

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

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MUCH ARGUMENT IN G H S MEETINGS

Flame and fire was roaring in the class meetings which were held second period on December 14.

The frosh discussed their "Frosh Frolic" and decided upon no definite plans as yet.

The Sophomores had a run-around about the "Sweater Dance," but finally tied up their remaining plans. The Chairmen for the committees which have been chosen are as follows: Decorations, Jerry Martin; programs, Margie Coppernall; refreshments, Norma McLaughlin; and the entire class for cleanup.

The Juniors had their battles over the finishing details for the "Junior Prom." The date which is to be April 15. Chairmen for the committees are as follows: Prom Chairmen, Glen Hosley, theme, Francis Hatch; orchestra, Norman Henderson; program, Jerry Fleming; and advertising, Virginia Wagner.

The Seniors argument were on what to leave the school after graduation. Also about returning broken Christmas tree lights from the Senior Ball. Class colors, class motto, and class flower were also discussed.

Calendar

- Dec. 20—Ferdinand Here
22—Piano Recital
23—Craigmont There
30—Nezperce There
Jan. 4—Student Council 9:20
6—Cottonwood Here
12—National Assembly
(Van Cavel 8:60 p.m.)
17—Winchester Here
19—Kansas City All Stars
20—Craigmont Here

KNOW YOUR BUSINESS

I'm now going to tell you about one of the friendliest families in town. They moved to Grangeville about a year and a half ago and bought out the business of Mr. and Mrs. Davis. They now own one of the most popular restaurants in town. This family is doing all their on baking and book work. In the last four or five months they made a few repairs to the building. Can you guess who this friendly family is?

Lasts week's businessmen were Mr. and Mrs. Bert Baker and son, Bill.

Christmases Here And There

Nearly every country has its own way of celebrating Christmas. Interesting customs have sprung up in many lands and neighboring countries have adopted them.

The Christmas tree, for instance, came from Germany; the Christmas stocking from France and Belgium; the Yule Log, Plum Pudding and Mince meat pie all originated in England.

In villages of France, Christmas Eve is usually celebrated with a holiday supper, followed by the ceremony of burning the Yule log. At midnight they all go to church in a procession, each carrying a lighted candle. The children, too, put their shoes out to be filled with candy and sweets.

In Holland one very quaint custom is observed. The young men of the village dress up in odd looking costumes and parade through the streets singing the Christmas songs.

In Belgium, Italy and Spain the religious processions from a part of the holiday celebrations, but in Poland, the Christmas Eve festivities have always begun in a quite different manner. It has been the custom of the Polish people to have a strict fast until the first star appears in the sky. Then the feasting begins. One chair is always left unoccupied for a special guest—the Holy Child.

You have heard how they celebrate Christmas in other lands, now let us tell you how they celebrate in our own United States.

The first Christmas to be celebrated in the United States was a very sad one compared to the Christmas of now. Most of the people in about 1630 didn't believe in Christmas around Boston and were fined five shillings if they celebrated it.

In New Amsterdam, which later became New York, it was a very different story, everybody was merry and jolly and had a wonderful time. The fun loving Dutch Colonists brought over their customs, including the annual visit from St. Nicholas. That is where we get our Santa Claus.

On some of the Southern plantations there was a custom that the colored children should have a holiday so long as the Yule log continued to burn. Needless to say, they were always careful to select the largest log in the forest.

SNOWMEN PARADED AT SENIOR BALL

Snow men and fir trees were the big attraction at the Senior ball held Friday night in the old gymnasium. The Grand March was at 8:30 with Roy Brown, senior class president, leading. The excellent music was furnished by Don Peterson and his band. Refreshments of punch and cookies were served during the dance. At intermission everyone gathered around the mike. Mr. and Mrs. James Johnson sang a duet. Marilyn Fanning also sang. During the rest of the intermission everyone sang Christmas Carols.

CHANGE OF SCENERY

The time of slippery sidewalks and throwing snowballs is here again. Many students have gone sleigh riding already and many are patiently waiting until they can go ice skating. Most people feel assured they are going to have a white Christmas again this year, but lets all hope we don't have to see a winter like we experienced last year even though that two week's vacation was a nice rest.

Bulldogs Win First Conference Game

Grangeville Bulldogs won their first conference game over Greencreek Friday evening with a score of 54 to 37.

The first quarter the Bulldogs couldn't connect as Greencreek forged ahead with the opening section ending 12-5 in their favor. In the second quarter Grangeville started a scoring streak, but were still trailing 21-19 at the half rest period.

Inspired players and teamwork were shown in the third quarter and the score board read 43 to 27 in favor of the Bulldogs at the end of the third quarter and with fast breaks and good team work ended the game with a 17 point lead.

Grangeville B squad ran over the Greencreek B's 49 to 32. The Bullpups showed good teamwork and ball handling that will assure Grangeville an excellent team for the year to come. The G.H.S. team led by a small margin all through the game.

Don't be too rough with a pessimist. Some of them are that way because they backed an optimist.

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EDITORIAL

Christmas! Yes, Christmas is a wonderful time of the year. All kinds of presents are given and received, school is out for a week, a tree is decorated with glittering ornaments, snow blankets the ground, and we all stuff ourselves with a great feast of all sorts of good tasting foods.

The reason for Christmas should always be in the back of our minds, no matter whether we are feasting or sleigh riding. This great day was made possible by the birth of our Saviour many years ago. We all know the old story but always return to the church year after year to hear it repeated on this great day. Everyone likes the sacred story, because, I think, it is true and reaches into our emotions a little.

Yes, Christmas is almost here, and soon afterwards the New Year. It is hard to believe that 1949 is almost over, never to return. Many good things have been accomplished this year, not only by our school and town but by the U. S. A. and the whole world.

Yes, Christmas is almost here, and as a present to all of you from the Informer Staff—We wish you all the happiness and prosperity possible in this New Year and a Merry, Merry Christmas! !
See you next year!

QUESTION OF THE DAY!

Would you like to be an editor?
Being an editor is no picnic.
If we print jokes, people say we are silly.
If we don't, they say we are too serious.
If we reprint things from other papers, we are too lazy to write them ourselves.
If we don't, we are too fond of our own stuff.
If we inadvertently fail to report club meetings, it is because we are jealous.
If we do, we are playing favorites.
And now, likely as not someone will say that we swiped this from another paper.
Well, we did!—(Lakeland Bagpipe).

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Steve Fenn	2
Dean Simon	4
Jane Heron	5
Laura Higgins	17
Gay Powell	20
Frieda Young	21
Pat Stinebaugh	30

TEACHER'S TINTYPE

We are introducing Mr. James Johnson this week, whose position is trying to drill American Government into our thick skulls.

He was born in Republic, Washington. He spent his grade school years in Tacoma and his high school years at Juneau, Alaska.

He graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the College of Pudget Sound.

His married life began August 28, 1949 when Bansy Tuttle from Clarkston became his happy little wife.

He says he likes music, sports and gets quite a kick out of teaching. His dislikes are sour ice cream sodas.

Grangeville is his first place of teaching.

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Next on our agenda is that little teacher who always arrives on time to nab the mischief maker, she is none other than Miss Bonnie Miller.

Grangeville is her first stop for teaching and she teaches Journalism and English.

She was born July 9, 1927, in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, and attended her grade school and high school there.

She earned her Bachelor of Science in Education at the University of Idaho.

She says she likes teaching school and sports but dislikes this snow and ice.

DECLAMATION PROGRAM

The Debate Society under the direction of Don Wessels presented their first program Dec. 15. The small crowd that attended, enjoyed the program very much. The students taking part in the program were: Elaine Smith, who gave a humorous reading, "Her First Football Game;" George Mattox, who gave an oration "Education Against Crime;" Marilyn Fanning, who gave a dramatic reading, "The Yellow Wallpaper;" and Esther Wine, who gave an oration, "Were You There." The last part of the program was given to the debate team who argued pro and con on the National Debate Question, "Resolved that the President of the United States Should be Elected by Direct Vote of the People." The affirmative team were Maxine Pell and Caroline Bailey; the negative team were Elaine Smith and Chet Arnzen. Chairman for the debate was Bonnie Dye and timekeeper was Marilyn Fanning.

Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year!

Blue Fox Theatre

Al J. Wagner

Players of Week Two "Long Johns"

In the spotlight this week are two of G. H. S.'s "Long Johns," Glen Hosley and Ted Jones.

Glen is a junior this year, is known around school for his wonderful personality and popularity, not to mention his star basketball playing. The 6' 3" center is on the first string this year and played on the "B" squad in his Freshmen year and "A" squad in his sophomore year. He is a member of the "G" Club and lettered in football two years and basketball once.

Ted Jones, another junior, plays forward with the first string. He played on the "B" squad his Freshmen and sophomore years and this year is his first experience on the "A" squad. "Oogie" as he is known around school, is 6' 3", weighs 160 lbs. and is currently sporting a crew-cut.

HIGH SCHOOL SELLING RED HEARTS THIS YEAR

The Red Hearts are being sold by high school this year. All you students and also businessmen that don't have a heart, please get one. For a heart may be purchased for only 10 cents or as much as you can donate. A heart bought may find a child a home.

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Honor Roll

These are students in high school whose averages are "B" or better.

Seniors: Chet Arnzen, Joan Hauger, Helen Higgins, Donnalee Nuxoll, Maxine Pell, Elaine Smith, Rosella Gortsema, Jack Hazelbaker, George Mattox, Averil Parks, Gay Powell and Pearl Thompson.

Juniors: Ella Altman, Rose Cash, Carol Compton, Laura Higgins, Jim Jessup, Argyle Lester, Vivian Peters, Donna Shively, Rosalie Space, Dean Twogood, Ruthie Vedder, John Vrieling, Virginia Wagner and Esther Wine.

Sophomores: Irene Arnzen, Shirley Travis, Gail Dennis, Margie Coppernal, Jean Groom, Archie Gilchrist, Vernon Holbrook, Jack Heartburg, Denis Long, Viola Lindsley, Norma McLaughlin, Nancy McDonald, Nevada Parks, Barbara Newby, Millie Smurthwaite, Irene Smurthwaite, Martha Stearns, and Richard Troeh.

Freshman: Carol Sue Ailor, Norma Altman, Deloris Chicane, Delta Covert, Shirley Haener, Alvine Hazelbaker, Jane Heron, Bobbie King, Donna Reuter, Phyllis Rape, Shirley Rhoades, Jerry Reynolds, Shirley Seay, Sharon Rupe, Jean Todhunter, Tommy Vopat, Bill Wagner and Richard Willey.

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF—

Roy and Evelyn went out with other people.

Mr. Olson never gave assignments. We saw Mr. Vopat chewing gum. All assignments were turned in on time.

Caroline went somewhere without falling down.

Hal and Alvin ate candy in Journalism once more.

Class-meetings were held orderly. Mohawk haircuts became popular. Richard Willey got a growing pain. The clarinets were in tune for once. If the new White Bird school bus broke down.

All the typewriters worked.

Helen lost her ring.

Ruth U. quit singing "Chatanooga Choo Choo".

Art and Jim lost their Chrysler.

Mr. Wessels didn't make the Public Speaking Class memorize speeches.

HEARTS NET 118.10

The sale of red hearts by the first three grades of Grangeville public school, took place last week. These "little tykes" sold \$118.10 worth of hearts.

The money received from the sale of these hearts was for the benefit of the children at the Children's Home in Lewiston.

WHAT THE U. S. HAS

- 1/16 of World's population
- 7/16 of World's produce
- 46% of Electric power
- 48% of World's radios
- 54% of Telephones
- 59% of World's steel
- 60% of Life Insurance Policies
- 85% of Automobiles
- 92% of World's Bathtubs

Christmas Day

One December twenty-fifth Christ was born

Under a shining star close to morn.

Christmas comes to say
Christ our Saviour was born this day.

He received presents but none like ours.

We receive candy and flowers.
His bed was a manger full of hay;

Over his head the people did pray.

The star's path, the shepherds followed

And worshipped Baby Jesus all hallowed.

He lay asleep, there was not a sound

As all the little sheep gathered around.

They too gazed, huddled near
To look at little Jesus so dear.

By Coral Alberta Trout
Junior High School Student

Five Years Ago

BULLDOGS CHAMPS IN PRAIRIE DISTRICT

The unbeaten Bulldog football team of Grangeville high school traveled to Orofino Tuesday, Nov. 7, and played the most exciting game of the season, returning with a victorious score of 19 to 18. This win leaves the varsity Bulldog team undefeated at the close of the season.

Fads n' Fashions

Something new has been added to our halls. The first snow seems to have coaxed the kids into wearing their boots. Some of the boots are fur lined and really serve the purpose.

A lot of kids seem to be wearing their pep band sweaters to school now that it has been organized. The gray color blends well with all skirts and is very practical.

For the benefit of all those who didn't go to the Senior Ball the formals were very fetching and gave a lot of variety. Not to mention any names, one little Miss happened to get an orchid. Some Class!

While the shoes aren't to important in the fashion world there have been some very attractive styles made. The latest seem to be an oxford fashioned after the ski boot, with thick laces, square toe and all. If you have a pair of these you wouldn't have to bother to get ski boots.

Now that the holidays are here again, one of the best ways to get into the right spirit is to have a sprig of holly pinned on your coat or in your hair. So watch for the holly sale in school and be sure to buy a big piece.

The United States built the first submarine ever to be employed in war in 1776.

GREATEST AMBITIONS

Ruth Uhlenkott—graduate from G.H.S.

George Kingma—farming.
Gay Powell—get out of high school.

Rosella Gortsema—catch a man.
Darlene Todhunter—get married.

Gail Dennis—graduate.
Alvin Henderson—run Bing Crosby out of business.

Nancy McDonald—be a second Sarah Bernhardt.

Hal Woodall—get some sleep.
Evelyn Johnson—have sectuplets.

Vida Lindsley—none that I know of.

Elaine Smith—pass government.
Clifford Arnhart—doesn't have any ambition.

Frances Hatch—take dancing lessons from Gene Kelly.

Bonnie Dye—get rid of Chet.
Janet Wolford—same as Bonnie.

Hugh Keith—own the Munsingwear factory.

Marion Ackerman—get married.
Jack Hazelbaker—own an enormous Lionel train set.

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SENIOR PARADE

Early one October morning in 1932 a baby boy was born in Cottonwood, Idaho. This boy has grown up to be 5 foot 10 inches tall and weighs 145 pounds. He likes elk steak and sweet women and dislikes U. S. Government. His pet peeve is married women. Basketball is his favorite sport, Miss Miller his favorite teacher and Study Hall is his favorite subject. His only ambition is to get out of High School. After graduating he wants to sleep for a full year. This senior is Joe McDonald.

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Born: May 10, 1932 in Portland, Oregon. Eyes: Green, Hair Dark brown. Likes: Green convertibles and french fries. Dislikes: Swiss Chard. Pet peeve: Typewriters that don't work. Favorite teacher: Mrs. Caine. Subject: Typing, Actress: Vivian Leigh, Actor: Alexander Knox, Sport: Basketball. Plans for the future: Undecided. Synopsis of: Ruth Uhlenkott.

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Born: May 23, 1932 on a little farm near Grangeville. Height: 6' 6", Blonde hair, blue eyes. Likes: Wilbur and Pontiac cars. Dislikes: Humphrey Bogart. Pet peeves: Mixed plaids in clothing and blue and green combinations. Future plans: We all know !! (She's not wearing that diamond for nothing). Offices in school: Vice-president of F.H.A. and Secretary of G.A.A. Favorite subject: Bookkeeping. Favorite teacher: Miss Miller. Favorite sport: Baseball. Have you guessed? It's Rosie Seay.

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One day when it was raining pitchforks and hammer-handles a brown eyed, brown haired boy was born at St. John, Washington. Now this boy weighs 150 pounds is 5' 10" tall. Apple pie and fried chicken rank high with him. Poor Alvin dislikes being woke up in the middle of a class. American Government is his favorite sport. After graduating he plans to attend Perry's Institute. This boy was christened Alvin Henderson.

MELODIOUS MELODEERS

Tuesday night, December 13, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stuart and Albert Taraini presented a National Assembly.

Charles Stuart, accompanied by his wife on the piano, sang many old timers, all our favorites. The second part of the program brought Albert Tarabini and his accordian on stage. He also played many favorites. Mr. Stuart and Mr. Tarabini gave a comedy act, which had the crowd roaring. The past part of the program all three formed a trio. To conclude the program Mr. Stuart sang "White Christmas" accompanied by both Mrs. Stuart and Albert Tarabini.

Virginia has been the birthplace of eight Presidents of the United States.

Kamiah Kubs Win From Bulldogs 45-44

By Chet Arnzen

An overconfident Bulldog basketball team journeyed to Kamiah Thursday evening, where they lost 45 to 44 at the hands of a hard-fighting Kamiah team.

The Bulldogs led most of the time in the first three quarters after which they started slipping and the Kubs started hitting. With three minutes remaining in the game Kamiah was leading 43-37, and the Bulldogs again tightened and gained 7 points while their opponents made only 2, but lost the game.

Roy Brown and Glenn Hosley left the game via the foul route for Grangeville, and Godwin of Kamiah fouled out in the fourth quarter. Oscar Johnson with 15 points, and Stuart Bowles, 11, kept the Bulldogs in the game. Godwin of Kamiah set the pace for the Kubs with 21 points.

It was a hard fought contest, but the seemingly inspired Kubs defeated the overconfident Bulldogs.

In a B-squad preliminary, the Bullpups defeated the Kamiah juniors 33 to 27. After trailing 10-6 at the close of the first quarter, the Pups came back fighting with Johnson making 10 points for Grangeville and Frank keeping Kamiah in the game with 7 points.

WHO'S WHOOSIT

This is about a very nice little girl who lives up in the foothills. She is 5 feet 6½ inches tall, weighs about 130 pounds and has brown hair and eyes. Her favorite subject is world History, and favorite teacher is Mrs. Caine. Her pet peeve is "Hena", dislikes "red hair", likes most of all "Johnnie", and her favorite song is "Dreamers Holiday." You've heard her going around school saying "Oh Brother!" lots of times.

The answer to last week's Who's Whoosit was Jean Todhunter.

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1. The Lyrebird of Australia can imitate a car horn.
2. The Southern Cross of New Brunswick, Canada is a natural cross carved by the hand of nature.
3. The first safety pin was invented 3,000 years ago by an ancient Etruscan.
4. Haji Ghulam, Mohammed of Bujanj, India is 127 years old, has been married 10 times and has 32 children, his oldest child is 85, his youngest, 4.
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