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# THE CRANE

Kids, Rise Up and Yell Hooray, All the  
Teachers Leave Today; Tomorrow Is A Holiday!

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The Crane teachers left this afternoon for El Paso where they will attend a teachers convention. They plan to return Saturday.

An appeal to the boys of Crane High School: come out for track. Maybe you have never participated in track events, but that does not mean that you can't. Joe Xiquis used to pick cotton!

Bill Johnson took one of those eastward trips of his about two weeks ago. It looks like he's in a rut.

The Journalism class certainly had a swell time at the meeting of the T. H. S. P. A. in Grand Falls.

What do you know? Mr. Martin went to New York and still speaks to us school children!

Allen Murtishaw has been having a regular visitor from Royalty. It is rumored that his name is Jimmy Langley.

Another visitor from Royalty has been giving all his attention to Tomnye Lou Hamblett. Deah me! Our girls entertaining Royalty.

A picnic was given last Sunday near the Humble Sand Hill camp. Hostesses were Mildred Goble, Jean Seay, and Irene Daybon.

Both the boys and girls glee clubs attended a clinic in Odessa last Tuesday. We hope they learned something. In other words, we hope that when they throw their voices they will be sweeter than ever.

Mr. James Rodden, instructor of public school music in Crane, sang a solo at the First Baptist Church Sunday before last.

### "Border Skylines" Added To Library

Supt. L. L. Martin purchased the book, "Border Skylines," recently from the author himself, Will F. Evans, for the Crane High School Library.

"Border Skylines" deals with the history of the Big Bend Region and the pioneer; it has 400 pages, is fully illustrated with actual photos of the country and features the Boys Cowboy Camp Meeting which is held annually and to which organization it is dedicated.

The book was published by Cecil Bough at Dallas, Texas, and Will F. Evans wrote it after fifty years of "tallying-out" on the big Boys Roundup ground.

Old cowboys who have no God or no Sunday for 360 days out of every year come to the Boys Roundup ground and listen to some of the world's greatest preachers tell about the last roundup.

Will F. Evans autographed the book himself and it has to do much with his research of the history of this part of the country.

Mrs. Elmore went to Dallas this past Saturday and spent the day at the Cokesbury Book Store in Dallas, buying new books for the Crane library.

### Happy Birthday

Mary Frances Tollison—March 5.  
Velma Williams—March 9.  
Melva Webb—March 13.

### Lil' Abner Yokum Is Captured In Crane High Gym

All Dogpatch Is Present At Big Sadie Hawkins Day

Dogpatch came to life in West Texas at the recreation night held Friday night, Feb. 28. A contest was held in connection with the show, "Lil' Abner." Everyone came dressed as some member of the Dogpatch Community or the famous Yokum family. Prizes were awarded to the winners by the Palace Theatre.

"Yo' have him. He belongs to me."  
"Oh, No, he don't. He is mine. Ain't yo', Lil' Abner?"

"Girls, girls, don't argue like that. Why can't this matter be settled tomorrow in the Sadie Hawkins Day race. The first girl that catches him will become his bride."

Sadie Hawkins Day was started when a Mr. Hawkins had a daughter who was an old maid and had never gone with a man. Determined as he was that his daughter should marry some man, he called together all the hatchlings of the town and told them that the first girl to catch him would become his bride.

The contest was held in the gymnasium and various other Dogpatch characters. Those winning these prizes were: Sadie Hawkins, Ed Wiley, Lil' Abner, W. H. Lovelace, Daisy Mae, Clara Belle Pierce, Cousin Delightful, Dorothy Rogers, Mammie Yokum, Calhoun Lovelace, Pappie Yokum, Elmer Kelton, Earthquake McGoon, Elmer Grounds.

### Seventh Grade Gives "The Study Hour"

The seventh grade, section 1, presented an assembly play, "The Study Hour," in which Mr. and Mrs. Parent discovered the reason for their children's poor grades. Mr. and Mrs. Parent thought the teacher was partial to the Carlisle children because they always got on the honor roll while their children barely passed.

However, after observing the study hour of their children, they learned that the Carlisle children's "A's" were the result of the proper study habits while their children studied in a haphazard fashion, noisily and without zest.

The characters were as follows: Jerry Parent, Bobby Higdon; Mr. Parent, Darrell Warren; Mrs. Parent, Effie Mae Asberry; Gertrude Parent, Beverly Holt; Catherine, Berma Lou McCullery; Don, Carlton Hutchison; Ethel Carlisle, Lois Ethel Steed; Russell Carlisle, Burnice Green; Carl, Billy Pendleton; Margaret, Peggy Daniel.

Weldon P. Woodward, junior football coach, has already been called for military service but will not have to report until the end of the current school term.

### St. Pat Makes Snakes Leap Into Sea Churchill Needs Him for Hitler Now

Nearly 1,500 years ago, a bishop, arguing that there were only three gods combined into one, picked a Shamrock, explaining that the Shamrock was characteristic of "Three-In-One" — meaning "see leaves on one stalk. This bishop was Saint Patrick.

Saint Patrick was born in England in 389 and died March 161. He spent most of his youth in Southwestern Britain in the days of the Roman abandonment of this isle, and was educated as a Christian. When sixteen years old, Irish raiders carried him away to Ireland as a slave. He was a swinherd until the day, six years later, when he escaped in a ship going to Gaul (France). After becoming a priest, he returned to Britain. There he dreamed of a man, who came him with a paper bearing the words, "The Voice of the Irish King." Later, he heard a voice saying, "We pray thee, holy youth, to go and walk among us as before."

Ireland's Patron Saint then journeyed to Gaul, where he prepared for his trip to Ireland for fourteen years. He arrived in Ireland with the Pope's blessings.

After his death, a legend grew of how Saint Patrick coiled the snakes to fling themselves into the sea.

When his converts questioned the doctrine of Trinity, St. Patrick ended the argument by using as an example, the Shamrock leaf. Since that day, Irishmen the world over have been wearing Shamrocks, the emblem of Ireland, on Saint Patrick's Day, March 17.  
BOB FEY.

### Billie Morton Sings In "Stars On Parade" At Angelo Stock Show

Miss Billie Marie Morton, a member of the ninth grade of the Crane High School, was one of the highlights of the show of Texas Stars on Parade in San Angelo on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 28, and March 7.

Billie went to San Angelo Wednesday morning. Wednesday night she broadcast at a barn dance in Christoval, where she sang "Shine On, Harvest Moon," "St. Louis Blues," "Tuxedo Junction" and "You've Got Me This Way."

Thursday morning she rode in a parade celebrating the initial opening of the West Texas Woolen Mills in Eldorado. Friday morning she rode in the fat stock show parade in San Angelo. Friday night Billie sang for Texas Stars On Parade. Her selections were: "High On A Windy Hill," and "You've Got Me This Way."

Saturday night she again sang for the Texas Stars On Parade, this time singing "Tuxedo Junction" and "High On A Windy Hill." She she was referred to by the Standard-Times as "West Texas' Song Bird."

Miss Morton has received offers from Hardin-Simmons University to attend high school in Abilene.

### No School Tomorrow As Teachers Go To Convention In El Paso

Students of Crane High School are honored with a holiday tomorrow as the teachers are going to El Paso for the spring meeting of the Trans-Pecos State Teachers Association which held their March 13-15.

The principal, who is also a member of the association, will be the principal speaker of the program.

The teachers will leave this afternoon at 4 o'clock and will be gone until Saturday or Sunday. This will be the last holiday the students will receive during the 40-41 school year.

### Smoother Sailing For Cranes—Not In Class But On New Road

The roar of big road machinery motors around Crane High the last few days may have been very rough to all and sundry of the faculty and student body, but it means smoother sailing for the various flippers and other autos that race hither and thither on the west street adjacent to the campus.

Yes, it means that the old almshouse can now be reached by means of transportation other than the wing of the Crane or pack mule train. The form holder-strewn mountain goat trail west of the school has been graded, bedded with caliche, and reeded, thus connecting our isolated institution with the outside world. It is no longer a remote outpost of Crane territory.

### High School Band Plays Concert For Grandfalls

Marjorie Brandon Accompanies Group As Band Solist

Crane's High School Band, under the direction of Jacques Nonce, gave a return concert at the Grandfalls high school auditorium Thursday morning, March 6. The band left for Grandfalls at 9:30 and played at 10:30.

The numbers played were "Star Spangled Banner," as sung by Marjorie Brandon; "El Capitan," "Premier," "Last Rose of Summer," with a clarinet solo by Terry Brunette; "Horizon," "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life," and "Ferryboat Serenade," sung by Marjorie Brandon; "Crusaders" and "Blue Bells." As an encore, the band played "Smoke Up Honey," "Flying Eagle" and "Alma Mater." The trip was made by school bus.

### Twenty-Two Band Members Attend Big Spring Clinic

Twenty-two members of the Crane High School band attended a clinic at Big Spring's Municipal Auditorium, Saturday, March 9. The band left Crane at 6:30 Saturday morning and arrived at Big Spring at 9:20. The clinic began at 9:45 and lasted until 12:30. The band members were: Mrs. C. B. Brunette and Mrs. C. McGhee, high school principal, drove the bus. Students that made the trip were: Clarinet, Doris Coker, Clarabell McElveen, Allen Murtishaw, Ted Hogan, Terry Brunette, Trombones, W. H. Lovelace, C. R. Ward, Raleigh Wasson, Basses, Calhoun Lovelace, Harold Wasson, Saxophones, Norman Brunette, Stanley Harris, Percussion, Joyce Allman, Bob Bailey, Baritone, Bonnie Alldredge, Bassoon, Tom Hogan, Oboe, Horace Harris, Piccolo, Dorothy Bell McGhee, Horns, Rex Woods, Bobbie Smith, Cornet, Dorothy Rogers.

### Coach Patterson's Boy Sustains Head Injury

Tommy Patterson, son of Coach A. V. Patterson and member of the first grade in Crane school, was critically injured last week while going home to lunch as one of his playmates jumped on his back, causing him to fall and strike his head on a rock.

It was believed he had obtained a skull fracture but the doctor pronounced it only a severe cut. Tommy was confined to bed for two weeks and has not returned to school yet because of a head-ache due to the injury.

### Junior Class Nets \$21.27 In Candy Sale

The junior class was very successful in selling their pop, popcorn, sandwiches and candy during the junior tournament here Feb. 21-22. After all bills were paid and accounts settled, they found they had a clear profit of \$21.27.

The students of the junior class all donated sandwiches and coffee. Those who did not, worked in helping sell the goods. Joyce Allman was head of the sale and different students assisted her.

This money will go for the junior and senior banquet, which will take place some time in May. Most of the profit was made on the pop corn and sandwiches.

### Supt. Slips Into Class Without Permit Slip

"Trying to slip in class, eh? Didn't you know that rules here won't permit a person to go to a class without an admittance card?"

"What is your name?"  
"Leland Martin."  
"When were you absent?"  
"From Feb. 22 to March 3."  
"Do you have a signed excuse from your guardian?"  
"Yes, sir."  
"Why were you absent?"  
"Trying to get educated."  
"Well, that beats me. I thought that's what you were here for. I guess that we can excuse you this time, but you will have to report to the CCC (Note: Crane Concentration Camp) for a week."  
This is a conversation between Mr. Nix and Mr. Martin when Mr. Martin returned from his trip to New York. Then when little Leland went back to his geometry class, the kids let him enter.

### Grandfalls Band Gives Concert In C. H. S. Assembly

Grandfalls' Cowboy Band gave a concert in assembly Wednesday, Feb. 27. The numbers played were: "Blue Bells," "Smoke Up Honey," "Flying Eagle" and "Alma Mater."

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"Military Escort" was directed by various members of the band and played five different ways—march, overture, waltz, swing, and military fashion.

From Crane, the Grandfalls band went to McCamey where they gave a concert in high school auditorium.

Close association between schools, such as this, promotes friendship. Mr. Brown, the Grandfalls director, said their school is looking forward to a return concert at Grandfalls.

### Texas Once Fought For Freedom; We Should Work To Keep It

By Dorothy Cantrell

As Texas grew from a wilderness to a vast settled territory, it desired a separate government from that of Coahuila, Mexico, with which Texas was joined politically to give Mexico control of its affairs. Two conventions were held in San Felipe in 1832 and 1833, by which a proposed state constitution was adopted to be sent to Mexico for approval. Stephen F. Austin, "The Father of Texas," went to Mexico for the purpose of presenting this document and to plead for the civil rights of Texas. He was imprisoned and held for two years. This incident aggravated the relations between Texas and Mexico.

Throughout Texas men were holding meetings while in Mexico a broker's son, Santa Anna, had risen to dictator under the title of president, and in 1835, he dissolved the legislature of Coahuila and Texas.

The first battle of the Texas struggle for independence occurred on Oct. 2, 1835, at Gonzales. From time to time small battles occurred in Texas, but on Feb. 23, 1836, Santa Anna and his army arrived at San Antonio. There were between 185 and 200 fighting men in the Alamo and most of them were volunteers. When Santa Anna hoisted a blood red flag, his demand for a surrender, it was answered by the Texans with a cannon shot.

### Entire Crane Staff Represents School At Grandfalls Convention

Crane's school newspaper staff attended the spring meeting of the Southwestern High School Press Association Feb. 28, at Grandfalls, in the high school auditorium.

Three sessions: the general session, the group discussions, and another general session began at 1:30 in the afternoon and lasted until 5:00.

John S. White, Grandfalls-Royalty Public Schools Superintendent, began the program by welcoming all journalism students.

Bernice Strawn, publicity director of Sul Ross College at Alpine, spoke on Careers in Publicity.

The director of journalism at Texas State College for Women, Dr. F. L. McDonald, told what he would do if her were an editor.

A film showing the growth of the Chicago Tribune was shown. This film showed the process of making paper, setting type, and all of the steps of printing Chicago's well known newspaper.

Problems in Streamlining the High School Annual was discussed by C. E. Bounds, instructor in journalism at the El Paso College of Mines. He was assisted by E. B. Winkler of the Steck Co. in Austin.

J. F. Williams, director of journalism at the College of Mines, spoke on Your High School Paper. In the general session, Bill Hood, executive editor of the El Paso Herald-Examiner, spoke on the value of a newspaper.

A veteran newspaperman, E. E. Wheelock, told of his various encounters and experiences during his forty years in journalism.

Billy Jordan, president of the S. H. S. P. A., closed the meeting at 5 o'clock.

That evening at 7 o'clock, the association members danced, played table tennis and shuffleboard, and were served sandwiches and punch.

### Crane Glee Clubs Attend Odessa Clinic

The glee clubs of Crane School participated in a clinic in Odessa, by Mr. J. L. Hutchison, director of the Odessa High School Glee Club, on March 11.

All competition festivals were directed by Dr. Jones, who was of great value to the teachers and students.

There was a massed chorus formed from both Class C and Class B schools. The Class C schools, in which Crane is classified, formed a mixed chorus, using the required contest number as the basis of work.

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### Program Presented By Spanish Students

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The program opened with a clever Spanish dance, executed by Maybelle Bonner, Effie Lucille Fortenberry, and Tomnye Lou Hamblett to the strains of "La Cucaracha."

Next was a Mexican song, "Pajarillo Barranqueno," rendered by the entire Spanish I class, and a playlet entitled "El Loro y el Soldado," acted by Ed Wiley and Earl Teague.

The next number on the program was the old time "put-your-little-foot" dance, with students singing the words in Spanish as they danced the steps.

The program concluded with a short Spanish play entitled "Las Aceitunas." The scene of this play is in the olive country of Spain. The old man and the old woman beat their daughter over the price of olives from a tree that won't yield fruit for 20 years. The characters: Paco, simpleton, Tom Hogan; Maria, his wife, Bobby Bryl Trice; Alicia, their daughter, Anna Doris Oswald; Juan, neighbor, J. L. Hutchison. Master of ceremonies and curtain puller was Elmer Kelton.

### Entire Faculty To Attend TPTA Meet In El Paso

"National Defense And Education" to Be Main Subject

Thirty-one teachers left Crane this afternoon at 3 o'clock for El Paso where they will attend the Trans-Pecos Teachers Association convention being held there Friday and Saturday of this week.

The program includes lectures by nationally known educators; group and panel discussions among teachers in the various departments of teaching; and inspection tours of El Paso's modern and thoroughly equipped elementary and high schools.

Also featured on this program is a speech, "We Look At War," by the world famous news analyst and radio commentator, H. V. Kaltenborn.

Mr. Kaltenborn is thoroughly familiar with his subject, having been a soldier in the Spanish-American War and a war correspondent in Europe for many years. He has interviewed in person such internationally known characters as Hitler, Mussolini, Chamberlain, Eden and Benes.

Approximately 1,700 teachers from West Texas and New Mexico are expected to attend this convention. Most West Texas schools have declared a holiday Friday, March 14, in order that their teachers might attend.

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### Mrs. Alvin Galloway To Give Piano Recital

Mrs. Alvin Galloway will present her junior group of students in piano recital Sunday afternoon, March 16, at 3 o'clock, in the main auditorium of the First Methodist Church.

The public is extended a cordial invitation.





# S.P.O.R.T.S



## Crane Gridders Start Spring Training Mar. 3

### Only Four Regulars Listed Among the Twenty-Eight Out

Spring training began March 3 for boys preparing for next season's football team. This season of football will last for 30 days. There will be no conference games, but this practice is mainly to get boys prepared who have never played before.

For the rookies, this practice is of great importance. Crane has four lettermen out for practice: Norman Brunette, George Grounds, Gilvie Whitwell, and Harold Pettit, each with one year experience.

The following boys are reported for spring practice: Norman Brunette, Earl Teague, George Grounds, Gilvie Whitwell, and Harold Pettit.

## Volleyball Girls Lose Three To Imperial

The Crane volleyball team was beaten by the Imperial team at Imperial Thursday, March 6, by a close margin of two out of three games.

The B team and Junior team were also defeated by the Imperial team. Those who played for the senior team were: Eileen Stauffer, Jean Seay, Faye Griffin, Beverly Thomas, Lorea McCorkle and June Armstrong.

The B team consisted of Floy Whitwell, Rosa Faye Brown, Joyce Allman, Dorothy Cantrell, Madelyn Welch and Darlene Earp. The junior team consisted of: Florine Cage, Jackie Miller, Ann Boyd, Cleo Henderson, Jo Veda Henderson, Poly Jean Murrell, Dorothy Odione, Doris Hayter, Janette Harvey.

Supt. Martin's embryo garage has begun to take on the appearance of a building since Martin, Alderdice, Yarbrow, Carroll and Company have speeded up construction on it.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Dickenson spent the past week end in Duke, Okla., visiting relatives and attending to business. Mr. Dickenson is so friendly (teachers included) and he likes sports of all kinds, and in his spare time he goes hunting and fishing, and he shyly admits he likes brunettes best in the way of girls.

## GIRLS ANGLE

The girls volleyball team was defeated by the Imperial team on last Thursday night the best two out of three games.

The junior team and B team also bowed to the Imperial teams with the best two out of three games.

Tennis players had better begin to start playing because district meet is some time in early April.

The physical education classes are still playing that favorite sport of volleyball but have taken up tumbling also.

The physical education classes will present a program in general assembly April 2.

The volleyball team has been practicing every afternoon after school since the basketball team has disbanded.

Florine Cage was high pointer in the Imperial game with 22 points in two out of three games. Floy Whitwell was high pointer on the B team with 17 points.

## Crane Enrolls New Student From Iraan

Iran, He is a native of Iran, and plays a flute. He says he is sure he has a good hand and all the teachers are swell. Everyone is so friendly (teachers included) and he likes sports of all kinds, and in his spare time he goes hunting and fishing, and he shyly admits he likes brunettes best in the way of girls.

A. F. Hogan joined the army recently.

## Rankin's Lamb Wins Fifth In Stock Show

J. P. Rankin's lamb captured fifth place in the Rankin Stock Show Feb. 25. J. P. received a ribbon and \$4 in cash for this honor. The show was carried on in the Rankin Wool House due to rainy weather. As for the entertainment, there was a free barbecue in honor of the 4-H Club boys.

J. P. sold his lamb for 55c per pound to a sheep buyer. The lamb weighed 195 pounds on foot. One of the lambs owned by Pat Pauley sold for \$2 per pound and brought a total of \$150. The lowest price paid for a lamb was 40c.

J. P. is the only 4-H Club boy in Crane county. There are other 4-H Club boys going to school here, however, but do not live in this county.

## Junior Class Is Given Party In School Library

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# Take Offs FROM THE TRACK

The boys basketball team have their order in for their basketball letters. There were eight lettermen.

There are several boys reporting for spring training who have never played football before.

It seems as though no interest has been accumulated in tennis this spring, though it is time for the tennis season to start.

The juniors had a very successful year in basketball last season. They were defeated in only three games and won two trophies.

Coach Patterson stated that the boys who did not attend spring practice did not have as much chance for making the team as those who did.

There will be two seniors playing on the football team next year.

N. Brunette and H. Pettit.

Look for the 1941 football schedule in this issue of the paper.

We have one two-year letterman back next year, Norman Brunette, 180 pound tackle. George Grounds, Earl Teague and Gilvie Whitwell are also 1-year lettermen.

Although Frank Vaughn and Jack Ellison were ineligible for football and basketball last season, they are out in a big way this year.

Track will begin right away. It has been reported that Elmer Grounds is working on the shot put.

Softball is getting popular around the campus. Girls as well as boys are participating in the sport.

## Cranes Schedule Ten Games For 1941 Grid Season

### Ft. Stockton and Stanton Added To Opponent List

In the coming year of the Crane High football squad, an extra game has been added to the schedule in order to make the season last longer and to give the public a chance to see one more exciting game of football played by the Crane Golden Cranes.

The Cranes will play ten games this year instead of nine, and here is the schedule:

- Sept. 5—Rankin at Rankin
- Sept. 12—Stanton at Crane
- Sept. 19—Kermit at Kermit
- Sept. 26—Iraan at Iraan
- Oct. 3—Wink at Crane
- Oct. 10—Monahans at Monahans
- Oct. 17—Open
- Oct. 24—Pecos at Crane
- Oct. 31—Open
- Nov. 7—Grandfalls at Crane
- Oct. 14—McCamey at Crane
- Oct. 15—Fort Stockton at Fort Stockton.

Jacques Nonce, band master, had to have three stitches taken above his right eye last week, as the result of an altercation with a stick of wood. He absolves Mrs. Nonce of the blame by saying that he was sleeping sound at the time the wood was thrown at him.

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HUMPHREY BOGART—  
—IDA LUPINO  
IN  
"HIGH SIERRA"  
Also: "CRIME DOES NOT PAY"

Sunday and Monday, March 16-17  
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Six, Simon, Jones Speak on Fashions At Home Ec. Meeting

The "Dough-makers of 40-41" Club had a meeting in the Home Ec. room Feb. 26, at 7:30.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Leta Mae Brandon, and then the meeting was turned over to the program committee.

The program consisted of three talks given by Betty Lou Six, Isabelle Simon and Olive Dean Jones on the latest fads and fashions. This series of speeches was followed by refreshments of hot punch and cookies, and then the club members went to the gym to dance and play games. At 10 o'clock the meeting was adjourned.

Lenser's Gov't Class Receives Awards

The American Government class was given an examination Friday to determine the three best students to win the citizenship awards for the week.

The purpose of this contest is to increase the student interest in the American Government at the present state of affairs.

First place was given a blue ribbon won by Melva Webb, second place a pink ribbon won by Milton Currier, and third place a green ribbon won by Lavois Rogers.

There were four students tying for fourth place. They were Dorothy Cantrell, Eula Belle Corbin, Joe Six and Ralph Howard.

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# ELEMENTARY NEWS

Mrs. Carroll's third grade room got a letter from Mrs. Lee, their former teacher. They have been studying about Holland and writing letters to Mrs. Lee.

Miss Jones, the first grade teacher, has been ill for a week.

Two girls will be seven years old March 13. They are Mary Lou and Jane Masters, and they are called twins.

They have taken out their post office and have gotten new readers.

Miss Sellers' second grade is working on the Indian unit. They are bringing Indian pictures and things pertaining to Indians to school.

Ray Nonce got his eye hurt. He is back in school with only a black eye to show for it.

Miss Gressett's third grade is studying about Holland. They have made tulips out of eggshell to decorate their room. The two grades are to present a chapel program March 19.

Mrs. Crabtree's second grade is studying about the little Dutch children, making tulips and windmills.

They are also taking an imaginary trip to Holland, visiting the little Dutch Girl by sitting in our seats and listening to stories about Holland.

They have started their Easter program.

Those on the honor roll in Miss Shults' fourth grade are: Joy Dickson, Dorothy Hickey, Mary Pickering, Christine Wynn, Esther Mae Browning, Lula Ann Justiss, Paul Stephens.

The room has just finished a unit on Switzerland and will start another on Holland this week. The pupils have been writing poetry and doing well at it.

Two of the students in room 6-2 wrote a poem. It is called "AN INSANE POEM" by Betty Johnson and Betty Williams

Girls: Betty Williams is nuts in the brain; Betty Johnson is just the same; Dorothy Craig has folks in Spain; Helen Ruth Hickey is touched in Maine;

Betty Gibow always is insane; Zoe Reynolds always has a pain; Dorothy Woods looks like she is untamed; Mildred Groves is crippled and lame; Billy Lovelace hasn't a brain; Marilyn Lowe looks like a horse in Crane.

Boys: Frank Hunsaker looks like a hick; Bobby North is cracked in the neck; Malcolm Ham has plenty of frecks; Donald Carter looks like a wreck; Ladell Green sticks up like a deck; David Eastwood is a pain in the neck; Donald Pope is as little as heck; Audice Weddle has feet as big as a sack.

Betty Williams left Wednesday for Dallas to visit her sister. She returned Sunday.

During the last two months, grade 6-2 has had three geography teachers. They are studying about Japan and how they live. Miss Marjorie Nixon is their latest teacher.

Those on the honor roll were: Marilyn Lowe, Malcolm Ham, Helen Hickey, Dorothy Craig and Helen White.

This week section 7-2 got the picture for the nearest room.

The two sixth grades saw a show on the eyes. They saw many interesting things about the different parts of the eyes. It showed how the sun rays were bent when they entered the eyes.

The Safety Patrol marked off lines at the corners for safety of the children, so please co-operate in this act of safety by going by the lines. Be an example for others and be safe yourself.

The PTA gives a prize of \$1.50 to the room which has the most mothers at the meeting. Miss McKee's fourth grade got the prize last time. They had 44 mothers. They are going to buy library books with the money.

There is a contest in the elementary building for the nearest room appearance. The teacher grades our room. The room with the highest weekly score receives a picture of the capitol for one week. The room that receives it the longest at the end of the year will get to keep it.

# "NORTH WEST MOUNTED" STARS COOPER AND CARROLL

Gary Cooper and Madeline Carroll, cast in the sort of romantic roles which brought them to screen fame—he as Dusty Rivers, a Texas Ranger, and she as April Logan, a gallant nurse—are the starring duo who head the huge cast of Cecil B. DeMille's "North West Mounted Police," which will be presented at the Palace Theatre, the first epic by Paramount to have been made entirely in Technicolor.

In keeping with the magnitude of his stars, DeMille has assembled an outstanding group of starring players. Heading the list are Paulette Goddard, cast as Louvette, fascinating, tempestuous Indian girl; and Preston Foster and Robert Preston as Sgt. Jim Brett and Ronnie Logan, Mounted Policemen. Among the others are Akim Tamiroff as Duroc; Lynn Overman in a comedy role as Tod McDuff; George Bancroft as the chief heavy, Corbeau; Lon Chaney, Jr., as a half breed Metis; and Walter Hampden as Chief Big Bear.

Always one to choose an important theme for his pictures, DeMille has elected to demonstrate the fortitude and courage of the Mounted in this picture. As a basis for his plot, he has selected the famous Reil incident—the attempt of one Louis Reil, played by Francis McDonald in the picture, and thousands of half breeds under his leadership to run the Mounted Police out of Canada and to govern themselves.

The story which DeMille unfolds in "North West Mounted Police" has epic proportions, and

no condensed version of it can possibly convey all the excitement, spectacle, romance, humor, gusto and sheer motion picture magic packed into it. It moves along quickly after the Metis, led by Reil, Duroc and Corbeau, send their demands to Inspector Cabot (Montague Love) at Ft. Carlton, asking for an answer within 24 hours.

The only course open to the courageous Mounted is to resist the Metis and attempt to keep them from gaining the Cree Indians as allies, even though there are only fifty Mounted at the Fort and 500 in all Canada. Their procedure is resolved when April, a nurse at Batoche, where the Metis are organizing their rebellion, arrives at the fort with two Mounted Policemen in a wagon—one dead and the other mortally wounded.

Present when she arrives is Dusty Rivers, a ranger from Texas, sent out to get a murderer who has fled to Canada. Clues prove that the men were shot by Corbeau, the man Dusty has been sent after, too.

During this session at the Fort, the two romances of the picture are clearly defined. It becomes evident immediately that Brett worships April, and it takes Dusty just about a single meeting to realize he would like to know her better. Several other scenes establish the fact Ronnie can't resist Louvette.

The narrative progresses from this point along several strong lines, with Dusty, McDuff and April proceeding to Batoche where

# Flags...rules

American flags today are selling like hot cakes. That is good a sign as any of the increased patriotism which has been inspired by our national effort to protect America against all comers.

On the February holidays, celebrating the birthdays of those great Americans, Abraham Lincoln and George Washington, it is expected that more homes will be decorated with flags than at any time since the World War.

Some of us have not gone in for this flag-raising custom for some years and our memory of the proper handling of the flag is a little hazy. So it seems a good time to review a few of the correct practices for displaying the flag. Here are the most important:

1. Display the flag from sunrise to sunset only.
2. If you display the flag from a flagpole going out from a window, place the field at the end of the pole.
3. If you display the flag against a wall or hanging from a window, the field should be at the top at the flag's right.
4. A flag should not be draped over the hood of an automobile or used as drapery in any way. If used on an automobile it should be on what is referred to as the radiator cap.
5. The flag should not be displayed in any place where it is apt to get soiled or damaged.

# Stars...states

Do you know which star in the American flag represents your state?

Although there is no legislation defining it, in theory each star represents the entrance of a specific state into the Union.

The upper left hand corner star represents Delaware, which was the first state to ratify the Constitution. The other stars, in chronological order according to the date of admission to the Union, are arranged in rows as follows:

- Top Row: 2, Pennsylvania; 3, New Jersey; 4, Georgia; 5, Connecticut; 6, Massachusetts; 7, Maryland; 8, South Carolina.
- Second Row: 9, New Hampshire; 10, Virginia; 11, New York; 12, North Carolina; 13, Rhode Island; 14, Vermont; 15, Kentucky; 16, Tennessee.
- Third Row: 17, Ohio; 18, Louisiana; 19, Indiana; 20, Mississippi; 21, Illinois; 22, Alabama; 23, Maine; 24, Missouri.
- Fourth Row: 25, Arkansas; 26, Michigan; 27, Florida; 28, Texas; 29, Iowa; 30, Wisconsin; 31, California; 32, Minnesota.
- Fifth Row: 33, Nevada; 34, Colorado; 35, North Dakota; 36, South Dakota; 37, Montana; 38, Wyoming; 39, Utah; 40, Oklahoma; 41, New Mexico; 42, Arizona.

# Salesmanship...mousetraps

"Mrs. Typical Consumer of 1941," having completed a very untypical entertainment and a shopping spree in New York and other cities, is now back in her mid-western home telling folks about it.

She was picked for the title by a national department store association which rewarded her with the trip, and then subjected her to the questioning of dozens of business men who wanted to know what makes a typical consumer tick.

The idea is that if a typical consumer likes mittens better than gloves, department stores should do more mitten advertising. And if a typical consumer is more apt to buy a product advertised as a "bargain" rather than as a "special value," then they should say "bargain" in more of their advertisements.

Mrs. Typical Consumer typifies the efforts of most all branches of business to study the reaction of people to advertising and to salesmanship. Thousands of men are now employed to find out what the typical consumer likes on the radio, what kind of advertising appeals to her, what she prefers to eat and drink, and how much she can be induced to spend for every type of product.

Most of today's advertising has this type of "research" behind it. Probably it gets better results than advertising of the past. But perhaps too much is being made of the study of what can make people buy instead of what people want to buy. The old idea that the world will be a better place if a man who makes a mousetrap seems to have been partly replaced by the belief that the world will be a better place if the door of the man who does the best sales job.

# Colds...remedies

Of all sicknesses, the common cold is probably the most mysterious to the medical profession.

In spite of the fact that every doctor in America is constantly called upon to treat colds, none has ever been able to find the answer to how to get rid of them.

# GIRL SCOUTING

## And Today's Needs

### Training for Citizenship

Ever since the Girl Scout movement was founded in this country nearly three decades ago, it has been a vital democratic force, working toward the development of tolerance, character, self-reliance, co-operation and patriotism. With a membership of over 600,000, and an "alumnae" group of several millions, the Girl Scout organization now has opportunity to bring the best resources of citizenship to the young women of our land to the service of the country. The Girl Scout slogan, "Be Prepared," has special significance today. The Girl Scout program includes many types of training. It prepares for responsibility, for service, and for participation in democratic citizenship. And it is important to remember in this connection that Girl Scout activities are planned and developed to satisfy the needs and expressed desires of the girls themselves. They are not imposed by the adult world or by national authorities. Girl Scouting is voluntary preparation for adult life in a democracy.

### Democracy for Youth

Everyone is aware of the part that the organized youth movements play in totalitarian countries. Few of us realize, however, that in Scouting we have a youth organization directed to ideals and goals diametrically opposed to those of the totalitarian states. Girl Scouts are individuals. They are aided and encouraged to develop their personal tastes and abilities. They are trained to work together in groups as individuals instead of being taught to be merely units from which a working group may be selected. Through the Scouting program we are preparing our youngsters with an actual experience in democracy. It is, in a sense, an antidote to the totalitarian propaganda leveled at the youth of the world. It is a bulwark against challenges that may come in the future. In the Girl Scout insistence upon democratic methods and emphasis upon democratic responsibilities, the movement is now making a basic contribution to the strength of our country.

### Special Work for Women

Not the least of Girl Scouting's importance at the present time is the opportunity that it affords for the development of the individual woman. The Girl Scout organization is a national organization of women. Through its work in every community, they may extend their influence beyond these immediate units into the future.

### Training for Effective Service

Scouting offers women the training necessary to make their services effective. Girl Scout leaders, sponsors, and workers are not merely enthusiasts. They are skilled in their avocation. The thousands of volunteer workers in the ranks of Girl Scouting are equipped with the knowledge and experience necessary to the organization and direction of a multitude of activities. These trained adults form a nucleus for the efficient, workmanlike participation of women in the defense plans.

### Defense Expert Speaks

Harriet Elliott, Director of the Consumer Division of the National Advisory Committee, recently stated, "Women's most important work... is the strengthening of community life and social well-being. If our homes are organized, the more service our schools, churches and local organizations can give our communities, the better prepared we will be as individuals to meet whatever demands the future may

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### Child Labor

For a long time our mail brought frequent letters from parents asking, "How can we train our children to help with the work about the house?" But of late such letters have been noticeably absent. Can it be that the youngsters have learned to crave work or have the parents merely given up the struggle?

I have a feeling that the latter surmise is the true one and it seems to me an unfortunate capitulation both for the parents and the children. For of all of the gifts which help make life manageable, liking to do one's work is perhaps the most valuable. Work attacked with interest and enthusiasm can be done in half the time. And only those who go about their jobs without the delay which dread and indecision bring ever know the bliss of pure leisure—that is, time to

make of us. The weak links in community life and social well-being may be found in the fields of health, nutrition, recreation, and child care. The underlying motif is to make America impregnable by making America strong—stronger than ever before—sturdier in body, steadier in nerves, surer in living.

In other words, vital, non-military work for women in times of stress resolves itself into all of the activities by which is maintained a country worth fighting for, if need be, but more important still, a country strong enough in its essence to survive every type of challenge.

# Library-English Club

The bulletin board in the library is covered with interesting material of Texas, to celebrate Texas Week.

The library was presented with a scrap book on Texas by Mrs. R. V. Wilson, president of the Study Club. The scrap book is constructed of wood and contains many interesting stories of Texas History and Pioneer life.

The Library-English Club met last Monday evening and discussed plans to take walk to raise money for the club. Games were played and the meeting adjourned.

# Why Not Try Dirigibles Again?

One great weapon which figured in the last World War is very conspicuous by its absence in this one. That is the dirigible airplane. The dirigible is the oldest form of military aircraft. It lacks in speed what the heavier-than-air craft can achieve, but its cruising range is enormous and naval men who had experience with these vessels of the air in 1914-18 think very highly of their capacity.

A dirigible balloon, capable of being steered across oceans and out of range of storms, can be built for a fraction of the cost of a modern bombing airplane. It can carry a much heavier load and can come closer to being certain of hitting its target.

That was demonstrated in the first World War, though it is probable that the improvements made in the airplane since then have changed the comparative picture. At that time the dirigible was primarily the German weapon with which the city of London was bombed. All the other armies soon acquired them, but the Germans had the advantage of an early start and extensive manufacturing facilities.

Today the only nation in the world which can use dirigibles is the U. S. The great weakness of the dirigible was its inflammability. Filled with hydrogen gas, a single tracer bullet destroys a dirigible like a puff of smoke. But about the time of the other lighter-than-air gas were discovered in the United States. Our Government immediately took control of all the air-ship production plants and directed the development of a dirigible which would be safe and reliable.

The great German Zeppelin company continued to operate the hydrogen-filled dirigibles across the North and South Atlantic. The tragic death of more than 150 passengers when one of the Zeppelins was destroyed by fire at Lakehurst, N. J., put an effective end to the Navy's experiments with lighter-than-air craft. We had lost three such vessels of our own manufacture and two which we had taken from the Germans as prizes of war. The public had too dangerous even for military use, and Congress refused to appropriate any more money to build them.

Now we are beginning to hear talk again of helium-filled dirigibles. For many uses, as a part of our program of National Defense, there does not seem to be any obstacle except the prejudice of some Navy officers and of the public. Half a dozen trips from LaGuardia Field to the Templehof, the great German airport, probably would settle the question forever. Whether it is worth while for our Government to build these ships should be decided right now.

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# Library-English Club Meets In Library

The Library-English Club held a meeting in the Crane high school library Monday, March 4, at 7:30 p. m.

President Lois Ryan opened the meeting and the minutes of the last meeting were read by Marjorie Brandon. Members of the club played a game of "States" and each tried to see how many states they could name in a period of 15 minutes. A short story was read by June Armstrong and the meeting adjourned.

Mr. and Mrs. Brady Nix went to Austin over the week end to attend the state basketball tournament.

Billy Burk Johnson went to the fat stock show in San Angelo March 2.

Phyllis Bosworth was back at home for a few days last week from Lubbock.

Minnie Mae Brannon was home over the week end to visit her parents. Minnie Mae is a freshman at John Tarleton.

Lost without an unfinished task hanging over one's head.

Learning to work hard is the matter of training, not a penalty for having played. Youngsters help them learn to direct it into useful channels.

Of course, you can't wait to begin this training until the child is old enough to understand about co-operation. You must begin with the toddler who can be taught to pick up his toys as part of the day's play—not as a penalty for having played.

Youngsters out coasting don't sit on their sleds at the bottom of a hill and mope because they have to climb back up in order to have another slide. The slippery uphill climb is part of the game. So the watchful mother guides the putting away of toys before the child is too tired or sleepy to have some zest for orderliness.

As the child grows older, he should be given daily home tasks and expected to do them well; but I question the advisability of insisting on their being done in a certain manner. For we all have our own work rhythms. Some of work furiously for a spell and then slow down; others keep going at a steady pace. Perhaps you like a second cup of coffee after the children leave for school and a glance at the paper before you start to work. There's nothing wrong with this, but don't expect your children to prefer to wash dishes the minute a meal is finished.

# Ex-Crane Appointed To Naval Academy

W. J. Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Davis, has received an appointment as alternate to the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md.

If he is called, he will not likely have to take the examinations, as he is a student of Texas A & M. W. J. is an ex-Crane grid star. He was chosen all-district star in 1939.

C. A. Carroll, shop instructor, received his questionnaire from the selective service bureau last week and remarks that he may choose, by request, khaki for his Easter ensemble.

Miss Pauline Jones, first grade teacher, spent a few days in Pecan last week. She was forced to miss school on account of illness.

Miss Aehsah Morris went to Weatherford over the week end to visit her boy friend, who is very ill. She expects to be gone several days.



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