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## FAMILIES INCREASING?

Are the families in Grangeville increasing? No, we have the answer, they are the students from neighboring schools who are par-ticipating in thel Prairie Music Festival.

The eventful day started off wth a bang when at 8:45 a.m. Grangeville B band played followed by the A band. The rest of the morning was then taken up with the bands playing their contest pieces for Lewiston and getting comments on them.

At 1:30 the bands At 1:30 the bands paraded through town being led by our mighty Grangeville A band.

Beginning at 2:30 the kids slaved

through mass band and mass chrus rehearsal ending at 5:15 with exhaustion.

The evening concert began at 7:30 to end a well rounded pro-

## **MHO WILL GO**

An assembly was held Tuesday morning, March 15 to have the girls help decide who will go to Girls State and also to tell us more about Girl's State and its activities.

The girls who attended Girl's State last year gave us a synopsis of the activities. The main speakers were Mrs. L. B. Jordan and Mrs. Rolf Fremming, president of the American Legion Auxiliary, which sponsors the girls each year. Mrs. Fremming told of her experiences attending the National Legion Auxiliary Convention at Miami in 1948.

Mrs. Jordan explained the meeting will be held on the campus of the College of Idaho in Caldwell. Another committee member present was Mrs. V. W. Bailey. The girls are selected on a basis of scholarship, leadership, and char-

#### ALUMNI NEWS

Donna Campbell has become distinguished at Reed College in Portland for her musical ability to sing and play the flute. Donna is the only student at Reed majoring in Music. She has participated in four operettas presented by the college.

Harriman Henry graduated from Linfield College in January. He is now employed in Lewiston.

Betty Basinger left for Concordia College in Chicago to enter for

the fourth quarter. Stewart Ailor is recovering from a bad case of virus pneumonia.

#### CALANDER APRIL

1—Merit Tests 5-Student Council 5-6-7—Spring Vacation 8—Old Fiddler's Contest 12—General Election 13-14-Senior Play 15-Junior Prom

## PRAIRIE FESTIVAL A GREAT SUCCESS

Grangeville B band started the morning off at 8:45 to be the first separate band concert. Mr. Jack Snodgrass, a former G.H.S. teacher, was critic for the concerts. The gym was rather cool but as the morning progressed, it soon warmed up.

The chorus groups performed in the auditorium starting at 9:00 with Cottonwood singing first. Paul Preus

was critic.

As soon as the separate concerts and chorus groups finished, the students roamed around the town and some ate their noon meal at the Federated church. The ladies of the church provided the meal and arranged it cafeteria style.

At about ten after one everyone gathered at the school in uniform to get ready for the parade. Nezperce has blue uniforms with gold trim; Kamiah, white trousers with maroon jackets Lewiston, white trousers and blue jackets; Cottonwood, red uniforms with white trim; Weippe, black uniforms with red lined capes and trimming; Culdesac, green capes with gold trim; Asotin, black uniforms with orange trim and hat tassels; Craigmont, black trousers with orange weskets; Lapwai, blue uniforms with white trim; Pierce, white trousers with green capes; Orofino, white skirts and trousers and blue capes; Kendrick, black trousers and or-ange sweaters; Genesee, white

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### A COMEDY

"Beauty and the Beef"

> Presented by the Senior Class

April 13-14

8:00 p.m.

High School Auditorium Donald Wessels-Director

## FIGHTS & SQUABBLES

The Senior Class chose speaker for graduation. The Rev. Tooley will speak at Baccalaureate and Rev. Wine will give invocation and benediction. Rev. Weatherby will be in charge of invocation and benediction at commencement. The Seniors set the price for their play which will be coming up in the near future. They took a self-examination test.

The Junior Class meeting was opened with discussion on the Junior-Senior Banquet, but nothing definite was decided. Discussion on the Junior Prom followed and the class has all their plans made. There were reports from all the committees.

The Sophomore Class held a short business meeting and had reports from their Sweater Dance. They wish to thank members of the class for helping with the dance.

The Freshman Class made plans for their "frosh frolic". The decoations and refreshments were decided upon, The "Down Beats" will play for the dance.

#### Rainbow Rendezvous

Despite a little competition from the state tournament in Lewiston and a few other things, the sophomores finally gave their Sweater dance. Some probably thought it

was never going to come after being postponed twice.

The gym was cleverly decorated with all different colors of the rainbow. During intermission Jerry Martin and Junior Hardin each sang a song, also Nancy McDonald gave a reading.

Prizes for the most outstanding sweaters were given to Shirley Travis and Johnny Groom.

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Last week's Know Your Businessman was Mr. and Mrs. Sam

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#### Seven More Weeks To Go

Only about seven more weeks of school left and this year of studies will be over.

The seniors will be through and won't be coming back again next year to old G. H. S.

Seems like all the students spend their time gazing out the windows except when it's snowing or raining. Then they sit and gaze at the floor or ceiling. Classes manage to slip by and every day passes with a few more pages in our books turned.

The senior play, junior prom, and junior-senior banquet will come and go. All the planning and decorating for these occasions will be over and forgotten except as maybe a pleasant memory for the future.

Yes, this year of school is almost finished and next year a new class of students from Jr. High will be coming in. The same activities will take place, the same ex-citements and disappointments. Yet, as the old cycle of the school year goes around, it's new to the dif-ferent students it touches.

It's hard to believe that our school years are our best years while we are here but as the years go by, we will eventually realize this just like our parents and grandparents do now.

Let's fill the rest of this school year with many pleasant memories to remember in the future so they will be our best months within our best year.

#### WHO'S WHOOSIT

This story is about a well known person who has been attending G. H. S. for almost two years. Her G. H. S. for almost two years. Her weight is about 100 lbs., has brown hair and green eyes. Her age is 15 years and she has lived here all her life. Her favorite teacher is Mrs. Caine and favorite subject is typing. Pet peeve is nothing in particular and everything in general Her likes are macaroni and ... eral. Her likes are macaroni and a swell time, dislikes are olives and dill pickles. Her favorite song is Wedding Bells. If you ever hear Calendala saying "You bet," you'll

know who this girl is.

Last weeks Who's Whoosit was Molla Chase.

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#### Here and There

Spring is sprung, Fall has fell, Summer's here, And it's hotter than usual.

Wish it was, don't you? Seems like all we get around G.H.S. is snow and more snow.

Alvin H. seems to get tongue tied at Senior Play practice. His lines keep coming out backwards.

Heard the other day that there will be no more issues of "Shavings" out before school ends. Also there will be only four more issues of the Informer out. We are all looking forward to that last issue. What a year!

I never saw so many kids in one school, as on the day of the Music Festival, and on Saturday, at that!

The boys are starting to practice for track and baseball, should have a good team the way they have been progressing. Hope so.

Mr. McKinley has an advantage over the rest of the high school teachers. He has band period first thing in the morning and wears all the students out marching so nothing seems to soak in the rest of the day.

Diamonds! Yep, there's four instead of three tripping around the halls now. Darlene receivtd hers last weekend.

#### CLASS BASKETBALL

Shortly after the district tournament, the coach organized class basketball teams. There were seven teams participating in the tournament which lasted a week, with double elimination. The captains were Oscar Johnson, seniors; Art Wright, juniors; Steve Fenn, juniors and Bucky Bowles, sophomores; George Kingma, freshmean and Joe McDonald, freshman.

Joe McDonalds freshman won first place honors and Art Wright and his juniors were runners up.

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Nature Boy - Charles Sunquist I'm a Big Girl Now - Elaine

I Have Been A Good Boy - Ted Jones.

If I Only Had a Brain - Hugh Keith.

Crew Cut - Oscar Johnson. Bloodshot Eyes — Students the day after the Lewiston Tournament. Where Are You Blue Eyes -Donna Shivley.

Don't Be Ashamed of Your Age

Alvin Henderson. Don't Ask Me Not To Sing - Marilyn Fanning.

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### SENIOR PARADE

Here's a story about a hazel-eyed girl who says she thinks G.H.S. is a grand school with lots of swell kids. She was born October 26, 1931 in Grangeville. Her hair is alburn, her height is 5' 4" and her weight is 120 pounds. Latin and chemistry are her favorite subjects and Mr. Wessels is her favorite teacher. Margaret plans to go to the University of Idaho after grad-uating from G.H.S. This story is about Margaret Woods.

On a cold wintry day in November, a blue - eyed blonde-haired girl was born near Winona, Idaho. She likes to dance but dislikes to eat shrimp. Her pet peeve is conceited people. Typing is her favorite subject and Mrs. Caine is her favorite teacher. Her favorite movie stars are John Garfield and Jane Wyman. She transferred from Stites school in her Junior year.

Stites school in her Junior year.

Jane Wyman. She transferred from FOUND: A diamond ring on Darlene's finger.—G.H.S. Old Maids. After graduating this year she plans to go to nurses' training.

Have you guessed who this is? It's Genean Gill.

Born: January 2, 1932 in Lewiston, Idaho.

Hair: Brown; Eyes: Brown. Likes: Cattle and girls. Dislikes: School. Height: 6' 7". Weight: 135 pounds. Ambition: Be a rancher. Pet Peeve: Chemistry. Shoe size: 9.

Favorite Teacher: Miss Miller. Favorite Sport: Basketball. Steve r'enn is Vice-president of band this year and also an active member of band.

Born: Feb. 4, 1932 in Grangeville, Idaho.

Weight: 140 lbs.; Height: 5' 11". Color of hair: brown; Color of eyes: brown.

Shoe size: 7½. Likes: Food and women. Dislikes: Kids critizing the team. Favorite actor: John Garfield. Favorite actress: Vivian Leigh. Favorite subject: Study hall. Is: An all star basketball player. Favorite pastime: Hunting. Name: Oscar Johnson.

Born: Sept. 14, 1932 in Grangeville, Idaho. Eyes: Brown; Hair: Brown. Shoe size: 71/2. Likes horses and roller skating. Dislikes: American Government. Pet Peeve: Tight skirts. Ambition: To be a teacher. Favorite Subject: Latin II. Favorite Sport: Baseball.

Plans for the future: Go to school at University of Mexico City. Guess who: It's Maxine Pell.

#### FROSH FROLIC

The Frosh Frolic began Friday night to the tune of "Buttons and Bows." The gym was gaily decorated in pastel colors with buttons and bows pinned on the streamers.

#### ! CLASSIFIED ADS !

WANTED: Date to the Prom-G.A. S. girls.

WANTED: Grips for the chairs in the typing room. Rosella. WANTED: Address to the Lonely

Hearts Club-G.H.S. girls. WANTED: Brains! Anyone having extra ones please give them to the Frosh, especially the day before a test-Freshman.

LOST: Mr. Johnson's heavenly sil-ence when he had fifth period study hall.

FOR RENT: My chair in room 26 any afternoon, Ted J.
WANTED: Items for the school paper.—Informer Staff.
FOUND: An idea for Jr. Prom.—

Juniors.

FOR SALE: Place on debate team, cheap.-Elaine S.

WILL SELL: One "good" 1950 (B. C.?) car, cheap. —Almon R.

LOST: More and more dates on

Saturday night—the girls. FOR RENT: Henderson's Homestead (Detention Hall).-Norman

FOR SALE: Alto horn section of band.-McKinley.

WANTED: Tall girls!—Francis K.
WANTED: Sax player for dance
band.—G.H.S. Down Beats.

WANTED: Cooking utensils for the Classes.

Home Ec. Room. - Home Ec. FOUND: One 1938 Chevy.-Maxine.

FOR SALE: One seat on the White Bird bus, cheap.-Glen H.

#### Australian Ladybird

All California oranges and lemons coming to market today are made possible by the work of the Australian ladybird. This little beetle was first introduced in San Francisco to counteract an insect war on the orange and lemon groves. The beetle began devouring the insects at a tremendous rate. and single-handed saved the citrus industry of the entire California coast.

Hot card games were going on in the back of the gym. Mostly pinochle and canasta. The music was provided by a new combination of (pardon the expression) musicians called the Down Beats. The highlight of the evening was the crowning of the annual King and Queen. Winners were the seniors. Freshmen came in second.

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## Fads 'N Fashions

This edition of Fads 'n Fashions is dedicated to the boys of G.H.S. T-his column has been more or less a girls department. This week we shall see what the boys of our

high school are wearing. Has everyone noticed the soxes Chet Arnzen has been sporting. They are sort of luminous, very classy, we must say, Chet!

Clarence Hardin has been sporting around shoes with chains on them. This is a very novel idea, junior.

Everyone that attended sweater dance will agree that John Groom broke out with a mighty classy looking sweater. A few other sweaters that we particularly noticed were Jim Benedict's mightly loud one. Perry Briscoe came out with a red, white and blue beauty. Hugh Keith wore a classy maroon job.

Has any one been noticing the loud plaid shirts that the high school boy's are sporting around this spring? Very clever men. We have also noticed the "G" sweaters are breeking out now that Spring are breaking out now that Spring is finally here.

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### Ancient Musical Instrument Heard In Civic Series

By Grace E. Jordan

Stringed instruments played with bows of horsehair mentioned in the Sanskrit classics may have been crude cellos, but so far as is known the first cello to make its appearance in Grangeville, Idaho, was that played by Maurice Ritchey, Moscow high school music director, at the Civic Concert series here Friday evening.

Whether because of untempered wind and rain or because of the unholy number of conflicting affairs that plague this middle-sized town, a far too small audience heard Mr. Ritchey; but he must have felt, nevertheless, that he was appreciated. Applause for his numbers and the accompaniments of Mary Jasper Johnson was very warm.

The cello, which is commonly pronounced neither sello nor Celilo, is a philosophical instrument. Within its low vibrant range it reviews the past and is a little skeptical about the future. It can yield up not merely a trunkful of deep brown notes but a summation of living. Mr. Ritchey's long, wheedling fingers do produce that effect. He measures out his reflective themes with grave care, like an apothecary measuring the

essences. Some Friday evening listeners preferred his Liebestraum, by Liszt, which will hurt you if you listen without defenses; some preferred the Concerto in D Major by Haydn for its simple re-echoed theme. Young admirers were more charmed by Minuet by Squire, which was lovely and light, or the Allamanda and Giga in the Corelli Sonata. The Allamanda is like folk dance melody, with calico patterns neatly boxed by the flying Ritchey fingers.

The Giga is gay.

Mrs. Johnson, a graduate student in music at the University of Idaho, illustrates as an accompanist the importance of unimportance. She paints the underlying faithful shadow, until the theme in brief solo is required.

Second feature of the evening was the group of piano numbers by Robert Nelson, a music major at Idaho who also has studied in the east. His Chopin and Brahms were interesting for their detached impersonal skill; and his own composition, Profile in E Minor, received special attention. Possibly it was in the east that Mr. Nelson acquired the fascinating flight above the keyboard that seems to go on plucking glittering notes from the air; or perhaps this is a pure Nelsonism.

This was the fourth of the series of concerts that Grangeville Kiwanis has sponsored. The fifth is still to come. Funds from season tickets are paying for the Baldwin grand piano that has been gracing the high school auditorium for about

## PRAIRIE FESTIVAL

(Continued from page one) trousers and blue jackets with gold trim; Potlatch, white uniforms with green trimmings; Winchester and Reubens combined their bands and as yet have no uniforms; Grangeville wore blue uniforms and capes with white trim and cape linings. All the bands assembled at their given places up Idaho avenue with the Grangeville A band in the lead. Seventeen bands took part in the

The students next congregated in the new gym for mass band rehearsal under the direction of Jack Snodgrass or in the auditorium for mass chorus rehearsal under the direction of Paul Preus.

The rehearsals were over at about five o'clock when the students were loose to roam the great Grangeville metropolis once more.

The P.T.A. sponsored a chicken noodle dinner in the American Legion Hall at 50 cents a plate for the evening meal. Even though special eating places were provided, the Kandy Kitchen and Coffee Cup still seemed to receive a thriving business all during the day.

At 7:30 the same evening, the concert was held in the new gym.

The mass chorus sang five numbers to start the program. Next a trumpet trio from the Grangeville B band played a number. Jane Heron from Grangeville played a flute solo. Next a very good mixed quartet from Genesee sang two numbers and were encored to sing one of them over. Kermit Hosch, Ass't. Prof. of Music at the U. of I. played three clarinet solos. Last, but not least, the massed band played seven numbers ending the concert with our National Anthem, The Star Spangled Banner.

After the concert, all the students fled to their previously assigned rooms, gathered together their be-longings, and clambered aboard their buses to head for home. A full day of music had been completed

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#### WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

What would you do if you found out you had inherited a million dollars?

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Jerry Flemming—Stay away from Cottonwood and Mt. Idaho.

Harry Lyons-Pay my bills and ouy a car.

Bill Rooke-Quit school and move to Florida.

Alvine Hazelbaker-Faint dead away!!!

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF?
Bonnie D. came to school on Monday morning.

The Public Speaking class would memorize their speeches. Virginia W. lost her Nezperce

interests.

Juniors wouldn't be at each others throats at class meetings.

G.A.A. and F.H.A. didn't argue. Frosh girls would go with Frosh

Caroline B. would go some place without falling down.

Barbara Hibler-Buy a car and take a trip.

Yvonne Bentley—Go on a buying spree.

Frances Hatch - How should I know, I've never had any.

Rosalie Space-I'd hop a plane for Oregon State College!! (educational interests you know.)

Jack Heartburg-It's hard to tell.

with everyone looking forward to the festival at Lewiston in the near future.

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