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By J. D. YOUNG

I would say something about world wide affairs but since everyone knows about ex-king Edward, I won't.

Court adjourned Monday after a verdict of not guilty for the cookie swiper, Christy Brookover.

But here's inside dope from one who was watching thru the keyhole; the jury had to toss a coin to prevent a hung jury, otherwise it might have been a hung defendant.

The journalism room was taken over by the history classes. I guess those slysters, lawyers needed more room to fight in.

I'm willing to bet that Mr. Hart won't get anything he asked for in his letter, because after asking for Christmas Spirits, Santa will know that he hasn't been a good boy.

According to the fans that attended the basketball games during the week-end, the Crane boys wouldn't have a chance if they were playing the girls.

After seeing those girls make almost every goal they shot at, I more than agree with them.

The students and teachers of Crane High School will have vacation from today until January 4, but not so with Miss Herring. She will continue to work on through the holidays.

With her it's business before pleasure.

"McCown goes to town," was the slug line on the story Dick Allen wrote about Mr. McCown going to a Lubbock music clinic.

It seems that Dick took over the band and directed it in his own way. Nice goin' Richard.

I see the teachers became all energetic and wrote letters to Santa Claus.

If I were asking, I'd ask for news, and lots of it.

What's this about a blonde being lost? She has soft blue eyes, flowing blonde hair and the prettiest white teeth you ever saw. Don't get excited boys, it's only Miss McCade's cat. As much as I try, I can't keep animals out of this paper.

Well, I've got lots of Christmas business to attend to. Like we (the English IV class) said in our assembly program last week, "And miles to go before I sleep, and miles to go before I sleep."

Baptist Choir Gives Christmas Cantata

A Christmas cantata was presented Monday night at the Baptist Church by the choir, directed by Albert Byrd.

The choir loft was beautifully decorated in white. Cotton, snow and candles helped in presenting an atmosphere of Christmas. An angel and holly formed the background for the choir. On the right side of the loft was a silver and blue tree and on the left the piano.

At 8 p. m. the choir took their places to the music of "Shepherds of Bethlehem" played by Mrs. D. H. Hubbard, pianist. The program opened with Bobby Ervin singing "Low in a Manger." Between numbers sung by the choir, special features were given. They included a duet, "Star of the East," sung by Mrs. B. W. Ervin and Carol Kidd; a musical recitation, "Star Divine," given by Mrs. S. F. Robinson; and a trio consisting of Mrs. C. Leatherwood, Miss Sue Killian, and Miss Carol Kidd, who sang "Shepherds in the Hush of Night."

The benediction was given by Reverend Philip Brown. Among the other carols was an anthem "O Night of Holy Memory" in which Mrs. Boyd took the solo part.

The interior decoration was done by Miss Virginia Keim. Mrs. W. W. Boyd was assistant director for the program.

O'Banion Praises High School Excellent

No Adverse Criticism Mars Record Of Institution

Commendations for Crane High School for its fine rating by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools were received yesterday in a letter from J. W. O'Banion, assistant State Superintendent and Director of Supervision.

In his letter to Supt. Bankston, Mr. O'Banion said: "I wish to congratulate you and your board of education for the very excellent record of your high school. The vote of the Central Reviewing Committee, on your school was unanimous, and did not carry a single criticism of your institution. In this remarkable showing, please accept the congratulations of the State Executive Committee of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools."

Although the administrative and supervisory systems of Crane High School have before been approved by the Central Reviewing Committee by unanimous vote, this is the first time that the school has not been criticized upon a single point.

Mr. O'Banion also said, "I am very pleased to notify you that at the annual session of the Central Reviewing Committee of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools held in Richmond, Virginia from Dec. 1-3, your high school was elected to membership in the Southern Association for the current year."

Especially significant is Crane High School's rating by the Southern Association, for its means unqualified recognition of the school's work in the Southern Association, or university in the United States.

Who? Where? What? When? Why? And How?

By J. T. Butler

Blondy's lost! Who will get the reward? What reward? Who's Blondy? Why that little teacher Miss McCade will give a big reward of 50 cents to the lucky person who returns her orange and white striped kitten unharmed and untouched.

The little booger disappeared from her room at the Blair Hotel while she was away Thanksgiving and hasn't been seen nor heard tell of since. There was a hole in the window screen thru which he could have escaped. Who knows? He might have walked through the window taking panes as he went.

It seems that the kitten was seven weeks old when he vanished and should be about 11 weeks old now. It was said that "Blondy" has a pedigree as long as the years in Miss McCade's age. We wonder.

It seems that his mother was a female and his father was a male. They had long, fine, fluffy hair and evidently lived a cat's life.

This creature has four legs, four feet, two eyes, two ears, a nose and mouth, a head, body, and tail, and hair that is orange and white colored, and long, fine, and fluffy. This gorgeous clavier answers to the name of "Blondy."

Blondy sees with two eyes, hears with two ears, smells with his nose, and eats with his mouth. He also walks on four feet, shakes his head and wags his tail.

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of this animal, cat kingdom please return him to the address of Miss McCade, along a friend to help him home that big reward of 50 cents. Adv.

Tea Sets, Serapes Made For Christmas

Small Christmas gifts of tea sets, serapes, and wood plaques were made in art by Mrs. Hick's class. The serapes and tea sets were made of yarn on a hand made loom. The wood plaques were sawed, sand papered, designed, and then chipped with a blunt nail and a hammer. The gifts are very nice and the pupils really enjoyed working on them.

After the gifts were made, each pupil figured the cost of what he made. A composition was then written about the article containing spelling, English, writing and arithmetic.



Crane Basketball Boys Win Over Wink With 31-34 While Girls Play 26-26 Deadlock In Saturday Nite Tilts

Special Program Is Assembly Feature Orchestra Furnishes Off Stage Music For Program

The High School assembly was filled with students and their parents and friends Tuesday night December 22, at 7:45. The attraction was a play called "Why the Chimes Rang" presented by the Dramatic Arts Class.

The play was very well produced and was greatly enjoyed by all who attended. The plot of the play was taken from the well-known story of the same name. It showed how a very small offering given in a truly humble spirit will mean much more than a rich offering haughtily given.

The cast of the production consisted of: Holger played by R. V. Wilson; Sloene played by Doris Damron; J. T. Butler acted as Erekiel; Two Old Women were played by Geneva Wallin and Geraldine Hutchinson. Odie Boyd played the priest; A Lady in Red was played by Christine Brewer. The Courtier, King, and Angel were played by Frank Reddick, Hershel Boyd, and Norris Hall respectively.

New Wood Supply Received For Shop

A new supply of gum wood, maple, and cedar has been received for shop work. The more talented students are allowed to use the hardwoods, while the "beginners" use the less expensive wood.

The cedar chest that five different pupils are making will be finished soon. Copper moulding is being put at each corner for decoration purposes.

The class as a whole is doing very satisfactory work.

Teacher Ask Santa For Rag Dolls, Pink Slacks, New Editor

dear Sandy Clas,
I have ben a gud lil tot an Vi thot U wud bring Me what I wan fer Crismas.
Plez bring me a pair of pink slaks and some danzing slippers and lots of canxy and nerts. I love to danz.
Thas al
Yours,
Mrs. rendal.

dear Sandy Claws;
Pliz bring me uh swell nu Shoily Temple dame, a purpy that won't bite me s'much, and a nu red ribbon t'fix my chic hare dres; also bring me a nu mane-curing set. I would lik t'have sum finger nale polish t'mach that ducky ribbon. If i forgit anything bring that'er to.
Your lil nex Crismys

Hershel Boyd, Lyda Harbison Score High Points

Playing in the Wink gym, the Crane boys cage team defeated the Wink boys to the score of 34 to 31, winning the game they have won this season, and the girls tied the Wink girls with a score of 26 to 26.

The girls played the first game and the score at the half was 16 to 18 in favor of the Crane girls. The Wink girls seemed to get the better part of the last half making ten points while Crane made only eight. When the game ended the score was 26 to 26.

The boys started at 8 o'clock and the boys took the lead and held it throughout the game. The score of the boys game was 34 to 31 and at the half the boys were leading the Wink boys by two points, the score being 18 to 16 in favor of Crane.

This was the first game the boys have won this season, and they have lost two games. The girls have won one, lost one and tied one.

The line-up in the girls game was:
CRANE— Pos. Fg. Ft. P. T. Tl.
Wallin f. 4 0 0 8
Harbison f. 6 4 1 16
Womack f. 1 0 0 2
Damron g. 0 0 2 0
Seger g. 0 0 0 0
Henderson g. 0 0 1 0

WINK— Pos. Fg. Ft. P. T. Tl.
Hornor f. 6 1 0 14
Fields f. 2 0 1 4
Garlington f. 4 2 0 3
Griggs g. 0 0 0 0
Graham g. 0 0 2 0
Robertson g. 0 0 0 0

The line-up for the boys game was:
CRANE— Pos. Fg. Ft. P. T. Tl.
Boyd f. 8 4 0 20
Morris f. 1 0 0 2
Williams g. 1 0 3 2
Brandon g. 2 2 2 6
Stevens g. 2 0 2 4

WINK— Pos. Fg. Ft. P. T. Tl.
Mitchell f. 2 0 2 4
Ezell f. 0 0 0 0
Hobgett g. 0 1 0 1
Gallahan g. 1 0 0 2
Reese g. 0 1 0 1

High School Library To Get New Books

Novels For Young Readers Stressed In Order

"The Daring Young Man on the Flying Trapeze," "Cruelty to Words" and "Big Money" are among the new books ordered for the library. One hundred twenty-eight dollars worth of books were ordered and will probably be on the shelf Jan. 4, 1937.

Books for younger children were stressed in this order. One of the best known of the new novels for younger readers is "The White Buffalo Robe" by Schultz. The author joined a tribe of Blackfeet Indians and lived among them for years; thus his books have the atmosphere of truth rather than fiction and his descriptions of Indian life is valuable for its accuracy and lack of exaggeration.

"An American Doctor's Odyssey" was ordered also. As a boy Dr. Heiser was miraculously saved from the Johnstown flood. An orphan, he fought his way to a medical education, and was accepted by the U. S. Health Service. The book tells of his work as immigration inspector in Naples and in the Philippines.

Another book of special interest is "Uncharted Ways" by Sneedecker. This book has a well made plot and an authentic background of American history; and is a beautiful and fast moving book.

Several books on travel were ordered; they included "Around the World in Eleven Years" by Abbe Richard, "Glorious Adventures" by Halliburton, and "Three-Wheeling Through Africa" by Wilson.

"Moviemakers" by Flaherty is an unusually good book which describes the functioning of the great moving picture studios.

Commence After Last Class W. T. Strange of Big Spring The 'Other Wise Man' at 11:15

Teaching To Leave Town For Holiday Various Destinations Attract Faculty Members

Many members of the faculty will visit with relatives and friends only in the state while two will be contented to stay at home with their families.

Mrs. Renell, Home Economics teacher, and Mrs. Kenneth Blackford, primary teacher, will remain at home.

Denton will claim Miss Carol Kidd where she will enjoy a visit with her family. Miss Keim will visit home as well as visiting friends in Houston. This favorite city will also receive Miss Gosney who will visit with her family and friends.

Mrs. Joe Young with her mother, Mrs. M. T. Webster, will be hostess of Ely Pepper Hall of Belton, Texas. They also will go on a sightseeing trip to Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick will visit their parents in Winnsboro and Rhonessboro, Texas respectively.

Miss Lida Lea will visit in Wichita Falls while Mrs. Jack Young will invade Big Springs and Lamesa.

The city of Abilene will have as its guests, Miss McDade who will visit with her family, and Miss Su Carroll who will spend a few days with her sister, Mrs. Howard Miller, before going to Dallas to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Carroll.

Miss Clara Singer will go to Olden, Texas to visit her mother and "other places."

Colorado, Texas will be the destination of Miss Pearson where she will associate with her family and many friends.

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Students Look Forward Eagerly To Christmas

By Elton Pitts

The Christmas holidays are days looked forward to by the students of Crane's schools. By the time Christmas comes around all the students, and teachers too, become Christmas conscious. The smaller children begin having dreams of Santa Claus. If they have been good they dream of toys; toys of all descriptions, kinds and makes. If they have been bad, maybe they don't dream of toys without a lingering fear of an empty sock on Christmas morn.

Of course the larger students and the teachers think of getting other things, watches, rings and pretty clothes.

Some people have the idea that this time of year is for exchanging presents, but to give and receive is not the main idea at all. Christmas is observed for the purpose of celebrating the birth day of Christ and to remember that he was born for the purpose of helping and aiding man. Therefore, on Christmas day we should think of more than just eats, presents and having a general good time; we should think about Christ and all he did for us.

Along about this time of year visions of turkey, pies, cakes, cranberry, etc., begin swimming before our eyes. Since Thanksgiving has just passed and we remember the good food that at that time they look forward to another holiday.

As for letting our students become

you are out shooting ducks and having fun to get serious while and remembering Christmas is really

Brother-Sister Club Will Be Organized

A big Brother and sister club has been organized in Mrs. Hick's room. The object of this is for those who are doing good work to help those who are not. In this way the best pupils will have a chance to learn more thoroughly and the others will be able to stay up with them. This plan will be used mostly in reading, spelling, and arithmetic.

The doors of Crane Public Schools will be closed at four o'clock today for the Christmas holidays and will reopen January 4. An appropriate talk, The Other Wise Man, given by W. T. Strange of Big Spring in a special assembly today at 11:15.

The high points of the interesting story to be told by Mr. Strange are as follows:

The Other Wise Man
Nine great men were gathered together discussing a strange sign of the stars which had just happened.

One in this group called Artaban said that he and his three helpers had interpreted this happening as when two certain stars were broken apart a very bright star appeared, and he said it means a new king of the Jews would be born that night.

Artaban said his three companions would wait only a certain length of time for him to join them in hunting the new king so he would leave soon.

The other eight men did not believe him and would not go with him. Artaban sold everything he had for three diamonds to give to the new king of the Jews.

On his way to meet the three wise men he encountered a wounded man and gave him medicine and one of his diamonds so the poor man could get well again and have something to live on.

Artaban is left Artaban not being at the appointed place at the appointed time, the three wise men went on. Artaban followed and came to a town where he saw a woman and children could be seen.

He asked a young mother with a baby in her arms where the men were and found that the king might take their possessions and maybe their lives away from them so the men were hiding with their sheep.

Then the king's men rode into the town killing all of the babies. When they came to the house where the young woman was hiding with her baby Artaban went to the door and gave the general one of his diamonds for he and his army to pass on.

For 33 years Artaban followed Christ never seeing him but still had hope and one diamond which he had to give him. In all these years while on his journey Artaban helped many poor people and healed many sick.

Artaban Meets Christ
When he had just about given up hope of seeing the king he heard that they were going to crucify the king of the Jews along with two thieves.

The now gray headed Artaban started toward the place of crucifixion. When he arrived they were going to kill Jewish girl and the girl seeing that Artaban was a Jew asked him to save her. So he gave her his last diamond. At this time there was a terrible earthquake and Artaban was hit on the head by a stone.

While he was dying with his head in the lap of the Jew girl which he had just saved, the king of the Jews spoke to him and said that it was better to give than to receive.

Boy Scouts Prepare Old Toys For Santa

Repairs have been made on approximately 75 toys by the Boy Scouts and manual training classes. The toys were repaired and painted bright colors and resemble new toys in every way.

The assortment includes wagons, guns, airplanes, dolls and stoves. Appeals were made to the school pupils and citizens to donate all used or new toys to the Boy Scouts who, with the help of the Manuel training boys, are sincerely thanked for their interest in this good act.

Nearly every child in the grade school contributed several toys and many high school and outsiders contributed their share. These contributors, the Boy Scouts, and the Manuel training boys are sincerely thanked for their interest in this good act.

The Journalism and Social Science class rooms have exchanged one for the other. Room No. 23 (old history room) is now the Typing and Journalism room and room No. 22 is now the Social Science Lab.

The Social Science classes are much larger than the Typing classes so they require more room.

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THE CRANE'S CREED

The Crane promises:
To be strong that nothing can disturb his peace of mind.
To talk health, happiness, and prosperity to every person he meets; to make all his friends feel that there is something in them; to look at the sunny side of everything and make his optimism come true.
To think only of the best; to work only for the best; and to expect only the best.
To be as enthusiastic about the success of others as his own; to forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.
To live creature he meets a smile.
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 trouble.
—YOU ARE A CRANE!

REPUTATION AS RELIABLE PERSON IS DESIRABLE IN FUTURE LIFE

Do you have a reputation as a reliable person? Unless you have shown you are dependable in the past, an opportunity to prove your reliability in the future may be given to another.
When a man gives his word to do something, he should stick to it. When you give your word on something that makes one and maybe many people who are depending on you. Should you fail to keep your promise, you might wreck the lives, or cost the lives of many people.
Reliability is within the reach of all; not an elusive quality to be had by only a few.
Begin today to train yourself to be reliable. If you give someone your word to do something, then do it if you possibly can. Of course this does not mean to ride rough shod over everyone to do it but if it is an honorable thing, keep your word.
Show that you are reliable in your school, home, social and work life. Have the satisfaction of knowing you can be depended upon as well as to depend upon yourself.
Sometimes some unforeseen incident will happen to prevent you from keeping your word. If so you should tell the person whom you gave your word and explain the situation to him.—ELTON PITTS.

NEW SYSTEM OF STUDENT REPORTING IS GREAT SUCCESS

The new system of student achievement reporting in Crane schools, where a student is now graded on his ability as a citizen as well as a student, is a success.
Where, before the student was graded only on his papers, exams, and attitude, he is now graded also on his attitude toward his fellow students, his behavior on the grounds, and his ability to qualify as a citizen in his daily life.
This system has been adopted by many of the schools in this district. Grand Falls is one of the schools which has put this system in use. It promises to be very successful and very well liked by the students. The students will like the system because it will give each pupil a chance to show his ability as a good mixer.—ELTON PITTS.

JUNIOR-SENIOR FOOTBALL GAME CRY OF HIGH STUDENTS

The question of a football game between the Juniors and Seniors has been discussed by the students every since the football season closed.
Most of the Juniors are willing to tackle the big Seniors. The Seniors are more than willing to get a chance at the tricky little Juniors.
The game could be played on the "El Ave" field and a small fee could be charged. Most of the school would attend a football game of this sort. Many business men are also interested in seeing a Junior and Senior football game.
The money received from this game could be used for the Junior and Senior banquet, or any other form of amusement or entertainment that the two classes wished.
The game could be played some holiday or some evening after school and therefore avoid having to pay for the use of the lights, only money for advertisement would have to be paid out of the gate receipts.
The Juniors and seniors realize that it will soon be time for them to have a banquet and it is time that some money should be raised for this event.
A football game between the Juniors and Seniors would be very likely to draw a pretty big crowd and should make more than enough money to have their banquet.—LEE PADGETT.

REALIZES BRIGHT FUTURE AHEAD CRANE FLYS FOREVER FORWARD

The forever flying Crane realizes that it will be one of the greatest and most progressive years since it was discovered.
The year 1937 will bring Crane citizens to realize the future of Crane looks brighter than ever before.
Citizens of Crane will recall when they thought some day be just another "oil field ghost town," progressing and growing bigger and better every day.
The Crane thinks of many projects to help build up the town of Crane.
These are just a few of the many projects that would improve the town of Crane.
Some citizens think that these improvements would be impossible for such a small county as Crane. Sometimes the impossible happens, and with all of the wealth from the oil and ranching industry the Crane's future is indeed bright.
The year 1937 will make the Crane look back and see how the school, churches, and businesses of Crane have progressed in the last few years.
Each year the mighty Crane will fly onward toward a brighter and more progressive year.
The year 1937 will evidently see the Crane farther along his road to progress than he has ever before gone.
Youths of today watch their fathers and mothers helping further the Crane's progress and are inspired. Future youths will also help the flying Crane, and that is the reason he grows mightier each year, and why citizens of Crane look into the future with hope and renewed interest.—LEE PADGETT.

Between The Bookends

By Sammie Nell Craig

O PIONEERS
By Silla Sibert Cather

THE AUTHOR:
Willa Cather was born in 1876 and is still living as far as records show. He is an American novelist who became widely known through a series of stories dealing with Scandinavian life in the Middle West.

THE SETTING:
The setting of the story was in

DORA'S DIARY

Dec. 11, 1936

Dear Diary,

Your lovely pages should never have to be filled with the awful old scandal of Crane High but you know how it is these kids are always doing something to get disgraced (?) over.

Dec. 12, 1936

Phyllis Bosworth comes running up asking me to write in her memory book which she got for her birthday. "Oh it is a cute little book," I tell her. (If another person comes around with one of those things I'll be forced to throw it at them.)

Dec. 13, 1936

I'm asking you, my diary, what would you do if your date took a sudden notion to bite your neck? I guess you'd do the same thing a certain Cranette did—bite him back.

These conceited football boys—did you notice the way they acted when they found their names right in the middle of the scandal columns?

Dec. 14, 1936

I come to school all in a good humor ready to start my good deeds and some dumb somebody comes up and says "Did you happen to see your latest flame at the show last night with another female?" I politely tells them that our romance is on the rocks and go on about my business. Then I happen to think "Wonder if HE was with some other dame?" I become very violent. I look up from my work and hear a very sweet voice ask me for a date and all is forgotten as I modestly answer "Come for me at eight."

Dec. 15, 1936

I'm sure you have all heard about our new lawyers in school. If you get into any trouble such as snitching cookies (eh, Christy) ask my advice and settle it out of court.

Joyce Segar told me that she had rather be up in the air by herself than with a certain senior boy who has been seen up in the air lately.

Dec. 16, 1936

Audice and Billy Carroll certainly got the Christmas spirit early. Have you noticed their fingernails.

A few of the basketball girls were certainly worried the night they played McCamey over here. One little forward was saying "Gee I hope ???? girl from McCamey isn't over here or I'll have to walk home. Don't you think you stand a pretty good chance against those McCamey dames, you basketball girls?"

Dec. 18, 1936

I guess I'll always wonder but never know why Margie Trice didn't dedicate her number on the Amateur Hour to the person who she intended to—what's the matter Margie did you get cold feet or were you afraid you would get the gong?

These senior girls are really getting sure of themselves. It happens that one of them is pretty sure that she does have strings on one of freshmen boys mentioned last week—wonder if he knows it?

Dec. 19, 1936

I hear there are some McCamey males in the life of two of our freshmen girls.

It really is funny to hear these journalism students threaten each other with what they will do if they catch their name in this column. Funny too the havoc love causes. For instance Lydia and B. F. When Elton wants his name out of the gossip all he has to say is "All right for you, and your flame. Thought there was no one around didn't you? Well don't ever be surprised to see a gossip reporter pop up any time!"

Dec. 20, 1936

God—what a look on Gladys's face when she is concentrating on her gossip column. She usually gets the dirt though.
Who said "these freshmen really stick together?" Well that may be right but it happens that there is really some hair pulling going on between two freshmen girls right now.

Dec. 21, 1936

I've just heard that Mary Frances Branch has a lot of interest in one of our dear freshmen boys, wonder if he knows it?
Don't faint! We really get a few holidays. It is SOMETHING when we get a holiday around here, don't you think? I hope these kids don't go off and get themselves talked about as they have an awful habit of doing.

Dear little diary, I'm going to see if I can't keep these kids from being disgraced over the holidays and start the new year with a clean slate—don't you think that's a good idea?
Sincerely,
Dora

the wild unsettled lands of the eighteenth century.

FAMILY SUPPORT ILL:
A family was just settling in this wild country about seven miles from a town when the father of the family took sick. This family was very poor as most of the settlers were.

DAUGHTER AND BROTHER GO AFTER DOCTOR:

Alexandra and her small brother, Emil, were driving to town for the doctor when they met an old friend, Carl, who lived on the adjoining farm. He was a very good friend of the family and he and Alexandra had much fun together as both seemed to like the same things though Alexandra was almost seven years older than he.

ALEXANDRA IS SMART:

Many of the farmers had become discouraged with trying to live in this wild country so they had left but Alexandra, after her father's death, decided to keep buying land because she thought and dreamed that some day the land would be worth something and her dreams did come true.

In later years her two oldest

brothers married and lived in separate houses on the farm and Alexandra had the old farm house rebuilt and hired maids to help her cook. In this time Alexandra had never married but she often thought of her childhood friend, Carl.

Carl's family had moved when so many of the others did and Alexandra had never heard of him.

CARL RETURNS:

One day Carl unexpectedly came back. Alexandra thought he had changed a great deal at first but after she had talked with him she decided that he was the same old Carl, only now he had a mustache.

He stayed with them and worked on the farm but one day he decided to go to Canada so he left as he had come.

EMIL NOW GROWN:

Emil was now grown and gone to college two years. He was in love with a girl who was already married and she too returned his love, so Emil left and went to Mexico, hoping to forget this girl. Her name was Marie and she was very young and beautiful and seemed always to be happy.

She and Emil often went flower picking and hunting together and Marie's husband seemed to not mind but one night, when he had been drinking, he came home and told her that he was going to leave her and take Marie with him.

He got his gun and went to hunt for her and when he got to the orchard he found Emil and Marie talking, and without thinking he let his anger get away from him, and he fired two shots.

MARIE'S HUSBAND:

Realizing what he had done, he fled to another town but later he was taken to prison for the killing of his wife and friend.

ALEXANDRA:

Alexandra grieved over the death of her brother but Carl came back to her so the old saying came true; if you lose one you gain one.
Alexandra and Carl were married and lived on the farm happily together.

NOTES FROM Other Schools

Why Study?

The more you know,
The more you forget,
The more you forget,
The less you know.
So why study?

The less you know,
The less you forget,
The less you forget,
The more you know.
So why study?
La Lampara News—Grandfalls, Texas.

Puff-puff! Skid-d!
"Say, why don't you like where I'm going." "Ah-h, why don't you go where I'm thinking." This was the conflagration of two guys who crashed while trying to break through corridor huddles to make it to class on time. Put on the brakes—and live longer.—The Pilot, Port Arthur, Texas.

Poem
There was a little girl
And she had a little smile.
She sent it to a little boy
Across a little aisle.
He wrote a little note
But made a little slip
And they both went together
On a little office trip.
The Woodrow Wilson News, Dallas, Texas.

A Fine Romance
A fine romance, with no kisses;
A fine romance, my friend this is.
We should be like a couple of hot tomatoes,
But you're as cold as yesterday's mashed potatoes.
A fine romance, with no quirkles;
No insults, no morals.
I never put a crease in your blue serge pants,
I haven't had a chance!
This is a fine romance.
The Western World, Lubbock, Texas.

EX-STUDENTS



Inez Whittenburg

Inez Whittenburg or Mae West as she was more familiarly known to the students of Crane high school is now living in Seepor, New Mexico.

Intending to go to college after graduating from the Crane school last spring, Inez has altered her plans and is now working.

Inez was an excellent scholar and she also had time for athletics—excelling in basketball and baseball.

During the Christ mas holidays, Inez will visit friends at the Waddell ranch and in this city.

CHRISTMAS

By Eldyss Karr

December the twenty-fifth—a magic day
For every girl and boy!
With nuts and fruit and apple pie,
And happiness and joy!

For Christmas Day is coming soon
With wreaths and trees and toys,
With holidays and ice and snow
And fun for girls and boys!

But with solemn seriousness,
With Reverence and with love,
We must remember Christ's birth—
And the One who reigns above.

For He was born on this glad day,
And praise to Him we sing,
For all the joy and happiness
That Christmas Day can bring!

IN THE



5 YEARS AGO

Crane opened their basketball season for '31-'32, Dec. 12 against the Fort Stockton Panthers. The girls will open their season Dec. 19, battling the Rankin Red-Devils on their court.

CHRISTMAS MOUSE

If I was a little mouse,
I bet I'd be a dandy,
I'd crawl up in your Christmas stocking,
And eat up all your candy.
Joyce Young, Grade five.

I wish I had a nickle,
I wish I had a dime
I wish I had a Santa
That would stay here all the time.
Marion Brunette, Grade five.

Playing In The Snow
When I was playing in the snow I made a snow man. When I was making his arms he broke. But I fixed him again. When I got him made I made a pile of snow balls. Then I threw and threw but I missed him every time. Then I ran out of snowballs and had to make some more. The next time I hit him and kept on hitting him till he was tore up. My fingers were cold, too.
Glynora Shelton, 4th

Once there was an old man and an old woman. They lived in a little cottage. The cottage was four miles from town.
They wished very much for little girl.
The old man had to tend to sheep.
One day they were walking in the forest and they saw a big pile of leaves. The old woman said, "let us look under here."
The old man said, "my dearest wish is to have a little girl. Maybe there will be a little girl under here."

But there was no little girl. They put the leaves back in a pile and said they would come back the next day.
The next morning, they looked under the pile of leaves. What do you think they saw?
There was a little baby girl. They jumped for joy. They all three lived happy ever afterward.
Bertie Corrine Ward, 3rd.

Wild Animal Life in West Texas

By Lee Padgett

Some of the strangest of wild animals and fowls are to be found in West Texas.

The lives of the prairie owls and the prairie dogs is indeed a strange mystery.

The prairie owl lives in the dens of the prairie dogs. In an unusual way they help warn the prairie dogs of danger, and the prairie dogs fight their enemies. The owl hunt food at night and the prairie dogs of the prairie dogs during the day time. The prairie dog is very unusual.

The prairie dog is a crafty animal and shows unusual skill in finding its worst enemy, the snake.

The prairie dogs, some say, will lead a rattlesnake into their den and then cover the entrance up. The prairie dog that lead the snake into the den then escapes by a nether entrance and then covers it up also. This leaves the snake buried alive.

The strangest mystery, probably, connected with these prairie dogs is how he obtains his food and water. Although he can be found in the most barren and desolate country, the prairie dog is sleek and fat. Some say the prairie dog digs deep into the earth to get water.

The road-runner is a cunning and tricky fowl. It shows great

cunning by outwitting and out-fighting the rattlesnake. When a road-runner finds a snake asleep he jumps onto it and pounds it brains out with its sharp bill before the snake awakes.

The coyote, although a sheep killer and a chicken catcher is often admired for his cunning and amusing tricks of dodging dogs, traps and poison. West Texas is overrun with these crafty animals but men of the West admire the cunning of these beasts.

Another unusual animal of West Texas is the ground squirrel. Although small, this animal is very swift and smart. The rattlesnake is also his enemy. The reason this small animal steals shiny and bright articles from ranch-houses, it is believed, is because it uses them to lure smaller prey into its den. The ground squirrel lives in thorny brush piles around the bases of the small West Texas mesquite bush or tree.

The badger is another interesting animal of West Texas. Fascinating tales have been told of the fighting ability of the badger. Captured badgers are often matched with bulldogs for the entertainment of western ranchmen.

Each wild animal of Western Texas has its own peculiar mystery, but that is what makes them so interesting to every citizen of the great state, Texas.



Edward Lewis thinks it would be nice to sit on a lighted fire cracker. Why not make it a bomb, Edward?

Mr. Hart decided it was time to change to winter er-um-wear so he appeared at school in a different suit. Color—navy blue; cost—two dollars and fifty cent. He won it at Branch's in a suit club.

The other day Sammie was sitting on top of a desk reading "The Crane" when all at once she and the desk fell to the floor. Sammie are you putting on weight or ore you fallin for someone else.

And speaking of Sammie, she has been calling Putnam "Idjit" and she seems to like it. Seems ap-
Patience

Wonder what Jack Burdette is doing to do with that turquoise he found in Indian village? Be careful that somebody doesn't hijack you, Jack.

Got to thinking about an entry in Dora's Diary for December 7—turn it around—maybe Joyce doesn't suit these Crane boys.

Bang! Bang! (Elton banging his fist on a desk) No Crane High dame is gonna get my senior ring, and I don't mean maybe. Well, Elton how come a certain blonde wearing it?

Seen in study hall—Eldyss Karr writing a letter which began "My Darling." Eldyss, we thought you were past that stage.

At the tournament in Rankin Hershel was sitting in the bleachers so unconcerned when along came a brunette. Hershel gasped "When did you leave Heaven?" Well in about five minutes a blonde came along and he said, "Did you ever see a dream walking?" After a while the blonde and brunette passed by together. Hershel was heard to exclaim, "What is this anyway—a frame up?"

Elton came along with a mirror and handed it to Jack Chaffin, Jack looked in it a while and then handed it to Zilpha saying, "Zilpha, there's a monkey in that mirror—I know because I've just been looking at him!"

Etiquette

By Myrl Henderson

It is too short to spend talking about thinking about people you like. People will admire you if you only talk when you have something good to say to someone.

Don't leave a guest in your room without first asking to be seen.

It is not necessary for a woman to shake hands with a man when introduced; but if the man offers it graciously, the woman should take it. It would be impoliteness on the woman's part as well as an embarrassing moment for the man if she did not.

If an uninvited person comes to a party you are giving, treat them polite because two mistakes are worse than one. A person should keep their self respect by not going to a place they are not invited to.

When you go into a room to see a teacher, do not rush to them and start talking. Give them time to finish what they are doing or to give you permission to speak

And here's Billy Carroll at the tournament—a blonde passed so Billy yelled, "When did you leave heaven?" The blonde turned around and said, "When did you leave the other place?"

Charles Ham said he was going to plant himself a penny and raise a crop of five-dollar bills.

Poochie—"What do you want for Christmas?"

Pauline—"Oh, I'd like a pet of some kind."

Poochie—"Would you accept a monkey?"

Pauline—"Oh, Manuel, you aren't proposing are you?"

There had been a sandstorm the night before. And there she was "writing love letters in the sand" as she dusted off her desk.

Myrl has a new job! Every time Mary Lee's back itched she asks Myrl to scratch it for her.

It seems that Miss Gosney is undecided about what happened to her ankle. She told Mary Frances that she sprained it and told Edward it was bit by a vicious looking dog all in the same day. Well, make up your mind Jackie!

Elton—"Women's skirts are getting longer and longer!"
Hershel—"Just another proof of the old saying that all that goes up is bound to come down."

Myrl—"I just saw the smartest dog in the world."

Lyda—"What's so smart about it?"

Myrl—"He's a Russian Wolfhound—and he understands English."

Louallie to Geneva—"Are you going to college when you finish high school?"

Geneva—"No, I'm sick of loafing."

Willie Belle—"What's the difference between a Scotchman and a canoe?"

E. C.—"The canoe tips."

Miss Brown was plenty surprised when she asked the definition of hard water and "Bee answered, "Ice."

What a blow to the girls around C. H. S. Audice Williams heart has been captured by Glynora Shelton.

Jingle Bells—jingle bells pingle all the way—Oh what fun the seniors had last assembly day.

N. Y., N. Y. (Crazy Press) Fire news night club. First time night club has been swept in pears.—Picked up.

Dear Santa—
If it isn't too much trouble if you please, will you bring me just a tiny toy guen and king?
 Lovingly,
 Helen Passur

Correction about last week's champ (pronounced c-h-u-m-p) the one outside of school is Eddie Chaffin. (Thank me Dora, Geneva, and Hershel.)
That Poochie hasn't broken anything in Chemistry yet.



ATHLETICS



Crane Girls Smother Iraan Cagers With A 51-7 Score In Mon. Conference Game

Wallin High Pointer For Crane With 27 Points

The girls basketball team, playing their third game of the season, drubbed the Iraan sextet to the tune of 51 to 7, in an exhibition game at the Iraan tournament, December 18.

Geneva Wallin was high pointer for Crane with a total of 27 points, and Lydia Ruth Harbinson was next high with points.

The Cranes led the Iraan girls throughout the game, and at the half the score was 36 to 4. The Crane girls kept up the good playing through the last half and made 15 points while Iraan made three points. The starting line-up for Crane was:

	Pos.	Fg.	Ft.	Pt.	Ttl.
G. Wallin	f.	12	3	2	27
Harbinson	f.	7	0	0	14
Womack	f.	5	0	0	10
Damron	g.	0	0	2	0
J. Wallin	g.	0	0	3	0
Henderson	g.	0	0	0	0

	Pos.	Fg.	Ft.	Pt.	Ttl.
Mahan	f.	1	0	0	2
Phillips	f.	1	0	0	2
McKinney	f.	1	0	0	3
Lee	g.	0	0	2	0
Glendinning	g.	0	0	0	0
Mount	g.	0	0	0	0

Football To Be Given As Scrap Book Prize

To the Junior High School boy who presents to Coach Niebuhr in the Physical Education class the best scrap book or health will be awarded a football for the result of his work.

The contest closes Friday December 18 at 4 o'clock. All the boys are eager to win the prize and are working hard on their books. The winner will be announced and the prize awarded Wednesday, December 23, the day school turns out for the Christmas holidays.

Town Defeated By Girls' Cage Team

Several people of Crane witnessed and enjoyed a practice game between the Crane High School cagers and the women cagers of the own and camps December 18.

These practice games are a great help to the girls and it will let them get a little more experience on the floor and they will be able to play better. The starting line-up for the school girls was: Wallin, Harbinson, and Womack at the forward positions, and Damron, J. Wallin and Seiger at the guard positions. The line-up for the town team was: Shirley, King, and Riden at the forward positions, and Ray, Mason and Husey at the guard positions.

At the half Hogan, Craig, and Griffin were sent in to relieve the starters of these positions. The score was 20-21 in favor of the school girls.

Girls' Schedule

Jan. 8th—Iraan at Crane.
Jan. 15th—Odessa at Crane.
Jan. 16th—Kermit at Crane.
Jan. 22nd—Wink at Crane.
Jan. 29th—Open.
Feb. 5th—Open.
Feb. 6th—Odessa at Crane.
Feb. 12th—Kermit at Crane.
Feb. 13th—Open.

Football A Meek Game Compared With Knives, Etc.

Bandaged wrists! Bandaged ankles! Bandaged fingers! Everywhere you look you see a bandage. What's the cause of all these wrappings? Most students answer either basketball or art.

It seems that the art students can not make their carving implements stay on the wood and not on their fingers or wrists. Miss Keim is becoming a very efficient wound dresser but had rather the students be a little more careful.

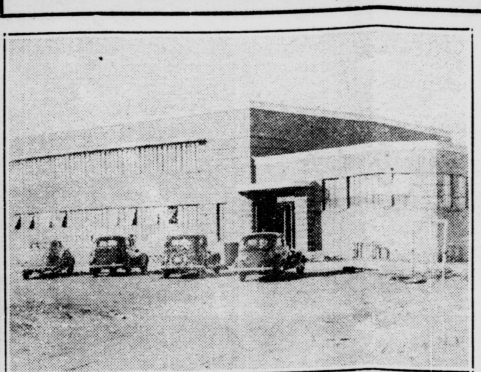
The basketball girls have a hard time keeping their ankles straight and upright and their wrists are always bending the wrong way. Another source of basketball injuries is the long pointed finger nails of some of the girls but they won't be able to keep them that way for long.

During football season football was the excuse of bandages, now it is basketball. We are all wondering what will be the excuse when basketball season is past.

The football sweaters have not arrived, but they will be awarded immediately after Christmas.

Louallie Mitchell is the manager for the girls basketball team, this season.

Crane's Winter Entertainment Arena



Not only will basketball fans see high school basketball teams in action but also the adult teams will join in the winter sport in which Crane exhibits their new gymnasium to the public.

Crane Cagers Lose Two Games At Rankin Tourney

Girls Are Downed By McCamey Sextet In Opener

The girls' Cage team played their first game of the season with the McCamey girls Thursday night, December 9 in the Crane gym.

The game was only for practice, so no one was allowed to attend the game. Even though the score was 13-28 in favor of McCamey girls the game was enjoyed by all the girls besides getting a good work out.

The Cranes lineup was: Geneva Wallin, Lydia Ruth Harbinson, and Elva Womack, as forwards, and Doris Damron, Jaunita Wallin, Lois Ray, as guards.

These six girls played most of the game. Since there wasn't as much changing done for either side as was intended, another game was played and every one got a good work out. The score of the last game was 7-13 in favor of McCamey.

Gymnasium Curtain Is Being Repaired

The large canvas curtain that hangs in the Gymnasium dividing it into half has been sent to Medards in St. Louis, Missouri for repairs to have a new curtain in its place.

Until the new curtain arrives the court will be used day about by the boys and girls. Miss Morton and Coach Niebuhr were very upset about the curtain and were anxious to have another one placed in the Gymnasium.

The old curtain was rotten and would not hold up its own weight. The new curtain will be hung in its place.

Pictures Are Being Typed By Classes

Some of the typing classes have been making pictures on the typewriter out of different letters of the alphabet.

Elton Pitts made a very neat and original picture. It is a big skyscraper which required much skill and time. Daisy Justice also made a very good picture. It is a bird sitting on the limb of a tree. This also took a lot of time and skill.

Crane Cage Teams Lose First Games At Rankin Tourney

Boys Lose To Rankin While Girls Lose To McCamey

The Crane Boys basketball team lost their second game of the season to the Rankin boys, when they attended the Rankin tournament December 11, by a score of 36 to 19.

Boyd was high point man for Crane with a total of ten points, and Hurst was high for Rankin with a total of fifteen points. The Rankin team led the Cranes throughout the game and at the half the score was 11 to 19 in favor of Rankin.

In the last half Crane made only 3 points while Rankin ran wild loose making 16 points. The Cranes could not seem to stop the Rankin team. The game ended with the score 36 to 19 in favor of Rankin.

The girls also went down in their second defeat of the season when they played the McCamey girls at the tournament. Geneva Wallin was high pointer for Crane with a total of ten points.

The game was tied at the half with each team having ten points. Both teams scored along together in the last half until the last five minutes when McCamey took a three point lead and the Crane girls could not overcome this lead. The score at the end of the game was 17 to 14 in favor of the McCamey sextet.

The starting lineup for the Crane boys was: Boyd, guard; Williams, guard; Brandon, center; Butler, forward, and Stevens, forward.

The starting line-up for the Rankin boys was: Cope, forward; Elliot, forward; Hurst, center; Barfield, guard; and Clendinning, guard.

The line-up for the Crane girls was: G. Wallin, forward; Harbinson, forward; Womack, forward, and J. Wallin, guard; Damron, guard, and Ray, guard.

Football Banquet To Be Given January 22

The annual football banquet for the Crane High school was planned at a meeting held December 15.

Coach Niebuhr, Miss Keim, Miss Killion, Miss McDade, R. L. McCown, and Mrs. Rendall attended the meeting. Misses Killion and McDade are the committee for planning the music part of the entertainment. Mrs. Rendall is to be in charge of the food and Miss Keim is in charge of art directory and decoration.

The banquet will be paid for by the School Board and will be held January 22nd.

Cranes Are Downed By McCamey Cagers

The Crane Boys Cage team played the first game of the 36-37 season Thursday night, Dec. 10.

This was a practice game with McCamey. The boys didn't show up so good against McCamey but the chances of improvement are very good. The starting line-up for Crane was: Williams, left forward; Boyd, right forward; Butler, center; Stephens, right guard; and Morris at left guard.

Biology Students Examine Skeleton

The Crane High School biology students have a real skeleton in their laboratory now. The skeleton is not to be used for the study of the human bones, according to Miss Brown, because of the missing bones.

There is no way of identifying the bones because they have been broken and decayed beyond recognition. Miss Brown believes it to be a skeleton of an Indian.

This skeleton was found in the sand hills by Bill Feeler while hunting on the left side of the road. Mr. Feeler said the skull of the skeleton was protruding above the sand about two and a half inches.



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◆ Elementary Grades ◆

McDade's Jr. High Classes Write Plays

Miss McDade's Junior High Dramatics Class, fourth and fifth grades, have been writing shadow plays.

Each child writes one play and about seven or eight of the best plays are to be given to the Junior High Assembly Friday, Dec. 18.

Here are a few of the plays being worked on: "Three Little Kittens," "The Three Billy Goats Gruff," "Little Black Sambo," "The Elf and the Shoe Maker," "How Andy Helped His Team," and "Snow White and Rose Red." For the last two weeks they have had assembly with the High school pupils.

Six Grade Presents Christmas Program

The six A Auditorium class of the Crane Junior High School will present "The Christmas Fairy and Scrooge," an adaptation of Charles Dickens' "Christmas Carol" in their home room, Wednesday afternoon, December 23, at three-thirty p. m.

The practicing will be done in class and other grades in the Junior High School will be invited to attend the play. The program is under the sponsorship of Miss McDade, the Auditorium teacher.

Grade School Enjoys Christmas Parties

In the first, second and third grade rooms; Christmas trees with gifts and refreshments were the exchange of gifts and refreshments were enjoyed by all the pupils and the mothers that cared to come. The refreshments of punch and cookies were served by several of the mothers of each room. Mrs. Duffy made Santa Claus cookies and covered them with red and white icing for the first grade. All the rooms had a small program.

The first grades made red and green chains for decorations and Christmas cards with Christmas trees on them for their mothers and fathers. Mrs. Hick's class have a Santa Claus castle with Santa on the outside while Mrs. Blackford's class made a sand table scene of Christmas in another land.

Mr. Evans hung red and green ropes all along the halls and there are wreaths in most of the windows. The entire building has a cheery atmosphere.

Reading Progress Is Unit Objective

The 5th grade reading class is studying reading improvement in their home room. A unit of word study is being worked out. The root of words and how words are built by addition of prefixes and suffixes. A chart is being worked out of prefixes and suffixes which this grade would learn. Along with this they are studying syllables, accenting, pronunciation and the meaning of words.

These are to help the pupils to recognize words quicker when they come in contact with them. It also adds to their vocabulary. An outline is being used to check the speed of each child's reading. The reading is done by exercises, and as each child finishes an exercise, his name is checked. The speed is distinguished by the number of exercises read. This helps in spelling and also in the other studies, especially in library work.

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Calendar of School Activities

Dec. 23—W. T. Strange gives talk, "The Other Wise Man" to school assembly at 11:15. School dismisses at 4 for holidays.
Jan. 4—School resumes and have regular assembly programs which will be announced later.
Jan. 8—Monahans at Crane. (Basketball)
Jan. 9—Fort Stockton at Fort Stockton. (Basketball)
Jan. 15—Odessa at Crane. (Basketball)
Jan. 16—Kermit at Monahans. (Basketball)
Jan. 22—Football banquet.

Major Bowes Amateur Hour Displays Local Talent In Chapel December 11th

Odie Boyd Imitates Major Bowes In Assembly

An amateur hour in the form of a take-off on Major Bowes was the theme for assembly December 11.

When the curtain rose Leroy Brookover, Lois Ingram and Willie Cockerham, crossword-puzzle addict, were discussing a new type of radio program which would revolutionize radio and make a suitable advertisement for Mr. Mince's (Willie Cockerham) Meat. They finally decided on giving an amateur program.

The next scene was in the broadcasting room of radio station CRANE, just as Major Bowes (Odie Boyd) begins his amateur hour. Each contestant was asked questions about his age, occupation, etc., which he or she answered with a wisecrack that made Willie Belle Williams green with envy. Major Bowes asked that everyone phone their vote to Castle Gap 2468, Crane, Texas.

The first amateur to do his stuff was Gene Pendleton, who played a piano solo. His sister, Margie Price, then sang, "When It's Twilight on the Trail" which she dedicated to Mr. Bankston. Wanda Pitts, as a boy, and Phyllis Bosworth then sang a duet "A Fine Romance" after which Phyllis played "My Wild Irish Rose" and Beautiful Texas" on the xylophone.

"My Hat's on the Side of My Head" was the vocal solo which to the accompaniment of her guitar Pauline Worm sang "The Answer to Twenty-one Years." Miss Sara McCamey, who has been studying voice for three years in Italy, sang about three notes when she got the gong. Major Bowes advised her to go to Italy and study some more.

Helen Logue tap-danced, Paul Lowe and J. T. Henderson, two Texas cowboys, played a harmonica duet, after which a group of freshmen who had just been kicked out of college, sang "A Little Close Harmony." Helen

Logue, Sammie Nell Craig, Docia Griffin, Odie Boyd, Myrl Henderson, Norma Johnson, Willie Cockerham, and Ermadelle Feeler were in this group.

Little Miss Margaret Cockerham sang "A Beautiful Lady in Blue" the Marjorie Brandon, Nancy Bolen, and Lerene Halbert sang "Gypsy Love Song." An accordion solo, "Merry Widow Waltz" was played by Drucille Howze.

Concluding the program everyone who participated in the program sang "Down South."

Luncheon Is Served By Home Ec. Class

Luncheon was served December 11, at 1:40 p. m. to three faculty members and three members of the Foods Class. The six persons served were Mr. Patrick, Mr. Hart, Mrs. Webster, Christine Brewer, J. W. Johnson, and Norma Weeden.

The Christmas color scheme was carried out throughout the meal. A small Christmas tree was used as a centerpiece. The menu, which was also in Christmas colors, was composed of cherry and orange cocktail, stuffed tomatoes, creamed potatoes, cabbage and nut salad, hot rolls, lime a la cherry, tea and coffee.

Original Recipes
The cocktail and dessert were original recipes. The original idea for the cocktail was by Bertie Ward. It was served in empty orange halves which made interesting and attractive dishes. The lime a la cherry was an original dessert made by Bertie Ward, Ruby Noble, Ada Simon and Christine Brewer.

New Form Bulletin Used For Reports

Information for the pupils guidance reports is being acquired by a new form of bulletin placed in the superintendents office.

This bulletin consists of a list of High School students with a space after their name in which the teacher can place comments about the pupils social and scholastic work. At the end of a week each name, with its comments, is given to the faculty advisor to be used in the next report issued. Another such report will be made again in a month or so.

The pupil will also see their teachers and discuss, with them possible improvements in their work.

Many schools in the United States have adopted this plan of report system and it is believed to rank far above the old time "report card" system.

Letters To Santa---

(Continued From Page One)
Dear Santa:

Bring me a pair of specks that will work, and a new red scooter, an air gun and Mrs. Paul Van a rag doll.

Your always,
Paul Van Patrick

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a noiseless algebra 2 class. Also bring me a numeral book to teach my students with. I also want a perfect skeleton for my biology class. I would also like to have a balloon, one that would not burst when hit with a ruler after it has gotten away and is floating around up at the ceiling after all the period has been spent inflating it with gas.

Your truly
Miss Brown

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me a try-cicle, a kitty cart, a newspaper, sum henna-San for my har, a new editor, a good yearbook class, a little less noise in my English II class, a new roommate, a bottle of Christmas spirits, and please send Edward Lewis at least one brane cell and if I forgot anything please bring 'it too.

Your hopefully
Jimmy A. Hart
P. S. Just sack these things up and leave them in Room four.

Dear Santa:

I have been the most good little girl you ever seen this year. All I want you to bring me Christmas is an intelligent English Arts 4 class. The one I have now is the most dumbest I ever did see. Also bring me a big

Bandmaster Attends Lubbock Music Clinic

Robert L. McCown, Band Director of Crane High School, attended a band clinic in Lubbock December 11 and 12. The Band Clinic was sponsored by Ault Music Company of Fort Worth.

There were three demonstration bands, Texas Tech, Lubbock High School, and Station. These bands represented three classes A, B, and C, respectively.

McAllister of the Illinois High School Band directed the Crane High School band.

McAllister's band has won National Class A Band honors for the last six years. A number of Crane went to the clinic, but Mr. McCown did not.

Mr. Eskridge up at Kermit, Mr. Fryman in Monahans, and went through the corner of New Mexico for another director, so we imagine Mr. McCown didn't get very lonesome.

The Clinic lasted two days, the last day, 62 band directors attended a Banquet and listened to a speech by Mr. McAllister.

Approximately 100 books, from both the Junior high and high school library have been sent to the Universal Book Binding Co. in San Antonio. The books are expected back in the library about the middle of January.

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Miss Brown will spend her holidays in Big Spring and probably will go on to Fort Worth.

Mr. Bankston said that "Believe it or not" he is going to visit his mother-in-law in San Angelo. His grandmother will be very pleased to have Mr. J. A. Hart in her home in Crowell during the holidays. (we hope).

Coach Niebuhr will be joined in Gonzales, Texas by his family where they will spend Christmas with his cousins. He may visit around Brenham.

The winding highway will claim Miss Morton with the high spots of the trip being at Hillsboro, Del Rio, and Alpine.

All of Miss Roby's time will be taken up by her family and many friends in Coleman, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Beane of Midland will have the honor of having their daughter, Mrs. Hicks as their guest.

Miss Mable Smith will journey home to spend the holidays with her father, Mr. John R. Smith of Valley Springs.

With her husband, Mrs. James Smith will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben S. Campbell, of Houston and will visit Dallas before returning home.

Miss Killion will visit with relatives and friends of Lubbock while Mr. Robert L. McCown will visit in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Bandy of Cleburne will be honored by having as their guest their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Bandy. The Bailey Bandys will also visit Mrs. Bandy's sister in Dallas before returning home.

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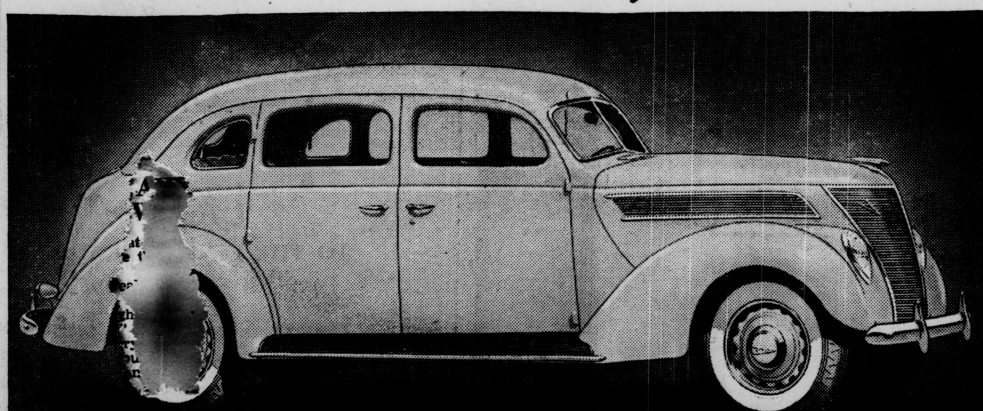
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