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Billie Barbara Lovelace
The year is off to a good start, even the initiations were orderly. Let's keep it up. (HINT: It's the best way to insure good grades).

Crane is proud of its pep squad, BUT, to have a good pep squad, you must have cooperation. (Formula: Willing Workers).

Let's get on the ball and organize the student council. A student council is the backbone of all schools. Shall it be said that CHS has no backbone?

Get to work, you juniors, the seniors want a good "prom" and you want a senior trip, don't you?

We're behind you gridironers 100 per cent! Give us results; you can, and you will, succeed.

Boy! It sure is hot around here. Isn't there some remedy?

Why is the pep squad the only active organization in school which doesn't rate uniforms?

To all of you new or ex-students we extend a hearty "Ole ta' see ya."

Welcome, new teachers, make yourselves at home. The "board of education" lies asleep in the office—let it sleep!

We see "Granny" Elmore is still busily keeping up with books—let's help her. O. K.? O. K.!

If you haven't subscribed for your CRANE, do so now. It is 50c per annum. Give your money to any of the reporters.

Four New Courses Are Offered For The 1946-47 Term

For the '46-47 term the following new courses are being offered:

Junior business training, chemistry, mechanical drawing I, Spanish II.

Four courses offered last year which are not on the current list are:

Spanish I, pre-flight, physics, bookkeeping.

However, physics and bookkeeping will appear next year, as they are being alternated yearly with chemistry and junior business training, respectively.

Spanish I was offered this year but it was dropped after three days because of the small number of students enrolled.

Student Council To Rule Crane School With Iron Hand

"Ouch! Please don't strike me again, I won't play hookey from school any more."

So go the cries of students who thought they could get by with playing hookey from school when there is a Student Council. The above punishments are just examples, because sometimes when you have been real bad you have to sit and listen to Mr. Martin talk for at least two hours.

Yes, Student-body, this is on the level about there going to be a Student Council organized very soon. It is supposed to bring complete order to our little school and also to its members.

A boy and girl from each high school class will be elected to the Council.

Class Officers, Room Mothers and Sponsors Are Elected for 1946-1947 School Term

FLASH! The ballots have just been counted in regard to the election of the 1946-47 class officers, sponsors, and room mothers, which took place Friday, September 6, 1946.

In the senior class, the following were chosen: president, Helen Hickey; vice-president, Amel Omo; secretary and treasurer, Helen White.

Sponsors: Mr. Martin, Mrs. Elmore and Mr. Douglas Chrane.

Room Mothers: Mrs. R. D. Shaffer, Mrs. G. Miller, Mrs. J. C. Guyton and Mrs. S. G. Barnard.

The junior class elected the following: President, Tipton Murrell; vice president, C. M. Coker; secretary and treasurer, Merwyn McCully.

Sponsors: Mr. Bill Haralson, Mr. George Chrane and Miss Elsie Knight.

Room Mothers: Mrs. A. W. Murrell, Mrs. A. C. Dulin, Mrs. C. Miller, and Mrs. B. S. Barnett.

Those elected by the sophomores are as follows: President, Corky Harris; vice-president, Billy Schoonover; secretary and treasurer, Dwain Stacy; reporter, Billy Dan Lively.

Sponsors: Miss Lewis and Mr. Nevins.

Room Mothers: Mrs. Coy Pope, Mrs. George Teague and Mrs. W. C. Murray.

The freshmen choose the following: President, Mary Allen; vice-president, "Spec" Pearce; secretary and treasurer; Kenneth Lewis; reporter, Joe Weatherby.

Sponsors: Mrs. Ruby Hughes and Miss Fetterly.

Room Mothers: Mrs. Claude McClaire, Mrs. Roy Rhinehart, Mrs. C. A. Allen, and Mrs. W. G. Davis.

The eighth grade elected the following: President, Cynthia Zaratonicis; vice president, Louie Brents; secretary and treasurer, Anna Merle Daniels.

Sponsors: Mrs. Barber and Mr. Patterson.

Room Mothers: Mrs. J. H. Porter, Mrs. L. L. Presley, Mrs. A. L. Boyd, and Mrs. J. W. Boren.

Dorothy Nolan, Billie Hardesty Hostesses For Dance In Sandhills

Dorothy Nolan and Billie Hardesty gave a dance honoring Billie's cousin, Donnie Nae Jolly, senior from Paschal High School, Fort Worth, Texas. The dance was given in the Humble Camp Recreation Hall, Sandhills District, Friday night, Sept. 6, and lasted from 7:30 until 11:00 p. m.

Refreshments of punch and cookies were served to about 30 guests.

Munday Schools Pay Crane Hi Compliment

We do not wish to make any of the people who did not subscribe for the Crane feel bad, but we would like to publish one of the letters we got from Munday Public School. Some kids may think our paper is dull, but even if they do, the Munday Public Schools really think it is the hot stuff.

Crane High School Crane, Texas Dear Sir:

Our school is interested in publishing a school paper, but we have no pattern to follow. We'd like a copy of your school paper in order to get ideas, and to help us assemble our own paper.

If this meets with your approval, a copy of your school paper would be highly appreciated.

Sincerely,
Florene Mitchell.

Mrs. Miller Replaces Mrs. Wright In Office

Mrs. Gay Miller replaced the former Mrs. Hester Wright (now Mrs. B. Hall Rockett) in the position of school secretary.

Hester Wright became Mrs. Rockett last July 3 at the home of the Presbyterian minister in Waxahachie, Tex., where Mr. and Mrs. Rockett now reside.

Ichabod Remains On One Leg Since 1934

After several weeks of questioning and research, we are able to tell you the details of the Crane which stands on one leg in the library.

Away back in September, 1934, the bird was captured by three high school students west of the Texas-New Mexico pump station. The bird was named Ichabod by the student body and was kept caged up in the patio until he died.

Ichabod made only one appearance at the opening of the football season. The game was between Crane and Odessa in September, 1934. Ichabod expired before the next game.

In order for Ichabod to remain in the hearts of the student body, the junior class of 1934 sent him off to be stuffed. The new insides of Ichabod cost the junior class the round sum of \$45.

He was placed in the High School Library on Jan. 1, 1935, where he still remains standing on one leg and looking solemnly down on the library.

The Crane Enlarged to Regular Post-war Size

During the war, "The Crane" was only a five column paper, but this issue introduces again the post-war size of seven columns. Billie Lovelace was elected editor; Don Pope, assistant editor; Helen White, business manager, and Jean Garrett, elementary reporter.

"The Crane" staff consists of 14 members, an increase of three over the staff of last year. You may get your subscriptions now from any member of the staff. The price is only fifty cents for 17 issues.

Crane School Faculty Picnicks At Loop

The entire faculty of the Crane School had a picnic at Caliche Loop last Friday, Sept. 6.

All of the teachers, and a few of the board members, and a few more guests were present. Mr. Nix, Mr. Carroll, and Mr. Keyes did most of the cooking.

Love Bug Robs C.H.S.

Wedding bells were really busy this summer. It seems as though everyone was afraid someone else might beat them to the draw, sooo-o-o. "Who?" you ask. . . it would be much easier to only tell who didn't, but then that would be embarrassing to our senior girls, wouldn't it?

Betty Johnson married just as her happy days as a Jr. in CHS were completed and started the idea humming in other people's heads (by the way, the lucky man was Gene Johnson, Mrs. Ruth Shirley's son and an ex-Navy man).

The ol' love bug next hit Dorothy Woods and "Nig" Erwin, but had been working on them for some time previously. Then, Gloria Ann Collier's sweet young life was invaded by the love bug disguised as Johnny Feeler, who is from Odessa.

Of course, everyone has noticed what a fine pair the REAL NEW newly-weds, Sherry Nell and Alvin Titus, make.

Pola Jean Murrell is planning on committing the final act in November, and the victim is "Woody" Ivy. Lucky victim, eh, what!

And then we can STILL remember those days when Betty Lee Salmon was just plain "Leo" Williams, and Mrs. K. P. Looney was "Doodles" Bevins.

We extend our sincere congratulations to all of these happy newlyweds and any other slick ones who have had the ceremony performed without letting us in on it.

Increase of 19 Students Noted In This Year's Enrollment

Crane High boasts the sum of 186 dignified students enrolled for the sum of 1946-47. Eleven of these students are new and have come to us from all over the U. S. This is an increase of 19 over last year's starting enrollment.

The "fish" and "lophs" are the superior classes as far as numbers are concerned, as they have tied with a big 46 each. Right in behind these are the eighth-graders with their usual large number (usually the high-ranking number) which is 43 this year.

Next come the juniors with a rip-roaring 27. The seniors come in at the last with an even two dozen, AND they are the only class with no new students.

PTA Makes Plans For Halloween Carnival; Seniors Awarded Prize

General plans for the Halloween were discussed at the first meeting of the PTA this year. It was decided to have the carnival at the football field, but other plans were left up to the committees appointed for that purpose.

The awards were made to the following classes for having the most parents present:

Senior class, Mr. Duffy's sixth grade, and Mrs. Crabtree's first grade.

The program consisted of a song, "I'll See You Again," by Miss Meecham, and a reading, "Mother Visits School," by Mrs. Cloud.

The following were present: Mrs. Haydn Wilmoth, president.

Mrs. Quay Clark, vice president. Mrs. Brady Nix, secretary. Mrs. Boren, treasurer.

New Economics Classes Begin; New Teacher

Miss Elsie Knight, who replaced Mrs. Marie Baumgardner as H. E. instructor, announces that she has 54 students, an increase of only one over last year's 53. There are five classes this year: two home economics VIII, two home economics I, and one home economics II.

The eighth grade is studying family relationship, the first class is studying luncheons, while the more advanced second year class is learning to prepare dinners.

The things the girls are looking forward to most of all are their various entertainments which they will give.

Cafeteria Feeds 330 Students; 20 Teachers

The Crane cafeteria, constructed last year at the cost of \$30,000, now feeds approximately 330 students in one hour at noon, according to Mrs. N. L. Kelly, the manager. They also feed 20 teachers regularly at supper.

Mrs. Kelly, in operating the cafeteria, is assisted by Mrs. J. G. Lowry, Mrs. D. M. Halcomb, Mrs. M. J. Johns, Mrs. J. C. Grissom, Mrs. Essie Ervin, Mrs. Z. B. Tension, Mrs. O. B. Watts, Mrs. L. H. Johnson and Mrs. Lois Plummer.

The cafeteria boasts only a new potato peeler from last year.

Carroll's M.D. Classes Fashion Drawing Cove

The mechanical drawing class are making covers for all their drawings. Mr. Carroll is helping each student make his or her cover. Nearly all of the students are using a different type pattern or design on their cover.

There are letters of all shapes, forms and fashions on these covers. Mr. Carroll is going to grade the D covers himself, but is going to let the students grade the A, B, and C covers.

Teachers Have Wonderful Summer; Doing Nothing and Enjoying It Very Much

Patio Swimming Popular Sport

Boy, this hot weather is sure getting most of us down in the dumps. All you can see is kids going around the patio swimming in their own sweat, but they don't let it interfere with their work, they go right on slaving for the teachers and making a joke of it all. One thing for sure, Mr. Martin and Mr. Nix ought to be glad that the swimming pool is closed or they would find most of us down there floating around. Isn't that right, Mr. Nix?

Pretty soon it will be winter time and we will all be going around shaking like a leaf and wishing for hot weather.

Oh, well, we will never be pleased, so we may as well just try and make the best of it. O. K.?

Dorothy Craig Wins Second In Beauty Contest Gulf Day

Everyone has one big moment in their life. Right now we are speaking of Dorothy Craig, who, in a field of 28 contestants, won second place in the Gulf Day Beauty Contest on Gulf Day held in Odessa, Texas, July 20.

Each girl represented a certain warehouse in their district. Dorothy represented the Gulf Warehouse. They furnished her with a bathing suit and matching shoes.

Dorothy's prize consisted of fifty-five dollar's worth of clothes and she had the privilege to pick them out herself.

We all want to congratulate her on her fine performance, and good form which won second place for the title of "Miss West Texas."

New Books Fill Library Better Reading Ahead

Mrs. Elmore's library shelves will soon be filled with the many new books she has received.

Some of the more interesting books are: Starling of the White House, by Thomas Sugre. Ho, The Fair Wind, by I. A. R. Wythe.

Then and Now, by W. Somerset Maugham.

The American, by Howard Fast. Mrs. Elmore has received the 1946 edition of The Encyclopedia Americana and the new edition of the Compton Encyclopedia.

"Hokdy" will be the only new magazine on the shelves. New binders have been ordered for the magazines.

The library was open one day a week this summer with Kathryn Cantrell as librarian.

New Fountains Are Installed In Schools

A long-recognized need in the Crane Schools was finally provided for with the installation of a large water cooler which provides ice cold drinking water for the student body. These coolers have been installed throughout the school in sufficient numbers to provide cold water for everyone.

Bossy Teachers Have Bosses Just Like People

For the benefit of those students who think teachers only have to give orders and never take them, here is a list of the new trustees.

The new trustees are: K. P. Looney, A. M. Murrell, H. E. Harrell. The carry-over members were: J. L. Hutchinson, Gay Miller, W. B. Gunn and Sam Nolan.

Nevins Plans Vigorous Activities for 1946-47 Aided by Band Officials

Seventy-eight members of the Crane High School Band, under the direction of Mr. Jim Nevins, are now organized and ready for a year of vigorous activity.

The band members were measured for uniforms the first week of school and these much-needed garments are expected to be here in time for the contest next spring.

This year the band will be run as much as possible under the direction of the band student body, i. e., their ideas and suggestions will be used.

At each football game, two band members will take charge of marches, maneuvers, directing, etc. Tipton Murrell and Leonard Rose had charge of the Big Lake game.

A special band meeting was held last Thursday, Sept. 5, for the election of band officers. Corky Harris, Leonard Rose, and Iown Gilstrap were elected president, vice president, and secretary-treasurer, respectively.

The two drum majors elected are Corky Harris and Tipton Murrell. Donna Miller and Leonard Rose were elected as student band directors, one of whom will direct on every concert this year.

The Cleff, a band paper, will also be in circulation soon. The editor remains to be elected.

There will be numerous brass clinics and full band clinics this year. On Saturday, Oct. 5, an early season contest at Pecos, Texas, will be held for any band that wishes to enter on marching and twirling. Crane has four to enter twirling and the band will march.

Pep Rally Held On Friday, 13th; School Dismissed Early

A pep rally was held in the auditorium last Friday, 13th, and, boy! the pep was really there. The band played "Cheer, Cheer, for Dear Ole Crane High" and "Crane High Will Shine Tonight" and everyone clapped and sang. The cheer leaders led the kids in a few yells and L. L. "Loose Leaf" Martin made a speech, in which we were all surprised being he hardly ever talks, especially in a crowd. At the end, we all stood and sang our school song and were dismissed ten minutes early.

Cheer Leaders Elected To Head Large Squad

The Crane Grid Ironers will be backed by a pep squad of 33 members this year. The pep squad was organized Thursday, 5, 1946, and the cheer leaders were elected. They are as follows: Patsy Doulin, eighth grade; Louise Pettit, freshman; Wanda Lou Smith, sophomore; Joan Earl, junior; and Dorothy Craig, senior. These girls are very capable leaders and we are very proud to have them represent us.

After a little tall-talking, the cheer leaders were allowed to get new uniforms. They would like to express their appreciation to Mr. Martin in helping them obtain these uniforms. This time next year we all hope to have uniforms for the entire pep squad.

Busy Summer For The Boy Scouts

Last summer the Scouts went to Mertzon for a week. They had many activities while there. They swam, hiked, climbed, fished, and did many other things.

They also went to Red Bluff last summer. There they swam, fished, ate, slept and fought mosquitoes.

The Scouts have resumed activities for the year. They meet every Monday night at the Community Hall. There they plan hikes, play games, and get new members.

Anyone interested in joining the Boy Scouts, see J. R. Todd, Scoutmaster.

Extra! Annual Due

The annuals should arrive in a few days, according to advance information received from the Taylor Engraving Co. The delay has been due to a shortage of materials.

THE CRANE

THE STAFF

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 EXCHANGE EDITOR ZOE REYNOLDS
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THUMBNAIL INTERVIEWS

Taking up where we left off last year, each student and teacher will at some time in this year get to express their political attitude.

This week's question is, "What Do You Think of the Reviving of the OPA Bill?"

Herman Hooper—I don't think they should have let it die in the first place.

Homer Clements—I think they should let the wholesale dealer regulate the prices according to his own belief.

Pat McClaurin—I think they should have never revived it. Just like it was before the war is good.

David Bonner—I think they should control the high-priced articles such as automobiles, and let the rest go.

Mrs. Elmore—I don't feel much in favor, because I believe that it is holding down production.

Mrs. Nevins—it would be good if they would enforce the ceiling prices.

Mrs. Miller—it would be mighty fine if they would enforce the laws.

Mr. Martin—if enforced, no doubt the OPA would be a benefit to the nation; but if half-enforced, no doubt, will be a cause of greater black market activities. I rather think that conditions will have to adjust themselves based on the inflexible law of supply and demand rather than government regulation.

Mr. Nix—I am for it if the laws are enforced to the best of their ability in all cases.

Miss Knight—I am for the reviving of the bill if it is well enforced.

Mrs. Hughes—if the O. P. A. would be enforced so that prices would be equalized with wages, I am for it.

Mr. Douglas Chrane—The O. P. A. would have been better as it was at first, but being that it expired, they should have never revived it. In a period of eight months production would have caught up with demands and things would have been more normal again.

Mr. George Chrane—I am in favor of the bill, but I don't think it is worth anything the way it is being run now.

THE CRANE FILES

8 YEARS AGO:
 New grade will give pupils more education.

9 YEARS AGO:
 Cranes trample Badgers, 13-0, in season's opener.

10 YEARS AGO:
 Stockton Panthers take Cranes for a 19-0 loss in first home game.

13 YEARS AGO:
 365 register in Crane Schools on opening day. Fourth grade tops classes with 52.

BOOK NOOK

DAVID COPPERFIELD
 By Helen Hickey

Even though the name, Charles Dickens, usually draws frowns and disapproving glances from the average high school student, this individual would be surprised how interesting Dickens' novel, "David Copperfield," is.

From the very beginning of this little boy's personal history, the story catches your interest which does not lessen during the rest of the colorful events of his life.

David was no ordinary child in that he was very gifted from the beginning. However, most of his early years are tragic, and he begins life on his own account at the age of ten because of a cruel stepfather. After running away several times he throws himself on the mercy of his aunt and starts to school to study law. A few little romances add to the story considerably and David finally settles down to writing. He becomes famous in this profession and gets to marry the girl he loves.

The people David encounter in his various journeys and experiences make this book amusing and exciting. Dickens' wit and style of writing add something to a novel that is certainly no ordinary one, and is not hard to understand as some are inclined to believe. I am sure you will enjoy David Copperfield to the fullest extent.

Notice! (Please)

The new fall fashions are out. The latest thing in book-wear is book covers. Be fashionable and dress your books in these latest new and attractive book covers. They are the latest thing in protecting the books and have an unusual design on them. There is a space for your name and they can be kept very neat the whole year with very little care. They are given to us for the asking so why not dress your books in the very latest?

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

"The Crane" extends a happy birthday to the following students:

- Clorene Watts—Sept. 26
- Jackie Wayne Baize—Oct. 1.
- Ronald Tallman—Oct. 1
- Jean Garrett—Oct. 2
- Joyce Sharp—Oct. 3
- Jeannette Glenn—Oct. 4
- Jawn Gilstrap—Oct. 5
- Norman Mullens—Oct. 7
- Billy Dan Lively—Oct. 9

Keyes Replaces Dickenson In Grade School Office

Mr. Virgil Keyes, who taught previously in Albany, Texas, is taking Mr. Dickinson's place as Crane's grade school principal.

This is not Mr. Keyes' first view of our city. He came to Crane with his wife in 1942; however, he only remained here for six weeks. During this time Mr. Keyes taught everything from world history and general math to Miss Whittaker's female gym class. Miss Whittaker had the mumps at that time.

Then, ah, happy day, dear old Uncle Sam beckoned him to the far away South Pacific. The new principal will not be an idle man, as he plans to teach math along with his other duties. Crane welcomes this new and accomplished teacher to its faculty.

When You Save Food, You Save Human Life

What did you have for breakfast this morning? Oatmeal? Eggs and bacon? Toast Milk? Orange juice? Pancakes? Or perhaps waffles and maple syrup?

Millions of human beings had breakfast of grass, roots, and clay. Millions of others had no breakfast at all. Many of them, of course, are little children. Many of them, too, will starve to death.

This is not your fault. It is no one person's fault. It is, nonetheless, a horrible thing to contemplate.

In China, famine stalks the country, and in Hunan Province alone—once China's rich rice bowl—an estimated ten million persons are living on grass, weeds, rice, husks, and clay. People fall dead of hunger in city streets. In India, famine threatens more millions. In France, Italy, and the other countries of Europe that so recently were flaming battlefields, hunger likewise stalks the land and claims men, women and children as victims.

Children who are wasting away from starvation and who are crying for food that isn't there are easy prey to disease and infection, so weak are they from hunger.

What can we do? Plenty. It isn't necessary that we Americans lower our food intake. There is plenty for all. It is a matter of changing the national menu—substituting plentiful foods for those sorely needed abroad, cutting down on waste and using prudently what we have. For effective conservation, your American Red Cross Nutrition Service makes these urgent appeals:

1. Conserve bread at each meal. If every family in this country would save just a half slice of bread each day, there would be a national saving of 500,000 pounds.
2. Use a potato instead of a slice of bread; try potato salad instead of an extra sandwich.
3. Use oat cereals more often. A serving of oatmeal equals two slices of bread in food value.
4. Boil, bake or broil instead of frying.
5. Cook vegetables in skins whenever possible.
6. Use fruits and other types of dessert instead of pastries.
7. Salvage all fats that cannot be re-used and turn them into your grocer or butcher.
8. Buy only what you need, and need what you buy.
9. Protect food against spoilage. Use leftovers promptly; do not hoard food.
10. Use fats and oils sparingly. A daily saving of a teaspoon of fat by each consumer in the United States means a total saving of at least one million pounds a day.

The Nutrition Department of your local Red Cross Chapter can give you many tips on how you can take active part in the famine emergency campaign. Your small bit of sacrifice becomes imposing when it is multiplied by 130 million Americans working toward the same humanitarian goal. Remember, when you save food you are saving human lives.

Friday 13th Lucky Day For Some People

Well, well, hello, you UNLUCKY PEOPLE, you! We are SO glad you aren't superstitious, or aren't you? Or maybe we are wrong, huh? Maybe it DOES bother you when a nice, sleek black cat slips in front of your car, or when you spill salt on the table. Oh, it doesn't! Then you won't mind our first football game being on Friday 13! Will you, hummmm?

Enough of this razzing, would you like to know the reasons for all of this fear of "Bad Friday?" It seems that Friday was named for a German goddess, Freyja, who was supposed to be the goddess of love in Norse mythology. She was quite a slick ol' gal who liked to be chauffeured around in a beautiful chariot, drawn by cats. She also liked music (not the hot, groovy kind), flowers and spring.

Freyja's day was ruined for traveling when some good mates took a long sea voyage on her day (against her will). Their ships ended up bottoms-up.

Ancient Scandinavians used to consider Friday their "luckiest" day until the Crucifixion of Christ occurred on that day. Now many people regard it with superstitious dread.

Friday is sometimes called hangman's day, because, from its association with the Crucifixion, it is often the date set for executions. ISN'T this a pleasant subject, football boys! Don't be down-hearted. You have enough support behind you that all the mystic powers of black magic cannot pierce it.

Shovy Sloppers Bliiz The Cafeteria

Of course, when the noon hour comes every day, that is the time, by all means, to forget all the manners you ever knew.

Now everyone is comfortably packed in the line, including the band students, stuffed in behind the seniors. At this point we might say the juniors would rather starve than be rude. Then along comes Shovy Slopper, politely pushing and shoving his way into the cafeteria line. He is in a great hurry for his food. (Naturally no one else wants to eat a meal.) So, with his gentle shove, the teachers and hungry brats go down (merely on the first round), as dominoes would when lined up on a card table.

Now there is a great mystery to be solved. Everyone in school is wondering why everyone else is so rude, especially at this hour. Wonder what would happen if today everyone standing politely in the chow line would say, "Go ahead, you are hungrier than I?"

Courtesy For Assembly Programs Expressed

This school year has started out with everyone feeling cooperative and dutiful. And this is the reason why we should all do our part of courtesy in meeting in assembly.

You can be judged either polite or an impolite elbow-pusher. Do not ever think you can go into the assembly without at least half a dozen people watching the manner in which you go. Mr. Martin has already expressed the need for courtesy; so let's all try to be nice, boys and girls, and let each do his or her part in making up a student-body Mr. Martin will be pleased to call to assembly.

Manners At The Cafeteria In Comparison To Manners In Some New York Restaurant

BY WILMA EARP

Last year the school was presented with a large and beautiful school cafeteria. It was built on the campus to save the student-body time during the noon hour. The responsibility of good order and the general appearance of the cafeteria has been placed on the shoulders of the students. When we stop to think about how many students pass through the cafeteria every day, we realize that we are faced with a large responsibility.

The first thing anyone should think of when he enters the cafeteria is, "How would I act if I were dining at some large and famous restaurant in New York?" Most everyone would want to use their most delicate manners, because they not only represent themselves, but also their family and class friends.

There is not a person that would break into a line at a large and famous restaurant, because they would be all too conspicuous to the public. So it is with the student body at the school cafeteria. No one wants to make a scene which would embarrass his fellow classmates.

The Hare and the Tortoise of C. H. S.

Many of us know the story of *The Hare And The Tortoise*, yet we may not have thought of the resemblance of the two characters in the story to the types of students found in our High Schools of today.

For instance, there's Haphazard Harry, (the Hare), who feels sorry for the poor saps who plod along and study every day. "Why not go as I do? Have fun, be gay. You're only young once. Make the most of it." he could just breeze along. Once over his lesson assignment, and he was fixed.

Because he COULD get his assignments so easily, was reason for putting them off. "There'll be time for me to catch up with the rest of the class tomorrow."

Now Tom, (the Tortoise), steady and slow-going as Harry was flashy and fast, never took time for foolishness and fun when he had lessons to get. "I can't go out tonight, have some reading to do," or "Better not, tonight. Need to do some work on my notebook." "Sucker. Why don't you do as I'm going to do? Get all of mine at once."

Then suddenly, test time was next week. Harry, (the Hare), who had danced and played, visited with classmates in study hall, even, when he should have been studying, realized the deadline was only a matter of days ahead.

In a burst of speed and frenzy, he crammed and crammed. Burned the midnight oil and crammed some more. Harry's head was whirling with facts and figures that would not right themselves nor fall in line.

Tom, (the Tortoise), was still plodding along, adding each day a bit of knowledge to his store for future use at quiz time. He'd had time for fun when lessons were done; on week ends and an occasional night out.

Test day dawned bright and clear, but Harry's eyes and mind were far from bright and clear. The last minute late hours and hurried study had dulled his eyes and mind. Too late he realized the truth of "never put off until tomorrow what should be done today."

Tom, (the Tortoise), saie in the knowledge that he had done his best and was well prepared for any question that could be put to him by the teachers concerning his text assignments, passed the examination easily, while Harry, (the Hare), had trouble failing.

The moral of the comparison is plain. Don't be a Haphazard Harry Hare. Be a Triumphant Thomas Tortoise.

POET'S CORNER

I'M A BIG GIRL NOW (DARN IT!)

When I was a little girl of only three,
 I used to sit on my daddy's knee.
 Milk, spinach and bread was my diet.
 (If you think that's good or healthful, try it!)

I used to delight in playing about,
 And with mama and papa I went out.
 I loved to take walks in the park,
 All in all, I was happy as a lark.

I'm a big girl now, so they tell me;
 And no more do I sit on daddy's knee!
 It isn't much better on my diet now,
 I must watch or I'll get big like the cow!

Now my pastime is no less dull,
 'Cause in my dates there's a sudden lull.
 I don't like to make like a pessimist,
 But will ALL MY LIFE BE LIKE THIS?

SONG OF THE WEEK

By Donna Miller

TO EACH HIS OWN
 A rose must remain in the sun
 and the rain
 Or its lovely promise won't come true.

To each his own, to each his own,
 and my own is you.

What good is a song if the words
 just don't belong and a dream
 must be a dream for two.

Not good alone, to each his own,
 for me there's you.

If a flame is to grow there must
 be a glow, to open each door
 there's a key.

I need you, I know, I can't let you
 go, your touch means too much
 to me.

Two lips must insiston two more
 to be kissed or they'll never
 know what love can do.

To each his own, I've found my
 own—one and only you.

Attention!

Hey! Listen, all you guys and gals! How would you like to have a "Hi-Y" society organized here in school? On our vacation this summer, we were privileged to hear a young man, who for years has been active in youth work, discuss some of the things that we should do to make life a little more pleasant for all of us. A YMCA and a YWCA combined for high school boys and girls that comes out "Hi-Y" was one thing.

All we have to do is talk to Mr. Martin and ask him to get in touch with the YMCA headquarters at Austin, Texas. They in turn will send a representative out to our school and he will give us full particulars and then help us organize. It will be fun, don't you think?

How abot it, everybody?

Do You Want a "Hi-Y"?

Twenty-Four Crane Gridders Start Work In Ruidosa, N. M.

The Crane gridders started an early season of training by a trip to the New Mexico mountains. The football bus left Crane Aug. 24 at approximately 5 a. m., headed toward Ruidosa, N. M.

Mr. Chrane and Mr. Haralson, the two coaches, and 24 boys made the trip.

The boys followed a daily routine of exercise before breakfast, and after breakfast would lie down and rest for an hour. Climbing a mountain, which was located a little way from camp, was also a daily task. The boys were required to climb this after breakfast and before supper. From about 2 until 5 o'clock was given to the boys for their very own.

On the fourth day a tremendous task was set before the party. A nine-mile hike was proposed to the top of Mount Baldy. Three out of the 26 cracked the trip and a few got about three-fourths of the way up. Most of the hikers were rained out and had a nice nine-mile hike home in same.

The cooking was done by Golden Hester (with the assistance of the two coaches) and four K. P.'s a day.

D. Bonner and C. Pettit Elected For Captains Of 1946-47 Gridders

To bring a long and short ending to the football situation, 'Long' David Bonner and 'Short' Chester Pettit were elected captains for the football season of 1946-47.

The captains were elected while at the football encampment in Ruidosa, N. M. The boys were chosen by the whole group.

The captains were chosen on their ability to lead and ability at football; not because most of the boys liked them best or other things. David and Check are liked by all the team and they are depending on these two boys and the coaches to carry Crane High to victory.

Other nominations for captains were: "Toots" Mathis, Don Kilgore and Don Pope.

Little Cranes Bow To Little Badgers, 12-0

Coach Walter Duff's Junior Cranes went down 12-0 on El Ave Field Friday before a determined onslaught of McCamey's little Badgers.

The Crane line-up was as follows:

- J. Hickey, RE
- Ray Knox, RT
- E. Tallman, RG
- L. Brentch, C
- R. Cloud, LT
- J. Stacy, LG
- M. Halcomb, LE
- B. Teague, FB
- R. Lightfoot, H
- B. Smithe, H
- J. Ward, Q.

Football Schedule

The Golden Cranes football schedule is as follows:
 Sept. 13—Big Lake in Crane
 Sept. 20—Open
 Sept. 27—Crane in Andrews
 Oct. 4—Stanton in Crane
 Oct. 11—Crane in Stockton
 Oct. 18—Marfa in Crane
 Oct. 25—Crane in Grandfells
 Nov. 1—Iraan in Crane
 Nov. 8—Crane in McCamey
 Nov. 16—Crane in Sanderson

Golden Crane Football Roster For 1946-47

Name	No.	Wt.	Ex.	Po.
P. Simon	45	180	2	C
T. Mathis	39	165	2	B
Bonner, capt.	44	180	2	E
C. Pettit, capt.	21	145	2	B
B. North	28	160	1	T
B. Henderson	40	165	1	B
E. Rust	43	160	1	T
J. Harrington	32	160	1	G
D. Pope	64	140	1	B
D. Kilgore	24	160	1	T
G. Hester	23	160	1	G
B. Allen	32	160	0	E
M. McCully	38	130	0	B
D. Bradley	140	140	0	B
D. Stacey	20	130	0	B
B. Schoonover	30	148	0	G
A. Ono	26	135	0	B
W. Coker	175	0	E	
J. Zafarinitis	160	0	B	
S. Pearce	133	0	B	
J. Weatherby	290	0	T	
V. Garrett	36	150	0	G
C. M. Coker	29	152	0	G
B. Kelton	42	150	0	G
F. Wallar	41	165	0	C
N. Reynolds	37	135	0	B
A. Whaley	170	0	T	
B. Davis	170	0	G	
J. Best	165	0	T	
B. R. Collins	132	0	E	
H. Christian	135	0	G	
B. Marlowe	130	0	E	
K. Daniels	140	0	T	

SHORT SHOTS

BY DON POPE

The Crane Birds came off the Roost the other night against Big Lake.

The grigger opened the year's season with 11 lettermen back and 25 reserves out for training.

Well, the boys seem to like the new coach very well and the girls aren't exactly overlooking him. Better watch out, girls, he is married.

Bob Higdon and Bob Mathis, last year captains, are making out fine in Alpine. We wish you boys all of the luck.

The football boys received some new equipment for the season, some of which was badly needed. The boys appreciate the interest of the school in them.

The football team wishes to express their appreciation for the outstanding support and school spirit of the first game.

Cranes Win Opener With 14-0 Victory Over Big Lake Owls

The Golden Cranes defeated the Reagan County Owls last Friday, 14-0. This was the first game of the season for both the teams.

The touchdowns were made by Toots Mathis and Billy Henderson. David Bonner kicked one extra point and ran the other one over. Crane had two touchdowns called back, both of them being made by Chester Pettit. One was on a 60-yard run and the other a 15-yard run.

All of the boys out for football played in the game, and no one was injured. This shows that the trip to Ruidosa was of great benefit to the team.

Crane had to punt only three times during the whole game. Their running game was not up to par because of lack of timing and practice. Crane passed several times and completed but one of them.

A large crowd attended. Let's hope they keep coming to see all of the games at home, and can follow the team away from home.

Young Crane's New Practicing With 30 Promising Boys

The Football Champions of 1949 are on the prod this season with approximately 30 young Cranes out for blood.

Mr. Duff is the coach and director of the fighting team and even though the boys do not have all of their equipment, you won't hear them complain when they get tackled or blocked extra hard.

The boys are 15 years or under and they play with an 11-man squad, and under regular inter-scholastic rules.

The first game is scheduled with McCamey at Crane Sept. 21, at 9:30 a. m.

Stockton and Crane To Clash October 11

Next Oct. 11, the Crane Cranes will tackle the Fort Stockton Panthers at Fort Stockton.

Last year the Panthers beat the Cranes, but a large majority of the team was sick.

The Panthers will have just about all of their men back from last year, as compared to Crane's loss of three men off the first string.

Stockton will probably outweigh Crane but Crane will have just about as much experience.

Cranes See Panthers And Eagles Collide

The football boys and coaches went to Fort Stockton Friday, Sept. 20. They saw the Fort Stockton Panthers, who are in the same district with Crane, play the Pecos Eagles, who are in District 7A.

Crane plays Fort Stockton on Oct. 11, at Fort Stockton. This will be the Cranes' third victim unless the Cranes get another game Friday, Sept. 27.

Newly Sanded Gym Gets Just Praise

Smu-ooth! That's what it is, and not only that, it glistens like a two-carat diamond. Now, do not turn us off, this isn't an advertisement for some kind of wax. It is merely some of the boasting about the newly sanded and varnished gym floor that has been heard around these parts.

Evidently, the superiors intend to keep this floor unmarred. Special "no-mark" tennis shoes have been made available in the office for both boys and girls.

So—brother, beware! If you must fall, do it softly. When walking, WALK! Don't run a-while and slide a-while. After all, not every school has a gym floor as beautiful as ours, let's keep it that way and stay one jump ahead, what do ya say?

Mr. and Mrs. Brady Nix were out of Crane Sept. 19, to attend the funeral of Mrs. Nix's aunt, Mrs. Emma Ledbetter, 84 years old. Mrs. Ledbetter had resided in O'Donnell, Texas, until her death.

The funeral was held in Tahoka, Texas.

Weatherby Woolly But For No Reason At All

No, it's not one of the Smith Brothers you see walking around the patio with a superior air... it's Raymond Weatherby with a new hobby. Anyway, that's the only thing we could think of that would induce anyone to grow a beard.

Upon being asked, "Why the beard?" Raymond replied that there was no special reason for it. Maybe he just got tired of shaving, or it could be that he's too lazy. But Raymond isn't the lazy type, so that wouldn't be the answer.

Oh, well, it does make us feel that we have a real man around the premises to protect us from the wolves—ch, girls?

School Orders Equipment Varying From Station Wagon to Shoes

The school has ordered a lot of new equipment for this year. Some of it has not arrived, but they hope to receive it very soon. The following are some of the things that have been ordered: complete new set of band uniforms, complete new set of football equipment, (have already received a considerable amount of it), new gym suits and shoes for gym students; they have ordered and received water coolers for the patio; the gym floor has been varnished and sanded, and last, but not least, Crane has bought a new station wagon, which is used in block 31. It hauls 11 children to and from school.



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Elementary News

MRS. CRABTREE'S ROOM

First Grade

We have 31 pupils in our room, 15 boys and 16 girls.

Peggy Owens and Nina Gayle Borr brought some gold fish for our room. We have four fish in all.

We are having fun learning words, but we will be, oh! so happy to get our first little books to read.

In art this month, we are studying the rainbow colors. We find the six rainbow colors in flowers, birds, fruit, dresses, paper and girls' hair ribbons.

Jimmy Elder has a birthday party the 27th of this month. Happy birthday, Jimmie.

FIVE-A—GRADE 5

A Good Citizenship Club was organized on Sept. 18, 1946, in Mrs. Patterson's room. The officers were elected as follows:

Catherine Slimp, president; Ted Fields, vice president; Edith Aaron, secretary; Darrell L. Vines, reporter.

Mrs. Field, Mrs. Ivy and Mrs. McAfee were appointed as room mothers.

FIVE-ONE

Reporter, Luanne Presley After three months of vacation, we are glad to be in school.

Our class has organized a Good Citizenship Club. We elected Norma Crittenden as president. Myra Sue Harrold was elected vice-president. Joann Fisher was elected secretary.

When some of the class have a birthday, we always celebrate it.

We have been studying about the Indians in reading and geography. We brought Indian vases, baskets, drums, and other Indian things. In health, we have been studying about cleanliness.

We made safety posters in language.

We have been bringing flowers to make our room look pretty.

MRS. DUFF'S ROOM

Grade 6-1

Our room has been studying subtraction, addition, and division in arithmetic.

In English, we have been studying subjects and verbs. We went

back to nouns and pronouns yesterday.

We have two new people in our room. They are Sue Dentist and Wanda Smith.

The first football game that the junior football team will play will be on Saturday morning at 9:30. They will play McCamey. The junior football manager is Buster Pendleton. The coach is W. C. Duff.

SEVEN-ONE

Class 7-1 held a business meeting Tuesday, Oct. 3, for the purpose of electing class officers. Miss Murphy presided and the following officers were elected:

President, Mareta Robinson; vice president, Barbara Aaron; secretary, Gene Watts; treasurer, Peggy Ward; sergeant-at-arms, Quay Clark; librarian, Dixie Shaver; housekeeper, Roberta and Donald; bulletin board, Eugenia Mills; reporter, Gene Watts.

The class made a motion to have the meetings the second and fourth Fridays.

Class 7-1 held a meeting Friday, the 13th. They had a play called, "A Good Way To Drive Teachers Mad." Those in the play were:

Mary Lou, Jessie, Dixie, John, Quay, Truman, Dorothy, Peggy, Gene Watts, Paul, Donald.

Mrs. Quay B. Clark, Mrs. J. G. Wood, and Mrs. Mills are going to be the room mothers.

GRADE SEVEN-TWO

Reporter, Nancy Evans Grade 7-2 is very glad to be in school again. We have three new pupils this year: Tommy Faulkner, Douglas Damron and Vestal Hodges.

We are happy to have Miss Moore as our home room teacher again this year. She spent a very pleasant summer in California. She visited in Yosemite National Park, Los Angeles and Pasadena, Calif.

We have been quite busy in the past two weeks. We have elected our room mothers as Mrs. Harrell, Mrs. Nolan, Mrs. Meers, Mrs. Barrett and Mrs. Evans. We have also elected our class officers: President, Billy Don Ingram; vice president, Malcolm Garrett; secretary, Joyce Taylor; and reporter, Nancy Evans.

Elders of Church Have Party To Recall Old Memories of Youth

The Methodist Ladies Sunday School Class and their husbands were entertained by Mrs. Sam Nolan, Mrs. Hershel Evans, and Mrs. C. A. Langford at the Humble recreation hall. These dignified ladies and gentlemen turned the pages of time back to their childhood days and played school again.

They had lessons in history, language, geography, penmanship, arithmetic, reading, music and an old-fashioned spelling-bee. They answered the roll call with a nursery rhyme. They shot marbles in the classroom, tried to swipe the teacher's apple and everything kids do when they are going to school.

Refreshments were served in paper bags and the evening ended by everyone singing "School Days, School Days."

New Addition to Pettit Family, Born Sept. 15

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pettit are the proud parents of a five-pound baby girl. They named her Barbara Jean. Barbara was born early Sunday morning, Sept. 15.

Harold and Dorothy are both ex-Cranes. Harold was a star football player, and captain of the basketball team his last year in school. He also made honor grades in his studies.

Dorothy graduated from her class as salutatorian. She was voted as Carnival Queen during her senior year, and she was a prominent leader in the band.

We all know Dorothy and Harold are proud, and everyone sends congratulations.

The Crane faculty will be the guests of the Crane Lions Club tonight at the Community Hall. An interesting program has been planned to entertain the faculty.

Weather About to Get Best of CHS Students

It's a stick? It's a pole? It's a club? It's a blackjack? Nope, 'taint none of 'em: It's only an elbow of your comrade sitting next to you. If you're in the sixth period study hall, you will know exactly what we're talking about. It's so crowded in there even the freshmen can't stand the way kids are crammed together, and on real hot days you think you are in a steam house instead of a study hall. If it ever gets cold enough, you will probably be glad there are so many in there, but right now it is sort of miserable.

Odessa Man Accepts Appointment To Lead District USO Drive

Mr. Joe W. Pyron of Odessa has accepted the appointment of Gov. Coke Stevenson, General Chairman for the next and final Texas USO drive, to lead Upton, Ector, Crane and Andrews counties in the coming campaign, it was announced today.

Texas, with a quota of \$800,000 in the "See-It-Through" campaign which will continue USO activities through 1947, has been divided into six regions and 66 districts.

Col. C. L. Phinney, president of the 38th Division Association and State Campaign Chairman, commenting on the appointment of the new district officer, said: "We need the leadership of men like Mr. Pyron to help Texas go over the top in this final USO drive."

The Crane wishes to extend its sympathy to Berna Lou McCully, valedictorian of the class of '46, who has just undergone a major operation in the General Hospital in Lubbock. We all wish her a speedy recovery and hope she can be back in Crane soon.

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