# The High School News

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#### Debate With Fairfield

Cheney High debaters, having won the championship of this district will clash with Fairfield, Friday, March 21, at Cheney. Let's be on hand to wish the three S's every success—Shaw, Small, and Shafer.

# TRACK PROSPECTS BRIGHT THIS SPRING

Coach Gellerman Issues First Call for Track Candidates.

Track prospects seem brighter this spring than ever before. With nearly all the veterans of last year back, Cheney High seems sure of being a big point winner in the county meet. Coach Gellerman issued his first call for track candidates last Tuesday, and stated that preliminary training would begin the following Monday. The preliminary training will continue for three weeks and will consist of much hiking and some running. At the end of this period Coach Gellerman is planning on holding a two-mile run, and will give ribbons to all men who finish in good time. The intensive training season will then start, and the fellows will learn the finer points of the sport.

The county meet will be held at Hillyard on May 11. The Normal will also hold a high school meet, in which we will probably take part. In order to go to the state meet at Pullman, track men must at least place in the county meet. This is a new ruling that was made this year, to eliminate all but the best athletes.

### SOPHOMORES PRESENT WONDER MAGICIAN

Mr. Gellerman Performs Clever Stunts Before Assembly.

Balls disappeared, handkerchiefs changed color and water turned to wine and back again, by Mr. Louis Gellerman, history and economics teacher of this school, last Thursday before the Junior and Senior High assembly. Especially clever were his card tricks, but then, as he said, "Any child of five years of age could do them—after 20 years' practice." He did one trick that bootleggers would, no doubt, like to know, but the best one of all was when he placed a cloth over a pan of water, carried it across the room, shook the cloth, and presto! where was the pan?

Juanita Eads and Nina Blum were his assistants in the black magic.

#### Junior Prom to be Big Affair

Ss-h-h! Don't tell anybody, but April 25, the Juniors are going to show the Seniors the best time they've ever had. The Juniors aren't saying anything, but preparations are already under way for what promises to be the social event of the year.

Ever since the Junior play excitement has been growing by leaps and bounds over the prospects of the Junior Prom. Just before dropping off to sleep many a Senior and Junior maid sighs dreamily, "April 25, April 25! Oh, how I hope I get a date!"

Wistful and yearning looks come over the sad faces of the Sophomores when they hear the gossip about the new clothes, the music, the high-heeled slippers, the dates. Cheer up, Sophs, next year you shall have a prom, too.

### RADIO HEARS FROM DISTANT STATIONS

Pick Up Vocal and Orchestra Selections.—May Have Concert Tuesday Night.

A four-tube receiving set is now in action at the Radio Club, and there is a possibility that Mr. Burns will have the latest addition, a loud speaker, installed for the Tuesday night movie at the school.

Last fall after two years of the Radio Club the boys started with a balance of three dollars in the treasury. This year keen interest has been manifested, and considerable progress has been made. The set has been tried with headphones, and the club members were very much excited over the results. Some of the stations received are: Chicago, Portland, Dallas, Calgary, and Vancouver.

There has been very little interference from static, and, on the whole, the set is a huge success.

# TENNIS SEASON WILL SOON BEGIN

The prospects for a successful tennis season have never been quite as good as they are this year. Several students who won their letters last year are ready to play again for C. H. S., and there is also an abundance of new material. Because of ineligibility of one of the players last season, Cheney High had to forfeit the cup, but with the support of the student body Cheney should again win the county championship and have the honor of keeping the cup.

Work on the tennis court will soon begin.

Douglas Fairbanks Tonight

"Doug" Fairbanks and his smile will be the feature of his latest picture, "Habits of Happiness."

# ALL-SCHOOL PLAY IS UNDER WAY

Virginia Nance to Have Title Role in "Patty Makes Things Hum."

The cast has been chosen for the all-school play, which will be given April 18, and rehearsals have commenced in earnest. "Patty Makes Things Hum" is an amusing little comedy concerning the adventures of a little Tomboy who serves as her sister's maid at a dinner party. Handsome English officers abound, and beautiful ladies much more abound, not to mention Hyacinth, the colored cook, who has the best comedy lines of the play.

The cast is as follows:

Captain Braithwaite, Ted Wynstra; Captain Little, Clayton Ryan; Mr. Green, Arthur Ewy; Mr. Smith, Hugh Alexander; Mrs. Smith, Lilly Pryor; Mrs. Green, Maxine Damrell; Patience Little (Patty), Virginia Nance; Helen Braithwaite, Bernice Church; Hope Dunbar, Beulah Liedloff; Hyacinth, Dorothy Brownell.

### TWELVE GIRLS TO RECEIVE LETTERS

Junior's Basketball Champions in Tournament.

The Junior girls won the basketball championship by defeating the seniors in the final game of the inter-class series with a score of 13-7. The twelve girls receiving the C. H. S. scroll are: Clare Bemis, Adelia Bacharach, Vivian Harmon, Alice Ewy, Edna McDonald, Alberta Victor, Thereia Burke, Virginia Nance, Genevieve Johnson, Gertrude Bechtel, Elizabeth Andrews, Juanita Eads.

#### Oratorical Contestant Selected

Margaret Blaha has been selected as our representative in the Northeastern Washington Oratorical Contest.

The Spokesman-Review Oratorical Contest is being tried out for by Clarence Small, Margaret Blaha, Clark Wood, and Velma Reed, and the winner will be announced next Tuesday.

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#### Your Business

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School is a business. The more one has of it, the shorter is the cut to success. Men have succeeded without it, but the process was longer and harder. Think of schooling as a process that will make you free and increase your wages as long as you live. Stay in school as long as you can. Make it your business. Get there on time every day. Pound hard. The most fruitful tree is the one that has had a long growing season under a careful and select kind of culture. The quality and quantity of success in the life of the individual is in proportion to the stock and culture of the growing human tree. Let us analyze ourselves scientifically and then plan to grow according to the findings. The fruit on the early pear tree ripens early and falls early. Let us aim to be more like the sturdy oak, slow in fruiting, but long in fruition.

#### Will You Be There?

For the first time in years, Cheney has won the privilege of competing for the county championship in debate. The members of the team have worked their hardest and have shown us that they have the ability to succeed. The fact, alone, that two of the debaters had no experience previous to this year, proves that they are capable of bringing Cheney to the front. They deserve the support of the high school and the whole town. They've done their share. To show them that we appreciate their efforts, we should give them the best possible support in this crisis! Be a sport! Don't be afraid of being bored. Verbal battles are just as interesting as any other kind of combat and sometimes more exciting.

### BASKETBALL SEASON COMES TO A CLOSE

P.-T's Lose Last Game of Season to Medical Lake.

Mr. Burns' basketball team finished the season with a fairly good record, considering the lack of practice. The first game with Medical Lake, February 14, was lost by one point, the final score being 9-8. In a return game, February 16, our team again met defeat, 14-9, as they were not accustomed to throwing baskets in the small Medical Lake gym. Nevertheless, the Cheney boys showed superior team work and proved themselves good losers.

Juniors Win Over Seniors

In the class tournament, February 25, the Juniors met the Seniors for a 16-minute battle. All of the Juniors had played on the first team, while Ryan was the only first string man of the Senior five. The Seniors showed fairly good team work, considering the fact that they had never played together before. The final score was 30-16.

### GEORGE WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY OBSERVED

Washingtons' Birthday was observed at the high school by a program in honor of the day. After the flag salute and several patriotic songs, the Junior high girls sang Mozart's "Minuet," which was followed by a playlet entitled "The Truth For a Day." Five girls left alone at a boarding school on Washington's birthday with one teacher, attempted to celebrate by telling nothing but the truth for that day. The play showed their trials, temptations, yielding, and final confessian.

The program was concluded by a short address by Mr. Funkhauser, who emphasized Washington's courage.
"Although a person may possess Washington's other characteristics, genius and leadership," said the speaker, "he can not succeed without courage."

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Where Was the Fight?

That the greatest battle in the history of this high school must have been staged Monday night, all those who were in school last Tuesday are willing to swear, for every class had its quota of black eyes. Not only black eyes appeared, but sweaters on backwards, dislocated collars and ties, and knickerbockers were in

vogue. Ed Garner was too sweet for words in lovely rose colored hose.

The high school looked wild, but it was only the letter "C" club initiating. The club is now much larger than it has ever been in the history of the school, and greater results may be expected. The boys who blossomed out so prettily were: Ernest Easton, Mike Burke, Spud Murphy, Ed Garner, Al Erickson, Clayton Ryan, Asa Rathburn, Mills Ottomeier, Harry Hensinger, Roy Huse, Art Ewy, and Frank Reed.

Five of the letter "C's" who failed to appear in black eyes were paddled in the park at noon.

Former Student Wins Honor Harry Rothrock, former student, now attending Lewis and Clark, was recently elected a member of the Lewis and Clark Crest, an honor so-

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# CIVICS CLASS HEARS ADDRESS

Mr. Funkhauser Addresses Civics Class On February 22.

On Washington's Birthday Mr. Lindley's civics class had a new teacher. Mr. Funkhauser, who also addressed last year's class on that day, explained the process by which a bill becomes a law, and discussed the democracy of the present method of nominating the president.

The speaker showed that the United States is becoming more democratic. "The convention system of nominating the president and vice-president will probably be done away with in fifty years," he prophesied. He said that because of the small attendance at the caucuses which select representatives to attend the district conventions the present method of carrying on presidential nominations is very undemocratic. The last great step toward democracy was the adopting of the Nineteenth amendment; the next will be an amendment providing for the use of the direct primaries in presidential nominations. Until that step is taken, however, a great deal of good may be done by increasing the attendance at the caucuses. Mr. Funkhauser said, "You, as future citizens, should attend these meetings and see how your president is nominated."

Many measures which the executive department finds necessary can not be "put across" because of the jealousy between the different branches of the government. Since the cabinet members may not appear before congress to press their measures, their only hope lies in the influence of interested men in the house or Senate.

"This brings up the question," said Mr. Funkhauser, "of whether a member of one independent branch of the government can be forced to resign by another branch, as congress is now trying to force Mr. Daugherty to resign."

In explaining how a bill becomes a law, Mr. Funkhauser took as an example one providing for a bridge over the Columbia River. This particular bill would first go to the war department for inspection. If O. K'd there, it would be sent to the house committee on military affairs, where the greatest difficulty in its passage would be met. In case it was not killed in the committee room, the bill would be sent from there to the House, to the Senate Committee on Military Affairs, and to the floor of the Senate. If the Senate and House could not agree on the bill, a committee of three members from each house would be selected. This committee would decide a compromise measure, which would probably be passed without difficulty when returned to Congress. Then, of course, if it should be vetoed by the president, a two-thirds vote of each house would be necessary be-

### JUNIOR PLAY IS A LAUGH GETTER

Novel Situations and Clever Acting Distinguishes "Fascinating Fanny Brown."

The Junior Play, "The Fascinating Fanny Brown," was presented at the high school auditorium, February 15, and proved to be a complete success. Every part was well handled and enthusiastically portrayed by the actors. The climax at the end of the first act was perfect.

Affred Erickson, in the role of Henry Dudley and "Fanny" handled his lines in an almost professional manner, while Adelia Bacharach was a perfect little flirt bent on revenge, every line taking. Merville Ryan and Walter Murphy, as "Billy" and "Percy" were clever; their "gloom" scenes were especially good.

Nora Baker, as Percy's fiancee, pouted prettily, and Audrey, played by Beulah Liedloff, had a fine time "spilling the beans." The part of Mrs. Moffet was well taken by Opal Bunn. and Eleanor Shaw was convincing in the role of Mrs. Caldwell, Audrey's long-suffering mother. It was hard to recognize Martha, the maid of all work, as Jean McDonald.

Miss Lois Enders, the coach for the Junior play, certainly deserves much credit for the smooth and capable manner in which the "Fascinating Fanny" was staged.

The Juniors cleared over \$70 on the

Roy—They had a parade for all of the high school girls without bobbed hair.

Mr. Huse—Was it a success?
Roy—No; one of the girls took sick,
and the other one wouldn't go alone.

fore it could become a law.

A great percentage of the bills introduced into congress are not able to stand the test of so many examinations, as is shown by the fact that of the 1400 introduced during the last session, only 490 were passed.

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We hate to look at stupid books, We'd rather wander off the while, Our thoughts are dreams in class room times,

And on our face a vacant smile.
Our pep is gone; our brains are dust,
To place the blame we simply must—
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But this is what sore puzzles me,
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# THIRTEEN GET NINETY IN FOUR SUBJECTS

Many Win Places on Honor Roll.— Record in Six-Weeks Average.

Over 50 students won honor grades in two or more subjects the first six weeks in the second semester. Thirteen people led with grades of 90 or above in all four subjects. They were: Helen Hochtritt, Clarence Pence, Lena Rayburn, Clark Wood, Dale Harmon, Robert Holmquist, Robert Macartney, Arthur Ewy, Lottie Mason, Eva Wiles, Florence Wood, Byron Martin, and Vesta Clever.

Honor grades were issued to the following in three subjects: Harriette Murphy, Fred West, Roy Bacharach, Earl Dowty, Emily Sankey, Ruth Bruihl, Elizabeth Lloyd, Lucile Christ, Bernice Church, and Lillian Wood.

Those who earned honor grades in two subjects are as follows: Marjorie-Arrasmith, Elizabeth Andrews, Edith Sowles, Merle Mason, Gertrude Pence, Gertrude Bechtel, Lester Harris, Doris Ryker, Nolan Brown, Erma Hartley, Alberta Victor, Hilda Olston, Elma Steinke, Alfred Erickson, Mike Burke, Marvin Houch, Mills Ottomeier, Marjorie Sheldon, Clarence Dykes, Johnnie Nedwed, Clarence Rayburn, Clarence Small, Albert Rahn, Velma Ryker, Russel Adams, Sifred Johnson, Vivian Harmon, Roy Huse, Harold West, Robert Pryor, Esther Adams, and Louise Holm.

## Sophomore Boys Win Championship

The Sophomore boys won the school championship by defeating the Juniors in the final game of the interclass basketball series, March 3, 13 to 12. The Sophomores have only one first team man, while the Junior team is composed entirely of first string players. The Sophs were in the lead all of the time.

They have won all seven of the games they have played this season, scoring a total of 131 pointse their opponents' 71. John Burke was high point man.

Members of the team are: John Fishback and Nathan Hair, forwards; John Burke, center; Mike Burke (captain), and Donald Leonard, guards; Glen West and Richard Hungate, subs; Mr. Gellerman, class adviser and coach.

#### LAUGH HERE

Rusty—My doctor told me if I didn't stop smoking I would be half witted.

Ted-Why didn't you stop?

Soph—What'll we do? Senior—I'll spin a coin—if it's heads we'll go to the movie; if it's tails we'll go to the dance, and if it stands on edge we'll study.

She—A mouse ran up my sleeve. He—That's nothing, a sewing machine ran down mine.

# PROFICIENCY HONORS GO TO EIGHT PUPILS

Bernice Church and Lillian Wood Get Bronze Awards.

Eight students are to receive the Proficiency Certificates sent out by the Underwood Typewriter Company to those making from 30 to 40 words a minute. Mr. Gundry has also sent for two bronze awards to be given to Bernice Church and Lillian Wood for an average of 40 to 50 words a minute.

Those getting the certificates are: Vesta Clever, Sifred Johnson, Lilly Pryor, Fred Reuter, Lucile Christ, Virginia Nance, Albert Rahn, and Lawrence Riddle.

### HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS ORGANIZE CLUB

Has Twenty-Two Members—Bernice Church President.

Early last fall the high school girls from the Methodist Sunday School organized a club which is known as Alpha Kappa Alpha. The girls have had many pleasant social gatherings, and are planning an initiation party for the near future.

The club officers are: Mrs. Buchanan, leader; Miss Murray, Basketball coach; Bernice Church, president; Lily Pryor, vice-president and president of service committee; Florence Wood, secretary-treasurer; Alice Colyar, chairman of membership committee; Vivian Harmon, chairman of recreation committee; Alberta Victor, chairman of program committee. Other members are: Nancy Colyar, Maxine Damrell, Stella Goff, Leona Lane, Mae Hatfield, Doris Lane, Adelia Bacharach, Josephine Moore, Anne Murphy, Velma Ryker, Nora Baker, Elma Gilbert, Virginia Nance, Bar-bara Dowty, Doris Ryker, and Gladys Seeber.

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JOHNSON & CARREAU Gas Service Station Girls Attend Camp Fire Ceremonial

Members of the Omeme and Chewah Camp Fires drove to Spokane Saturday evening, March 15. The occasion was the third annual grand council fire at the Armory. It was estimated that there were over a thousand participants. After he presented Miss Annette Francisco, our executive secretary, with a pair of silver candlesticks, the gift of the Camp Fire girls, Mr. J. C. McCornack gave the principal address of the evening. The Spokane Kiwanis Club attended the ceremonial in a body.

Sunday afternoon, National Camp Fire Sunday, a ceremonial was held at the Congregational Church in Cheney. This was unusually impressive. Rev. H. M. Painter gave the Camp Fire address. The other special numbers included a solo, "By the Waters of Minnetonka," by Miss Elward, and "The Sunrise Call," by the Normal Camp Fires. Rev. H. J. Wood gave the invocation, while Rev. O. A. Adams pronounced the benediction. The Boy Scouts acted as ushers.

Sophs Remember St. Patrick A St. Patrick's Day party was given by the Sophomore class, Friday, in Room 5 of the high school, and was enjoyed by everyone present.

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