

Peggy McCasland Campus Queen Of Sul Ross College



Peggy McCasland, Crane High graduate of 1952, was recently elected Sul Ross Campus Queen. Peggy was elected basketball sweetheart in CHS in 1952, and also received the Babe Ruth Award in '52.

Now Younguns Begin Drivin' at Early Age

This is strictly off the record, but some drivers begin at a very early age. Take, for instance, Mrs. D. E. Johnson's son, Layne, who is very talented in driving cars backward at the ripe age of two years old. As it happened, Mrs. Johnson left her car, in reverse gear, parked at the cafeteria. Mr. Layne Johnson decided he would take a short ride, so he hopped into the front seat where his little one-year-old sister, Vickie, sat, turned on the ignition, pushed the starter button, and away he went. Then, after young Mr. Johnson had the car started, he joyfully ran back and forth in the front seat until the car had barely passed between a tree and a post and came to a stop in H. F. Smoot's yard.

Seniors to Present "Washington Slept Here", April 1, 2, '54

Reluctant nature, casual local labor, and pesky weekend guests complicate Newton Fuller's plan to get away from it all in the country, in the Senior Class of 1954's presentation of "George Washington Slept Here," to be presented at the high school auditorium April 1 and 2, for two performances. Newton Fuller, the bewildered hero of "George Washington Slept Here," is a hopeful city dweller who turns bucolic with the purchase of a crumbling ruin in Bucks County, Pa. The Fullers spent so much money repairing their windowless, waterless, almost roofless retreat that they can't make the second payment—and the bank promises to foreclose. There are further complications in visits from a long-winded uncle and a demoniac nephew, a quarrel with a neighbor who owns not only the water supply, but the very road that leads from the highway to the house, and the attempted elopement of the daughter with a married summer theatre actor.

The Senior Class's presentation of "George Washington Slept Here," will be directed by Robert Irvine, C.H.S. speech teacher.

Arm Proves Only Vulnerable Spot to Courageous Field

This week's "freak" accident is about two little boys, one of whom has since grown up. Well, it seems that Ted and Birt Field were amateur "tarzans" in their younger days. They climbed the tallest, widest mesquites in the sandhills. One day while they were perched on a lofty limb, Ted grew violently lonesome for his little red wagon. Birt consoled him with a magnificent idea. They could get the wagon up in the tree via a rope pulley—homemade, of course. Well, this idea was working splendidly until little Ted lost his balance and fell out of the tree. He landed on his head, and all would have been well, but the



Ware Entry in A&M Sweetheart Contest

Joan Ware has been chosen by A. and M. Students to enter the A. M. Junior Class Sweetheart Contest. All entries must be in by March 15. Six finalists will be chosen from all the entries, and the queen will be chosen from these six the night of the Junior Prom, which will be held in the Spring. Joan was one of the top ten C.H.S. beauties last year, and she placed second this year in the beauty contest.

Senior Class Chooses Motto: "Live It Up!"

In a Senior Class meeting Wednesday, February 17, the motto, class colors, and the class flower were chosen. The motto chosen for the 1954 Senior Class was "Live It Up!", the colors were chosen to be blue and white, and the blue and white iris is the flower. New Orleans was decided to be the destination after graduation for the 1954 class. In a meeting held earlier, the Reverend H. F. Dearing, pastor of the First Baptist Church, was selected to bring the message for the Baccalaureate Services. Tryouts for "George Washington Slept Here" are to be held on Monday night, February 22. This play had a long and successful run on Broadway. A group of the seniors gathered at the home of Darrell Vines on February 16 to cut parts of the play. Mrs. Vines served the group cake and punch, and a lot of fun was reported by those who attended.

Public School Week Is Host to Parents March 1 Through 6

Have you heard anything about Texas Public School Week? Do you know that you are invited to come to the school all during the first week of March? You are, so come! Several interesting things will take place during the week, especially Monday, March 1. To start things off, the band will parade through town. Then at 7:30 p. m., the speech class, under the direction of Robert Irvine, will give a play "Proposal Under Difficulties" with Patti Johnson, Darrell Vines, Larry Moore, and Barbara Kinsey as the actors. The choir will sing "To Thee We Sing", "God Is The Light of The World", and probably "The Nation's Creed." The choir will also hold class the night of March 1. After the program in the auditorium, several courses that are offered in school will have open class for visitation by the public. Several of these courses are different wood work classes, taught by Billy Mayes; Arts and Crafts, taught by Steve Quitta; home make by Mrs. Mildred Rose, which will show the clothing department in action; a chemistry class with the students conducting an experiment, taught by Jack Atkinson; John McLean will hold a biology class with the students using microscopes; Physical Education, both boys and girls, in play, under the coaching of Dan Andregg and Mrs. Billy Mayes; bookkeeping and budgeting for a family, taught by Mrs. F. Anderson; and Typing I with students in action, taught by Miss Ruth Conway. Tuesday, March 2, a concert will be given for the public by the Crane High School band, under the direction of J. R. Dickason. Remember, y'all come!



WHAT ANXIETY LURKS IN THE MINDS OF MEN—Not even The Shadow knows. Note the expressions on the faces of Gerald Rogers (standing), George Grounds, Rev. Bob Hawkins, Doug Jones and a couple of unidentified eyes farther down the line. Needless to say which one of the teams is in dire distress.

THIS GAME OF BASKETBALL; BAD ON NERVOUS SYSTEM

By HELEN LAKIN
Suspense!! That's what the guys shown in the picture seem to be in. Was a felony committed? Did someone swallow the basketball? (Coach Gerald Rogers must be praying that it wasn't one of Crane's boys if it was.) Something drastic must have happened! Whatever it was, it has affected all pictured above. By looking at Mr. Rogers you might think that he was calling on the higher powers to make the outcome of whatever is happening be in favor of Crane. George Grounds might give you the feeling of murder. He looks as if he is ready to shoot (and that doesn't mean with a basketball) whoever is causing the trouble. (Probably would have helped if he had.) Bob Hawkins is either so bored with what's happening that he can't stay awake, or so outraged he can't think of the right words to use. (He's a preacher you know.) Doug Jones is in such a state of shocked depression that he never will get over it. The roof could probably fall in and he wouldn't know the difference. Whatever was happening at this particular moment, the people in question probably came out of their trance at the end of the game. Grounds might give you the feeling of murder. He looks as if he is ready to shoot (and that doesn't mean with a basketball) whoever



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Crane High Reports Gain of Four Students

Since the last issue of The Crane, several students have entered and withdrawn from C.H.S. Jimmy Allgood, an eighth grader, re-entered school January 25 after a brief absence. A ninth grader, Sherry Williams, withdrew January 15 to go to Kermit. On January 28, Sherry returned from Kermit and re-entered in Crane Hi. Another boy, Durwood Doyle, who is also an eighth grader, withdrew January 22 to move to Wichita Falls. Then on February 2, Durwood re-entered dear ole C.H.S. Alice Harrington, a freshman, entered here February 1 after attending Abilene Christian College High School. Withdrawing to go to Big Spring was Florence McKinney, an eighth grader, who withdrew from school January 25. Earline Box, senior, withdrew January 15 to finish school work by correspondence. The last to withdraw was Selwyn Taylor, a freshman. Selwyn withdrew January 28 to continue school at Eldorado, Texas.

Parents Appraise C.S. Pupils Take IQ Test

L. L. Martin was principal speaker at the Elementary P.T.A. meeting Thursday, February 18. Mr. Martin spoke on the subject of Developing Civic Responsibilities. At the P.T.A. meeting parents were given appraisal application to the Texas Research League and Texas Association of School Administrators can find out how Texas schools are doing under the Gilmer-Aiken School Foundation Law. Since October Elementary schools have been given Kuhlmann-Anderson IQ test. The Elementary faculty is planning to give achievement tests the latter part of this month.

Students Announce For '54 Prexy, Veep Of Student Council

January 23, 1954 the governor of Texas signed the official memorandum designating the week of March 22-28 as Student Council Week. This is the first time Texas has had a Student Council Week. The Crane High School Student Council is planning to put on a program that week in the auditorium. In the Student Council meeting of February 11 reports were given from the different chairmen. Bill Mathes, project chairman, states that the final counting of the March of Dimes totaled \$159.20. He also reported that a pencil machine had been set in the library. The Student Council receives 30 per cent of the amount that is taken in by the pencil machine. Committees for the coronation were announced by Martha Cook, Student Council president. A formal dance will be given in the Junior High Cafeteria after the coronation, February 27. The dance will be free of admission, but the price of tickets to the coronation will be 50 cents for adults, and 25 cents for students. New records will be bought for the dance. Some amendments to the constitution were presented to the Student Council and were passed. However, these amendments have to be presented to the student body before they become final. Monday, February 15, was the deadline for candidates to announce their intention to run for the presidency and vice-presidency of next year's Student Council. The election will be held February 24. Tommy Griffin, Dolores Jones and "Blackie" Russell have announced for president, while Beverly Sikes and Bill Gregory are on the ticket for vice-president.

FTA Attends State Meet; Learn Teaching

Judy Glass, Bernard Mobbs, and Sue Harrold, accompanied by Jammers Norred, attended a district FTA meeting in El Paso January 30. Sue Harrold, FTA beauty, although making an excellent speech, lost out to a girl from Alpine in a contest judged on poise, personality, and expression. Judy Glass, president of the Crane Future Teachers, was elected as one of the two district voting delegates. February 12, a drama was presented by the FTA and dedicated to Horace Mann. Also on the program was the installation of new members into the FTA. The state convention in Denton, February 19 and 20, was attended by Judy Glass, president; Florence McDougal, next year's president; Sue Harrold, vice president; and three regular members: Melvin Delaney, Stanley Laney and Dolores Hooper. The convention consisted mostly of speeches and group discussions.

Bethune High School Semester Honor Roll 1954

First Semester Honor Roll		
Gala Ruth Jeffery, 12th grade	91.0	
Julia Mae Price, 7th grade	90.0	
Robert Mitchell, 8th grade	90.0	
Patricia Ann Montgomery, 3rd grade	90.0	
Enrollment as follows for the past semester:		
enrolled	losses	
Grades 1-3	24	5
Grades 4-6	17	2
Grades 7-8	11	0
Grades 9-12	11	0
Total	63	7
Present enrollment	56	

Tuesday, February 16, Clyde Kelsey, psychology instructor, and Miss Margaret Jameson, dean of women at Texas Western, were in Crane High School to give the Senior Class a Kuder's Preference Test.

Hearts and Flowers Featured at FHA Sweetheart Banquet

The Future Homemakers of America Club gave their annual sweetheart banquet Saturday, February 13. All members of the club were assigned a certain duty as their part of the banquet. Shirley Wallender was elected to act as hostess for the banquet, and Kay Culp and Perky Hooper were in charge of decorations. Most of the work was done Saturday morning and afternoon. The girls had to move everything out of the Home Ec. Lab and set up all the tables. Since it was a sweetheart banquet and since it was the day before Valentine's Day, hearts and flowers made up the decorations. The lights were covered with red crepe paper, and they made everything look real red. A buffet dinner of baked ham, potato salad, glazed carrots, English peas, cake, hot rolls, and iced tea was served by several of the girls. When the dinner was finished Doris Owens, the FHA president, crowned Darrell Henry as the FHA Sweetheart for 1954 and gave him a billfold from all the members of the club. After the sweetheart was crowned, everyone pitched in, except a few of the boys, and washed dishes and straightened up the department.

Five Crane Hi Girls Help G.W. Program

Five C.H.S. girls participated in the Mason's and Eastern Star's George Washington program at the Crane Community Hall Friday, February 19. Piano duets consisting of "Jazz-pezzicata" and "Over The Rainbow" were played by Luanne Presley and Brenda Owens. A trio of Beverly Sikes, Jean Shaver and Jerry Turner sang "Love Walked In" and "Where or When."

C. Carroll Attends Annual Convention In Milwaukee, Wis.

C. A. Carroll, principal of Crane High School, left Friday, February 19, to fly to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to attend the 38th National Convention of the National Association of Secondary School Principals, which continues from February 19 through the 25th. Several outstanding speakers at the convention will be General Jimmy Doolittle, vice-president of Shell Oil Company; C. W. Stanford, University of Illinois; honorable Thurston B. Morton, assistant secretary of state; and William A. Early, president of the National Education Association. Listed below are only a few of the many discussions that will be considered by leading educators from all over the United States: What is good practice in teaching controversial issues in the secondary schools? How can the principal utilize the student council in administering the school? What constitutes an effective program of professional growth of the principal and his staff? How can we make the school contribute to the community and the community to the school? What can the home and the school do about the juvenile delinquency problem? What is an effective guidance program in the Senior High School? How is democratic administration achieved?

MARCH MOVIE CALENDAR	
March 4—Skillfully Yours	
March 18—Echoes in War and Peace	
March 25—The Big Race	

Gay Musical Program Adds Finishing Touch To Court of Silver C

The colorful Court of the Silver C will present not only the royalty, but a program of song, speech, and dance to add the spice of the year's most colorful event Saturday night, February 27. Mrs. Bush will have three of her speech students on the program. Nancy Bowers will give "Arithmetic Lesson"; Diane Leaman, "Her First Date"; Marilyn and John McKinney, "The Taxi Driver." Presenting a violin solo is Jimmy Carroll, playing "Spanish Dance."

Van Court Appointed School Board Member

As most everyone knows, the school board election will be held in April. The only change made lately has been the appointment of Hawley Van Court to finish the unexpired term of O. M. (Buddy) Morton. This appointment took place the first meeting of the board in January. Mr. Van Court served his first term January 28. Mr. Morton was transferred to Midland for the Texas-New Mexico Oil Company and Mr. Van Court is a rancher west of Crane.

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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 give so much time to the improvement of himself that he has no time to criticize others; and to be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit troubles.

ARE YOU A CRANE?

Attention All Young Lovers

Love makes the world go round, but it doesn't add to the dignity of the halls.
Every spring a young man's fancy turns to what the girl has been thinking about all year. In C. H. S. it looks like the young man and girl think about the same thing all year.

If a movie were made of some of the young lovers in their high school days and shown to them after their fancies had turned to someone else, they would want to sue us for all we were worth.
Even the greatest Don Juans of all times confined their spooning to balconies and parlors. Romeo and Juliet managed to create one of the greatest love scenes of all times at arms length—or a distance of ten feet.

It's very disgusting to walk down the halls and wonder if you are in Lover's Lane or a school hall.

You wouldn't act this way at home around your parents, so why make a public spectacle of yourself at school?

Public Support Needed in Schools

Statement on Public Schools Week in Texas, March 1-5, 1954

From Thos. B. Ramey, Chairman, State Board of Education
From earliest days Texans have recognized the importance of an educated citizenship in the development and progress of our State. In only relatively recent times, however, has our concern for our public schools attained a stage beyond passive acceptance.

Obviously, whatever advancement our schools have made is directly attributed to an enhancement of public interest in them. It is a principle universally recognized that no program designed for the public good can succeed, unless it has the confidence and support of the people in general. Accordingly, it may be expected that the future progress of public education in Texas will be dependent upon the continued evidence of public interest.

Public Schools Week affords an appropriate occasion to encourage our citizens to become more familiar with our school activities and the ways in which our schools are operated. Thereby may be stimulated a popular desire that our children should receive the very best public education that is attainable. What the people really and earnestly desire, they usually find a means to obtain.

Inspiration and Perspiration Help

What particular quality did the 22 persons who exempted all subjects have?

What particular quality did the 47 who failed subjects lack?

The majority of students in both groups are of average intelligence—few were entrusted with qualities of a genius.

The answer lies partly in two things—paying attention in class and getting up home work.

In class the majority of teachers explain their subjects thoroughly and a little additional study will enable a student to make B's. He has his home work grade to supplement his test grades.

Paying attention ties in with behavior. A check on persons failing show they're usually the "cutups"—the people who have demerits, hate the teachers who "pick" on them, and generally have trouble.

Check your work habits. Let's see if the number of exemptions can't out-number the failures this next semester.

A Warm Heart For Bench Warmers

Since much of the glory and publicity goes to athletes who are seen mixing it in every game, this editorial is a tribute to those faithful few who spent long, grueling hours of practice mixing it with the stars, and then had to sweat it out on the bench while the public's heroes performed. Even so, they never quit, but kept on batting away, only to take their place on the bench night after night, and as far as the rooting public was concerned they never existed.

We have several of such unsung heroes right here in Crane High. Being young, and anxious to be a part of action, they would be hard to convince that they, the bench warmers, were learning a lesson as valuable, or perhaps more valuable, than that learned by the hero on the football field or basketball court. They are learning that persistence, patience and plodding pays off in life more often than a brilliant reputation—that these qualities will still be with them long after the star athlete's athletic skill has been replaced by rheumatism, and his fandom has switched to someone in the present day. Therefore, dear reader, look up our bench warmers and give them a word of appreciation. They went on and on without it, so no telling how far they will go with it.



Betty Bassham, Outstanding Senior One of Ten Top Beauties of CHS



The brown-eyed brunette pictured is none other than Betty Lea Bassham, a very outstanding senior girl. Betty first saw this world May 19, 1936, at Roby, Texas.

Being the roving kind, Betty then moved to Houston where she started school. Since then, she has attended schools at Borger, Stanton, Odessa, and, finally, Crane.

Betty has been very active in Crane High School. She has been in the Girls' Athletic Club, the Volleyball Club, the French Club, and she is a member of the volleyball team this year.

Talk about beauty! This girl's got it. She was elected as the Volleyball Club Beauty this year and was in the top ten beauties of Crane School. No wonder she's beautiful, listen to this. She measures five feet, four inches height and weighs 128 pounds. She has shiny ebony hair and brown eyes. Wow! A knockout in anybody's book!

As her favorite pastime, Betty just loves to write to a certain boy. Interesting, huh?

This chick can really pick good food, too. As her favorite meal, she likes fried chicken, mashed potatoes, combination salad, and chocolate cake. Well, enough of that before we all get hungry.

Bookkeeping seems to be Betty's favorite subject with Mrs. Anderson as her favorite teacher.

Betty likes all kinds of popular music. Her tops in pops now is "Secret Love." She surely knows how to pick them doesn't she?

She simply loves to see Tony Curtis and June Allyson play on the screen. "The Blue Veil" with Jane Wyman is her favorite movie.

The most embarrassing moment in this girl's life was when she had to tell a boy that she couldn't go with him, because she wanted to go with someone else.

Her happiest moment was when she was one of the top ten beauties of CHS.

Betty does not like for someone to say "sad, sad" when you are really worried about something and considers it her pet peeve.

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EXCHANGES

A little green chemist
On a green spring day
Mixed some green chemicals
In a little green way:
The little green grasses
Now tenderly wave
On a green little chemist's
Green little grave.
—Prescott High School

Woman: (Opening door of a refrigerator and finding a rabbit inside: What are you doing there?)
Rabbit: This is a Westinghouse isn't it?

Woman: Yes?
Rabbit: Well, I'm just westing.
—Austin High School

Looking for a book report? Here are some suggestions given by the Collis-High News of Collingswood, New Jersey.
"The Midnight Horror"—by Hoos Thair.
"Essays"—by U. R. Borsom.
"Let Bygones Be"—by Gones.
"Benjamin Franklin's Auto"—by Ography.

"The Fly"—by Knight.
"Missed"—by A. Mile.
"Yes"—by Gum.

What is your first question when someone says, "I've a friend I'd like you to meet."
Athletic girl: "What can he do?"
Chorus girl: "How much is he worth?"

Literary girl: "What does he read?"
Society girl: "Who is his family?"
Religious girl: "What church does he belong to?"
High School girl: "Where is he?"
—THE WHEEL of McAllen High School

Woman on Florida beach discussing husband with friend: "One thing I'll say for Matt, he doesn't have a roving eye—just stares steadily at the prettiest one."
—YELLOW JACKET of Kermit

Sittin' and wishin'
Won't change your Fate.
The Lord provides the fish.
But you have to dig the bait.
—THE BADGER of Lampasas High School

A popular bachelor decided to reform. The first day he cut out cigarettes. The second day he cut out liquor. The third day he cut out women. The fourth day he cut out paper dolls.
—THE ROUND-UP of Andrews, Texas

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SHIRLEY MAE, LOVABLE SENIOR ROAMS THROUGH MANY SCHOOLS



The above 5-foot 6½-inch cutie is Shirley Mae Turner, who was born into this world with green eyes and "mousey brown" hair (so she calls it).

She was brought into this world at six o'clock Saturday evening in Ranger, Texas, on November 2, 1935.

Shirley has gone to school in many places, but let's look at the way she tells it.

"I started my first year in Cisco, Texas, and finished it in Lovington, New Mexico. I stayed there through my second year of school. I started my third year in Artesia, New Mexico and went through the fifth grade there, then went to Odessa, Texas where I was in the sixth and two weeks in the seventh. I then moved to East Texas where I went to school in Silsbee my seventh and eighth grades. I moved back to Cisco where I went my freshman and most of my sophomore years. Then I came to Crane, where I spent the last six weeks of my sophomore year and hope I don't move before I finish. I have lived in Louisiana and other places, but was not in school at the time."

Shirley's favorite color is aqua—especially when it's on cars. Her favorite pastime is being mean (to boys), or driving a certain little Olds 68.

She has quite a mixture of movie likes, as her favorite movie is "Forever Amber," her favorite actor is Stewart Granger, and her favorite actress is Marilyn Monroe di Maggio.

She declares that it wouldn't do to tell her most embarrassing moment, but says the one next to it was when she was being initiated into high school and had to wear "nothing but a toe-sack" to school.

Her most exciting moment was when Cody proposed, and her peeve is for someone to try to tell her who to go with.

Her favorite subject is Home-making. She doesn't have a favorite teacher, but says the meanest teacher she has is censored.

Shirley's happiest moment is yet to come, but she is sure it will be when she gets married.

Being a girl of many likings, Shirley has belonged to many clubs and organizations. Some of the clubs she has belonged to are F.H.A., Girls Athletic, Junior Historians, and Tennis. She has been in the band four years, one of which was in Cisco, Texas, and in the choir two years, both of which were in Cisco.

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Thumbnail Interview

The question for this interview is, "What would you do with a SZOPELKA if you had it?" Here are a few answers that we received for this question.

Mr. Carroll—give it to Mr. Chrane for a Christmas present.

Martha Cook—take it to the cafeteria and have them boil it.

Luanne Presley—eat it.

Joan Ware—eat it, as usual.

Ted Field—give it to Brock and Swift and hope it mangles them.

Shirley Turner—take it and make the best I could of it.

Betty Bassham—stomp it.

Patsy Terrell—probably kill it.

Linda Smith—probably save it.

Charlie Powell—put it up and keep it.

Eva Mae Miller—kill it before it could multiply.

Lois Russell—give it away before it got too attached to me.

Freddie Ward—throw it away.

Dwayne Parker—wear it.

Corkey Dickson—bite it.

Robert McCarley—I'd blow it out.

Mrs. Mayes—give it back to you.

A SZOPELKA is an oboe with a brass mouthpiece, usually used in Russia.

RUSSELL'S '53 CO-CAPTAIN OUTSTANDING IN FOOTBALL



Coleman County was startled November 7, 1935 by a loud cry let out by the one and only Bobby Jack Russell, and he hasn't shut his mouth yet.

Bobby Jack stayed in Coleman for a whole two months before the "westward or bust" bug hit him. He busted at Crane, and must have liked it as he has been here ever since.

He likes to work with anything or do anything to fill his free hours. If you want to please him, just keep him busy because he hates to run out of something to do. It can plainly be seen that Bobby Jack isn't lazy, as he can be seen working at the various gas stations and other jobs.

His most exciting moment was when he left for Colorado about a year and a half ago. (Must have had some big plans.)

Listen to this girls! If you want to stay on the good side of Bob-

by Jack, don't put on a big show trying to get all the boys to notice you. You see, this is his pet peeve.

Don't get upset girls, because here's one that made him squirm. "Once upon a time" said person, Bobby Jack Russell, had a date with four different girls while he was going steady with another girl.

Football Favorite Sport

Bobby Jack's favorite sport is football, and why not. He has played tackle for four years. In 1952, his junior year, he received honorable mention for the all district team. Bobby Jack also had the honor of being one of the co-captains of this year's football team. Also, he is a charter member of the "C" Club. He has been a member for four years.

After graduation Bobby Jack plans to go to Tarleton for two years, then to Texas A. and M. for three years.

His highest ambition is to get a job as an architect, make lots of money, get married, and have a nice home. Maybe this explains why he is going to college for five years, and the fact that mechanical drawing is his favorite subject and Steve Quitta, his favorite teacher.

Here's a little hint to the girl that snares Bobby Jack. Just fix him a dinner including fried chicken, mashed potatoes, hot rolls, gravy, any kind of salad, and pecan pie for desert. That sounds almost good enough to eat, doesn't it?

In case you are wondering, Bobby Jack has gray eyes and brown hair. He is one inch shy of being six feet tall and he weighs 190 pounds.

Conclusion Obtained Hat Riddle Explained Reporter Insane

So this is the end of the story. In the last issue of "The Crane" a story about white and red hats was to be continued in this issue. Well, have you figured out whether the blind man had on a white hat or a red hat?

To keep you from losing any more sleep, here is the answer. He was wearing a white hat. Why?

First you prove that the blind man couldn't have on a red hat. To do this just assume that the blind man has on a red hat. The other two men have on white hats. Okay, when the jailer asks the one with two eyes to look at the other two men's hats and tell him what



FIELD TAKES FOURTH PLACE IN DISTRICT SCORES

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Baseball Practice Opens on March 1 Boys Try Out

George Grounds, assistant football coach and baseball coach, announced that there will be approximately 45 boys out for baseball practice on March 1.

After the season opens, the squad will be cut down to about 15 players.

Donald Rogers, basketball coach, and the assistant baseball coach, Doug Jones will be the managers.

Each Grounds states that since he hasn't seen the boys play, he doesn't have any idea who will be the main players.

The schedule of the district games are as follows:

Feb. 12 - Pecos Here
Feb. 13 - Monahans There
Feb. 14 - Wink There
Feb. 15 - Kermit Here
Feb. 16 - Pecos There
Feb. 17 - Monahans Here
Feb. 18 - Wink Here
Feb. 19 - Kermit There

The above are the district games to be played. The practice games have not yet been scheduled.

Forty Track Men Waiting the Cinders

A combination of thirty high and forty low boys are now going to the track. The purpose of most of these boys going out is to get a taste for baseball.

A number of meets have been scheduled and Crane is to be represented in all. The boys have been waiting on the 440 and the pole vault.

Rogers Big Winner May Goose Loser

Donald Rogers, CHS basketball coach, accompanied by Carl Davis, traveled to San Angelo, February 17, where he played in a league basketball game at the Community Center. He played on the team representing Bill's Chicken Hut against a representation of Button Chicken. The final score was 59-59, with Mr. Rogers the winning scorer.

February 17 he again went to San Angelo to play the Camid '53 team from Goodfellow Air Force Base, where the score was Bill's Chicken Hut, 62, Camid '53, 53.

After Rogers' first game on February 17, the league will play a two out of three series between the winner of the league game.

However, it couldn't all be good. Mr. Rogers tore the timing out of his car. In order to get to Crane Mr. Rogers borrowed a car from the man he is playing basketball for.

Field, Miller, Henry Selected for 7-AA District All-Stars

Three Golden Cranes, Ted Field, Clarence Miller, and Darrell Henry, have been selected for the 7-AA District All-Star squad over the past basketball season.

Ted Field was chosen for third place on the ten-man squad by a vote of 34 points by various coaches. Ted has scored a total of 314 points with only one more game to play.

Clarence Miller, with a total thus far of 317 points, placed as sixth choice on the squad with 19 votes by the coaches.

Darrell Henry was chosen for tenth place by the coaches with 14 points. Darrell has a total of 126 points for all of the games he has thus far played in.

Darrell Vines was chosen as an honorable mention player with one vote and has scored 146 points in the games he has played.

The coaches who helped select the boys were James Crawford of Alpine, Gerald Rogers of Crane, Dick Burris of Pecos, L. V. Arnett of Fort Stockton, Gene Offield of Monahans, and Bodie Hunter of Marfa.

Juke Box Personalities

"Don't Ask Me Why?" — Martha Cook
"Why?" — Joan Ware and Jean Shaver

"Crazy, Madly, Wildly, In Love?" — Bill Mathes
"You're My Everything" — Pat Bonner and Lawrence Le-Boeuf

"Just One More Chance" — Stanley Holcomb
"We're Having A Good Time" — CHS students on Saturday nights

"The Lately Song" — Joan Ware and Spike Jones
"You're Making Me Crazy" — Blackie Russell and Beverly Sikes

"Till We Two Are One" — John Hays and Kay Keltner
"The Note in the Bottle" — Swift
"The Cuff of My Shirt" — Mr. Patterson

"You've Changed" — Lloyd Allen
"Y'all Come" — Bettye Bassham and Charlie Powell

"Under Paris Skies" — Everyone's thoughts on Friday
"Changing Partners" — Faye McCasland

"Rick-O-Shay" — "Goat"
"Baby, Baby, Baby" — Roger Kelley and Mary Lou Fisher

"Sand, Sand, Beautiful, - Cough" — the tower after a blow
"Rags to Riches" — Martha Cook and Jerry Caskey at coronation

"Mystery Street" — Mr. Harrison's English Tests
"Is it Wrong?" — Joven in the halls
"Think" — all students on a test

"Me and My Shadow" — Chink and A. J.
"Walkin' My Baby Back Home" — Edward Harris
"Nearer" — Howard Hunter to Glenda

"Strings of My Heart" — Bill Gregory and Ann Garner
"Completely Yours" — Joyce Parker and Joe Ash

Damron, Swift Enter South Down Mutton In San Antonio Show

Roy Lee Damron and Jimmy Swift were absent from school February 10-12 so they could enter the Fat Stock Show at San Antonio.

Roy entered one lamb and Jimmy entered two in the sheep category. Neither Roy nor Jimmy won any prizes, but they did have a good time on the trip. They went to all the rodeos, stock shows, and also to the carnivals and circus while they were there.

CRANETTES FALL STOCKTON CALLS 15-14 ALL-IN-ALL

The Crane volleyball team journeyed to Fort Stockton on Monday, February 8, to play a game which they lost by one point. The final score of the "A" game was Fort Stockton 15, Crane 14.

Nomia Hollander raked up the most points for Crane with a total of four, while Barbara McDougal and Wahnelle Smith each tallied three.

High point for the Ft. Stockton "A" team was Garcia with five points and Bueno with four.

The "B" team fell back a step as they lost to the Ft. Stockton "B" team 38 to 16.

Jackie Halbrooks led the score for Crane with seven points, and Edith Aaron was next with five.

Hillin and Riggs put the most points on the score board for Ft. Stockton. Hillin had 11 points, and Riggs ended with eight.

BOOK NOOK OUR VIRGIN ISLAND

By Robb White
As islands go, Marina Cay wasn't much. You could walk all the way around it in five minutes.

A parched, rocky little thing sticking up out of the sea, it amounted to not more than eight acres of dry land at low tide. On most maps it didn't even rate a dot. But it had a strip of white beach, a tremendous banyan tree, and a magnificent little bay with water so clear you could see the tiny crabs crawling on the sand and coral twenty feet below.

Best of all, there were no pests on Marina Cay. No sand flies, no mosquitoes, no cockroaches—and no neighbors.

Robb and Rodie White, who came to the Virgin Islands right after their wedding, had first set up housekeeping on the muddy shores of Sea Cow Bay on the island of Tortola. But they soon found that sharing a rickety shack with a herd of impolite pigs, a pack of wild dogs, a regiment of centipedes, a feeble-minded voyageur, a garrulous cook, and a numberless brood of native children was no honeymoon.

Robb's writing had come to a standstill. Rodie's life had become a drudgery, and they seemed to be drifting away from each other.

Without further delay, Robb and Rodie transferred their meager household goods, Robb's typewriter, and Rodie's collection of outrageously impractical desert-island lingerie, to the little beach on Marina Cay.

In making their Virgin Island habitable they built more than just a hurricane-proof house on the crest of the island's one hill. They built a new life for themselves, with love for a foundation and strong walls to protect them from wanting things they didn't need.

The sea brought them visitors from time to time—colorful native helpers, friends (understanding and otherwise), a boatload of pitiable refugees, and a trio of heel-clicking Nazis—and the sea fed them. In time the sea set the pattern of their lives. And the sea very nearly took their lives as well.

This is a true story. It's as personal as a mosquito net for two, as full of sunlight and joy as a plunge in the bay from the gunwale of a skimming sailboat, and as thrilling as a race for life into the teeth of a tropical storm. Before you finish it you'll know a lot about two of the nicest people who ever skinned a goat—Robb and Rodie White—and how they started a new, exciting, busy, wonderful life together.

From Delicacies To Dress Delirium In Home Ec. Dept.

At this time each year, a vast change comes over the Homemaking Department. From now until school is out, there will be no more candies, cakes, and other choice morsels of food to entice the students and members of the faculty who could always arrange to have an excuse to drop into the department at the most opportune moment. So, from here out it will be sewing.

The department does wish to thank Doug Crane, however for being the pet guinea pig (and we do mean pig.) It seemed that every time a meal was about ready for consumption, he always dropped in long enough to lay away a few biscuits, barbecue, or anything else that happened to be cooking. If he left the department under his own power, then the girls knew they could partake of their own victuals without the fear of dire consequences. Mr. Crane will be missed during sewing classes, however, the girls think he would make a cute model for some articles of clothing.

The department also wishes to thank other visitors but who would be too numerous to mention.

Now that cooking is behind them, sewing is the topic of the day (and night too, according to Bob Rose, who says he is going to soundproof his wife's bedroom or move to the garage. He states that he sees and hears enough at school all day to be forced to listen to it all night while his wife is sleep-talking.)

During the next few days should you notice any of the homemaking girls with part of their fingers missing, you will not find the missing pieces in the nurse's clinic but neatly attached to the seams of the garments which they are making.

It is believed that this will be the best year in the Sewing Lab, as all the students are interested in their particular project and have acquired beautiful material and wonderful patterns and have the

desire to carry it through to a successful climax.

The results of their painstaking and heart-breaking work will be displayed in the annual style show to be presented later this year and they promise you a delightful evening of entertainment and gobs of glorious gals.

Please don't forget the big opening of Public School Week next Monday night with special programs in the high school auditorium.

SPORT SHOTS

By TED FIELD

Basketball season is finally over, and for several Cranes, it was the last of their high school ball.

Jerry Caskey, Darrell Henry, Clarence Miller, Ted Field, Darrell Vines, Lee Ray Best, Charles Livey, Don Boothe, and Wayne Bowler will not be playing again next year.

The team had a successful season, tying for second place in district.

The Cranes wound up the season by playing the high school faculty, which was considered by many fans, the best game of the year.

The seniors on the team played the juniors in practice just killing time, and beat them about 40-10.

The volleyball team is coming along fine this season, and if they get a little more support from the student body and from the townsmen, they should go all the way.

The girls made a good showing in the Odessa tournament. They showed signs of becoming one of the best teams around this part of the country before the season is over.

Baseball practice has started, and by the looks of some of the players around school, Coach Grounds kept his promise to make them run four miles of wind-sprints a day.

That's what it takes though—plenty of work and training on the player's part as well as the coaches.

When the games start, let's support them like you did the football and basketball teams.

Tennis players aren't doing much this month, although they are out on the court grinding away at perfection every day.

With some of the material in this school, and Doug Crane as the coach, there's no reason for the tennis team not to win district. Back them all the way and they can beat anybody.

We still have a chance for first place in district volleyball, tennis, track, and baseball, so what do you say we talk it up and do everything possible to help win.

The Crane tracksters are working out steadily now, grooming themselves for track meets coming up soon.

Anytime a first place is won in track, you will know the winner worked hard because track is an individual sport.

Crane Stomps Marfa In Basketball Duel

Crane overpowered Marfa 74-51 Tuesday night, February 9 in the Crane Gymnasium.

Miller was high point man for the Cranes with a total of 16 points, and Darrell Vines trailed second with 14.

The summary of the game is:

Ted Field 3 6 2 12
Blackie Russell 3 1 1 7
Darrell Vines 4 6 3 14
Jerry Caskey 3 1 2 7
Clarence Miller 5 6 2 16
Darrell Henry 6 1 4 13
Don Boothe 1 2 1 2
Sonny Brock 1 1 1 2
Joe Reed Allen 1 2 1 2

"George Washington Slept Here" was cast in the high school auditorium, and regular practice got underway.

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Most people suffering from heart disease can continue to earn a living, usually at the same job, according to your Heart Association.

Panther Cubs Down Little Cranes 23-20

The Little Cranes were downed by the junior Fort Stockton Panthers Thursday, February 11, by a score of 23-20.

This game was the last one for the little Cranes this year.

Richard Snyder lead the scoring for Crane with nine points followed by Bill Lightfoot and J. H. Green with five points each.

For Stockton's, Fred scored nine points while Abe followed close behind with eight points to his credit.

Volleyball Tourney

The Crane volleyball team advanced to the semi-finals in the Odessa tournament before being beaten by Lamesa, one of the finalists.

The girls played their first game with Andrews, who was slated to win the tournament, Thursday, Feb. 18.

Crane got off to a slow start losing the first of three games 8-15. They came back to win the next two games 13-10 and 11-5, to advance to the quarterfinals. Barbara McDougal was high point girl for Crane with 11, followed by Juanell Heard's eight.

In their second game Friday with Monahans the girls took their first two games with scores of 15-5 and 11-9.

It was a hard fought game all the way with hardly any mistakes by set-up men or spikers on either team.

High pointers in this game were Hollander with nine, Parker with seven and Jones with six.

In the semi-finals, Crane ran up against a tall team from Lamesa, with spikers who could drive the ball almost straight down, and set-up men who never missed.

With a 6-15 score on the first game and a 4-15 score on the next, Crane was dropped out of championship play, but not out of the tourney.

Heard led the Crane girls with three points, followed by Parker, Smith and Jones with two apiece.

Their final game was with Imperial to determine third and fourth place winners. The girls just didn't have the punch they needed, and were beaten by 6-11 and 8-11.

High point girl was Joyce Parker with five, followed by Juanell Heard with four.

Big Spring beat Lamesa to win the tournament. First, second, third and consolation trophies were given away so Crane did not receive one.

Outstanding players in the tourney for Crane were Barbara McDougal, Joyce Parker and Dolores Jones.

CHS Netters Win 10; Lose Ten at Pyote

The Crane High netters went to Pyote, Texas, February 13 for a 20-match tourney.

For Crane, out of ten boys and ten girls that had matches, three boys and seven girls won. Joe Dan Ash, A. J. Smith and Bobby Thompson were the three boys to win while Leoma Higdon, Barbara Glass, Bobbie Lightfoot, Sharon Kirkpatrick, Ann Gilstrap, Jo Gilstrap, and Bobbie Rose Evans were the girls to win for Crane.

The eighth and ninth graders had a tennis tourney among themselves during the week of February 9 through February 15.

Gary Edminton won first place, while Bobby Thompson won second and George McCasland won consolation.

Tennis players in the eighth grade down and the junior players in the eighth grade are to have an elimination tourney soon.

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Bethune Beats Hobbs; Pecos Ekes Out Win

Last Wednesday night the Bethune High School Tigers defeated the Hobbs, New Mexico Lions by a score of 50-54. For the first two quarters the Bethune boys trailed Hobbs by a narrow margin and it looked hopeless until Roy Milton Jones got into the game. Roy made ten points before you could bat an eye. James Hollins, tenth grade student, was high point man with a score of 17 points, and team captain Billy Gene Harmon was second.

It seems as if every one is satisfied with the fine work the boys are doing and to those who have been wondering about the teams' results here they are:

Dec. 11, '53 McCamey Bethune vs. McCamey 35 31
Dec. 18, '53 Crane Bethune vs Midland 45 27
Jan. 6, '54 Crane Bethune vs McCamey 26 17
Jan. 16, '54 Hobbs Bethune vs Hobbs 35 44
Jan. 26, '54 Pecos Bi-District Tournament (Best 3 out of 5) won by Pecos and Bethune 2nd Place.

Feb. 6, '54-District Tournament held in Midland Bethune lost to Coleman 50-41. Lost consolation to McCamey (default)
Feb. 10, '54 Crane Bethune vs Hobbs 54 50
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Finally, the game of the season was played Monday night when the Bethune B Team had a mighty tight time with the B Team of Pecos. High point man was Willie Dell Morris with 11 points and Huey Smith with 8. Final score Bethune B Team 33 and Pecos B Team 43.

The second game was with Bethune A Team and Pecos A Team



Submerged Presented By CHS Speech Class

On Tuesday, February 12, the speech class presented a dramatic play entitled, "Submerged." The play cast was made up of six boys. Bill Gregory acted as Shaw, Billy Preslar played Dunn, Ted Jourden was Nab, John Hays was Jorgensen, Larry Moore acted the part of Brice, and Kayron Shipman played the commander.

The scene of the play was in a submarine which was isolated in the bottom of the ocean with no way to send an SOS to rescuers, except taking the chance of one of the lives of the men.

None of the men wanted to be the one to volunteer to give their life, so Brice suggested that cards be drawn and the one who held the high card sacrifice his life. Brice was somewhat a coward, and when he found he held the unlucky card, he backed out with a streak of yellow in his back.

All the men argued about who would give his life for the sake of the rest, and threatened mutiny if the commander wouldn't agree to let one of them be sent through the torpedo hole. It was finally agreed that Shaw would go.

After Shaw had gone to meet his death for the sake of the rest of the crew, Jorgensen locked Brice in the main part of the submarine so the rescue team wouldn't be able to find him.

The end of the play came with Brice crying for mercy as water seeped into the submarine.

The final individual scores are as follows:

"A" Team
Player Points
Hollander 8
McDougal 7
Heard 7
Aaron 7
Parker 1
Jones 1

"B" Team
Player Points
Thurman 16
Idom 12
Powell 11
Sharrock 5
Holbrooks 3
Miller 2
Johnson 1

The next game the girls will play will be at the Odessa Tournament, February 17-20.

New Books Ordered For Crane Hi School

Mrs. Inez Keith Elmore, Crane High School librarian, has ordered 12 new books for the library, ten of them are about spring sports.

Red Cross, Swimming and Diving; Basic Swimming, by Kiphuth; Connie Mack's Baseball Stories; Bill Stern's Favorite Baseball Stories; Way to Better Baseball, by Henrich; Baseball Techniques, by Allen; How to Play Better Tennis, by Tilden; How to Win at Tennis, by Kramer; Kid Who Batted 1,000, by Allison; and Decker's Hit and Run, are the books about spring sports.

Two books that students will be interested in during this spring are Trapping, by McCracken and Pet Book for Boys and Girls, by Morgan.

Many a man has joined the navy because the ships are kept so clean and tidy. Then he suddenly discovers who keeps them that way.

ond. Sherman Price is still doing a wonderful job with his hook shot. Our best hustler on the team is Tommy Lee Hollins and naturally, Freddie is the star dribbler. For Hobbs by a narrow margin and it looked hopeless until Roy Milton Jones got into the game. Roy made ten points before you could bat an eye. James Hollins, tenth grade student, was high point man with a score of 17 points, and team captain Billy Gene Harmon was second.

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For the information of others who are uninformed, Pecos has one of the best teams in the area and are going to Prairie View Thursday to play for the State championship of B Schools.

BETHUNE SCHOOL OBSERVES NATIONAL NEGRO HISTORY WEEK

Room 102
Mrs. M. P. Lee
Grades 1 - 3

The first three grades of Bethune School are making remarkable progress. The atmosphere of the entire group is one of friendliness, and we work as one big family. There are seven girls, 12 boys, and the teacher.

There is a lot of interest in hard work, and it is quite amusing in the classes, as one student tries to make a better grade than the other.

February is the month of interest to us, because of the many important days to be observed.

Our bulletin board has a showing recognizing these days and famous birthdays.

February 7-14 was Negro History Week, a week observed by the entire group.

Monday, February 15, we enjoyed a good game of basketball with Pecos, and during the half, the vice president of the PTA, Mrs. Mabel Williams, presented to the Sweethearts of Bethune School, a box of candy apiece.

Patricia Ann Montgomery, third grade, was selected from the Elementary Department, and Johnnie Mae Jones, seventh grade, was selected from the Junior and High School department. Both girls were presented a box of candy.

On a whole, Bethune School is making great progress. Our principal, F. D. Taylor, is always willing to aid his teachers, and he is easily approached. His desire is a bigger and better "Bethune."

Our project at this time is the construction of vegetables. We make them out of construction paper, and stand them up with clothes pins.

—Mrs. M. P. Lee, school reporter
Mrs. M. Lee,
School reporter

Mrs. J. P. Neblett
Grades 4 - 6

Our grades have been observing the important birthdays of the month of February. Each grade was able to tell who was born on each of the following dates: February 11, 12, 14, and 22.

Negro History Week was observed by this room, with each student contributing something on one of these famous Negroes: George W. Carver, Booker T. Washington, Mary Leod Bethune, Marion Anderson, Joe Louis, Jackie Robinson and Frederick Robinson.

All students think February is a noted month for great people.

The students of this room always have a good attendance and very few people are tardy.

The attendance for the semester was 98 per cent for grades 4-6.

—Mrs. J. P. Neblett, teacher.

Room 101

Miss N. R. Cregler

Room 101 under the instruction of Miss Cregler, has been working in a high spirit. National Negro Week was observed with both oral and written reports.

A science club was organized recently. It was named the "Atomic Club," and the motto, "Prove it now and know the fact." Science papers will be published each month.

The Home Economics Department is still in a high spirit. Clothing is taking the place of foods this semester. To cut is one thing and to know how to cut correct is the right thing.

Girls Basketball

Girls have only played three games this season, winning one

Texas Western to Give Variety Show

A variety show will be presented in CHS at 2:00 p. m. Wednesday, February 24, by a group from Texas Western College.

Milton Leech is in charge of the group which consists of about 30 people. John Carrio will direct the music.

The program is made up of selections especially popular with high school students, and it will last about 45 minutes. The Varsityians, the Texas Western band, will play series of numbers; while the rest of the program will be made up of various other types of entertainment.

Arthur Mayre, who is probably remembered by most of the CHS students for his version of "Cry" last year, will be the M. C. for the group.

After the program some of the Crane seniors will try out for musical scholarships to Texas Western.

out of the three. Even though their games have been limited, they are still high in spirit and willing to play hard. On September 16 they played Odessa. Only one new member has been added to the team, Julia M. Price.

Homeroom News 7 and 8 Grades

We wish everyone in Crane could have come by and observed our room which was decorated very beautiful to celebrate two outstanding events of the month of February. 1. National Negro History Week February 7-14 and Saint Valentine's Day.

Our teacher had each member of the class to write a paper on some outstanding Negro who had contributed something to the field of education. The reports were as follows:

12th Grade

Gala Ruth Jeffery, Paul Lawrence Dunbar.

10th Grade

Tommy Lee Hollins, Jackie Robinson.

B. Gene Harmon, Hazel Scott. James Hollins, Dorothy Manor. M. Ellen Jones, A. Phillip Randolph.

Alma Faye Harmon, R. Nathaniel Dett

8th Grade

Freddie Walker, Billy Echstine. Hazel Hollins, Sugar Ray Robinson.

Virginia Jeffery, Nat King Cole. Bethel Jeffery, Marion Anderson.

7th Grade

Willie D. Morris, George W. Carver.

Johnnie M. Jones, Mary McLeod Bethune.

Johnnie Ray Hollins, Booker T. Washington.

Alice R. Miles, Frederick Douglass.

Julia Mae Price, Joe Louis.

Jimmie Lee Finley, Ralph Bunche.

Huey Smith, Sugar Chile Robinson.

The students also made and displayed some very beautiful and interesting posters celebrating National Negro History Week. Mr. Akins, gave his Economics a taste of a Standardized Test for High School students entitled "General Knowledge Test of the Negro."

We would like to remind all of you of the outstanding personalities having birthdays in February: February 11—Thomas Edison February 12—Abraham Lincoln February 14—St. Valentine's Day.

February 22—George Washington.

February 27—Marion Anderson.

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Band to Present Annual Spring Concert March 2

The annual spring concert of the Crane High School Band will be held March 2, 1954, in the high school auditorium at 7:30 p. m.

Ten numbers will be played by the band, including one solo, one duet, and one trio.

Phil Pearce and Flonoia Gilstrap will play "Trumpet and Drum", by Lang, and Phil, Bill Mathes, and Sue Harrold will play "Trio for Trumpets" by Darcy.

Other numbers presented will be "A Santa Cecilia," a march by Radaelli; "Two Woodland Sketches," by MasDowell, "Au Pays Lorrain" by Balay; "Mummers," which has a bass solo, by Merle; "Goliath," a march by Berryman; "Amina," which has a marimba solo, by Lnicke; "Ave Maria," by Schubert; and "Little Suite for Band," by Erickson.



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Self Evaluation Of Crane Schools Complete by April 5

Crane Schools are now under a self-appraisal program which is to be completed by April 5, 1954, and as a result Brady Nix made a report on "Appraisal of Instructional Program" to the Local Unit of the Texas State Teacher's Association, Monday night, February 15.

C. A. Carroll and Joel Williams also brought out some pertinent points relative to the program which will be carried on by Crane School personnel.

Three pamphlets were handed out, each of which is to be filled out by committees and given to Supt. Nix who, in turn, will present the report to the Pecos workshop later in the Spring. A report is then made to the regional TSTA and the final report is sent to Austin by April 25, said report embracing the 13 regions of Texas.

Sponsored by the Texas Research League, the evaluation consists of four phases: 1. The scope of instructional programs which reach all school age; 2. The products of the program measuring how well-prepared Crane students are; 3. Nature of teaching experiences and, 4. Results.

Pecos Game or Bust; Busted at Wickett

The story begins with Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Vines, "Perky" Hooper, Loanne Presley, Helen Lakin, and Elouise Vines deciding to go to the Pecos basketball game in the Vines' newly acquired Chevrolet. Which, by the way, hasn't got a name yet.

Well, the party was going to leave at 5 o'clock, but do you think they could locate Mr. Vines, better known as "Slim," you guessed it. They had to go without him. Before they left though, Elouise decided she didn't feel like making the trip, so she stayed at home, too.

The four brave ones who were left set out on the journey to Pecos. They arrived at Grandfalls safe and sound, but four miles out of Wickett the oil gauge dropped and the car sounded like it would explode any second. To keep the car from exploding with them in it, they stopped. Mrs. Vines flagged down a car with an elderly couple in it. These people pushed them into Wickett.

These were very nice people as they offered to take the girls on to Pecos, so they could play in the game. Since the girls had left their tennis shoes at home, they didn't think Mr. Rogers would let them play. They politely declined the ride to Pecos and sat in Wickett for about two hours until "Slim" (who by this time had got home) came after them in a pickup.

Do you reckon the score of the game would have been different if the girls had accepted the ride to Pecos?

Stradivarius Only Common Old Fiddle

The choir was in an up-roar one day last week. Jack Almack had discovered a Stradivarius violin! Almack was marveling over what a slim chance the violin had of being discovered, and it had been.

The choir was marveling over how such a beaten up mangled old thing could be worth \$50,000.

Well, the choir got the last laugh, because the violin turned out to be an imitation.

Anyway, everyone got a thrill out of Crane nearly getting on the map.

March Calendar

March 1-6—Public School Week

March 1—Program in High School Auditorium at 7:30 begins school week program.

March 2—Devotional—and at 7:30 band concert.

March 12—Teachers meeting in El Paso.

March 20—Choral meet in Odessa.

March 23—Local teachers meeting.

March 22-28—Student Council Week.

March 25-27—Texas Association of Student Councils at Laredo.

March 27—Senior band to go to Midland.

More than 10,000,000 Americans have some form of heart or blood vessel disease, according to Your Heart Association.

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Classmates Fancy Nancy (Robinson) For Efficient Class Management



On February 5, 1936, in Pendleton, Texas, kin folk from miles round gathered to gander at a bundle of happiness and friendliness. Her hair was red (fire-engine red), her eyes were blue, and since the first day of her life she has been called "Red" or "Carrot". Her parents didn't imagine Red Carrot Robinson would suit their seven-pound daughter, so they christened their one and only daughter Nancy Jane Robinson.

Since that day 18 years ago, Nancy has grown to the height of five feet, six and one-half inches tall, but she still has her red hair, blue eyes, her happiness and her friendly ways.

Nancy lived in Pendleton until the ripe old age of 18 months, then she was a loyal Brave until the second grade. She made a wise move from Iraan to Crane and has been here since. Evidently she likes Crane O. K., because she says her favorite place is "right where I am."

Pet peeve number 1, 2, 3, 4, and so on until 10 is for people to mind her business when she can handle it quite efficiently. Next pet peeve is for people to try to use others and after they get what they want, forget you even exist.

Aqua is all right with Nancy any time you chance to wear it. Her favorite pastime is to "just mess around or read."

For a good show, John and Jane Wyman would be perfect actor and actress in her opinion. She would choose "A Song In My Heart" plus "Laine singing 'I Believe' plus Froman vocalizing on 'Till I Alone.'" (Nix on the hillbilly note.)

Nancy says she blushed one day when she went to the dance with very little if not less than posed to be a girl. Her most embarrassing moment comes every year on Christmas Day when she examines her "goodies." He was born, and if she could have her choice about looks, she would have said, "Make me what you want."

Nancy told us very confidentially that "Mother's fried chicken, potatoes, gravy, fried corn, rolls, chocolate pie, and the most to say the least, and clothes are her weakness."

If you want to bore Nancy, let her be reading something you read it out loud, or read something to her she has just read.

Nancy chooses journalism as her favorite subject, and Mr. Nix for the teacher of all teachers. She intends to go to Texas Tech for graduation and major in journalism.

Popularity is something she has plenty of, as she was chosen favorite, junior reporter, treasurer, and is president of Library Club. She has been elected to the Dramatics Club, Athletic Club, and the F.H.A. Club, and the E.B.A. (if you can figure out you're a genius!) She plays junior volleyball, and was Team leading character, in the play. She has played a clarinet in the C.H.S. band six years.

Nancy's ambition is to make the best in life, to be happy, and make others happy, and get all it takes like this one word miss.

Don't worry, Mary—Nancy really give the bride away. She did, none of the girls would get married.

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