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Lots of Excitement Is Expected In CHS Clubs

For this paper's club news we would like to make a suggestion to all the clubs. Since the news is getting kind of dull with the tennis club playing tennis, the ping pong club playing ping pong, etc., we have here suggested some things which we are sure will add variety and excitement for all (except the victims).

The Plastics Club could add a little diversion by making a plastic man. This could be done by coating a fine specimen with about three coats of molten plastic. Of course, it would be uncomfortable to the victim, but at least it would make a lot of good, "hot" news.

The Archery Club could choose sides and have a "Robin Hood" war. This would probably be a little bloody though, so they could try being William Tells.

Why doesn't the Tennis Club make a big exploration of the north pole. They could use their tennis racquets as snowshoes, and could use tennis balls to throw at wild Eskimo tribes.

Ping Pong balls could be filled with TNT so they would explode

when they hit the floor. This would keep the players on their toes, and would be fine until they ran out of players. (One member would have to be employed to carry out the mangled bodies.)

The Science Club could be hired to make the TNT for the ping pong balls, and could experiment with miniature bombs to be placed in the balls. They could also experiment on a quick cooling plastic to be used in the Plastic Club, so the victim wouldn't be burned so much.

The Boxing Club could stage fights with spiked knuckles like the gladiators back in the Roman days. Clubs, swords, and spears could also be used.

Why couldn't the "C" Club try making "pigskins" out of human skin instead? Of course, since there are not too many members, only a few footballs could be made. It would be interesting to know whose skin is the toughest and whose football would last the longest.

Let's make a volleyball net out of copper wire and hook it up to about 10,000 volts for the Girls Athletic Club. Then when anyone touched the net, everyone would be sure to know it, especially the girl who did it—she'd get a charge out of it.

The Library Club could have a project where they hollow out the insides of books to fit guns and knives for gangsters. This could easily turn into a million dollar industry.

After racking our brain, we could find nothing for the Orchestra Club to do but "blow it out." If anyone can make any other suggestions, we would be glad to have them.

If our clubs will begin on these projects as soon as possible, we're sure that there will be plenty of club news for the next few papers.

THREE "R" CLUB RECEIVES CHARTER

February 21, the Future Teachers of America were presented their charter in the Crane High Auditorium.

The Triple R Club is planning an installation of its national charter. This impressive ceremony will be presented in the auditorium, with the principal of this school, Brady Nix, or the president of the chapter of teachers association, J. F. Harrison, presenting the club president, Louise Tomlinson. This presentation of the charter will officially begin the Future Teachers Club here in Crane; so that the club may legally exist.

Each year the charter is renewed there will be placed on the charter an official stamp from the state, giving the club authority to carry on its various activities. The names of the officers of each year will be placed on the charter for the use of club librarians.

Each member lighted a candle from a large candle placed in the center of the group symbolizing that each member vowed that he would promote the education of his pupils and influence them accordingly. Since the moulding of the lives of pupils depends upon the teacher as well as the parents the Future Teachers were required to take this vow.



RAY ALLEN

Ray Allen Is Elected Future Homemakers Of America Sweetheart

The bright looking chap above is none other than Ray Allen, better known as "Red," who has recently been elected Sweetheart of the Future Homemakers of America Club.

Ray moved to Crane from Andrews two years ago and has made quite a hit with the students of CHS.

While at Andrews Ray lettered one year in junior football and two years in senior football. Just before coming to Crane he had an attack of Rheumatic fever and is unable to participate in any sports at the present time.

This is his last year in high school but as yet he has no definite plans as to what he will do. We are sure though that whatever it is, he will be a success at it.

Student Fluctuation Enlarges Jr. Class

Some of the new students around CHS have been around quite awhile, but somehow they were never welcomed by The Crane. Surely everyone has noticed the familiar faces around the halls, and if you've been wondering who they are, read on.

Two of the newcomers are freshmen: Corina Pina comes from Ft. Stockton, and Eddy Burdick arrived here from Snyder. Daly Owens, formerly of Cisco, and Donald Vinyard, from Seguin, are both sophomores. Enedine Pina, a junior, comes from Ft. Stockton, and Charles Higdon, also a junior, hails from Odessa. The only eighth grader is Virginia Owens from Cisco.

Three freshmen, Tommy Collier, Joyce Parker, and Mollie Lassiter, have all departed from Crane. Joyce's destination was San Angelo, and Mollie was headed for Cisco.

Student Council Selects Convention Delegates, Plans Western Day

In the regular Student Council meeting Tuesday, February 12, the social committee reported on the Coronation and Valentine dance as being quite a success. This committee was also asked to see about a date and make arrangements for Western Day. The social committee is Charline Ellison, chairman; Kenneth Terrell, Bobby Russell, and Shirley Haley.

A committee was appointed to meet with Joel Williams and Mrs. Inez Elmore to select the eight full-length movies for next year. This committee is composed of Kenneth Terrell, Norma Crittenden, Lawrence LeBoeuf, and Shirley Wallender.

Delegates were selected for the Student Council State Meeting which meets in Corpus Christi March 28 and 29. Five delegates will go according to the rule of the Council. Dwain Warren will go as the president is unable to attend. Others will be Charline Ellison, Charles Lively, Rose Ann Vickers, and Billy Gregory.

All plans have not been completed for the trip to Corpus Christi yet, and will not be until a program has been received. However the group is now planning to leave Wednesday, March 26, and come back home Sunday, March 30. Mrs. Elmore will accompany the group.

Mrs. Elmore expressed her appreciation of the Council in working on the Coronation and Valentine Dance.

Lowell Adams was welcomed in to the Council as eight grade representative, taking the place of Eddie Barber who has moved to Midland.

Annual Staff Making Progress With Work

The annual staff has been making steady progress with their work for the last few weeks. All the pictures are in except the late spring activities and a few pictures such as the band and pep squad which have to be taken over. The pictures of the Coronation taken by Mr. Johnson of McCamey arrived late last week.

As usual, most of the people who signed up to get extra pictures failed to turn in their money so they will have to do without their pictures.

All the pages of the annual with the exception of the shots of the senior trip and commencement exercises are to be submitted to the publisher by May 1.

This annual is to be bigger than it ever was.

Various Jobs Filled By Crane Students; Painting Most Unusual

Once more this paper will try to report on the innumerable boys and girls in Crane High School who have a job either before or after school or on weekends.

We would like to start off with the occupation with the least number of students employed in it which is that of painting pictures. Only one person that we know of makes money by painting. Gene Hester says that he sells about one painting each month for enough to keep him in oils and paints. Gene also works in his mother's beauty shop.

Next on the "least list" of student occupations comes those of roustabout, janitor, truck drivers' helper, and service station worker. Paul Henderson is the only roustabout, Donnie Tomlinson is a janitor at the Methodist Church, Marshall Jones helps the Gandy man on his truck, and S. G. Tarbet seems the only student working in a service station.

Some students who work in the business establishments are:

Robert McCortley, at Wards; Geo. Thompson at the Grill; Jimmie Bright, at the show; Don Womack at the Chronicle; and Corkey Dickson at Wacker's.

Malcolm Garrett and Billy Don Ingram work at the Russell Thomas Co. (Seems we've heard a joke or something about Malcolm and Russell Thomas.) Doug Jones and George Scott work at the Sandhills Gulf Plant.

The Malt Shop keeps Bill Mathes and Mary Tarbet busy, while drug stores employ Anita Faye Scott, Martha Cook, Betty Henderson and Jimmy Bull.

The next to the largest number of students deliver papers for their dough. These are: Lawrence LeBoeuf, Richard Fraley, George Omo, Wayne Stark, Rex Wood, Carl Davis.

Last, but as we said not least but most, is the students who work in grocery stores. Piggly Wiggly employs Neal and Dale Miller and Richard Jolley, and Sunbeam employs Phil Pearce and Edward Lowery. Garland Hazle and Kenneth Laird work at the Crane Food Store. Dean Mann works at one Webb Store and Stanley Laney at the other Webb Store. Evelyn McKay works at the Black and White Grocery.

If we have missed anyone, we will be glad to make corrections. The Crane says "hats off" to an industrious student body.

Future Teachers Elect LeClaire As Sweetheart For State Convention

Wanda (Babe) LeClaire was elected Sweetheart of the Future Teachers of America Club and will be entered in the annual Sweetheart Contest at FTA State Convention in Denton.

In the contest last year in Lubbock, each representative Sweetheart was asked to give a three-minute talk on the subject "Why I Plan To Teach." Then the winner was chosen by judges who based their decision on the contestant's personal appearance, speaking ability, and sincerity of purpose. Although the program for this year has not been received, it will probably be something similar to the last one.

At the meeting in Denton, a discussion may be held to change the method and name of the Sweetheart contest. The name may be changed to something like "Mr. Future Teacher and Miss Future Teacher," or "Ideal Future Teachers." Also, because the FTA is becoming such a large organization, the contest may be held in the future on a district level and each district send a representative to the state convention. All clubs may participate in this discussion.

Choir To Go On Tour Of Stockton, Alpine

The Choral Club, among other things, is now eagerly looking forward to a singing tour through the Davis Mountain country. Plans are being made to take the Choir to sing at Ft. Stockton High School, Sul Ross College, Alpine High School, and perhaps Marfa High School.

This will probably be a full day of singing. A definite date will be arranged later to fit into the schedule of all the schools involved.

Also, the Choir will sing three numbers, and one with the band, at the Public School Week program March 3. The numbers will be, "Break Forth O Beautiful Heavenly Light," "Sing Ye To The Lord," "Adoramus te Christe," and the one done with band accompaniment will be "Festival Finale" which is an arrangement of "God Of Our Fathers."

Those attending the Music Festival at Mineral Wells two weeks ago heard this latter number done there, and their praise of it was high. The only problem now is having enough time to learn it in. The first three numbers mentioned above are the contest numbers. The contest is to be March 26th.

The main problem in the Choir now is "standing room," and we mean it literally. The risers now in use no longer hold the 60 odd people in the choir, and there are about ten strung out on each end, standing on the floor.

Three New Librarians Added To Staff

The Library has added three new members to its personnel. These new staff members are Blackie Russell, Quay Clark, and Lowell Adams.

With these new additions, the staff is now composed of the following people:

Gene Hester, Johnny Burrow, Doug Dameron, Wyvonne Cantrell, Quay Clark, Lowell Adams, Blackie Russell, Venona Hamblett, Sammie Davis, Judy Mathis, Shirley Haley, Martha Hopson, Billie Cooch, Mary Lou Sneed, Donnie Tomlinson, and A. J. Smith.

Mrs. Inez Elmore, librarian, said that the book which seemed to be the most popular for the longest period of time with the girls is "Seventeenth Summer," and the boys' favorite is "Jeff White, Young Woodsman."

Most everyone who enters the library notices the clever exhibits which somehow find their way to the bulletin board there. There is a different one about once a week, and each one rivals the last as to the most interesting, and besides being so attractive these bulletin boards have a purpose. That purpose is to interest the student body of CHS in reading a book now and then, not because Mr. Harrison, Mrs. Featherstone or Miss Davis assigned one, but because the student



COLORFUL CORONATION INTRODUCES CHS ROYALTY

With all the beauty and grandeur that was expected, the second annual coronation was presented in the Crane High School auditorium Feb. 9, under the direction of Mrs. Inez Keith Elmore.

Before the entrance of the king and queen, their royal party came forth and was announced upon their arrival at the spectacular event. The affair was formal and made everything very colorful.

Favorites of the classes were presented as dukes and duchesses. They were: Seniors, Doug Dameron and Wanda Sharrock; Juniors, Harold Hunter and Martha Hopson; Sophomores, George Omo and Kay Culp; Freshmen, Tommy Griffin and Jean Shaver; Eighth Grade, Jim Tom Butler and Barbara Glass.

Also bearing the titles of dukes and duchesses were Bill Clark and Dolores White, Neatest; Billy Don Ingram and Betty Henderson, most athletic; Peggy Ward and George Scott, wittiest; Lawrence LeBoeuf and Kathryn Copen, most musical; John Hays and Wanda LeClaire, best dancers; and Bowlus West and Louise Tomlinson, most likely to succeed.

These honors were bestowed upon them by the students of CHS in a previous election.

BEAUTY PARADE
Following were the beauties serving as ladies-in-waiting to her majesty, the queen, and announced as Ladies Dorothy Woolf, Jo Ann Fisher, Jatty Johnson, Sandra Russell, Charlene Ellison, Rose Ann Vickers, and Patricia Sullivan.

Prince Bobby Russell, most handsome boy in CHS, and Princess Carolyn Van Meter, most beautiful girl in CHS, were presented before the grand entrance of King Malcolm Garrett and Queen Jill Russell, best all around boy and girl of the student body.

The King and Queen were attended by Sarah Jane Russell and Truman Tomlinson, crown bearers, and Judy Simmons, Dixie Hendricks, Larry Chaney, and David Hanley, train bearers.

To entertain the royal party, a program of dancing, acrobatics and music was given.

PROGRAM
Ballet Group, from the Bingham Studio—Nancy Webb, Karen Owens, Maureen Clancy, Perk Jones, Bill and Bob Wilson.

Acrobatic Dance, Montilla Studio—Carol Birdsong.

Piano Duet—Luanne Pressley and Sue Harrold.

Tap Dance, Bingham Studio—Nancy Webb.

Toe Ballet, Bingham Studio—Patricia Knaell.

Tea for Two, Montilla Studio—Davidson Tomlinson and Lanie Tobin.

Acrobatic Dance, Bingham Studio—Peggy Owens.

Tan Dance, Montilla Studio—Elaine Plate, Mary Ann Barker, Johnny and Joe Alexander.

Square Dance under the direction of Mrs. Dorothy Hendricks—Margie Kirkham, Jerry Swift, Kenneth Richardson, Ronald Warren.

Patsy Preslar, Brenda Jean Meiner, Gloria Looney, Gaylord Price.

Tap Dance, Montilla Studio—David and Diana Green.

Trio Tap, Bingham Studio—Gwen Nix, Sandra Russell, Brenda Owens.

Tap Dance, Bingham Studio—Patricia Knaell, Peggy Owens, Diana Leaman, Nancy Bowers, Nina Barr, Sandra Mark, Patricia Clancy, John Hinnant.

Lightfoot Lonesome; Wants CHS Letters

Richard Lightfoot, ex-Crane, writes his mother that he is lonesome for Crane and would like some letters from CHS.

His address is: Richard L. Lightfoot, S N 3617513 Class 15-52 M. R. School NSNTC San Diego 33, California.

Richard left Crane in 1950 and started to school at Uvalde Junior College. He later joined the navy and is now enrolled in a machine repair school.

He was quite well known in high school for his athletic ability.

He played football for the Golden Cranes two years and was captain his junior year. He was a break-away back field man and a real threat to any opponent. He also starred in junior college football.

Richard would welcome a letter from some of his Crane friends.

CRANE COPS SECOND IN TOURNEY; WARD, HENDERSON ALL-TOURNAMENT

The Crane volleyball team defeated Midland, Iraan, and Fort Stockton before finally getting beat in the finals of the Grandfalls Tournament last Saturday.

Crane placed two girls, Peggie Ward and Betty Henderson, on the all-tournament team. There were four girls on this team.

Crane, the only team in the tournament to play four games, started off by playing Iraan at 2:00 and won 3-0. They downed Stockton 3-12 at 4:00 for a berth in the finals against Big Spring. Crane then lost to Big Spring at 8:00, but captured the second place trophy.

In the Midland game Crane jumped to a first quarter lead of 13-0 and led the rest of the way. The score was 29-19 at the half. After an even last half, Crane won 3-0.

BOX SCORES FOR CRANE

Name	Pts.
Midland Game	
Ward	11
Russell	7
Copeland	5
Smith	5
Blair	3
Henderson	3
Ellison	1
Fields	1
Iraan Game	
Ward	17
Blair	9
Ellison	4
Russell	3
Smith	2
Henderson	1
Copeland	0
Fields	0
Ft. Stockton Game	
Smith	12
Ward	7
Russell	6
Blair	6
Copeland	5
Ellison	0
Henderson	0
Fields	0
Big Spring Game	
Russell	7
Henderson	5
Blair	3
Ward	1
Ellison	0
Smith	0
Copeland	0
Fields	0

Hood, Bowers Win In Boys Division While Girls Still Racking

Tennis matches are still underway in the girls division, while the boys' finals have narrowed down to Riley Hood and Wayne Bowers.

Riley won the single elimination senior division of the boys' tournament—first and second place winners of the junior tournament were, allowed to enter the senior bracket. Joe Dan Ash won second place, with Hugh Green stepping in as third winner.

In the consolation bracket, Wayne Bowers won first, Rex Woods, second, Charles Lively substituting for A. J. Smith, won third.

In the final playoff for double elimination winner, Ash and Green have been defeated, leaving Bowers and Hood with the finals for the winners.

Name	Po.	Wt.	Ex.
Garrett	fb	170	2
Ingam	hb	140	3
Warren	hb	140	0
West	qb	155	2
Damon	le	150	2
Hunter	lt	170	2
Clark	lg	140	2
Gray	c	165	1
Watts	rg	160	2
Lakin	rt	210	3
Mason	re	150	0

Crane To Meet Stockton In Non-District Fray

The Crane Volleyball team will meet the Ft. Stockton Panthers in both A and B games in Stockton on February 28.

This will be the first meeting of these teams for this year. Crane came out on the short end of the score when the teams met last year in the district tournament.

The high scoring Crancettes have averaged 53 points per game in three games this year. This is not counting the games played in the Grandfalls tournament.

Charlene Blair is leading the Crane's scoring efforts with 36 points in the three games. Betty Henderson has 22 in three games and Kathryn Coplen has 29 in two games. Delores Jones is leading scorer for the B team with 34 points.

The game stacks up to be a good one, and we predict Crane will come out on the long end of the score this year.

Crancettes Lose to Lobos; First Defeat Of Season

The Golden Crancettes were handed their first defeat of the season, 24 to 19, by the Monahans Lobos on Tuesday night in the CHS gym.

Charlene Blair, Peggy Ward and Jill Russell were tied for high point man with four points each.

The B team also lost their game with a score of 25 to 21. Delores Jones was high pointer for this game with eight points.

The lineup for the A game was:

Name	Points
Charlene Ellison	2
Charlene Blair	4
Betty Fields	1
Peggy Ward	4
Jill Russell	4
Betty Henderson	3
Peggy McCasland	1
Monahans lineup:	
Cleghorn	4
Moffit	2
Ellis	6
Stoneking	3
Creamer	1
Montgomery	7
Anderson	1
B Team Lineup:	
Edith Aaron	5
Delores Jones	8
Cecile Napier	5
Mareta Robinson	2
Wahnell Smith	0
Juanell Heard	0
Peggy McCasland	0
Kathryn Coplen	1
Monahans Lineup:	
Green	0
Young	3
Anderson	7
Knox	5
Ballard	1
Brink	2
Pope	6
Stoneking	0
Ellis	1

Swift Wins Damron Trophy Second Year

Jim Swift won the R. L. Damron trophy for the second straight year here in Crane, when he showed the grand champion in the crossbreed class of the Crane 4-H Club show.

Jim won the trophy last year and can retain the title and trophy by winning the grand champion title next year.

Second in the crossbreed class was Howard Hunter while Jerry Swift was third. Judging the contest was W. M. Day, Upton County Agent. Some 15 boys and girls entered the contest from Crane, showing 48 lambs.

In the finer wool class, Roy Damon was first with Jim Swift second and Howard Hunter third. Roy won the \$15 hat for showmanship, James Brunson was second, and Jim Hollis third in the division for lambs fed by one feed class. Howard Hunter was first in the two lambs fed by one feed.

Fourteen members will be entering or have entered the El Paso show Tuesday, Feb. 12.

The grand champion lamb sold for a total of \$310. The Crane State Bank first purchased it for \$250, the lamb was given to its owner and sold again for \$60 to B. E. McDonald of McCamey. The auctioneer of the 15 lambs, for a total of \$2340, took about 40 minutes with Hayden Wilmoth acting as auctioneer and Bob Tomlinson acting as clerk.

The reserve champion lamb went to C. C. Swift for \$160 and was volunteered to the Crane Fire Department.

Spring Training Nets Forty-Two Grid Men

Forty-two boys reported Monday, Feb. 18, for regular spring training workouts, under the guidance of their new head coach, Ran Andre-regg.

Eleven of these boys lettered for Crane last year while the rest are from the B team, junior high team, and new residents in town. Those lettermen who are to be back are: Howard Hunter, end; Lloyd Allen, end; Jerry Cackey, tackle; Bobby Jack Russell, tackle; Bruce Wells, center; George Scott, tackle; Lee Ray Best, guard; Ted Field, end; Bobby (Blackie) Russell, back; Jack Hood, back; and Darrell Vines, back.

Other good boys that are likely to see plenty of action are: Don Boote, Clayton Dennis, Bernard Mobbs, Jim Tom Butler and several other boys from the B squad.

Mr. Johnson, head basketball coach, is helping Coach Andre-regg this spring until a new assistant coach can be chosen.

Mr. Andre-regg plans to employ the Oklahoma Split-T next fall against the teams in District 5-A. This formation has been successful in several schools around, and it should be here if Coach Andre-regg can get his boys to move fast.

These boys will play the senior lettermen in an exes and regulars football game March 14.

SPORT SHOTS

The volleyball team beat a team of faculty members 40 to 35 in a regulation game played on Thursday, Feb. 14. Mason Thurman took a lot of griping, but did a good job of refereeing the game.

Seniors Vs. Regulars

Crane scored the most points it has scored in a single game in basketball when the Crane cagers defeated McCamey 67-28 in Crane's last home game Feb. 12.

Seniors Vs. Regulars

Well, football is again in the air, since spring training started last Monday week. The team is blessed with 14 returning lettermen, and some of last year's junior team which should show up next year. The team should have a good year in '52.

Seniors Vs. Regulars

See our next year's team in action when they play this year's seniors in an exhibition game at the end of spring training. Coach Andre-regg says the game will probably be played the last day of the spring training which will be on March 14. You just can't miss this game, it'll be a humdinger.

Seniors Vs. Regulars

There is talk of having spring training in basketball after that in football. It was held year before last but was skipped last year. It seems a pretty good thing.

Seniors Vs. Regulars

Track and spring training are sore of butting heads. How some of the boys will be able to do both things hasn't been figured out yet. There must be some way, though, and it will probably be worked out.

Seniors Vs. Regulars

Well, Crane finished up the basketball season with a six win and eight loss record, which wasn't too bad at all. The record should be better next year, so best of luck.

Seniors Vs. Regulars

The volleyball girls suffered their first defeat for the season at the hands of Monahans on Feb. 20. The Lobos took the A game 24-19 and the B game 25-21.

Seniors Vs. Regulars

Mr. Nix said in assembly the other day that the faculty was going to practice up and beat the volleyball girls. The girls replied that the men need the practice.

Three-Man Track Team To Enter For Crane

"We are picking ourselves to win the Comanche Relay meet," states Mr. Ted Kirby.

If his boasts turn to reality, it will be an amazing incident, an unusual happening and a first time for Crane. What's so unusual about it? It is true that Crane has never had an outstanding track team, but that is not the amazing thing about this boast. A three-man team is the unusual. Three men will represent Crane in the Comanche Relays in Fort Stockton, West Texas meet in Odessa, Kermit meet, and the Big Spring meet.

Malcolm Garrett will run the high and low hurdles, and mile relay. Clarence Miller will high jump, throw the discus, and run the mile relay. Kenneth Simon will run the mile and the mile relay.

Where's the fourth man coming in? Well, they'll take Rabbit Allen along to fill in for this relay.

Golden Birds Rumble Past Badgers 67 To 28

The Crane Golden Cranes romped over the hapless McCamey Badgers in a conference game played here with a score of 67 to 28. This was the Cranes' last home game of the season.

The Golden Birds started the scoring off with a bang and the Badgers couldn't get near them all night.

The Golden Cranes under the guidance of Coach Johnny Johnson have had a very impressive season this year, and are expecting great things in the future.

High point man for Crane was Bowls West with a total of 17 points.

Wildcats Beat Cranes By One Point Margin

The Wink Wildcats whipped the Crane Golden Cranes in a basketball thriller there last week 40 to 39.

This game was the second meeting of these two teams with Crane taking the first game by a large margin.

High point man for this game from Crane was Clarence Miller.



Pictured above is the famous girls' team, Hazel Walker's Arkansas Travelers

FAMOUS ARKANSAS TRAVELERS WILL APPEAR HERE MARCH 6

Volleyball Coach Has Trials And Troubles

All coaches have their trials and tribulations and a Girls' Volleyball Coach is one of them.

Let's look in and see what some of them are for Mrs. Johnnie Johnson, coach for the Crane team.

First of all, being a new teacher and coach in CHS, she tried to get to know the girls individually that were interested in volleyball. Their personality and temperament.

Then there was the task of matching the ones that wanted to set up to the ones that wanted to spike. That led to the decision of who had the best possibilities of being a ball player and who really wanted to play. One thing leads to another, so this led to developing the right attitude among the players and a good team spirit. Every one knows that the spirit of the team can make it or break it as much as can sportsmanship.

A member of a ball team must learn to be a good loser as well as a good winner.

Also, regardless of how the girls are classified, they all have the same opportunity to make the starting line-up, providing they work hard, so that they really want to play, and always maintain a good attitude.

One of the main worries of the coach is to impress on the minds of the lower classmen that they are the team of next year and should not get discouraged. They will get out of it, what they put into it, because "a winner never quits and a quitter never wins."

Crane Defeated 62-44 In Last Game Of Year

The Crane Cranes were defeated in their last game of the season against the Marfa Shorthorns in Marfa Feb. 15.

The Cranes jumped to an early lead, and were ahead 19-13 at the end of the first quarter. But the Shorthorns came back strong the second quarter and led 30-25 at the half. It was Marfa's game from there on out as they led 47-34 at the end of the third quarter and won it 62-44.

Dwain Warren and Bowls West led Crane at the basket with nine points each. Jimenez had 18 and Villarreal had 17 for Marfa.

CRANE BOX SCORE

Name	fg	ft	tp
West	3	3	9
Vines	1	0	2
Gray	0	5	5
Davis	4	0	8
Mason	1	0	2
Miller	2	0	4
Clark	2	0	4
Lively	0	0	0
Warren	4	1	9
Fields	0	1	1

The last issue of the Crane covered the movie schedule pretty thoroughly up to March 14, so there is no need to elaborate further on it.

Monday, February 18, two films came in for Mr. Whitley, in the science department. The titles of these films are RUBBER and PLASTICS.

The two economics classes received a motion picture, MONEY AT WORK, to be shown February 21. Both Mr. Patterson, and Mr. Scherbeck ordered this film.

Hazel Walker and her famed Arkansas Travelers will appear here Thursday, March 6, at 2:45 p. m. in a game with a combination of the Crane High School faculty and The News Publishing Co. team of McCamey.

Admission for the game will be \$1 for adults and 50c for high school students (grades 8 through 12), and 25c for grade students (grades 1 through 7).

This famous girls' team is known as the "Best Dressed and Best Looking Team on the Road." The team travels in a nine-passenger station wagon. The average age of the girls is 20, average height is 5-11, and average weight is 150.

Hazel Walker, owner, manager, coach for her famed Arkansas Travelers, is known throughout the U.S., Canada and Mexico for her phenomenal records in basketball. To the sports world, Hazel is known as "Miss Basketball." She was selected on the All-American team 11 times—a record which stands and during the 14 years she spent in amateur basketball, Hazel played on five National Championship teams—runner-up 3 years, won the National Free Throw Championship six years—International Title two years (record of 49 out of 50 tries has never been beaten in National Tournament History—man or woman).

After spending 14 years in amateur competition, Hazel turned pro in 1946. After managing and coaching another girls' professional team for three years and realizing the general public wanted good, clean entertainment, plus novelty and an array of talent—Hazel organized her own professional girls' team (Hazel Walker's Arkansas Travelers), in the fall of 1949.

Hazel Walker, world's free throw champion, challenges all comers to a free throw exhibition, standing, kneeling or sitting positions, during half time. She has been undefeated in the past five years.

Margie Arends of Kamrar, Iowa, an All-American and the all-time Beauty "Blond Bombshell" of basketball, is playing her fifth year of pro basketball. She has been with Hazel Walker's team since it was organized. Miss Arends is a secretary and professional model in Chicago during off season and possesses conspicuous beauty and excels in form and grace which only adds to her popular performance on the court. Margie is 5 feet, 11 inches tall, and is 25 years old.

Dorothy Jones of Mount Vernon, Ark., made her debut in professional basketball last year with the Arkansas Travelers. She is the youngest professional player of all time—only 17 when she turned pro. She is an excellent "post" player, standing an even 6 feet, with plenty of tall-towering talent and unlike so many girls of her height, she is fast-a-foot, aggressive and an expert ball handler.

Phyllis White of Enid, Okla., is 3 inches.

the most experienced ball player on the Traveler roster, with the exception of Hazel herself. She is known for the stunts the Travelers dazzle the crowds with and is an excellent performer all over the court. She is 5 feet, 11 inches in height, served 3 years overseas in the Armed Forces and was hailed as "Queen of the Court" while doing duty for Uncle Sam. She is a qualified medical technician off season and spent four months this summer in Brooks General Hospital in San Antonio, Texas.

Pat Johnson, of Edgerton, Ohio, played her first year of pro ball last season with Hazel Walker's Arkansas Travelers and made such a hit that most all coaches were seeking her services with their own men's teams throughout the country. Pat played basketball all her life with her five brothers in Ohio and seeing her on the hardwood, anyone can readily see that is true. She stands 5 feet 11 inches tall and every inch is stacked like a football player. Pat is a youngster also—only 20 years old, with plenty of years ahead. Off season, Pat works in an art factory near her home town, Bryan, Ohio.

Georgia Mullins of Olive Hill, Ky., is the most improved ball-player of all times—save Hazel Walker. This is her third year with the Travelers and all of her basketball playing has been in the professional ranks, starting from high school. She is only 21 years old, and stands an even 6 feet tall. During off season, Georgia, known to her team mates as "Moon" Mullins, attends Morehead Junior College, Ky., majoring in Physical Education.

HAS GREAT POSSIBILITIES

Frances Garroute, of Van Buren, Arkansas, is new with the Travelers this season; however, Hazel Walker has acclaimed her as the "greatest possibility the game of basketball has ever produced." Standing 5 feet 11 inches tall, Frances has starred on the hardwood throughout four years of high school in Van Buren, under coaching of the great Clair Bates. Her team won the state championship two years and Frances was selected All-State four years in high school and this past spring set an all-time record in scoring for the entire history of the state—including Hazel Walker's dazzling performance in Arkansas—Frances scored 65 points single-handed in one game during tournament play and shoots either left or right.

Betty Lou Johnson of Edgerton, Ohio, is the youngest sister of Pat Johnson, who also plays with the Travelers. Betty, like Pat, has played all her life with the boys and is a "natural." She will be making her initial entry in the pro ranks this year, along with Frances Garroute, and is the shortest pro player in history—being only 5 feet

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GRADE SCHOOL NEWS...

GRADE ONE
Mrs. La Verne Chrono

Many of our classmates are ill with measles. We are missing them and hoping they will get well soon. We enjoyed exchanging Valentines on Valentine Day. Sharon Strickland brought candy for everyone to eat while the valentines were being passed out. We all appreciate her thoughtfulness.

We are still learning many new words and sounds in reading. In numbers we are learning to subtract and add. We are also learning to spell many words.

GRADE ONE
Mrs. Pittman

We have twenty-three in our room.

We have two new pupils. Lee Ray Stacy from Cameron, Texas and Bobby Valdez from Ft. Davis, Texas. We are glad to have them in our class.

We had a Valentine box last Thursday and every one had a good time. David Tomlinson brings flowers to our room each week. We enjoy them very much. Ray and Fay brought our room a pretty potted plant.

Barbara Ann Haley brought animal cut-outs for our window. Rita Wood has some gold fish in a plastic bowl. We like to watch the fish swim through the handle of the bowl.

We have almost finished with Jack and Janet.

Aletha Tooke has her arm out of the cast. We are glad that she is back in school.

GRADE ONE
Mrs. Salyer

We had a Valentine box with lots of Valentines. We also had refreshments.

Three first grade teachers from Monahans visited our room one day. Their pupils are reading the same books that we are.

We will soon be finishing our primer reader. We are looking forward to getting our new first reader.

Several children in our room have been sick. Pamela Ballard has had the measles. Patsy Kimbrell has had the flu. Ronnie Prewitt has been absent several days and is still out. Several others have missed a day or two because of colds and sore throats.

GRADE THREE-3
Mrs. Pearce

John Stephen moved to Rankin last Friday.

We exchanged valentines last Thursday. Mrs. Riley and Mrs. Dutton both sent us a surprise which we enjoyed very much.

Our new reader is called "More Streets and Roads." We have a work book to use with it.

Louis McCarty has enrolled in our room but has been absent because of illness.

GRADE FOUR
Mrs. Lively

We had a lot of fun at our Valentine party in the room. We gave out the valentines, ate ice cream and cake and sang songs. Everybody had a good time and several of our mothers came. We had a green heart on a red background on the bulletin board and a red and green Valentine box.

In science we are studying about the moon and the planets. We have learned many things about the sun. In art we have been finger painting and clay modeling.

Eddie Coker, who had his eye injured, is back in school again.

Reporter,
Carol Tomlinson

GRADE FOUR-1
Miss Kent

In geography we started a new chapter, the name of it is "Egypt, the Gift of the Nile." We have started a new chapter in science too.

Sandy Ward had the flu, and Penny Dulin had fever and both came back Wednesday. In art we made a picture of George Washington and made a Washington sign to go with it.

We have a new reader and we like them very much.

Reporters,
Sandy Ward
Jeffery Henderson

GRADE FIVE-3
Mrs. Beyer

Our room had a Valentine's party and box last Thursday afternoon just before school was out. Everyone enjoyed the party very much.

We have studied Alaska and have seen a good film on Alaska. Now we are beginning a study of the Hawaiian Islands and are reading stories about them from our reader and looking at pictures and fold-ers our teacher has gotten from friends who have been there.

Lately we have enrolled two new pupils. One is David Ramirez who came from Fort Stockton. Another one is Marjorie Vineyard who came from Snyder. Judith Stephen has moved to Rankin.

Our class all enjoyed the snow Friday for a change. We thought everyone had fun in it.

Reporters,
Patricia Hoffman
Gloria Looney

GRADE FIVE
Mrs. Henderson

In health we finished our book-lets on clothes. We have now started on a booklet in geography. Mrs. Henderson let us choose a state to make a booklet on. Most of us have finished our booklets though!

We had a geography test and a spelling test February 20.

In science we are going to make a weather schedule for two weeks. Our weather unit is very interesting. In arithmetic we are learning to do different things in fractions. We are going to have a test in arithmetic soon.

Our report cards are going to be given out to us soon.

We had a Student Council meeting February 18 which was Monday.

Jerry Swift won a prize at the town fair. He won some money with a lamb.

We have a new boy in our room. His name is Monroe Marshall.

Now we have started a club. The club is an activity club. The first week we drew some pictures. The second week we are going to have a program. We have the club every Wednesday. Our president is Jerry Haynes; secretary, Joyce Woody; and vice president, Jerry Mills.

Reporter,
Elaine Plate.

GRADE SIX-2
Mrs. O'Gwin

We have a new boy from Arkansas. His name is James Hay. Now we have three James' in our room, so we call him Jimmy.

J. H. Tollison will soon be back in school. He had something wrong with his liver. He has missed school about two and one-half months. We miss him and hope he will be back soon.

We have elected new representatives for the student council. They are Patty Knaell and Robert Pierce. Our old ones were: Madalyn Boling and Dwayne Parker.

Dwayne Parker has moved to San Angelo. We miss him a lot and

An Apology

The Student Council feels that they owe the student body an apology about the atrocious picture on Lincoln that was shown last Friday. In the first place, it was late and it was not the movie ordered. The Raymond Massey picture of Lincoln was the one to be shown but they substituted and sent one that was entirely too old. So far the movies sponsored by S. C. have been good and we are very sorry about the last one. Two more movies will be shown this year and we don't think you will be disappointed in them.

hope he will come back and visit us.

Reporter,
Cindy Scott

GRADE SEVEN-2
Miss Conger

Our classroom elected officers Friday at the first of the month. Johnny Woody was elected as our president, Bill Lightfoot as vice-president and program chairman. Kay Keltner was elected secretary and David Crittenden as reporter. David Crittenden had charge of the program. There was a "Style Show" and Jimmy Preslar was the best dressed lady. Eddie Grey sang a song, and there was a short skit. Gwen Basham and Pat Clancy have charge of the next program for the next class meeting.

Our behavior and attitude have not been as they should and we missed some P. E.

Cecil Johnson moved. He came here from California.

Reporter,
David Crittenden

GRADE SEVEN-3

We are all studying for our six weeks' exams.

In study hall Tuesday, February 12, Mr. Williams talked to 73 about "Why I Like My Best Friend." We enjoyed his talk and would like to have him back again.

Thursday on Valentines day most all of the rooms had a Valentine party. 7-3 had a wonderful party. We were served cake and candy by our room-mothers. Mrs. Browning gave everyone a Hershey bar and a valentine. We enjoyed our party very much. We had a post office in our room in the place of a Valentine box. It was made by Mrs. Hubert Mills. We want to thank her very much.

CHS Prof. Announces Arrival Of Baby Girl

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Strickland announce the arrival of a new addition to their family in the form of a six pound and one ounce baby daughter to whom they gave the name of Suann.

Suann was born Saturday, Feb. 9, in the Crane Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Strickland have been residents of Crane for the last few years where they both taught school. Mrs. Strickland resigned this year but Mr. Strickland came back as a math teacher in high school.

Crane-McCamey Tennis Match Ends In Tie

Part of the tennis team went to McCamey Tuesday, Feb. 19, after school, to play the first boys match of the year.

Wayne Bowers played senior boys singles and lost to the tune of 6-3, 8-6. To help the situation, Paul Coker and Hugh Green played doubles to win by a score of 6-2, 6-0.

In the junior division, Riley Hood was defeated by the McCamey singles player 6-3, 7-5. George Thompson and Charles Lively joined skill and luck to win 6-2, 6-3 over the junior doubles to even the score.

D. H. Culp and Kenneth Laird were left to break the tie. They played doubles against the grade school of McCamey and led by one set and four games each of the second set when the match was called off because of darkness.

Next week, McCamey will return the match. At that time new faces will greet the racket club of McCamey since a new group of players from Crane will be used.

The choral group and band members combined themselves for a night of enjoyment Tuesday, 19th. They went to Odessa to hear the Hardin Simmons Choir perform at the Odessa High School auditorium.

Peggie Gene Sharp and Jessie Marie Scott were home for the Coronation Feb. 9.

The eighth grade had a dance Saturday night, 23rd. A large crowd attended.

Letter From England Received By CHS Girl

Since many of us often wonder about England, this letter to one of the CHS students will help enlighten you on this country.

Dear Leona:

I have written to my German friend thanking her for her lovely gift. It was a hand tooled autograph album, and writing to her takes more time than writing to you.

Now a little more about myself. As you already know, I was 17 last Aug. 20. All my life my hair has been straight, cut in a fringe, but since I have been at county school, my hair has started to curl slightly, although I am continually having it cut. I am five feet four inches tall and have brown hair.

I had very few Christmas gifts owing to having other small sisters. I had a pair of tennis shoes (which I use for netball now); a school girl book, a box of hankies, a propelling pencil, a wallet and diary, a gray jumper cardigan, and some toilet soap. I had cards from all my friends. I don't know if I told you, but the part of Britain in which I live (South Wales) is a coal-mining area, and although Wales has some of the most beautiful scenery in Britain, yet we also have very poor places owing to the coal mining districts. We often have school expeditions around the surrounding hills, mainly educational trips. Last July a school expedition went to Windsor, to Windsor Castle, and had tea on a cruiser up the Thames. Last April we went to Stratford-on-Avon, in Shakespeare's Memorial Theatre. We saw Michael Radegrave as Richard in "Richard the Second." I found it very interesting because we had been studying it at school last term. Last Saturday, Jan. 18, Joyce and I went to see Mario Lanza in "The Great Caruso." I don't know whether you have seen it, but it was wonderful. I am very fond of all classical music and opera, and on March 28, the Covent Garden Opera Co. is coming to Barcliff. They are performing "Figaro" and there is a party of us going from school. It is much better to go with the school as it is very cheap, 2/6 we have to pay, which is very reasonable to see a Covent Garden Opera Company.

You said you wish you had a half day off; well, we are not as lucky as we thought we were. Now we have been made to stay, owing to my being in the netball team, but many girls who do not like sports resent having to forfeit their free half day.

Lately we have been having some awful pictures around here. The only decent one this week is Yvonne de Carlo in "Hotel Sahara." The other pictures are "Coming Around the Mountain" with Abbott and Costello, and Frank Sinatra in "Meet Danny Wilson." I don't fancy these latter films very much.

Well, I don't have very much more to tell you, so I must close now. I am listening to "Tap The Tumb." a battle of wits between schools of Britain. In this series a boys' school in Scotland won, and they received a challenge from a boys' school in Germany. That is what I am listening to now. It is very good and they are speaking in English.

Please write very soon.

ANNE.

Teachers To Attend Odessa Convention

Due to the principle speaker in Odessa March 14, the Crane teachers voted to attend the district meeting there. Carlos B. Romulo, president of the United Nations, and one of the foremost living speakers of the world, will be the principle speaker of this meeting.

Plans have been made for an extensive program divided into three groups, with three speakers, the leading one of whom is Romulo. All the teachers of Crane are planning to attend this meeting and some of the future teachers of Crane will be planning to attend also.

Crane High School students will have to go to school all day Thursday, February 13 and school will turn out all day Friday, February 14. Although the students regret the loss of the half day, the prospective of the great speaker will not be a regrettable decision for the teachers as well as the students, for the students will benefit from the speakers as well as the teachers.

Here is a reminder to the seniors who have not paid their class dues. No mon no fun. It all depends on the fund.

The seniors seem to have had quite a party Friday, 15th. They really painted the town red, literally speaking.

Pittman, Robinson, Dickason And Almack Attend Band Convention

On Feb. 6, 7, 8 and 9, Crane High Band Director and Choral Director, J. R. Dickason and Jack Almack, and two band members, Lacy Pittman and Bob Robinson, attended the annual all-state band convention in Mineral Wells.

Texas is divided into ten band regions. The best players from regions 1 through 5 were in the big State Band, organized by Ed Holt of Laredo, and those from regions 6 through 10 were in the Lone Star Band, organized by Ralph Mills of Midland.

The Lone Star Band had its organizational meeting in the Pavilion of the Crazy Hotel. There try-out directors, previously appointed, took their individual section and arranged it according to ability. Lacy was chosen to play third chair French horn, and Bobby, who was an alternate, played saxophone a part of one day.

One of the band clinicians, Prof. R. F. Dvorak, is the director of the University of Wisconsin bands. Dvorak was seriously injured on April 14, 1948, in a train wreck in Oklahoma while on his way to a state high school band contest. Following a series of unsuccessful operations on his left leg, badly fractured in the accident, and the fitting of a new right arm, he took up again the full schedule of concerts and guest appearances that has made him one of the outstanding musicians in the Midwest.

Extra entertainment and programs offered at the convention were a concert by the North Texas State College Orchestra, a concert by a woodwind ensemble from NTSC, a short program by a French horn quartet from San Benito High School and a concert by the Texas Tech band.

The convention ended with a grand concert by the all state orchestra, chorus and hands held at Convention Hall. The concert was recorded by the Texas State Network and outstanding portions of the concert were played over station KCRS Saturday.

H. D. Christian Main Speaker In Devotional Assembly Feb. 19

H. D. Christian, pastor of the Crane First Baptist Church, was the principle speaker in the devotional assembly Tuesday, Feb. 19.

Mr. Christian's main topic was "What The Bible Has To Say About The Question Of Today." He three main questions to be answered from the Bible by the speaker were:

- (1) What shall I do with my life?
 - (2) Is it right for a Christian to go to war and kill?
 - (3) What about my sins?
- Answering the topics in reversed order, Mr. Christian began his speech with the question "What about my sins?" "People out in the world today," said the speaker, "are prone to say what's the use of trying to secure an education because of the war. Eat, drink, and be merry for tomorrow you may die." "Incidentally more people are killed in car accidents today than soldiers on the battlefields of Korea," stated the speaker, "Christ will direct our paths only if we will confess our sins and repent."

Killing in war is not a sin if you kill offensively to protect your country and freedom. If you kill aggressively, or willfully destroy life, you must pay for the crime. God has said to us that to kill to protect our home, our way of life, and for the well being of our country is not sin. "What causes war," then asked the speaker? The Bible tells us that bodily lust or strife within ourselves causes war. Fear not the person who would take our life, but fear the person who would take both your life and your soul. Thus we fear God, because He can condemn our souls to hell and destroy our bodies as well.

Each sin that we commit, some one will have to pay for, either the person that commits the sin or someone closely associated with them for you pay for your sin either directly or indirectly," pointed out the speaker. "Since Christ died for our sins," said Mr. Christian, "We, through His power to forgive our sins will be saved if we confess our sins and repent." The blood of Christ acts as a blood transfusion in intervening with the sinner who confesses and so needs God. "The blood of Christ is the only cure for our sins today," said the speaker.

The assembly was closed by being led in prayer.

Jumpy Journalist Relates Tales of Perilous Missions

Monday had rolled around again, and it was blue as every Monday is.

Mr. Patterson made the assignments and all the students scrambled off to tear up the earth for a story. That is, everyone except me. I was still sitting there in my seat brooding and feeling sorry for myself. It had fallen my lot to get a certain story that would take me to that place—of all places—the files. That horrible little snake den above the lobby in the auditorium.

After several fearful, fearful moments I managed to regain enough strength to drag down to the office to fanage the keys to that place out of Mr. Nix. As usual the office was full and I had to wait quite a while, but this was well with me because it gave me that much more time to muster up a little more courage. Finally I managed to squeeze ahead of some poor little sophomore and go on in to see Mr. Nix.

RELUCTANT DRAGON

After much questioning as to why I wanted the keys, I gained possession of them and proceeded on my mission.

Slowly, very slowly, I walked out of the office and down the hall to the auditorium door. The door was already open so I quietly tip-toed in and started up the aisle to the lobby.

The stillness of the place sent shivers down my spine and once I started to run back but then I remembered, "anything for a story." The paper comes out Tuesday and I've just got to have those column inches.

By the time a few grey hairs had popped into my head, I was at the door to that dreaded place. I stopped for a minute or two and said a

few words to the good Lord, and commenced putting the lock. Slowly now, the door was open. That moment over. The worst was past. Next I started up the stairs that I was sure lead me to my doom.

I then peeped into the lobby, seeing all was well (as far as the lobby was concerned) and I stepped over to the filing cabinet where the back issues of the paper rested in peace.

INTO THE SNAKE'S DEN

Sitting down on an old, worn, rumpled chair, I began rummaging through papers for a bit of news when I suddenly came across a thing that looked very much like a rattlesnake skin. Sure was. But where did it come from? Was there really a snake up there. Believe me, I've never been up there yet for yourself.

Swallowing my terror (least trying to) I went on a business remembering that a story must not be forgotten by a journalist.

When I was just about to wind up my work for the day, I heard a terrible noise from where in that room and then and then I went around to find out what it was. I threw my clip board and took off in high, but luck, I fell over a box of pens. Leave us not repeat through my mind at that time. Taking for granted that I was enough gone I began again when the door of the jecton room opened and where I almost faded into space.

Much to my surprise, it was only, yep, you guess Williams getting a sharp ready for activity period.

Martin Slated To Long Speaking Schedule

L. L. Martin, superintendent of the Crane Schools, is due to have a busy speaking schedule for the next few weeks.

Mr. Martin's first appearance will be before the Business and Professional Women of Ft. Stockton in their annual Employer-Employee Banquet on Feb. 21. His next scheduled date will be in Crane at the Cub Scouts' Father and son Banquet Feb. 28. Here his topic is to be Child-Parent Relationship in Character Building.

March 3 Mr. Martin will bring a short speech on "The Challenge Of Present Day Education." This will be during Texas Education Week. Mr. Martin's last appearance will be at the District P-TA Convention in McCamey March 25.

Mr. Martin is well known throughout the state for his forceful speaking, and it is certain that he will bring forth some very interesting topics during the next few weeks.

Library Club Is Feted; Washington's Birthday

The Library Club met Feb. 19 in the library. As it was the week of Washington's Birthday, the club did research work on presidents.

Each member was given a president's name to find all material in the library on that person. The card catalogue, Readers Guide, and reference books were used for this.

Mrs. Inez Keith Elmore served cherry tarts. New library mem-

FTA Delegates Attend Convention

Delegates of the F.T.A. Williams, sponsor, will be at the convention, Feb. 22, at the convention at North Texas State College in Denton, Texas.

Workshops will be held following subjects: Program Membership, Activities, Subjects, Publicity and Speeches, and Constitutional Amendments.

The state scrapbook and books from the local clubs displayed at the convention.

An outstanding contest being planned with a speakers and programs, etc.

Another feature of the convention will be the selection of Texas Future Teachers of the Year. The delegates attending are Louise Tomlinson, Wanda Leclair, senior, Judy Mathis, junior, and Smith, sophomore, delegate, and a freshman delegate, Peggy foot.

Alternatives for these are Juanel Maxwell, Ellison, Norma Crittenden, Mary Ted Sharrock.

The first session will be Friday, February 28, at 7:30. The last session will be Saturday evening.

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ARE YOU A CRANE?

SPRING HAS SPRUNG MANY A DREAMER

Spring is approaching. Spring, the loveliest time of the year—yet it is not that for some people. They are the ones who let the school year slip by without tracking a book or even thinking about it.

You feel light-hearted with nothing to worry about, not a care in the world. You're in love or so you think. Spring has been sprung and it has landed directly on you and now you have the "fever". But while there is still a chance, you had better descend from that little pink cloud and get in step with this fast-moving world.

In the meantime, while you are in a daze, grades are to be made, tests are to be passed, and report cards are being received. Even you cannot escape this worldly escapade. You have to move forward or step back to make way for the traveling scholars.

Your Spring can still be the best time of the year. Be in love all you want and dream all you want in your off hours and concentrate on studies and the practical things in the serious moments of this wonderful life and it will come to pass that you will enjoy your dreaming and fickle ideas even more.

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It is with this thought in mind that participation in the events of the annual Public Schools Week is urged. The schools will hold "open house" and all invited to inspect first-hand the activities of the schools, activities of the schools, incidentally, which are financed by your tax dollar.

It is only by continual interest in the educational system that "Texas Public Schools—Democracy in Action" can be preserved and kept strong.

DO YOU KNOW WHAT MARCH 2 MEANS?

March 2 is a legal holiday in Texas in commemoration of its declaration of independence from Mexico. Late in 1835 a conference of citizens of Texas drew up a "Declaration of causes for taking up arms against Mexico" in which it was stated that Texas would continue faithful to Mexico so long as that nation was governed by the constitution and laws "that were framed for the political association." This has sometimes been characterized as a declaration of independence because there were certain phrases in the document that might be interpreted in that way. But the conference by a large majority voted down a motion to secede. However, on March 2, 1836, while Santa Anna was besieging the Alamo, another conference was held which formally declared Texas to be independent of Mexico. The declaration was made good by the Battle of San Jacinto on April 21, in which Santa Anna was defeated by General Sam Houston.

March second is a date that will never be forgotten and the "Spirit of the Alamo" will live forever in the hearts of all Texans.

That courage and spirit is needed today in the condition that the world is in, so let's everyone "Remember the Alamo."

ST. PATRICK IS IRISH BOAST

March 17 is the day for all who have Irish blood flowing through their veins to lift their heads up and their chests high. St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, has been honored and the anniversary of his death, March 17, 493, has been celebrated in America from very early times.

St. Patrick, according to the Roman Catholic authorities, was born at Kilpatrick, near Dumbarton, Scotland, in the year 387. His father was a member of a Roman family of high rank. When Patrick was 16 years old, he was captured by Irish marauders and sold as a slave to a chieftain, who was high priest, in the territory of the present country of Antrim.

After six years of servitude, he escaped to Rome where he spent 18 years preparing himself for religious work. The pope commissioned him to work in Ireland, and it was in Ireland that his miracles were performed.

Although sought all his life by the Druids, who were determined to kill him, he made a name for himself there that all Irish boast of. Here is a case in point:

President Taft was the guest of honor at the St. Patrick's Day dinner of the Irish Fellowship Club of Chicago in 1910. A large piece of the "ould sod" was imported from Ireland for the President to stand on while making his address. It arrived in the city on March 11 and was turned over to a florist to be kept until the evening of the dinner, but so many Irish men and women, who visited the florist to look at it, carried away fragments of it so that there was not enough left by the evening of March 17 to put under the feet of the President. A small piece survived, however, and was given to Mr. Taft to take back to Washington with him.

Introducing A Teacher



DARRELL WARREN

One of the newest teachers in Crane High is Darrell Warren, standing 5'11" with a manly 170 pounds, displaying the friendliness of green eyes and flashing a set of pearly white teeth, who came to us from North Texas State College at the beginning of the second semester. He teaches two eighth grade math and one general math.

Mr. Warren is, however, an emigrant to Crane, but a home town boy, having spent 21 of his 24 years in this oil field community.

Perhaps some of the readers know him better as Sunset Lane delivery boy, which he was his last two years of school.

He finished his high school work at John T. Lakin, but had his transcript moved here, because he had attended here from the first through the 11th grade and lacked only one or two credits graduating when he left.

He is one of our former athletes, having played junior and senior football under Coach Moon Mullins, and a former musician, having played in the band for two years.

Mr. Warren married Jean Murray, who was queen of the senior class of Crane in 1947. Jean has also spent the majority of her school life in Crane, and was staff photographer of The Crane in 1946 and 1947.

Mr. Warren is a veteran of World War II, spending three years in the 11 A/B Sig. Co. One year of this was spent in Sapporo, Japan, located on the Northern Island of Japan, Koshido. His last advancement gave him the rank of 5 Sgt.

He recalls one of the most exciting things that happened while he attended Crane High. It was the time the school building caught fire directly over the room where he was taking general math. Smoke began to come out of the five overhead and smoked the room up pretty bad.

After talking about all they could stand and deciding that the fire had had a chance to be going good, he decided with the other students that it should be reported. It was 1:00 M day, the water in the fire truck's tank was frozen.

"Of course, at the time we all hoped the school would burn down," he chuckled. "We students had filed out of the building and stood at a distance clapping our hands. However, the fire was extinguished with only about a thousand dollars damage and we missed only a half day of school."

This is Mr. Warren's first year of teaching, and he says he enjoys it very much and gets a thrill out of helping students with their problems.

"I think Crane has one of the best school systems in Texas and I wish every student could realize how lucky he really is," he quotes.

"I'm certainly glad to be back in old Crane High and hope to get personally acquainted with all the students in the near future."

The future intentions and ambitions of this starting teacher are to work on his master's degree and set his goal on making either a principal, supervisor, or counselor, in the field of guidance.

Mr. Warren has been received with a great welcome with all the students, and in case you would like to visit him, he resides in a trailer house—bought while going to college—located at West 11 and South Ave. "It's all because of the housing shortage in Crane," he explains.

A Minute Message

There is no danger of developing eye-strain looking at the bright side of things.

The white race should continue to act white.

Don't be all sail and no rudder while traveling on the ocean of life.

INTRODUCING



Betty Sue Henderson

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Also her credit is an outstanding volleyball record. This is her fourth year on the A team. Proof that she has done very well in her sport is that she has been chosen on all-tournament teams. These teams were picked at two Odeas tournaments and one Monahan tournament.

Betty's pet peeve is people who get in her car and turn the rear view mirror around to comb their hair or put on lipstick. Let this be a warning to every unsuspecting girl.

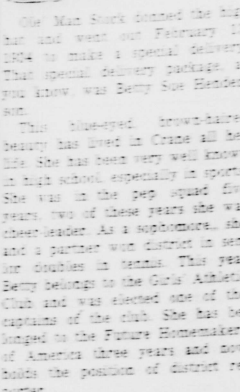
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EXCHANGES

Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
Eyebrow pencil, cold cream jar,
Powder puff and lipstick, too,
Will make a beauty out of you!
The Crosby Buffalo,
Crosby High School.

From the "Kat Klaw," Del Rio, Texas, we learn of a football game to be played between the senior girls and the junior girls, with the proceeds to be divided between the junior and senior classes. The students of Del Rio High School call this curious phenomenon "unladylike, pretty good, nice, hilarious and fun." It's an interesting money-making scheme.

BE MY VALENTINE

'Twas the night before Valentine
And all through the house
All the creatures were stirring;
Why even a mouse
Was slicking his hair
To please his young spouse.
All the creatures were frolicking,
Just as gay as you please
—All except me
Who was quite ill at ease.
My teeth were a chattering
I was weak in the knees.
I gently called "Marjiet!"
On me she did beam.
I stuttered, I stammered,
I think I turned green.
Then, summoning my courage
I breathed in her ear.
"Please let me copy
Your research theme, Dear."
San Angelo College
Ram Page
San Angelo, Tex.

All boys love their sisters
But I so good have grown.
That I love other boys' sisters
Far better than my own.
Dothanli Sootzus,
Dothan, Ala.

"Now I lay me down to sleep,
The lecture's dull, the subject's
deep.
If he should quit before I wake,
Give me a poke, for goodness
sake."
Exchange.

Don't tell your girl friend you
are unworthy of her; let it come
as a surprise.
Abilene High Battery.

What this country needs is more
wreckless drivers.
Exchange.

Mr. Patterson was absent from
school Tuesday through Thursday.
He went to the funeral of his father-in-law, W. A. Mixon, in Athens, Texas.

BOOK HOOK

FIFTY YEARS OF POPULAR MECHANICS

For fifty years POPULAR MECHANICS has reported, simply and personally, the mechanical and scientific achievements of the most fabulous half-century in human history. This book is a selection of some 300 pages reproduced in facsimile, from the 360-odd issues which have appeared since January 1902. Marginal comments accompanying each page give it perspective in the light of today's knowledge.

This is a treasury of the American Way of Doing Things—a sort of picture history of the inventiveness that has lifted our civilization from the horse and buggy to the atomic age. In addition to pictures of the most important developments of the past half-century, the book includes pictures of submarines, automobiles, airplanes, balloons, helicopters, trains, radio, television, chemistry and atomic energy, you will find delightful items of a lighter nature—about such things as aids for shoplifters, Anna Held's twenty strap sandals, perpetual motion, bootlegging, self-tipping hats, boxing, hair growers, hobbie skirts, how to use an umbrella as a weapon and lots more.

But this book is far more than just a volume of wonderful pictures. There are long feature articles by the great men of the past two generations—Giuseppe Marconi, Pierre Curie, Jules Verne, Winston Churchill, Barney Oldfield and others.

Americans have always been lovers of machines and gadgets. Here you will find the most fascinating of them all—the works of the scientists, the mechanics, the builders and the inventors. You will discover things you never knew about the present and rediscover things which you thought you had forgotten about the past.

But there is really no point in going on like this. Look at the table of contents on page VII—or better yet, open the book any place and see what turns up. There's a one-man submarine on page 5 that we think will intrigue you. Try page 15 and read all about the vehicle which was to have revolutionized desert travel. If you like perpetual motion machines, look on page 23. On page 79 we see the plane in which Walter Brookings flew to a record 6,175 feet in 1910; and then look on page 142 to see the most amazing seaplane ever built, or perhaps even dreamed of. If you are interested in predictions, read "Miracles You'll See in the Next Fifty Years" on page 298.

This is a book to evoke a mixture of nostalgia and delight; the perfect book for the man who likes to work with tools or fuss around the house, to be sure, for anyone who is interested in the inquisitive tinkering, restless, magnificent putters who made modern America.

Song Of The Week

ANY TIME

I'm sad and blue bout nobody but you.
Why you don't seem the same to me.
I told you that I loved you right from the start.
You told me the very same thing And now you break my heart.
If you don't want me kindly tell me so.
I love you and I'll say before I go.
Any time that you are lonely,
Any time that you are blue,
Any time you feel downhearted,
That will prove to you my love is true.
Any time you're thinking of me,
That's the time I'll be thinking of you.
So any time you think you want me back again,
That's the time I'll come right back to you.

Now you'll agree you've been mean to me.
And you don't love me any more.
You made me so unhappy please tell me true.
Do you suppose I would do these mean old things to you.
Now if you'll love me honey tell me so.
It will break my heart if you say no.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Feb. 27—Bobbie Jean Lindley
March 2—Stanley Laney
March 5—Darrell Henry
March 6—Douglas Damron
March 7—Darrell Vines
March 8—Shirley Wallender
March 8—George Omo
March 10—Charles Sheppard

AUNT SOPHIE

Dear Aunt Sophie:
My boy friend just sent me a beautiful set of mink skin gloves. I don't understand it but I wonder if you can come from a low, sneaking, little beast. Sincerely,

Dear Wonder Girl:
I am not acquainted with your boy friend, and he may be like you say, but don't believe in fore others.

Your Experienced Aunt
Dear Aunt Sophie:
My history class is getting down. Questions like "What the Declaration of Independence signed?" are driving me nuts. What do you suggest?

Dear Hopeless:
Use your head! The Declaration of Independence was signed at the bottom of course.

Auntie "Brain" Says
Dear Aunt Sophie:
I'm thinking of becoming world-famous explorer. Can you tell me where the elephants found?

Dearest Brave:
My boy, the elephant is a large animal that it is rare lost.

Brighton
Alias Aunt Sophie

Dear Aunt Sophie:
My grades are terrible. I cheer say I should have started study earlier. What do you suggest?

Dear Dummy:
Don't worry about it no too late to start earlier.

Your encouraging Auntie

Dear Auntie:
My vocabulary is kind of but I'm trying to improve it. You tell me what a hyponym (Signed)

Dear Speechless:
A hypocrite is the thing comes to school with a smile on his face.

Your favorite Auntie

Dear Aunt Sophie:
I'm heartbroken. I've discovered that my fiancé is engaged to other girls.

Dearie:
Don't think too badly of Cupid. Must have used a gun.

Your logical Auntie

Dear Aunt Sophie:
Louie, my boy friend, can't live without me. What do I do?

Dear Joe:
Funerals aren't too expensive. Need I say more?

Dear Aunt Sophie:
Do you think I might be able to care for my boy friend?

Dear "Con":
You might—your learned spinach, didn't you?

Aunt Sophie

Dear Sophie:
I'm so lonely. Will you love me?

Ad: This newspaper needs one else to handle this beneficent. Apply in person.

Poem Of The Week

EXCEPTION
ANONYMOUS
Love is a petal
From a rose.
Love is a star
That briefly glows.
Love is a spark
That's soon an ember.
A song too fragile
To remember.
Love is an arrow
Quickly sped.
A moth flame-singed.
Then crumpled dead.
Love is the loveliest
Of things.
But love is fleet.
And love has wings.
Love, they say,
Is the frailest of flowers.
But what did they know
Of love like ours?