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And Shout 'Hooray!'

THE CRANE

When You Have Seen
Our Eleven Boys Play

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Grade School Opens 1947-48 Semester With \$70,000 Addition

Due to the increasing number of grammar school students, Crane is opening the present school term with a brand new four-room addition which was erected and equipped at an approximate cost of \$70,000.

Some of the new features in school house construction, as are found in the South, are the inclusion of the Nesbitt unit, which is continuous steel shelving along the windows.

The radiators are enclosed in these units. Also each room corridor and rest room is equipped with the latest type ultra-violet germicidal lights. This feature will insure germ-free air for the occupants of the rooms.

The blackboards, which have not yet arrived, will be green plate glass with the writing surface fused on, and will be mounted in aluminum frames, and will be complete with tack boards and brackets for display of children's work.

All windows will be screened and equipped with steel slat venetian blinds.

These rooms are equipped with single unit seats and desks and are finished in the light natural colors of the maple from which they are constructed.

Each room is adjacent to the rest rooms and these are equipped with drinking fountains and lavatories, all of which are installed to heights suitable to children's size.

Grade School Opens For Year 1947-1948



It is planned that as soon as these rooms are completed, the school will have open house so the public may see the features of this new addition.

Haynes and Kirby of Lubbock are the architects and J. P. Stubbins Construction Co. of Pecos did the building.

Love Bug Robs C.H.S. During Summer Months With Fifteen Nuptials

Wedding bells pealed frequently this summer for Cranes, ex-Cranes and faculty.

Fifteen vacation nuptials compare with seven for last summer.

On the last day of school, Miss Ida Louise Fetterly, commerce instructor, became Mrs. Jim Anderson. A few days previously Artie Henderson was the bride of Ernest Mansell.

We can all remember when Mrs. A. B. Cook, Jr., was Betty Bruce and Mrs. Jake Broyles was Kathryn Lewis.

Elmer Kelton took Miss Anna Lipp for his bride.

Zane Crownover became Mrs. R. P. (Lux) Wilkerson and Det. Coker became Mrs. "Red" Stevens.

Finishing CHS last spring, Dot Craig became Mrs. O. D. Gaines. Helen Hickey was married to B. H. Mansell. Wilma Earu is the bride of Arnold McCasland.

Marital vows were read for two members of the current senior class. They are Mrs. Lester Erwin and Mrs. Frank Craig, Jr.

Lou Smith entered her junior year as Mrs. R. S. Brown, Jr.

Frank C. Perkins (Dorothy Hickey) and Mrs. James Rush (Frankie Gray) chose to finish school in the towns where their new husbands are going to school or working.

Earlier in the year, Mary Allen was wed to James N. Grimes.

Miss Elsie Knight, home economics instructor, became Mrs. J. C. Waller.

New School Buses Aid In Transportation

To cope with the student transportation problem, the school board has purchased two new buses and two new Ford station wagons at a total cost of some \$21,000.

One of these new buses is a 70-passenger Mack costing around \$10,000. The other is a 55-passenger Reo costing \$6,500. Each of the station wagons cost \$2,200.

With these new vehicles the Crane students can travel comfortably to and from school.

Also, the Crane officials have purchased a new GE Refrigerator for the homemaker department.

To be used for musical training in the grade school, a new piano has been purchased and placed in the new building.

Sixty Peppy Peppers Pep '47 Golden Cranes

With 60 girls full of vim, vigor and vitality, the Crane Pep Squad plans to give plenty of pep to the boys this season.

At the first business meeting, the girls elected six cheer leaders, Jo Ann Earl, Ladean McCasland, Coyleene Pope, Patsy Dulin, Louise Pettit and Dorothy Erwin. Doris Collins heads the club as president, with Billie Hardesty; Barbara Mason, secretary-treasurer, and Jane Clark, reporter.

Miss Lowe and Mrs. Davidson are doing a bang-up job as sponsors.

Enrollment Up to 618 Largest Since 1941-42

According to statistics compiled and handed to the journalism class by Principal Brady Nix, the Crane Schools opened the present semester with 618 students, 34 more than last year and the largest enrollment since 1941-42.

Of this number, 215 are high school students including the 62 members of the eighth grade. The next largest group is the freshman class with 45. Following the freshman class is the sophomore bunch with 42. Close behind the juniors, 40 strong, and so on down to the seniors with 26 graduate aspirants.

Judging from the gradual decrease in numbers from eighth grade to seniors, one is more inclined to believe that old saying, "The bigger they come, the bigger they fall."

With the records available only as far back as 1939-40, it is interesting to note how the war years affected enrollment. For example, in 1941-42 enrollment reached a peak of 629, dropping to 526 the following school year, and then on down to an all time low of 468 in 1943-44.

Then in 1944-45, with the war going our way, scholastics climbed back to 528, but dropped back to 522 in 1945-46. The year 1946-47 registered the biggest gain, jumping from 522 to 584, and from there on up to the present 618.

These statistics are based on the first day of school and are not, Mr. Nix states, to be taken as accurate criteria of the year's enrollment.

Way to Man's Heart is Still Through Stomach H. E. Girls Believe

The art of homemaking still appeals to many girls—both single and married as shown by Mrs. Elsie Waller's five home economic classes.

Last week Mr. Martin bought the department a new Frigidaire. The largest classes, H. E. I and II, have fourteen members. There are eight senior girls taking the course.

Out of the five classes there are four married girls. Lou Browne, Vivian Craig, Joan Ervin and Mary Nell Grimes.

The classes have duties to perform in regard to keeping the department clean. Each class cleans up one day of the week. Each class is studying something different. H. E. I is studying and planning luncheons. H. E. II is making floor plans for new kitchens. H. E. III is studying time saving equipment in the kitchen. Last week they went to the store and bought small articles to use in the preservation of foods, studying Waller plans for the class to can.

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Thirteen New Profs On Crane Faculty

New teachers seemed to have flocked to the Crane schools this year.

In the office, we have Mrs. Wayne Karr from Los Angeles, Calif. Mrs. Karr attended business school in Missouri and is secretary to Mr. Martin.

Mrs. Willie Filleman comes back to Crane after three years in Wink. She received her B. A. degree at the University of Mississippi and her Master's degree at the University of Michigan. Mrs. Filleman is teaching math and history in high school.

Miss Len Lowe, B. S., is beginning her teaching career in Crane after majoring in music at Texas Tech in Lubbock. Miss Love is teaching music from the fourth through the twelfth grades.

Mrs. Elsie Davidson, B. S., comes from San Saba, where she in physical last year. She majored in Christian Education at Abilene physical education, and teaches eighth through the twelfth grades.

Miss Bobbie Hamilton, B. A., and B. S., comes to Crane as a graduate of Howard-Payne College in Brownwood, where she majored in journalism, English and education. She is teaching the fifth grade.

Miss Evelyn Manly, teaching the fourth grade, comes from Abilene Christian College, where she majored in home economics and minored in elementary education.

Miss Minette Rowland, B. S., comes from Duncan, Okla., where she taught five years. She attended college in Edmund where she majored in elementary education. She is teaching the second grade.

Coming from Hillsboro is Miss Willie Faye Alexander, who is teaching the third grade. She holds a B. S. degree from NTSTC in Denton where she majored in elementary education.

Miss Susie Evert, comes from Brownwood where she taught for five years. She obtained a B. A. degree from Howard-Payne, and is teaching the third grade here. Incidentally, Mrs. Evert is one of the lucky teachers who has the privilege of teaching in the new building, and says "it is a dream come true."

Miss Velma Hodges, B. A. studied music at Howard-Payne, and is teaching music in the first three grades.

Our band director, Mr. Eldon N. Sonnenburg, comes from Sinton where he taught last year. He majored in music at the North Texas State Teachers College at Denton, receiving his M. A. this last summer.

Mrs. Cox comes to Crane as a former teacher of Fort Stockton. She received her B. A. degree from Texas Wesleyan College in Fort Worth where she majored in English and minored in Spanish. She is teaching High School English.

Miss Haley, former teacher at Big Spring, is teaching high school, English, also. She attended college at Texas State College for Women in Denton where she majored in speech and English and received her B. S. degree.

CHS Library Opens With 100 New Books

For the benefit of those who like to read, Mrs. Elmore has received 100 new books for high school this year. Some of the most interesting of the new books are:

STORM CENTER—by J. W. McSpadden.

DRIFTWOOD VALLEY—by T. C. Stanwell-Fletcher.

NO TIME FOR TEARS—by Lora Wood Hughes.

SAM MCGOO AND TEXAS TOO—by Paul Patterson.

Two new magazines have been added to this year's subscriptions. They are The Coronet and Travel Magazines. New binders have arrived for the magazines. Mrs. Elmore has also ordered a new set of world books.

McCully, Rust, Patterson, Sullivan and J. Clark Elected Presidents Of Classes for 1947 and 1948

To start the school year off with a bang and plenty of authority, class officers, sponsors, room mothers and student council representatives were elected Tuesday, Sept. 16th.

The senior class chose the following:
President—Merwyn McCully
Vice President—C. M. Coker
Secretary - Treasurer—Doris Collins.

Sponsors— Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Elmore and Mrs. Douglas Chrane.
Room Mothers—Mmes. A. M. Murrell, W. R. Crownover, A. C. Dulin and Buck Kelton.

Representatives—Bobby Allen, Gene Miller and C. M. Coker.
Reporter—Jo Ann Earl
Sergeant-at-Arms—Charles Mathis.

The junior class elections resulted in the following:
President—Elmo Rust
Vice President—Valco Garrett
Secretary - Treasurer—Jane Clark.

Sponsors—Mr. C. A. Carroll, Lois Elsie Haley and Miss Len Repot.

Representatives—Charlotte Schlittler Weatherby, Dwayne—Raymond Cory Harris.

Room Mothers—Mmes. Ward, W. O. Murray, J. E. Clark, A. Dan Lively and M. A. Daniels.

Sergeant-at-Arms—Paul Simon.
Those chosen by the sophomore class were:

President—Bruce Patterson
Vice President—Spec Pierce
Secretary - Treasurer—Bill Teague.

Juniors To Get Stand, Built By The School

Since every junior class has had to build its own concession stand the school has decided to build one that will last for many years to come.

The stand will be 20 feet long and 12 feet wide. It will also have walls and roof, which is something to have when it gets cold. There will be flaps on the sides which let down to make counters.

Mr. Martin has estimated the cost at around \$250.

He also has had the pop corn popper fixed and is trying to purchase some hotplates with which to prepare hot coffee and hot chocolate.

Since all of this is being done for the juniors everyone is expecting a good prom and banquet.

Woodbury Triplets Are Enrolled; Confusion Avoided In Classes



Few schools can boast the attendance of triplets. However, Crane has this privilege since the triplet daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Woodbury enrolled on Sept. 8.

Pictured above are Joan, Jane and Jean, now six years old and in the first grade.

There is some difference in the girls as Jean and Jane have green eyes while Joan's are blue. They all have light brown hair, Jean's being the darkest. Jean is the smallest of the three.

To prevent confusion in the class room, each one of the girls is in a different room.

Sponsors—Mr. William Haralson and Mr. I. K. Cox.

Representatives—Tommy Parrott, John Hickey, and Jimmy Neal Stacy.

Sergeant-at-Arms—Joe Weatherby.

Room Mothers—Mmes. Rhinehart, Sam Nolan and Claude Le Claire.

The freshman class elected the following:
President—Tom R. Sullivan
Vice President—June White
Secretary-Treasurer—Louie Brent.

Sponsors—Mr. Paul Patterson, Mrs. Elsie Waller.

Representatives—Patsy Dulin, John Clark and Buster Pendleton.

Sergeant-at-Arms—Richard Lightfoot.

Reporter—Aubra Taylor
Room Mothers—Mmes. A. C. Dulin, Jack Porter, Raymond Knox, J. H. Zafanotis, Isyl L. Cox.

For the eighth grade the following were chosen:

President—Billy Clark
Vice President—Peggy Sharp
Secretary-Treasurer—Nancy Evans.

Sponsors—Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Hughes.

Representatives—Peggy McCasland, Betty Henderson Delano Schoonover.

Sergeant-at-Arms—Doyle LaReport.

Room Mothers—Marie Reed, Taylor, L. R. others—Mmes. R. F. J. E. Clark, Mills, Q. B. Clark, M. Sharp, O. Warren and Q.

CHS Band Starts Year With 75 New Uniforms

With 75 new uniforms and a new band director, the Crane High School Band starts off a year's vigorous activities.

A special election was recently called by Mr. Sonnenburg for the election of band officials. They are as follows:

President—Corky Harris
Vice President—Tip Murrell
Secretary and Treasurer—Iown Gilstrap.

The twirlers were also elected. They are:

Charlotte Schlittler, June Crownover and "Babe" LeClaire.

The Crane Band plans a very busy year of many exciting activities.

Ten New Students Enroll In Crane High

C. H. S. is glad to welcome the new students to our schools; they are from many different places and states. Some are here for the first time, but a few have been here before.

Representing the eighth grade are Thelma Horn from Fort Stockton; Jo Ann O'Connor from Tucson, Ariz., and Clovis Lewis from Corsicana, Texas.

From the ninth grade are: Eva Long of Monahans; Kay Cox of Fort Stockton and Vida Klingenberg of Enid, Okla.

Representing the tenth grade are: Clayton Cantrell of Spur, Texas; and Jimmie Pierce of Menard, Texas.

And from the 11th are: Charlotte Schlittler of Odessa, Texas; and Philip O'Connor of Tucson, Arizona.

230 Ride Buses Daily

In order to show the public the gigantic scale on which our school operates, there are 230 pupils who ride four buses and three station wagons daily.

Mr. Patterson, with the Gulf Camp runs, carries the biggest crowd, numbering 83 students.

Mr. Bell is next with 67, then Mr. Carroll and Mr. Chrane, whose buses total 75.

Miss Conger is next, driving a station wagon with nine, while Mr. Alderice and Mr. Keyes carry five on their station wagon routes.

THE CRANE

BUSINESS MANAGER LADEAN McCASLAND
GRADE SCHOOL REPORTER KATHRIN CANTRELL
REPORTERS—C. M. Coker, Doris Collins, June Crownover,
Tip Murrell, Gene Miller, Maxine Omo, Eleanor Rush,
Frank Waller

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.

YOU ARE A CRANE!

Let's Keep Oscar P. Behind Our Football Team!

Oscar P! He is the school twelfth man on the football team. He is an important member of that team, whether you see him or not.
Without him very much is lost. Build him up! Condition him! Bring him to the football games. The Cranes are fighting for US! Come on, Oscar P!

These C. H. S. Students Actually Have Names

Stop, look and listen! How many given names of your fellow classmates do you know?
Would you turn to a guy we all know as "Toots" if you heard someone calling for Charles Mathis?
"Red" Simon was christened Paul George. Merwyn McCulley shortens his name to just "Cully." Somewhere Dwain Stacy picked up the name of "Dooley." John Hickey is known to his classmates as "Hick" as Bob North is known as "Nob." Two nicknames have stuck with Eugene Harrington. Kenneth Pearce, he has always been "Speck" in CHS.
Somehow and somewhere, Alvin Whaley acquired the colloquial-sounding name of "Guts." It will be better if you ask

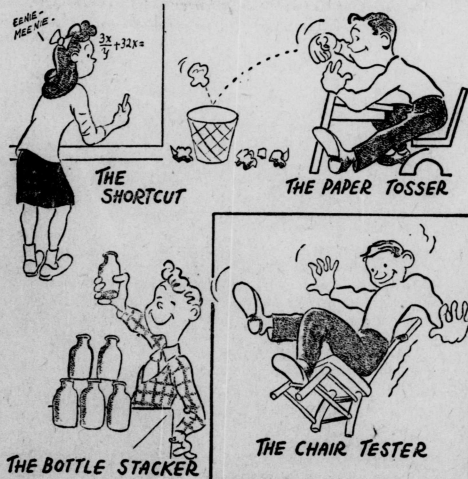
Faculty Takes Tour Via Davis Mt. Area

A party of 46 people, made up of Crane faculty members, their families and their guests, spent the weekend of Sept. 20-21 touring the Davis Mountain and Alpine country.
Leaving Crane on Saturday morning, the bus and station wagon loads of tourists arrived at the Balmorhea swimming pool in time for a picnic lunch.
From there they went to the McDonald Observatory where an astronomer gave them a lecture on the operation of the giant telescope.
That night they arrived in Alpine in time to attend the Sul Ross-San Angelo Junior College football game.
After spending the night in an Alpine tourist camp, the party left for Crane, arriving home at 2 p. m. Sunday.
Highlights of the trip were the numerous herds of antelope sighted from the bus, the observatory, the Balmorhea-Ft. Davis drive, etc., not to mention Mr. Martin's posing for a photo while mounted on the back of a snow white mule. Special guests for the trip were

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Gunn and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Nolan, members of the Board of Trustees.
Other guests were Miss Freda Walker of Rankin, niece of Mrs. Davidson, and Ellen Evatt and Nancy Evatt of Midland, daughter and niece, respectively, of Mrs. Susie Evatt, faculty member.
The faculty wishes to express its thanks to the school board for making this trip possible.

Boys Might Rule But Constitution Says No!

Well, it looked as though the Crane High boys might have ruled the Student Council this year except for the Constitution.
The seniors, juniors and sophomores elected all the boys to serve which would have given the boys a majority but there was one sentence in the Constitution which said no.
Both sexes must be represented from each class. So, due to this, they will have to re-elect the representatives and get at least one girl in from each class.
Oh, well, maybe the girls need to express their opinion every once in a while.



★ POET'S CORNER ★

BE BRIEF
Be brief, concise, and never long. No one enjoys a drawnout song. The lyrics of a song are short. So why should we think lone ones smart?
Twelve years of school seem a long time. But what are twelve to ninety-nine?
These twelve years are very brief. For many more can bring you grief.
The facts of life are stated things. They many complications bring. So in the world's continual throng Be brief, concise and never long.

★ THUMBNAIL ★

Since fashions have undergone a drastic change and long skirts are becoming popular, the opinion of Crane High School students and teachers is desired on this subject. When asked this question: How do you like long skirts? some answers our students gave were:
June White—"I will wear mine where I want to. I don't like them."
Melba Bell—"They are awful."
Kathleen Harrington—"They are horrible."
Lola Green—"They are tacky."
Sammie Lewis—"I don't like them."
Mrs. Elmore—"I don't like them because it is hard on poor people like me to have to buy a complete new wardrobe. The dresses aren't as funny looking as the hats, though."
Sis Craig—"O. K. if they don't get too long."
Jimmy Zafonitis—"They are O. K."
June Sherron—"All right as long as they don't get too long."
Mill Haley—"I don't like them either too long or too short. Medium length is my preference."
Joan Randall—"O. K. A little below the knee, not too long or too short."
Clarence Watts—"I don't like them long."
Dixie Shaver—"I don't like them."
Paul Henderson—"I don't like them."
Mrs. Cox—"I'm against them because I am tall and can't let my dresses down. I would need a complete new wardrobe."
Barbara Mason—"I would like 'em a little longer but not too long."

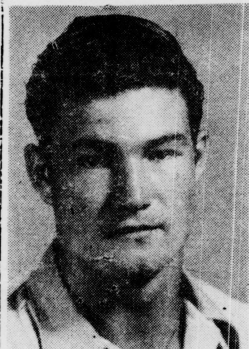
First Assembly Starts School Off With Bang

On Monday morning, Sept. 8, the high school held its first assembly.
Mr. Martin gave the invocation and then C. M. Coker, councilor-at-large of the Student Council, gave a welcome to the new students and the eighth grade.
The high school was then presented with two solos by Miss Lowe, which were "Night and Day" and "Begin The Beguine."
Mr. Sonnenburg then played two clarinet solos: "Last Movement of Weber's First Concerto" and "The Flight of The Bumble Bee."
Mr. Martin closed the assembly with an introduction of the teachers.

'All Work Makes Jack' Say Working Cranes

Although most students choose to spend their time loafing and occasionally studying, a few of our boys and girls are working.
We find that Dorothy Erwin, Marie Reed and Hetty Kidd work behind a soda fountain. Waliska Arent has been cleaning up a beauty shop. Mary Lou Reynolds is the assistant of Dr. C. G. Smith. Joy Dickson, Mary Brewer and Maxine Omo can be found at the telephone office. La Ferne Miller is a waitress.
Vivian Craig, Jo Ann Erwin, Lou Brown and Mary Grimes have the pleasant job of keeping house.
Now for the harder working bunch. Robert Sullivan has been doing construction work. Joe Weatherby works at the Humble Service Station. Nelson Stephens is employed at the Palace Theatre. J. L. Pettet has been operating at the Palace. George McCorkle works at the Co-Op, and Joe Florence at a tailor shop.

Introducing The Seniors



TOOTS MATHIS

On April 16, 1930, in Crane, Texas, Charles Alton Mathis made his first appearance to the public. A few years later Charles acquired the nickname of "Toots."
"Toots" has attended the Crane Public Schools for the past six and a half years.
Now a senior, Toots is one of the football captains and is sergeant-at-arms for the senior class. He was junior class favorite in 1947.
Toots is 5 ft. 11 in. tall and weighs 172 lbs. Added attractions are his black hair and brown eyes.
Toots has 1 sister, three in all, and will be seen on the gridiron and hardwood again this year.
His favorites include chicken, coconut pie, football, Ingrid Bergman and Esther Williams. His pet peeves are people who popoff and people who talk behind your back.

★ SONG OF WEEK ★

I WISH I DIDN'T LOVE YOU SO
I wish I didn't love you so,
My love for you should have faded long ago;
I wish I didn't need your kiss,
Why must it torture me as long as this?
I might be smiling by now with some new tender friend,
Smiling by now with my heart on the mend;
But when I try, something in that heart says "No,"
You're still there,
I wish I didn't love you so.

★ FASHIONETTE ★

Greeting, "Guys and Gaites." So you're all finding it rather warm these days, huh?
It seems as though about the coolest thing you can find to wear is in order, and that appears to be the crisp, cool-looking white blouses and just about any kind of skirt. By the way, that brings up the question of long skirts again. They seem to be coming in style again.
We still have those "your own opinion" peddlerpushers on the campus, which are swell for this West Texas weather.
Say, "gals," since the boys are beginning to show off those geous football jackets, why step out in a luscious cor, denim or gabardine "swick" jacket, with huge, low-yes? All colors of scarves around the neck in "Sportie" style make wonderful accessories for these jackets just see how they "click" these football games.
For boys (and girls), the ever-popular levis and T-shirts are still on the campus, and the boys gone out for those "dressy" hats and goatees.
We have boys in school who hstyle all themselves, going potted. Power to you, boys!

★ ONE FILES ★

One Year: The e was enlarged to post-war.
SEVEN YEARS AGO: Two boys reported for football.
ELEVEN YEARS AGO: The sold over 100 subscription the start of the drive.
FOUR YEARS AGO: 365 registered in Crane School.

Profs Cover North American Continent In The Quest Of Knowledge, Recreation And Rest

In the spring a teacher's fancy turns to somewhere besides where he (or she) is. The same is true with Crane teachers, even. Last summer they scattered like a covey of quail.
Mrs. Karr: Spent two weeks in travel in Nebraska and New Mexico and rest of the summer in Crane.
Mrs. Waller: Went to Houston and Corpus Christi, and spent rest of summer in Crane.
Mr. and Mrs. Patterson: Went to school in Mexico City.
Mrs. Fillerman: Spent part of the past summer in the Panhandle and Wink, then came to Crane.
Mrs. Hughes: Spent two weeks in Dallas and the rest of the summer in Crane.
Mr. and Mrs. Haralson: Went to school at Colorado A&M and spent rest of summer fishing.
Mrs. Cox: Spent first of summer in Fort Stockton teaching, and the rest of the time in Fort Worth.

George Chrane: Went to school at Sul Ross.
D. Chrane: Went to school at Sul Ross.
Mr. Sonnenburg: Went to school at NTSTC, Denton. Fished the rest of the summer.
Miss Lowe: Finished college in Texas Tech.
Miss Haley: Taught summer school in Big Spring. Visited in South Texas and Houston.
Mrs. Miller: Stayed in Crane and worked.
Mrs. Elmore: After senior trip, painted the woodwork and then went to Corpus Christi and Dallas.
Mr. Nix: Studied at Texas Tech.
Mrs. Anderson: Stayed in Crane and kept house.
Mrs. Nix: Studied at Texas Tech.
Mr. C. A. Carroll, shop teacher: Stayed home and did drafting for the Gulf.
Mr. Martin: Same old things—stayed here and slaved while his teachers played.

Grade School News

FIRST GRADE-SECTION 1

Mrs. Evatt's Room
We have 21 pupils on roll. We are reading about Dick and Jane baby. It is fun to read. A new room is lovely. The desks are very pretty. We have some new books.

FIRST GRADE-SECTION 2

Mrs. Pittman's Room
We have 25 in. our first grade, 12 girls and 13 boys.
We have nice, new room. It is cool and the desks are so pretty. Mrs. Elmore sent us some new books, and we are learning to read, color and write. We are working so we can get a book.

FIRST GRADE-SECTION 3

Miss Dossey's Room
Our section has 23 pupils enrolled. They are having fun talking about their pets. They seem to be happy in school and are eager to color a new picture, count or call word cards. Sharon Kay Russell is nurse this week, and Eddie Reid is doctor.

SECOND GRADE

Miss Stewart's Room
We have 22 in our room. Our reading classes are divided into two groups which are called the Reds and the Blues.
This year we have a science work book. We have been studying about the grasshopper. It is interesting to learn all about the grasshopper.
We have lots of fun playing games in our P. E. class.
Every morning when we have inspection, some of the boys Robinson to Oklahoma City, and Bruce Wells to Arnett. Donald Tomlinson visited in St. Louis; Paul Coker went to Arkansas. Sammie Davis, Betty Knaell, Venona Hamblett and Billie Gooch all visited in New Mexico.

SECOND GRADE

Miss Rowland's Room
We have 24 children enrolled in our room. Twelve boys and 12 girls.
We have our room decorated with autumn leaves and butterflies.
This year we have 15 new library books.
Last Sunday 79% of the children in our room attended Sunday School.

THIRD GRADE

Miss Alexander's Room
We have good attendance in our class this year, and the children are enjoying their art work on Holland.
This week there were three birthdays recognized.
We are working on a plan to improve the appearance of our room.
Four pupils have visited Odessa during the week.

FOURTH GRADE

Miss Kent's Room
Reporter
EVA MAE MILLER
We have 13 boys and 17 girls in our room.
We are having fun in our room, we work while and play awhile. We are trying to make our room look pretty by bringing pot plants and vases of cut flowers. We have a number of "what-nots" on our shelf. Among them is Molly, the Rabbit. Molly can

SIX-ONE NEWS

Reporter: Martha Cook
We are happy about having our same home room teacher, Mrs. Cloud. It seems strange getting used to different teachers. We think that we are getting along fine in everything for it to be just the beginning of school.
Norma Crittenden, our old student, is our new student. We are very glad to have her back after her trip to Dallas.
We have several new students. They are: George Thompson, Robert McCorkle, Mary Alice Cockrum and Natalie Gunter. We are very sorry that we are going to lose Natalie Gunter, who is moving back to Balmorhea tomorrow.

SEVENTH GRADE

Mrs. Browning's Room
Reporter:
VENONA HAMBLETT
Summer has passed and we have started back to school again. So we were happy to start again. During the summer some of our room left the state. They were: Mrs. Browning, who to Arkansas, Missouri, Indiana, Kentucky Tennessee; Gene Hestert to New Mexico, Arizona, Iowa, Wyoming Colorado. The following to Oklahoma: John Earl went to Idabel; Bobby Robinson to Oklahoma City, and Bruce Wells to Arnett. Donald Tomlinson visited in St. Louis; Paul Coker went to Arkansas. Sammie Davis, Betty Knaell, Venona Hamblett and Billie Gooch all visited in New Mexico.

SEVENTH GRADE

Mr. Alderdice's Room
Reporter: Rex Knox
We elected officers for our room. The president was Rex Wood; vice president, Jocelyn Welch; secretary, Ann White; reporter, Rex Knox.
The room has 20 people in it. There are 11 boys and 9 girls.

Advanced Homemaking Offered This Year

New subjects offered are very few this year, most of them being offered every other year.
In the "homemaking department, Homemaking III is being offered for the first time.
Physics is being offered in the place of chemistry as is customary every other year.
Bookkeeping, taught by Mrs. Anderson, is being offered this year in place of shorthand.
Melba Howell, former student of Crane High School, visited friends in Crane Sunday, Sept. 14. Melba is attending school in San Angelo.

★ BOOK NOOK ★

ROOSTER CROWS FOR DAY

By Ben L. Burman
This story is about Little Doc, who comes from Cotton Valley on the Mississippi River.
Little Doc is a young man, 22 who paints pictures and goes on adventures, so he might be asked to answer the question, "Is the world wrong or is it the people in it?"
The author, Mr. Burman, who is always a pioneer, strikes out on new unexplored fields, and here has written what is the first authentic novel of the jungles of Equatorial Africa.
For a long time Mississippi steamboats have been transported all over the world for low river navigation. The author has taken one of these boats off the fever-ridden Congo River.
This story is a pageant of Africa with its elephants, pygmy, weird hats and crocodiles, tangled jungles and track, wastes of the Sahara where white antelope roam.
These scenes are all glimpsed through the eyes of Little Doc, an American Spirit. Its young heroifies those millions of Africa youth whom the fortune-war have carried to strange lands.

CHS Students, Exes Replete With Brawn, Beauty, Brains, Ability

Many honors were won during the summer by Cranes, which fact proves that Crane is lacking in either talent or brawn. Some honors won Gulf Day Tennis matches both boys and girls and doubles were won by which gave us the trophy for consecutive years. If Cranes this trophy next year they have the honor of keeping it. Students assisting in winning this trophy were:
Dorothy Craig Gaines, center; Doris Collins and Dorothy T. Alvin played doubles, each winning a can of tennis balls. Donald E. Frank Verner and Donald Lee Pope played doubles and also received cans of tennis balls.
Eating his way to a first victory in the pie eating was Doyle Lakin.
Third place was won by Gulf Day bathing beauty, Dorothy Gaines, one of our beauties. Melba Jean was also judged third place in the small girls' beauty test.
Place in the beauty contest went to Jimmy Neal Stacy.
These are a few of the accomplishments of our local talents. This record should prove to the public that Crane students are busy during the summer as well as during the school term.

Beads, Long Skirts Return To Crane High

Since the girls of Crane School have decided to wear long skirts, the boys have to wear beads.
It looks as though the "Nineties" will return to Crane unless something is done. Scissors and razors become scarce? Surely not, but then the looks of the girls and boys in Crane anyone would know so.
Maybe the boys will get of the long beards and the long skirts before long. The only ones that will be by it when they do will be tailors and the barbers, as all hope they get the boys before long.

Student Body Fall Spirit For Pep Rally

Everyone was in high spirit Friday afternoon at the pep rally before the Jal, N. M. game. The pep squad was there a lot of fast and flashy add to the spirit.
The band, under the leadership of Mr. Sonnenburg, played numbers to keep things rolling. Mr. L. L. Martin delivered a short speech to the students courtesy in the grandstands. The pep rallies can be going with lots of spirit if everyone continue to cooperate.

Little Cranes Deadlock Little Badgers 19-19

The little Golden Cranes battled the McCamey Juniors to a 19-19 tie in the El Ave Bowl on Thursday night, Sept. 11. The team showed much team work and the will to cooperate.

They played a very good offensive and defensive game, but McCamey always came back with equal skill and power.

The Crane starters were: RE—Clovis Lewis RT—Ray Lakin RG—Ray Knox C—Boob Kelton LG—Billy Don Ingram LT—Eddy Tallman LE—John Hickey QB—Jimmy Stacy HB—John Clark FB—Bill Teague RB—Bobby Don Smith

37 Husky Cranes Report For Practice

The Crane "A" squad numbering 37 strong are out for a winning season this year with a line average of 175 pounds and a back field of 155 pounds.

GOLDEN CRANES' FOOTBALL ROSTER FOR 1947-48

Name	Wt.
Paul Simon	190
Charles Mathis	173
Elmo Rust	165
Eugene Harrington	165
C. M. Coker	165
Billy Henderson	165
Merwyn McCully	145
Dwain Stacy	140
Billy Schoonover	150
Frank Waller	175
Joe Weatherby	301
Jimmy Zarafonitis	165
Squad Men Are:	
Johnny Best	175
Don Bratley	147
Billy Ray Collins	140
Howard Christian	145
Kenneth Daniels	175
Louis Prents	130
Stacy Hodges	150
Tommy Parrott	150
J. R. Pettit	135
Bruce Patterson	158
J. F. Miller	160
Myron Halcomb	155
Valco Garrett	175
Billy Kelton	150
Bill Marlowe	135
Kenneth Pierce	150
Thomas Reynolds	145
Alvin Whaley	195
James Ward	160
Ernest Higdon	135
Richard Lightfoot	150
James Kilgore	160
James Nance	135
Clayton Cantrell	155
Ronald Tallman	165

Supt. Martin Attends Luncheon In Midland

Mr. L. L. Martin went to Midland Sept. 16 to attend a luncheon in honor of Congressman Ken Regan before Mr. Regan's departure for Washington.

Invitations were sent to various business organizations and schools. A large number of districts were represented. Some of them were: Crane, Pecos, Wink, Kermit, Odessa, McCamey, Iraan, Grandfalls, and many others.

Crane Football Schedule for 1947

Sept. 12—Crane in Big Lake
Sept. 19—Jal, N. M., in Crane
Sept. 26—Crane in Ozona
Oct. 3—Crane in Stanton
Oct. 10—Stockton in Crane
Oct. 17—Crane in Marfa
Oct. 24—Grandfalls in Crane
Oct. 31—Crane in Iraan
Nov. 7—McCamey in Crane
Nov. 14—Robert Lee in Crane

Coker Wins .22 Rifle At 4-H Rifle Match

With a score of 210, C. M. Coker won the 4-H boys district rifle meet at Fort Stockton last summer. The next closest score was 208 by a 4-H member from Ward County.

As a reward for first place, C. M. was presented with a Remington Targetmaster .22 rifle by the Dist. 4-H officials.

The contestants shot at three targets from each of four positions with a possible score of 300 out of 30 shots.

This is C. M.'s third year at camp and his second time to place, the other time being second place with a prize of a red ribbon.

Approximately 200 boys entered this match. The camp lasted three days, with three boys from Crane attending: Ray Omo, Doyle Lakin and C. M. Coker.

CHS Grid Officials Attend Conference

George Crane, Lloyd Alderdice, Bill Haralson and Brady Nix attended the district football meeting at McCamey High School Tuesday night, Sept. 9.

Mr. Cole and Mr. Hudson of Grandfalls were elected chairman and secretary and treasurer, respectively, of the district for the 1947-48 school year.

Boys with questionable eligibility were discussed and recommendations made.

Eligibility lists were exchanged and as usual the coaches pulled out the "craving towels." It seems that it will be difficult for any school to win a game this season.

Many of the officials for the games were elected. The district "dads" also voted for the coaches to select an all-district team with the selections to receive appropriate awards of silver footballs.

Some of the schools represented were Fort Stockton, Grandfalls, Stanton, Iraan and Crane.

Advanced Homemaking Is Offered This Year

New subjects offered are very few this year, most of them being offered every other year.

In the homemaking department, Homemaking II is being offered for the first time.

P-84 Jet Plane Lost Over Crane Air Port Lands On Dirst Field



Lost, nearly out of fuel and almost sundown, a pilot of one of the Army's new P-48's, a jet job, saw the large, spaciouly built Crane Municipal Airport and brought his plane down on the field to a safe landing. He landed at the slight speed of 100 miles per hour.

By the time the sun peeped over the horizon of another day, there was another Army plane from Angelo that landed on the airport beside the jet. Including the Army officers it carried, the C-47 also carried equipment for starting the jet motor.

An Army gasoline truck rolled up and put enough fuel in the jet's tanks to take him to Pyote.

The pilot was worrying about the length of the field, and wondering if it was long enough for him to take off on. He had never taken off from dirt before, and neither had anybody else.

When he finally decided that he might make it, he warned all the people around to get back at least 50 yards or they would get burned.

The members of the C-47 hooked up a wire cable, started a motor inside the big plane and then the jet motor started.

The pilot taxied down to the far corner of the runway to warm up his motor so no one would be burned and so he could get the full length of the runway before him. He gunned his motor and it raised so much dirt behind the jet that it looked like a sand-storm.

When he took off he took the top of the fence at the end of the runway with him and also some of the tops of the bushes. About ten or fifteen nseconds later the plane was out of sight. The members of the C-47 gave him a three-minute lead and then took off because they said he had been in Pyote a minute.

The jet plane had to obtain a speed of 140 miles an hour before it would leave the ground. (It's top speed, incidentally, is about 600 miles per hour).

This plane is one of the Army's new secret weapons.

We believe that Crane is the only town in the world without a concrete or other prepared runway that has been visited by a jet plane.

Business Meeting Held By Crane PTA Thurs.

Crane held the first Parent-Teacher meeting of the year in the high school auditorium on Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Juay Clark, vice president, due to the fact that the president, Mrs. Hayden Wilmoth, was ill. The pledge to the flag was said by all present.

The mothers starting their children for the first time in Crane schools were recognized. The minutes were then read by Mrs. Brady Nix, secretary. Reports were then read from the following committees:

Membership, Yearbook, Summer Roundup, Project, Hospitality and Program.

Mrs. Clark then gave an address on the "Theme For The Year." The question was discussed whether or not to have a Halloween Carnival. The majority voted to hold the carnival.

The room count was then taken and \$1.50 was awarded to Mrs. Evatt's and Mrs. Browning's rooms and the senior class. The closing prayer was led by Rev. J. N. Whetstone.

Weathersfield Bow, Vt., received its name from the ox-bow bends in the Connecticut River. It was there that merino sheep first were bred in the United States.

Fort Ringold, the old cavalry post where Civil War Generals Robert E. Lee and U. S. Grant soldiered together as young officers, is now owned by a school.

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