

EVERY FAMILY
HAS ONE

THE CRANE

NOT TO MENTION
FUNZAPOPPIN'

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Dorotha Strickland Visits Texas-Louisiana Schools

Mrs. Dorotha Strickland, president of the local unit of the State Teachers' Assn., recently visited the reading clinic at Fannin School in Houston, March 7-8; and March 9-10-11 visited the reading clinic at the LaFayette School in New Orleans. She also visited first and second grade rooms. Mrs. Strickland returned home Sunday by plane.

These reading clinics are special classes for exceptional children such as blind, deaf, or in any other way in which a child may be handicapped.

The children in the reading clinics have normal and superior intelligence, but are non-readers. When the classes first start, the teacher has only one child for a period of an hour and a half,

D. CHANE MADE MATH CHAIRMAN AT EL PASO MEET

Crane Schools were represented in the recent Teachers convention, held in El Paso, March 11 and 12, with D. Chane being elected chairman of the math section. C. A. Carroll lecturing on "Methods in Teaching General Shop", and Miss Mildred McReynolds' picture appearing on the front page of the El Paso Times, while visiting Mesita Schools.

Superintendent Peyton Cone from Alpine substituted for L. L. Martin in making a response to the welcome speech, as Mr. Martin was unable to attend.

The groups reported the most enjoyable and profitable convention ever held in El Paso with the most dynamic group of speakers ever to appear. Among these speakers being W. H. Alexander, one of the foremost speakers in America today.

In a section meeting of the science and math division attended by Mrs. Steve Filerman, G. Chane and D. Chane, the group decided to hold the two in separate sections. This separation was made so that each section may discuss practical problems involving each particular section.

In the math section it was decided that each district hold local meetings to discuss problems that arise. These questions will be referred to the chairman who will use questions of controversy for discussion at the sectional meeting next year.

An attempt is being made to move the convention to Alpine, but thus far nothing definite has been learned.

The teachers returned to Crane Saturday night, March 19.



HOWELL CLASS BLOWERS

HOWELLS, FAMOUS GLASS BLOWERS, ENTERTAIN IN ASSEMBLY MARCH 21

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Howell, Jr. presented a program of Bohemian Glass Blowing in assembly, March 21 at 9 a. m. The art of Bohemian Glass Blowing is an art that is never taught outside of a family, revealed Mr. Howell. It is handed down from father to son or some near relative of the family.

The Howells, Jr. are members of the famous Howell family of Glass Blowers. R. M. Howell, Jr. has been working for more than thirty years at the art. The art of Bohemian Glass Blowing differs from any other type of Glass Blowing because it is done entirely free hand without the use of any molds or models of any kind. Just the mouth for blowing and the hands for shaping an

unending list of beautiful creations from hot glass.

The Howells, Jr. have presented their program in schools of every state in the United States and foreign countries as well. In 1940 they were one of the outstanding attractions at the Golden Gate Exposition at San Francisco. In 1944 the Howells, Jr. were employed by the United States Government at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, at the Atomic Bomb plant where they did the laboratory glass blowing that was used in perfecting the Atomic Bomb.

They have been featured on the Radio, Television and in motion pictures as well.

They present one of the most outstanding programs on tour today. Once seen, never forgotten.

Funzapoppin Cast Carefully Selected; Rehearsals Begun

After many long hours of hard work last week the seniors finally decided on their characters for their play "FUNZAPOPPIN'". The three act comedy sprinkled with both mystery and romance. The characters are as follows:

BETTY BLAIR—An ugly duckling who turns into a swan—Jane Clark.

BOBBY BLAIR—Betty's brother. A college freshman—Billy Dan Lively.

VIC TRUEMAN—Manager of Dunwiddie's Emporium. Clever handsome. Thinks he's in love with Trudi—Roger Cloud.

SYLVESTER FOGG III—A herpetologist. Professorish type. Wears tortoise shell glasses. Also in love with Trudi—Bill Marlowe.

TRUDI WORTHINGTON-BROWNE—A beautiful statuesque brunette. Looking for a man with money—Mary Lou Reynolds.

MRS. WORTHINGTON-BROWNE—Trudi's snobbish, aristocratic mother. The stout dowager type. Carries Oxford glasses on a chain, or a lognette.—Jackie Mathis.

J. EDGAR DUNWIDDIE—Proprietor of Dunwiddie's Emporium. An old bachelor. Self important and dictatorial—Billy Henderson.

AUNT IDA FROM IDAHO—Vic's aunt. A raw-boned, two fisted woman—the sheriff of Catamount County.—Coyle Pope.

BRIDGET O'BRAIDY The Irish maid — Mary Joyce Evans.

AMBROSIA—The negro cook. Afraid of spooks.—Iown Gilstrap.

MRS. SNAPPETT—The landlady. Snappett by name and snappish by nature—Jean Murray.

GABBIE GOONEY—A gossip old maid.—Joy Dickson.

The Sophomore class called a special class meeting last Friday for the purpose of discussing plans for a picnic or party.

We think it is about time the Sophomores entered into a discussion of some entertainment plans.

The College of Mines Choral which is now making a tour throughout West Texas, will present a program in the Crane High School Auditorium April 6.

Why Walk When You Can Ride Say C. H. S. Students

"When in Rome do as the Romans; when out west go western". This is the motto of most Crane High potential cowboys, as a great majority of them keep horses.

The boys have different reasons for keeping their horses but the most common reasons are either for roping, or breaking and training them.

This is a bright spot in the feed dealer's life as, not only is he happy to see the boys training the horses, but also he is happy to see them haul off the expensive feed it takes to feed these critters, a feed bill averages about \$25 a month.

Some of the boys of C. H. S. who handle horses are: Boob Kelton, Bill Teague, Bill Henderson, James Kilgore, James Ward, Jimmie Stacy, George McCorkle, and Dwain Stacy.

Seniors To Take Over Crane Teachers' Duty April First; No Joke

The senior class met last week and decided what student, senior that is, would take over what teachers' classes April Fool's Day. As is well known to the student body of CHS, the seniors each year take over teachers' duties and must be treated as teachers are—or as teachers should be treated.

Mr. Martin will give up his duties to Tommy Parrott, and Mr. Nix will be represented by Jas. Ward. Mrs. Miller will turn her post in the office over to Mary Lou Reynolds, and Mrs. Karr to Jane Clark.

The others will be as follows: Mrs. Isyl Cox—Jackie Mathis Mrs. Willie B. Filleman—Sammie White.

Mr. C. A. Carroll—Howard Christian and Harold Lowery. Mr. Bill Haralson — Nubbin Reynolds.

Mr. Sonnenburg — Charlotte Schlittler.

Mrs. Brady Thomas — Coyle Pope.

Mr. Brady Thomas — Dwain Stacy and Bill Henderson.

Miss Eloise Haley—Joy Dickson.

Mr. Doug Chane—Billy Dan Lively and Mary Joyce Evans.

Mr. Geo. Chane—Bill Marlowe.

Mrs. Inez Elmore — Bobby Aaron.

Mrs. Elsie Waller — Earlene Husted and Jean Murray.

Mrs. Jeanne Abernathy—Iown Gilstrap.

And last, but far from least, comes the janitors. Mr. Heard will be replaced by Myron Holcomb and Bill Schoonover and Mr. Bell will give up his duties for the day to Earl Husted and Roger Cloud.

Men Are Men But—Gals Shoot Straighter

Women of Crane High (out west) don't have to shoot as straight as the men folks but they do just the same—at least Peggy Mobbs does. (warning: John Clark.)

One day out rabbit hunting she bagged seven jack rabbits, and another day ten more fell victims of her Annie Oakley aim.

The last day out she only got two shots and you guessed it—two rabbits.

Peggy is a Sophomore who recently transferred here from Odessa. "Out here" Peggy says shooting is her favorite sport—(rabbits that is)

Mrs. Susie Evatt, grade school teacher, brightened her future by purchasing a new '49 Ford last week.

What's Becoming of Younger Generation

Pertinent Question of Iown Gilstrap

Iown Gilstrap, a senior in English IV, has written a term theme which the "Crane" deems worthy of any reader's time. Being of such length it will have to appear in two or three installments. Here is the first:

My mother laughs everytime she hears someone say, "The youth of today is going to the dogs". Yes, you hear this quotation quite often but people have said this about every new generation. But really the youth are changing very little.

Mothers are still complaining, "They come home long enough to change clothes and simply must see every new motion picture".

Teen-age boys and girls were behaving this way in 1933 when the United States Childrens' Bureau first published "Guiding the Adolescent". A revised edition has just appeared, and Tom, Grace, and Jane are still in its pages, behaving in the same way.

Three-quarters of a million copies of this booklet have been used by parents, according to the foreword. The lack of major revision is one of the most interesting things about it.

Changes of phrases, a few sentences and a paragraph added here and there represent the only alteration in the American teenage scene.

The boys and girls between the ages of twelve and twenty are the same as always. They are still acutely aware of changes, sensitive to criticism, afraid of being "different", and at once wanting the security of home life and wanting to escape from it.

The parents are still expecting the youth to account for their comings and goings, expecting to continue the companionship that they built up over the years, and finding doors to intimacy shut if not banged—in their faces.

The same problems of stealing, cheating, truancy and drinking are also being faced everyday.

It is still true today as it was yesterday that, no matter how pleasant the family life and how much the youth enjoy their leisure-time activities with parents, the normal teen-ager will want to spend more time doing things with the other boys and girls of his own age and less with his family.

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High School Boys Attracted By Newly Organized Rodeo Club

A Crane County Roping Club has been organized with quite a few high school boys and members.

Members of the organization in school are Dwain Stacy, Jimmy Stacy, Jimmy Young, Bill Teague, Bill Henderson, George McCorkle and James Ward.

All of these boys took part in the opening performance Sunday March 13.

James Ward and Bill Teague were contenders for the jackpot money but to no avail.

The other boys, eyeing such competition as Dan Taylor of Odessa, and Bill Lowe, Madison Square Rodeo Money-Winner, decided to rope only for exhibition.

An estimated crowd of 1750 people watched this first performance which included bareback bronc riding, jackpot roping and junior roping.

The club plans to enlarge its show by adding various events and will present it every Sunday.

IN AND OUT OF CHS

In Crane High School now is Quinda Young from Beeville, Texas, and Johnnie Boyd from Waco, Texas.

Out of Crane High School are Mrs. George Webb and Mrs. Dolores Means.

We welcome the new ones in CHS, and regret to see the others leave.

Don Kilgore Sr. Has Famous Arrow and Relic Collection

Don Kilgore, sr., an employee of the Texas-New Mexico Pipeline Company, has a collection of some 1100 - 1200 arrowheads that he has picked up since 1940. All except maybe half a dozen of them have been found in Crane County.

The arrow collection comprises some 100 different shapes, many of them patterned in the form of flying birds, buffalo heads, and many other forms.

Mr. Kilgore says that professional collectors classify arrows as to the point-yuma point, folsom point, and so on. The folsom point is grooved vertically on both sides thus giving it seven times the penetrating power of an ordinary arrow. The most unusual arrow in the twist type that whirls in flight the same as a bullet fired from a rifle, and this type also gives off a humming sound.

Included with the arrow collection are many scrapers, beads, pottery fragments, toma hawks, spear points, bone awls, bone drills, needles, metates, and even flint fish - hooks. The pottery sometimes shows as many as three colors, with black and orange the dominating shades.

Mr. Kilgore has unearthed 12 or 13 Indian graves but due to the condition of the remains has been able to salvage only a few teeth, and finger and arm bones.

Prin. Nix Keeps Peace In Meth.-Bapt. Game Western Style; 2 Guns

Principal Brady Nix must have thought that there was going to be trouble between the Methodist and Baptists when they challenged each other to a basketball game. He came as referee wearing two big, fierce-looking revolvers slung low on the hips. He just looked simply rugged, and this could be the reason why there were no quarrels between the opposing teams.

Perhaps Mr. Nix should wear these shootin' arms to school. There probably would be much more order around the campus. Everyone is warned not to get out of line, especially when this long lanky hombre is anywhere's near with his arms.

Annual Dummy Sent To News Photo

Miss Eloise Haley very happily announced last Friday that the last of the dummies for the annual had been finished and sent to News Photo in San Angelo.

The annual staff has striven with difficulty to make this the best annual that Crane has had. Anyhow it is the largest, having 72 pages; the largest before this was 60 pages.

The annual staff it holding its breath until the company returns the proofs for an okay. See Copy

Milburn Cary Conducts Tri-School Band Clinic

Milburn E. Cary, director of the Phillips University Band, of Enid, Okla., will hold band clinics in Crane on Friday and Saturday. Director Cary became associated with the Phillips University in the fall of 1935 and has established himself as a musician, conductor, arranger, adjuster, author and executive throughout a large portion of America. He holds three music degrees from the University of Illinois. In addition to his heavy teaching schedule at the University and managing the Tri-State Music Assn., he is frequently called on to serve as a guest conductor, clinic director or lecturer of some phase on instrumental music. This work has taken him throughout Oklahoma, Texas and Colorado, and into Kansas, Tennessee, Indiana, Michigan, New Mexico, Arkansas and Illinois.

In summers he has conducted special work at Texas Tech, the University of Texas, Sul Ross College, and the University of Kansas. In 1947 he was one of two bandmasters at the National Music Camp Interlochen, Mich. His many accomplishments have been recognized with signal honors. These include membership in the highly selective American Bandmasters Assn. and Pi Kappa Lambda. Organizations under his direction have appeared in California, New York, and Florida and points in between during the past two years.

The Crane band will be cliniced on Friday, with Crane, McCamey and Iraan bands to hold the clinic together on Saturday. This is part of a round-robin of the Tri-Band Clinic.

Golden Cranes to Play In Brand New Uniforms

The Golden Cranes of 1949 with new uniforms, will be among the best dressed football players in class A.

Couch Bill Haralson ordered 22 new playing uniforms which will be delivered before the first game September 9 with Seminole.

The pants are gold with a purple stripe running up the leg. They are made out of two-way stretch which makes them fit snugly. The new jerseys are white with purple numbers which you can see a mile off.

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THE CRANE'S CREED

THE CRANE PROMISES:

To be strong that nothing can disturb his peace of mind.
To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person he meets; to make all his friends feel that there is something in them; to look at the sunny side of everything and make his optimism come true.
To think only of the best; to work only for the best, and to expect only the best.
To be as enthusiastic about the success of others as his own; to forget the mistakes of the past and press on to greater achievements of the future.
To give so much time to the improvement of himself that he has no time to criticize others; and to be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit troubles.
YOU ARE A CRANE!

Ah-Ah, Watch That Temper And Your Health

Because sometimes a student gets burning mad at a teacher or another student, this week we are trying to give some sound advice on temper and its effects.

It is a little known fact that temper is one of the chief causes of ulcers. For proof of this statement look in one of the up-to-date scientific books on temper.

Besides temper being hard on one's health it also is dangerous. If a person is quick to get angry then he may find himself flat on his back with a busted chin. This often happens when a little man gets riled up before he notices the big six-footer standing in front of him.

Another example why a student should hold down his temper is when he gets angry with one of his teachers. It is a well-known fact that some teachers had just as soon break a board on your—well they will make you wish you had controlled your temper at any rate, and there are several ways to accomplish this end—and it may be yours.

If you will take notice, those who lose their temper beyond control often lose a lot of friends also. Friends in this day and time are very important things to have around most of the time. But nobody wants anyone around if they are going to get them into trouble with their temper.

So everyone start looking for lost temper and keep it tied down. This world is in enough turmoil today as it is, so every little thing helps keep different peoples together and we can do our part by holding our tempers down on the home front, and also we will stay healthy.

SALUTE ST. PATRICK AND HIS SHAMROCK

Salutations, ye hearty Irish! And where is your lucky shamrock? Have you ever known exactly what the shamrock stood for? It is said that St. Patrick plucked a shamrock and said that the three leaves represented the three persons in the Trinity, and that the stem on which they grew represented the godhead and was typical of the unity of three in one.

St. Patrick, according to the Roman Catholic authorities, was born at Kilpatrick, near Dumbarton, Scotland, in the year 387. His father was Calphurnius, a member of a Roman family of high rank. He held the office of Decurio in Gaul or Britain. When Patrick was sixteen years old he was captured by Irish marauders and sold as a slave to a chieftain, who was a high priest, in the territory of the present county of Antrim. He remained in servitude for six years, learning meanwhile to speak the Celtic language. When he escaped from his master, he fled to the west coast of Ireland where he found a ship ready to sail, was allowed to board, and in a few days landed in Britain. He had decided to devote himself to religious work and made his way to the monastery of St. Martin at Tours, where he studied for eight years. He remained on the continent for more than ten years, preparing himself for his work. He was commissioned Pope Celestine and visited Rome. The Pope summer of 433 he went to Ireland and probably in the River near Wicklow Head. In the mouth of the Ventry but he escaped from them and sought a friendly arrival. But he first went to his old master, a friendly tripe of his freedom and, it is said, converted the man, his family to Christianity. He preached and taught in Ireland for many years, building churches and organizing parishes and performing miracles. He and his companions were taken captive twelve times by the Druids and once he was loaded with chains and condemned to death. He lived until March 17, 493, and was buried in a shroud made for him by St. Brigid, in the place on which in later years the cathedral of Down was built.

What Does A Senior Owe His School

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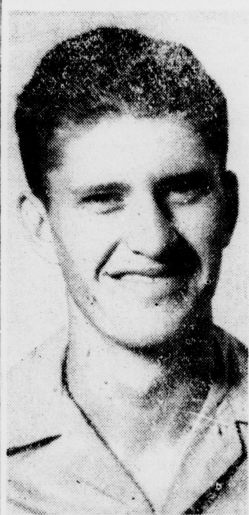
A senior owes his school his deepest gratitude. In these days and time a person's success depends mostly upon his education, and his high school graduation is the stepping stone to higher education. In showing appreciation for your high school a senior should endeavor to better himself in his studies and behavior. Also he should support all school activities wholeheartedly and to try to make a go of everything tried in the school system. Last but not least a senior should be the main influence on lower classmen and set an example that he could be proud of all his life.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

By Nubbin Reynolds
March 22

- 1763: Stamp Act enacted by Parliament.
- 1922: First airplane crossing of the South Atlantic Ocean began. It was made by Portuguese aviators, Admiral Cago Coutinho and Commander Saesdura Cabral.
- 1933: President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed a bill amending the Volstead Prohibition Enforcement Act, to legalize 3.2 per cent beer and wine.
- 1934: Congress granted Philippines independence.
- 1939: Chancellor Hitler and his troops entered the port of Menel and it was annexed to the Reich.

Introducing The Seniors



MYRON HOLCOMB

The picture you see above is the picture of one of Crane's most distinguished seniors, Myron Holcomb.

Myron is the editor of the Annual this year. Last year he ran Elmo Rust a close race for the office of president of the student council. He played main string end on the Crane football team this year and substituted on last year's co-regional champ team. He lettered two years of senior basketball (making all-district center this year) and three years of junior basketball. Last year he was one of the fastest 220 men on the track team, winning second in district. This year he is one of the fastest men on the team.

Myron was born in Crane, Texas, November 8, 1931. He has lived in Crane all his life and has gone to school all his school life in Crane also. He started to school in the second grade because he went to kindergarten, being too young to enter school.

Myron's pet peeve is girls who trifle on their boy friends. He has another one that he keeps to himself.

Fried chicken is Myron's favorite dish and ice cream his favorite dessert.

His favorite pastime is going out to the saithills, for some reason. He often visits the Rust home out there.

When asked of his opinion of a student court, he replied, "I don't believe it would work because the students wouldn't punish each other."

Myron, as most students in Crane, favors a youth center and thinks the Student Council is a good thing.

Myron weighs 170 pounds and is six feet tall. He has curly hair and hazel eyes. He has a nice personality and a pretty even temper. Like all seniors he is enthusiastic about the senior trip.

EXCHANGES

MARCH

March, a month of windy weather, A-nounces Spring is on the way; R-eady for new chambray dresses, C-lothes are a big hit nowadays, H-earts all a-flutter.
..... Ah! It's March!
..... The Tor-ment
..... of the
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To come to a sudden stop. The lady called the conductor. "What happened?" Conductor: "Nothing much, we just ran over a cow."
Old lady: "Was she on the track?"
"No," replied the disgruntled man, "we had to chase her across the field!"

Austin Maroon

ODE TO A BORROWER

I think that I shall never see
The dollar that I loaned to thee,
A dollar that I could have spent
For varied forms of meriment:
The one I loaned to you so gladly,
The same which I now need so badly.
For whose return I had great hope
Just like an optimistic dope,
For dollars loaned to folks like thee,
Art not returned to fools like me.
Yellow Jacket
Florence, S. C.

Elmer Kelton, ex-Crane, cartoonist and feature-writer, will have a story in April 3 issue of "Ranch Romances." The title is "Lonesome Ride."

Thumbnail Interviews

What subjects do you think should be added to the curriculum of Crane High School? Here is the reply of several Crane High students who were asked this question.

Bill Henderson—Animal Husbandry.
Joyce Bright—Speech
James Ward—Agriculture
Joy Dickson—Speech
Louie Brents—Woodwork III and IV.

Jackie Mackey—Bacteriology
Marquis Stark—Home Economics for Boys.
Coylene Pope—Bible & Speech
Dwain Stacy—Driving Classes
Paul Patterson—Spanish III
Valco Garrett—Aeronautics
Nubbin Reynolds—Dramatics
Brady Nix—Typing II, Safety Education, Commercial Arithmetic, Family Relations, and geography.

If enough students wanted to take some of the subjects, the school would probably offer them.

Fashionettes

BY EARLENE HUSTEAD

The following are various comments on different students' clothes, etc.

Jency Porter was seen wearing a green and pink check dress trimmed in solid pink at the top; good taste, Jency.

Mrs. Elmore has more cute clothes! Tell the girls where you find 'em, Inez.

Miss Haley looks very cute in her black and pink plaid dress. Louise Pettit and Earlene Cannon look very chic in their bright yellow shoes.

Sue West and Babe Leclair certainly are attractive in the new skirts they made in Home Ec.

Coylene Pope looks sharp in her new blouse which is white with red dots. She made it in Home Ec.

Patsy Dulin has a white colored winter coat—good color—says Bill.

Kaye Cox owns a green wool skirt that really looks cute.

Mary Lou Reynolds has a cute pin with her initials on it. Sure looks spic and chic on her.

Speaking of blonde hair, Betty Henderson is very cute in short short—long hair, too.

Doug Crane sure looks neat in his leather jacket. Eh, girls?

Jean Murray's new hair-do is super—very attractive! Clark Pressley sure looks cute in his new T-shirt, doesn't he, girls?

Files From The Files

This is a poem that was in the Crane files back in the year 1938.

A PUPILS PSALM

A strict lady is my teacher
I should not be idle
She maketh me to study on hard lessons
She leatheth me through long problems
She taketh away my compact.
She sendeth me to the seventh period
Yea, though I go through this grade many times
I have no fear of passing for her pencil and grade book keepeth my record.
She prepareth to call out mine grades in the presence of mine classmates
She endorseth mine card with red ink
My head is bowed
Happy memories shall I have
The rest of my life
And I shall swell in her room
Forever and ever
Amen—Brother

On April 14, 1948 "the Crane" won National and State honors as a high school paper.

Shop Department Puts On Display

C. A. Carroll, Crane shop instructor, recently made a display of shop projects at the new Leam building.

Projects from three different shop departments were on display. The woodworking department donated the most projects as there are more students taking woodwork. Modern desks, lamps, end tables, coffee tables, card tables, and bookshelves are some of the wood work projects on display.

The metal working class had chisels, punches and mouldings on display. The mechanical drawing class showed several drawings by James Ward and Sammie White.

Introducing The Seniors



EARL HUSTEAD

In Burkburnett, Texas, on Jan. 4, 1932, was born a little green-eyed, blonde-haired boy named Earl Hustead. Everyone is quick to recognize Earl by his radiant smile and shining personality.

Earl played the clarinet in the band for two years, but this did not suit his fancy as well as high school sports. Right now Earl is a very active member of CHS's track team.

His favorite pastime and sport is hunting and fishing. Earl's biggest catch in his short life was not a girl, but a 40-pound cat fish.

"My pet peeve is people who talk when there's a good show going on."

Trig is Earl's favorite class this year. "I just love fried chicken and ice cream, yum! yum!"

Gail Russell stole his heart away with her performance in "Wake Of The Red Witch." Jack Carson keeps Earl laughing all the time.

College seems to be the next stop for Earl in his travel through life.

BOOK NOOK

Reviewed by Jean Murray
Thomas B. Costain Presents
THE MONEYMAN

"This is a kind of 'hindsight' historical novel. The present is always with us, looking down it's nose at the past. Neither we nor the author is in or of the period described. The book is well enough documented as to manners and customs, the clothes and the armor, the food and the gallantry, but it is all objective. Nothing is taken for granted. It has to be explained... This objective hindsight historical novel has its obvious virtues and advantages, but it is hard to write from that standpoint and produce a work of art."

"The Moneyman" is a good novel. It lacks the weeping genius of a Scott or Dumas, but it has the logical precision found in the historical novels of Flaubert and Gautiere. It lacks local color to a lamentable degree, but the rapidity and interest of the story make up for that.

"The Moneyman" is a superb story of romance and action by the author who gave you "The Black Rose."

Mmes. Nix, Chrane New Faculty Replacements

Mrs. Brady Nix and Mrs. Geo. Chrane are recent replacements on the Crane faculty.

Mrs. Brady Nix is replacing Miss L. L. Martin. Mrs. Martin is out because of an operation which will prevent her teaching the rest of the year.

Mrs. George Chrane replaced Miss Ann Ratliff who returned to her home in Austin.

Mrs. George Chrane started her college education in Daniel Baker in Brownwood and for the past three summers has been attending Sul Ross State Teachers College in Alpine. She is to finish this coming summer. Mrs. Chrane majored in elementary education and minored in English. She is to receive her B. A. Degree.

Mrs. Brady Nix received her college education in John Tarleton and Texas Tech. Her major was elementary education and her minor was English.

LAKIN PLACES IN 4-H SHOW

In the Annual Sandhills 4-H Club show held in Odessa, March 4, Doyle Ray Lakin's two Capon chickens placed second and was later auctioned off for \$30 and \$20 respectively.

SPRING FEVER



"UMM-M-M---WHAT WAS THE QUESTION, AGAIN?"

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

In the last edition of The Crane, we wished all of those that had a birthday from March 1 through 22 a happy birthday. In this edition we want to wish the following students a happy birthday:

Name March
J. F. Miller 31
Jacqueline Mathis 26
Kenneth Lewis 27
Peggy Mobbs 28
Rex Wood 26
H. C. Barber 27
Gwendolyn Williams 28
Mary Virginia Hill 31

EXCHANGE TRAIN LIVE LONGER BY OBSERVING RULES

You should be the nation's best physical equipment—fast reaction time and good eyesight. But you count on them too much!

You are responsible for more fatal accidents than any other age group. Some day your worst driving fault may kill your best friend. Here's what you do—and you must, MUST stop!

YOU OVERCROWD CARS and hinder their drivers.

YOU JUMP LIGHTS. Eager to be first, you shoot ahead as the traffic light starts to change. Wait for the intersection to clear—and avoid the deadly, so preventable side-swipe collision.

YOU "VISIT" WRONG LANES. Oh, just for a minute or so, while you pass a car. But even a second in the lane that belongs to oncoming traffic can pile up four or five cars.

YOU U-TURN DANGEROUSLY. While you're turning, you're a target from two directions. Use side streets, not highways, to do U-turns.

YOU GET SOCIAL. So young, so full of fun and laughter, so eager to turn and face your audience...so apt to cause a fatal accident! Driving means: Keep eyes and attention on road.

YOU MIX ROMANCE AND DRIVING! You even make jokes of one-arm driving. There's nothing funny or romantic about it. It is something that may turn into a waking nightmare.

Many a horrible accident has been averted by quick action; safe driving needs two free arms, undivided attention.

We thought this article would be of great importance to the students of Crane High School. If more people would observe these rules, not only in Crane, but in all towns and cities, there would be less accidents.

The rules above are original from the "Seventeen" Magazine, but we got them from THE PANTHER PAW, Liberty High School.

The Crane Junior Volleyball Girls plan to mix it with the Grandfalls Cowgirls sometimes next week in Grandfalls. (Good luck girls.)



The 50 Seamstresses Clamor, Two Patterns

Sew and sew is the order of the day in the Home Economics sewing classes with 50 girls making dresses and clamoring over two patterns.

Both patterns are Simplicity Patterns. The one favored most by the last period class has a be-tha collar and a full ballerina skirt. The girls in the last period class making this dress are Jerry Porter, Coylene Pope, Billie Russell, Sammie Lewis, Joanne Payne, and Earlene Cannon.

The other dress pattern rating second has a scalloped low neckline with a moderately full skirt. The girls favoring this pattern are June White, Carmelita Russell, Loy Taylor, and Virginia Carter.

March 26, the Home Economics girls are to attend an Area F. H. A. Meeting in Midland. There will be a business meeting, a program, and a recreation hour. Approximately 25 girls of Crane will attend.

April 2, June White, district president, and Mrs. Elsie Walle will go to Ft. Stockton to meet with advisers and representatives from all schools in the district and Miss Florence McAllister, Home Making Supervisor.

Two of Crane's girls, Judy Mathis and Judy Mathis, both eighth graders; third period is Jane Clark, senior; fourth period are Joanne White and Billie Gooch, eighth graders and Joanne Rapdale, sophomore; fifth period is June White, a sophomore and sixth period is Donna Sue Beaton, a freshman.

The qualifications of a librarian are that they have to be paid by Mr. Elmore and Mr. Nix before taking the job. They have to have good grades and work not be failing as they work during their study halls.

The students working as librarians get from one to six grade points, just according to how hard they work. "Being a librarian is not an easy job, but a very educational one," reports one of the staff.

Miss Clo Dossey last week was visiting her parents on their golden anniversary.

The funds given to the American Cancer Society in 1947 represent an average of less than \$6 per cancer death in the U. S.

Mrs. John E. Clark replaced Mrs. Winnie Browning last week.

Crane High School's new library building is now open. The building is a fine example of modern architecture and is well equipped with books and reference material.

The boys' first night event, which was a success, was held in the gymnasium. The boys' first night event, which was a success, was held in the gymnasium.

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Elementary News

Miss Dossey's SECOND GRADE

Miss Dossey is attending her parents' golden wedding anniversary at Bonham, Texas, this week. Josephine Poteet, Jerry Swift, Norman Lee Horne and Horace Peek have been absent because of illness.

Jimmy Fisher is a new pupil. Billy Edd Harned had a birthday March 15, 1949, and a birthday party after school.

Mrs. Nix's THIRD GRADE

Reporters
Jim Elders and Freddy Ward
We have just finished reading The Zoo Book which told us about many interesting animals. Judy Fisher came back this week from Alpine, where she was in school.

We are getting ready to take up time tables in arithmetic, and are learning to write paragraphs in language.

Etta Ann Miller has been out of school because of the death of her daddy. We are so sorry for her.

GRADE FOUR-TWO

We are starting a study of Mexico. In the study we are going to make a notebook.

We have a new pupil from San Antonio. His name is Donald Gene McMurray. We hope he will like our school.

In our science class we are studying the ground underneath us. We are testing the rocks.

GRADE FIVE-TWO

Reporter
Sandra Russell
We have a new boy in our room. His name is Henry Elliott. He came Wednesday, the 16th. He is from Madill, Okla.

Gene Jones moved to Alpine. We miss him very much.

We have been seeing some shows. One was on Australia,

and one was on Alaska. We enjoyed them very much.

GRADE SEVEN-TWO

Reporter, Jax Poteet
We have a new boy in our room. His name is Gary Elliott and he is from Madill, Okla.

In PE class we finished a basketball tournament of five teams. The winner was Brent McAfee's team, The Skunks.

SIX-THREE NEWS

Reporter
Peggy Lightfoot

We had a four-day holiday which I suppose everyone enjoyed very much visiting. There were Wynell Richmond who went to Midland, Jan Chrane who went to Abilene, Bernard Mabbs who went to Abilene, Barbara Kinsey who went to Moran, Pat and Frank Ellison who went to the Grandfalls school, and Peggy Lightfoot who went to Rotan.

We see the Pee-Wees have their little footballs back. What's wrong with these girls?

NEWS FROM SEVEN-TWO

Reporter
Luanne Presley

Judy Glass looked like a new girl when she came to school Monday with her new feather hair cut. It looks very nice.

We are very sorry to have Mrs. Browning absent. We appreciate Mrs. Clark teaching us in her place.

We were glad to get rid of the teachers Thursday and Friday, and we were glad they came back in a good mood. We heard a lot about those wonderful speeches.

We bet you teachers sure looked silly jumping up and down when that great professor had all of you playing "When You're Up, You're Up. When You're Down, You're Down. When You're Half Way Up, You're Neither Up Nor Down!"

FOUR-THREE NEWS

Reporter Johnnie Sue Buchanan
Doris Harding moved away. We all miss her very much. In a week she learned more than some of us in months.

In arithmetic we are learning our sevens. Some of us don't like it. But I think it's fun.

We are getting a new reader. In our old reader we read the story of Pinocchio. We are all glad we are getting a new one.

ALEXANDER'S THIRD GRADE

Reporter Winford Whittaker
We enjoyed the two days of last week's work from our regular work.

We have two new pupils. Carolyn Elliott from Oklahoma and Richard Watkins. I am sure they will enjoy being here with us.

The boys have a new look this week. They are G. I. haircuts. We all made fairly good grades this six weeks.

We were all glad to get out this past week for the teacher's meeting.

All of our room went to Mr. Miller's funeral.

In reading we have been studying about China and its wars.

JUNIOR FASHIONETTES

By Faye McCasland
Coming into Junior High we see many of the latest styles.

Outstanding is the blouse worn by Wynell Richman, a pale blue cotton with hand-painted flowers on it.

Just before lunch we all wished Patsy Hallford would put on a coat. Her candy T-Shirt really makes us hungry.

Have you ever seen candles that were green, yellow and black? If you haven't look for Betty Woods. They certainly are cute.

That yellow sport jacket Linda Smith has been wearing is certainly swell.

The latest style in short hair is being worn by Judy Glass.

It looks as though summer is very near. That sunback dress that Gloria Dixon is wearing is real cute.

The Pee-Wee footballs are being worn by the boys now. What's wrong with these girls?

THE CRANE

Bill H. Receives Letter From German Cousin—Well, Anyhow, Maybe

This could be a letter received by Billy Henderson from his cousin in Germany:

My dear cousin Bill:
I now take my pen and ink and write with lead pencil. We do not lift here we used to lift, but we now lift here we haff moved to. I hate to say it but your ant vot you luffed so vell is dead.

She died on New Year's Day in New Morea on fifteen minutes in front of five. Some people think she died of population of the heart. De doctor gave her up ven she died. She leaves a family of two cows and two boys.

Old lady Offle Back is very sick. She is chust at death's door, but de doctor tink he can pull her through. Your brother is making sausages and all de neighbors are looking for dere hogs. Ach, I forgot vonce more your ant who iss dead leaves a bill of \$1,000,000. She left in her bustle an affle lost of money to leave behind. Ve sent your cousin Olga to de butchers to see if he had pigs feet, but she come back and said she did not know as he had his shoes on. I chust graduated from collich. I took my physical vinture on electricution.

Leo chust was sick and de doctor told him to take something so he took Iggy's vatch. Tessie was kicked by a sow in de stomach and gave her a milk punch.

They chust performed an operation on Mrs. Offle Back between the kitchen and der closet. Dere is a lots of people dying vot never died before.

How I vish ve vere closer a part. I am affley lonesome since ve got separated together. Your uncle Olaf is very sick mit de smallpox und hopes he finds you de same. Hoping you get this letter as soon as I did.

I remains
Your Cousin Fretz.

P. S. If you don't get dis letter, let me know and I vill send you annuded. Your uncle Fatso was kicked on de head by a mule and de mule died. I can't give you de 50 dollars I owe you because I already closed the letter.

BLIMEY! THINGS STILL BAD IN BLIGHTY, ACCORDING TO LETTER FROM LIMEY

Following is a letter received by Paul Patterson from a friend in England whose acquaintance was made while Mr. Patterson was serving with the army in Africa and Italy:

Dear Pat,
It certainly seems a long time since you were teletyping messages from Monte Corvino, it is in fact five years in May!

As I probably told you before I got released early from the R. A. F. and went up to Cambridge in the fall of 1945. I studied geography for two years and then education for one year.

I certainly enjoyed those three years more than any others of my life. I think that when one is older, I was 24 when I started, one can appreciate university life so much more easily.

There are Yanks back in Cambridge even now as there is a B-29 base about 30 miles away.

As you see I have come back into the Army.

You probably would have thought that I should have had enough of service life during the war, but as I am not yet married I haven't yet got the urge to settle down.

I went from school into the R. A. F., so that I have never known what it is to be a real civilian so that it would be rather difficult to settle down, and I have shirked it so far.

Here we are training instructors for the Army. As you probably know we still have conscription and education plays quite a large part in the life of these young soldiers who are called up at 18 for one and a half years military service.

We have been rather slow getting back to normal; this year has seen a great change though, you can now go into a shop and buy a suit without surrendering any coupons, a great concession to a nation which has been used, for nine years, to giving 26 coupons for a suit out of a yearly allocation of 24.

Sweets are to come off the ration next month but chocolate is about three times its pre-war price.

I have signed on for three years. I hope that by the time I get out again things will be more normal.

Nowadays you cannot rent a house, if you want one you have to pay about three of four times the pre-war price.

I know that in parts of the U. S. it is nearly as bad. Cousins we have in McKeesport, Pa. tell us that food is very dear and houses in short supply.

The international situation is so bad that it makes one wonder if the world will ever get straight again, however we must hope for the best.

We are in a very pleasant part of England but it is rather rural. It will be nice in the summer as we are only 10 miles from the north or south coast of this southwest peninsula.

Not far away is the legendary home of King Arthur of Round Table fame, and the coast was the haunt of smugglers of the 18th and 19th centuries.

Drake's home was in Plymouth which is 30 miles away.

You may have seen pictures of the city in the National Geographic magazines last year. The whole of the centre of the city was devastated by German bombers in 1941.

The shops are still on a temporary basis and Woolworth's functions in a covered market along with other big stores.

By the way, I suppose in the states Woolworth's is no longer a 5-and-10 cent store.

Here before the war it was 3d and 6d but now the top price is more like 57 (\$1).

Well Pat I am afraid I may have bored you by talking about myself so much, but hope to hear from you again when you have any time to spare.

Thank you again for the book. I hope that you and your family are well and happy.

All the best,
Selwyn

TUESDAY, MARCH 22nd, 1949

PLOT THICKENS IN JUNIOR'S COMEDY; CLIMAX MARCH 28

It will be hard for Mrs. (Kathleen Harrington) to choose between Todd (John Hickman) and Sherwin (Darrel Tomlinson) especially when they are both so adorable. Which will she choose? And what about the Reardon family skeleton in the closet? These things will be revealed in "EVERY FAMILY HAS ONE."

Yes, the 3-act comedy presented by the junior class March 28 is certainly not without a lot of exciting entertainment, and a good plot.

And of course there are "Watts" (Bruce Patterson) Lilly (Somerset Lewis) who suffer and are children of tragedy." Nana (Lillian Murrell) the wise-cracking grandmother never lets tragedy get her down. Barbara Hall portrays Essie the woe-begone maid.

There's never a dull moment with Penelope (Lola Green) who is eternally banging on the piano. And last but not least are the stuffed shirt and ancestor minded Parkers (Joyce Sharp and Charles Phemister.) All of these and many more are ready to present to John Q. Public on March 28 the troubles in the Reardon family in "EVERY FAMILY HAS ONE."

We were very happy to have Wallace Coker back with us last week. He has been stationed at Camp Chaffee Arkansas with the armored corp. He has now been transferred to the medical corp and is stationed at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, Texas.

Wallace is a graduated athlete from Crane.

Billy Joe Dutton, a senior at last year is on his way to Denver, Colorado, after a ten-day furlough which he spent in Crane via the Gulf Camp. He is in the Air Corp and has been stationed at Wichita Falls, Texas.

Sixty cents of each dollar raised by the American Cancer Society remains within the state for service and education.

Biologists, Chemists Probing In All Fields

The science students have been taking up some very interesting studies in the past week or two.

In general science they have been studying electricity and the boys are especially enjoying this unit.

In biology they are studying excretory and circulatory systems. Thanks to Mr. Cody Bell for sending a cow's kidney for dissection.

Frogs are being used to dissect for study of circulation of blood.

In chemistry one would think that diagrams for football plays were being drawn on the boards, as they are taking up structural formulas in organic chemistry.

Mrs. Filleman says, "They are all fun to make because the structures are just like puzzles to work out."

Yes, they are puzzles, the class agrees.

Crane S. C. To Lead Discussion Group At El Paso Convention

"A Student Council as a Training Ground for Citizenship" is the name of the topic for discussion that the Crane delegates will lead at the National S. C. Association Convention held in El Paso March 25-26.

The delegates who were selected were Mary Lou Reynolds, senior; Bruce Patterson, Junior and president of the Student Council; Jackie Mackey, Sophomore; and Dwain Warren, freshman.

Mrs. Elmore has received only a vague outline of the program for the convention. It is as follows: There are to be 30 discussion groups one of which Crane will be in charge. There will be two or three general assemblies. A sight-seeing tour through El Paso and Juarez will be one feature. Last but not least will be the formal dinner and dance on Friday night.

Many a man falls for a girl who won't give him a tumble.

Jilted Man: An untied beau.

The great essentials of happiness are something to do, something to love and something to hope for.

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Monday, March 28th

8:00 P. M.

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15c and 35c Afternoon

40c and 60c Evening