

Crane To Be Host To 230 Region 8 Musicians



By
BILLIE LOVEACE
ARTIE HENDERSON

Why not give our boys better trophies? They certainly work hard enough.

Wouldn't it be nice if our teachers would resolve to relieve the students of burden of those LONG LESSONS?

Where is our Student Council?

Maybe our new high school teacher, Mr. Hood, will stay longer than the others. He is already married.

Why don't the Crane boys and girls get wise. Why go to other towns to get dates when what you are looking for is right here in Crane?

We wish to welcome the new students who entered at mid-term. Hope you are all very happy here.

We are anxious to see this Senior play we've heard so much about.

It seems to be the rumor that the Junior's play will be much more successful than the Senior's. How about that, Seniors?

Why don't we just go ahead and win state. Well... we haven't lost a game... yet!

We would like to congratulate our basketball boys on their good work.

Climb up, volleyball girls, there are lots of wings beside yours just dying to get clipped.

We hope the boys in the service receive the paper. They may be gone physically, but spiritually they are here having fun with us.

Congratulations to our newly-married Miss Russell, here's hoping your husband is better to you than we were!

Our band has shown great spirit all this year; great going.

The football boys are itching for a banquet. We think they deserve it; how about you?

Coyote Chases Victim

Bill Teague, 8th grader, suffered a broken collar bone and a fractured rib when his horse fell with him during a coyote chase. The accident occurred on the Pecos River during the holidays.

Novelty Trio Plays in Assembly December 17

December 17, in the Crane High School auditorium, an assembly was held featuring Miss Eddy and her five Hollywood dogs. Al Conner in his unique juggling and a balancing act and "Musical Mike" who played six different instruments without the mechanical aid. He played a guitar, French harp, rubberband, bass drum, whistle, and an accordion.

Miss Eddy with her five dogs presented imitations of "Max West," "Boppy" and other things such as the dogs jumping through the loops and rolling barrels, walking a tight wire, and jumping a rope.

Mr. Conner did juggling of five pins at one time and juggled five loops at one time. He also rode a one-wheel bicycle and juggled five loops at one time. The admission of the acts was 10 and 15 cents.

Big Bend Bowl

The Big Bend Bowl football game which was to be held January 1 was called off due to the fact that it would affect the eligibility of the participants in their basketball and track this year.

Bob Mathis and Bob Higdon were given the honor of being selected for this game.

Quoting Mr. R. T. Kidd, Athletic Director of the Inter-Scholastic League, here is the reason for calling off the game:

"In my opinion boys participating in bowl games would not involve their eligibility for basketball and track, provided they did not violate the amateur rule or the awards rule. None of these boys should be given cash to pay their own expenses with.

The expense items should be handled by the respective schools. No boy should be given an award without first consulting his superintendent or principal to be certain that the boy was not violating the awards rule. And, finally, you should be sure that all the boys have completed their football eligibility."

Marjory Key Wed in Candlelight Ceremony

By Kathryn Lewis

In a twilight ceremony by candlelight Miss Margery Key united in marriage to Lt. Charles Ford, U. S. Army, Air Forces, at the First Baptist Church in Crane, Texas, Saturday evening, January 15. The ceremony was performed by Captain Mercer, Chaplain who is stationed at Midland.

The bride was dressed in a winter white suit with navy blue accessories. Her corsage was of white carnations. Mrs. John Hood as Matron of Honor was in aqua blue with black accessories. Her corsage was of pink carnations.

The groom was attended by Mr. L. L. Martin.

The church was decorated with green fern, pink and white gladiolus and carnations. The altar and chancel were lighted by large candles.

The ushers were Mr. Brady Nix and Mr. Curt Dickenson.

GIVE FOOD TO DRIVE HELP SAVE LIVES

A national drive has been opened in Crane for cans of food to send to the starving people overseas.

In regard to the appeal by Governor Stevenson, the students of Crane Public School have contributed 150 cans of food. There are all kinds, everything from milk to baby food, so give to this drive and help save someone's life.

Crane Superintendent To Austin for Meet

Mr. L. L. Martin, superintendent of Crane Public Schools, is to attend a meeting of the School Administrators of Texas in Austin, Texas, January 8, 1946.

The subjects to be considered are safety campaign, the obtaining of surplus government equipment for educational purposes, and the possibility of establishing a twelve-month school system in Texas.

Mr. Martin will return to Crane January 10, 1946.

Crane Choral Club

The Crane Choral Club entertained the high school in assembly Friday, December 21, 1945.

They sang "O Come All Ye Faithful," "O Little Town of Bethlehem," "Jou To the World," "Silent Night," and "White Christmas."

Then the student body sang Christmas Carols directed by Miss Eddie Lou Haug.

Donna Miller was the accompanist.

Mr. Martin made a speech and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Annual Senior Dance At Community Hall

The room mothers and sponsors honored the Senior Class with a formal Christmas Dance on December 19, 1945, at the Community Hall.

The hall was decorated in a Christmas manner. Punch was served to the Seniors and their guests by the room mothers; Mrs. Kelton, Mrs. Daniel, Mrs. Hanks, Mrs. Mathis and Mrs. Higdon.

Seniors and their dates present were:

BETTY BRUCE wore a powder blue, crepe dress and was escorted by Darrell Warren.

PEGGY DANIEL, escorted by HARRY GUNN, wore a dress of white net and black lace. Her corsage was white gardenias.

BILLY JUNE HAWES was escorted by Leo Patterson. She wore an aqua taffeta dress trimmed with nailheads. She wore her corsage of pink carnations in her hair.

BOBBY HIGDON escorted Billie Stuke of Fort Stockton, Texas. She wore a black velvet dress and had a corsage of white carnations.

BEVERLY HOLT wore a pink

Program Includes Solos By Outstanding Directors; Contest Instructions

The Texas Music Educator's Association of Region VIII voted to hold a clinic in Crane on January 19, 1946. The clinic was scheduled to be held in Odessa, but because of the loss of their director, a motion was made to hold it in Crane.

The clinic band will be composed of the 65 best players from the entire Region VIII which consists of 21 schools. There will be approximately 200 students and 30 directors attending.

The music to be played consists of "tentative" contest numbers for Class B, C, and D. Bands selected by D. O. Wiley and Colonel Earl D. Irons.

The program for the day includes:

9:45 a.m. Crane High School Auditorium.

Arranging of players to places.

10:00 a.m. Playing of following numbers to judge their suitability for contest.

CLASS B:
Nobility—Overture..... G. Gilligan, Kermit
A. Hays Lorraine—Overture..... Dale McCook, Seminole
Overture in G Minor..... Wesley May, Abilene

CLASS C:
Gambel—Overture..... John Buchanan, McCombs
Monte Christo—Overture..... Elton Beene, Pecos
Premiere—Overture..... Forrest Gambell, Midland
Glenside—Overture..... Webb Jenkins, Monahans

CLASS D:
Pomona—Overture..... Curtis Jarrett, Hobbs
Dearest—Overture..... Louis Chamberlain, Ft. Stockton

12:30 P. M.—NOON

Arrangements are being made to open the cafeteria if the number that plan on eating there can be determined.

2:00 P. M.—Crane High School Auditorium

Playing of ensembles and solos for directors and students.

3:00 P. M.—Meeting of directors.

net dress trimmed in black lace and black velvet. She was escorted by Durwood Selman of Odessa, Texas.

EUGENE HOGAN escorted Jo Ann Dulins who wore a peach taffeta dress.

MYRLE KELTON escorted Jerry Jones who wore a white crepe dress trimmed with gold braid and ruby rhinestones.

KATHRYN LEWIS, escorted by RAYMOND RENFROE, wore a gold net dress and had a corsage of white carnations.

BERNA LOU McCULLY was escorted by Irl Glass, formerly of Albany, Texas. She wore a purple satin dress.

BETTY MILLER, escorted by Odell Swinney of Goldsmith, Texas, wore a plaid taffeta evening dress trimmed in black velvet.

BETTY JO WHITE, escorted by Pat McClaren, wore a pink chiffon and lace dress. She had a corsage of white carnations.

BOB MATHIS escorted "Sis" Teague, who wore a lavender chiffon dress and she had a corsage of white carnations.

Girl guests present were:

Gladys Lee, Barnard, Dorothy Hickey, Mary Pickering, Joan Randall, Donna Miller, Dorothy Woods, Barbara Mason, Martha Ellen Murray, Mary Lou Hanks, Joetta Holt, Jean Murray, June Crowover, Jean Erwin, Billy Lovelace, Wanda Lou Smith, and June Crowover.

Boys present were:
Leonard Rose, David Bonner, Donald Lee Pope, Billy Henderson, Kenneth Daniel, Tipton Murrell, Valco Garrett, "Nig" Erwin, Lester Erwin, Raymond Weatherby, Jimmy Watson, "Tootsie" Mathis, and Paul Simon.

Ex-Cranes attending were:
Andrew Cook, C. G. Liles, Mary Louise Shackelford, and Darrell Warren.

Sponsors present were Mr. Crane, Mrs. Laura Barber and her guest, Mrs. Bruce.

Clothing Drive Set

The county is sponsoring a month-long clothing drive for the destitute people of Europe during the month of January.

Rev. H. D. Christian, pastor of the First Baptist Church, is the County Chairman for the clothing drive.

An announcement will be made as to the place of assembling the clothing. All of the organizations in Crane will be notified and they will be asked to appoint people to gather clothing. People will be asked to go to the various camps to gather clothing for this drive.

A big and final push for clothing will be made starting January 28 and going through the 31 which is the closing date of the drive.

Everyone is urged to look for the announcement of the place for assembling of the clothing, and to give all the clothing they can.

JOHN W. HOOD NOW TEACHING ENGLISH

Mr. John W. Hood recently discharged from the Army and is now teaching English III, English II, and one class of eighth grade English. He took the place of our former teacher, Miss Russell, who resigned at Christmas to change her name.

Mr. Hood graduated from Canadian High School, Canadian, Texas. He then went to West Texas State Teachers college at Canyon, graduated from there in 1935. He did graduate work at West Texas State Teachers college and also at the University of Arkansas. The important part of his life was when he went to Stratford-on-Avon, England, studying Shakespeare, literature and drama.

He taught eight years at Westbrook, Texas, teaching English and History, and two years at Lipscomb where he taught English before he came to Crane to teach.

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"Z" Thought He Knew Mid-Term Exams From A to Z, Makes Big Flat Zero

Last week was one of misery and pain for some students of Crane High School because of the mid-term examinations. To verify this statement we will take the case of a Crane High School student. For convenience we will call him Z. "Him" refers to either boy or girl.

Now Z started to school with the right attitude. He was 100 per cent for the Golden Cranes and he was friendly to everyone. Did he study? Certainly not! Why study every night when everything can be learned the night before the six-weeks tests?

Z studied three times last semester. He maintained a passing average. (Well, almost passing.) Anyway, he could make it up at mid-term. The night before Those Exams he stayed up until 3:30 a. m. Wow! His teachers would really be proud of him if they knew how studious he was. Studying wasn't so hard after all. Z could still review those algebra problems and answer the questions on the Kay Kyser program at the same time.

After every hour of cramming he rested fifteen minutes by driving the car around the neighborhood to see if everyone was as wise as he. He drove up the main street—there was A, B,

and C going to the show. Z thought they were bookworms. At least they studied every day in study hall while he shot paper wads. And there goes a gang of Z's friends in the drug store. He was deeply puzzled about the situation. Z went back to his home to resume his studies. He decided to memorize that civics workbook. (Well, parts of it.)

What's this about the system of Federal Courts? Oh, yes! He went driving the night that was assigned. He drove to all of the good "spots" and went over to A's house and copied his English assignment for the next day. And what's this about oxidation? Sure, Z had that chapter assigned the day he took a group of his friends over to Odessa to see that good movie. Yes, Z "crammed" until 3:30 that morning. He would have studied longer but he had a visit from the sand man.

Of course we all know the tragic end of the story. It can be summed up in these words from Z, "I flunked again." If Z could speak to the student body he would give you this little warning for FINAL EXAMS. "Burn a little more mid-night oil and a little less mid-night gasoline next semester!"

C.H.S. PERSONNEL MAKES COMPLAINT ABOUT PAPER BARRIERS

In the words of one of our great teachers, "At 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon I'm afraid to wade through the piles of paper. I might get snake bite!" I don't think that this is a very complimentary contribution to the student body's neatness, but it is just a statement. It is not unusual to see one of our all-star athletes wind up with a large wad of paper and completely miss the waste-paper basket, but you do not see him giving up, no sir! Even though he may get pinned under the pile he doesn't give up until he finally succeeds. After the girls' team and the boys' team takes a whack at their skill the room looks as if it has had a heavy snow or HAIL storm. It's not that the janitor minds the fire department running up every time he burns trash, it just isn't so good on his "aching back".

No kidding, fellows, let's be a little more careful and tidy about our daily routine of school. To be neat now helps to be neat later and it may come in pretty handy if you have a grouchy wife or want to keep your own little home in good condition.

Just think how surprised the janitor would be if he came into all of the rooms and only had to pick up the basket of paper and not little hunks all over the floor. Let's be considerate of other people for a change and help him AND the appearance of the school. What do you say? O. K.?

Betty Jo—Do you love me?
Pat—Don't be silly, why do you think I bought you that coca cola for last week.

Exchange

Cood: "What position does your brother play on the football team?"
Sister: "A sort of crunched, bent position."

First Aviator: "Quick, what do I do now, instructor?"
Second Aviator: "Goodness, aren't you the instructor?"
From THE TIGER, Mercedes, Texas.

Mrs. Hughes: What is the chemical formula for water?
Bob Higdon: H₂KL₂MNO.

Mrs. Hughes: What are you talking about, Bobby? Stop babbling.

Bob: Well, mam, yesterday you told us it was H to O.—From Scotland Courier, Scotland, Pa.

First Motorist: I like the beauties of the countryside.
Second Motorist: So do I. Sometimes I give 'em a lift—Blue and Gold, Bridgeport, Ala.

ANY TIME
"Great new invention the police department is installing. They're going to make every policeman wear rubber boots from now on, while he's on duty."

"What in the world for?"
"To keep them from waking each other up."—The Western World, Lubbock, Texas.

JOKE OF THE WEEK
A young civil engineer was building a bridge. He started the bridge on each side of the river to meet in the middle.
But when it met, one side of it was about six inches higher than the other. The engineer looked at it and said, "Dern that decimal point."

Patio Prattle

There doesn't seem to be gossip running around in the patio these days, but we always manage to hear what there is.

Someone started a nasty rumor after the party Jan. 5. Wonder who and what.

Miss Lewis has a book named "Stunts" that she always reads before they start their stunts or tumbling. I think that book was "Stunts", eh, what?

There are a few girls around this school that have a very peculiar nickname. It is Ollie R. ... what about it, girls?

Ask Baker Davis why don't he make up his mind. Who else has been giving him the eye besides Coylene Pope???

I wonder why Bob Mathis enjoys being a reporter, eh, what, Bob?

Why does George Crane always knock before he enters the gym the 5th period?

Who almost had to wash dishes the night of January 3rd?

Say! Jean Erwin, I know someone who would like to run you a foot race to see who could get away from J. B. Rogers first—eh, Gloria!!

Could it be Craig?

I hear Miss Lewis' 5th period P. E. girls are quite ... good tumblers?

Why is it that Bobby N. blushes when Betty Johnson is mentioned?

The new boy from Idabell seems to be getting, or giving, the once over by the girls, eh, Billie L?

Dot C. can't seem to make up her mind about Tony; but Tony is still interested.

Zoe Reynolds seems to have quite a following, and I don't mean dogs!

Bob H. doesn't seem to be the big heart-breaker he used to be. He has definitely lost some of his fans! Oh, well, what does it matter. He has B. S.

Donna Miller seemed to have a jitterbugging good time at the Junior party.

Chester P. Don K., and Harry G. are getting to be the town Casanovas, what about that, girls?

Say, June, who got cold Thursday night, Jan. 3?

Hobby Lobby

Here are several more hobbies carried on by high school students and teachers continued from the last issue:

Bobby Allen — Collection of pretty women.

Merwyn McCulley — Ridin' hobby horses.

Ronald Tallman—Eating good food.

Bill Teague—Collecting marbles.

Jimmie Zarafonitis—Post card pictures of pretty women.

Nolan McDougal — Collecting keys.

Mary Lou Boone— Miniature deer.

Mary Lou Hanks — Perfume bottles.

Doris Collins—Tennis, volleyball, and movies.

Thumbnail Interviews

Do you think the women should keep working in the factories, since the war is over?

Bobby North: No! I don't think they should, they should give the jobs to the men coming back from overseas.

Corla Boyd: No! I think they should stay home and keep the kids.

Joe Weatherby: No, I think they should go home to their kids.

Jimmie Zarafonitis: No! They should stay home and take care of the old man.

Mary Lou Boone: No! I don't think so. I haven't given it much thought.

Bill Teague: No! Cause they ain't got no business to; should stay home and take care of the kids.

Merwyn McCully: No, I don't think so.

Jimmie Neal Stacy: I don't know, but, well, if they got some children they should stay home, but if they don't it's all right.

Mrs. Elmore: If they want to, I guess it's all right. It is hard to say.

Don Kilgore: No, I think the women should let the veterans work in the factories, because they fought for the country, and they deserve it.

Bobby Allen: I think the above human doesn't know what he's talking about.

Snake Davis: I don't think they should. It would help the unemployment. "Men must work, Women must weep."

Mrs. Baker: If they are needed they should.

Mr. Barnett: No, sir: Too dirty and hard for women to do.

Eugene Hogan: No, I don't, because the woman's place is at home. I think that is what is wrong with America now.

Miss Lewis: Depends on why they are working, if they need to support their families, it is all right. Just as men do.

Ann Collier: I think they should if they don't have no other means of support.

Kat Cantrell: I think if it takes a job away from a returning veteran that they shouldn't.

Dot Woods: If they are single it is all right, but if they are married they should be in the home with their kids.

Jo Ann Dulin: If they ain't married I think they should. If they are married they should care for the kids.

Martha Ellen Murry: I don't think they should if they have any kids. If they do have any other means of support they shouldn't work.

Jo Ann Earl: I think they should if they don't have any other means of support.

George Crane: Of course not, unless they are single, that is a man's job. I don't think a woman should work if she has a man to live with. The woman's place is in the house with the kids.

Billie Lovelace: It's up to her husband and herself.

Martin Sobs When Recalls Holidays

Kathryn Lewis
Please, everybody, don't ask Mr. Martin about his Christmas holidays. The poor fellow is trying hard to forget and it hurts him so to talk about it. When it is mentioned to him tears come in his eyes, he gets an awful sorrowful look, and practically breaks down. If you don't wish to bring him further grief and sorrow, don't talk of the holidays. Everyone who knows of the situation, feels awfully sorry for the chief exec.

Mr. Patterson even brought him a watermelon, picked from his very own garden and very highly prized, to make him feel better.

So now that we've explained, remember not to ask because Mr. Martin worked in the bitter weather on a house top way out in the sandhills during Christmas.

No Dull Moments In Crane High

For all of you folks that have not visited our little "school of perfection," we would like to escort you on a tour of it.

As you enter this beautiful structure you will notice some graceful native girl of C. H. S. stumbling along wearing an odd-looking mess! It has the semblance of great grandfather Jack's, the lumberjack, shirt, and her brother's, Cowboy Joe, levis; but please don't be upset, this is one of our most stylish prodigees! In this little metropolis your shirt is scanty unless you step on it every so often.

Another of our most intriguing customs pertaining to the romantic tactics of the lovers' around our scenic patio. If you see one of our "manly" cavé men slightly knock a girl out with a 2x4 you will know he is simply mad about her. Of course, there is one exception ... this being a stary-eyed couple with the initials Myrle and Jerry, Inc.

Hold your hats, ladies and gents, we are approaching the site of our office. In this school we use psychology, exclusively. Eh? What's that thud? Oh, that: That's our patient teachers beating their heads up against the wall.
You say you have heard and seen enough, well, watch your step on the way out and don't trip over any bodies. What? Oh, some of the students had a mutiny and ... hey, wait, why are you running? Well, I will be a monkey's uncle. I wonder what I said wrong!

MY MAIL IS ONLY A SONG

By Billie Lovelace
"My Darling Clementine"
"I'll Love You Always" because "This Heart of Mine" is "Way Out In The Middle of Nowhere." I'll "Walk Alone" because "You're My Guy." I just wanted you to know "I Love You Truly."

"California, Here I Come," I get my discharge soon. "It's Been A Long, Long Time" since I saw that "Paper Moon"; but we'll make up for "Lost Time" "Under The Old Apple Tree."

"Back Home" when "Pa Was a Courtin' Me" no one noticed "Joe" but since "The Stars and Stripes On Two Jima Isle" ... "What Difference The Day Makes."

Well, "Honey," "I'll See You In My Dreams",
"Always",
"JOE"

Jokes

A soldier in the Field Artillery was talking to his many friends about the deeds of valor in the European theatre of war.

One of his admirers inquired just what he did in the Field Artillery. He said, "I opened one of the big guns, put in a shell, closed the gun, pointed it at the Germans, pulled the trigger and said, 'Hitler, go recount your army.'"

Paw's the best pistol shot in the country.
And what does that make me? My fiancé.

Sports Page

Golden Cranes Defeat Wink Wildcats 44-19

The Cranes defeated the Wink Wildcats by the score of 44 to 19 at Crane November 20. This was the last game until after the holidays. Three Cranes shared the honors of high point man, Bob Mathis, Bobby Higdon, Pat McLaurin.

Statistics follow:
Higdon—12 points
Mathis—13 points
McLaurin—12 points
Bonner—4 points
Kilgore—0
Renfro—0
Pope—0
Henderson—0
Henderson—3 points
Murrell—0 points

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Gym Termites To Be Exterminated

The population of Crane seems to be having a difficult time this season of sports. It just happens that all they get to see when they go to a basketball game is the human anatomy parading in and out of the gym. The nearest thing to a ball they see is the bobbing, touseled head of some of the local "future builders of America." Seriously, those children that are running in and out of the gym should sit down and enjoy the game and let their parents do the same. Som day they may want to be an authority on sports, and just look where they would be! It is feared that all they would know how to do is drink water! The main reason we have our games is to promote sportsmanship... good sportsmanship.

It is not a gain, but a loss, to the entire community if these entertainments do not attain this goal; but it will be a loss if some of these children do not begin to show a little consideration for others. How about it? Will you help the school and community by acting as if you came to see the interior events and not the exterior?

The students and teachers seem to be getting along much. Keep it up!

Mathis and Higdon Lead In Points

For your information and enjoyment we list the following basketball players who have scored during the season so far. Also the points made by each player. The list of players are as follows:

Mathis—87 points
Higdon—65 points
McLaurin—35 points
Bonner—21 points
Renfro—18 points
Pope—6 points
Henderson—6 points
Kilgore—5 points
Pettit—4 points.

SPORTS SHOTS

By Raymond Renfro

UNIFORMS RECEIVED

Well, well, did you notice the swanky new uniforms the Cranes were wearing the other night. Well, those were the new suits the boys had been expecting for some time. But the trouble was they had to pull the white shirts off and put on the old gold shirts because the Lobos wore white shirts. That is the custom for the host to change shirts if the colors are the same.

Juniors Skin Lobos

The Crane Juniors defeated the Monahans Juniors at Crane January 4 by the score of 20 to 10. The Crane roster of players and points scored:

Coker—3 points
McDaniel—4 points
Henderson—8 points
Melton—0
Halcomb—0
Garrett—0
Pearce—0

Golden Cranes Beat Monahans Lobos

Golden cranes defeat monahans* The Golden Cranes defeated the Monahans Lobos 40-28 at Crane January 4. Bob Mathis led the team with 16 points to his credit. The players and the points made by each are:

Higdon—14
Mathis—16
Pope—2
Bonner—5
Kilgore—0
Renfro—2
Murrell—0
Henderson—1

ACE FOOTBALLER HOME

George Grounds, ace fullback for Crane of 1942-43, has received his discharge from the army and is now home. Grounds, who has served more than two years in the service, plans to go to college.

George suited out and played basketball with the boys and showed them that he still had some of the old sparkle he had when he played for Crane. Every one enjoyed having him out for practice.

NEW MEMBER FOR SQUAD

The Crane basketball squad has added another member to the squad. He is Clayton Williams, a native son of Oklahoma. Although he is ineligible to represent us this year, he can play on the B squad. Williams shows a great deal of ability to play basketball and we hope to have him represent us next year.

The Juniors worked all Saturday decorating.

Crane Tournament Victor; Beats Three, Including Badgers

The Golden Cranes won top honors at the Rankin tournament by defeating McCamey 27 to 15 in the last game of the tournament. Crane defeated Marfa, Ft. Stockton and McCamey in the tournament. Bob Mathis led the Crane squad by making 30 points during the tournament. Bobby Higdon netted 17 points, Pat McLaurin 19 points, David Bonner 13 points.

The Crane and Marfa game was the most thrilling game of the tournament. The final score was 27 to 15. Until the last five minutes of the game Marfa was 14 to 13; but Crane rallied to lead Marfa 12 points at the end of the game.

The Crane team placed two men on the all-tournament team: Bobby Higdon and David Bonner.

Higdon was also chosen as an outstanding player for the tournament. They will both be presented a basketball, a gold one to Higdon and a silver one to Bonner.

January Schedule

Jan. 4—Monahans at Crane
Jan. 8—Monahans at Monahans
Jan. 11 — Fort Stockton at Crane.
Jan. 12—Kermit at Kermit
Jan. 15—Iraan at Iraan
Jan. 18—Big Lake Tournament
Jan. 19—Big Lake Tournament
Jan. 22—McCamey at Crane
Jan. 29—Rankin at Crane
Jan. 30—Wink at Wink

Punch and cookies were served which everyone seemed to enjoy.

Crane Proves Tough Opposition in 3-B

The Golden Cranes have won seven games out of seven starts by a wide margin. District 3-B already knows they are in the race. The results follow:

Crane 38	Rankin 24
Crane 44	Rankin 16
Crane 27	Marfa 15
Crane 24	Ft. Stockton 18
Crane 27	McCamey 15
Crane 44	Wink 19
Crane 40	Monahans 26

Junior Band Teams Win From Lobos

The Crane B and Junior squads won their games with the Wink Wildcats B and Junior squads. The score of the B game was 17 to 4. Wallace Caker was high point man with 6 points.

The Junior squad won by 12 to 2. The two high point men were Henderson and McDaniel.

The players and points:

Coker—8 points
Halcomb—0
Henderson—5 points
McDaniel—5 points
Melton—0
Pearce—0
Garrett—0
Teague—0

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ELEMENTARY NEWS

6-1
After a wonderful vacation, the students of 6-1 regretfully returned to school and lessons. To their surprise it was wonderful to see their friends and to begin work again.

Room 6-1 is regretful to part with Velma Dell Ivy, who has been one of their members for a number of years. She will attend school in San Angelo. The number in the room was not changed because the same day a new student, Mary Shelton, from Midland, was admitted to the room.

6-2
Apparently, we of the sixth grade, section 2, had better look ourselves over, for it has been just about a month, as it was a wealthy person to keep a man in this day and time. This past week Mrs. Dickinson took Mr. Hester's place. We are glad that our well qualified first assistant staff is about to take advantage of us by giving us a dose of mid-term exams at the glorious Christmas holiday season. Since this is an old custom it is unlikely that we can do much about it except train for the exams and then hope for good grades.

The second grade enjoyed the Christmas holidays. We have 27 pupils in our class. Kenneth Schane from JAL, New Mexico, and Jimmie Don Caudle from Crosbyton, Texas, are new pupils in our room. Jack Ivy has moved to San Angelo.

Katherine McKay should have been on our Honor Roll last six weeks. She made 51 grade points.

We have a bowl with four gold fish.

Mrs. Pittman's Room.

Miss Murphy: "In which battle was the King of Sweden killed?"

Peggy Harp: "I'm pretty sure it was his last."

FOURTH GRADE
Miss Pickens' fourth grade children must have been good girls and boys. From what I can find out Santa seemed to have left lots of gifts for everyone.

Dorothy Gillespie spent Christmas in Lueders, Texas, with her father.

James and Joan Ware spent the holiday in Goldsmith with their grandmother.

Som of us received Christmas cards from Norma Crittenden, who is in a hospital in Dallas, Texas. She is doing fine.

Wayne Ashley, Bobby Russell, Luanne Pressley, and Kenneth Osborn have been absent a few days on account of illness.

We have a new boy in our room. His name is Frankie Flowers. He came from Detrex, N. Mex. We are very glad to have him with us.

Jennie Barnard spent Christmas holidays in Spur, Texas.

In our geography we are learning about clothing that comes from the farms. Our bulletin board is covered with cotton, woolen, and linen doll clothes; but we have to leave room for other kinds of materials about which we shall study.

FOURTH GRADE ROOM 1

Reporter: Doylene Breedlove
We all had a good Christmas but we are glad to be back in school.

We have two new pupils in our room: Wanda Dale Caudle and Randall Richie. Randall is from the state of Washington. We are glad to have these new pupils.

We have been making snow posters. Our room looks very pretty.

We have spent part of our carnival money on a victrola and radio combination set. It is very nice. We are planning on bringing it in our room and hearing records.

Yesterday the nurse weighed us. All of us had gained a pound or two.

THIRD GRADE
Everybody has got to trade seats after Christmas and we have new monitors.

Our geography book is called "Neighborhood Stories" and it is our most interesting study. We are learning to find places on a map and a globe.

Many of us went visiting during the holidays: Sandra Plummer, Dessie Brown, Winfred Williams, Rose Ann Vickers, Bobbie Lightfoot, Lovelle Avent, Mary Sharrock, Iva Jean Dickson, Jeanette Price, Jane Cany, Elizabeth Weddle, Catherine Jacobs, Florence McDougal, George Jones, Stanley Laney and Sylvia Sullivan.

Lovelle Avent brought some snails for our science study.

One of our New Year's Resolutions is to take better care of our teeth. Mrs. Owens let us use a chart to study tooth decay.

FIFTH GRADE

The fifth grade section one brings you greetings of 1946. We have resolved not to disappoint Mrs. Glead in doing the things "we shouldn't do."

We have had a good time studying the Netherlands. The boys made Dutch windmills and the girls drew maps and made Dutch posters. Thursday, we dressed as little Dutch boys and girls. Freddy and Delores won the prize.

Today we have our first experience writing a theme. That word makes us feel grown-up. We really have to use our dictionary to understand words our teacher uses. She stressed "increase your vocabulary."

We are enjoying school and hope to start our next semester with a bang!

There sure are a lot of comedians in Crane High, especially in the assembly. It seems as though everyone except the persons on the stage or who have the floor try to take the show. It is admitted that people have to laugh at certain jokes and such, but many of the students have to imitate the characters.

The assembly of Crane High is the noisiest, most unruly one that I have ever been in. You cannot even hear what the characters are saying for the loud laughing and talking that goes on. Mr. Nix and many of the teachers are always so busy during programs telling students to be quiet that they cannot see or hear the program.

Mr. Martin has repeatedly asked for the students to go to and from the assembly as quietly as they can. Most of the time this has been complied with but there is still entirely too much noise. He has also assigned sections of the assembly to different classes but this has not been adhered to. When the children from the lower grades come to the high school assembly many students gripe because they have to sit in the back. This shouldn't be because high school students are larger and can see over the smaller students.

As for couples in the assembly there is no law against it, but will those couples please not talk to one another during the program.

Will students who have to talk during assembly please whisper during the program and comedians stop their comedy and let's make our assembly programs a credit to our school.

Miss Doanally: This is the fifth time I've had to scold you this week. What have you to say for yourself?

Kenneth: Glad it's Friday.

CLASS 7-1

Reporter—Jean Ragsdale
Class 7-2 gave a party December 20 at the Community Hall and invited 7-1 as guests. Refreshments of hot chocolate, sandwiches, and cake were served by the room mothers of 7-2. Many games were played and the group danced part of the time. Afterwards gifts were exchanged.

The room mothers for 7-1 gave a class party December 21. The room mothers, Mrs. Fred Field, Mrs. D. L. Kinsey, Mrs. H. B.

Baker, and Mrs. W. G. Slater, served refreshments of punch and cookies. The room gave Miss Murphy and the room mothers gifts. The guests were Mrs. Curtis Dickenson and Mrs. Tina Joiner and her son.

7-2 is planning a Valentine party for class 7-2 at the Community Hall the 15th of February.

Anna Daniels moved to the Gulf Sandhills Camp January 2. Mrs. Curtis Dickenson is again teaching.

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