

Only thirty days left!



Not even that many for the class of '42. Yes sir, our graduating seniors have only 25 "NTHS days."

- Today Happy birthday, Mr. Cotanche
April 24 Physical Ed. night 8 p.m.
April 27 Sophomore party 7:30 p.m.
April 28-29 Sugar rationing. Yes, there's school.
April 30 Prom King election, also baseball, Warren here 4 p.m.
May 2 Track, Libertyville, Niles at Leyden. Baseball, Leyden 10 a.m.
May 5 Track, Palatine, Maine here
May 7 All-school assembly 9 a.m.
May 8 International night
May 9 Baseball at Woodstock 10 a.m. District track meet at Evans-ton.
May 11 Baseball, Arlington here

Do you want it?

Hobo Day is an undecided issue. There have been pros and cons as to the merits of such a day, but homerooms will be asked for a vote before the issue can be decided.

Some homerooms have already reported and are in favor of a real Hobo Day instead of Character Day. The general opinion, so far, seems to be that a Character Day would involve buying a costume and dressing up, but a Hobo Day would allow pupils to come in practically anything they had, the worse the better.

This latter idea is the reason the faculty is opposed to a Hobo Day. The students feel they can wear anything — and do. Cigar butts and liquor bottles appear; clothes are torn; and "hazing" is carried on. These practices are not only dangerous and wasteful but they bring a bad reputation on the school.

A Character Day, such as was held last year, can be more easily controlled than a Hobo Day, but there is not as much student participation. The faculty is willing to try another Hobo Day if that is the desire of the students; but if Hobo Day is wanted, the Forum, which will sponsor it, will be asked to lay down rules and regulations that will effectively guard against occurrences such as have been mentioned.

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All musical groups in concert

Last minute flash

The committee selecting the senior class song announced today its choice of "Gold and Blue, We Sing to You." Seniors will sing it at commencement, June 5.

Spring play billed for tri-night stand

Representatives of the Dramatics Publishing company and theater critics will be in the audience when the spring play cast presents "My Heart Beats For You," under the direction of Mrs. Ruth Esch, May 14 and 15 in the assembly.

May 14 and 15 have been set as opening nights, but a third performance on May 16 will be presented if the demand is great enough.

This premiere performance of the new play stars the persons whose names and pictures will be printed when the play is released later, in book form.

Working with the original script for two months, the company is producing a play within a play; a male version of "Little Red Riding Hood." Bob Moore plays the grandmother and Jack Price is cherub-cheeked Red Riding Hood with Jim Holmes as his alternate. Larry Miller and Dick Boyd are the grandsires who pen the revamped fairy-tale and cast themselves in the wolf role.



Marilyn Noesges dressed in the costume she wore as Water Carnival queen.

Miss Klaus, Mr. Collins in charge of program May 1

Ah, the music that "blooms" in the spring tra-la! The annual Spring Concert will be held in the gym on Friday evening, May 1, beginning at 8 p.m. A charge of 15 cents will be made, according to co-directors, Miss Clara Klaus and Mr. Clifford W. Collins.

About 250 students will participate in the program. All of the choral groups, including the mixed choir, the Treble choir and the girls' and boys' choruses, will appear with the twirlers and the band and orchestra.

"There is music to fit everyone's taste," promises Mr. Collins.

The program: Presentation of colors and the Star-Spangled Banner.

Orchestra — U. S. Field Artillery (march) by John Philip Sousa, The Golden Sceptre by R. Schlegel, Passacaglia and Fughetta by Harold M. Johnson, A Vision of Salome by J. Bodenalt Tampes.

Girls' chorus — Singing to My Love by Walter Justis, The Night Has a Thousand Eyes by Noble Cain, The Year's at the Spring by Cain.

Boys' chorus — Outward Bound by Don Malin, Passing By by Purcell-Malin, Highland Laddie arr. by Malin, Anchors Aweigh by Charles A. Zimmermann.

Choir — Kye Song of Saint Bride by Joseph W. Clokey, Welcome Sweet Pleasure by Thomas Walkes, Way Over Jordan arr. by Cain, America My Own by Cain.

Treble choir — The Wraggle Taggle Gypsies, O! arr. by Leslie Woodgate, What Saith My Dainty Darling? by Thomas Morley, When I Bring to You Colored Toys by John Allen Carpenter.

Band—El Capitan by Sousa, Twirling Number "Washington Post March" by Sousa, Overture Militaire by Joseph Skornicka, Intermezzo by Heinz Provost, Suite "Espagnole" by James M. Fulton.

Band and choruses—A Mighty Fortune is Our God by Martin Luther, We're All Americans by James T. Mangan.

Niblets: Spring invades in bunches as Mr. Benette leads in hurdling the rope

*Tis spring, tis spring,
The boid is on da wing;
My woid, how absoid!
I thought the wing was
on the boid.*

Couple of the Week: Mardy McKeever and Dick Barber.

Song of the Week: "I'm Breathless" (In honor of the track team.)

Saying of the Week: "Howzit by you?"

Around and about:

Ed Theobald and Mr. Benette jumping rope instead of using sulphur and molasses for spring; they gave the east rooms some fourth period entertainment . . . Phyllis Brooks and Betty Stielow getting ready to give Miss Berry a gorgeous chocolate marshmallow cake; but when they looked in the bottom of the box, everything but the cake and frosting was there, . . . Gertrude Dahm wears a "T" on her lapel, very confusing, but it's for Trudy . . . Harold Nelson and Rose Marie Norum still at her locker; you have to pry them lose for the 8:50 bell . . . the girls seem to be blotting their lipstick on the boys' arms and on their own or else they're blushing all over . . .

Forum-president has lost his ring, Cherie! . . . Toni Thlimmen - os gradually going

nuts from seeing the grasshopper suspended high above the middle stairs; he's been there since Sept. . . . Bob Podraza looking at engagement rings on the bus . . . Betty Bray stopping traffic with her bowl of French fried onions . . . best idea in a month of Sundays — food demonstrations in class . . . everybody anxious to see Zenon Turski's basket full of O₂+N₂+H₂O+CO₂ . . . a model girl is Pat



NILEHILITE

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Canty; did you see her in the Tribune? . . . Helen Reeder's planning on Bromo-Selzer's by the dozen — says coke doesn't agree with her . . . oh what we wouldn't give for just one coat of Marilyn Davis's tan.

Nilehi reporting

Question: What are you doing for defense?

Maddonna Wettingel: "I'm writing long letters to short people. Cyril 6" 3'."

Kay Reasland: "I'm boycotting the silk worm."

Violet Kottke: "No more hot-feet for people with rubber heels."

Pearl Bailey: "I study First Aid outside of school."

John Dinelli: "My victory garden will save money for defense."

Bill King: "Keep the car home nights voluntarily."

Genevieve Anderson: "I'm taking a double First Aid course."

Gladys Schewe: "Save bubble-gum to retread girdles."

Bernice Zika: "Correspond with Jack of the Navy Air Corps."

Ann Marie Bertoncini: "Treat the typewriters gentler now that sales have been frozen."

To modern males we tell these tales

By Cassandra and Amanda

*They're traitors; they'll leave you,
They're bound to deceive you.
Their ten-cent allowances don't go
very far;*

These cheapskates: Jake, Will, and Omar.

*He'll race you for an assembly seat,
Then guffaw you when he's won the feat.*

Superman's his idol; Mandrake he'll hail —

*This spaghetti-muscle male.
His voice is loud and coarse,
And he wins his quarrels by force.
And you tell him that he needs a shave
And he thinks you mean his head, the knave.*

*He'll whistle when you pass,
As you go from class to class,
Cause he hopes you'll turn and look,
At this hero from a book.
We think this is quite snappy,
At least it makes us happy,
But we really like you kids
When it's time for our Prom bids.*

Monkey business trims locker c-27

Nilehi students seem to have priorities when it comes to getting lockers with all the trimmings. At any rate a superficial survey exposed a number of things — wise and otherwise.

Jo Anne Detweiler and Mary Frances Dietsch have an appetizing and colorful dextrose advertisement at the top of their collection. Jo Anne explained, "It's to make us hungry." The increasing cost of eating hasn't affected them yet.

When asked if she had any pictures in her locker, Marion Sesterhenn replied, "Yes, but not for the paper." Could they be p-etty — whoops, the printer must have forgotten an "r".

Sterling Hayden graces the locker of Ann Erickson and Mary Lou Kendall — in fact, he graces a number of locker doors. He seems to be quite a popular fellow with Nilehi's gals. Anna Hoth has pictures and pictures of Ronald Reagan and then there's Jean Dudick with the cutest monkey — his legs flop up and down.

Roegene Scholow has an amusing collection of jokes. They must have been good "cheerer uppers" during finals.

Elva "Johnny" Johnson practically lives with the Navy between classes; her locker is plastered with pictures of boats, gobs, and more boats, and more gobs. Only thing is, she has competition; Bunny Franson specializes in the Army. Not to mention the rumor that Hitler inhabits one of our "coat-keepers" somewhere in Nilehi's south wing.

Virginia Kopp has all sorts of pennants tacked up. Annaliese Nachbauer, a twirler, has — you guessed it — pictures of drum majors and majorettes. Then there's Trudy Dahm who revels in Jon Whitcomb drawings; ask her to show you. They're "sumpin."

Best of all though is Muriel Milke who doesn't have any wallpaper, her explanation, "I'm just a neat girl."

Whozit!

Tall and dark with raven hair,
And sparkling eyes that shine.
Her voice is really more than fair,
As is her dive sublime.
Behind the footlights she's okay,
As will be plainly seen;
For she is Paula in the play,
With beauty in each scene.
With all these clues you surely tell
Just who this senior is;
And if you do we'll ring a bell,
For you are quite a whiz.

Joan Blamenser

Teachers 'go to bat' for U. S. A. Civilian Defense, First Aid

Although Nilehi's faculty isn't on a school team, some of its members are players on Uncle Sam's great war squad. Going to bat for their country to help win that relay, the school's teachers, like other patriotic Americans, are donating their services for victory.

Teachers taking first-aid or Red Cross courses are Miss Susanne Ostergren, Miss Lucille Ronalds, Superintendent R. E. Cotanche, Miss Marjory Ronalds, Miss Grace Harbert, Miss Theresa Kranz, Miss Louise Myers, Miss Mildred Schaefer, Miss Lorraine Spikings, Mr. John Lienhard, Mrs. Ruth Esch, Miss Ruth Lant, and Mr. Lester Galitz.

Any Saturday evening you'll see Mrs. Evelyn Meiners hostessing at the Highland Park U.S.O. Miss Kranz is spending two hours working for the Red Cross on that day also.

Mr. John Benette is an air-raid war-

Home ec. sponsors 'war style' contest

All the world loves a contest and the results of this one bid fair to be "loves" according to Miss Alice Line, home economic instructor.

The girls in her home economics minor classes are working on "make over" projects using material from old dresses, suits, and coats which are outdated, too small, or vice versa. Reason? To get a new dress, to practice sewing, and to save material since the War Production board censored manufacture of full skirts, cuffs, and puffed sleeves.

For prizes, the six or eight girls making the best dresses will model them in the spring fashion show to be held May 26.

Indiana school officials study setup at Nilehi

Niles Township high school was host last Tuesday to a group of high school principals and superintendents from Northern Indiana.

A tour of the building, a luncheon prepared by the home economics department, an explanation of Nilehi's guidance program for freshmen and upper classmen, skits and impressions by the radio and dramatic classes, facing the cameras of photography students, and being interviewed by a Nilehilite reporter completed the all-day program for the visitors.

den, a block captain, and a member of a rationing board, whereas Mr. Galitz is an emergency policeman and Miss Ostergren is secretary to a block captain.

Mr. Lienhard is not only a member of the Skokie auxiliary police, but he is also enrolled in a defense course at the Northwestern School of Technology.

Summer vacation holds a detailed study of "The Effect of The War on the Textile Industry" at the University of Nebraska for Miss Alice Line.

Mrs. Esch donated her services to the play "That Crazy Smith Family," whose proceeds went to the Defenders Council of Skokie and "The Pals" of Morton Grove.

What d'you know about pastry art?

Film notables, Shirley Temple, Jane Withers and Adolpe Menjou were just "extras" when pastry producer, Mr. Conrad Springer, of the Edgewater Beach hotel, pointed out the actors, actresses and props that are essential to the kitchen scene.

Mr. Springer received his start in his father's pastry shop in Germany. After three to four years of being an apprentice to his father, he was ready to start a shop of his own. Right then, the war came and he laid down his pastry gun to take up arms in the war of '17.

The date of his arrival in America and the beginning of his long stay at the Edgewater Beach was 1924.

Attention would-be pastry chefs: "Most of the pastry chefs in the large hotels learned their trade either in Germany, France, Italy, or Belgium. The only provision for learning the trade in Chicago is at the Washburne Trade school where the pastry chef of the Drake hotel holds classes," Mr. Springer said.

A \$100 wedding cake, with exact reproductions of the outfits worn by the bride and bridegroom, at the top, is one of his supreme accomplishments.

"I don't believe in prizes for such work, for every chef has his own ideas and there are certain points to be considered. As president of the Pastry Cooks' association, I never allow any prize contest, as I feel it only tends to cause a disturbance in the organization," is Mr. Springer's attitude toward pastry awards.

This 'n that

Twentieth century military tactics were recently applied during an informal debate on Caesar's Gallic wars as Russel Hallberg, James Watkins, Dagmar Franson, Mary Kay DeWitt, Danny Dever, and Ed Albright disputed Caesar's strategy. Miss Marjory Ronald's advanced Latin scholars sat in judgment of Caesar's policies — and found them wrong!

Mr. J. C. Benette, chairman of Public Relations for the Lake Shore division of the I.E.A., gave a speech last week at a teachers' banquet in Calumet City. In his talk Mr. Benette reviewed the work of the Public Relations committee during the past year.

Due to America's present rubber shortage, it has been necessary to cancel all plans to present an exchange assembly at Leyden. Earlier in the season Leyden brought an original musical show to NTHS, but since then school buses have been prohibited chartered trips. Supt. R. E. Cotanche indicated that this ban would also prohibit Trojan fans from following the teams next year.

I need a name. I'm tired of being referred to as "he," "it," or "cute mousie." Being penned up in a cage all day isn't bad, and the food is good up here in room 314. But being called "cute little mousie" is absolutely revolting. So please take pity on a poor, nameless creature and hand your suggestions to Mr. J. C. Benette. You see, I'm a very special mouse — I'm a twirling mouse — that's what I am.

Master Benette's second period biology class will choose my name shortly after the contest closes April 30, and reward the winner with a piece of cheese.

Decorated in a patriotic mood, "Nations' Nocturne," the annual Foreign Language club invitational party, will entertain members and guests May 8 at 8 p.m. in Nilehi's assembly. Club members may bring a guest for 10 cents.

Responsibility for "putting the paper to bed" will be handed to journalism minor students for the next issue, published May 15. During this striking innovation in Nilehilite tradition, Helen Reeder, as first page editor, will also manage the staff. Second, third and fourth page editors are to be Rosanna King, Phyllis Brooks, and James Watkins, respectively. Ed Albright will take over Niblet chores, and Dick Hawkinson will handle Termites. Marilyn Woodworth has been appointed copyreader; Virginia Wyatt, head reporter; and Cleo Thlimmenos, manager of girls' sports.

31 Sluggers?



Front row: Mgr. J. Desmond, G. Bremner, R. Krier, B. Hegarty, C. Gockenbach, R. Nelson, B. Krier, D. Petty, R. Poehlman, G. Bolek. Second row: B. Gifford, B. Blothner, W. Johnson, C. Valkenaar, M. Dinelli, T. MacCleary, R. Berkow, D. Smyser, B. Engert, R. Hohns. Third row: Coach N. Kent, J. Wuerth, P. Hoppe, E. Theobald, T. Sheridan, V. Druke, R. Glauner, R. Kirscht, G. Wagner, E. May, R. Moorc.

TERMITES

In the bench

HERE WE GO dealing you latest diamond chatter. Bob Moore, varsity catcher, appears to have lost none of the power he possessed last season when he led Trojan sluggers with a .425 average. Maybe it's that Joe Dimaggio bat he's using or has he broken it? Bob is champion bat breaker.

Butch "hit 'em one" Glauner, varsity pitcher, seems to have Charley Gockenbach's batting average down to the size of his hat but his head's-up work at short stop has assured him the position.

SPRING FEVER SEEMS to have "Dreamer" Druke around the neck and as a result the three-year veteran has had to assume the role of substitute.

Bart Hegarty has found hits in his bat this spring and from all reports is pounding that ball.

Rollie Poehlman and Bolek are two outfielders who have made favorable impressions on Coach Kent. For a look at the varsity heroes, take a good look at above picture. For a better look, get out and see the boys play Warren, last year's conference champions, here, next Friday.

BOYS' GYM CLASSES have abandoned the indoors and have taken to the track and diamond. One of the first inter class ball games of the schedule featured "Jeep" Paulson hitting a homerun with the bases full.

Parents invited to gym tonight

Tonight is Gym Night. At 8 p.m. in the gymnasium the girls and boys physical education classes will show their parents what is being done in the weekly gym classes. All parents and friends are invited to attend this program. The admission is 15 cents.

Girls and boys intramural volley ball teams and ping pong singles will have their final playoffs to decide the high school champs. The rest of the program will include the introduction of the letter winners, a display of the boys' callisthenics, and the girls' gym exercises. Miss Lorraine Spikings' ten tumblers will wear their new uniforms to do their latest tricks and Miss Mildred Schaefer's exhibition dancing class will present a tap dance novelty, "Plant a Victory Garden."

Gym Night, under the direction of Miss Schaefer and Mr. Harold Isaacson, is replacing Dad and Son night.

Mermaids dazzle crowd at third water carnival

Weird strains of haunting music, an enchanting myth filled with wind and mystery, brilliant coloring, more than half a hundred Arabians, and Princess Scheherazade, alias Marilyn Noesges, in her wine velvet cape and flowing white chiffon, carried the spectators back to tenth century Arabia for three successive nights at the third annual water carnival April 16, 17, and 18.

Tomorrow Trojans run Palatine relays

Tomorrow the track team reaches the half-way mark in its season, as it leaves the Nilehi cinder path for the first time to participate in the Palatine Relays at Palatine. The boys hope to return this year with a great many more points and medals than the pointless team that invaded Palatine in 1941. Coach Taylor states that he will try to enter as many boys as possible including the Two-mile relay team which placed at the Oak Park Relays. Floyd Hunziker and Ray Nitch will throw the Shot Put and Discus and will probably be our only individual entrants.

The next Saturday, May 2, the annual triangular meet between our Trojans, Leyden and Libertyville will take place at Leyden. This meet ends the season with conference teams but the schedule has been filled by non-conference teams such as Palatine whose maroon clad team will be seen on our track May 5.

Last Friday the Varsity and Frosh-Soph engaged the Arlington cardinals to attempt to win their first conference victory. The Frosh-Soph lads paced by L. Kuhn, Berg, Coursey, Massey, Langan, G. Kuhn and Hollifield, who all took firsts, scored an easy victory by a score of 71 to 23. The Varsity lost a close decision, 62 to 51.

Events and winners in the order in which they finished for the Varsity are:

Mile run: Johnston (N), Miller (N), Niemeyer (A). Time 4:57.4

120 yd. High Hurdles: Bolte (A), Kurtz (A), Kittredge (N), Kamps (A) tie for 3rd. Time :19.4

100 yd. Dash: Kramer (N), Nebel (A), Leibrandt (N). Time :11.2

880 Run: Johnston (N), Miller (N), Cauty (N). Time 2:09.5

440 Yd. Dash: Kramer (N), Rohlwing (A) Rohlwing (A). Time :58.5

200 yd. Low Hurdles: Kurtz (A), Windheim (A), Kamps (A). Time :27.5

220 yd. Dash: Green (A), Biegert (N), Leibrandt (N). Time :25.9

Shot Put: Nitch (N), Hunziker (N), Morici (A). Distance 45' 4" *

Pole Vault: Kamps (A), Maloney (A), Biegert (N). Height 9' 0"

High Jump: Geutner (A), Windheim (A), Kay (A), Hollifield (N), tie for 3rd. Height 5' 0"

Discus: Nitch (N), Hunziker (N), Morici (A). Distance 123' 10"

Broad Jump: Busse (A), Buetner (A), Biegert (N). Distance 18' 10"

* This distance better the conference record by one foot.