

To 801 Nilehites --

Feb. 6—Lake Forest here 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 6-7—American Legion play 8:15 p.m.
Feb. 10—All-school assembly — Gym
9 a.m.
Feb. 10—Book review assembly 7:30
p.m.
Feb. 11—Leyden here 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 12—Lincoln's birthday. Holiday.
Feb. 13—Libertyville there 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 14—Donkey basketball — Gym
7:30 p.m.
Feb. 20—Warren here 7:30 p.m.

School Play Shows Trials of Draftee

Behind the footlights this March, an all-school cast of 32 will relive the troubles of a draftee in a brand new spring play "My Heart Beats for You." This three-act drama, written by Anne Coulter Martens, will have its world's premiere at Nilehi. The play, still in manuscript form, may bear the names of those in the original cast when published.

As announced last Monday, the double cast for the "first night" includes L. Anderson, A. Madsen, B. Dickinson, D. Boyd, G. Davis, C. Neutz, G. Kuhn, L. Miller, M. McKeever, J. Blameuser, B. Rasmussen, J. Price, P. Dickinson, J. Ohlson, J. Holmes, D. Cotanche, D. Smyser, P. Reiland, P. Canty, M. Leonard, B. Moore, M. Throop, R. Miller, J. Florus, D. Deever, C. Koller, and J. Fisher.

Undergoing its first rehearsal early next week, the play pictures a versatile American family "enduring" life near an army camp. Steady, dependable grandmom has her troubles as young Kip Larkin's multitude of girl friends tangle. The Larkin living room, during the play, is host to a wolf, a ghost, a glamorous movieland star, and part of Uncle Sam's army. Class 1A for comedy, a three-night run is scheduled for this play.

Miss Bronson Returns From Foreign Voyage

"I had a grand time, but I'm glad to be back and see everyone," remarked Miss Edith Bronson, Spanish and sophomore English teacher upon her return to school from a trip to Costa Rica, Central America. Miss Bronson was one of two persons sent to Costa Rica by the government on a fellowship to study.

The highlights of her trip consisted of a journey to a volcano and the witnessing of an earthquake.

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Faculty and Seniors Will Ride In Donkey Basketball Fracas

Assembly Tuesday Illustrates Science

Demonstrations showing "The Magic of Science" will be presented by Glenn L. Morris, well known science lecturer, next Tuesday during the first period.

Mr. Morris specializes in telling scientific facts clearly and amusingly with the aid of his elaborate equipment. Demonstrations of electricity at pressures as high as 100,000 volt flashes of lightning, will give a closeup of one of nature's most spectacular phenomena. Mr. Morris' stroboscopic illusions show things which do not happen. The possibilities of the electric eye as a tool will also be demonstrated.

Mary Lou Leonard 'Talks Way to Top'

In the final round of the American Legion Oratorical contest, Mary Lou Leonard talked her way to the top with her prize-winning oration "America Moves Ahead." Finishing second and third, respectively, were Tom Sheridan and Doris Mussil. Medals will be presented this trio in the near future at a joint meeting of the Legion and its auxiliary.

Joe Fisher, Merle Iverson, and Harley Anderson won honorable mention atop nearly 150 entries that were eliminated earlier.

As NTHS will not enter the district semi-finals, Nilehi's competition for the year is closed.

Noted Lecturer to Close Season Here Tuesday

Florence Burke Ellis, noted lecturer, will speak here next Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in her fourth and final book review this season. The book to be reviewed had not been announced at this writing.

Although all season passes have been sold, tickets to this program may be obtained at the door for 50 cents.

Triple-Header Basketball Begins 7:30, February 14

Give a man a donkey he can ride will be the Valentine wish at a double header donkey basket ball game to be played by the faculty versus the seniors, and the Skokie Rotary club versus the Morton Grove Lions club at Nilehi, Saturday evening, February 14 at 7:30 p.m.

A third game of regular basketball will be played by two all-star teams from the Niles Township Basket ball league.

Donkey basket ball is played on donkeys equipped with rubber shoes to protect the gym floor. The first two games promise to be both amusing and exciting. For instance, if a player were to tell his donkey to "giddyap," more than likely that stubborn animal would just stand still.

If a ball is dropped while it is being shot, or if the animal sits down and the rider slides off while shooting, it will be necessary for the player to get his ball and climb back on before proceeding to shoot.

"There is just one reminder," said Superintendent R. E. Cotanche, "activity cards can not be used."

Prices will be 30 cents for students, 40 cents for adults, and 15 cents for children. Proceeds will go into the band uniform fund.

Mom, Pop, Plus 4 Kids Star in Comedy Tonight

From over in the house next door, "That Crazy Smith Family" will be here on Nilehi's stage tonight and tomorrow night at 8:15 p.m. A comedy depicting the "just average" American family, Mom and Pop have their little problems — in fact four of them. Add a maiden aunt and a love-shy professor plus a sophisticated vamp and a male "menace," and the scenes pack plenty of action!

The play, sponsored by the American Legion and directed by Mrs. Ruth Esch, will raise funds for the American Defenders' Council of Skokie.

Niblets: 1942 Sees Many New Twos Romancing As Gals Ask Romeos to Hop

With aspirins in one hand and a glass of water in the other we managed to notice through sleepy eyes the semester's newest finds:

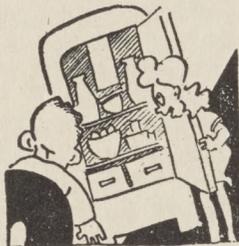
Couple of the week: Darrell Hoffman and Joan Briggs.

Song of the Week: "Blues in the Night."

Saying of the Week: We'd better park and save tires: priorities, of course.

As the Toddle Tots trucked off to the Japanese (censored) sandman (Incidentally, stolen from Red Skelton) we find the old steadies fainting at the new combinations. Take for instance . . . Ted Canty and Florence Schramm, Nancy Allen and Jim Rasmussen, Marion Robertson and Gene Lebbin, plus Caryl Jaycox and Cliff Whittington.

As the last number was being played who did we find but Claire Juniac and Joe Fisher, Gloria Malchrist and Jack O'Connell (from Quigley), Bill Carroll and Pat



Canty, Bart Hegarty and Katie Clark, Betty Burns and Dan Petty, Pat Dean and Floyd Hunziker: and for entertainment after the dance see the couple at the right, at least it's inexpensive on your pocketbooks, girls.

Scene in the pool: Pat Reiland going slightly mad when she was finally awarded her blue cap with Virginia McClure looking on and saying, "I can dream, can't I?" Just then Dolores Mertes shot past clutching her suit in her hands . . . P.S. the front and back half of the suit had decided to part company . . .

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Speaking of dreams — which we weren't — have you heard Edith Muto telling about the time she dreamt she was Emily of the Dionne quintuplets? Strong stuff this water, Edith. Lillian Baptist dreamt she was in Africa with Marilyn Bennett. The cannibals were chasing them and put Lillian into a pot of boiling water. Do you think you left a heating pad in your bed, Lil?

Well, fellows, it seems that if St. Nick doesn't drain you of your money

for the best gal's present, St. Valentine will, and next Saturday is Valentine's day. Gee! Whiteman's chocolates are good, aren't they girl's? And think of all the money you spent on Jim for the Turnabout.



Profiles From Rock, Minerals To Skulls of Birds

Lepidopera, butterflies and moths to you, are Stanley Kendall's chief interest. When he's not busy with trig or chemistry, he's relaxing and mounting some of the most beautiful specimens ever seen.

Stan, a senior, is about six foot one, brown hair, and a mind for remembering scientific data concerning Dame Nature's children.

"My interest in entomology has carried me through many fields," he said, "It all started with leaves and twigs, I guess. Then, it sort of got out of my hands and the next thing I knew I was collecting everything from rocks and minerals to skulls and the feet of birds."

Stan's collection of butterflies and moths numbers more than 150. Some come from India, Australia, and South America as well as from the states.

The National Biological association has asked that his collection be included in its display at the Stevens hotel. His collection was here last spring with many additions such as the Owl butterfly whose underside looks exactly like an owl's face.

In scouting Stan holds the distinction of being an Eagle Scout working for his Silver Palm.

A Day in 'Asylum' Spent by Cobina

Dear Brenda,

Last week I went to N.T.H.S. You know, that bee-u-ti-ful high school in Skokie. Well, I was wanderin' 'round the halls looking for a *man*, when all of a sudden I found myself in room 314. Don't ask me what made me go in there — must have been my womanly institution.

You should have heard the kids in that room saying things like, "Who took my leg — where's my three eyes — who stole my wings?" Well, I was so embarrassed, I thought I'd swoon; how was I to know that they had a room for the mentally unbalanced at N.T.H.S.?

But that ain't all. Just to satisfy my womanly cureiositte, I turned around to get just one look — and you know what — all of the wacks in that room were *guuestulating* (I added that word to my vocabyaulary last week) and pointing to some indivisibull object. They even talked funny — I guess they've got their own lingo — I copied some of the words from a scrap of paper laying loose on the table. Here's a few of 'em: *metamorphosis, lepidoptera, hydrotropism, gryllus assimilus* — and they all understand it!

And, you should have seen the crazy way they decorated the room — dried up roots, framed insects, stuffed animals, and even the "gooey" insides of some frogs and stuff. Mr. Benette, he's the head keeper, tried to explain something and so did some inmates by the names of Fred Wilcox, Lois Anderson, Lillian Miethke and — but, gee, they talked that awful lingo!

Well, I didn't stay very long. I didn't even bother to look at the *men*. (Well, not very much).

Bye Now,

Yours till we get caught,
(by a *man* I hope)

Cobina

Whozit

He's a junior this year with eyes of green.

His sauntering walk can always be seen

As he goes down the hall with Bill, his pal.

And no one knows just who is his gal. He's known for pitching ball as he is quite handy.

Also as prexy of 101 he's dandy. Richard is his real name

But for his nickname he is famed.

Richard "Butch" Glauner

Sophomores Head All Classes By Leading Quarter Honor Roll

Sophomores lead all other classes with 28 students on the honor-roll for the first quarter.

Seniors

M. Bergmark, V. Rueter, L. Mietke, G. Langan, W. Kunkel, R. Gerhardt, N. Heidtke, D. Cotanche, D. Nelson, B. Wetmore, R. Podraza, F. Ochs, D. Lutz, J. Kadlec, R. Hartney, A. Grover, L. Anderson, E. Johnson.

Juniors

J. Watkins, V. Stoll, J. Lutkehaus, B. Stielow, D. Franson, D. Dever, W. Stockfisch, E. Nordquist, V. Lenzen, R. Boyd, M. Woodworth, K. Winger, R. Tolzien, Pat Galitz, A. Bartz.

Sophomores

J. Price, H. Hart, D. Hampton, J. Cutsler, M. McNiell, L. Splett, B. Mason, R. Pasek, B. Kramer, N. Holoppa, L. Harper, M. Conrad, J. Lannert, M. Voyvodich, E. Smith, G. Peschke, B. Farr, M. DeWitt, B. Bray, J. Warokomski, T. Roess, C. Rizzo, J. Holmes, R. Harston, H. Harles, A. Gatzke, T. Davidson, F. Boufford.

Freshmen

H. Jarasch, T. Wetmore, R. Olson, D. Wolcott, A. Schmitt, D. Sandberg, J. Gagliardo, R. Dammann, A. Schirra, S. Rohner, S. Lawrence, M. Jenetten, H. Fliieger, V. Didier, J. Detweiler, P. Canty, H. Camp, N. Bogner, M. Bishop.

Honorable Mention

Seniors

H. Anderson, D. Mussil, R. Buthman, P. Donnell, O. Krajchovich, M. Leonard, J. Murray, P. Perlman, B. Rasmussen, P. Reiland, H. Wertz, J. Yates, D. Baumann.

Juniors

N. Allen, D. Burkland, L. Christenson, P. Conrad, J. Deatrick, G. Deily, D. Grembecki, R. Hennig, R. Rentzsch, M. Schultz, G. Thulstrup, V. Wyatt.

Sophomores

J. Breckenridge, J. Byron, H. Langan, W. Marson, G. Nelson, G. Rossman, H. Ruesch, C. Valkenaar.

Alderman Gets Cars For Auto Shop Boys

Here's one case where a lack of rubber tires won't stop an increase in cars at Nilehi. Due to the large enrollment in Mr. Robert Mackey's auto shop course, it has been necessary to obtain more used cars than are on hand. Mr. Mackey has written to Alderman Allman in Chicago and at present the wished-for cars are waiting down on Navy Pier at the Chicago Stowe and Auto Police garage.

Freshmen

W. Clynes, S. Grosse, M. Kendall, R. King, E. Koch, E. Kraus, P. Lannert, R. Lumpf, D. Lyon, E. Miethke, M. Nelson, E. Reimann, A. Schmitt, W. Stielow, D. Swanson, M. Trausch, P. Winger.

Freshman Honor Students '40-'41

Eight points: B. Bray, J. Cutsler, D. Hampton, J. Harrer, J. Keating, J. Lannert, W. Moorad, J. Price, F. Smith, L. Splett, M. Conrad, A. Gatzke, L. Harper, N. Holoppa, B. Kramer, B. Mason, R. Pasek, T. Roess, M. Stritch.

Seven points: H. Hart, M. DeWitt, R. Cutler, R. Harston, J. Warokomski.

Six points: F. Boufford, M. McNeill.

Five points: B. Ashley, R. Hamburg, C. Einhaus, E. Molitor.

Room 211 Shows Medieval History

Guillotines, stonehenges, clay knights on chargers; tapestries, weapons of early warfare, maps, miniature rooms, printing presses, flags, and mummy cases are only a few of the objects "d'art" which greet the visitor of room 211.

For the last semester Miss Carolyn Lumpf's World History groups have been making projects for display in their classroom. A few of the outstanding projects turned in are a soap model of the Holy Sepulcher of Jerusalem by Winifred Stowe; clothespin dolls dressed in period costumes by Nona Jane Holappa; a cave man and knight on a horse out of clay by Bob Wareham; a Mohammedan Tower, which called Mohammedans to prayers, of wood and cardboard by Richard Cutler; maps embroidered by Alma Gatzke and Pat Cole; a tapestry of William the Conqueror at the Battle of Hastings drawn by Elizabeth Anne Krysher; especially fine drawings by Jim Lannert, Jane Breckenridge, Barbara Mason, and LaVerne Maeder.

Students Get Chance To Practice First Aid

If you happened to glance in room 308 last week and saw a lot of impressive invalids suffering from broken legs and arms, we hope you didn't get excited; because the scene was a part of Miss Alice Stone's study in first aid.

This 'n That

Vassar Offers Scholarship

This year the Chicago and North Shore Vassar clubs are offering a Vassar scholarship of \$600 to a student in the Chicago area who will enter college as a freshman in the fall of 1942.

Application must be made in writing before March 15, 1942, to Mrs. Eugene S. Talbot, chairman of the Scholarship committee, 62 East Division street, Chicago.

From N.T.H.S. to U.S.N.

A letter, just received from "Bill" Taylor, former Nilehi student, by Mr. Cotanche, gives the information that Bill enlisted in the Navy last March, and is now on the U.S.S. Philadelphia.

Attends Band Clinic

Mr. Clifford Collins attended the Band and Orchestra clinic for region III on Friday and Saturday, January 16 and 17.

Twirlers to Perform Tonight

Tonight five twirlers, performing with lighted batons, will "glamorize" the half as the Trojans entertain the Lake Forest bucketeers.

Something New Has Been Added

New additions to the choir this semester are sophomores Pearl Pasek, Irwin Thomas, James King, Robert Pasek, Grace Nelson; and senior Christiane de Caro.

Gleeful Singing

At the freshmen musical assembly last Friday the freshmen glee club sang and conducted a community sing.

Notes From Art Department

The advanced art class is planning advertising layouts for magazines and newspapers. This includes lettering and fashion designing. . . The other classes are working on calendars. For each month of the calendar, a block print of a school department is shown . . . Mr. John G. Wilkins is in charge of the new drafting department at Northwestern university.

Ah, Poetic Youth!

Two of ye moderne English stanzas that resulted in Miss Lucille Ronalds' freshmen English classes after studying old English ballads are as follows: *Dramatics, dramatics, dramatics, dramatics.*

English, English, English, English. Mathematics, mathematics, mathematics, mathematics.

Monotonous, isn't it?

By Jim Tagney

*Some days I have one study hall,
And others I have two,
But usually in most of them
I have too much to do.*

By Tom Wetmore

Trojan Cagers Aim For Ninth Victory

TERMITES

In the Bench

Last Friday senior boys went through their first class of conditioning. This class which was created to put the boys a step ahead in the war emergency, includes marching, chin-ning, running, and tumbling, as well as other forms of exercise. It is being well received by the senior fellows.

The boys aren't the only ones going in for conditioning these days. Moans and groans accompany six hard minutes of calisthenics which precede each volley ball game in the girls' gym classes. By the way, have you noticed the cute new uniforms the leaders have been wearing? Don't they look snazzy!

Ted Canty is running the mile every morning in preparation for the varsity track team. According to Ted the ankle he broke playing football is as strong as ever.

Girls, be sure to practice ping pong during volley ball season. When that season draws to a close the ping pong tournament will begin. The first eight rounds will be played after school. Entering the tournament is optional, but every girl must play sometime during the spring semester.

Babushkas, too numerous to mention, seemed to fill the halls at the close of last semester. If you noticed, most of them had water logged expressions underneath. They were the girls who belong to the society of late swim make-ups.

Pins flew for Jean Holmes and "Duke" Hezener as they won the annual mixed doubles bowling tournament with a total of 627 pins. Second place went to Pat Dean and Bill Dahm with a total of 610 pins. To the winners went medals emblematic of victory. High game went to Norris Mulendore with a 206 game.

As this copy goes to press the freshman basketball team has played six games, winning four and losing two.

Scores are as follows.

Niles	42	Libertyville	21
Niles	26	Maine	18
Niles	36	Lake Forest	35
Niles	19	Arlington	18
Niles	8	Leyden	20
Niles	25	Lake Forest	41

Girls' swim department by-lines—"Who took my soap?"—"Gosh, there goes my towel, right in the water,"—"Is my hair soaked!"

Vital Game on Feb. 13 Championship at Stake

With only three more conference games left to the season, the varsity quintet girds itself for a finishing spurt to hold the conference lead. Tonight, the Lake Forest Scouts, who have a record of wins and defeats exactly opposite to ours, invade our court to attempt to live up to their traditional jinx.

The Trojan cagers go into battle with the Scouts, to gain their ninth victory in the conference having won eight by defeating Crystal Lake 41 to 36. The J.V. also were victorious, beating the Tiger's second place J.V. 41 to 31.

Even the schedule seems to be on our side this year. Our return match with Libertyville will be our next to the last game, enabling us another chance to an untied championship should we lose to Leyden who comes here Wednesday night or Warren, whom we meet February 20, here.

The Trojan five travels to Libertyville to determine the championship of the Northeast conference, on that unlucky day, Friday the thirteenth. The only defeat that Libertyville has suffered so far was our victory by two points at the beginning of the season, so they will be out for revenge as well as the championship.

Should that day and game prove unlucky for Libertyville, a team of exuberant Trojans will present Niles Township High School with their first untied undefeated championship.

Closing Swim Meet Sees Records Fall

Shattering all previous school records, two of Nilehi's "water boys" plowed the waves at Maine Township in record-breaking time. Though both varsity and frosh-soph swimming squads were defeated by Maine's well-established tanksters, NTHS gained an aquatic victory when Gene Lebbin and Al Wittorf broke their own records.

Lebbin, in the 100 yard crawl, fell his old mark of 1.07.1, recording 1.04.2 in this event. Similarly, sophomore Wittorf erased his former 50 yard breast-stroke mark of 39.5 seconds, chalking up a new low with 36.5.

As the season closed on Nilehi's third tank team, final statistics point to Lebbin, Gerhardt, and Nitch as the '41 Trojan pacemakers in crawl, and diving, respectively. As in past years, the squad's chief setback has been a weakness in number of swimmers, especially in breast and backstroke.

Next year the varsity will probably count heavily on the support of Holmes, Wittorf, Cook, Christensen, and Heinz, since most of the varsity leaves in June.

Seniors Challenge Tall Faculty Team

The five seniors who will mount their noble steeds to battle the faculty as well as their long-eared means of transportation in the donkey basketball game next Saturday, have not yet been chosen. A ruling that all seniors out for basketball cannot play, will limit the field of choice to seniors on intramural teams.

The starting positions on the faculty quintet are hotly contested, but a decided height advantage will probably be the determining factor. Coaches Taylor and Galitz will flash as forwards while senior adviser, Mr. Harold Ohlson will battle it out with his mule at the center's position. Staunch guard material in Messrs Kent, Flagg, Mackey, and Isaacson will probably prove to be a defensive advantage. Mr. Clement Meier, Mr. J. C. Benette and Mr. John Lienhard will undoubtedly relieve exasperated players.

Sharp-shooting Superintendent R. E. Cotanche will not appear with the faculty members but will appear, instead, with the Skokie Rotary club in the second game of the triple header.

STILL TOPS!

VARSITY

Team	Won	Lost
Niles	8	0
Libertyville	7	1
Arlington	5	3
Woodstock	4	4
Warren	4	4
Crystal Lake	4	5
Leyden	1	7
Lake Forest	0	9

JUNIOR VARSITY

Team	Won	Lost
Libertyville	8	0
Crystal Lake	6	3
Lake Forest	6	3
Niles	5	3
Woodstock	4	4
Leyden	2	6
Warren	1	7
Arlington	1	7