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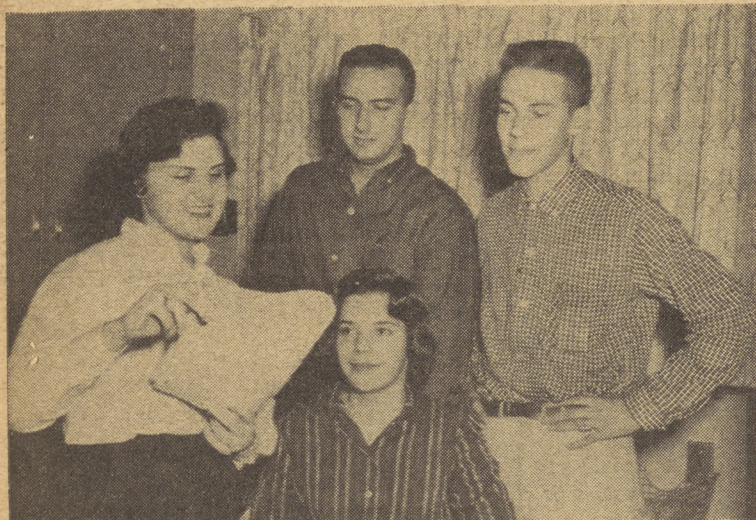
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Cast Chosen For Musicale After Competitive Tryouts



Members of the Musicale steering group, Marlene Derman, Chuck Ragland, Van Bradley, standing, and Shirley Ferguson, seated, make plans for "Off Camera" to be held in April.

WEEKS OF conscientiously memorizing dialogue sheets and "brushing up" on the scales has paid off for those Nilehi students selected for the cast of Niles' fourth musicale production, "Off Camera."

Selected for the cast were Larry Schwartz and Chuck Ragland as Leonard Thornton; Rick Ricordati and Tom Conners as Jerry Burke; Charlotte Cooperman and Marilyn Barnett as Marge Grayson; Pet Teichert and Anne Cusic as Vivian Lassiter; Pam Bradley and Sue Spero as Jessica Meredith; Sandra Eggert and Gladys Lindberg as Carol Lane; Ron Bartch and Allan Goodman as Larry Ward.

On Wednesday, November 19, preliminary tryouts were held in room 100, East Division, at 3:30 p.m., while the final "test" took place on Sunday, November 23, in the West Division auditorium. In order to have participated in the Sunday afternoon tryouts, a student first must have been present on Wednesday.

In April, under the student direction of Marlene Derman and Van Bradley and the guidance of Mr. Hugh McGee, "Off Camera" will depict a dramatic situation concerning a "behind the scenes" story of the TV summer replacement show which puts on several 30 minutes cuts from actual Broadway productions.

Marge Grayson, the choreographer, and Jerry Burke, the stage manager, have been engaged for a year or so, but as of yet Marge hasn't set a date for the wedding.

Then Vivian Lassiter, who wants a job as a singer and will stop at nothing to get the job, enters the scene. She begins to play up to Jerry, who brushes her off.

But then Jerry tries to talk Leonard Thornton, the TV show's director, into giving Vivian a job as an understudy to Carol Lane, the lead singer, thinking that will be the end of Vivian. Leonard does, but finds to his dismay that Vivian and Jerry are getting friendly.

Leonard and Jessica Meredith, the director of settings and costume design, get themselves so involved with Jerry and Marge's predicament that they forget their sense of values.

Dialogue for this production was written by a "steering group" headed by Van Bradley and Marlene Derman.

The story will be spiced with music from "Annie Get Your Gun," "State Fair," "South Pacific," "Showboat," and "Music Man."

Some of the popular tunes included in the show will be "Till There Was You," "The Girl That I Marry," "I Got The Sun in the Morning," "It Might As Well Be Spring," and "That's for Me."

"I hope that the potential shown by 'Off Camera' thus far," proposed Marlene Derman, student director, "will make this one of the finest shows Nilehi has ever seen!"

TOTs Visit Spalding School On Year's First Field Trip



Holly Freeman, secretary, checks the attendance records of Teachers Of Tomorrow with Bonnie Martin, president, as Gerda Halbreich, vice-president looks on.

ARMED WITH NOTEBOOKS, pencils, and an alert mind a group of Teachers of Tomorrow members visited Spalding School for crippled children in Chicago on November 13 as part of their preparation for entrance into the profession of their choice. This first field trip of the year gave the students an understanding of that particular phase of education. They toured the physical therapy department and nursery classes, and witnessed a parade presented by the high school students.

The East Division teacher's club had its start in April, 1957. It was formed for the purpose of introducing the field of teaching to interested students.

Council Improves Student Directory

NAMES RANGING FROM Mary Smith to Guiseppe Tagliabue will be included in the new Student Directory. Students of both divisions will be included in this booklet.

However, names and phone numbers will not be the only items in the revised edition. A completely new Student Directory is in the making. It will be bigger, over forty pages, and better, including many new parts, than any previous Directory printed at Niles.

New items being incorporated in the Directory will include a cover design, the Niles Code of Ethics on the inside front cover, a map of the Suburban League schools, a sports schedule covering all sports activities from wrestling to baseball, and a social calendar of events.

The price of the Directory will be 50 cents. It will be sold in both East and West Division through homeroom Student Council representatives, and during the lunch hours.

"We hope to have the directories on sale before Christmas," stated Lynn Miller, chairman of the committee. Other committee members are Carole Waller, Beth Dickson, Carol Stern, and Meredith Hunter.



Union Board members Rick Ricordati, Chuck Ragland, and Kay Naylor make plans for "Candlelight Ball," this year's Christmas dance to be held in the West Division gymnasium.

Santa Claus To Visit Christmas Ball Dec. 13

FOR THE FIRST TIME in the history of Nilehi, the Student Union Board will sponsor the Christmas dance scheduled this year for December 13 in the Nilehi West gymnasium. This semi-formal dance, called "Candlelight Ball," will be held from 8:30-11:30 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus will preside at the dance against a background of the traditional Christmas atmosphere. The ten-piece orchestra of Jim Kleeman

will furnish the music. Another feature of the evening will be refreshments served without additional cost.

First preference of purchasing bids at a reduced price will be given to Student Union members. If there are any bids remaining, they will be sold to non-union members.

"This dance is going to be the biggest and the best that Nilehi has ever seen and will be remembered by all," promised Mr. John Hallberg, sponsor of the Union Board.

Rick Ricordati, chairman of the entertainment committee has the following chairmen working for the dance:

Sue Backus, Student Lounge; Chuck Ragland, sound and lighting; Carol Dankowski, bids and tickets; Arlene Pfaff, ceiling; Carol Stern, centerpiece; Jim Tansor, walls; Linda Randel, chaperons; and Penny Boom and Ginger Golden, rules governing the dance.

Joe Tagliabue At GHS Exchange Day

JOE TAGLIABUE, our foreign exchange student, and his American brother, Robin Hoffer, spent Friday, November 21, at Glenbrook High School, Northbrook, Glenbrook held a Foreign-Exchange-Student Day, which was attended by many of the area's foreign students and their American hosts.

Joe and Robin began their day at Glenbrook by visiting classes with various GHS students. In the evening they ate dinner at the home of one of these students, after which they attended Glenbrook's first basketball game, played against Highland Park, and a "coketail" dance sponsored by the school's Pep Club.

"It is hoped that by participating in such school activities and making new acquaintances, both the schools and the foreign exchange students will begin to strengthen their relationships with each other," stated Claudia Wollack, secretary of the Special Events committee of the Glenbrook branch of the American Field Service Club.

A similar program for foreign exchange students and their hosts of this area is being planned by the Foreign Exchange Students (FES) Committee at Nilehi for the near future.

Magazine Drive Reaps Profits

"THE WEST DIVISION MAGAZINE Drive was a rousing success," happily exclaimed Mr. Bill Bost, West Division Council sponsor.

After the final figures were reviewed, it was found that over \$7,000 worth of subscriptions was taken in.

This is a 75% increase over the West Divisions' totals of the 1957 Drive.

Walking off with the best job of "salesmanship" was Steve Ray, freshman who sold \$134 worth of subscriptions. The prizes for the three highest salesmen were a portable phonograph, a transistor radio, and a Brownie movie camera. Steve chose the camera.

Over 138 additional prizes were awarded to the daily high salesmen and the daily high-sales homeroom. The prizes were chosen on November 3.

This project marked the two-year-old West Council's first project of the year. They "reaped" a profit totaling well over \$1,000, according to Mr. Bill Bost, Council sponsor.

Other organizations that took part in the Council-sponsored West Division activity were the freshman and sophomore cabinets, Tri-Hi-Y, Hi-Y, Foreign Language Club, Future Teachers, Future Nurses, Audio-Visual Aids, and the Spotlighters.

Because of a heavy load of projects, the East Division Student Council waived sponsoring the activity this year.

Approximately 35 freshmen and sophomore students attended this first meeting, which was conducted by Miss Mary Ann Herold, sponsor.

Of Cabbages and Kings For What Are We Thankful

NOW THAT THANKSGIVING DAY is just around the corner, everyone has undoubtedly thought of things for which he is thankful. Aside from the usual obvious things, such as the car, the boy-friend, and the new dress, there are many other things of much more importance which are running through the minds of Nilehi students.

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We of the Nilehite staff would like to say that we are thankful to be attending as fine a school as Niles Township High School, with such modern facilities, a pleasant atmosphere, and unlimited opportunities in the form of activities from which to mold our characters. We are especially thankful for the new building, because it affords a wonderful educational institution to Nilehi students, besides giving these students a chance to mature physically and intellectually under such comfortable conditions. We appreciate the work of all those involved whose efforts made this magnificent school possible.

We would like to give our thanks for being under the leadership of such a competent teaching staff and an efficient and understanding administration.

We are glad to have the chance to be growing up in a world rapidly being modernized with advanced technology and ideals. That we can arrive into this advanced world in times of peace is good enough reason for us to be humbly grateful.

We appreciate our nice homes, with beautiful suburban surroundings, and our community life which gives us warmth, security, and love—all of which are sometimes taken for granted.

Lastly, we are thankful that we have a four-day vacation in which to relax.

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Thanksgiving Day is a day that should be used for meditating on the finer things in our lives. Thus Thanksgiving Day becomes not only a day for eating turkey, but a day for recognizing and strengthening a personal sense of values.

Nilehi Talks...

Dear Editor:

I think that the situation in the cafeteria should be carefully checked. I eat 5B, and when I plan to eat in the cafeteria the only thing that I eat are my plans. On many occasions I have had just ice cream because there were no sandwiches or milk left. I feel that this should be brought to the attention of the School Board.

Thank You,
A starving senior

ED. NOTE: The Student Council has appointed a committee that is presently looking into this matter.

Dear Editor:

What happened to the student lounge? I miss my coke machine. The soft sweet music is gone from the halls. Ah for the good old days!

Ken Bernsohn
Junior

Dear Editor:

I THINK THAT THE NILEHI STUDENTS who think only of the cents it will cost each student to send an exchange student abroad are just being selfish. These students make the excuse that it will benefit only the person who makes the trip. This statement is totally untrue. The foreign exchange student program offers all students a chance to learn about a foreign country and its people, and also enables the people that the student comes in contact with while abroad a chance to gain a better knowledge of America and Americans. This knowledge of cultures and peoples will enable countries to better understand each other and to live more peacefully and harmoniously together. It is a great honor to be permitted to send an exchange student abroad and I believe all students in both divisions should support this program.

Carl Loescher, Senior

Dear Editor:

I WOULD LIKE to know why the cafeteria monitors don't get together in their information.

The other day, my friends and I left the cafeteria to go to the washroom. After our five minutes were up, we went downstairs to go back into the cafeteria and were greeted by a monitor. He told us we could only get into the cafeteria at the middle entrance, while the middle entrance monitor told us we could only get in at the other entrance. So, we spent the rest of the period on the stairs to the cafeteria, since we had no other place to go.

A Burnt Up Junior

Dear Editor:

I THINK THE student monitors in the cafeteria deserve a good deal of praise for the outstanding job that they are doing. Altogether there are 33 monitors who have enforced the rules of the cafeteria while doing various other lunch room duties at the same time. They are kept busy collecting fines, guiding lunch lines, making sure there are enough trays and silverware in the service lines, and keeping the trucks filled with plates and silverware in order. These may seem like unimportant duties, but to the cafeteria men and women their job is necessary for an efficiently run lunch period!

An Appreciative Junior

Nilehi students and members of the faculty wish to extend sympathy to the family and friends of Janice Johnson, sophomore, who died of leukemia, Friday, November 19, 1958.



Now that Thanksgiving is here, the Inquiring Reporter wants to know, "What are you most thankful for?"

Mike Skol, senior: "That my brother isn't an only child."

Sandee Kagen, senior: "For Mrs. Rice."

Mike Magit, senior: "That my parents haven't disowned me."

Karen Magner, senior: "College boys come home!"

Phil Karafotas, junior: "For entering the swimming season without any broken arms or legs."

Sherwin Landerman, senior: "Thankful! Who's thankful? I still haven't received a passing grade!"

Gwen Johnson, senior: "That I'm not on a diet any more."

Delia Bennett, junior: "That God created boys."

Kathy Lubber, freshman: "America!"

Ginger Golden, senior: "That I go to the school that won third place in the Suburban League."

Mike Wexler, freshman: "My parents, home, school, sister's boy friend, bowling ball..."

7th period American Ideas Class (by popular vote): "Bridgette Bardot."

Carolyn Kuchar, senior: "That horses have saddles."

Betty Masek, junior: My understanding monitor captain.

Sue Duffield, senior: "Pizza, boys, and Ray Coniff."

Carol Dikowski, sophomore: "I'm thankful for the White Rabbit" (?)

Rodney Swanson, senior: "For milk chutes for Carolyn Kuchar."

Linda Karlov, sophomore: "Food, food, food!"

Pam Bradley, junior: "That I'm not a turkey."

Jim Papandrea, senior: "Another day of ravioli."

Gail Sullivan, senior: "That I can go off my diet."

Jim Calamaras, junior: "Good hiding places for... ah... ah... things."

Marcia Braverman, junior: "SSO"

Harvey Nilehi: "That I'm strong enough to carry my briefcase."

Joyce Clyman, junior: "Elvis is in the army."

Big Bopper: "Chantilly lace and a pretty face."

Radio Club 'Hams' Read Hawaii, Alaska, Germany

Conversing with people in Hawaii and Germany seems just as natural to some Nilehi students as conversing with people in Lincolnwood and Skokie. Such conversations are carried on from room 21 at 7:30 p.m. every Wednesday evening, under the direction of Mr. George Fink. Here Nilehi's Radio club attempts to contact radio "hams" all over the world.

"We have contacted 32 of the 49 states, including Alaska," states Mr. Fink. "Our goal is to contact all 49."

The main objectives of the Radio Club are to further interest in radio communication, and offer assistance to those students who wish to become licensed operators.

Officers of this year's club are Richard Kostelnick, president; Ron Wanke, vice-president; and Ronald Geroit, secretary-treasurer.

Cheerleaders Congratulate Team, Coaches and Students

WE, THE VARSITY CHEERLEADERS, would like to give special congratulations to the members of the football team for their outstanding record this season. Placing third in the Suburban League was one of our most thrilling experiences in high school. You've really given us a reason for yelling, "We're from Niles, couldn't be prouder."

Speaking for the seniors, it has really made our last football season at Niles complete! Seeing the students so full of school spirit and so interested in our team has made cheering this season unforgettable.

We'd also like to congratulate the coaches on their fine job of producing a sensational winning team; and to thank the students for their wonderful support throughout the season. The pep and enthusiasm and a winning team made cheering a wonderful experience.

Congratulations again to the team and the coaches. You deserve much more credit than this!

The Varsity Cheerleaders

Foreign Study Offered To Qualifying Junior

Juniors, would you like to spend the second semester of your junior year studying in New Zealand? Well, you now have a chance to fulfill this desire!

This year for the first time Nilehi is participating in the New Zealand Program, sponsored by the American Field Service which handles all the foreign students coming to study in America and all the American students going to Europe to study. Nilehi is eligible to participate in this program because a foreign exchange student is presently studying here.

The student selected to go to New Zealand will leave February 9, 1959, and return August 30. While there the student will live with a New Zealand family and attend a local school. The school credits he receives there correspond to American credits; therefore the student will have the necessary credits for graduation from Niles.

Students wishing to be considered for this opportunity must be currently first semester junior and have reached the age of 16 by February 1, 1959. They must be holding a good grade standing (strong C at least) and as broad an academic background as possible. In addition to these qualifications the student must be in excellent physical condition, must have strong determination

in meeting challenges, an ability to adapt to different people and situations, an outgoing personality, understanding of others, curiosity, interest, and a real desire to participate in this program.

The cost for the student going to New Zealand will be about \$800. This fee cannot be paid by our school or any other school-sponsored organization because of the additional FS programs that Niles will participate in, in which the costs will be paid through the school.

"Perhaps the money problem will deter many students from taking advantage of the Program," stated Mr. Jack Lain, AFS Committee sponsor, "however, we on the committee did not want to deny those able to fit the price opportunity to go so we subscribed to the Program."

Interested students have secured application blanks from their Student Council representative or by having gone to room 126 after school. The deadline for handing in completed applications was Monday, November 24. Those who handed in application blanks will then be interviewed individually by a screening committee composed of the administration, faculty sponsors of various school organizations, and student heads of these organizations.

Nilehi Students Devour Everything In Sight

To the staff of the Nilehi East cafeteria, the 1900 East Division students appear as a huge, hungry, epicurean mass.

This "gourmet," or more specifically, the student body, devours 400 pounds of meat and 150 pounds of potatoes a week.

Nilehi's tremendous thirst is quenched with 6,000 cartons of milk a week.

Every day, 18 fruit pies and 12 cream pies satisfy the varied appetites of cafeteria patrons.

When the twelve cooks of the East Division decide to prepare beefburgers and hot dogs, a favorite among students, they make 480 sandwiches of each.

Like most "gastronomes" Nilehi has its favorite dish, which has been for many years roast beef. But the continental flavor also appears into the cafeteria as child from Mexico, spaghetti from Italy, and sauerkraut from Germany. However, gourmets of Nilehi also choose an American favorite, toasted cheese.

Mrs. Steek, head chef of the cafeteria staff, summed up the staff's attitude by saying, "Nilehi has a big appetite." The only problem that the cafeteria has is the loss of silverware. The school was forced to buy more forks because students have been carelessly throwing them away with their wastepaper. Stated Mr. Homer Ellis, cafeteria supervisor, "this is the student's cafeteria and they must take care of it."

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Getting To Know ...

Marilyn Barnett MurrayAverbach

YOU NAME IT; SHE'S DONE IT. That's the best description of Nilehi's Marilyn Barnett. Okay! We'll name it. Cheerleading? But of course, Marilyn has been one of the Trojan's staunchest supporters for four years now, and was instrumental in starting Racket Squad.

Singing? That's a cinch. This girl may not be another Margerite Piazza but she has participated in girls' glee and has been in choir during her junior and senior years.

Dramatics? Yep, she scores again. Marilyn has had major roles in the spring play in her freshman year, and the fall play in her junior year. As a result of her successful efforts she was initiated into the National Thespian Society.

Tri-Hi-Y? Certainly. Not only has Marilyn been active in Tri-Hi-Y for three years, but she is now secretary of the Gold Club.

Yearbook anyone? Here comes Mari again. She was on the yearbook staff during her junior year and is now "special events" editor.

Aside from all these activities, Marilyn still finds time to teach Sunday School, as she has been doing for two years. Luckily Mari is one of those people who can look carefree on the outside and yet be serious about her responsibilities.

Football games, Mad magazines, acting, collegiate expressions, and Gordon Hathaway are a few of Marilyn's favorites, while she turns thumbs down on wishy-washy boys and Dixieland jazz.

If anyone were to say that Marilyn had no ambition, he would be far off base. In spite of all the things she has accomplished at Niles, she still feels that she has left too much undone. Her future plans also reflect her desire to make something of herself.

As Marilyn puts it, "I would like to do something with my life before settling down to get married, but I cannot quite figure out what." Some of her hopes, however, include acting in a Broadway musical, and participating in some phase of television work.

"Niles has changed unbelievably in the four years since I have been a freshman," recalled Marilyn. "In almost every way I think the change has been for the better, especially in our football team," she added happily. "As a matter of fact, one of my biggest thrills was seeing Niles whip New Trier. For as long as I can remember, I've looked forward to the day when Niles would beat Evanston or New Trier and I'm proud that in my senior year we were able to do both."



Rick Ricordati

THERE'S NOTHING UNUSUAL about Rick Ricordati! He's just like all other senior class vice-presidents who forget the lyrics to their song in the spring musicale after THREE MONTHS of practicing it! Embarrassing for most students, but not for Rick—he just hummed!

Rick is like every other Nilehi senior who includes among his activities Union Board, Hi-Y, Thespians, and Steering Group for this year's musicale, "Off Camera." He follows this typical (?) pattern having gained his leadership experience through Student Council, homeroom presidency, Sophomore Cabinet, assistant S.S.S.H. chairmanship, Junior Cabinet, and Directorship of last year's musicale, "Keep It Gay."

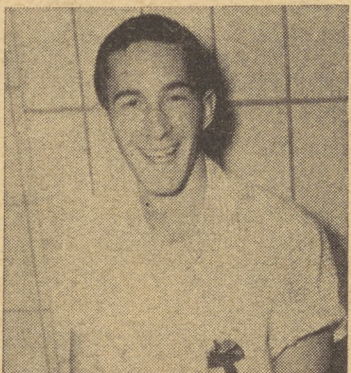
He has the determination of every red blooded American boy, that of living in penthouse 15A, Lake Shore Drive, where he plans to eat his raw potatoes and shelled peanuts in peace. "I may be way out, but I think they're good," admitted Rick. He also likes blood red steaks, redheads, tobogganing, professional plays, classical music, and crew neck sweaters — quite a combination, even for this rugged individualist.

"I can't stand to mow lawns," pointed out Rick while discussing his "typical" pet peeves. "That's why I plan to live in the city — maybe I can get away from that darn lawn mower!" laughed Rick with a twinkle in his eye.

Rick also can't stand saddle shoes on boys, know-it-alls, loud, clashing colors, and girls with too much make-up on.

Future plans for Rick include attending the University of Illinois next year. "I'd like to go into speech correction or teaching," stated Rick.

"I think being elected vice-president of the senior class was really an honor, and working with cabinet has been a very worthwhile experience!" This is not a typical remark — by now you realize that Rick is far from average! Here is a rugged individual with such a genuinely warm personality that he's sure to continue succeeding in all he undertakes.



Student Monitors Chosen

REGULATING THE BEHAVIOR of students at Union Mixers, will be 19 Nilehi seniors who have been chosen as monitors by the Student Union Board.

Students interested in serving as monitors either volunteered their services to the Board or

were recommended by members of the Board. The selection of monitors was supervised by Jim Tansor, Board president.

Newly-chosen monitors include: Mike Sunstein, Bruce Norgan, Jim Papandrea, Mike LeVine, Mitch Portugal, Fred Weil, Bill Reading,

IF YOU THINK that you have developed a working secret of success, we suggest that you compare notes with senior Murray Averbach, who certainly seems to have come up with his own success formula.

"It's very simple," Murray exclaimed, his brown eyes twinkling. "In my personal philosophy, I base my values on a quotation from the Bible — 'do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with thy God.'"

Murray came to Niles Township High School from Norwood, Ohio, a "town within a town." Besides Murray, in the Averbach household are Mike, 9, Alvin, 14, a freshman at Niles West and Vicki, 18, who presently attends Michigan State.

We asked Murray if he could describe himself in one word, "Well," — he hesitated a moment — "I wouldn't call myself lazy!"

Neither would we! At Niles, Murray is a member of the National Honor Society, N-Club, is treasurer of the Golden Galleon Guild, past-chairman and initiator of Racket Squad, plays guard position on the Varsity basketball team, and maintains a high scholastic rating besides all this. Murray also participated in cross-country and won his letter in track.

However, when we asked Murray what his biggest "thrill" was since coming to Niles, he had no trouble thinking of an answer.

"I was sincerely thrilled by the way in which the students at Niles accepted me when I transferred from Norwood," he replied, his voice lowered.

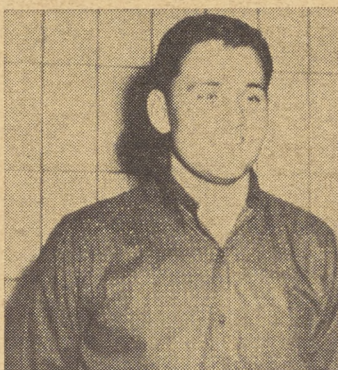
Murray's preferences lie in classical music, "especially Beethoven's Fifth and the New World Symphony," good paintings, ("I don't like modern art, though") and chocolate malts. Murray enjoys trips to the Art Institute, where he usually devotes hours to browsing around.

"If there is one thing that I can't stand, though," Murray exclaimed, "it's prejudiced people who say things without having reasons for saying them."

We asked Murray to do a little crystal-gazing for us. He told us that he plans to spend the next four years at either M.I.T., University of Chicago, or I.I.T., studying science and mathematics.

"My secret ambition," Murray confided, (though he added it was not so secret) "is to someday discover some scientific or mathematical law."

Murray also intends to become a good citizen in his community. We think that if he becomes as good a citizen in his community as he is here at Niles, he has one secret ambition realized already.



Joyce Gertler

TAKE A SPARKLING, FRIENDLY PERSONALITY and an abundant supply of energy, add a fine sense of humor, intelligence and fresh teenage beauty and you have Joyce Gertler, one of Nilehi's most active seniors.

Joycie, who came to Niles in her junior year from Hyde Park High School, is active in many facets of Nilehi life. President of Red Tri-Hi-Y, editor of the SSO News, secretary of Racket Squad, an active member of Student Council, and a Nilehilite staff member, Joyce laughingly confided, "I only wish there were more hours in a day — I could sure use them!"

"I love Niles now, although my first week I felt lost and lonely," stated this bright eyed senior. "The only suggestion I have is to dispose of some of the red tape. Some of Niles' rules seem so unnecessary and involved."

One of Joyce's distinguishing traits is her eccentric eating habits. It isn't unusual for her to have a cream cheese and olive sandwich for breakfast or deviled eggs for breakfast, lunch and dinner. "I go on sprees," Joycie explained, "and I only eat one thing for weeks on end. Right now, I have a taste for taffy apples."

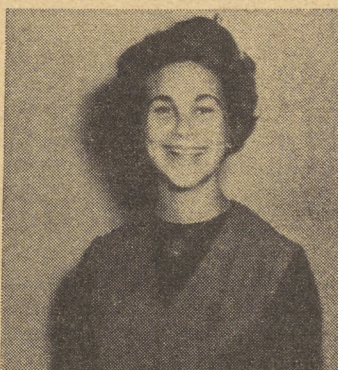
Besides her unique taste in food, Joyce likes liberal people, shaggy sweaters, and boys who wear glasses. The intellectual type has a special appeal to Joyce. "My idea of a perfect date is a boy who is friendly, and intelligent and who has a lot of depth," explained Joyce.

Dislikes are twofold for this popular senior gal; tactlessness and cokes. "Cokes are too strong for me," laughed Joycie, "I'll stick to milk!"

Future plans include attending the University of Michigan. "I'm really looking forward to college," stated Joyce. "I hope to major in English and some day become an ambassador to a foreign country."

Whatever her aims in life are, Joyce is sure to succeed. Her genuine interest in people and unassuming nature will assure her many friends, while her intelligence and willingness to learn will guarantee her success in all that she does.

Jim Stellas, Jim Allen, Bruce Her- son, Sheila Erdmann, Elaine Pass, kert, Judy Wilson, Harriet Pas- Sue Levin, Karen Magnier, and kind, Gail Sullivan, Peggy Bartel- Jinx Mandel.



A fashion show featuring types of dress worn in foreign countries will highlight the annual Pre-Holidays Party, December 11, given by the Foreign Language club of the West Division. Ken Norgan, sophomore, is head of the Club.

Christmas carols and refreshments will also be included in the program. "We extend a warm welcome to all members of the club to join us in our party," stated Mrs. Marjorie Schwab, club sponsor.

Niles Radio club under the direction of Mr. George Fink, has contacted nations all over the world. The contacts are made in morse code. One club member talked to an air force pilot while he was flying a jet. They started talking while the pilot was flying over Georgia and signed off when the pilot was over Florida.

Club members have also contacted ham radio stations in Germany, Poland, Uruguay and Greenland.

Are you interested in working in Niles' shops? Every Tuesday afternoon, the 30 members of the newly formed Industrial Arts club work with our shop facilities.

The opportunity has been given to anyone to attend the meeting and learn to work with woods, metals, and machines. This is also a chance to work on science projects. One member is building a cloud chamber.

According to Mr. Burgett and Mr. Maggio, club sponsors, field trips to local industries, social activities, and raising money to cover the cost of materials will be planned later this year.

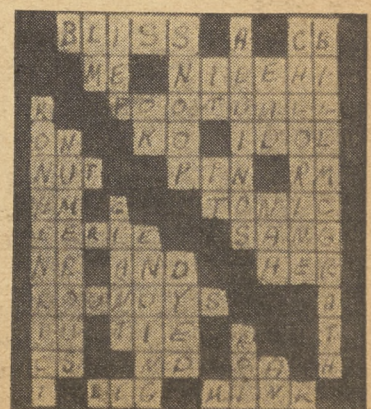
Members of the Hundred Per Cent Club recently elected their officers for the year. President is Linda Wineberg; vice president Diane Singer; secretary, Lynn Karzan; treasurer, Bronna Medwed; and editor, Darlene Stolsloff.

The French club, under the direction of Miss Carolyn Hagemann, sponsor, is planning to have a French dinner later in the year. They will also have a speaker from the French consulate.

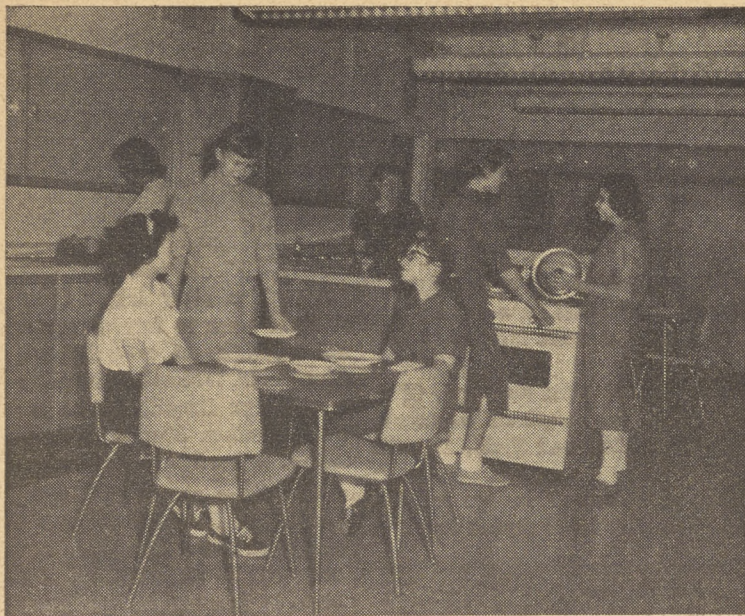
Twelve Thespians and drama students will represent Niles at the Northern Illinois Regional Conference of the National Thespian Society, to be held at Wheaton High School on December 6.

Three Niles Thespians will have roles in a play to be presented at the conference. They are Marianna Marks, Ronald Raben and Charlotte Cooperman.

The day-long program will include play and poetry readings and choral speaking.



Nilehi East, We'd Like



Work in the kitchen really can be fun as is discovered by these seventh period junior and senior girls.

In the 15th and 16th centuries, European explorers dared the open sea, scurvy, and murderous natives in order to learn of the lands and peoples of the newly-opened West, and to bring Eastern customs and culture to the New World.

It has occurred to the Nilehilite staff that the upperclassmen of the East Division and the freshmen of the West Division are as unacquainted with each other as were the people of the East and West in Columbus's time.

Therefore, for the benefit of these and the other students, the Nilehilite has sent out its explorers to the "New World" so that East may meet West with mutual understanding and everyone may get a broader knowledge of their school.

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In 1931, 48 students attended classes at Niles Center High School, housed in the Lincoln Public School. It was a two-year school which did not offer the senior year of work until 1936.

In 1939, the one million dollar building at Lincoln and Niles Avenues was opened. Because of the sharp rise in population, it was necessary to add the North and East wings in 1954, 1955, and 1956.

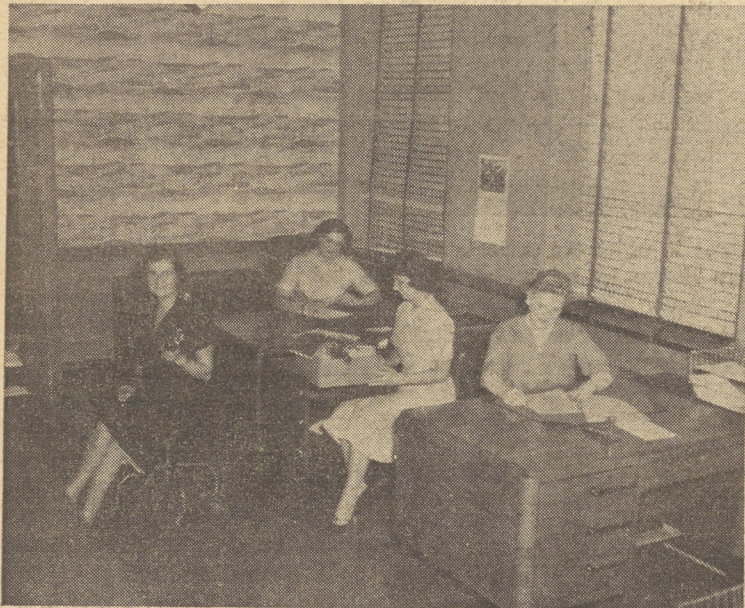
Today we have an enrollment of 3,400, a faculty of approximately 190, and a new five and a half million addition which is a "shining example of architectural artistry and a temple of brick, glass, chrome, and steel."

We have reached quite a milestone in our school's history, but

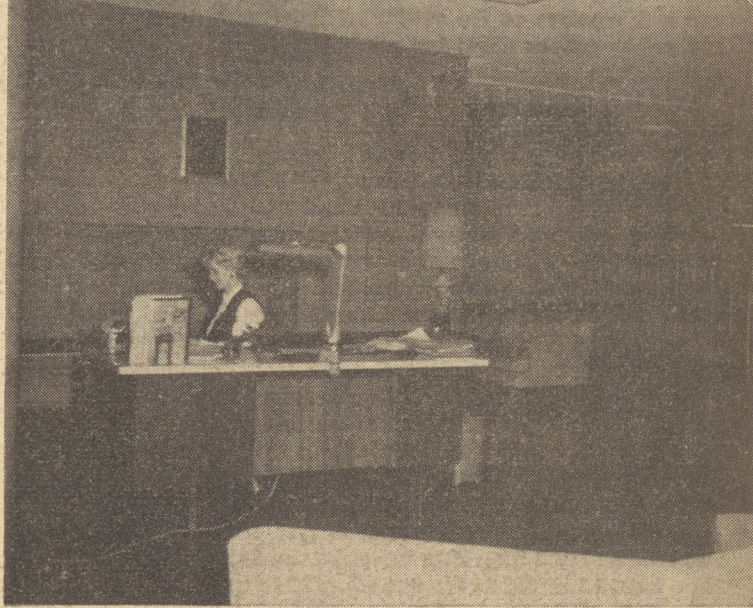
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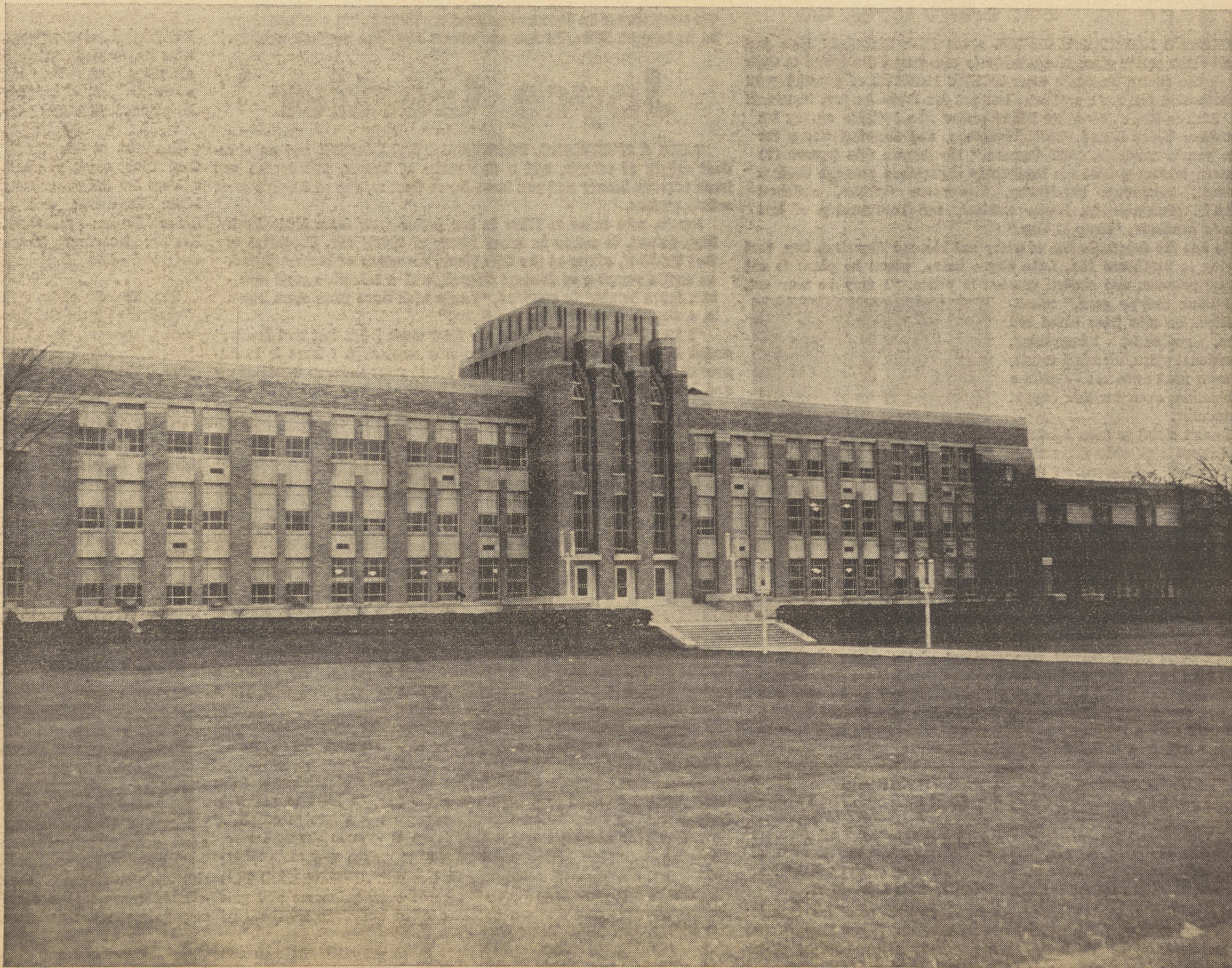
Freshmen and sophomores learn the art of cooking in the West Division Home Economics room.



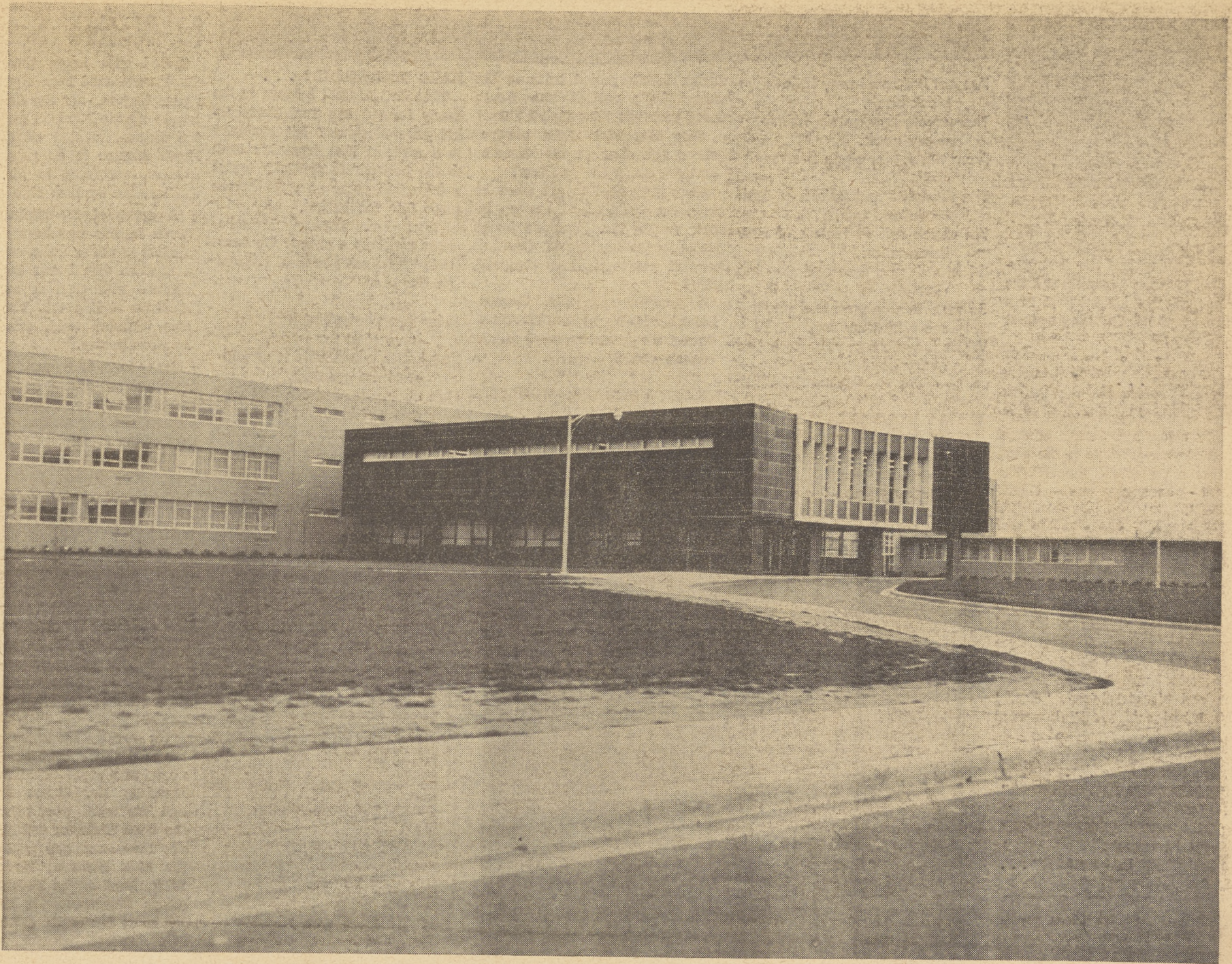
Receptionists, telephone operator, and secretaries are busy at work in the main office reception room of East Division.



The modern West Division reception room is the place where visitors and parents register.



ou To Meet Nilehi West



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much more is yet to follow. Surveys show that in 1965 we will have a high school population of from 7,500 to 8,000 students. This will mean more teachers, new classrooms, curricular revisions, and special facilities.

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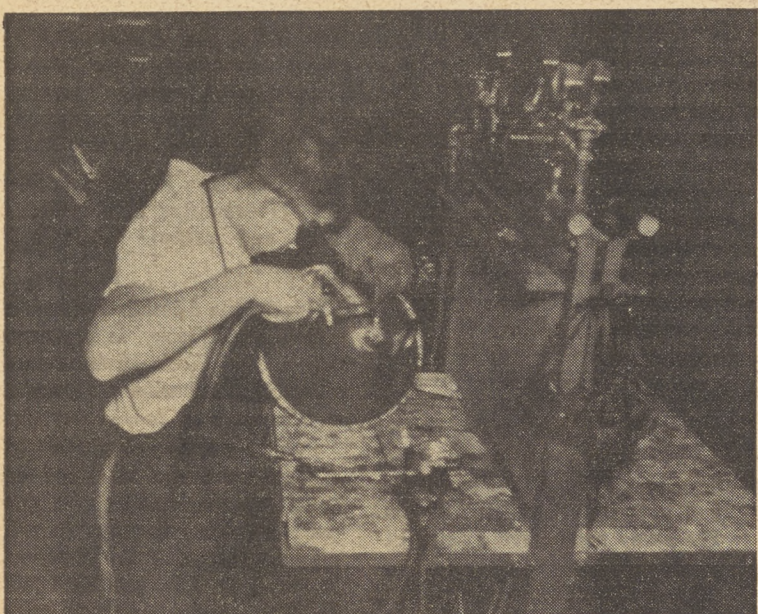
Nilehi West covers 65 acres of ground as compared with the East campus, which totals 23 acres. It has an enrollment of 1,800 students — 200 more than does the East Division — and the faculty of the respective schools includes 105 and 89 teachers, administrators, counselors, and others.

And that multicolored modern equipment, which West Division students use and relax in, came from 63 different manufacturers at an approximate cost of \$600,000.

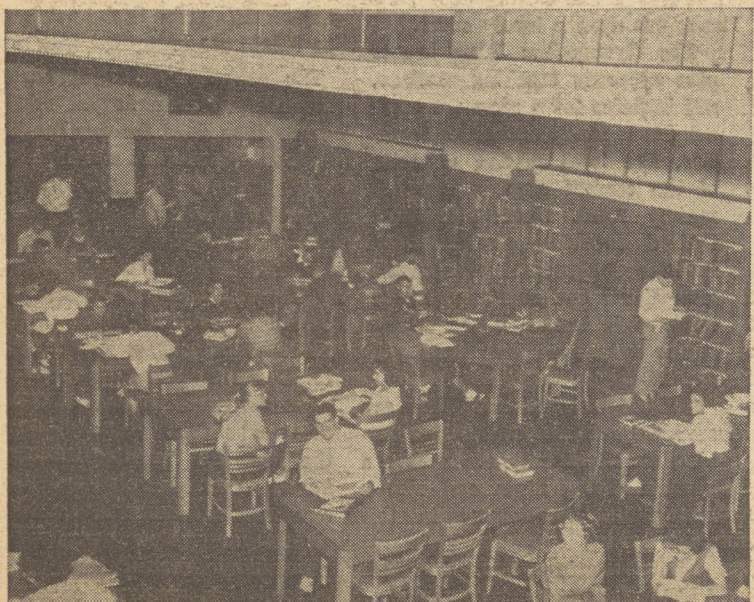
The East Division Building may be divided into three sections: the "old" wing, housing the administration offices, gyms, music rooms, and assembly hall; and the East and North wings where are found the library, the study halls, and the guidance offices.

The West campus's division is more complex. It includes the East Entrance Wing — a two storied section where the Attendance Office, Health Center, Professional Resource Center, Audio-Visual Room and library are found. Stacks in the library provides space for over 20,000 volumes and the seating capacity is 160 as compared with the East Division li-

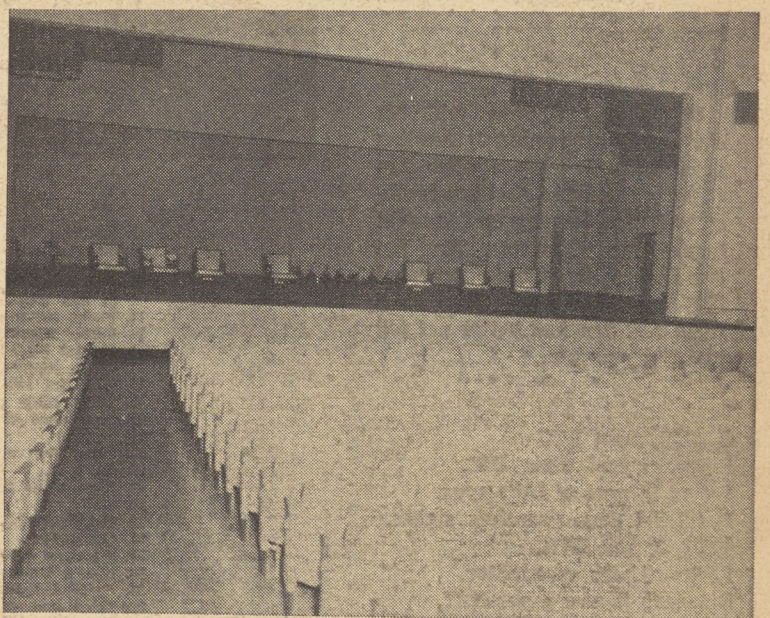
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Ted Masters finds valuable training in East Division's metal shop.



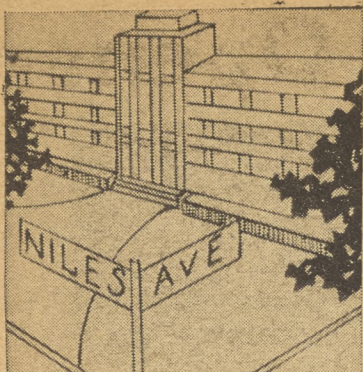
Whether at East Division or West, the library is a pretty popular place. This picture of the East Division is no exception.



The spacious new Nilehi West auditorium is a vast improvement over the East Division Assembly Room.



The West Division library provides a perfect place for reference work and study.



Hi!

This coming weekend will really be a busy one with the Thanksgiving holiday and the first basketball game of the season! Hope to see all you loyal Nilehi fans at the game this Saturday against Waukegan.

Wrong Moore . . .

While he discussed the ancient moors with his sixth period World History class, Mr. James Michael asked his class, "Who is the most famous moor of all times?" The logical answer was GARY MOORE.

From the Purdue Rivet . . .

Sundown found a lonely Indian climbing to the top of a bluff. There he built a fire and began sending smoke signals to his girl across the valley. A short time later, an Air Force plane dropped an atomic bomb between the Indian and his girl friend. "Gee, I wish I had said that!" lamented the Indian.

It pays to advertise . . .

"PAUSE THAT REFRESHES" . . . Lunch.
 "DUZ DOES EVERYTHING" Except homework.
 "DON'T BE HALF SAFE" . . . Study.
 "THE MAN OF DISTINCTION" . . . Senior Class president.
 "ASK THE MAN WHO OWNS ONE" . . . Season ticket.
 "57 VARIETIES" . . . Boy's lunch tray.

Keep it quiet . . .

Mr. Gentil daRosa told his class about pheasant hunting around the Fox River when Jan Chester remarked that her brother had gone hunting and brought home four pheasants. Mr. daRosa then laughingly revealed that the season didn't open for a week and Jan had better not tell too many people.

Type much? . . .

O,MLE, what XTC
 I always feel when UIC.
 I used to rave of LN's eyes,
 For LC I gave countless sighs,
 4 KT, 2, and LNR,
 I was a keen competitor.
 But each is now a non-NTT,
 4 U XL them all, UC . . .

ALUM NEWS . . .

Many Nilehi graduates recently pledged to fraternities and sororities downstate at the University of Illinois.

Diane Courtright, '58, is now in Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Ros Virgilio, '58, pledged Chi Omega.

Bill Dutton and Bill Meneilly, '58, pledged Phi Kappa Sigma.

Jan Peterson, '58, is pledge social chairman and vice president of her class in Gamma Phi Beta.

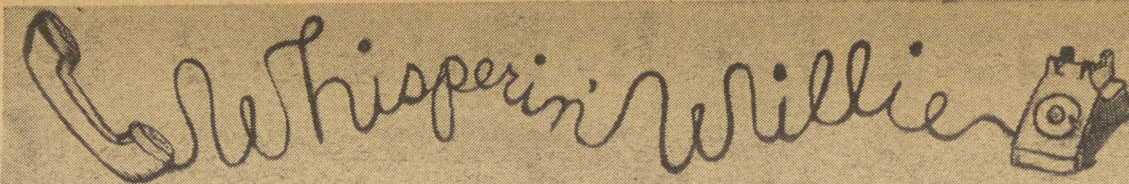
Alice Merwitz '58, pledged Gamma Phi Beta at Wisconsin.

Jill Linn, '58, pledged Pi Beta Phi at Beloit.

Bill Connell, '58, is now taking a Liberal Arts course at Nebraska State.

Well, that is all the new sfor this issue. Have a real sharp Thanksgiving weekend! Be seeing you next issue, On The Avenue.

Bye for now,
 Sandy Brumley



I've got it down in my little black book, The secrets and gossip from every nook. From the senior circle to every class, The thoughts and actions of each lassie and lass. I'm chuck full of facts and new information, Of friends and foes and startling revelations. So read this column and you'll see why they say, Willie is watching you, each and every day!

Whisperin' Willie

WILLIE WONDERS . . .

If Mr. Frank Markus is holding gym classes in his chem classes. While roaming the halls looking for some juicy gossip Willie noticed Gene Fogarty doing push ups during first period. Passing room 309

during fourth period later in the week, Willie noticed Bob Rosen doing push ups. Vas dis all about?

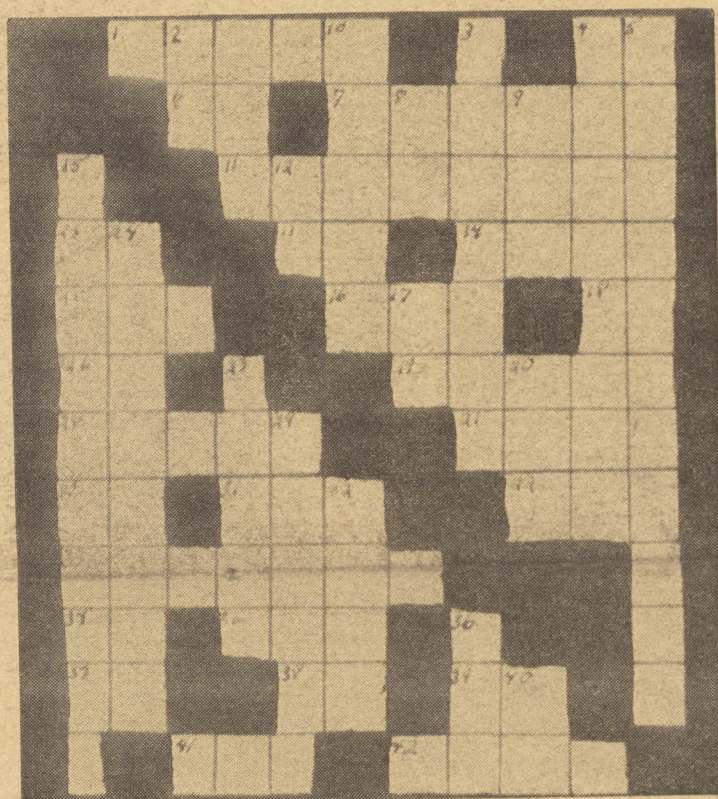
Why Mr. Mel Pirok always closes the door of his seventh period Family Living Class?

What Mike Skol meant when he staunchly declared "I am an insect" during Mr. Markus's fourth period chemistry class? Could it be that you're a little confused, Mike?

If you've seen Mr. George Scherb relaxing without his shoes during his seventh period U. S. History class?

WILLIE WONDERS: WOULDN'T IT BE STRANGE IF . . .

Kip Herbst lost her cute laugh . . . Jack Cooper were 6'3 . . . Mr. Markus ran out of jokes . . . Ron Lis didn't smile . . . everyone got an A in Comp . . . Jeff Lampert were quiet and shy?



DOWN

2. Cigarette brand.
3. Those lacking in color.
4. Element used to purify water.
5. Our wrestling captain.
6. Pronoun, third person singular.
7. Read, minus the R.
8. To pry.
9. Alright.
10. Our basketball captain. (first and last name).
11. Pronoun, third person, singular.
12. No (slang).
13. Many.
14. He chased Jack down the beanstalk.
15. Bringing to a close.
16. Having been colored.
17. The French word for King.
18. Preposition.

ACROSS

1. Supreme happiness.
2. Myself.
3. Our school.
4. We placed third in the Suburban League in this sport.
5. Knock out (abbr.).
6. Object worshipped or adorned.
7. Slender piece of metal used to hold two things together.
8. 18th and 13th letters in the alphabet.
9. Invigorating medicine.
10. Past tense of sing.
11. She.
12. Preposition meaning upon.
13. An idiot.
14. Him minus the vowel.
15. Weird.
16. Chemical abb. for no reaction.
17. Conjunction.
18. Nilehi's favorite gathering place.
19. Illinois University (abb.).
20. To bind together.
21. Third and 19th letters in the alphabet.
22. Notre Dame (abb.).
23. 4th and 1st vowels.
24. Large.
25. Our football co-captain. (last name)

Nilehi Adds Honor Study To Growing SSO Family

Nilehi students are fortunate that the administration considers them mature enough to handle themselves correctly without supervision. The new honor study hall substantiates this.

The honor study, held 7th period, contains 30 students who were chosen from the 7 period SSSH's on the basis of maturity, reliability, and cooperation. The list of applicants was submitted to the faculty who rated the students on these qualities. GRADES WERE NOT CONSIDERED. Students passing this screening were screened by the SSSH chairman and the 7th period supervisor. The final selection was made by the SSSH committee.

Ralph Madden, period 7 supervisor, organized the plans and put the study in operation on November 17.

No regular SSSH officers are used in the honor study. Instead the members of the study have elected a secretary to take roll and issue passes. The secretary has no other supervisory function.

"This experiment may open the way for further honor study halls at Nilehi. In keeping with SSO policies, any new venture is started on a small scale and its progress carefully evaluated," asserted Mr. George V. Roth, faculty advisor of SSO.

HAVE YOU HEARD? . . .

That Mr. Michael belongs to the newly formed Big Ten Wastebasket paper-throwers? His specialty is a difficult shot from his desk to the basket. He skillfully tosses a crumpled paper at a 180 degree angle into the basket.

That Mr. Truman Metzel's cane conceals a sword? He uses it to "point out places of interest on the map."

Now that you're finished and have read the latest, You know why Willie is considered the greatest.

He's everywhere, from him you cannot hide, Your thoughts and actions in this column he'll confide. Teachers and students are alike in his book, Sooner or later, he'll put YOU on the hook!

Spanish Club Holds Traditional Dinner In Native Setting

Spiced with tangy flavors and music strummed from a guitarist's flying fingers, the Spanish club's trip to a little Mexican restaurant, the Azteca, located on 210 West North Avenue in Chicago, was a success, according to Mr. Gentil daRosa, the Spanish club sponsor.

A group of 110 students and seven faculty members relished a meal of either arroz con pollo, a Spanish dish better known as chicken with rice, or zapoteca, Mexican style steak. The menu also included soup, salad, and Mexican pastry.

Nancy Lotz, club president, made a preliminary speech in her newly-learned language, welcoming those present and introducing the members of the faculty.

The Spanish clubs "chorus" sang "Te Quiero Dijiste" and "Granada." Sharon Hanely was the featured soloist for "Granada."

The proprietor of the restaurant, Senor Camecho, a native of Oaxaca, Mexico, accompanied the group on his guitar. His quaint little restaurant is decorated in the Spanish tradition with picture of bullfights and Spanish scenery on the walls. All waiters spoke Spanish and the menus were printed in Spanish.

The faculty members present included Dr. Kenneth Kavanaugh, who represented the East Division; Dr. Stuart Anderson and his wife, who represented the West Division; and Mr. Marvin Ihne, assistant principal of the East Division; Mr. Donald Blair, head of the Foreign Language Department in the East Division; Mr. Gentil daRosa, and Miss Terese Klinger, Spanish teacher.

The group left on two buses from the front of the East building on Wednesday, November 5, at 5 p.m. and returned at 8:30 p.m.

East Meets West

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library which seats 150. Both libraries are on the second floors and are supervised by two trained librarians. Research, reference, and recreational books as well as many magazines are available.

The Academic Wing consists of three floors of 46 regular classrooms, 12 science rooms, an art room, home economics suite, five study halls, a Reading Clinic, and a Speech Correction Room. The study halls have a total capacity of 384.

The Student Community Wing is designed for extra-curricular use. The student lounge, lacked by the East Division, comes equipped with a fireplace and sliding doors, and looks out upon a lovely court.

The Gymnasium Wing boasts nine separate teaching stations, and includes team rooms, a modern dance studio and office facilities. The total seating capacity of the contest gym is approximately 3,500. Because of the limited facilities at the East Division, juniors and seniors take gym either two or three days a week while freshmen and sophomores take gym five days per week.

The Cafeteria Dining Wing can serve 500 students each lunch period. West Division teachers have a separate dining room and also a spacious faculty lounge in this area.

The auditorium, located in the Auditorium-Music Wing, accommodates 1,558, while the East Division Assembly Hall seats 300. The stage is 80 feet wide and 40

feet deep. The beautiful auditorium is decorated in a cerulean blue and antique white color scheme.

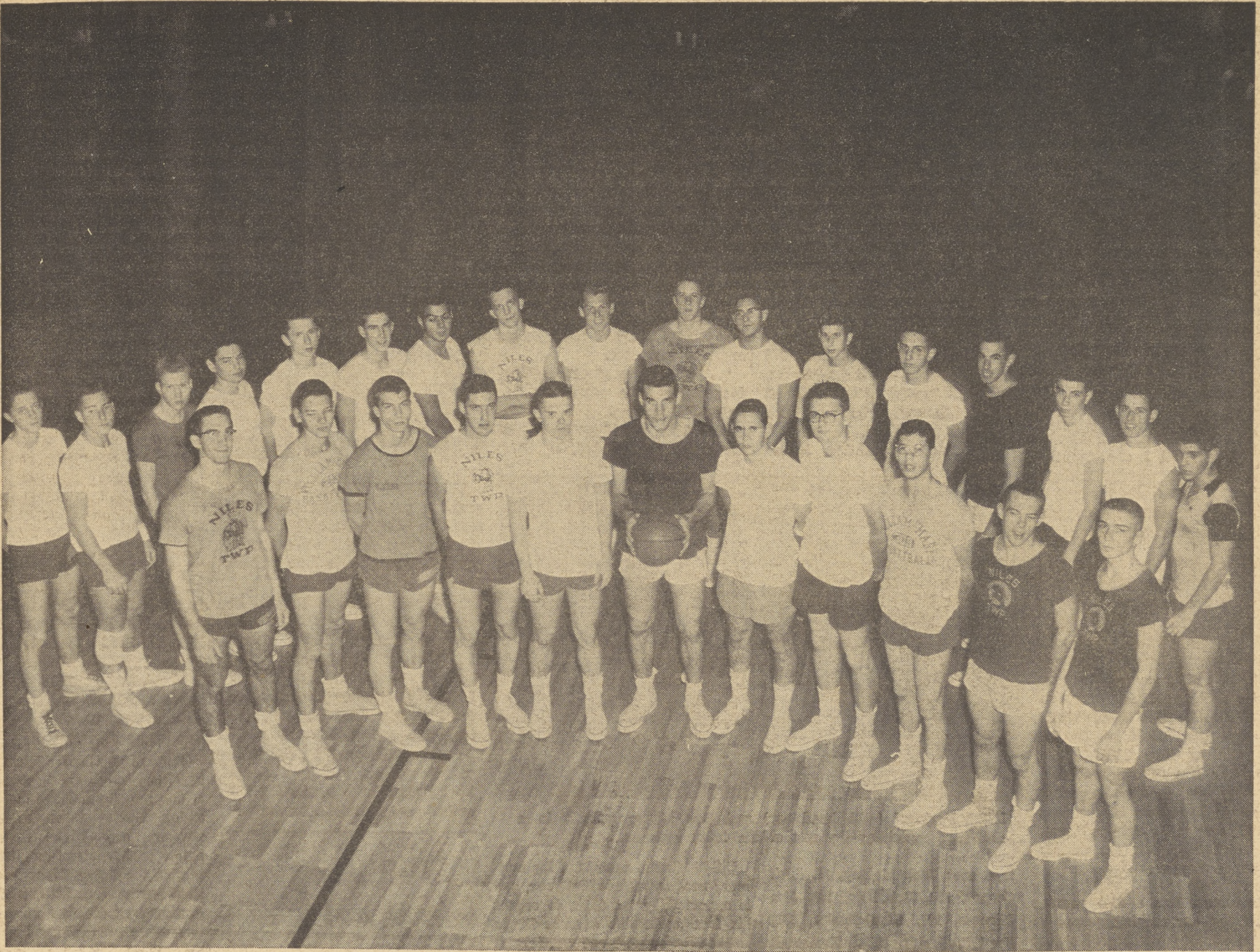
Finally, the Administrative Wing, with a main lobby in its center, houses the West Division office suite and the business offices and superintendent's area.

"We are ONE school with two distinct divisions — East and West — each with its own campus and its separate faculty," states the student handbook. Physical facilities are used jointly. Home football games, swimming and track meets are held at Nilehi East. But basketball games and other sports competitions take place in the new gym at Nilehi West.

The school day for upperclassmen starts and ends ten minutes earlier than does the day for West Division students. It may be interesting to note that East Division students may eat away from the building if they wish, while the students of the West Division have a "closed" lunch period and must remain in the building.

Nilehiers at East Division are familiar with the announcements over the public address system that wake them up so early in the morning. The new building has a special communication system that can utilize three channels — radio, recordings, and inter-communication simultaneously. Two-way communication between the classrooms and the office is possible at all time.

Trojan Cagers Look Forward To Opener



The Varsity Basketball Team From left to right: Front row, Murray Averbach, Keith Krause, Dick Elke, Bruce Stein, Ron Lis, Ron Henrici, Captain, Bob Klingensmith, Bill Reading, Sennett Tzinberg, Les Lange, Bill Nack. Back row: Bob Hederick, Mickey Kadison, Larry Konopka, Ira Monarch, Rich Keller, Ed Owen, Frank Warda, Len Sjoctedt, Doug Rivard, Mark Peppercorn, Mike Pilders, Carry Wallach, Jim Dahlman, Denny Crosby, Jack Cohn, Bruce Stephens, Al Sweetow. The boys are getting ready for their first game, against Leyden, at the West Division, November 29.

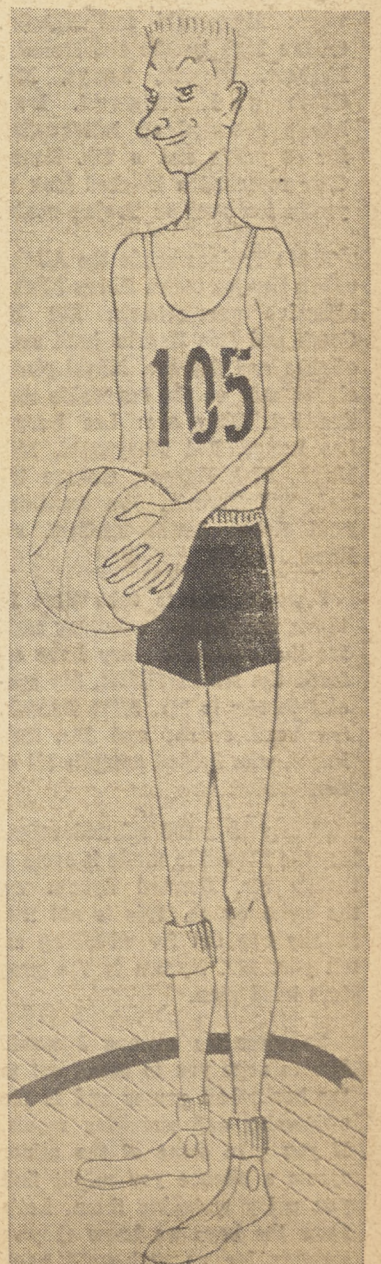
Niles Trojans — The '58 — '59 Team

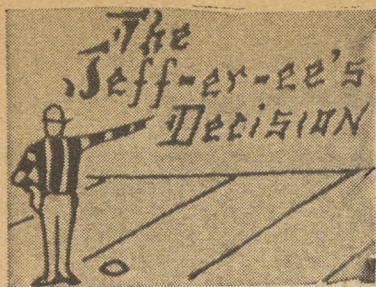
(To the tune of "Davy Crockett")

Niles, Niles Trojans, tops in the Suburban League.
Our Captain's Ron Henrici who is on the ball,
As are Lis, Lange and Reading and that isn't all.
We're the very best team in the whole big state,
We're hardly full of spirit and we really rate.
Niles, Niles Trojans, best in the Suburban League.
Peppercorn and Dahlman and Klingensmith,
Are three junior boys who we'll cheer with,
As they help win each game for 'ole Nilebi
While the other League teams just give up and sigh.
Niles, Niles Trojans, victorious in the Suburban League.
Averbach, Elke, Nack and Stein,
Make many baskets from the free throw line.
Scoring many points in every single game,
Tzinberg, Krause and Allan help lead our team to fame.
Niles, Niles Trojans, leading the Suburban League.
Sweetow, Kadison, Crosby and Cohn,
These Trojan stars will soon be known
Sjostedt, Stephens, Warda and Hederick,
With this combination, all teams we can lick.

Niles, Niles Trojans, supreme in the Suburban League.
Wallack, Monarch, Konopa and Owen,
These four boys have all been shown.
How to win each game following Trojan lore,
With Rivard, Pildes and Keller, they'll really burn the floor.
Niles, Niles Trojans, strongest in the Suburban League.
New Trier, Oak Park and Evanston,
We'll play these teams and it'll really be fun.
Highland Park, and Morton too,
Waukegan, Proviso, we'll win from you!
Niles, Niles Trojans, champion of the Suburban League.
Our team is sure to win, we can never fail,
Right on to victory we're sure to sail,
Winning every game from each and every foe.,
Our team plays real good, they can hardly go!
Niles, Niles Trojans, star of the Suburban League.
Coach Jack Fabri is proud of his boys,
They'll win each game as Racket Squad makes noise.
Our BIG TEAM is best in every way,
So come to the games and hear the kids all say.
Niles, Niles Trojans, KING of the Suburban League.

By Sandy Brumley





BY JEFF LAMPERT

WITH THE FOOTBALL SEASON only a memory for Nilehi students, we eagerly look forward to the winter sports. Two of the three sports have new coaches. Mr. Jack Fabri is our new roundball top man, and Mr. Don Larson is the tanksters chief.

Some of the people who have been at Niles for a long time were a little unhappy about my generalizations about the football team. Maybe I did get a little carried away, but I feel I can say this without hurting anybody's feelings; the Trojan 1958 football squad is the best this school has seen since entering the Suburban League.

Our team which won five games and lost three scored 160 points and only 99 were scored against us. The Highland Park rout was the first win at home in the League this year and we beat them after our 33-13 opener at Crystal Lake. As everyone must know by this time, this is the first year Nilehi has beaten Evanston or New Trier, since 1951. Our shutout against Morton was the first homecoming game we have won in our past eight years as a league team. We finished third in the mighty Suburban League.

Our offense has a 55% passing record and our rushing gained us a total of 1196 yards. Niles lost six fumbles and recovered twelve. The Trojans had six interceptions and they intercepted fourteen. Our punter Ron Lis had no punts blocked and the team blocked one.

The team's leading tacklers were: Maryanski and Henrici. Others high on the list include; Herkert, Tomsik, Lange, McGrath and Pinkowski. Les Lange returned an interception for 60 yards and a TD. Denny Corr returned a blocked kick 40 yards for another Trojan score.

Three Trojans made the All-Suburban League team. Barry Mink is offensive quarterback; Bill McGrath and Ron Henrici both made offense and defense. Nilehi placed eleven men on the honorable mention list. They are: Les Berens, Les Lange, Bill Maryanski, Mike Magit, Kirk Hopper, George Willard, Bill Tomsik, Jim Dahlman, Paul Heinz, Bruce Herkert, and Mark Johnson.

I would like to take time to thank the football coaching staff for the assistance they have offered the NILEHILITE. My special thanks to Mr. Mike Basrak, the head coach, and Mr. Bob Frala, who helped compile all of these facts.

Through a small misunderstanding, the Nilehilite made it seem as though Mr. Howard Byram was the swim coach. This is not true, as any boy out for wrestling can tell you. Mr. Byram is the grapplers head man.

To close as always I would like to urge you to come out to the basketball games and to the swimming and wrestling meets. If you give some of the minor sports a chance you might find you enjoy watching them. Let's show the boys we know they're fighting for us and we'll back them win or lose.

Nilehi Grapplers Ready; Eleven Lettermen Return

THE VARSITY GRAPPLERS Some of the underclassmen who posted an 8-7 record last year and there is nothing to stop them from doing better this season, states Coach Howard Byram.

The coach cites his eleven returning lettermen as proof of his statement. According to Mr. Byram, Nilehi should send at least one man to the state finals. Who will that man be? "That," Mr. Byram answered, "depends on who will work to make it."

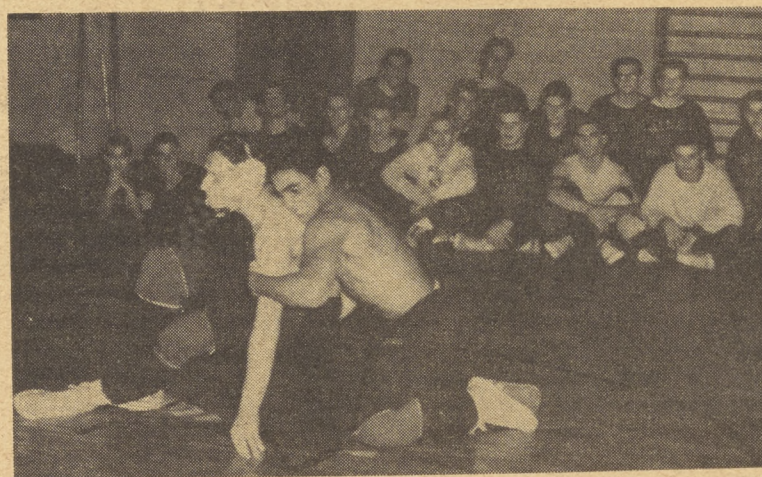
Wrestling is divided into twelve weight classes: 95 lbs, 103 lbs, 112 lbs, 120 lbs, 127 lbs, 133 lbs, 138 lbs, 145 lbs, 154 lbs, 165 lbs, 175 lbs, and the heavyweight or unlimited division. In each class one boy represents his school.

The Trojan returning letter

men are: Jack Malony, 95, Jack Cooper, 103, Bob Dilg, 112, Jim Miresse, 127, Glen Kuehn, 133, Fred Weil, 133, Mitch Portugal, 145, Bruce Herkert, 154, Bill Hearle, 165, Bill McGrath, 175, and Carl Bonfiglio, heavyweight. With these men as a base, and filling in with some of the promising juniors, Mr. Byram looks forward to a victorious season.

The Suburban League ruling states, no team is to start practice before the others. When you read this paper the Maine meet will be over, but win or lose, Niles has been practicing for three weeks while Maine has had seven to get ready for the meet.

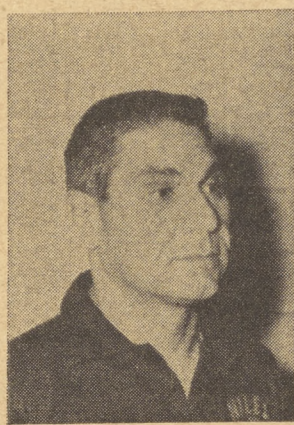
"Being a minor sport wrestling does not get the support it deserves," declared Mr. Byram. "More kids should come out to the meets," he added.



Mitch Portugal (with headgear) and Don Hayes wrestle in a challenge match as the rest of the team watches.

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Introducing Mr. Fabri



"OUTSIDE OF SLEEP, I guess my favorite pastime is hunting," laughed the new Nilehi basketball head coach, Mr. Jack Fabri. "I also like to watch a good fast basketball game," added Mr. Fabri in his soft southern accent.

Mr. Fabri, who believes the Trojans are good workers and very co-operative says, "the boys will hustle and play good basketball." He stated he enjoys teaching and coaching here and he has high hopes for the team.

Mr. Fabri went to school in Taylorville, Illinois and to North Carolina State for college. In college he majored in Social Science and English, he was really not planning to be a coach. Although he boxed, played football and baseball in col-

lege Mr. Fabri never played basketball, himself. He had intended to be a teacher, and the idea of coaching just happened to come along.

This 5'8", 170 pound, coach has coached in downstate Illinois for most of his career. He started at the Cathedral Boys High School in Springfield, where he went to the state tournament in 1942. He also went to the tournament with Collinsville and LaSalle Peru High Schools. The other two schools he taught in are Lakeview of Decatur and Palatine.

Being Italian Mr. Fabri's favorite meal is (no, not pizza) spaghetti. When he is upset the expression he uses is "nuts." His family includes, his wife Virginia, three boys and a girl. The boys, who go to Palatine are Jon, 15 who plays football and basketball, Lee, 13, and Dave, 11. The six year old girl's name is Mary.

As head basketball coach, Mr. Fabri will have under him all the other coaches in the sport. They are Mr. George Bauer and Mr. Jerry Engle, Frosh coaches, Mr. Jim Phipps, Soph top man, and Mr. Jim Heiniger, coach of the JV squad. "I really appreciate the help all the coaches and the boys have given me," Mr. Fabri concluded, "I would just like to ask the students if they will come to the games and show the boys they appreciate the work they are doing for the school." "A team is nothing without school support," he closed.



During a break in practice the '58-'59 varsity mermen pose for a picture. They meet Leyden today.

Tanksters Await Season; League Toughest In State

ALTHOUGH THEY DID NOT make a good showing last year, the Niles varsity swimming team's chances look good for the coming season, according to Don Larson, tankster coach.

The Trojans have only three returning lettermen, but these mermen are accompanied by a flock of juniors and sophomores.

The three lettermen are; Lance Lingquist, senior backstrokes, team captain Norm Carbery, senior, who swims the 200 yard freestyle and the 150 yard individual medley, and Phil Karafotas, junior, who swims the 150 and 50 yard freestyle. As a soph-

omore, Phil broke two records and was top point man on the squad.

Aside from these three, there are seven other seniors who might be swimming in the coming meets. They are Bruce Norgan, breast-stroker, Steve Wollack, breast-stroker, Fred Herzon, breast-stroker and butterfly breast, and Al Gold, who swim freestyle. Others are Mike Banks and Dick Tilstrom, both freestylers and Don Lewiston, a diver.

There are three juniors who also may swim in some meets. These are Raul Martin, a freestyler, Walter Issac, a breast-stroker, and Rick Kroon, a butterfly breaststroker. Martin, was on the Cuban Olympic team. Raul swam the 1,500 meter, a grueling long distance race.

Rounding out the squad are three sophomores. They are backstroker Bob Kirschner, breaststroke Bob Lamme, and Jim Nelson, a diver.

"Karafotas, who is already topping his performances of last year, will be the stalwart of the team," reports Don Larson, new varsity coach. "Sophomore Jim Nelson will help out in the diving department, which was lacking last year," the coach concluded.

The scoring in swimming is as follows: in all events except the relays, a first place is worth five points. A second place is good for three points, while a third is worth one point. In the relays the winning team receives seven points and the loser none. There is a total of 86 points in a meet. Because of the number of boys swimming, the highest score that can be massed is 78 to 8.

Mermen Dunked By Maine

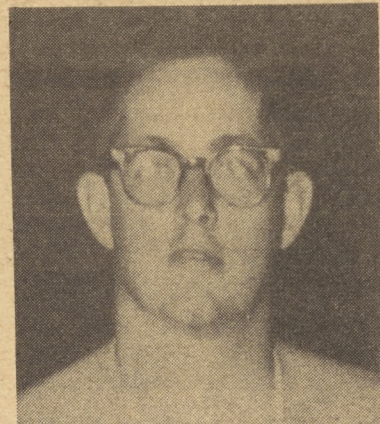
THE NTHS VARSITY SWIMMING TEAM lost their first meet of the season to Maine, 69-17 in the Maine pool on November 14.

Nilehi's only firsts were both taken by the same person, junior Phil Karafotas. Phil won the 50 yard freestyle, finishing with a time of 25.5. His other first place set a school record. This was in the 150 yard individual medley; his time was 1:38. In this race Phil was tied by the Maine swimmer, who also broke his school record.

Cuban Olympic swimmer, Raul Martin, took a second place in the 200 yard freestyle and a third in the 100 yard free. His time in the 200 was 2:06, the Trojan school record, but it did not count because he was not the winner. In the 100, his time was 58.8. Raul swam these races barely five minutes apart.

Junior Rick Kroon took a third in the 100 yard butterfly breast-stroke, with Walter Isaac taking a third in the 100 yard back-stroke.

Introducing Mr. Larson



THERE ONCE WAS A NILEHI STUDENT who dreamed of some becoming a coach at NTHS. This boy was championship swimmer for Niles and an All-American at Illinois. Today his dreams are realized for he is none other than varsity swim coach, Don Larson.

Mr. Larson was the captain of the Trojan tanksters in his senior year, and he was second in the state meet that year. At college, he was twice an All American and his sprint records at the University of Illinois have never been broken. His event is the 50 yard freestyle, which means he can use his quickest stroke. The most frequently used is the crawl.

In college this merman majored in Physical Education and General Science. He taught for one year in Chicago, before coming to Niles.

The coach's favorite food is steak, which he likes medium, with french fries. His favorite pastimes are water skiing, working on his new home in Villa Park, and watching the swimmers win a meet.

Mr. Larson's wife name is Penny and their son Danny will be four months old this week. While swimming at Niles, Mr. Larson's coach was Mr. Anton Shubert, who is now attendance officer in the West Division.