

## Life Raft, Poison Mushrooms <br> Take Part in One-Act Plays

Whether you would rather be on a life raft with four dying men, or at a luncheon where poison mushrooms are the order of the day, you will get what you want and more at the One-act Plays, to be ${ }_{I}$ resented March 3 and 4.
"This year we have something newan all-boy play, which is quite dramatic," says Miss Virginia Stemp, director.

There is also an all-girl comedy and a mystery to round out the evening's entertainment.
"Mushrooms Coming Up," "High Window," and "Minor Miracle," are the plays to be given next Friday and Saturday in the assembly. Tickets are 30 cents for students and 60 cents for adults.

Curtain goes up at 8:15 p.m.

## Model Gives Tips to Ushers

Good grooming and how to be a gracious hostess were the main points of the talk given to the Ushers Club, February 7, by Miss "Jaybee" Trask, a model from the Estelle Compton studio in Evanston.

According to Miss Trask, the main elements that an usher should cultivate are grace, poise, and charm.

## Should Teen-agers Use Car?

"Life with Mother, Father, Sister, Brother, and Grandfather," a comedy written and acted by homeroom 313, was the entertainment at the sophomore assembly for February.
The plot centered around the question "Should a teen-ager be allowed to use the car on Saturday night?" Grandpa, played by Ralph Jacobson, convinced Mother and Father that they should let their teen-age son use the car.

Committees, Plans Under Way For Golden Rendezvous, Mar. 11

Golden Rendezvous, the senior dance of 1950 , will be presented on March 11. This is the second annual dance presented by the seniors.

The committees and their chairmen have been chosen: the steering committee, Mr. Hoosline and Barbara Kokum; the entertainment, Mr. Michael and Jim Johnson; the decorations, Miss Ronalds, Miss Harrison, and Lou Keesey; promotions, Mr. Betts and Bob Tait; sales, Miss Immel and Dolores Nellessen; and bids, Mr. Meier and Chuck Jones.

The dance will be in the boys' gym, and will last from 9 to midnight. Bids will be $\$ 2.50$ per couple.

## Room 317 Gains ‘Blessed Event’

A blessed event came to Room 317 on January 25 . Its weight is 485 pounds and its height is three feet. Its name is Hotpoint Automatic. Hotpoint has a rather pale complection of porcelain enamel.

Among the Hotpoint stove's many attractive features are four burners, two ovens, and a timer. Hotpoint hasn't been installed as yet, but her probable baptism will be done within a month, according to Miss Florence Butler, foods instructor.

## The Crystal Ball

## FEBRUARY

Fri. 17 Basketball, Niles vs, Marmion Military Academy (here)
Sat. 18 Basketball, Niles vs. York (there) Tue See Chicago Club: Cook County Jail Fri. 24 One-Act Plays

State Swimming Meet (New Trier) Basketball, Niles vs. New Trier (there) Sat. 25 Basketball, Niles vs. New Trier (here)
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## Golden Galleon Guild Initiates First Members

The formal initiation of 35 members into the Golden Galleon Guild was held on February 14 under the supervision of Mrs. Robert Rice, sponsor of the Guild.

The initiation began with the organizing of five groups to present spot pantomines. Then an exam of twenty "difficult" questions followed.

Upon completion of these activities, all members took the pledge of the club.
The members initiated: Cynthia Brock, Joan Lacey, Barbara Banghart, Marilyn Martin, Joan Searing, June Birgerson, Leota Frische, Allan Weissburg, Laura Burns, Bruno Dal Corobbo, Barbara Gunsaulus, Lynn Mattes, Edith Brunt, Diane Coleman, Don Walter, Janis DeVries, Geri Dodge. Charles King, Winifred Bodinus, Pat Ebert, Janet Haman, Elsa Stromberg, Roberta Archi-
bald, Rosemary Shuman, Dorothy Von Eitzen, Katherine Nibblett, Joe Donavan, Jeanine Jacobs, Diane Kessel, Marcia Saar, Lois Lasher, Margot Mark, Barbara Black, Barbara Kokum, and Jack Brown.

## Spotlighters Accepted to National Thespian Society

A great honor has come to the Spotlighters in the form of acceptance in the National Thespian Society, according to Miss Virginia Stemp, faculty sponsor.
"The National Thespian Society is to dramatics as the National Honor Society is to scholarship, and in order to maintain this honor, the Spotlighters must continue to meet the rigid requirements of the National Thespian Society," said Miss Stemp.

A formal initiation of the 11 students who are to become life-time members of the National Thespian Society will be held in an all-school assembly some time in March.

## Club to Visit County Jail

Tomorrow afternoon the See Chicago Club will visit the County Jail. This is one of the most interesting trips in the series, according to Miss Grace Harbert, sponsor.

The number of seniors participating in this trip is limited to 75 .
"Seeing the jail and the people in it at first hand is a better lesson than all the text books or parents could give," stated Miss Harbert.

## Assembly to Feature Cartoonist

Mr. Paul Burk, a cartoonist, will be the feature of the next all-school assembly. He will perform before his Nilehi audience on Monday, February 20.
The assembly will be an afternoon one, beginning at 2:15, according to Mr. Marvin Ihne.

## Boys Enjoy Assignment Of Making Projects

"The boys enjoy this more than any other assignment of the year," says Mr. George Roth, boys' general science teacher about the freshman boys' science projects.
Fred Rother stuffed a snow owl, two other owls, and several prairie animals which he caught near his home. Paul Kelley caught and mounted three fish and Larry Jung brought a live wild fox for his project.
Pete Moosmann, Read Sinclair, Don Dressel, and Jim Thurlwell made an exhibit of midget racing cars, and Lervin Schmidt made a minature of the Nilehi football field - complete with flood lights.

Other unusual projects are a two-way radio, a model steam engine, a shortwave receiver, an actual airplane radio, and various airplane models.

## Music Department Attempts To Prove 'Silence Is Golden'

"Silence is golden," and the music department at Nilehi is out to prove this famous adage. Two sound-proof rooms have been constructed in the music room. Sound-proof doors and sound-proof walls have been installed to separate the singing of Miss Clara Klaus's vocal group from Mr. Clifford Collin's instrumental students.

The two rooms will be used by Mr. Collins, who will give instrumental instruction there during the school day. In addition to the rooms, several large cabinets have been built for storage of musical instruments and band uniforms.

Room 309, not to be outdone by the music department, also has the new look. Wall shelves have been completed for the chemistry department and will be used for much-needed storage space.

## Excerpts from Exchanges

I eat my peas with honey,
I have done it all my life.
They do taste kind of funny,
But it keeps them on the knife.
The Cardinal
Arlington Heights, 111.
Now I lay me down to sleep,
The lecture's dry, the subject's deep.
If he should quit before I wake,
Someone kick me, for goodness sake!
Found: In the Arlington Heights' "Cardinal," a Christmas poem by Sally Lutkehaus, former Nilehi student.

F-ierce lessons
L-ate lunch
U-nexpected company
N -ot prepared
K-icked out
Student "W" World
Waukegan, Ill.

## Strictly Senior

Six seniors completed the requirements for graduation at the end of the first semester, according to Mr. Harold Ohlson, senior adviser.

Georgia Colman and Rosalie Sefick are both planning to enter the secretarial field.
Joe Wilgus, Richard Rasmussen, Marty Seidler, and Richard Hughes all plan to work until September when they will enter college.

Girls, remember way back when: in our Freshman year our skirt and "sloppy joe" sweater lines almost met?

The 1950 senior dance is only the second dance of this kind. The idea was started by last year's senior class.

Three former Nilehiers have received honors at Eastern Illinois college, Charleston, Illinois.
Howard Siegel, '48 graduate, received high honors, which means he had "A's" in three subjects and a " $B$ " in the fourth. Jesse Porter and Richard Shiley, both '49 graduates, and Edwin Soergel, '48, received honors, meaning they had "A's" in two subjects, a " $B$ " in the third, and a "B" or a "C" in a fourth.
"Ain't she sweet...see her walking down the street. .." That tune is a familiar one of Rollin Glazer and his band, "The Blue Notes."

Rollin likes good music, Jean Votava, football games, and good food. He dislikes girls who wear a lot of make-up, people who talk behind your back, and squash.

After graduation Rollin is planning to go to Northwestern.

Remember? No? Think! That's right-Barbara Banghart, Miriam in the play "Dear Ruth."

Barb has been interested in dramatics since she was a freshman, and now she has had her chance at the movies. Lately she has been taking part in Coronet Instructional Films in Glenview. The most recent picture is "Let's Have a Party."

Barb likes convertibles, swim meets, dramatics, and school dances. Her ideal boy is 5 feet 9 inches, has light brown hair and green eyes. She dislikes Monday mornings, tests, and rough boys.


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## Surveys Main Topic in Junior English Class

Surveys, surveys, surveys was the password of Mr. Paul Eberhardt's junior English classes recently. "The students have been learning to take surveys in order to justify opinion," said Mr. Eberhardt.

All "Hopalong or Lone Ranger" enthusiasts will be down-hearted to find out that Arthur Godfrey and "Uncle Miltie" were chosen the top television shows in a survey by Joyce Van Parys and Joyce Bruening. The masked man ran a close second, though.
If you are a male, $5^{\prime} 11^{\prime \prime}$, have brown hair and brown eyes, you will really make a hit with 35 of 63 junior girls, according to another survey.
Russell O'Grady and Charles Jauss had an unusual survey on types of cars of Ni 'ehi students and their families. The four most frequently possessed cars, according to their report, were Chevrolet, Plymouth, Ford and Buick, the boys said. Much to their disappointment, Russell and Charles found no Rolls-Royces or Dusenburgs.

## Stork Delivers 8 Hairless 'Children' to Biology Room

"Mr. Hussey, you have eight new children!" This was the statement made by Dianne Coleman in the biology room during fifth-sixth period on February 6.
The stork's bundle of eight pink and hairless "children" was discovered by Dianne, Pat Shannon, and Pat Hank, who feed and care for the animals in Room 314.
"The chocolate colored mother is very cannibalistic, and would eat the little ones if a human smell would come in contact with them by handling," says Mr. Charles Hussey, biology instructor.

In case you're wondering, they are an addition to the mouse families used later in the semester for the study of cross breeding.

## 2 New Gators in Biclogy Lab

Tough skin, long tails, and bulging eyes might be a good description of the two-month old alligators that Jane Heath, junior, received recently from her grandfather in Fort Worth, Texas. The alligators were found in the Trinity River that flows through Fort Worth.

Jane brought the 'gators, who are named Daphne and Victor, to the biology laboratory where they will reside for the rest of the year.

Mr. Hoosline, while checking over some of the reasons given by his algebra students for taking algebra, found one that said "...so I can help my brother get through easier."

On Tuesday, January 31, Nilehi had six teachers absent. Even the truant officer was gone!

## This ' $n$ ' That

It seems that Nilehi boys are taking a liking to competitive bowling. In the Tuesday night league at the Skokie Bowling Lanes, six Nilehi boys are participating in the competitive bowling. The bowlers are Ken LaPlant, Harold Siemsen, Dick Baumann, Ray Ruesch, Chuck Risinger, and Jim Suckow.

A new fad in jewelry could possibly be started by Pat Ebert, junior, who wears a bracelet made out of medals her grandmother won as the one-time world's champion bowler.

Her grandmother received all honors from Chicago and St. Louis, where she participated in the International Women's Bowling Association Tournament in 1931 and 1933.

After Mr. Betts had demonstrated the different ways of chewing gum, June Birgerson said, "Mr. Betts, you should be on the stage."

Mr. Betts replied, "Yes, I know, one leaves in 20 minutes."

When asked if he were going to " Cu pid's Capers," Pete Heiniger, senior, replied, "Nope. We've got a game at Crystal Lake, and even if I don't get to play, I sure enjoy the bus ride."

Because of semester examinations and short vacations afterward, many former Nilehi athletes visited their alma mater. Among those seen at Nilehi were Bill Comstock,'48; Jim McNeely,'47; Al Heim, '47; Rudy Schmid, '48; Chuck Wagstaff, '49; Dick Provost, '49; Don Siegel, '49; Howie Siegel, '48; Ed Beebe, '49; Jack Heurlin, '49; Gene Hegarty, 47 ; Denny Joyce, ' 49 ; Bill Bruce, ' 49 ; and Bob Hicks, '49.

Mr. John L. Betts presented his sixthseventh period problems class with the question, "What happens if a candidate dies before the election?"

Dick Ferris immediately answered "They bury him:"

In the finals of the Silver Skates Derby, Marilyn Nicklas, junior, recently won a medal for taking sixth place in the girls' intermediate division. Her sister, Bonnie, a freshman, competed in the semi-finals. Both girls skate for the Pierce Skating Club.

A team composed of alumni was defeated by the Trojan varsity, 51 to 48 , in an informal scrimmage held on Monday, January 30.
The alumni included Ed Beebe, Bob Hicks, Bill Bruce, Jack Heurlin, and Chuck Bonney-all graduates of ' 49 . Louis Nachbauer and Ed Kutz, '48, also participated.

Ed Beebe was voted "Most Valuable Player" of his team in '49, and Ed Kutz played first string on the ' 48 team which won the Northeast Conference title.

## These Seniors May Be Fulfilling Prophecies

Supposin' it were 1960! Push-button kitchens, complete with radar floorwashers are here, and rocket ships leave for Mars 13 and one-half minutes after every hour. But what about those students in the class of ' 50 at Nilehi?
According to the class prophesies written when these students were in eighth grade, Ralph Bruck is principal of Lincolnwood school. Del Whitney and Ed Breden are in Hollywood-Ed thrilling millions when he lets out his mighty roar as Little Leo the Lion for MGM, a d Del, the matinee idol of the hour. Al Hartig is the h ghest paid crooner in the business. It's rumored that he gets more swoons than "The Voice" of the "nifty fifties." Molly Asmussen is also in Hollywood, directing movies.
Betty Anderson has made a fortune telling her life work, while Clyde Schultz has his hands full with his job as warden of the State "Pen."

Shirley Timberg is director of State Hospitals, and of course you know that Gordon Smale was elected President of the United States. Beverly Slack is an elevator girl in our nation's capitol, also Carol Enke has a job there-that of a scrub woman.
Speaking of presidents, Marilyn Reiland was elected president of all the soda jerks in the country, and Ken LaPlant was chosen "Most Valuable Player" on the Notre Dame football team.

Dorothy Monahan is now a stewardess, Bev Dilley a successful model, and Beatti Bornemeier and Dan Winger are doing excellent work in the field of mdeicine.

## 24 New Students Enroll

Among the new students enrolled at Nilehi for the second semester are eight re-entries. Ann Wagner, Don Pierce, Walter Hessmann, Marvin Johnson, Roy Holmes, and Henry Jostock went to Niles last year but weren't enrolled for the first semester. George Dayis went to Niles two years ago. For the last year and a half he has been attending Culver Military Academy in Culver, Indiana. When asked why he reurned to Nilehi again, he replied, "49 and one-half per cent of the women."
The senior class has added only one "strictly new" member. He is Joe Buena from Wilmette.

Among the new juniors are Bernard Feuerzeig from Senn, Ruth Hauf from Evanston, Robert Oslund from Maine, and Barbara Drackett from Linton-Stockton Hioh in Linton, Indiana. They all think Niles is swell and Ruth said she especially enjoys the chance for swimming classes.

The new sophomores include Ilene Friedman from Von Stueben, Bonivere Grimm from Saint Dominic, Harriet Lucas from Marshall, Ronald Eales from Lane, and Ronald Duckers from Lake View.
The freshman class leads all the rest

Since the new semester has just started and many of us have had trouble with our schedules, this issue the "Inquiring Reporter", asked the question: "If you had the privilege of changing the period schedule, what would you do?"
Joan Hamlet, senior: Have an eightperiod day like it used to be. That would probably mean no study halls.

Donna Belik, junior: I'd have all periods 45 minutes in length including lunch.
Marilyn Martin, senior: If you had study halls eighth and (or) ninth periods you could go home.
Ken Nordlof, sophomore: How about more time between periods and longer lunch periods?

Clyde Schultz, senior: I would just have major classes with no study halls.
Jerry Cornell, freshman: I'd have all majors in the morning and the rest of the schedule just as it is.

Ted Dolan, senior: First, I'd have no study halls, longer lunch periods, and last-homeroom optional.

Bob Ta:t, senior: I'd like two schedules like Niles used to have, so that some students would be coming early and leaving early and others would come later and leave later.

Dick Voss, senior: I'd like a 30 -minute homeroom period once a week for club meetings and so forth.

Jay Dahm, senior: We, need more scheduled classes so there are no overcrowded classes.
Caryl Coninx, junior, The 20 -minute study time at the end of each period should be enforced, and also we should have a longer lunch period.
Jack Kirkby, sophomore: I'd like longer lunch periods and a warm swimming pool.

## Woodshop Helps Senior To Train for Job

Paul Wdowicki, senior, plans to attend the Washburne Trade School in Chicago after graduation to apprentice in the field of cabinet making.

Paul has had three years of wood shop at Nilehi, and three years of actual experience working for the Lennel Company of Morton Grove. He hopes to attend Washburn one day a week besides his duties at the Lennel Company.
"About six months of that, and if I pass the examination, I'll get my cabinet maker's union card," said Paul when interviewed.
with new entries, numbering six. They are Joe Gestner from Barrett High in Columbus, Ohio, Jean Runge and Dick Stermer from Senn, Mike Sessa from Shepherd, Allan Mitchell from Lane, and Elaine Heckman from Maine. The "freshies" all like Niles but Dick Stermer thinks the programs are too confusing.

## Did You Know? <br> Only 13 players from the 1946 undefeated frosh football team were on the <br> Barrington District Winner Meets Niles in Regionals

 varsity squad last fall. The Nilehi Varsity gridmen were the only team to defeat Morgan Park Military Academy last fall.Two of the four victories held by the 1949-50 varsity cagers so far this season were won by one-point margins.

Dick Provost, '49, recently placed first in diving at a freshman-varsity swim meet at Indiana University. Gene Hegerty, '47, is a diver on the Loyola University Varsity swim team.

Only three teams from the old Northeast Conference are on the 1949-50 varsity basketball schedule.

Leyden's Varsity football team gained only 36 yards rushing against the 1949 Trojans.

The 1937 varsity football team failed to win a game; and the 1946 team won all but one game. Harold Isaacson is the only varsity football coach Nilehi has ever had.

Bob Dombrowski, '47, lost only a half point during three years of golf at Nilehi.

Until last year when Dick Provost and Bob Lindahl, '50, placed in the state swim meet, Nilehi had never scored a point in this meet.
Denny Joyce, '49, is swimming on the Loyola University Varsity swim team.

## Morton Downs Trojans Twice

Morton's Varsity tankmen downed the Nilehi Varsity swimmers 44 to 31 February 7 at the Nilehi pool. Earlier this season Morton defeated the Trojans 47 to 27 at Morton.

Arnie Nordquist, senior, won the 100 yard breast stroke, followed by Gordie Smale, senior.

Elmer Wegener, senior, placed second in the 200 -yard free style and the 150 yard individual medley relay.
The 200 -yard free style relay, composed of Bill Perrin, junior; Dave Tegtman, junior; Bob Kennedy, sophomore; and Jim Rugen, junior, also won.

## Nilehi Lettermen Choose New Officers

At a meeting on February 2, the Nilehi Lettermen's club chose their new officers for this coming semester. The club, organized in the latter part of 1948, has been active in many events at Niles. They have sold candy at the basketball games, sponsored a freshman swim meet, and are now planning to hold a gradeschool basketball tournament.

The officers for this semester: president, Pete Heiniger; vice-president, Al Hartig; secretary, Dick Swanson; treasurer, Don Walter; and sargeant at arms, Mike Henry, and John Boznos. Officers will be chosen at the beginning of every semester.

The Barrington district winner and the Nilehi varsity basketball team will tangle in the first round of the Evanston regional tournament played February 28 through March 3.

The Barrington district tourney teams are Wauconda, Grant, Lake Forest, Northbrook, Antioch, Ela, Warren, Grayslake, and Barrington. Barrington's Bronchos are heavily favored to capture their own tourney. The Bronchos have won two successive Northwest Conference titles and are unbeaten this year in Conference play.

Other pairings in the regional are: Evanston vs. Zion-Benton; Waukegan vs. Libertyville; and New Trier vs. Highland Park.

## Siemsen to Aid Team, Says 'Mac'

Harold Siemsen, after a semester of ineligibility, returned to the Trojan basketball team on Saturday, February 4. He finished out the last six minutes of the game and accounted for three of the Trojans" 60 points.

Although Harold is not playing first string, his presence in the Trojan line-up should strengthen the team considerably, according to Mr. Robert Mackey, varsity coach.

## Frosh-Sophs Splash Win

Over Morton Mustangs 37-29
The Nilehi Frosh-Soph swim team splashed their way to a 37 to 29 victory over the Mustangs of Morton on Tuesday, February 7.

New school records were set by Don Larson, who swam the 50 -yard crawl in two seconds flat, and Fred Bussey, who swam the 50 -yard back stroke in 33.7 seconds.
The Frosh-Soph team met Oak Park Tuesday, February 14, and will participate in the state meet to be held February 24 and 25 at New Trier High School.

## Brei High-point Man for Trojans

NILES (60)
F. Donavan
F. Brei
C. Bruck
G. Howard
G. Walters
F. Meyer
F. Siemsen
G. LaPlant
G. Lange
F. Heiniger
TOTALS
MAINE (49)
F. Schreyer
F. Aspegran
C. Welty
G. Glader
G. Thompsen
F. Fisher
F. O'Brien
G. Troch
TOTALS
Niles
Maine

## Majer Loses to N.U. Junior in Golden Gloves

Jim Majer, Nilehi junior, fought in the Golden Gloves tournament February 7 at the Broadway Arena. Jim, who had taken up boxing the preceding Friday for the Catholic Youth Organization, fought in the 160 -pound division and was decisioned by William Kruse, a junior at Northwestern University.
Bob Jaeger, Nilehi senior, was Jim's manager. Tony Zale, ex-middleweight champion of the world, was also in Jim's corner during the fight.
Jim plans to enter a C.Y.O. tournament next month.

## Trojans Meet Marmion Tonight; Cadet's Lose 6,Win 11

The Trojan cagers are in the home stretch of the '49-50 season. Tonight they play host to the Marmion Military Academy. The Cadets have posted 11 victories while dropping six contests. They held a 64 to 52 verdict over Niles earlier this season.
The cagers travel to York High of Elmhurst tomorrow night to meet the current leaders of the West Suburban League. Last season the Trojans coasted to a 48 to 27 victory.

When the Men of Troy meet Leyden on Tuesday night, 10 of Coach Bob Mackey's athletes will be wearing a Nilehi home uniform for the last time. They are Fred Brei, Ralph Bruck, Joe Donavan, Dick Erickson, Pete Heiniger, Jim Johnson, Lenny Lange, Ken LaPlant, George Mueller, Jim Nock, and Harold Siemsen.

In the season finale the Trojans will invade New Trier, an old-time Suburban League rival. The Terriers are one of the powerhouses of the League.

## Soph Cazers Give Coach Win for Christmas Gift

"Well, somebody has to sit on the curb and watch the parade go by," may be the consoling theme of the sophomore cagers. The sophomores have a record on one win and 13 losses. Their one win was over Taft, during the Christmas holidays which was a 26 to 19 victory, and a Christmas present for Mr. James Phipps, sophomore coach.

The teams that hold victories over Nilehi are LaGrange 45-17, Evanston 43 to 21, Waukegan 49 to 18, Leyden 40 to 25, East Rockford 41 to 11, Moosehart 40 to 19, twice to Arlington 38 to 32 and 39 to 23 , Oak Park 41 to 24 , Belvidere 47 to 42 , DeKalb 40 to 25, Marmion 42 to 15 , and Maine 52 to 41.
The starting lineup for the Nilehi sophomores: Ray Riha, guard; Bill Peterson, guard; John Budai and Ken Nordlof at the forward positions, while Charles Thompson holds down the pivot point.

