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BY
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We are proud of the tennis team and the great sportsmanship that has been exhibited this season.

Crane couldn't do without the windy days of good old March and April.

The seniors had their pictures taken, let's hope they all turn out good.

We see the play, "Nothing to Lose," is being practiced again. Hurry and put it on.

Well, boys, how is the spring training coming around, pretty rough, isn't it?

Well, now that four weeks' tests are over, we can rest till six weeks' test and then hope and pray to pass.

We congratulate the football boys on their new jackets. They look nice.

Crane High was honored with the visit of Dr. Johnson and Mr. Williams from the College of Mines in El Paso.

We congratulate Donna Miller, Betty Ruth Joiner, Beverly Holt, and Harry Gunn on their offer of a scholarship to the College of Mines.

The "Crane" wishes to extend a greetly welcome for April Fool Day.

NEGRO WHO REMOVED CORNS FOR FAMOUS PEOPLE NOW IN CRANE

Now we know why Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt is called the famous globe trotter. A colored chiropodist blew in to town blowing about his work on Mrs. Roosevelt's and Mrs. Garner's (Vice-President's wife) feet.

This famous colored chiropodist had cards with signatures of the two famous women on them. These cards stated that the chiropodist had relieved Mrs. Roosevelt and Mrs. Garner of great miseries of corns and ingrown toe nails. It was a bloodless job performed with very sanitary instruments.

Now we know why Mrs. Roosevelt has been tireless in her fa-

Glenn Johnson, Head of College of Mines Music Dept., Conducts Clinic

Mr. Glenn Johnson, head of the Music Department at the College of Mines, El Paso, Texas, conducted a clinic for the Crane High School Band and Choral Club on March 20, 1946.

Mr. Johnson directed the band during the morning and the Choral Club during the afternoon. To the members of both organizations he stressed the importance of correct breathing and posture. "Breathing," Mr. Johnson said, "is the power of the voice or instrument."

Individual instructions to several band soloists, the boys quartette, and the girls trio were given by Mr. Johnson.

Nix Absent Because Of Illness of Mother

Mr. Nix was absent from school a week because of his mother being ill. He was called to Stephen ville while he was at the teachers meeting in El Paso, held March 21 and 22.

The principal thing wrong with Mr. Nix's mother was old age as she is 80 years old.

She is recovering satisfactorily, and The Crane, in behalf of the C. H. S. faculty and student body, wishes her a speedy recovery.

Seniors Have Rip-Roaring Time On Barbecue, Picnic

After many plans had been made, the Seniors finally decided on a barbecue Friday, March 22, at 6:00.

They went out to the Twin Windmills and there had a very good time. They had plenty to eat. There was barbecue steak, pork-and-beans, potato chips, pickles, olives, cookies and plenty of good, cold drinks.

Not all of the Seniors could go, but all who went had a very good time including the sponsors, even if they had to do the dirty work.

Over 12,112 mobile first aid units, ready for action, operated by drivers skilled in first aid, is one of the First Aid Services of the Red Cross.

Ringtail, Senior Guest

When the seniors resumed play practice, they were honored with the presence of a guest.

As the players were beginning the play, a ringtail was noticed at the back of the auditorium. The animal was sitting on the radiator and seemed to be listening to all that was going on in the room.

The presence of the ringtail caused a scramble on the part of the boys to try to catch it. It caused many shrieks from the girls as well as climbing on top of the chairs.

The ringtail escaped by a hair's breadth into the attic of the auditorium and hasn't been seen since.

This ringtail (or one just like it) was seen early in the month by the members of the school board during one of their meetings.

C.H.S. Band and Glee Club Present Program

Opening with the Junior band playing two numbers, the Crane High School Band and Glee Club presented a concert on March 28, 1946, at the CHS auditorium.

The program consisted of various pieces that the general public enjoyed. The girls' trio, June Crownover, Vivian Teague, and Dorothy Hickey, sang "Just A Little Fond Affection."

Raymond Renfro, Kenneth Pearce, Billy Henderson, and Leonard Rose, members of the boys' quartet, sang "That Tumbledown Shack In Athlone."

Tipton Murrell, cornet soloist, played "Willow Echoes."

The program closed with the Glee Club singing "The Lord's Prayer."

4 Sections Added To Crane Ind. School Dist.

Crane Independent School District No. 1 has been enlarged by four sections.

A meeting was called on March 18 at the school house (with representatives from all parts of the district) to embrace this four-section tract.

This enlargement brings the district up to approximately 231 sections.

Three School Trustees To Be Elected Mar. 6

Crane Independent School District No. 1 is holding an election March 6.

Two men are running for reelection and one man is for election to fill the unexpired term vacated by Herman Hanks who has moved to Pampa, Texas.

K. P. Looney and A. M. Murrell are for re-election and A. G. Harrel for election to fill the place vacated by Hanks.

Ballot boxes are to be placed at the court house and at C. A. Carroll's house at the Sand Hills Gulf Camp.

The polls will be open from 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

Seniors Have Picture Made for School Plaque

WELL, the seniors must think they are really getting up in life now. The Western Art Studio from Hobbs, N. M., were here to take their pictures. The Studio is going to make individual pictures in gowns or in street clothes and it will be at a reasonable price of \$10 for 6 pictures in plain clothes and six in gowns.

They were given the choice of the pictures. The plaque of the entire class will be \$1.25 extra. The photographer was at the school Monday, March 18, and took pictures of all of the seniors.

The plaque of the class was voted to be made in caps and gowns.

Five Students of Crane Offered Scholarships

Five students of Crane High should be very proud!

They are Bob Mathis, Betty Ruth Joiner, Harry Gunn, Beverly Holt, and Donna Miller, who were offered scholarships by various institutions throughout the country.

Bob Mathis, who is a senior this year, has been working for one of the scholarships given annually by the Phillips Co. Every year scholarships are given to seven boys in the United States. Bob was one of the 20 chosen to try for the honor.

He will go to Amarillo in April to take the examination. If he passes and is in the upper seven, he will be able to attend any college in the U. S.

Harry Gunn, Betty Ruth Joiner, Donna Miller and Beverly Holt were offered scholarships to the West Texas College of Mines in El Paso.

Or, Had You Rather Be a Tadpole—Hummm?

WHY, you loafers, do you think Mr. Nix allows all of this loafing in the scientist's room? Could it be because he has overlooked it or could it be because they are so graceful with their loafing; and then it COULD be because they aren't of age to go to school as yet (They are only a month old).

Now, you take Wilber, Oscar, and Clementine Tadpole. All they do all day is sit and loaf, but it is very active loafing. In their world it is very beautiful and they seem afraid that they will miss something of great scenic value if they sit still for one moment. Why, they never know when some of those freak human-beings will come around.

They are pretty clever in some ways, you'll have to admit, when they see Nix or Martin coming they sink to the bottom of their glass squirm and play dead. Their little tails stop squirming for a brief moment (the tadpoles), and all is quiet, but as soon as the "keepers of the wild" leave, Wilbur grabs Oscar and Oscar grabs Clementine, and off they go, dashing in and out of the moss, which hangs like a large weeping willow midst their clear, friendly waters.

In about a week the hardly visible knots on the underside of the backs will become hind legs; the gradually disappearing tails will be completely absorbed, the tiny mouths they have now will (as most children's mouths do), spread and by another week they will be little garden frogs. Now, I'll bet the little Vines boy didn't know he was starting all of that when he brought the eggs to Mrs. Hughes to hatch (what does he think she is, anyway, a setting hen!). Anyhow, she got the job done in four days!

So—all of you jealous people—let's not envy the little tadpoles too much for being able to get by with loafing in C. H. S., because just THINK how much trouble Oscar and Clementine are going to have carving their initials on that old soft MOSS! (And wouldn't they look funny doing the schottisch or polka with those long legs, we look funny enough with our long feet!)

Choral Club Attends Region 8 Clinic In Midland With Success

On Saturday morning, March 23, 1946, a choral club was held at Midland, Texas, for the choral clubs of Region VIII.

The clinic began at 9:30 Saturday morning and lasted the greater part of the day.

Mrs. Gamble, director of the Midland Choir, was in charge of the program. Those schools attending were Crane, McCamey, Fort Stockton, Wink, Odessa, Iran, Stanton and Midland.

The choir that day was made up of all who attended. There were approximately 300 present. The choir was made up of four parts, soprano, alto, tenor, and bass.

The program for the morning was as follows:

Rain and the River—Oscar J. Tox.

Sleep, Kentucky Babe—Buck and Geibel.
Children's Prayer — Humber-kink.

A Legend—Tschai Kosky.
Land of Hope and Glory—Edward Elgar.

The Midland girls served sandwiches, lemonade, potato chips, and cookies to all that attended the clinic.

All these who wished to dance had every opportunity to do so—a good dance floor in the gym and plenty of good music.

During the latter part of the afternoon, all were entertained by the different choirs there. Several of the schools entertained with trios.

In 35 different cities and more than 800 nearby communities, the Red Cross is carrying on one of the most dramatic wartime activities—the procurement during 1944 of 5,000,000 pints of blood for the Army and Navy.

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FACULTY MEMBERS AS FRIENDS

BY RAYMOND RENFROE

There has been much discussion about relations between faculty members and high school students.

Why shouldn't the teachers be friendly and be like a big brother or sister to the student? They should be more like a brother and sister because, then, the average student will feel closer to the teacher. They can then solve their everyday problems in school more quickly.

Does the student respect the teacher as much as our parents did? Yes, but in a different way.

The problems are different today.

More things and responsibilities are on this generation's mind.

Students of today have as much respect for faculty members as students did years ago.

The average student today thinks of the teacher as someone who can be a friend (a friend is someone who likes you, fault and all).

A teacher can be a teacher and still be a swell person.

Alibis and Excuses

By BEVERLY HOLT

As the old saying goes:

"Don't make excuses.

Friends do not expect them—

Enemies do not believe them."

Sometimes students spend more time thinking of an alibi for not preparing an assignment than it would have taken to get it. A soldier in battle cannot hide be-

hind alibis. He has to face the enemy and fight. We should face our tasks with a determination to finish them.

"I could not . . . because . . ." Our forefathers were handicapped. They could have hidden behind an excuse, but instead they traveled forward.

There is no EXCUSE for excuses!

Tenderfoot Vocabulary

This is a little of the western vocabulary for the interest of the tenderfoot.

Boots—Western footwear in lieu of comfortable shoes. Part of your synthetic cowboy.

Brand—A horse's monogram.

Bucking Broncho—The kind of horse you write the folks back home that you are riding.

Burro—A four-legged quadruped that is a cross between a horse and the devil, known also as the "Rocky Mountain Canary."

Calf—Has the making of a bull cow.

Conchas—Thin leather strip covered with large tin pie plates and worn as an Indian belt.

Corral—A horse's club room.

Coyote—The prima donna of the hills.

Feed Bag—A horse's lunch basket.

Gait—A horse's idea of strutting his stuff.

Gate—Things erected to annoy horseback riders.

TRAVEL LOG

By R. T. STACY

Just a few weeks before the war ended with Germany, the operations officer called me in and asked me if I would like to take a rest. Naturally, I did, anything to get away from the field for a while.

We flew from Italy to Cairo and made the trip in eight hours. We spent two days and three nights just enjoying ourselves, and, might I add, we sure did. It had been eight months since we had seen a steak; naturally we had to have steak as they had plenty there in Cairo, steak for breakfast, steak for lunch, steak for dinner. Boy, how those steaks did get old, but fast.

The most interesting things about Cairo are the Pyramids and the Sphinx at Giza, near Cairo.

Some interesting facts about the Sphinx is that the Sphinx proposed a riddle to all passers and upon their failure to guess it, destroyed them.

Oedipus guessed the riddle and the Sphinx slew herself, and he became king of the Thebes.

The riddle: What creature walks in the morning upon four feet, at noon upon two, at even-

ing on three? The answer: Man, as a baby on hands and knees, later on his feet, and in old age with a staff. This Sphinx represents Harmachis, the morning sun.

From Cairo we flew to Palestine and proceeded from there to Tel-Aviv. At this town we stayed two days and three nights, one of these days was spent touring Jerusalem and Bethlehem.

In Bethlehem we saw the birthplace of Christ, the bell of Bethlehem, and many such places. Maybe some of you people don't know it, but the birth of Christ took place in a cave being used as a manger. The cave is under the Church of the Nativity.

In Jerusalem there are many interesting things to see such as the Mount of Olives, where the Garden of Gethsemane is located, the temple where Christ went to talk with the wise men, the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the Jews' Walling Wall, the tomb of Christ, and the 14 stages of the Cross.

The Jews' Walling Wall is a place where the Jews go to pray and ask for favors. If the high priests are busy, they write their prayers and stick them into the cracks of this wall.



Coylene has been devoting her spare time to Tip lately. Good going Coylene.

We hear that a certain little freshman has her eyes on George Grounds, but he has eyes only for Helen Hickey.

Billie, where did you get that stye? Could the maroon convertible or t at cute "Forest" guy have anything to do with it?

What's this we have been hearing about James Wall and Joan Rhynhart, eh what!!!

Jeannie Yvonne, the kids missed you while you were ill.

Goldie, you'd better watch your step, Doyle B. goes to Crane High, too. Bonnie has found that out.

We wonder if Wallace has received any more letters from the little girl in Arkansas?

Looks as if the Joan Shop has made a hit with all our girls, especially since "Zombies" have become a fad.

How have you been making it without Betty Jo, Pat? Pretty lonesome, huh?

Kat sure glows lately. Ask her the reason and she'll cry, "Have-n't you heard? A. L. is home."

Artie doesn't seem to have any spare time for anyone lately. Guess Tate Pittman is still in town.

It seems that some of our girls are wondering if R. V. will spend his spare time in Crane or McCamey.

Song Of The Week

Upon examining the juke box records, we find that Betty Hutton's arrangement of this song is thoroughly worn and the most popular:

DOCTOR, LAWYER, INDIAN CHIEF

There's a doctor livin' in your town,

There's a lawyer and an Indian, too;

Neither doctor, lawyer or Indian chief could love you any more than I do.

There's a barrel of fish in the ocean and

A lot of little birds in the blue;

Neither fish nor fowl,

Says the wise old owl,

Could love you any more than I do.

No, no, no, it couldn't be true,

That anyone else could love you like I do.

I'm gonna warn all the dead-eye dicks,

That you're the chick

With the slickest tricks.

For you, follow through—

Tell the "doc" to follow his practice,

Tell the lawyer to settle his case,

Send the Indian chief and his tommy-hawk

Back to little Rain-In-The-Face.

'Cause you know, know, know, it couldn't be true.

That anyone else could love you like I do!

THUMBNAIL INTERVIEWS

BY BOB MATHIS

Question: What Is Your Greatest Ambition?

Jimmie Neal Stacy: I would like to win state in tennis when I am a senior.

Jimmy Zarafonitis: To get out of school.

William Brightman: To be a rancher.

Merwin McCully: I would like to have a ranch.

Bill Teague: I would like to own the King Ranch.

Mr. Carroll: I would like to finish my Master's Degree in Industrial Arts.

Kathryn Lewis: Start to college and go to Washington.

Carla Boyd: To become a house wife and mother.

Betty Bruce: Be 18 years old and out of school.

Gladyslee Barnard: To get my B. S. degree in surgical nursing.

Gene Miller: To be a petroleum engineer.

Baker Davis: To own a good Hereford ranch.

Joe Weatherby: To get me a great big Cadillac convertible with two spot lights.

Mrs. Barber: To teach in a college.

Billie Lovelace: To make something of myself.

Mr. Douglas Chrane: To get to the point where I can fish, hunt, and worry about nobody and let nobody worry about me.

Eugene Hogan: To graduate from Texas A. & M. with a B. S. in architecture and a commission in the U. S. reserve.

Darrell Warren: To get out of the army.

Raymond Renfroe: To play college football and marry a movie star.

Bob Mathis: To be a petroleum engineer and settle down with Vivian Teague.

Betty Jo White: To be a laboratory technician.

Sherra Nell Wells: To be a ballet dancer.

"Sis" Teague: To finish school and marry Bob.

SENIOR WHO'S WHO

If you hear anyone around old C. H. S. yelling, "Genius" or "Brains," you know that they are paging Berna Lou McCulley, senior class favorite.

We are not saying that Berna Lou is smart, but she has walked away with the medal given to the highest honor student each year in her class since she was a lowly freshman.

Berna Lou was born in Rule, Texas. She has blue eyes, light brown hair, and is 17 years old. Her favorite sport is volleyball; pastime, going places; subject, math. Berna Lou's ambition is to be a psychiatrist.

Boys, this "info" is strictly for you: Her "ideal" must be tall, dark complexioned, have brown eyes, black hair, and have a sense of humor. (Hubba! Hubba!)

Raymond Renfroe, senior class favorite, was born in the United States. Strange as it may seem, he will admit the date (July 7, 1928) of this incident, but he will not confess the location.

Raymond moved from Water Valley, Texas, to Crane in his junior year of high school. At Water Valley he was class president and class favorite.

This "Casanova" of the senior play likes football, good-looking girls, airplanes, books about aviation, fried chicken, "Till The End Of Time," "Symphony," and Harry James.

Raymond tells "thriller-diller" stories about his relatives who promoted law and order in our great state. He wants to follow in their footsteps and maybe—some day—be an officer of the law.

EXCHANGE

"MY DAY"—

I wake up each morning by the dawn's early light;

To get to school on time is my plight.

I somehow manage to find some clothes;

Then I comb my hair and powder my nose.

A bit of breakfast—then I run, Trying to catch the 7:51.

At school there are things that add to delay,

But I manage to get to my room in some way.

I find West Wings to distribute, war stamps to buy,

Mentors, annuals, tickets—Oh, me, oh my!

The first bell to class and I suddenly find

That the English home work slipped my mind.

My second period class I would love to banish,

Because I never seem to know my Spanish.

Typing—they told me it isn't so bad,

But those people should see the grades I've had.

Gym, at last, is next—much to my joy—

After that you really should see me—oh, boy!

At last comes lunch, to my delight,

It's all I live for from morn till tonight.

But back to the old grind I must go.

Study class in the balcony adds to my woe,

For that place can at times be depressing.

And to get out of there is really a blessing.

They preach that eight hours is required for resting,

And yet half the night is spent investing

Perfectly good sleeping time on lessons,

And some of these other wild obsessions.

Oh, hasten the day (I say now like a fool)

When I graduate from this here school.

She was only an undertaker's daughter, but, oh, how she could lay them out.

Sports Page

Forty-three Gridders, Eleven Lettermen Out For Spring Training

Coach George Chrane is expecting to have a very good team for the coming football season.

Eleven lettermen will be back eligible to play if they pass their scholastic requirements.

The boys are in spring training and will finish their work in the last part of March.

The roster is as follows:

Name	Ex.	Pos.	Wt.
1. Hester	1	G	156
2. Reynolds	0	B	135
3. Simon	2	C	170
4. Mathis	2	B	167
5. North	1	E	185
6. Harrington	1	G	150
7. Rust	1	T	160
8. Pettit	2	B	135
9. Kilgore	1	T	150
10. Pope	1	B	132
11. Henderson	1	B	164
12. Schoonover	0	G	149
13. Garrett	0	G	145
14. McDaniel	0	B	140
15. Whaley	0	T	166
16. Waller	0	T	168
17. Bonner	2	E	177
18. Cooker	0	T	165
19. Sullivan	0	L	111
20. Omo	0	B	127
21. Stacy, D.	0	B	126
22. Glenn	0	G	125
23. Kelton	0	L	146
24. Davis	0	L	140
25. Zarafonitis	0	B	155
26. Best	0	L	162
27. Pearce	0	B	129
28. McDougal	0	L	127
29. Stacy, J.	0	B	194
30. Daniels	0	L	153
31. Brightman	0	B	172
32. Lightfoot	0	L	90
33. McKinley	0	L	97
34. Brents	0	L	90
35. Weatherby	0	L	300
36. Tallman	0	L	143
37. Shaffer	0	L	283
38. Tollman	0	L	95
39. Bradley	0	B	140
40. Allen	0	T	159
41. Miller	0	L	127
42. Boothe	0	L	98
43. Smith	0	L	140

CLASS SEVEN-1

Class 7-1 gave a play on March 21, 1946, for elementary grades and PTA. After the play the room mothers and some fathers gave the room a party. Mr. Kinsey, Mr. and Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Field served cold drinks and cookies.

Geneva Baker gave a "Free for All Party" Friday, March 22, at the Community Hall. All of Classes 7-1 and 7-2 were invited. James Gillespie moved to Victoria.

Miss Murphy was gone the week of March 6. She went to South Texas on business.

7-1 elected two new class officers at the regular meeting on March 27. Nancy Stewart is the program chairman and Billy Ray Collins is sergeant-at-arms.

SEVEN-TWO

We certainly enjoyed the party given by Mrs. Baker.

Our recently elected room monitors are Lawanda Coker and Joyce Hughes.

Does Glenn M. still write on jackets?

She was only a printer's daughter, but I sure liked her type.

Tennis Team Defeats McCamey Badgers

Whaam! Bam! There goes the stinging serve of the Crane tennis team. Our team played McCamey here on our courts March 19, and came out pretty good. The games won and lost were as follows:

Bill Teague and John Hickey were defeated in a terrific battle to the finish by a 6-3. They won a set 6-4 and then in the dying effort McCamey won the last set by 6-3.

Merwin McCulley played singles and was defeated 6-1, 6-2. Jimmie Neal Stacy played singles and defeated his opponent by 6-0, 6-4.

Bobby Higdon, also playing singles, defeated a boy 6-0, 5-0. They were unable to finish the last set due to darkness.

In the girls' part, Doris Collins and Billie Lovelace won by a majority of 6-0, 6-2.

Wanda Smith and Joy Dickson played doubles and lost the first set by 6-2, but came back terrifically and won the next two sets 7-5, 6-4.

Mary Allen was defeated by a 6-4, 6-1 score.

Coming back to the boys, Don Pope and David Bonner defeated their opponents 6-0, 6-3.

Corky Pressly, playing singles, defeated McCamey's hot shot 6-2, 6-0.

"Spec" Pierce and Louie Brent won to a tune of 6-4, 6-0.

Mr. Douglas Chrane was, in a way, proud of his team after they showed great tennis ability.

THE SECOND GRADE

Mrs. Carroll

Gwen Nix has been in Stephenville because of her grandmother's illness.

Dianna Horne has a new little sister. She visited with her grandparents in Rankin last week.

We have almost finished our readers and are anxious for new ones.

The arithmetic contests are still running high with excitement.

Walter Ray Clements went to Cisco, Texas, the first of the week to see a new little baby cousin.

THE SECOND GRADE

ROOM 4

Jerrie Kay Shiver re-entered the second grade. We are glad to have her in our class again. We made tulips in our art class last week.

We have two new readers: Fairy Find Outs and Round About You.

We are reading about Indians. We have some Navajo dolls and arrowheads.

FIRST GRADE

Room 5

We are enjoying our reading class because we are reading stories and telling them. We can now read library books.

David Tooke went to the rodeo last week end.

Dorsel Jean Pierce visited with friends in San Angelo over the week end.

Our room inspectors for this week are Kay Keltner and Betty Jo Frailley. Our new group leaders are Shirley Mae Brents, Melba June Crawford, Buddy Powell and Bobbie Rose Evans.

FOURTH GRADE

Reporter, Doyleene Breedlove We really did enjoy our holidays. We would like for the teachers to go away again.

Darrell L. Vines brought some frog eggs to school and now we have some little tadpoles.

We have made many pretty bird posters.

Miss Kent brought us a book from El Paso. It is "Two Little Confederates." We are enjoying it very much.

We have decided to buy an electric clock for our room with the rest of our carnival money.

Jax Charles Poteet visited the Fat Stock Show in Ft. Worth last week.

Brent McAfee went fishing over the week end and hasn't returned. We wonder if a fish has caught him.

Catherine Slimp has some friends from Fort Worth visiting in her home.

PICKENS 4TH GRADE

Charles Threats' mother and father gave him a birthday party at the school on Friday, March 22. They served cake, cookies, and ice cream cones. It was a very good party. The class sang several songs.

We have a new boy in our room. His name is Freddie Fouch. He came from Macune, Kansas. Freddie is welcome to join us.

In health this week, we studied about our wonderful skin. We learned that it covers one like a glove. It stretches so one can bend. It also keeps germs from entering our bodies. The skin is very tough and mends itself when torn.

We are enjoying our ping pong table tennis set more every day. We take turns about playing at recess and noon.

We certainly did enjoy Miss Murphy's seventh grade assembly program. We wonder if husbands will always remain that expensive—we hope not.

We enjoyed the message that Rev. Ditterline brought us last Friday morning.

Joan and James Ware, Reporters.

NEWS FROM SIX-1

Six-1 has lost a pupil and gained one. Marie Reid left, and Frankie Shockly enrolled.

Our grade almost lost a pupil as a result of an auto and bicycle collision. The victim was John Rush. Luckily, he was unscratched.

Our band students, Harold Hunter, Eugenia Mills, Barbara Aaron, and Lamar Gilstrap, have enjoyed the band clinic and concerts because it means, for one thing, omitted lessons.

The last period, which is really for study, has been brightened some with reading Mrs. Minerva and William Green Hill.

NEWS FROM SIX-2

We have two new students in our room. We are glad to have Jessie Marie Scott from Grandfalls and Peggy McCasland from Wetumka, Okla.

Dwain Warren is very happy because his brother, Darrell, is home on furlough. Darrell is stationed at Camp Roberts, Calif.

She was only a doctor's daughter but she made many a man say "ah."

SPORTS SHOTS

By Raymond Renfroe

It seems that the school campus has turned to gold, but do not get excited because it is only the football boys showing off their new jackets.

You can look in any direction and see a jacket. They show up like a neon sign.

On the contrary, you may think that it is odd, but it is true.

There are as many girls wearing the jackets, but just wait until the volleyballs come in and see who wears them.

Ten to one the boys DO NOT wear them.

Received Basketballs

Bob Mathis and Bobby Higdon gave gotten their gold basketballs for making the all-district team.

The balls have All-District engraved on them with the year and the boy's initials on the back side.

Seniors To Play

The senior football boys who played last year will suit out the last day of spring training and scrimmage with the boys who will play next year. Four boys: Bob Mathis, Bobby Higdon, and Raymond Renfroe and Eugene Hogan, will graduate this year. They played in the season of '45. The spring training will end on April 5.

THIRD GRADE

Mrs. Martin's Room

Clayton Dennis has a new nephew.

Kenneth Laird had the misfortune to fall in the hallway and break his arm.

Our class is learning the names of spring flowers that grow around Crane.

Mike Windsor took an airplane ride over the city with his daddy.

FIFTH GRADE

Mrs. Cloud's Room

Mrs. Cloud's room is studying about Indians. We have an Indian collection.

The Girl Scouts went to Castle Gap two weeks ago. We had a very nice time.

Lucy Pittman went with the band to Kermit.

The class has learned the eight parts of speech.

We enjoyed the seventh grade play.

We have new readers which are about Mexico.

Carolyn Ann Murr moved. We are sorry to lose her.

The ones who were on the honor roll were as follows: Judy Mathis, Donnie Tomlinson, Delores White, Lucy Pittman.

Sixty Boys Take Four Different Shop Courses

Mr. C. A. Carroll, shop instructor, states that he has a very fine group of boys taking shop in the different periods during the day.

He has approximately 60 boys under his supervision, taking four different courses in shop: are and acetylene welding, foundry work, and non-ferrous metal work.

By the end of the semester the boys will have enough experience to qualify for any kind of shop work.

Tennis Team Shows Great Playing In Defeating Grandfalls

The old Crane High School was visited by the Grandfalls tennis team and were defeated except one match. The scores were:

BOYS DOUBLES

Bill Teague and John Hickey, won 6-0, 6-0, lost none.

Don Pope and David Bonner, won 6-0, 6-2, lost none.

"Spec" Pierce and Louie Brent, won 6-4, 6-0, lost none.

GIRLS DOUBLES

LouSmith and Joy Dickerson, won 7-5, 6-5, last 6-2.

Jency Porter and Nora Roberts, won 6-9, 6-2, lost none.

BOYS SINGLES

Merwin McCully, won 6-2, 6-1, lost none.

Jimmy Stacy, won 6-1, 6-0, lost none.

Bobby Higdon, won 6-0, 6-3, lost none.

Corky Pressly, won 6-0, 6-2, lost none.

GIRLS SINGLES

Billie Lovelace, won 0, lost 6-3, 6-3.

Mary Nell Allen, won 6-1, 6-0, lost none.

Latin American Flags Flying In Library

Mrs. Elmore, our well known librarian, put the flags you see in the library over the check-out desk hoping that people would wonder enough about them to see what they stood for.

Finally the Crane had a reporter to strike upon the idea of writing about them.

The flags are of South American countries except Old Glory, which hangs in the middle of all of them. There are 20 flags not counting the U. S. flag, and these are the countries they stand for: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Columbia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Haiti, Honduras, Nicaragua, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Uruguay, Venezuela, Guatemala, Peru.

Crane Hi Band Plays Concert at McCamey For Students of M.H.S.

On March 27, 1946, the Crane High School Band, directed by Mr. James B. Nevins, played a concert for the students of McCamey High School.

The following compositions were played:

Youth of America—Paul Yoder
Erica Overture—Joseph Schornika.

Cornet Solo, Willow Echoes—Tipton Murrell.

The Way You Look Tonight—Jerome Kern.

Vocals by Leonard Rose, June Crownover, Vivien Teague, Dorothy Hickey.

Turkey In The Straw—Max F. Denmark.

Bass Solo, Gay Cabellero—Corky Harris.

Accompanied by Peggy Daniel. Mexican Hat Dance—David Bennett.

Colorado March—G. E. Holmes. The McCamey High School band is scheduled to play a concert at Crane before the annual contest in April.

Crane Volleyball Team Advances To National; To Attend International

Having won 23 out of 22 games, the 1946 Crane volleyball girls played a tournament in Marfa and won regional. They beat Imperial 56 to 0.

On March 1 they attended the state meet in Austin to play for state championship. At the meet the Cranes had little trouble in their first game. Jeff Davis of Houston, however, offered most resistance.

With no extreme opposition so far, the Golden Cranes played Vassar College in the National meet at Madison Square Gardens. The score at the beginning of the fourth quarter was 25 to 25 although the final score was 75 to 25. This meet won the Cranes' National.

With all their victories behind them, they are 5 to 1 favorites to take the international championship honors in London, England, April 27, 1946.

Good Dress for Girls

"Listen, children, and you shall hear,

Not the midnight ride of Paul Revere,"

But just exactly how to dress, my dear.

Now, girls, sit up and take notice and dress just like you're fixing to be told.

I know everyone of you girls will be interested in what is coming later about how to dress, because it is the latest thing.

Well, girls, here it is: Slax, high-heel shoes, anklets, and Sloppy-Jo sweaters.

Toscanni Tosses Jive In CHS Jump Contest

Arturo Toscanni, conductor of the New York Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra, appeared as a guest conductor of the Crane High School Band on March 29, 1946.

With the fervent love of the better type of music in the Maestro's veins, Toscanni conducted the band in the following selections:

Boogie Woogie — Pine Top Smith.
Sioux City Sue—Britton
Tears On My Pillow—Gene Autry.

Washer Woman Boogie—? You Are My Sunshine—Jimmie Davis.

The program was concluded with a light number, "Der Glorreiche Augenblick, Cantata Preis der Tonkunst," by Ludwig von Beethoven.

Girl Scout Troop No. 4 To Be Hosts April 4

Members of Girl Scout Troop No. 4 will be hosts to a 42 and bridge tournament Thursday night, April 4, at the Community Hall beginning at 7:30. Prizes will be given to the highest scorers: If you think you are good in either game, go up and see how good you really are!

Palm-Reading Gets Results; The Hero Elopes With Gypsy

David Bonner, noted football, basketball and tennis hero of Crane High School, eloped Saturday, March 30, 1946, with Rosalita Josa, daughter of the manager of the carnival recently in Crane.

This incident happened about 9 p. m. or after. David was seen in town from about 7:30. They were missed by their friends. A search started immediately. A note was found pinned to Rosalita's pillow for her mother and father explaining everything.

Rosalita read in his palm that he was to marry a small, dark, competed girl with dark hair and eyes.

David decided that she was the one for him. Plans were made and carried out very effectively.

Martin Shoots Foot In Battle With Wife

Mr. Martin was supposed to go to El Paso for a teachers meeting, but something terrible turned up. Mr. Martin, by accident, shot his left foot off, trying to get revenge on Mrs. Martin.

Mr. Martin, as you know, is the Sanitary Engineer for the association. For that reason he hated very much not to be there for the meeting.

He stayed in the hospital for two days and then bought a pair of crutches and hobbled around in his beautiful back-yard flower garden. He has said he cleared at least \$1,000 a week selling roses.

Mr. Martin is very upset from not going to the meeting, but accident will happen, you know.

Mr. Martin, being the only teacher left in town, was kinda lonesome. But he managed to keep working in his rose garden until the teachers returned.

Atomic Eenergy Is Advanced By Chemistry Students

While making an experiment in the chemistry laboratory, the students developed the atomic bomb into atomic energy for peace March 31, 1946.

The students discovered this through concentrated study and many errors.

This discovery will be taken to Washington some time during the week in hopes that it can be used to restore the world to peace once more.

The most prominent figure in this experiment was Mrs. A. B. Hughes, instructor of the class. She was totally unprepared for the discovery made. She had planned the experiment but no one was sure of the results.

Mr. Martin called a special assembly and congratulated the students and Mrs. Hughes on the marvelous work. They are to be given special awards for accomplishing such a wonderful experiment.

'Knee Panis' Mullins to Make Main Gridiron At Age of 6½ Years



"Un-believable!" Hum-m-m, cold be"—and other exclamations of happiness were expressed by the faculty members and Coach Chrane (who said "Ugh!") when told of the stupendous ability of the 6 1-2-year-old boy who weighs a mere 220 pounds.

Little "Knee-pants" Mullins will be in the starting lineup for next year if we can only get him to not carry his lolly-pop and the ball at the same time. (The thing might foul him out, it gets in everyone's eyes!)

It is a simple feat for the boy wonder to lift a 10,000-pound weight and work a trig problem at the same time, (gee, what are we doing messing around here, pardon me while I rush out and get him a contract with the Quiz Kids)

Wait! Don't go away, I want to tell you about his whiskers! Now, those are whiskers that lots of 30-year-old men would give their eye teeth (if he still has them) for. They are SO THICK AND TOUGH that you can use them for rivets; in fact, he has been offered \$1.00 apiece for them because they are so much better than mere steel rivets!

O-Ooie, I'm going to the wagon, boys, these miraculous feats are killing me! (I just popped a corny, but you can't hit me, yaaa!)

Old Bird Welcomes Ex-Cranes Home Again

Lately there have been a great many cries of "Welcome Home" and "Glad to see you back" in the little city of Crane. It seems that all the ex-Cranes in the service are coming home in leaves and furloughs around the same time.

R. V. Bolt, J. L. Hutchison, Jack Chaffin have been home for some time and B. H. Mansel has arrived just recently.

John Frank Heard and Jack Allison have just recently been discharged from the service.

Carleton Hutchison, A. L. Higdon and Bobby Pettit have just reported back for future overseas duty.

Martin, Nix to Take Orders From Students Of Crane High School

You know how teachers are, they always try to squirm out of assignments, they don't want to make kids work. If some one is a good wise guy and a big smart alec who always has something "smart" to say to the teachers, he'll pass if the teacher has anything to do with it, with a 90 anyway.

Mr. Martin held an assembly the other day and this is what the quiet, neatly-dressed darlings of Crane High patiently listened to (however, it hurt them to be sitting in assembly when they COULD have been having six weeks' tests, but Mr. Nix said that recreation and rest periods were much too important for such foolishness as trig, geometry, English, etc.)

"No-o-ow, boys and girls," Mr. Martin softly said as he chomped away on an enormous chunk of double-bubble, which he has recently made available at the cafeteria, "I want to make an announce-ment. If you aren't interested I would be only too glad to arrange for you to go out and take a smoke in our new smoking lounge; however, knowing you kiddoes as I do, I think you will be interested in anything I have to say. Please don't think I am pry-ing into your affairs, but, boys and girls, WHY don't we start dismissing school on Friday afternoon as we used to??? WHY do we have to go on Saturday??? I am sick of looking at your ugly faces a whole six days. Of course, if you were as old as I am it would be entirely different! Mr. Nix and I have decided to start having school only on Mondays and Wednesdays and eliminate tests and all of the harder subjects, he thinks that is the only route to take. I'm sorry, but that is the way it is going to be."

"The Student Council has been doing a wonderful job, I only wish that you had not elected those dumber types, such as Berna Lou and Helen White and Hickey into it. You must take up the matter of raising, OR lowering, whichever you see fit, Mr. Nix's and my, er-ah, salary. Also, the subject of writing the Scholastic League for the football boys, thanking them for limiting the award money. They say they are tired of tagging around all of the expensive awards they have been receiving. No-ow, I don't want to bore you but still I don't want to send you back to those stuffy old air-cohditioned rooms," and then in a small, meek voice, typical of our prof, he inquired, "Could we dismiss school this p. m.?"

Naturally, the answer was NO, said, of course, as gently and politely as possible in a parliamentary procedure, and Mr. Nix and Mr. Martin were forced to go back to their old shabby office and the students to their beautifully carved rooms with the smooth oak desk tops glistening like quiet pools of water—having never been touched by a gleaming knife or a stray bobby-pin. Aw-w-w, indeed, the students were happy again, taking their

Lady Elmore Elopes With Daring Desperado

The Crane students and faculty of Crane High School were knocked off their feet when receiving the news that their librarian, Mrs. Elmore, had eloped with a daring desperado of the Texas plains.

After Mrs. Elmore and her dangerous but lovable husband had robbed the Crane First National Bank so as to have enough money for a honeymoon, they caught the west-bound train toward El Paso and haven't been seen since.

This headstrong and glorious team will probably live in an adobe house about 66 miles from nowhere because Mrs. Elmore's fiancée is running from the law and, besides, who wants to be around other people, anyhow.

The couple, when last seen, were dressed beautifully. Mrs. Elmore wore a big straw hat and striped overalls, with a big red bandana hanging from her pocket, and a ribbon around her big toe on her right foot. Her fiancée was looking better. A big checkered shirt and levis to tight that every time he bent over they jerked his feet off the ground.

The most beautiful of the things mentioned was Mrs. Elmore's engagement ring made of solid brass with pure glass in the center. This was a real "dime-one" (ring, that is!)

Crane Basketball Team Defeats Detroit Tigers

In the most sensational basketball game of the season at Madison Square Gardens, Texas, 5,000,000 people witnessed the purple and gold Cranes smother out the Detroit Tigers by the small margin of 100 to 1.

Detroit had the tame Texas Cranes until the last four minutes of the game.

Nine Tigers were rushed to the hospital for minor injuries in the fifth quarter.

The Cranes started shooting shots that were the shortest ever seen shot by the Cranes. The Crane boys would pass the ball outside the court and shoot. Never a shot was missed.

Both referees were so crooked that Brady's Cranes could have won the game sitting down.

It is considered to be the only second-to-none football game ever played on a basketball court.

Two substitutes, Bob Mathis and Bobby Higdon, were sent into the game in the last minute.

The boys literally put the game on ice, as it was already in blood and sweat.

Those two boys took Renfroge's and Pope's places, voted as the two most valuable players in Texas.

The opponents scored one point when a cross-eyed Tiger shot at our basket.

The Red Cross, on the home front, has eight different Special Service Corps with over 4,000,000 volunteer chapter workers engaged in a wide variety of activities.

short tests and looking forward to receiving their excellently marked report cards.