is the first thing you think of when the word "football" is mentioned? A brightly-lighted field? Cool, crisp air? A cheering crowd? Sure...that's what most people would say. But ask a player the same question. You'd get the answer in one word. **PRACTICE!!**

After a grueling six hours in school, the fellas journey down to the locker room. This lively place always bears a faint resemblance to an insane asylum, because there are usually dozens of sad cases searching for lost pieces of their football quipment. Bill Mickey is nearly always one of these, and he still can't understand how his pants manage to escape from his locked locker. It is rumored among the boys that "Little Ike", the adventurous mouse that wandered into the locker room a few weeks ago, is the guilty party. Lucky for "Ike" no evidence has yet been found to prove this theory.

Everyone finally gets on all his clothes and gallops out on the field, eager to start calisthenics. When there isn't a man left standing to carry on these limbering-up exercises, practice begins. Now comes the real work! The team has to brush up on running, go over plays, and practice tackling. Little "Red" Siegel, the powerhouse from the center of town, recently did the latter a little too energetically and broke 222 lb. Don Kettel's nose.

Football isn't all work and no play, though, because many funny things happen on the playing field. John Hall, a member of the St. George's squad last year, came to practice one day with his helmet on backwards. Things seemed pretty black to John for a while, but the cause of his ailment was discovered, and he was immediately cured.

When the coach finally calls time for the day, the boys make a dash for the locker and a hot shower. Hot shower, did I say? I meant "cool" shower, which is really very nice after you learn how to get the icicles off with an ice-pick.

After dressing, we gather our books and start homeward to a delicious cold supper. Then two or three hours of homework and off to bed. What do we dream of? Ask me another one, brother!

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Evidently N.T.H.S. is fast becoming known in all circles as a center of learning. Recently a small brown kitten decided to take up U.S. history and entered Mr. Betts' class through a window. Not discouraged by his cool reception and immediate dismissal, the kitten re-entered twice, and finally was allowed to follow the path of learning by quietly curling up in a sunny corner and going to sleep.

Roger Oslund from Golf School — Likes: baseball, basketball. Dislikes: anything that has to do with science. Hobby: photography.

Trojans Victorious Over Steinmetz; Varsity and Sophs Lose to West Aurora

The Nilehi varsity gridmen opened their 1948 season on Friday, September 17, by defeating Steinmetz, a Chicago school of nearly 4,000 students, 12-0.

The Trojans opened the scoring in the first quarter when Ed Beebe intercepted a lateral near the midfield stripe and ran 49 yards for a touchdown. Pete Heiniger missed the point after touchdown.

The Trojans racked up the final score late in the fourth quarter when quarterback Lenny Lange passed 10 yards to Ward Nipper who ran five yards for the score. Don Siegel missed the conversion.

The Nilehi sophomore football team defeated Steinmetz on Friday night, September 17, by a score of 18-14 on the Nilehi field.

Don Walters, Trojan quarterback, tossed two touchdown passes to end "Whitely" Garwsh in the first half, and Halfback Don Burg raced 55 yards for a tally in the second half, to complete the scoring for Niles.

Coulter of Steinmetz scored in the second quarter. A touchdown later in the game by Steinmetz made the final score 18-14.

Glamazons

By Danna Barbour

Welcome back, Glamazons, and a special hello to our new additions (freshies, that is). As sunbans fade away, the gals of Nilehi don their old faithful gym garb and get in the swing of things. Swing, did we say? Why sure—baseball is still in the air. With weather permitting, the girls in all gym classes have been swatting them into center or at least attempting to.

Miss Montgomery (Monty) returns to Nilehi with expectations of a year filled with new games and lots of fun. By this time all the girls should have met Miss Heitmann, this year's new gym instructor. She will sponsor the Girls' Athletic Association as well as regular classes.

The first new activity in the department will be field hockey, if equipment can be gathered before Old Man Winter sets in!

Swimming

Swimming classes are well under way and tests are being passed. In addition, a swimmer's club is being started for both boys and girls. Synchronized skills will be accented in the club.

Cheering

The new cheering squad, chosen last spring, has been holding tryouts for the freshmen and new girls. There will be three more girls added to the squad. Those already on the squad are Marilyn

Three touchdowns in the first half and one in the second by the West Aurora eleven were enough to defeat the Nilehi varsity 25 - 13 on West Aurora's field Friday, September 24.

A much harder tackling, harder running West Aurora team outrushed and outpassed the Trojans throughout the game. The Trojans picked up a total yardage gained of 152 to 249 for West Aurora.

The Trojan gridmen gained five first downs while West Aurora picked up 12.

Last Friday night, September 24, the Nilehi sophomore Trojans suffered their first defeat this season on the Aurora field by a score of 19 - 14.

Isaacson Sees Grid Clinic

Harold Isaacson, head athletic director and varsity football coach at Nilehi, attended a four-day football clinic at Kalamazoo College, Kalamazoo, Michigan, late last June.

Paul Brown, coach of the famous Cleveland Browns football team, was the director of the affair, which was attended by more than 150 coaches from all over the country. Brown was assisted by Fritz Heisler and Blanton Collyer, who are also coaches of the Cleveland team.

The group saw movies and demonstrations and listened to lectures on football. "It was very interesting and worthwhile," said Coach Isaacson.

Mr. Phipps recently had some trouble with his car. Returning from Benton Harbor, his car broke down ten miles from the nearest town. Result: Mr. Phipps was a day late to school!

Reiland, Ellen Patzke, Mari Cysewski, Jane Nymark, Joan Andrews, Edith Walther, and Kaye Jaeger.

G.A.A. News

"New year, new activities" is the motto of the G.A.A. This year's board will be: president, Joan Harrer; vice-president, Carol Stockenberg; treasurer, Beverly Dilly; secretary, Jean Votava, with assistants, Astrid Halbrendt and Joyce Bauman; and publicity chairman, Danna Barbour.

The following program has been set up for after-school activities: swimming or soccer on Monday and Thursday; square dancing or badminton on Wednesday. This year each sport will be handled individually. Those girls participating in a particular sport will elect a leader, who will act as manager.

Sport Slants

by Ed Beebe

Mr. Phipps, freshman football coach and varsity baseball coach, spent most of the summer playing baseball with the Benton Harbor Buds. He hit at a scorching .389 clip. Nice goin', coach!

Incidentally, Mr. Phipps and Mr. Hussey are building an apartment house at 4832 Hull Street. A picture of the building appeared recently in the real estate section of the *Chicago Tribune*.

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Mr. Mackey, coach of the sophomore football team, reports that his team is rather "small," but not only in stature. Recently, he had only 19 boys out for practice.

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The sophomore, junior, and varsity football teams have been practicing since August 25!

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Mr. Schubert said that as he watched the freshman boys work out on their first day of football practice, he was impressed with their spirit and pep.

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The powerful football machine of the University of Michigan is well-known to most of us today, but maybe you didn't know that in the early days of football at that great school, the football field had to be cleared of weeds for the games to be played on it! Also, the players had to furnish all their own equipment!

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Jim Kennedy, center: "I wish we were back in the old conference."

Marty Seidler, back: "I'd rather play in a conference, but it's better than not playing at all."

Dick Norman, tackle: "You play harder in a conference, and you have the will to win that conference."

Ward Nipper, end: "Conference play makes it more interesting."

Lenny Lange, back: "I don't like playing against strange teams, because you don't understand their tactics".

Mackey Addresses Sophs

Mr. Bob Mackey, addressing the sophomore class on September 16, urged more sophomore boys to come out for football. Only 19 boys were out for that team. He also asked the members of the class to back up the team with spirit and cheering at the games.

The sophomore team went out to defeat Steinmetz High School 18-14 on September 17.

Tonight the Nilehi gridmen meet Belvidere on the home field. A sophomore game will precede the varsity tilt. The games start at 6:15 and 8:15 respectively.