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The Crane Wins National And State Honors

Choral Cops One First Two Seconds At Odessa

The Crane High Choral Club won first place district in sight-singing contest, second place in concert, and second place in ensemble at the Odessa Friday, April 10. Of all the 30 schools entered only the Odessa school scored higher in sight-singing. The next highest score was 18 points. The Crane's total of 89 points was entered in Class B and placed against all these schools to attain these honors.

The accompanist was Mrs. A. E. Gallaway, who was presented with a gift following the contest. Twenty-one choral members and Miss Len Lowe made the trip to Odessa.

MUSIC HATH CHARMS
The study of the three types of composition—concerto, suite, and symphony—is being studied by the choral group this six weeks.

During this study, they will hear Tchaikovsky's "Nutcracker Suite," "The Peer Gynt's Suite," Richmannoff's "Second Piano Concerto," Tchaikovsky's "Concerto in B. Flat Minor," Tchaikovsky's Fifth and Sixth Symphonies, and Beethoven's "Fifth Symphony."

Later, a study of more modern types will be taken up including the music of Jerome Kerne, Cole Porter, etc.

With Dress A Mess What Manner of Man Strolls Halls of C.H.S.?

The Hottentots of darkest Africa, according to us, have strange customs, but some of the Crane High students who belong to the "Hat Club" would make the Hottentots turn green with envy if they could see them.

The "Hat Club" has seven members—Speck Pierce, Ernest Higdon, Henry Cook, Ray Knox, Myron Holcomb, Valco Garrett and Jimmy Stacy.

This club was organized April 4 for the purpose of having something to do until the prom April 23. They are not supposed to comb their hair, apply oil or shave. When two members meet, they are supposed to lick their thumb and stick it in the air.

If one of the members catches another member doing any of these taboo things, the member caught has all of his hair shaved off. (What they are supposed not to do is just about as foolish as what they are supposed to do.)

Now these members' costumes look like something the well-dressed shepherd would beware.

In retaliation to this bizarre club, the girls garbed themselves outlandishly for one day, but more harm than good came from it. They dressed up in time to welcome Mr. Joe Umphries, the deputy state superintendent who got the impression that Crane was overflowing with girls who go to the extreme in fads which make them look cheap.

W. Karr, Ex-Service Man, To Graduate With The Seniors

Wayne Karr, an ex-service man, is planning on graduating with this year's senior class.

Wayne left Crane High School in 1942 and later was with the armed services for 40 months. He has taken the Army's G. E. tests and is fully qualified to receive his diploma.

Wayne is the second ex-service man to join this year's senior class, the other being J. B. Clark.

BANOWSKY PRESIDENT TEXAS VOCATIONAL ASSN.

Wade L. Banowsky is the newly-elected president of the Texas Vocational Assn.

He was formerly director of adult distributive education in Fort Worth Schools.

Mr. Banowsky is Mrs. V. N. Keys' brother.



Marilyn Lowe and Kathrin Cantrell, pictured above, will represent the journalism staff at the State meet in Austin on May 8.



LOWE, CANTRELL ARE DELEGATES TO REPRESENT STAFF IN CONTEST

Receiving first place honors from a national press contest held in Columbia University, along with first place honors in the State Interscholastic League contest, The Crane now ranks among the upper ten percent of Class C papers in the nation.

The Crane, making a score of 859 out of a possible 1,000 in the Columbia University contest, is ranked as a first place paper, and such recognition never exceeds ten percent.

"All-Columbian" honors were given The Crane for their sports news, but the advertising received the highest rating with 100 points out of a possible 100 for a perfect score.

Dewitt Reddick, director of the Interscholastic League Press Conference, in his letter of merit to The Crane journalism staff editor, said:

"You and your staff may now take a deep bow, for the judges of the 1947-48 ILPC have selected your paper to receive the Award of Distinguished Merit in your class and district."

He finished with: "Congratulations on the fine work you and your staff have done."

This honor allows The Crane two representatives in State Contest at Austin held on May 7 and 8. These representatives, Marilyn Lowe and Kathrin Cantrell, were selected by the staff as the ones most likely to succeed in the state contest.

These journalists will enter news writing, copy reading, feature writing, headline writing, and editorial writing.

Because of the success of The Crane and the smallness of the class, Supt. L. L. Martin has consented to let the entire staff attend the State Convention.

SOME WEAKNESSES
Some of the weaknesses of The Crane, Columbia University pointed out, were:

More variety in size of headlines, more subheads, avoiding editorializing in news stories, less space around the masthead. Other divisions of the paper receiving excellent criticism included sports, news, features, advertising, construction, editorials, range of news stories.

To enter contests of this kind, the paper must be at least four pages published every two weeks.

INSPECTOR CRANE HI APRIL REPORT FAIR

Umphries, the state inspector of schools, was in Crane and seemed fairly well pleased with the set up. He had to say:

"I am well satisfied with the Crane even though there are a few things lacking because of paper facilities."

He also said that the exhibits far above average but that all the papers lacked uniform numbering system; with Roman numerals in the center of the page.

Other criticism was that papers were not uniform in method of taking up papers. Papers were folded and were not.

Crane Gets Diplomas But Different Crane

Have any of you heard about the Crane seniors receiving their diplomas? It is a fact because there were at least two members on the journalism class present in the office when Supt. Martin opened the package from Star Engraving Co., addressed to Mr. L. L. Martin, Elementary School, Crane, Texas.

Carefully opening the package, Mr. Martin found the Crane seniors' diplomas and covers neatly and evenly arranged. Deciding to look at some of the diplomas, Mr. Martin glanced over them and to his surprise he didn't recognize any of the seniors except one, which was Jean Murray.

Since he knew that Jean Murray was scheduled to graduate next year, Mr. Martin took another look at the name of the school on the diplomas. Yes, there it was again, in bold letters: Crane High School. By this time the staff members' curiosity was aroused also, and after close inspection of a diploma, C. M. Coker discovered the mystery. The diplomas were sent to the wrong Crane. Believe it or not, there is another Crane, and it happens to be in Missouri.

Carroll Makes Buddy But Sad Revelation Snaps Friendship Bud

On his daily Sand Hills bus run, Mr. C. A. Carroll made friends recently with a small lad who had just ridden the bus a few days.

On this particular day the lad was the last one off the bus. He and Mr. Carroll had been having a very confidential conversation, but as the bus stopped the lad said, "Someone has left his books on the bus."

Mr. Carroll replied, "They are mine." The boy looked up at Mr. Carroll and said, "You know, I DID kinda like you."

School Tax Raised; New Trustee Elected

In an election Saturday, April 3, it was voted by a 34-4 majority to raise the school tax from \$1 to \$1.50.

In the trustee election, W. B. Gunn was re-elected and Hayden Wilmoth was elected to replace Mr. Sam Nolan who is moving to New Mexico.

Vernon Stell was re-elected as county trustee, precinct 1, and Fred Field as the Sand Hills representative.

Joyce Taylor, eighth grader, has returned to the hospital in Dallas for another three-week stay.

Nix Receives Operation

Mr. Brady Nix, high school principal, was out of school for about ten days recently because of an operation.

He was operated on in Hogan Hospital at Big Spring March 30 and returned home about a week later.

"I'll be mighty glad to get back on the job," Mr. Nix remarked upon coming home.

Spec'l Assembly Called For 2 Announcements

In a special assembly called March 31 by the CHS Student Council, President C. M. Coker opened the program by making announcements concerning Courtesy Week and senior day.

After explaining Courtesy Week which was from April 5 to 9, C. M. called upon Mrs. Elmore, who was pinch hitting for Kathrin Cantrell, to explain the general idea of Courtesy Week. Then talks were made by each of the following: Buster Pendleton, Joyce Sharpe and Elmo Rust, explaining Courtesy Week.

Following the above talks, Merwin McCully, president of the senior class, was called upon to introduce the Crane faculty for April 1. After introducing each of the new faculty, Merwin urged the cooperation of the student body with senior day.

C. M. dismissed the group after turning the assembly over to Mr. Martin, who made a short talk.

Mrs. Elsie Davidson, P. E. teacher, was absent several days last week because of illness.

Ladean (McCasland) Ragland, ex-business manager of The Crane and present business manager of the Kermit Yellowjacket, was through Crane last week-end on her way to Desdemona. Making the trip with the Raglands were Peggy McCasland and Kathryn Smith.

Punch was served to those attending the dance.

The price of admission was 20c for stags and 25c for couples.

Ten Most Courteous Students Named At Student Council Dance

Climaxing Courtesy Week, the most courteous boy and girl of each class, from the fifth grade to the seniors, were announced and presented with corsages at the Student Council dance in the community hall last Saturday night.

The most courteous boy and girl from each class were:

Doris Collins and Billy Joe Dutton for the seniors; Lorene Davenport and Earl Husted for the juniors; Bruce Patterson and Joyce Sharp for the sophomores; John Clark and Jackie Lou Mackey for the freshmen.

Eighth grade winners were Gene Neeley and Peggy McCasland.

Speck Pierce and John Hickey, both members of the Student Council, made the presentations.

Members of the council in on the decorating of the building included Bruce Patterson, Joyce Sharp, Elmo Rust, Kathrin Cantrell, Buster Pendleton, Patsy Dulin, John and Billy Clark. Mrs. Inez Keith Elmore was the official overseer.

The decorations consisted of pastel colors in streamers dropped over the lights and also in front

The Eighth Grade Goes In Strong For Politics

Being as this is election year and everyone is stating his opinion on presidential candidates, the eighth grade civics class are not excluded.

According to their classmates, here are two of the best opinions written by Nancy Evans and Sammy Joe Paris on the civil rights program of Mr. Truman.

The first is by Nancy Evans and goes as follows:
Stating my opinion on the education of negroes could be a simple "yes" I'm for Truman, and "no" I'm not for Truman, and of course a few explanations on the side. Personally, I don't think it's as simple as all that. Here's why:

Take the average American boy, with his wife and baby. When he was called to the army, it was hard leaving, but his country needed him so he left. After 11 months training in Washington he was shipped out for overseas duty. It was in the taking of an important island in the South Pacific that our outfit was told that they were going to have to join forces with a regiment of Negroes. The boys did not like it. First place, they were the underdogs, and too, they were

dumb, just flatly dumb. But orders were orders, and they had to be made the best of. It was in that fight that John was wounded, both legs shot nearly off just above the knees, and although he was carried to safety, five Negroes lost their lives saving his.

When he returned home, he joined several clubs and organizations to help the colored people. (Getting an education, etc.) Of course, his legs were gone and he felt that he would always be a prisoner, a prisoner in his wheelchair, still he felt he owed the colored race his life.

Why not go to college with the Negroes? It is plainly stated in the Bible that all men are brothers and all men are looked to as equal in the face of the Lord. They fought for us, and still we are scared to sit across the aisle from them in the school room, or live across the tracks from them. How are they going to feel if we have another war? Are they going to be perfectly willing to die for us again, or maybe come back knowing that they must return to their jobs of emptying trash, instead of getting a good paying job so they can live comfortably and clean? Let's

for once be reasonable and give them a chance to prove what they can do. Let's not make them keep living the life of dogs. How about giving them a break for once.

That is Nancy's story and now this is Sammy Joe's story:

MY OPINION OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS PROGRAM
The Negroes should have an education. The states should furnish schools and good colleges for Negro education, but Negroes mixing with white people would cause trouble. Riots, shootings, and fights would be the results. Some Negroes would be alright, but 75 out of 100 would take advantage.

The Negroes should have a fair trial. If found guilty, they should be punished. If they are innocent, they should be acquitted.

Negroes should have their own churches, schools, street cars and other facilities to suit their needs, but they shouldn't mix with the white people, since interracial marriage would ruin the white race, or both races for that matter.

They should be given jobs, so that they can be independent.

Alvin Whaley Taking Seven Solids, One Sport In Last Term's Work

Alvin Whaley probably needs every bit of energy that his 200 pounds or over can produce because he is carrying one of the heaviest loads in high school in an attempt to graduate this year—seven solids to be exact.

He had a pretty easy first semester, carrying only six solids, but he played football and basketball in his spare time then. Alvin is now coming out for only one sport, track, since he added that extra solid to his list.

Among Alvin's present subjects are English IV, shop, trigonometry, Texas history, plane geometry and correspondence courses in American history and English III. According to Alvin's belief, shop and plane geometry are his easiest subjects to pass, and trigonometry the hardest.

Besides being an above-the-average student, considering all his subjects, Alvin proved to be a good teacher also. He taught Mr. Carroll's classes on senior day and took over the instructing of the eighth grade shop classes, while Mr. Carroll attended a convention in Houston.

Alvin has not decided where he will attend college as yet. Your reporter would like to end this story by passing on some worth-while advice from Alvin to the future seniors of CHS and that is: "Pass all your subjects in your lower grades and try to have an easy senior year."

Eva Long Short of Disaster When Table Tosses Leg at Her

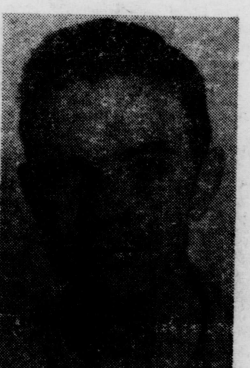
That noisy reporter has been nosing again!

You got another tall tale on a CHS co-ed. Guess who? Eva Long.

Seems as if Eva was wandering absent-mindedly through the study hall the other day. She wasn't bothering any one, tho. When all of a sudden one of those terrible tables threw a big ol' leg off and it fell right in front of her with a bang.

Spectators report that Eva set a new record in high jumping and a new musical note was discovered in the scream she let out.

Eva seemed to thing (by her actions) that Russia had declared war on CHS for wearing the new look. Or maybe Mr. Patterson had thrown it at her because she was being too quiet and his students couldn't study in the fourth period study hall.



Gene Miller Takes Phillips Scholarship Test In San Antonio

Gene Miller, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Miller of Crane, went to San Antonio April 2 to take a Phillips Scholarship test.

Sponsored by the Phillips Petroleum Co. each year, 22 boys and ten girls are chosen out of the state to take this test. Of those chosen eight boys and four girls will receive a four year scholarship to any college in the U. S. The scholarship provides for \$400 a year.

Gene's entrance examination fee was paid by the company and he was the only student to go from Crane or any part near in West Texas.

The results will be known around May 15.



Harold E. Crane

Harold E. Crane was elected head coach of the football team at the last board meeting. He was elected head coach to succeed George who retired from coaching last year.

Harold was assistant to the head coach for the last two years, and was elected head coach of the basketball team in 1946.

Harold was typical of coaches, believes that for next year's team he has not been named.

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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 com 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 the 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!

Getting In Rut Is O. K. If It Is On The Road To Success; But Many Are On Wrong Road

The apparent need for harder work on lessons has become evident. Many of the students of Crane High School are failing all of their subjects, while some are failing one or two. There is no need for these failures at all.

School will be out in five weeks and three days, and if some midnight oil is not burned by a number of students, we will have to spend another year in the same grade.

There are many students in Crane High School who are exempt in many of their subjects every semester. Those of us who are failing should be ambitious enough to follow in their footsteps and make high grades too.

The need for studying harder has been stressed all along, but now if something is not done, and done quickly, it will be too late to do anything. Midnight oil must be burned if the seniors who are failing plan to graduate and the others plan to pass.

But it looks like people who idle their time away in needless play in the classroom, or outside of class, would try to bear down and pass the subjects. Some of the students of Crane High School take the same subjects year after year and just don't care whether they pass or not. Gradually we should become ashamed to stay in the class with much younger students.

STITCH IN TIME

There is a constant buzzing in the Home Making lab this six weeks. Mrs. Waller has been giving practical tests and thought questions.

Many of the girls are combining eyelet with butcher linen or chambray. This makes the dress look crisp and always cool.

Joan Rhinehart and Mary Lou Reynolds have very good taste in clothes, and similar too. On their first projects, unbeknown to either, they chose identical patterns and material. And the second project they chose, by coincidence, the same pattern again and same material, but Joan learned of the act in time to change colors.

All home projects are expected to be in by May 1.

These garments along with the class projects will be shown at the style show which the senior group is going to plan.

On April 1, when the seniors were "teachers" many of the senior home making girls wore clothes they had made in class. Doris Collins wore a gray Indian-head suit, Kathrin Cantrell had on a black rayon faille suit, Joan Earl, a blue print rayon dress, Joanne Randel wore a yellow Indian-head dress and Barbara Mason had on a brown print with large green figures in it. Looked very well with her new green shoes.

After planning, the style show, the third year girls will make one baby garment. The second year girls will make a garment for a pre-school child. The first year girls will not have any more projects to make.

At last Jean Murray and Earlene Husted have finished their dresses. It was a happy day in H. E. III.

Mrs. Waller is well satisfied with the nice garments that have been made in all the classes.

SOUR NOTES

Competition was rough at Odessa this year, wasn't it?

Corkey, Lacey and the woodwind trio held up the Crane banner by keeping their first divisions.

Anyone losing any hats, shoes, coats, buckles or ties should check

BOOK NOOK

The Old Santa Fe Trail

by

STANLEY VESTAL

Those pioneers whose rolling wagons and plodding pack-mules beat out the paths of future generations were not always conscious of history, dates or the march of destiny—they felt heat and cold, endured thirst and hunger, fatigue and disappointment. They found the trail no mere skein of tangled ruts connecting two distant towns, two cultures. To them, that trail was a perilous cruise across a boundless sea of grass, over forbidding mountains, among wild beasts and wilder men, ending in an exotic city offering quick riches, friendly foreign women, and a moral holiday.

That trail stood for adventure, warfare, travel, romance, danger, and a wild, free life.

In this book, the author recaptures the thrills, the physical sensations, the hopes and fears and humors which those pioneers knew. We feel the insistent wind and the drenching downpour, the bitter blizzard, the parching sun, the danger of guard duty when the wind howled from the lonely hills and the skulking Comanche fitted an arrow to his bowstring behind the sagebrush, the dash after buffalo, the stubborn defense of the wagons against lance and gun.

THUMBNAIL INTERVIEWS

As is the custom of CHS every year, the seniors teach the high school classes April 1, and every year the seniors experience what some day might be their profession. Some of the seniors do not like this sort of work, and some of the students do. When asked what they thought of Senior Day, the following replied:

Buster Pendleton: I thought the teachers were pretty good, but they should learn how to pronounce words.

Carmaleta Russell: I think they ought to do it more often, and I enjoyed it very much.

Dixie Shaver: I think they did pretty good, but I think the teachers should be a little more strict.

Peggy Barnsley: I liked the student teachers, but I think some of the students in the classes should cooperate more.

Bobbie Mason: I think all of the teachers were real nice and we should have it more often.

John Clark: I didn't learn much, but it's O. K.

June Crownover: I enjoyed it very much, but I could find something better to teach than English.

Jean Murray: I think it is a good experience for the students to see if they want to make teaching their profession.

Tip Murrell: It is pretty good experience, but I'm not going to be a school teacher.

C. M. Coker: A principal's job is O. K. but it is more work than you think it is.

Joe Weatherby: I think they did a pretty good job of it, and it should be done more often.

Vivian Craig: I liked it, and I would like to teach Home Ec. in school.

Doris Collins: The kids were so nice—it seems they went out of their way to be nice.

Frank Waller: A janitor's life it not for me.

Maxine Omo: I enjoyed it very much, and some day I might take up teaching.

Construction will start this week on the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Patterson.

The house will have five rooms and a bath. It will be located in the addition between the homes of Bill Haralson and Wilma McCasland.

The house is a F.H.A. and is supposed to be finished in about two months.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

March 27—Corky Harris
March 29—Bobby North
April 6—Billie Jean Russell
April 9—Joanne Earl
April 3—Barbara Mason
April 16—Charles Mathis

THE CRANE

Introducing the Seniors

JOHN ECHOLS

We've all heard the saying of five foot two and eyes of blue. It doesn't quite fit this week's senior because he is five feet eleven and eyes of green, and tips the scales at 174 pounds.

Do you know of whom we speak? John Echols, of course. This brown-haired senior came to C. H. S. in February of this year.

John was born November 5, 1930 in Breckenridge, Texas. Attending school at Breckenridge until September 1947, he enrolled at John Tarleton at Stephenville for one semester, then to CHS in February.

When asked about favorites, John stated that he likes steaks as his favorite food. Rodeos and sports come close behind. Conceited people heads the list of John's dislikes.

Although John is classed as a senior, he doesn't plan on graduating with the seniors of 1948.

Miss Lowe, Miss Bell Hike In Dress Shoes; Going is Rugged Indeed

Hiking is one of the favorite sports of our nation. Everyone likes to hike but, imagine two young ladies hiking for ten miles in dress shoes and hose!

Miss Lenora Lowe, Mrs. Cody Bell and Miss Lily Beth Bell were coming to Crane on Sunday evening to attend a show. After traveling ten miles from the Bell ranch, a tire blew out. Mrs. Bell casually remarked that it was only a few miles back to the ranch and since they had no lug wrench they decided to walk back. Mrs. Bell stayed at the car. Miss Lowe and Miss Bell, started walking, each carrying a monkey wrench.

Ten miles is a long walk in dress shoes. The girls started at 8:00 p.m. They walked and walked! Every few minutes they sat down in the middle of the road and rested.

They arrived at the ranch at 12:30, dragging one foot behind the other, but highly amused at the way they must look.

Mr. Bell took a flashlight and a lug wrench and had not walked out of sight of the house when a car picked him up and took him to the car where his wife was waiting. He fixed the flat and was back home in half an hour.

By this time Miss Lowe and Miss Bell were far away in dream land.

West Point Cadet Dan McDaniels Drops Line To Former Teacher

Dan McDaniels, an ex-student of Crane High and now attending West Point, saw a picture of his old chemistry teacher in the school paper and decided to write her. This is how the letter goes: Dear Mrs. Filleman:

I'm sorry I've waited so long to write you, but maybe this will make up for it. I got a Crane High School paper the other day from home and I saw your picture, so I decided to write you.

I know you would like to hear all about this place, its academic system, etc. The academic system is about the best I've known of anywhere. Every cadet is graded every day in every subject. The classes never have more than 15 cadets in them, so you can see how much attention can be paid the individual cadet.

I'll send you one of monthly reports so you can see how we are graded. The maximum is 3,000, and passing 2,000. Please send the grade reports back as I have to file them.

I really like it up here and I am looking forward to graduation. When I graduate, I plan to come back through Crane for a visit and if you're there I'll drop in to see you.

I must quit now and get ready for supper.

An ex-student of yours,

DAN.

GRADES

German	2.194
Mathematics	2.643
English	2.391
Mil Topography	2.624
Chemistry	2.635
Physics	2.569
Military Aptitude as of Dec. 1, 1947	.3056
Mil Aptitude is determined annually.	

SONG OF THE WEEK

I'll Make Up For Everything

I'll make up for everything the world has done to you, I'll make every little dream you ever dreamed come true; I will help you to forget you ever shed a tear, Should dark clouds become a threat, then you'll find me near.

We'll share all the rainy days that fate may move in store, Laugh a lot and, darling, what is more: We will find the peace of mind that happiness can bring, For I'll make up for everything.

MY COUSIN LOUELLA

All the boys are buzzin' Since I introduced my cousin Louella; Count them by the dozen As they swarm around my cousin Louella. The way they sigh when she walks by, You'd think she was a movie queen; They never saw such charm before, Not even on a movie screen. Like the bees they're buzzin', For some honey from my cousin Louella; Every one's supposin' he'll be chosen, As the fortunate fella; But will they shout when they find out, My cousin will be leavin' soon. Louella only came to town to buy herself a gown For her honeymoon.



GEORGE CHRANE

Introducing the Faculty

Old timers tell of a track meet won by one man who now teaches math at Crane High School. This same man coached the "Golden Cranes" football squad to a regional co-championship in 1947.

After going through trials such as these, Mr. George Chrane said his hobbies consisted of hunting and fishing.

Brownwood, the town where Mr. Chrane was born, had the privilege of also educating him through high school and college, as he was graduated from Daniel Baker in 1936.

Teaching one year before he left college, Mr. Chrane went to Melburn, Texas, to teach after graduation. The following September found him teaching at Brooksmith where he taught six years.

This is his fifth year to coach and teach mathematics in Crane.

Finishing his coaching career in Crane this year with a Regional-winning team, Mr. Chrane plans to continue teaching here.

Answering final interview questions, Mr. Chrane replied that his pet peeve was conceited and two-faced people. His favorite foods consist of fried chicken and broiled steak.

THE CRANE FILES

Harry Gunn ran through a four-strand barbedwire fence on his motor scooter two years ago.

Two new dictionaries were purchased for the library for \$20 each four years ago.

The Crane profs were defeated by the Kermit faculty in a volleyball game seven years ago.

Crane took fourth place in the Big Lake track meet nine years ago.

The school paper, "The Crane," went to the state meet journalism finals ten years ago.

Introducing the Seniors

MARY ALICE BREWER

For our senior of the week we wish to present Mary Alice Brewer.

Mary was born in Merkel, Texas, on May 10, 1930.

Moving to Crane in 1941, she stayed for about nine months and then moved away. In 1941, she returned to Crane and is still here.

Mary has light brown hair and blue eyes. She is about 5'5" tall.

When asked what she like, Mary said, "Hawaiian music." Her chief dislike is snooty people.

For one year Mary was a member of the CHS pep squad. After graduation Mary plans to attend business school in Abilene.

C. A. Carroll, District Representative, Goes To Houston April 8-10

Mr. C. A. Carroll, Industrial Arts instructor of CHS, and Mr. L. L. Martin, superintendent, attended the annual Texas Vocational Assn. Convention at Houston, April 8-10.

Headquarters for the meeting was the Rice Hotel, and because of many requests the date of the convention this year was set so that it would not coincide with the Easter holidays as it had in previous years.

Speakers for the opening session, April 8, were Dr. L. D. Haskew, Dean of Education, University of Texas, and Mr. W. E. Lowry, executive director, State Board of Vocational Education.

Sectional meetings were held Friday morning at 9:30 o'clock and that afternoon at 2:00.

Mr. Carroll was elected district representative of the Trans-Pecos Teachers at the State Convention in Dallas next year.

Visiting of industrial arts shops in the various Houston schools comprised the first meeting of the IA Division.

While Mr. Carroll and Mr. Martin were in Houston, they planned to buy some shop equipment for the new school.

Buck Kelton Donates Beef to Senior Class; Canning Starts Sat.

As is customary, Mr. Buck Kelton, former of the McElroy Ranch, donated another calf to this year's senior class.

The beef was brought into town by Billy Kelton, Merwyn McCully, Alvin Whaley and C. M. Coker Wednesday afternoon, April 13, and was slaughtered and butchered by Raymond Weatherby, with the help of Mr. Martin, Frank Waller, Billy Kelton and Alvin Whaley.

The meat will be kept on ice until the canning of it takes place next Saturday. Then it will be consumed by the seniors of 1948 on their senior trip to California and all points west.

Crane attended the Odessa track meet but met with no success due to such high calibre men as Townsend, who took the meet practically single-handed.

The junior class wishes to announce that the parents of the juniors and seniors only will be welcome to the prom. All other people will be admitted by having their written invitation.

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WHATEVER IS, IS BY

by Ella Wheeler Wilcox

I know, as my life grows old, And mine eyes have grown sight,

That under each rattle somewhere There lies the root of life.

That each sorrow has its part, By the sorrowing oft made;

But as sure as the sun in morning, Whatever is—is best.

I know that each sinful shade, As sure as the night,

Is somewhere, sometime laid, Though the hour is late,

I know that the soul is laid, Sometimes by the heart's rest,

And to grow means often to suffer— But whatever is—is best.

I know there are no errors In the great Eternal plan,

And all things work together For the final good of man.

And I know when my soul is onward, In its grand Eternal ward,

I shall say as I look back, Whatever is—is best.

Three-Act Comedy To Be Presented By Senior Class Apr. 30

Are You Mr. Butterworth? the dominant question in now. This is the title of comedy-mystery in three acts given by the seniors on 30th.

The cast is as follows: Dan Meredith, the desk clerk; Tipton Murrell.

Tommy, the bell boy; Miller.

Kat, the elevator girl; Crownover.

Mrs. Benson—Marilyn; Mack McGinnis—Bobby Allen.

Virginia Blair—Doris; Miss Arabella Van C.

Barbara Mason. Leon Bashinsky—Merwyn Cully.

Helen Worth—Jo Ann; Sylvia Delaney—Joanne.

Katrinka Roden—Maxine; Mysterious Guest—John Ols.

Mr. Butterworth????? Director—Mrs. Elmore.

Assistant Director — Kathrin Cantrell.

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Likes and Dislikes of Boys and Girls

Since last week was Courtesy Week it brought on some ideas for themes and essays. Mrs. Cox's English classes wrote essays on the "Do's and Don'ts for Boys and Girls." The things that boys like and dislike in girls are as follows:

1. Boys dislike for girls to wear blue jeans on dates, unless the occasion calls for jeans.
2. They like girls to be dependent, and more demure.
3. Boys dislike for girls to smoke and drink.
4. Boys dislike for their dates to spend an evening discussing other boys.
5. Boys dislike girls who giggle too much.
6. Boys dislike girls who expect them to spend too much money.
7. Boys like girls to be good sports but not tough.
8. Boys like girls.

The things girls like and dislike about boys are as follows:

1. Girls like boys to dress neatly and be well-groomed.
2. Girls like boys to be attentive in small courtesies—as opening doors, etc.
3. Girls like boys who are conversationalists, but who do not want to do all the talking about themselves and their activities.
4. They like boys who are good morally and who keep their talk decent.
5. Girls like boys to make dates ahead of time, and tell where they plan to go so they may dress appropriately.
6. Girls dislike boys who drive up and honk instead of coming to the door or inside and meeting the family.
7. Girls dislike boys who are show-offs and who try to attract attention by rudeness.

Girls like boys.

GRADE SCHOOL

GRADE ONE—(Mrs. Pittman's Room):
Our room mothers gave us an Easter egg hunt and picnic. All had a good time.
Jerry Swift found the prize egg.

GRADE TWO—(Mrs. Haralson's Room):
The three sections of the second grade are working hard to present a good program this month. The program will be many folk dances.
We are reading in a new reader, "The Wonderful World of Science." We are learning a lot of new things from the reader.
Hollis Cox is our new student. He moved here from Midland.
The boys are having to work hard to beat the girls in softball.

GRADE TWO—(Mrs. Stewart's Room):
We all hated to see Robert Arnold leave. He moved to Kansas.
We had lots of fun at our Easter egg hunt. Kenneth Richardson found more eggs than any of the boys and Alta Barton found more eggs than any of the girls. Both room mothers served cold drinks for us. We enjoyed having the visitors.
We are missing Lydia Mae Wilson and Clark Wellard who have been ill for several days.
Alta Barton and Inez Pierce went to Lubbock last weekend. Donald Lee and Patricia Teague went to Iraan and Barbara Gill went to Big Lake.
Lucinda Scott was cop last week and Doris Jean Coleman is cop this week.
Vanelia Lowery was reporter for the news last time and Inez Pierce is this week's reporter.

GRADE THREE—(Mrs. Martin's Room):
We had much fun at our Easter party. We hunted eggs, played games and had refreshments. Betty Frailey and her daddy are visiting in Kansas.
Leon Richman visited his grandmother in Midland last weekend.
Let's make courtesy week an annual affair. What do you say?

Seniors Hitch Wagon To Star

In Texas history Tuesday, members of the class contributed to a discussion by revealing their plans for the future—what they intend to make of themselves, etc.
While planning their vocations and careers, Mr. Haralson, history instructor, asked that each one who plans to go to college and other schools, find out what kind of course they wish to take, consider the financial side—what costs will be incurred until qualified, what chances will be of getting employment after schooling, and what salaries they can expect.
Some planned to attend colleges, while others were undecided as to what vocation the future holds for them. The following is a list of the students who plan to attend various schools, and what they are planning to major in, each:
C. M. Coker: "I plan to major in petroleum and electrical engineering. Other subjects I will have to take will be math, English, and some other required

David Wallender and his parents visited Carlsbad Caverns on last Sunday.
Jack Dameron and his parents went fishing near Pecos last Saturday.

GRADE FIVE—(Miss Hamilton's Room):
We are studying South America in geography and are finding it very interesting. We are also studying about inventions in reading. We like the study of all those new inventions.

GRADE SIX—(Mrs. Cloud's Room):
On March 25, the two sixth grades had a very nice Easter. There were formal and ballroom. It lasted from 7:30 to 10:30. For refreshments we had sandwiches and soft drinks. Everyone had a very nice time.
In reading the teacher gave each person a paragraph and we had to make illustrations. Helen Lakin and I made a book out of them.

We are getting ready for another string of six weeks tests.

GRADE SEVEN—(Mrs. Brown's Room):
We are very sorry to hear that Bobby Wilson moved to Greenfield, Okla.
Wayne visited Richland Springs for a week.

SECOND GRADE—(Miss Rowland's Room):
We have a new boy in our room, J. H. Tollison, who is from Sweetwater.
Mickey Sue Walling has recently moved to Midland.
We are working on our assembly program, which we will have this month.

MISS ALEXANDER'S ROOM—Barbara Peek, Reporter.
We are taking our six weeks test now. We are glad everyone is here today.
Last week David Crittenden and Jimmie Lou Baker celebrated their birthdays with a very nice party at the Gulf Rec. Hall. Everyone enjoyed this a lot. Games were played and a nice refreshment was served. We all wish them many more happy birthdays.

Just a few more weeks and the seniors will be saying "California Or Bust."

Two Ex-Cranes Send In Correct Answer To Gastank Problem

In the March 16 issue of "The Crane," the geometry problem published by the Mathematicians must have been too hard because only one attempt to answer the problem was received, but this one attempt was apparently enough. It was sent to us from two ex-Cranes, Donald Barnard and Darrell Warren, and was exactly correct.
The problem that Donald and Darrell answered was the one concerning the truck gasoline tank in shape of a cylinder. In their solution to the problem they found the volume of gasoline in the tank to be 53,856 cu. ft., then multiplied this by 7.5 (no. of gals. in one cu. ft.) to get the final and correct answer—403.92 gallons of gasoline.

Both of these ex-Cranes left CHS in 1945 after receiving their diplomas, then following each other's footsteps, they both got into the paratroops division of the U. S. Army. After getting their discharges, they decided to finish their education, and once again both chose the same college, John Tarleton.

The following letter was received from the two college students, which we believe, is worthy of passing on to you:
Dear Mr. Patterson:

We read the article in The Crane about the gasoline tank problem.

We are enclosing our solution of the problem, which we believe to be correct, but we will leave this up to the judges.

We would like to state that all students who plan on being engineers will run into this type of problem in their first semester work at college.

We enjoy reading The Crane very much.

Respectfully yours,

Donald and Darrell.

Our next problem for our subscribers happens to be one concerning a balloon. It is: The angle of elevation of a balloon from a station directly south of it is 60 degrees. From a station lying 5,280 feet directly west of the first one the angle of elevation is 45 degrees. The instrument being five feet above the level of the ground. What is the height of the balloon?

We defy anyone to send us a correct answer to the above problem, and challenge any ex-Crane, in college or otherwise, to even attempt to work it.

American Historians Debate On Isolation

A debate on the subject, "The United States Should Maintain An Isolation Policy," was held Tuesday, April 13, by Mrs. Steve Filleman's American History Class.

With Bill Marlowe as chairman, Elmo Rust and Dwayne Stacy took the affirmative side of the debate, and Valco Garrett and Sammie White took the negative.

The affirmative side reported that the prices would go down if we were isolated. There would be an abundance if we weren't sending it all to Europe. They argued then that if we got into an alliance we would be forced into war if our allies went to war.

The European countries are all jealous of the United States' high standards of living.

The United States has always helped anyone. Before World War II we sent scrap iron to Japan then had it thrown back at us in the form of bombs. Now we are in a lend-lease plan to Russia.

A heavily-stressed point by the affirmative was that Communism cannot live where there are high standards of living and that in the U. S. they will gradually kill themselves.

The negative side stated that isolation would be an ideal state of existence if we could keep out of any kind of entanglement. The idea was fine when there were two oceans between us and the rest of the world, and when we raised all the food and necessities we needed. Now there are fast airplanes, rockets, navies, and atomic energy which make isolation impossible.

In the past nations have tried to raise themselves to our standards of living, or pull us down to theirs.

In reply to the Communist statement, the negative side returned to say that the Communists were gaining power, and when they get power, they will want more and more. They will

Campus Looks Like Front Line Trenches

What's this? Is the school ground becoming the site for a future battle?

To see this campus for the first time one would think an army was trenching in to battle for the next month or so, but it can't be this. Oh, no! Over these holes and trenches are to be the future site of the grade school building and the band hall. The grade school building will extend from the gym down to the corner and will then go east nearly to the fence.

Behind the office is where the band hall is being built. If you don't watch your step coming out of the office, you might step right into one of the pitfalls.

Oh! It is going to be the new school building, so who cares if they dig up the whole campus!

Where There's A Will There's A Way, But Who Willed W. T. This?

Teachers talking in loud overtones, students coming into class wiping their eyes, everyone coughing and clearing throats; well, is everyone going insane.

Not yet, but anyone but a Texan with a stubborn will and a strong mind would leave the country for new territory.

This "West Texas Rain" has really come down and around the past weeks, but no one seems wet. This dry rain—sand—has seemed to follow the wind wherever it goes, and it recently has blown around Crane, slightly.

Any stranger in these parts would be very mystified to step outside the door, take a deep breath and then cough up a cupful of sand. After he gets over his strangling, he carefully wipes out his eyes so he can see, partially, once more.

After this he is ready to resume travel with his mouth and eyes closed, his hands holding his hat and books, with nothing else bothering him except the sand sifting down his collar, into his hair, and filling his shoes.

Slightly opening one eye to see if he is about to run into anything, he is automatically blinded again.

He lets go of his hat to wipe his eye and off it goes, (the hat), flying through the air. Many minutes and many bruises later he retrieves his hat and continues his journey.

His books, forgotten by him in his anxiety to reach his hat, have blown open and his papers are scattered over Texas.

Our friend goes inside and cries, which also is a relief to his nerves and helps to clear his eyes of—what?—Rain, of course.

not stop at Europe.

History is repeating itself as anyone can see but we should not kid ourselves that our army is superior to Russia or that our arms are better than theirs. Russia keeps a standing army that is by far larger and better prepared than ours. The Russians' Josef Stalin tanks are better than any we can hope to have.

We should stay out of foreign affairs.

The judges, Mr. L. L. Martin, Mrs. L. K. Elmore, Miss Eloise Haley, cast their votes two to one in favor of the negative.

Another debate will be held by that class Thursday, April 15, on the labor question.

Miss Mary Kent, fourth grade teacher, is the envy of the faculty this week, considering the fact that she is sporting a brand new Plymouth club coupe.

Bobby North and Ronald Tallman withdrew from school the early part of this week.

A special army film was shown Wednesday morning in assembly, with the senior boys as special guests. After the film, recruiting officer Lt. McFaddin of Odessa gave a short recruiting speech on the advantages of the new army.

Pardner, come aridin' to the junior-senior banquet Friday night, April 23 (that isffen ye've got yore callin' card).

Choral Club Dance, Girls' Tag Success With Bold Belles

The Girls' tag dance was given Saturday, March 27, by the CHS Choral Club.

The girls took over the boys' duties as gentlemen once again. The daring females asked bashful CHS males of this gala affair. That wasn't all, the gals asked the guys to dance and treated them with newly acquired courtesy.

The dance was very well attended by CHS students, and many exes were seen hidden away in some dark corner.

The girls took advantage of this "May I have this dance?" night. It seems that some of the girls gave a certain guy the rush that night. No telling what would happen if the gals asked the guys for dates all year. At times it looked as if some people were playing ring-around-the-rose instead of dancing, the way they were tagging the boys.

Bill Howell took care of the music which fact was appreciated by one and all.

McCulley, Taylor Enter League Spelling Bee

Two students, Merwyn McCulley, senior, and Aubray Taylor, freshman, have been chosen to enter the inter-scholastic spelling contest which will be held at Iraan Friday at 2:00 p.m.

Cynthia Zarefonetis and Merwyn McCulley were originally the representatives chosen, but since illness came to Cynthia and she is undergoing treatment in the hospital, Aubray was chosen to substitute in her place.

Spelling papers that receive a 100 per cent grade will have a chance to be sent to Austin for state contests. They will also be judged on clearness of writing, etc.

Pistol Packing Prof Fires Point Blank Into Faces of Drowsers

Here's a warning to all students in Mrs. Cox's classes, don't go to sleep if you don't want to be shot! The rumor that she carries a gun around to shoot sleepy students, has been confirmed from such reliable sources as the freshman literature class.

This particular class happens to have literature immediately at noon, and after stuffing themselves to complete satisfaction, then they drag themselves into the classroom to await the coming of the end of the day.

After several days of talking to half-asleep students, Mrs. Cox finally, in desperation, threatened to bring a water gun to her classes and snoot with ice cold water the student who dropped off to sleep.

As most students do, the collective literature class didn't pay any attention to her warning. Then on April 13, about half way through the lecture, a few of the students were sitting there, heads on their arms, sound asleep.

Since Mrs. Cox was prepared for this situation, she got out her water gun and walked over to the desks where two girls were sleeping. Taking careful aim, she hit Lavanda Coker square in the face with a squirt of cold water. This aroused one of the girls, but after firing the rest of the water at Leatlene Idom, both were wide awake.

THE SENIOR CLASS

Puts to you the Question of The Year.

Are You Mr. Butterworth?

Learn the Hilarious Answer To this Mystery-Comedy in the Crane High School Auditorium. Afternoon Performance At 1:45 o'clock for Students, 15c and 25c.

Night Performance 8:00 for the Adults, Prices 25c and 50c.

FRIDAY, APRIL 30

Trials And Tribulations Of A Baby Sitter

In our community and school, we have a number of baby sitters. Perhaps, to most of us, this sounds like a simple job that requires nothing but valuable time.

Upon interviewing a few of our high school girls, we find that this job is not all a bed of roses, for it requires a level head, ability to entertain, and an enormous amount of patience.

"The usual routine," stated one of our career girls, "is as follows:"

Some loving mother, (whom I had promised a year ago to keep her baby on Xmas Eve), called me on the phone. "Will you please come and stay with my darling tonight? You know last year you promised you'd keep him for me."

"Well," I explained, "I have a movie planned, but..." She evidently detected no disappointment in my voice for she advised me to be there at 8:00. Being one to keep my word, I did not put up an argument.

At 8 o'clock sharp, I knocked on her door to be greeted with a "You're late. We have been ready for an hour. Now, Junior is a sweet little fellow and you be good to him. His first feeding is at nine and again at eleven."

Then followed a list of rules and be-carefuls, which to this day, I cannot remember. She said her "good-byes" and informed me she would be home at twelve o'clock and to wait up until she came; then she would take me home.

"Hello, Cutie Pie," I greeted him, wanting to make a definitely good impression so he would like me. (You don't know how much trouble it is to keep a kid that doesn't like you).

"Baw-w-w" he bellowed into my ear.

"Now, now!" I coaxed, "I won't hurt you. Come, let's you and I be friends. After all, I think you are a very sweet little boy and I certainly want to get along with you."

He evidently thought me a liar for he did not slow up nor lessen his volume, but rather gained instead.

Hours passed, twelve o'clock came, and no mother. I was thoroughly exhausted from trying to entertain that brat. (Then it was to no avail). He continued his bawling, as well as pulling my hair, tearing up my homework (which I had spent hours on), and causing me much grief.

At bedtime, he flatly refused to obey me and go to sleep. I rocked. I begged and pleaded, made horrible faces, threatened, read fables, and cried a little myself, and still—he was wider awake than ever.

When two o'clock came, and I thought I could surely stand no more, in came the most welcome person I have ever seen—the mother.

Oh, those words she used because her baby was not asleep—she invented a whole new vocabulary. Why was her darling crying? Why did I mess her house up so? Why had I not fixed a snack for them? Didn't I know they would be hungry when they returned? Why? why? why?

Being a very level-headed person and having an unusual amount of patience, I merely booted "Junior" where he needed it most, returned her volley of undignified words, and kicked the door open, leaving my first and last job as baby-sitter behind!

Thus ended the hectic evening (and career) of our career girl. There are, however, (and we feel it the only right thing to do is to tell you), many who like this kind of work, for, even though the "Juniors" are all a little vexing at times, they are finding newer and more effective ways of handling them—namely, padding.

School is out in five more weeks and three days. Sounds good, eh?

The journalism class is looking forward to their trip to Austin.

Did you notice any difference in the students during Courtesy Week?

You know the annuals were promised before school was out. Let's hope they get here.

The Choral Club did allright at Odessa, winning three seconds.

Have you heard the name of the senior play? It's "Are You Mr. Butterworth?" Who he is no one knows except Mr. Butterworth.

Our campus is getting torn up a little, don't you think?

The new high school building is beginning to take shape, or had you noticed?

Dishwater Hands Rare Among Profs' Wives; But Pity The Poor Professor Himself

The dishwashers of a home are very important, did you know it? They really are. In most homes the children wash the dishes but what if there are no children or only children that are small.

Most of you would say then the wife should wash them. But do they? By interviewing some of the male teachers of CHS here is what we found out when they were asked, "Do you wash dishes for your wife?"

Bill Haralson: When I get caught and have to. Sometimes I can't get out of it.

Doug Chrane: I definitely don't. But—I'm not saying I wouldn't.

Paul Patterson: I have to.

L. L. Martin: No, I cook breakfast for her.

C. A. Carroll: Postively not.

E. M. Sonneburg: When I'm forced. When it happens, it is by brute force.

These teachers' wives must be slave drivers making their husbands wash dishes and light the fires on cold mornings. Whoops.

(You must realize that the males said more but we can't print that because we might be minus a few teachers.)



Haralson Attends Clinic On Football Injuries

Attending a one-day clinic in Abilene last week on methods of treating athletic injuries, given by Chuck Cramer, Mr. Bill Haralson stated that he received much excellent advice and many helpful suggestions on this subject.

From 50 to 60 high school coaches were in Abilene to attend this clinic.

Mr. Cramer, salesman of Cramer Products for athletic injuries, was an excellent lecturer as well as a demonstrator of these products. He discussed methods of taping, training room methods, and different uses of Cramer products. He had actual demonstrations in various kinds of taping and taping patterns.

Also included in his lectures was advice about training and the need for it if a boy was competing in sports. He said boys not competing did not have to stay in shape as much as boys playing various sports, as their bodies did not have the physical strain to contend with.

He told a story of a referee who was accidentally knocked down by a player in a basketball game. Mr. Cramer ran out to see if he was injured and asked him if he was hurting anywhere. The man opened his eyes and said his leg was hurting. As Mr. Cramer looked into the referee's eyes, he saw the pupils were drawn into tiny pin points, and he knew then the man was in great pain. Without moving him, they phoned for the ambulance and carried him to the hospital. His leg was broken just above the knee.

Eight Crane Tracksters Qualified For Regional

Eight of the tracksters who participated in the District Track meet at Stockton, qualified for the regional meet to be held in Odessa, April 24.

To be able to compete in the regional meet each boy must have placed in some particular event. First, second and third places were declared eligible for the regional.

The following boys from Crane will get to represent CHS in the meet April 24.

Whaley—placed second in shot put at district meet.

Bradley—placed first in mile relay.

Pearce—placed first in mile relay and third in 100-yard dash.

Best—placed third in discus throw.

Coker—placed third in 440-yd. dash, first in mile relay.

Waller—first in 440-yd. dash and first in mile relay.

Holcomb—second in 220 yard dash.

Ward—second in discus throw, third in low hurdles.

In the regional meet the Crane boys will have to compete only with other Class B district winners. This includes the same districts that Crane had to compete with football, plus a few towns located north of Odessa.

Band Places First For Sight Reading; Second In Marching

Participating in the Annual State Contest for High School Bands in Odessa on April 3, the Crane band was given a first place rating in sight reading, a second in marching, and a third in concert playing. Also, many of its members came home with individual first place medals.

Of the three who entered twirling Corky Harris placed first, Charlotte Schlittler, second, and June Crownover, third.

The mixed clarinet quartet was given a first place rating, and other individual clarinet ratings went to Lanell Murrell for a second, Ruth Nolan and Wanda Leclair a third each.

The brass sextet won a second place honor, and Lacy Pittman placed first on the French horn.

Eighteen senior high school bands and six junior high bands were represented in this contest, Odessa being the only band to place in everything.

The judges for this event were Milburn E. Carey, Enid, Okla.; Earl D. Irons, N. T. A. C., Arlington, Texas; Alto Latum, Gladewater High School, Gladewater, Texas.

GIRL'S ANGLE

Crane placed three players on the winning list in the District Tennis Meet. Those winning were: Merwyn McCully, playing senior singles; Jimmie Neal Stacy, playing junior single; and Doris Collins, playing junior singles.

Doris and Merwyn will participate in the regional meet that is to be held in Odessa Saturday, April 24.

Stockton got to keep the tennis trophy as they won more points than any other town. Crane won second as a team.

The Crane track team won the third place in the district meet at Stockton last Saturday, April 10, with Iraan winning first and Stockton second.

Collins, McCully, Stacy Win 1st in District Title

The Crane Tennis Association went to McCamey last Saturday, April 10, to participate in the district, and came away with second place as a team.

Merwyn McCully, playing senior singles, Jimmy Neal Stacy, playing junior singles, and Doris Collins, playing senior singles, were the only three first place winners from Crane.

Merwyn McCully tramped Iraan in the finals when he defeated his opponent 6-0, 6-0, 6-0. The senior boys were to play three out of five sets in the finals.

Doris Collins defeated Stockton 5-7, 6-0, 6-0 in two out of three sets.

Grandfalls won the senior doubles by outlasting Stockton in the finals 6-1, 6-3, 6-0.

Stockton's senior doubles, Nancy and Mary Lou Mayes, defeated Rankin 6-2, 6-3 for the district title.

Jimmie Neal Stacy copped the district crown of junior singles when he conquered Iraan 6-0, 6-0.

The girl from Grandfalls had a tough time trying to convince Rankin that she was the better woman, but she won the junior singles 6-4, 2-6, 6-4.

Stockton defeated Iraan in junior boys doubles to the tune of 6-1, 6-4.

Iraan and Rankin played a hard-fought match for junior girls doubles but when the last point was played, Iraan won 6-4, 6-4.

Stockton had an outstanding group of elementary players as they took the title of district elementary boys and girls doubles and elementary boys and girls singles by defeating Crane in all four matches. The scores were: elementary boys singles, 3-1, 6-3; elementary girls singles, 6-0, 6-0; elementary boys doubles, 7-5, 6-3; and elementary girls doubles, 6-2, 4-6, 7-5.

Stockton won the district trophy with 49 points, Crane placing second with 23 points. Grandfalls, Rankin, and Iraan took third, fourth, and fifth places respectively.

Miniature tennis balls were given to first place winners of the senior division with second place winners receiving red ribbons.

The elementary first place winners also received pins with statues of tennis players on them. Second place winners were awarded red ribbons.

Doris Collins and Merwyn McCully will be the only two represented from Crane in the regional meet that is to be held in Odessa Saturday, April 24.

Mr. M. C. Brice's mother, Mrs. Mary S. Hagar, passed away last week and was buried in Richland Springs. While Mr. Brice was gone, Mr. J. W. Faulk replaced him.

Crane Downs Pyote In Practice Matches

Mr. Douglas Chrane and a few of the tennis kids journeyed to Pyote last Thursday, April 1, to play a few practice matches, winning seven out of eight.

Merwyn McCully defeated his opponent by a great majority, taking two sets 6-1, 6-3.

Jimmie Neal Stacy had a little difficulty in trying to persuade his opponent that he was the better man, but when the last point was played, Jimmie came out the winner in two out of three sets 6-3, 2-6, 7-5.

The senior boys' doubles division, played by John Hickey and Bill Teague, came out on top with two out of three sets 7-5, 6-2.

Art Boothe and John Clark had a little hard luck when Pyote defeated them 1-6, 4-6.

Eddie Tallman and Clovis Lewis were feeling high in the air when they defeated their opponents in junior boys' doubles 6-1, 6-2. Clovis later played junior singles winning two sets 6-0, 6-1.

Doris Collins, playing senior girls' singles, overcame her opponent two out of three sets by a margin of 6-1, 6-3.

Betty Henderson, after a long, hard battle, came out undefeated, winning two sets 6-3, 9-7.

Crane Track Team Breaks Relay Record, Wins Third In Dist.

In the District 7B track meet held in Fort Stockton on April 10, the Crane track squad set a new record for the mile relay and came from behind to place third in district.

This new record was set by the team consisting of Speck Pierce, C. M. Coker, Don Bradley, and Frank Waller, and their time was 3 minutes 47.2 seconds.

The old record was 3 minutes and 49 seconds.

Other first places taken by the Cranes were the 440 yd. dash and the 440 relay. However, the latter race is disqualified because of complaints by Iraan.

100 yd. dash—Akin, Imperial; Pollard, Stockton; Pierce, Crane; and Zafarionetis, Crane; time 10.5.

Shot put—Martin, Iraan; Whaley, Crane; Pollard, Stockton; and Akin, Imperial; 37 feet, 7 1-2 inches.

High jump—Nix, Stockton; Suddy, Stockton; and Warden, Iraan; Holcomb, Crane; 5 feet 8 inches.

Pole vault—Warden, Iraan; Caldwell, Iraan; Minear, Stockton; Suddy, Stockton; 8 feet 7 inches.

440 relay—Iraan (Huddleston, Conney, Whitefield and Cox), Stockton and Imperial; time 48.1.

Discus—Pollard, Stockton; Ward, Crane; Best, Crane; and Atkins, Stockton; 106 feet.

High Hurdles—Whitefield, Iraan; Wells, Grandfalls; Scudday, Stockton; Martin, Iraan; 16.5.

880 yd. dash—McCarver, Iraan; Grammar, Imperial; Harrall, Ft. Stockton; Phemister, Crane; 2.16.

Mile run—Blaine, Imperial; Howard, Stockton; Hefley, Iraan; Best, Crane; 4:52.2. New record.

Mile relay—Crane, (Waller, Pierce, Coker, and Bradley); and Iraan; time 3:46.2. New record.

220 yd. low hurdles—Whitefield, Iraan; Martin, Iraan; Ward, Crane; Lujan, Grandfalls; 25.5.

Crane won the junior section of the meet with Iraan second and Ft. Stockton third.

Iraan won the meet with a total of 53 1-2 points and Stockton placed second with 37 1-2 points.

KIRK KIDD SUFFERS INJURY TO TWO FINGERS

Kirk Kidd almost lost the two middle fingers of his left hand Tuesday morning around 11:30 when his hand was caught in the fan belt of a jeep.

Ten stitches saved the loss of the almost amputated fingers. The youth received treatment at the Robinson Hospital.

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Well, it looks good to see the track team winning some meets, maybe it means that they are going to take the district. You know that they beat the McCamey speedsters the other day pretty bad.

Now that volleyball is over, all the girls have to do is play tennis. Here's hoping that they get to go to state this year. They only compete with class B teams this year too.

The trophy case is full but maybe the track team will put some more in it, for the new one will have plenty of space.

Well, it looks like the football boys are gradually going soft and the girls are getting their jackets to wear, as it is getting too hot for the boys to wear them. Bet they wish they had them next year.

The mile relay team had a good time in the dual meet with McCamey the other day. Perhaps this means that they will win the district this year.

Well, Coker and Waller are still battling over who will win the 440-yard dash this year. I guess the district meet will tell that.

New Texts Adopted In Twelve Courses

The seniors are going to be disappointed in that they will not get to use all the new text books that have been adopted by the Crane school system for the next year.

The teachers selected new books for the following subjects: world history, Spanish I, Spanish II, grammar I, grammar II, grammar III, grammar IV, speech, biology, general science, trigonometry and new books for home ec.—one each for both food and clothing.

Public Safety is a new subject being offered next year, and there is a new book for that.

In the State of Texas, books stay in adoption for three year periods after which time different ones may be adopted if the teachers so desire.

"The Crane" Chosen As Typical Class 'C' Paper For Analysis

According to a letter received from Mr. Bluford Hestir, assistant director of ILPC, The Crane has been selected to represent all Class C papers in a critical analysis at the Interscholastic League Press Convention in Austin May 7-8.

Mr. Hestir will conduct a 20-minute analysis of the typical Class C papers, the purpose of which is to point out the strong and weak points of each.

In his letter, Mr. Hestir revealed that this analysis may prove embarrassing to the staff members involved, but the purpose is to better high school journalism.

The typical class A paper chosen for the analysis was the "Sunset Stampede," Dallas, and the class B paper selected was the Kingsville High School paper, Kingsville.

D. Chrane Engages Matches With Alpine

The tennis association, with its sponsor, Mr. Douglas Chrane, engaged some of the college students at Sul Ross in a few practice matches last week and came out the winner in all but two departments.

Those who went to Alpine were Jimmie Neal Stacy, Merwyn McCully, Bill Teague, John Hickey, Betty Henderson and Doris Collins.

Jimmie Neal and Merwyn played two of the college students in two out of three sets with the Cranes winning 6-0, 6-1. Merwyn then played Olton Poole three hard-fought sets, with Mert the undefeated champion, taking the sets 6-2, 6-2, 9-7.

Bill Teague and John Hickey tied with two Alpine boys, the sets standing 5-7, 6-4. For some reason or other, they didn't get to finish their match.

Doris Collins played Novis Arning, the tennis instructor, and came out winner, defeating her 6-2, 6-1.

Betty Henderson had a little hard luck when she was defeated by a student of Sul Ross. She played two sets, losing them 4-6, 5-7.

"GONE WITH THE WIND"

As the big winds blow, something falls, and in this case Mrs. Hughes' windmill received the punishment.

One of the blades collapsed and caused the wheel to fold up. The mechanism inside the gear box was not damaged, but Mrs. Hughes is not going to have it repaired because she receives her water from the city main.

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McCamey Defeated By Crane 54 To 44 Points In Dual Track Meet

Crane outlasted McCamey in a dual track meet Thursday, April 1, 54 to 44, in the senior division. The Crane juniors were overcome 29 to 15.

The results of the meet are as follows:

SENIOR DIVISION:
100 yd. dash—First and second, Zafarionetis, Crane, and Courtney, McCamey; third, Gregory, McCamey; time 10.7.

Discus—First, Ward, Crane, second, Whaley, Crane; third, Courtney, McCamey; fourth, Driscoll, McCamey, and distance? 440-yd. dash—First, Waller, Crane; second, Coker, Crane; third, Barber, McCamey. Time 53.5.

Shot Put—First, Whaley, Crane; second, Barber, McCamey; third, Garrett, Crane; fourth, Coker, Crane; distance, 3512".

880 yd. dash—First, Fambrough, McCamey; second, Phemister, Crane; third, Bradberry, McCamey; time 2:08.5.

High Jump—First, Holcomb, Crane; second and third, Waller, Crane, and Pauley, McCamey.

220-yd. dash—First Zafarionetis, Crane; second, Pearce, Crane; third, Courtney, McCamey.

Mile run—Jack Perry, McCamey; second and third, McCamey; 440 relay—First, McCamey; second, Crane.

Mile relay—First, Crane; second, McCamey; time 3:49.5.

JUNIOR DIVISION:
50 yd. dash—First, Stokes, McCamey; second, Ingram, Crane; third, Taylor, Crane, and Patterson, McCamey.

100-yd. dash—First, Stokes, McCamey; second, Ingram, Crane; third, Garrison; fourth, Taylor, Crane.

High jump—First, Hunt, McCamey; second and third, Pendleton, Crane, and Stokes, McCamey.

440 relay—First, McCamey; second, Crane.

Annuals In And Out

The annuals have arrived and will be issued this afternoon.

Miss Haley, sponsor, says, "My chief aim was to get the annuals here before school was out, and they are here. With an inexperienced staff, I think they have done very well. I hope the annuals will be satisfactory to everyone."

With some experienced members and better cooperation between students and faculty, the annuals next year should be better than ever.



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