

## Students Plan Yule Program

"December, A Joyous Month for All," a different type of music than has ever been sung at Niles, will be the opening selection at the Christmas program. This number will include narration and songs honoring both the Jewish Festival of Lights and the Christian Christmas.

"This piece of music, although it is different from the traditional type, should entertain the audience as well as continue the learning process of the students," explained Mr. Earl Auge, director.

Not only have there been changes in the songs, but this December 10 will bring forth additional changes as the music department presents its annual holiday program, without the 500 voice choir and dual-direction. This year will witness a complete transformation. A new name, "Winter Festival," new music, and a new membership of 250 students have been added.

Another big change in the program is the inclusion of the girls' singing group Loreleis. Other music groups to participate will be the orchestra playing "Christmas Festival," Choir, Girls' Glee, and the Boys' Glee.

The music this year contains a variety of numbers; thus the members of the music department learn many new types of music. The traditional, "And the Glory of the Lord," and the "Hallelujah" finale will be presented along with "Merry Christmas to You," "Quiet Christmas," "Willie Take Your Drum," "The Three Kings," "The Paper Reeds by the Brook," "Behold the Tabernacle of God," "Lost in the Night," "Glory to God in the Highest," and "Dance of the Toy Flutes."

## Debaters To Participate In Interscholastic Meet

The pen may be quicker than the sword, but the tongue is quicker than both, as Janet Bloch, senior, and Liz Krammer, sophomore, the newly elected co-captains of the Nilehi debate squad will testify. Aside from being the co-captains of the squad, they are also the only two girls in the club!

The Debate Squad has 37 members and is divided into three sections: the varsity, subvarsity, and the beginners. Sixteen members debate at one time, and these are rotated with each debate.

Two sophomore debaters, Fred Reiner and Gil Rotkin, placed Niles East in the winner's circle by defeating the St. George of Evanston affirmative team in a pre-season meet on November 3.

With the division of the high school district, Niles East lost some of its experienced debaters, and the team this year has as its nucleus freshmen and sophomores. On November 18, these new recruits will participate in their first interscholastic tournament at Evanston High School. The resolution in question will concern federal aid to education.



**COCKROACHES!** exclaims the startled Miss Preen (Marsha Zimmerman) as she unexpectedly encounters Sheridan Whiteside's roach collection. She seeks refuge in the arms of Banjo (Norm Siegel) and Beverly Carlton (Dan Wershow) in "The Man Who Came to Dinner," which starts tonight.

## Fall Play Premieres Tonight

How do you attach a rug to a cement floor? Where can you obtain a genuine mummy case and once found, how would you transport it? How do you learn to use a wheelchair in a matter of days? What would you do if offered a miniature city full of cockroaches, or if your dinner guest had a nasty habit of verbally dissecting his hosts?

Answers can be found in "The Man Who Came to Dinner," by Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman, the annual fall play to be premiered tonight. The play will run for four performances, November 17, 18, 20 and 21.

This production is the first to be presented at Niles in the "theatre-in-the-round" fashion. The stage, in the assembly room, will be composed of an upper and lower level. The lower section will be surrounded on three sides by raised bleachers.

Lights and technical equipment will be suspended from stands at various points surrounding the stage.

Actors will enter the stage

## Center Opens Next Semester

A new source of research material will be made available to Nilehi students at the beginning of next semester.

A "research center" for background material, clippings, essays, and magazine articles is being organized by the Nilehi Debate Squad.

The "center" which will be located in Room 140a, will contain files of material that could be, or has been, debated. Topics now on file range from "the dangers of smoking" to "the dangers of the nuclear age." Already over 500 articles are filed.

The material will be available to all students for a limited amount of time, and students will probably not be allowed to take the material from the room.

"This is the first time that a school activity has sponsored an independent library, and I am proud that it was Debate that started what may one day become a tradition," remarked Mr. Alvin Schwartz, sponsor of Debate.

from aisles running through the audience and from stairs at the rear of the stage.

"It is a very intimate type of production and those sitting in the front row are practically on the stage!" remarked Miss Virginia Stemp, director of the play.

Heading the cast are Bob Greenberg as Sheridan Whiteside; Sally Sanders as Mr. Whiteside's secre-

tary; Don Brown as Bert Jefferson; Joan Mayers as Lorraine Sheldon.

Others include Phil Bentley and Roberta Shefsky, as Mr. and Mrs. Stanley; Charles Solomon and Alyson Herzog, as the Stanley children; and Sherry Schwartz, as Cousin Harriet.

The play is under the student direction of Tina Benson.

## Governor Proclaims Thanksgiving Feast

**PLYMOUTH ROCK, 1621**—Hear ye! Hear ye! Governor William Bradford of Plymouth Rock, Massachusetts, has extended an invitation to all Nilehi East students to attend "a three-day harvest celebration of feast and prayer to give thanks for surviving half a semester of the winter in the New World."

"We hope to see all Nilehi students at my house on November 24," John Alden, chairman of the

feast committee, exclaimed.

Priscilla Mullens, John's girlfriend, is refreshment chairman. According to Priscilla, "pumpkin pie, squash, wild turkey, and venison will be served."

"The Indian war-whoops and dances will ring from Plymouth Rock to Skokie, Illinois," promises Squanto, head of the entertainment committee.

Captain John Smith, who recently has returned from an Atlantic cruise, has been named guest speaker of the feast. Miles Standish heads the clean-up committee.

The banquet fee is a small sack of corn and a pumpkin.

## Board Adds One

The NILEHILITE has selected Rosemary Garro as its representative on the Student Planning Board. She will be a non-voting member, but will participate in all discussions. This arrangement allows the NILEHILITE to act as key publicity agent.

The NILEHILITE has a special interest in the proposed point system, since it will affect the activities of future newspaper staffs.

## NEWS BULLETIN

Reflections '61 has received a first place rating in the Columbia Scholastic Press Association publication rating, according to Mr. Ted Beranis, yearbook sponsor.

## SSO Receives High Approval

SSO has received the highest vote of approval from the student body since its formation, seven years ago.

In the annual mid-semester survey, 95 per cent of the 2,000 students who answered the questionnaires preferred the student-supervised study halls over those supervised by the faculty. This is a four per cent increase over last year's survey, and the highest percentage in the seven years of SSO's existence.

According to Mr. Jack Spatafora, director of student activities, the main purpose of the questionnaire study is to find out what the students think of SSSH. "It is also a public testimony of the fact that SSO is worth continuing," he stated.

Statistics of the questionnaire show reactions to the individual study halls and their supervisors. "That is a negative aspect of the survey," remarked Mr. Spatafora. "It shows us what we're doing that we shouldn't be doing."

Every sophomore, junior, and senior in each SSSH study hall was given an anonymous questionnaire to complete. The questions included an evaluation of the chairman, the assistant chairman, the secretary, and the study hall in general.

Basically the executive board seemed quite pleased with the results of the survey.

According to Elliot Pearl, head supervisor of SSSH, "The survey will not be used as a basis for dismissal, only as a basis of observation."

Although the entire executive board has worked in administering and compiling the questionnaire survey, those working most closely with Elliot include Bob Gilhooley, chairman of SSSO; Janice Kamps, head secretary of SSSH; Vivian Gierlach, Diana Unterschut, and Eleanor Levine, assistant head secretaries.

## N-Club Announces Election Results

N-Club is looking ahead to a new year under the leadership of Coach Don Larson and newly elected officers Ralph Larsen, president; Paul Bishop, vice-president; Glenn Wentink, treasurer; and Rich Ingersoll, secretary.

At present, membership is small, but the fall initiation will add 35 lettermen to the organization. The traditional semi-annual N-Club initiation is an experience "not soon forgotten by new members." The initiation often includes shining the shoes of previously inducted members by initiates clad in skirts, blouses, and laceless gym shoes. Initiations in recent years have been held at the Student Unions.

This year, the group will sponsor the annual N-Club-Faculty basketball game. With some of the money received through ticket sales last year, the lettermen made a contribution to the Ilg Park YMCA development fund.



# Point Blank

Nilehi college aspirants, approximately 70 per cent of the 1962 graduating class, are entering the final stages before being admitted to college. Seniors are now submitting their college applications to the guidance office.

Yet few of us, seniors as well as underclassmen, realize the work that transpires after we turn in our college applications. Who helps to make our college dreams realities?

The guidance department, especially Miss Aune Toivola and Mr. Robert Botthof, senior guidance counselors, try their best to transform college applications into acceptances.

Unlike Cinderella's fairy godmother, however, the guidance staff cannot hope to change mere pumpkins into splendid coaches. They cannot try to make a mediocre student appear top-notch.

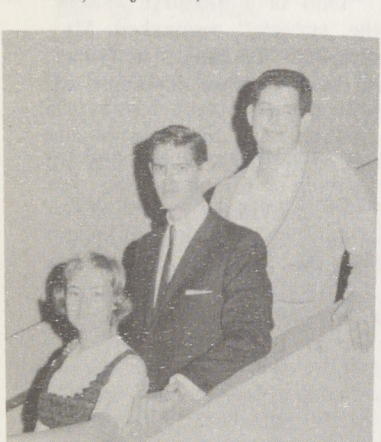
Miss Toivola and Mr. Botthof report all that is good about a student on his college application. They take care, though, to report honestly about a student in order to guard Niles' reputation with all the colleges, and to insure a good chance for future Niles graduates to be admitted to the colleges of their choice.

Our guidance counselors work as long as four hours apiece on some college applications. In addition they arrange personal college interviews for many seniors.

Each one of us actually writes his own college recommendation from the day we enter high school. Miss Toivola and Mr. Botthof put a sincere and personal effort into each college application. College acceptance just does not happen; it is planned by experts.

## Cast Awaits Opening Night

The opening night of a performance is the major test for weeks of strenuous work. During the many weeks of rehearsals, homework is all but forgotten. Endless nights of memorizing lines result in "butterflies," "jitters," frazzled nerves, and shortened tempers.



**TALENTED TROUPERS** of past Nilehi productions, Phil Bentley, Don Brown, and Sally Sanders excitedly await tonight's performance of "The Man Who Came To Dinner."

Sally Sanders, Don Brown, and Phil Bentley, all members of the cast of "The Man Who Came to Dinner," are among those who not only endure but also enjoy these aspects of the stage world.

Phil, a junior, who portrays Mr. Stanley, has been active in plays, both in school and at camp, since eighth grade. "I always had a bad temper," he admitted. "My mother told me I was acting like a Hamlet. I suppose that was how I decided to try out for the eighth-grade play."

Although he likes acting, Phil's future intentions include working only in occasional amateur plays and perhaps joining some summer stock groups. In a half-serious, half-joking manner, he

explained why he does not desire to go into professional acting by saying, "I'd like to live a normal life!"

Don Brown, senior, who plays Bert Jefferson, has different intentions. Since completing a course in drama and participating in Reflections Revelries last year, Don has become extremely interested in acting.

"I want to try my hand at show business and professional acting," Don confessed. He hopes to attend Northwestern, Roosevelt, or Goodman Memorial Theater to major in drama.

A third concept of the value of the stage was explained by Sally Sanders, senior, who portrays Maggie Cutler in the play. Sally would like to teach literature on the high school level. "I have found that the teachers who seem to be the most interesting and the most fun have had a good drama background," she observed.

## Think



The classified section of our newspaper was never like this, but let's pretend that for one special edition, it consists of the following ads. Each public notice contains an allusion to some literary work, whether it be a novel, short story, opera, or poem.

Students who think that they have correctly named all four works should deposit their answers in the "Think" Box in Room 124.

**REWARD:** For information leading to the arrest and conviction of the murderer of the late King of Denmark.

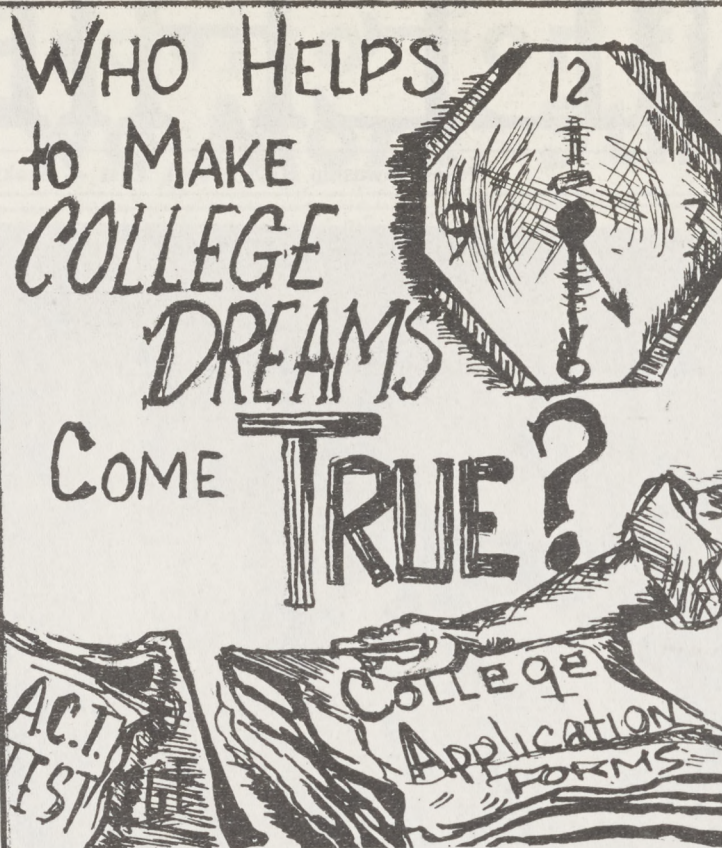
**OPPORTUNITY:** Expedition being formed to recover lost treasure. Apply to Dr. Livesey.

**MISSING:** For 20 years, Dutch settler; last seen leaving for the Catskills on hunting trip.

**GOVERNESS WANTED:** To care for ward of Mr. Rochester. Apply Thornwood.

From the 34 entries to last week's "Think" question, concerning an unfortunate farmer who had trouble transporting his lamb and wolf, 14 students arrived at the correct solution to the problem.

The winners include seniors Jerry Dulkan, Jan Gordon, Ronald Rufer, and Don Leaf; junior Mickey Kesselman; sophomores Lee Rothstein, Keith Zenner, and Russ Pepoon; and freshmen Jim Michonski, Stuart Weiner, Linda Siegel, Cynthia Guerrero, and Lynn Epstein.



## Dear Editor . . .

Dear Students,

Upon my arrival in Paris, I discovered that my application for teaching conversational English had been accepted and that I was assigned to a secondary school in Arras, 100 miles north of Paris.

Since the first part of October, I've been talking English 12 hours a week with small groups of girls at the "Normal School" which trains elementary teachers. Since this is a boarding school, it is convenient to live and eat there.

In my spare time I've been traveling, reading, studying, and going to plays, movies, and lectures. Classes at the Universite of Lille, 30 miles north, started last week; they seem quite interesting.

Although Arras is rather quiet and the weather is usually cold, rainy, windy, and dreary, the friendliness of the people makes up for the deficiencies elsewhere. In short, I am very pleased with the job.

Sincerely,  
Miss Jean Hagemann

Dear Editor,

After long years of suffering because of inability to eat turkey on Thanksgiving, I have found a consolation: a delectable recipe for roast people.

Sincerely,  
Mr. Obble-Gobble

Dear Editor,

I read with great interest your article on the Student Planning Board in the last issue of the NILEHILITE. I do not, however, see the need for this organization. It seems to me that the purpose of this group is to interfere with the individual student's freedom of choice.

The Student Planning Board proposes to limit, via a point system, the time which a student may spend on extra-curricular activities. The reasoning behind this measure, I suppose, is that if a student spends too much time on extra-curricular activities, his grades will suffer.

The Student Planning Board intends to observe the time each student spends on activities. If a student is spending too much time on extra-curricular activities, the Student Planning Board has inferred that it will make him eliminate some.

I think that this is unfair. First of all, I believe that a student's extra-curricular activities are his own concern. Secondly, it will be impossible to regulate those extra-curricular activities which are not connected with the school.

Sincerely,  
A Digusted Junior

## Faculty Focus

by Rosemary Garro

In efficient new offices in Nilehi's guidance wing are found Miss Aune Toivola and Mr. Robert Botthof, senior guidance counselors. After years of working in basements, closets, and in rooms without windows, both counselors expressed appreciation for the new surroundings. "They're ideal working conditions," Mr. Botthof commented happily.

Miss Toivola and Mr. Botthof urge students to submit college applications for processing as soon as possible. "Applications for colleges are coming in much too slowly," emphasized Miss Toivola. She advises that applications to private or out-of-state schools be submitted to the guidance office before Christmas, those to Illinois state colleges be turned in after Christmas.

Seniors submitting applications early enjoy certain advantages. Colleges give top priority to first applicants. Students who apply

early are informed sooner of acceptance. "It's a tremendous load off the student's mind," added Mr. Botthof. If a student is rejected he then can apply to another college in a sufficient amount of time. Finally, counselors are able to give greater personal attention to early applications.

Students submitting applications should provide a stamp; the school will provide the envelope. Before being mailed, a transcript is attached to the application and then the application is completed by Miss Toivola or Mr. Botthof, and Dr. John Harris, who signs it.

Mr. Botthof stressed that the University of Illinois should not be taken for granted by students. "People have a tendency to downgrade the University of Illinois, figuring they can always get in there, when in reality it is one of the top rated schools in the nation and quite selective," he concluded.

## Chem Holds New Element

BY LILLIAN HALBREICH

As the students entered Mr. Bernard Welch's chemistry class on the first day of school this year, they anticipated the task of memorizing the usual symbols and valences as a first assignment.

In place of the gruesome memory tortures, the budding new Einsteins and Merdelyevs were told to watch a burning candle for twenty minutes. Next, the chemistry students were told to record what they had seen in a special notebook in which a carbon copy of their observations was recorded.

This incident marked the beginning of a new chemistry project which is an outgrowth of a study instituted in 1959 by the American Chemistry Society to examine the purposes and content of high school chemistry courses.

This program was established to diminish the separation between scientists and teachers, to stimulate and prepare high school students for further study, and to encourage teachers to undertake further study in order to keep in step with advancing scientific methods.

The program, which the Chemical Educational Material Study (CHEM Study) introduced, is geared to the average student, and is based on a series of experiments. The student is required to do the experiment without much background material. In this way each student comes to his own conclusions, and discovers scientific principles first-hand without reading them in the text.

Mr. Welch, who spent the past past summer in preparation for teaching the CHEM Program, is "very pleased" with the results thus far.

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# One Way To Cook A Turkey

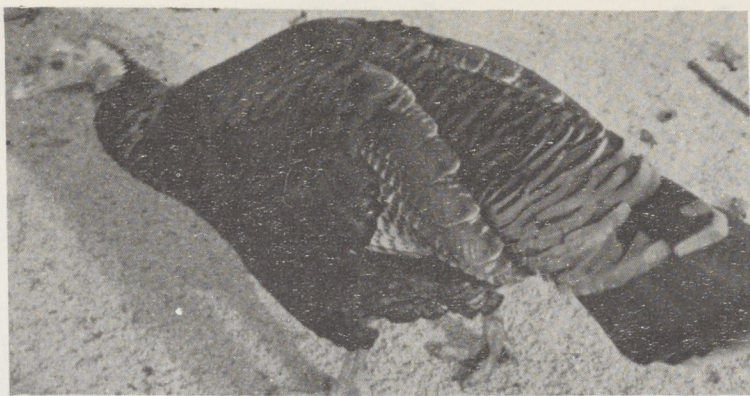
Thanksgiving brings to mind thoughts of pilgrims, vacation, and that tantalizing smell of TURKEY.

Nilehi students have suggested their procedures for the first steps of cooking a turkey in the column **THE FUNGUS**. However, NILEHILITE staff dieticians, whose names are not to be revealed, have prepared an entire recipe for turkey cooking that would make Chef Boy-Ar-Dee cringe.

Following is "How To Cook a Turkey in the Nilehi Fashion," or in simpler words, "Turkey a la Nilehi."

## INGREDIENTS NEEDED:

Mr. Peter Carr's chic cap



THIS POOR TURKEY is counting his days.

200 late passes  
Strings salvaged from 34 worn-out yo-yos  
Three strong SSO monitors  
Hydrochloric acid left over from a chemistry experiment  
Sand and cinders

## PROCEDURE

1. Plead with three strong SSO monitors to capture a huge tur-

key.

2. Preheat furnace to 1048 degrees fahrenheit.

3. Stuff the turkey with the late passes and tie the drumsticks together with the yo-yo strings.

4. Place Mr. Carr's beret on the turkey's head for decoration.

5. Pop the turkey onto a very study platter made of iron and baste every 15 minutes with hydrochloric acid.

6. For flavoring, sprinkle with sand and cinders from the construction work.

7. Throw the turkey into the furnace and stand back, or else feed it to "The Man Who Came to Dinner." He has a cast-iron stomach!

# COLLEGE CORNER

The tuition for the University of Illinois is \$105 per semester, housing is \$385 per semester in an independent dormitory, and books run from \$25 to \$50. Extra expenses include transportation, which is \$4.50 on the Illinois Central for a round-trip ticket, phone calls costing 65c for the first three minutes to Chicago, and an approximate weekly expense of

\$7 to \$10 for Sunday dinner, other meals, cabs, and school supplies.

The campus lies between Urbana and Champaign with the Liberal Arts buildings around the main campus affectionately called the "quad." Lecture halls have approximately 300 to 500 students while individual classes have 25 students.

The men's dormitories are to the west of the quad and the two girls' dormitories, Lincoln Avenue Residence Hall and Allen Hall, are to the east. In 1962 there will be a new residence hall available for women.

The University has many facilities for studying—the main library, libraries in individual buildings, dormitory study rooms, and your room in which you live. It is essential that each student finds a "corner" comfortable for study if he wishes to maintain his place at the University.

After budgeting your time for study, there are many activities such as student government, dormitory organizations, panhellenic activities, and the Student Union activities in which you can participate.

The University has an abundance of amusement facilities such as the Union movies, art exhibits, concerts, plays, lectures, dances, and visiting celebrities. The campus town is directly across from the quad where there are book stores, drug stores, a show, and numerous other stores.



MARCIA BRAVERMAN, 1960 Nilehi graduate

Downtown Champaign has several large department stores plus specialty shops. There are several good restaurants in the area and in case you get homesick for "Mom's cooking," there are places which can serve as a substitute.

There are 27 sororities and approximately 57 fraternities on campus. Sorority rush is in May for high school girls and in June for out-of-state students. November rush is for students on campus. Fraternity rush is held in the fall and spring.

# THE WULF CALL

By Pat Wulf

The Physical Education department—a new detention hall!

It's getting to be quite a "fad" in the Girls' P.E. department to issue detentions for excessive talking and gum chewing. These detentions should help to curb Nilehi females of excessive talking!

The punishment? Staying an hour after school for a pop quiz and/or writing 100 times or more the grade school sentence, "I will not talk (chew gum) in . . ."

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Next topic: Chess! Do all you chess fans know that back in old Liz I's day, the ground served as the chess board and the chess figures were real people? Miss Jean Jackson's English Literature students have found this a most interesting subject . . .

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Has anyone solved the cover riddle of the pocketbook **The Nature of the Non-Western World**? (Many SSS students have found the "extra hand on the railing" questions more provoking than those questions the course offers.

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Seems like the seniors bear the "mark of distinction." So far, we've seen senior lollipop day, yo-yo day, balloon day. Now the Class of '62 is planning to purchase a bulletin board for seniors where notes may be tacked for their friends.

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Mr. Norman Frey gave his English classes this example of wordiness: "The absence of coldness in you produces in me a deep sense of sympathy which can only be reciprocated by actions signifying inestimably more than the sentiment of friendship." In other words, "I love you!"

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"You oughta be in pictures," seems to have been Niles' motto for the past two weeks!

# THE FUNGUS AMONG US



To sample the culinary knowledge of Nilehi students and faculty, the Fungus inquires: "What's the first thing you do when cooking a turkey?"

Mr. Onni Hendrickson: "Find a woman to cook it for you."

Marge Levin, senior: "Wear your pilgrim shoes."

Jerry Dulkan, senior: "Take its insides outside."

Barbara Hessel, senior: "You don't; you buy it ready-made."

Peggy Franz, senior: "Ask Miss Butler."

Steve Lampert, senior: "Leave the feathers on it."

Carolyn Schoeller, senior: "Undress it."

Madeline Touff, freshman: "Ask my mother."

Al Rucins, senior: "You have to kill it first."

Mr. James Michael: "Turn on the oven."

Margie Sarnat, junior: "Give it Navocain."

Ken de Graffenreid, senior: "Use it for grub."

Sue Wershkoff, senior: "They're not teaching that in chemistry this semester."

Miss Jean Canning: "Forget it, and have some man take you out to dinner."

Sharon Kunar, senior: "I'd pinch it to see if it was alive."

Mr. Norman Frey: "Forget it, and have some nice lady invite you to her house for dinner."

Frank Summers, senior: "I give up, what?"

Jan Buchholz, senior: "Check it for fungus."

Bonnie Shannon, senior: "Gobble."

Bonnie Bolnick, freshman: "Give it to creative cookery."

# THE PERISCOPE

by Burt Michaels

**TEACHERS - ARE - HUMAN - DEPARTMENT** — New Trier faculty assigned no homework the night of the Halloween party . . . An economics instructor at Hall High, West Hartford, Connecticut, plans a depression party, complete with bread and apples . . . A Sullivan instructor left a class one Friday with a cheery, "Have a nice weekend — you don't deserve it!" (Incidentally, Sullivan is the latest to copy our SSO, with one experimental study hall!)

**WISH - IT - WERE - HERE - DEPARTMENT** — New Trier males wear Bermudas and knee socks to school in warm weather . . . Waukegan juniors hold an Annual Car Wash to finance the Prom . . . Building construction at Muskegon High, Muskegon, Michigan, caused water mains to burst (students got an unexpected vacation) . . . Morton East is presenting "Amahl and the Night Visitors" for its Christmas operetta . . . Mustangs are also planning spring vacation trips to New York, Washington, and Boston . . . Libertyville parents were fed cafeteria food at their Open House (they now sympathize.)

**ODDBALL-DEPARTMENT** — A Highland Park senior brought a six foot, 14 pound live boa constrictor to school . . . The "Little Giants" star halfback enjoys preparing lemon meringue pie and shrimp marinade . . . Highland Park girls painted local store windows for Homecoming; cleaned them the next day.

**CHARITY - DEPARTMENT** — Proviso East supports Rankin Cove, a school for tenant farmers' children . . . Taft sent clothing to hurricane victims in Freeport, Texas.

**CLOSING - DEPARTMENT** — **THE RIPARIAN** of Broad Ripple High in Indianapolis reports "Upper Crust" is a lot of crumbs held together by their own dough . . . A lot of people too polite to talk with full mouths go around talking with empty heads . . . If love makes the world go 'round, it's the little white lies that keep it in balance!

## 'Pilgrim's Progress'

Dearest Priscilla,

It grieves my heart that I cannot be with thee this moment, but thou knows that my trusty steed has a flat hoof. I beg thy forgiveness, and hope that thou shall come to visit me next week.

My school, thy honored Niles Township, is presenting for thy pleasure, a casual interpretation of "Thou Gentleman at Thy Dining Table," commonly featured by some scoundrels as "The Man Who Came to Dinner." I am told it is a delightful comedy revolving about a character baptized Sheridan Whitesides. 'Tis also novel because we will be sitting in-thy-round.

Arrangements have been made for thou trip to my school. It is best to bring thy most comfortable shoes for thy 300 mile hike over the Appalachians. I realize that I promised last year I would never make thee walk again, but no hardy soul would brave the snow drifts toward thou in thy trip. Besides, thy heart will be warmed by thoughts that I am only 200 miles beyond the mountains. For the remainder of the trip, I have arranged for a mule team to escort thee through the swamps to thy campus.

I advise thee to bring the usual sufficient clothing. Females at Niles wear thy muslin skirts floor length, so I advise thee shorten thou's from thy present cellar length. The new fad here is fur-lined cloaks.

I realize thy cloak is only simple cloth, so, if possible, shoot a racoon or a bear for a lining while

# Close-Up

"Our 'Senior days' demonstrate, without a doubt, that the Class of '62 is the best ever," boasted Mike Kiss, president of the Senior class.

"The way the class stands together is a tribute to its spirit. Take, for example, the way seniors rallied to our support in

decorating for the Homecoming Dance and building the float," he continued. "I'm really lucky to have such a fine group of people to work with, and a sponsor as great as Mr. Onni Hendrickson."

The pleased president relates that Cabinet is planning an all-school carnival for next semester to raise money for the class gift. Graduation plans include a possible senior class picnic with West. Finally, Cabinet is arranging a senior section in the cafeteria, and a senior bulletin board to replace the "mailboxes."

As senior class representative to the Student Planning Board, Mike believes the point system will benefit each individual as well as the whole school. He explains that all activities will be awarded a certain number of points, and that the total points a person can acquire will depend on his grade average.

When not acting as head of 450 seniors, Mike is an SSM Period Supervisor. He won a major "N" in baseball and has participated in gymnastics and tennis. He was on Homecoming Committee, was chairman of last year's Prom committee, and is a member of H-Y.

Mike hopes to see the Honor System revived. To strengthen it he recommends that Honor Board be given disciplinary authority.

"I would like to attend the Naval Academy at Annapolis if possible," Mike concluded, "or else study law."



MIKE KISS, Senior Class President

thou are in the Appalachians.

I beg of thee to respond to my letter within a short time. It must be evident that thy presence at Niles is desired within a week. If thy letter is not received within a sufficient length of time, I will leave thee stranded in the mountains.

My tenderest thoughts are always with thee and remember, clumsy, don't fall in thy swamp like thou did'st last year.

Affectionate regards,  
John



# All-League Team Named

Recently the coaches of the eight Suburban League football teams met at Highland Park and chose an All-Suburban League team.

Evanston dominated both the offensive and defensive teams, with six men on the first offensive unit, and seven men on the first defensive squad.

Junior John Papandrea, guard and middle linebacker of the Trojans, was given honorable mention by the coaches. He was the only Nilehi to be given this honor.

John also was honored by receiving special recommendation on the All-Suburban All-Star team, which was picked by prep sports writers and broadcasters from the suburban area.

The twenty-seven man squad was chosen from a total of approximately eighty-five high schools by members of the Suburban Press and Radio Association. Forty boys received special commendation. Papandrea was listed as a guard.

The first offensive team consists of: Ends—Jerry Cermak, Morton East, and Bill Coker, Evanston; Tackles—Bob Pickens, and John Schawnbeck, Evanston; Guards—Ray Marcin, Morton East, and Curt Burkhead, Evanston; Center—John Bilenko, Proviso East; Quarterback—Fred Custardo, Proviso East, and Doug Holcomb, Evanston; Halfback—Dave Pasiacki, Proviso East, and Toby Wilt, Evanston; and Fullback—Jim Haugness, New Trier.

The first defensive team includes: Ends—Steve Goodman, Highland Park, Joe Payton, Evanston, and Frank Sanek, Morton East; Tackles—Bob Pickens, and John Schwanbeck, Evanston; Guards—Curt Burkhead, and Bill Madison, Evanston; Linebackers—Ray Marcin, Morton East, Toby Wilt, Evanston, and Jim Haugness, New Trier and Halfbacks—George Stan- cel, Morton East, and Dough Holcomb, Evanston.

## Basketballers Battle West in First Game

Nilehi's varsity cagers will begin the season battling three tough teams on successive weekends. Niles West, New Trier, and Morton East are the first three opponents for the Men of Troy.

The West game, on November 22, should be a hotly contested game between the newly formed rivals. The Trojans have the edge in height, with 6-4 Ken Borgia returning from last year's varsity, and 6-3 Richard Ingersoll, both of whom are seniors.

West's tallest man is 6-2 Jim Hart, who was the most valuable player on the basketball team last year.

It appears certain that Borgia and Ingersoll have nailed down two of the front three positions. Vying for the other forward position are Seniors Mitch Skolnick, Denny Serpico, and Bob Manzer, and juniors Bill Lorr and Rick Millis.

Senior Paul Bishop seems to have one of the guard positions cinched, but the other post is still wide open. Steve Bernsten and Mitch Joffe, are up from last year's junior varsity. Also eager to lend a hand are juniors Bob Lis, Eddy Massof, and Bill Toelke, among others.

The Trojans will be trying to pick up where they left off last year. The cagers of '61 won five out of their last eight conference games, and ended the season fighting for a first division berth.

## Swimmers Host to Maine, Indians

Nilehi swimmers are practicing three and a half hours daily in preparation for their first meet, November 24 against Maine East.

Practicing both in the morning and after school, the team swims over a mile, seventy lengths of the pool. The varsity team sprints most of the distance.

The Suburban League's keen competition calls for such rigorous practice. The League, considered the nation's foremost prep swimming league, boasts such teams as Evanston and New Trier, which are capable of defeating many small colleges.

Head coach Don Larsen, frosh coach Bill Warner, and diving instructor John Narcy have plenty of swimming experience among themselves. Larsen was an All-American swimmer and Narcy is a former N.C.A.A. diving finalist.

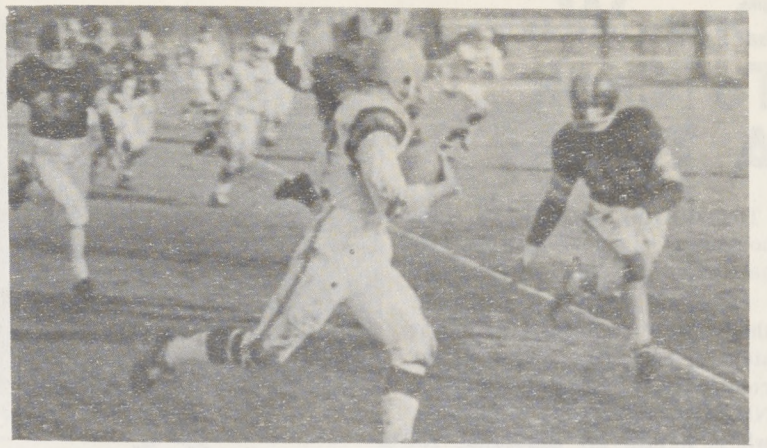
Captain Jerry Jacover, Harvey Slutsky, and Larry Wolfinsohn are the team's three returning lettermen. Other promising swimmers are: Roger Rojo, Gregg Johnson, Ron Rufer, Leon November, Larry Rosen, Herb Zarov, Al Gitlis, Wayne Hutter, Ron Rojo, and Spencer Greene.

The Trojans, seemingly destined for another second division finish in the S.L., also have a meet November 25 against the Niles West Indians.

The meets consist of eight individual races and include a four hundred yard freestyle, two relays, and diving.

Individual events and diving account for nine points; five for first place, three for second, and one for third. The relays award seven points to the winner.

A new acoustical ceiling which eliminates echo, a new P.A. system, and fluorescent floodlight which is directed on the pool are a few of the many innovations to the pool.



## DETERMINED

Trojans lost 19-12.

halfback Jay Brautigam tries to outrun Oak Park defenders in the final game of the season, which the

## Trojan Grapplers Hope for Successful Season

The 1961-62 edition of the Niles Trojan wrestling team will take to the mats Wednesday night, November 22, against Niles West in the season opener for both teams.

Returning seniors who will bolster the Trojan grapplers are Bob Capettini, 120 pounds; Jerry Dulkan, 127 pounds; Stu Marshall, 154 pounds, and Ralph Larsen, 180 pounds.

Lou Lutz, who wrestled varsity his sophomore year, but didn't last year, may also wrestle this year.

Promising are lettermen John Papandrea, who wrestled varsity his freshman year, Bill Richardson, Al Stern, and Al Finger.

John Peterson, Mike Kagan, and Jim Reed all wrestled on the sophomore squad their freshman years.

Another junior who should be an asset to Coach Howard Byram's squad is Ted Cobun, who wrestled in Indiana last year.

There are some sophomores with a good chance of wrestling varsity this year. Among them are Howie Rosenbaum, Jeff Isel, younger brother of Dick Isel who finished second in the state last year, and Jack McGrath.

New coaches this year are Mr. Pat Lennon, the junior varsity coach; Mr. Arthur Kraft, sophomore coach and Mr. Harry Ewing, freshman coach.

Mr. Byram, who is in his ninth year of coaching at Nilehi, hopes for a successful season, but feels that this may be a rebuilding year for the grapplers.

## Gymnasts at West for Initial Contest

Sparked by six returning lettermen, Nilehi's varsity gymnastic squad will be striving to be among the top four teams in the Suburban League.

"We should be among the top three or four," reported head coach Milan Trinka.

Poor working conditions are facing the gymnasts. Splitting the gym with the basketball team makes good workouts especially tough to achieve.

Returning lettermen include Elliot Pearl, senior who placed second in the state on the still rings last year; and seniors Jim Block, sidehorse; Steve May, tumbler; and Dale Johnson, highbar. Others are Ike Heller, junior, on the parallel bars, and sophomore tumbler Rick Block.

Some of the boys, according to the coach, will have to work two or three events. He is pleased with the way the boys are working, considering the conditions.

This is only the third year of gymnastics at Nilehi. The gymnasts still have a lot to live up to, since last year they finished ninth in the state.

## VARSITY 1961-62 BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Nov. 22	.....	at Niles West
Dec. 1	.....	New Trier
Dec. 8	.....	at Morton East
Dec. 15	.....	Evanston
Dec. 22	.....	at Waukegan
Dec. 27, 28, 29	.....	Proviso West Suburban Invitational
Jan. 6	.....	at West Leyden
Jan. 12	.....	Proviso East
Jan. 19	.....	at Highland Park
Jan. 26	.....	Oak Park
Jan. 27	.....	at New Trier
Feb. 2	.....	Morton East
Feb. 9	.....	at Evanston
Feb. 16	.....	Waukegan
Feb. 17	.....	at Proviso East
Feb. 23	.....	Highland Park
Mar. 3	.....	at Oak Park
Mar. 5-9	.....	State Regional

## What's a Manager?

"Jack of all trades" . . . exemplifies the role of a student manager. Taking attendances, being in charge of equipment used at practice, and the very important responsibility of taking all essential equipment to away games are typical of the duties of the manager.

Game reporter is one of the manager's unusual duties. The statistics and side information of Saturday's gridiron battles that appeared in the prep pages of the Chicago papers are there due to the efforts of this fellow.

Although managing is by no means a physically backbreaking job, it entails long hours. From After school to about 6 everyday and from 11 to 5 on Saturdays are normal hours spent by the football managers. Approximately 175 hours a season are devoted to the team.

Three years multiplied by 175 hours equals the ultimate goal of every student manager, a letter.

The major "N" means more to the student manager than a means by which to get into the N-Club or an opportunity to attend the sports banquet. It is a goal set by the manager usually in his freshman year. When his goal becomes a reality, the award becomes a symbol of his three years of service rendered to the team.

"The manager occupies a unique position in the school athletic system. He sees the players and coaches in a different light than they see each other. He sees the picture in its entirety and has a different view of football because of his responsibilities," stated Glenn Wentink, a varsity football manager.

Three managers presently are proud holders of major "N"s: Glenn Wentink and Vic Witcher, four-year football managers, and Richard Ross, who is holding down the baseball field with three years of service.

## According to Art

By Art Rotstein  
Sports Editor

THE SUBURBAN LEAGUE SUPERINTENDENTS should be commended for their wise decision in deciding to lift the ban on free play periods, or out of season practices without coaches supervising. At their November 9 meeting they changed the rulings which they had previously made.

At their earlier meeting, they had ruled that no athlete could use his school's facilities to practice in a particular sport outside of that sport's season. This ruled out free play periods.

The superintendents had also approved a rule that would prohibit any Suburban League athlete from participating in any amateur events, such as AAU meets or Pan American Games.

They also withdrew this ruling at the last meeting and decided to let S.L. athletes in these meets.

A factor that played an important part in this sudden attitude change was the pressure from parents' groups at each school. Many parents were outraged by the first rulings, and a New Trier father even drafted a letter to President Kennedy complaining about the situation.

CONGRATULATIONS to John Papandrea, who made honorable mention on both the All-Suburban League and All Chicago-Area teams.

The Trojan football players and harriers will be honored next Tuesday evening at the annual fall sports' banquet in the East Division cafeteria.

The banquet, scheduled to begin at 6:30, is sponsored by the Rotary Club, and is given for the Trojan athletes who participated in the two sports.

Next Wednesday evening at Niles West High School, the Trojan basketball team will attempt to defeat our newest rivals, West's Indians. The game should prove to be an exciting contest, for the teams are fairly even.

On the same night, the Trojan wrestlers will host West's grapplers, in the Girl's gym. The meet should be very close.

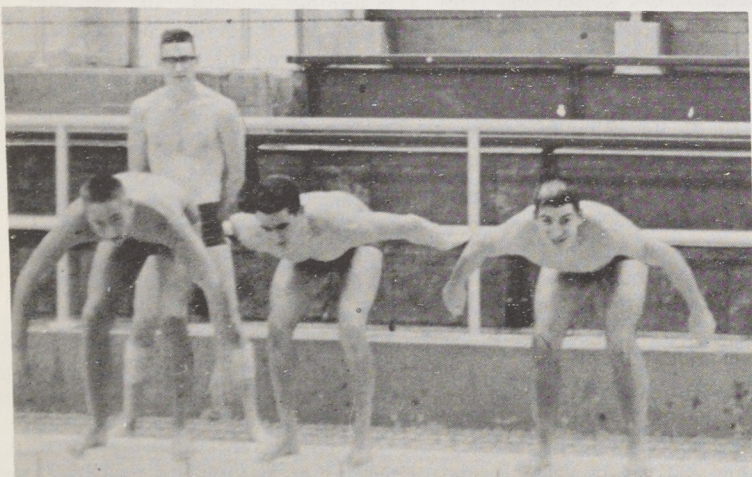
The gymnastics team meets the Indians on Saturday, the 25th of November, at West at 7:30 p.m., while the swimming team goes against West in the afternoon in the Trojan pool.

The Trojan gymnasts must be considered to have an edge over the Indians, what with Pearl, the Blocks, and Heller. However, the Indians will be going all out to beat us, so let's not be too sure of ourselves.

As far as swimming is concerned, the Trojans have the power for the freestyle events, but may be lacking in the other strokes.

All of the meets coming up with West will be close, hard-fought battles. None of these will be easy.

Let's all try to get out to these meets and support our teams. They all deserve it!



SWIMMERS TENSE as they await the starting signal of a practice race.