

In July of 2003, the Old Stagecoach Stop Foundation purchased the lot behind the Old Stagecoach Stop. Both lots are now under one ownership, as they had been for most of their history. On the lot is a small brick building, which the Foundation calls the McNeese Building, after A. S. McNeese, who built it. It was a residence from 1943 until around 1980. The last occupants were Mary Underwood Crane and daughter Bernadine.

While cleaning out the building, an issue of "The Tiger Rag" of December, 1950 was found. It was the high school newspaper. Bernadine Crane was in the class of 1952. The school paper was reproduced on 8 1/2 by 11 inch mimeograph paper. The master copy was a "purple ditto", familiar to teachers of that period. It has two staples on the left side fastening the eight pages together. We have reproduced the entire contents of the issue on the following three pages. We have corrected obvious typographical errors and strikeovers, common in ditto masters in typewriter days. Otherwise, it appears as written.

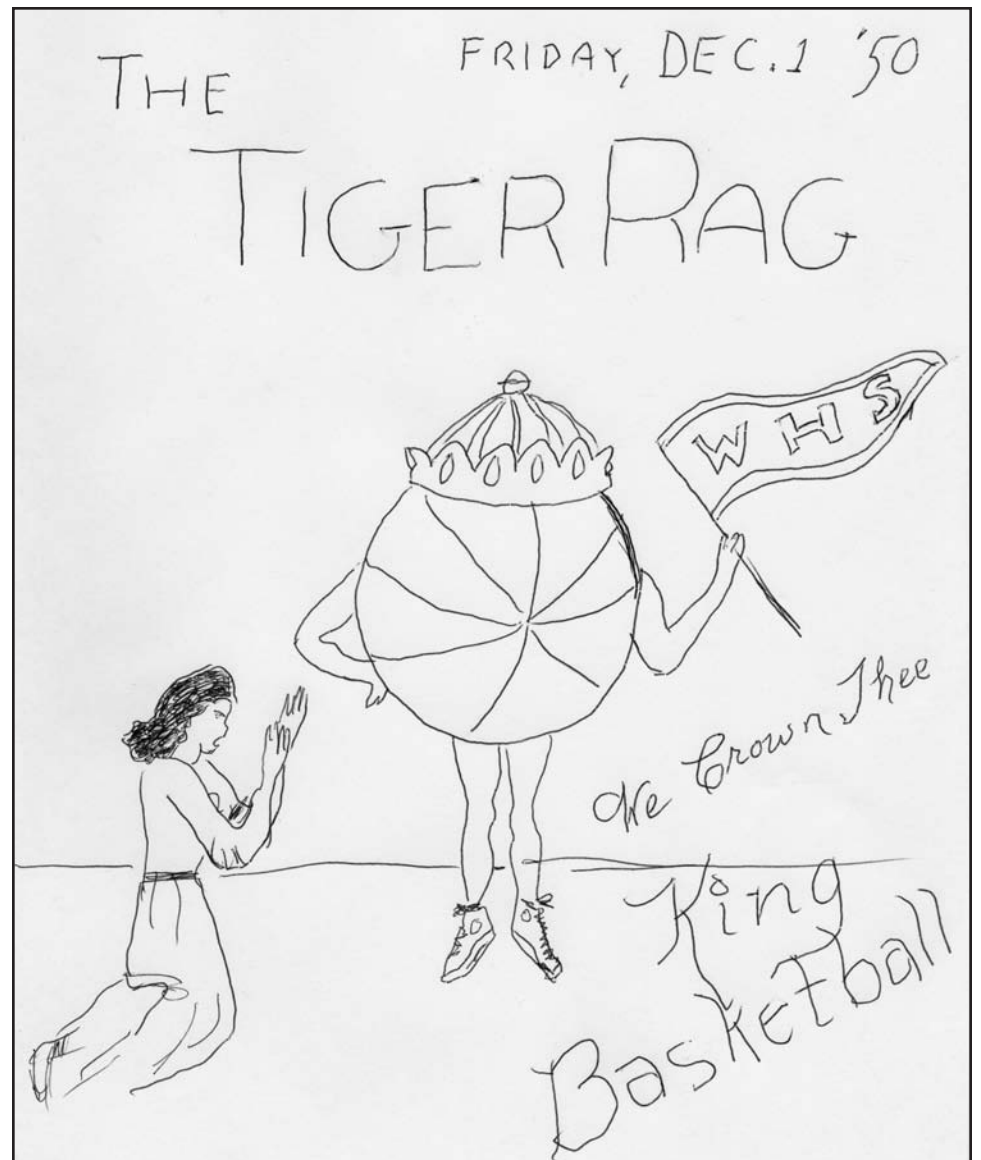
This lucky find gives a nice peek into the lives of Waynesville school students of 54 years ago. If any reader has a similar paper from an area school a half century or so ago, we would be happy to feature it in a future *Gazette*.

Bernadine Crane's Class of '52 graduated Sunday, May 11, 1952. Its colors were red and white and the class flower was the carnation. Class officers were: Douglas E. Long, Jr. (President); Bernadine Crane (Vice President); Jeannette Gish (Secretary); and Karalene Prewitt (Treasurer). The Salutatorian was Karalene Prewitt and the Valedictorian was Lila Mae Phillips. The graduation address was delivered by Brigadier General Branner P. Purdue. Officiating at the awarding of diplomas was the President of the Board of Education, Douglas E. Long, Sr.



Waynesville High School in the 1950s

## Only a Half Century Ago



McNeese Building

Ads

## HELP NEEDED

Do you keep your bottles picked up? This sounds like a silly question but it is one of our most serious problems and its getting to be more than that.

Just take a stroll across the school grounds. On every hand there are bottles, dirty, broken, perhaps just thrown there by some careless student.

There are several reasons why these bottles should be picked up, and the responsibility falls on every one not just the senior class. Of course everyone knows that broken bottles are dangerous, and that whether it's just that much money gone. A few bottles doesn't matter, but there is the matter of a several bottles on the stairs leading to the science room. The stairs are usually dark and it would be easy for someone to step on a bottle, fall down the stairs, and injure himself in a bad way.

If the bottles are not kept in the place and we continue to have this difficulty, we may lose the coke machine altogether so lets all co-operate, please.

Shorty.

## BALLGAMES

December 5-Stoutland-there  
December 8-Camdenton-there  
December 12-Crocker-there  
December 15-Phillipsburg-here  
December 22-Dixon-there

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Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Elliott and Mrs. Mottaz represented the Waynesville School at the state Teachers Meeting in Kansas City last week. Mrs. Mottaz was appointed to the Executive Committee and had an invitation from President Cheek to be a platform guest Friday morning General Session.

## PARTY FOR DORIS WILSON

As Miss Wilson returned from her work Saturday evening she was pleasantly surprised by a group of her friends who had gathered to help her celebrate her 18th birthday. Just as she opened the door to enter her home the group began singing "Happy Birthday." After the lovely gifts were opened and everyone had viewed them the first part of the evening was spent in singing with Miss Wilson at the piano. Then the lights were turned off and a beautiful golden chiffon cake surrounded by glowing candles was brought in for Miss Wilson to make the traditional wish. She was successful in blowing the flames all out in the first trial; therefore her "secret" wish will come true. The cake was cut and served with ice cream and punch. The remainder of the evening was spent in playing games. Those present and sending gifts were: Misses Helen and Wilma Rose, Audrey Long, Pauline Roberson, Irene Anderson, Vera Brown, Mrs. Elva Brown, maternal grandmother of the honoree, and her parents Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wilson, parents of the honoree.

## My Trip to Ohio by Joetta Sutherland

On November 17 my husband and I went to Dayton Ohio to visit my parents. We left here on Friday the 17 at 1:00 and arrived in Dayton at midnight.

On Saturday we went out to visit my cousin. On Saturday afternoon I visited the store where I used to work. Sat. night we went out to visit our aunt and uncle. We watched television some while we were at

home.

On Sunday we went to church and ate dinner, and then started back to Waynesville about 1:30, and drove back.

We had a very nice time.

## ASSEMBLY BY DILL BROTHERS

Tuesday morning the school was entertained for 45 minutes by the Dill brothers from the National Assemblies Association, who were experts in marksmanship in archery. The boys Roy and bob were both very good comedians. Bob Dodds was selected by public demand from the audience to participate i the act of shooting an apple off his head with the arrow.

Everyone enjoyed it and want more like it.

## CHUCKLES

"How old are you, sonny?" asked the inquisitive old man of the little boy seated on the bench.

"Six" came the reply.

"Six," echoed the old man, "and yet you are not as tall as my umbrella."

The boy drew himself up to his full height. "How old is your umbrella?"

1st and 2nd Grades

Miss Laughlin

The enrollment in the 1st and 2nd grades has increased to 31 in number. There are 4 in the 1st grade and 26 in the 2nd.

We had a new girl to enter our room this morning. She is Linda Habel from Ohio. She is in the 2nd grade. We are very proud to have Linda in our room.

Many of the boys and girls are still absent with the measles.

We plan to begin decorating for Christmas next week in our room.

2nd Grade

Miss Worthy

Those having perfect attendance this past month are Bill Farris, Effie Gan, David Hokanson, Dale Kelly, Andra Etta Kelly, Junior Merrill, Johnny Mitchell, Donnie Scott, Barbara

STory, Kenneth Gillham, Jackie Mooney, & Robert Walker.

Patricia Constable is absent from school on account of the measles. Two new students last week were Jimmy Coffee from Nashville Tenn. and Bonnie Boyer from Lebanon.

3rd Grade

Miss Long

We have been studying about animals of long ago and animals of today. We find this to be very interesting.

We enjoy studying about pioneers especially Daniel Boone and Buffalo Bill.

Several of our pupils spent Thanksgiving Vacation out of town.

Carol Siegfried was in Lebanon over the week-end.

Eleanor Long went to West Plains over the week end.

S---- Green was in Indiana over Thanksgiving.

Jan Blair was in Marionville over the week-end.

Martha Copeland and Thomas Rinehart were at the Lake of the Ozarks over the week-end.

Linda Darr was at Blue Springs Sunday.

Larry Gann and Jimmie Bales were in Crocker visiting their grandmother Thanksgiving Day.

Joan Wilson was in Richland over the week-end.

## THIRD GRADE NEWS

Mrs. Humphrey

Ogden DeWitt spent Tuesday and Wednesday in St. Louis with his parents.

Everyone enjoyed the Thanksgiving vacation. Sonia Espen was visiting in K. C. Mary Mooney visited in Columbia. Johnnie Yeary and Nickie Parasda were in Springfield. Beverly Matthews and Billy Prather visited in St. Louis.

We are glad to have Lawrence Constable back in school again. He was absent because of the measles.

#### FOURTH GRADE NEWS

Mrs. Atwill

We have two new pupils in our room. Katherine Hunn is from Rock Island, Illinois and Linda Tillack comes from Hopewell, Virginia. We are happy to welcome these girls to our class.

Perfect spellers from the month of November are Joan Fuller, Marilyn Gladden, Clevis McKlain, Lonnie Rickerson, Jimmie Smith, Joe Smith and Larry Weatherly.

In social studies we have been studying Africa and the Mediterranean region. We have on display some very good free hand maps of the areas studied.

Everyone reports a very enjoyable Thanksgiving Vacation.

3rd and 4th grade  
Idjo St. John

Our 4th grade has welcomed six 3rd graders this week. It shortens our classes some but we are happy to share with our 3rd grade friends.

We will soon begin working on Christmas decorations and program so this month should be a busy one.

5th grade  
Mrs. Pullen

Our fifth grade is growing by leaps and bounds we now have 35 pupils. New pupils are Joan Tillack from Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas, A. J. Williams from Peterstown, W. Virginia and Daryl Habel from Delta, Ohio.

Those having perfect spelling for the month of Nov. were Wayne Vandergriff, Linda Forinash and Hame Brown. Mrs. Pullen rewarded each with a jig-saw puzzle.

All seemed to have enjoyed the Thanksgiving Vacation. We will get ready this week to make Christmas decorations for our room and trimmings for our tree.

#### EIGHTH GRADE NEWS

We have two new students in our room, Marcella Boyer, Mrs. Judkins is going to spend the Holidays in Alton, Ill. with

Mr. Judkins.

Emily Von Grempp went to Jefferson City Saturday afternoon to see her grandfather Livingston who is ill with cancer.

We are now starting our Evangeline books which will be our art project for this year.

Lona English, Loveta Strauss, Sonja Tastremski, June Eddy, Judith Bench, Emily Von Grempp and Helen Hough spent Monday night with Mrs. Judkins.

We are planning on a ball game Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. McSpaden's seventh grade. We hope we win.

Mrs. Judkins' son Tommis has a severe toothache.

#### Juniors News

Mary Hardin visited in St. Louis over the Thanksgiving Holidays.

Victor Lynch attended his Grandmother's funeral at Novelty, Mo. last Tuesday.

A skating party at Lebanon, Mo. was greatly enjoyed by a few of the Juniors last week.

Just a reminder, but a few of the Juniors are behind on their class dues. And we definitely need the money!!.

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#### Grade One Mrs. Neal

Several new students enrolled recently; They are Deana Howley, Lucille Maczaulewki, Joney Cacke, Minnie Shoop, Martin Hicks and Lance Simpson.

Stephen Guthrie spent Thanksgiving Vacation visiting an aunt in Kentucky.

Bonnie Brewer and her family visited in Memphis Tenn. during the vacation.

Margret Brown and her parents are enjoying a furlough with grandparents in Omaha, Nebraska.

Mr. Neal and Roger Hicks of Crocker were recent visitors in our room.

We are glad Bobby Workman is improving and able to be from the Hospital after undergoing an operation last week.

#### SPORTS JABBER BY JIM.

Friday night Nov. 16 the W. H. S. Tigers played the Plato Eagles. Both W. H. S. teams led all the way during both games. The B team won 38-18 and the A team won 72-44.

B Team	F. G.	F.T.	F.	Pts.
Long J. M.	9	3	1	21
Taylor	0	0	0	0
Watson	3	1	4	7
Long K.	4	0	2	8
Forinash	1	0	1	2
Long D.	0	0	1	0
Total	17	4	10	38

A Team	F.G.	F.T.	F.	Pts.
Lynch T.	0	0	1	0
George	6	1	2	13
Foster	9	3	4	21
Prewitt	1	1	1	1
Dodds	8	0	3	6
Anderson	3	0	3	6
Hansen	3	0	1	6
Hensley	3	1	1	7

Nov. 21 the Tigers played Crocker Lions here. These were some what more exciting than the preceding games. Both teams again led all the way during the games although at times it was very close. The A team game was the closest and the best game we had all year. The B team won 41-32 and the A team won 51-47.

B Team	F.G.	F.T.	F.	Pts.
Long J.M.	6	4	3	16
Watson	3	0	3	6
Long K.	4	0	4	8
Rice	3	0	3	4
Forinash	1	3	3	5
Total	17	7	16	41

A Team	F.G.	F.T.	F.	Pts.
Lynch T.	1	1	0	3
George	5	1	2	11
Foster	4	3	3	11
Dodds	3	2	3	8
Hensley	5	2	4	12
Anderson	3	0	3	6
Total	21	9	15	51

#### That Bad?

"How's Smith in the high jump" Any good" "Naw. He can hardly clear his throat."

The girls also had games with Plato and Crocker. They walked away with the Plato game, by a score of 48 to 11, they held the Plato team scoreless during the second half. They won the Crocker game by a score of 20 to 12. In this game the girls had to play a little harder to win.

The girls seem to play better defensive ball during the last half. They held Plato to a scoreless last half and Crocker only made 2 points during their last half.

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#### SENIOR CLASS NEWS

The Senior class is putting on two plays of one act each, to be giving together as an assembly. The names of them are "Dearly Departed" and "Antic Spring." The players in Dearly Departed are Lorene Breeden, Audrey Layman, Onetta Biby, Kenny Foster, Curly Wagoner, and Jim Ferguson. In Antic Spring the players are Joetta Sutherland, Mildred Hill, Alberta Decker, Jim Knight, Eddie Keeth, Bobby Dodds.

Audrey Layman spent Thanksgiving with Joetta Sutherland. Joetta's husband took them out to Fort Leonard Wood for Thanksgiving.

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#### INQUIRING REPORTER

Question of the week: How did you spend your Thanksgiving vacation?

Lila Mae: Messing around.  
Norma McCoy: Having fun.  
Larry Rollins: Visiting.  
Ronnie Wells: Sleeping.  
Joan Page: Worked.  
Delose Fuller: Stayed home.  
Birdie Decker: Writing letters to BOB CLOUD.  
Shirley Ferguson: Working????  
Joyce Lampkins: Baby sitting with Curley.  
Kay Prewitt: Baby sitting period.  
Jim Knight: Outlined two chapters in Biology and loafed.  
Betty Helton: Went to my sister's and ate turkey.  
Norman Anderson: Worked.

## EAVESDROPPING BY TERMITE

Norma and Bob Dodds make a cute couple don't they? What's the matter Dwight, don't you agree??

We wonder what Duddie's girl would say if she knew about Mary Jo P.

Barbara R. says Gary Hansen was a very easy catch. Well he must have been, as they are together quite often.

It seems F. J. Taylor prefers Dorothy Vandergriffs company. Could it be true love?? They both have stars in their eyes.

Catherine, you'd better watch Georgie, cause she likes Mac too, I heard! She gets around you know.

Seems as though Lela Pages fancy goes to bus drivers, how about that Lela??

Where did Rosalie Atterberry get that pretty ring she was wearing??? Oh, well cheer up we can't all be blondes.

The Sophomore girls are really lucky to have such a good looking boy like Mickey in their class. Better hand on to him girls.

He is Roy S.?? Mary H. knows what happened to poor little Frank and Duddie??

Seems like Margie Farquer likes to go to the Waynesville Amusement. Who is that little dark boy who she calls Mickey?

It seems Judy Eads has a new love, right Judy? We can all tell who it is, by the stars in her eyes when we mention Vic Lynch.

What is it we hear about Clyde Wilson's sitting close to a Plato girl at the ballgame??? What about it Clyde??

It seems Bernadine finally got her a man. Better hand on to him because there aren't many loose men flying around.

What was wrong with Eddies car Sunday morning? Could it have been that he ran the heater and radio too long Saturday night??

Bill Elliott has been seen at school. Does Pat Wilhite have Bill under her wing too??

We wonder who Dorothy Prewett is interested in. It's not a sailor, is it Dot????????

Alfred Lynch is certainly getting around one night it is Joan Story and the next it's Dorothy N. Which one is it Alfred?????

It seems Dallas Graves is really mixed up with his girls-or is it us? Is it Shirley W. or Betty G.?

We heard that Pat Long is engaged, if this true, why doesn't she wear the ring??????

We overheard Marlene Hensley say she though Herman V. is cute. Don't you think they would make a cute couple kids??

Has Bob Dodds really taken Joe Morgan's place with Norma???

Ruth Johnson and Shirley Wall seems to like Jim Prewett. Well so what quite a few others do too.

Who is this cute little red-headed boy that owns a black Chevrolet, Lucille??? Let us in on the secret.

Who's this we saw Emma Anderson with Sunday night? Could it have been Frank Cochran????

Who could be that boy with the station wagon, just ask Carol Porter.

Looks like Sarah Yenck has a crush on Mac?? We wonder.

Could it be Lila Mae has a crush on Bob Watson? they were seen in the drugstore together one day. Did we say one day? We mean everyday.

Betty Helton and Billy Mayor are sure seen together an awful lot. Could it be a jealous person wouldn't like to know that???

Seems Joanne Hoffman and Jr. Gibson are getting awful friendly 7th hour.

Which one of the basket ball players, when he'd make a point did Bertie say was her husband? We believe it was Jim Prewett.

Who did Barbara M. cheer so loud for at the ballgame Friday night?? Why Kenny Foster of course.

What happened to Carol W. and Paul Sheldon?? Come on and be friends anyway.

Mary, where is Dick? Haven't seen him lately.

We wonder who "Frog" Long has his eye on.

Jeannette who's all the mail from lately we wonder???

Donna Tryan gets stars in her eyes when anyone mentions P. S. Who is it Donna, we don't know, do we girls???

Seems as though Dorothy Mckinnon and Junior Wilson had a good time in 7th hour English. Is it so Dorothy?

Miss Margueritte F. Sharar spent Thanksgiving vacation in Topeka and Wichita, Kansas.

How is it that Joanne H. and Kenny L. were both absent Thurs? Could it have been they were sick? Love Sick??

Richard Prather and Sarah Yenck seem to be a little chummy lately.

It seems Shirley Wall is all alone and blue since Kenneth Sindler left school. And she can hardly wait till he returns. Can you Shirley??

DO NOT FORGET TO PUT ALL THE GOSSIP YOU KNOW IN THE GOSSIP BOX IN THE STUDY HALL.

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Waynesville students had their annual school pictures taken last Wednesday.

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SPECIAL BULLETIN:  
Waynesville tigers beat the DIXON BULL-DOGS 33-36 Thursday night in the St. James tournament.

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The students of the Waynesville high-school were given reading tests by a professional man that specializes in giving test and measurement tests.

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Christmas Holidays begin on Dec. 22 and last until Jan. 1. This is for the information of those that might be making special plans for that vacation.

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Freshman news

Dallas Graves is in the hospital suffering from gun-shot wounds. He had his left thumb amputated. The Freshmen hope he will recover quickly and be able to come back to school soon.

We are happy to have some new students in our class. They are Sue Boyer, Charles Watkins, Donald Hutson, and Richard Adams.

