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## GEORGE W. CRANE

A Brief Biography of the Veteran Publisher.

His Business Success in the Face of Many Reverses.

Few men in Topeka were more generally liked or will be more widely missed than George W. Crane, whose funeral was held last Sunday. People have expressed a desire to hear more about the life which has been linked with the life of the city for more than 40 years. One of Mr. Crane's intimate friends has written a brief biography of the veteran publisher, and submitted it to the State Journal. In the following article is given a sketch of Mr. Crane, beginning with his birth in 1843, and summing up his personal history until his death in 1913.

George W. Crane was born at Easton, Pa., August 25, 1843. He was the son of Dr. Franklin L. Crane, a surgeon, who came to Topeka in the spring of 1855, to help make Kansas a free state, and who became secretary of the Topeka Town Company. It was largely due to the influence of Dr. Crane in this position that the city was laid out with the beautiful wide streets and avenues it possesses, the work of surveying the town being under his direction.

George W. Crane did not come to Kansas until 1855. His mother had died when he was an infant, and he was reared by an aunt who lived in Canada. While there he studied and worked four years in an institution which taught scientifically the arts of gardening and floriculture. A love of this profession remained with him to the end of his life and was evidenced about his residence, where could be seen beautiful shrubbery, and fine flowers winter and summer.

Mr. Crane went to Ft. Larned on his arrival in Kansas and took a position in the store of his brother, who was post-trader at that point. He remained there one year. He came from Ft. Larned to Topeka when he was twenty-three years old, to begin his business career in Topeka, endowed with a good education, and in accordance with the banking custom of those days, had the usual belt, in which he carried \$500 in gold, which at that time was sufficient for a good start for any young man. In the business of market gardening, and in this business cultivated the land on which the Santa Fe depot now stands. But Topeka was a young and growing city. There were many opportunities for engaging in business, and Mr. Crane was not content to remain a market-gardener.

In 1868 he began the business of book-binding and blank-book making, having for partner J. E. Byrnes. He later became one of the owners of the "Daily Commonwealth," and was made manager of that newspaper. The firm name was Prouty, Davis & Crane. Mr. Crane was a third of the business, and in November, 1868, Mr. Crane suffered his first business reverse. A fire in the Ritchie Block destroyed his publishing business. The loss was about \$10,000, with an insurance of \$4,000. In a few months the business was re-established, but in the fall of 1873 the Commonwealth Building burned and Mr. Crane's business was again wiped out. He was insured for \$20,000, which re-established the business at once, this time alone. The business continued until 1888. He built up one of the largest publishing concerns west of the Mississippi river, and secured an immense trade in the blank-book business but in 1889 fire again destroyed his business, then located in the Keith Block, which was carried off exclusively by his company. The loss was \$125,000, with an insurance of but \$50,000. Such a loss compelled Mr. Crane to make an assignment, but he did not cease the business. He paid off all the debts, and closed up the old affairs in 1893.

Mr. Crane's business was large and very valuable, and in order to carry it on while reorganizing it, he temporarily moved to Kansas City. As soon as he was able to secure a good building and re-establish himself in Topeka, he did so, under the name Crane & Company, a corporation, which has since been organized. At the present time, he being the president and in full charge of the policy and management.

It will be seen that Mr. Crane suffered constant reverses in business, most of which came through any fault of his own. It was misfortune rather than reverses that came upon him, but he was not discouraged. Few men would have so persistently gone on with the business under such adverse circumstances. It required courage, recuperative powers, and a genius of high order to build up the great business which Mr. Crane left.

The publishing house of Crane & Company bore the impress of George W. Crane. It was his house. It was built along lines marked out by him. It was always liberal and loved by the people of Kansas. The house was always fair, never grinding and contentious with creditors. It never lost its friends and no house in Kansas today is more widely known or better loved than the house of Crane & Company.

It has a reputation far beyond the bounds of the state. It is the oldest publishing house in the west, and not only the state of Kansas, but the entire west, owes George W. Crane a deep debt of gratitude. He published more books about Kansas and the west than any other man. On some of the books he lost money, but he became a thorough Kansas man with a love for the west, and his adopted state. He published the Statutes of Kansas for thirty-four years.

There is not a lawyer in Kansas who is not familiar with the name Crane. Among the publishing houses established by him gather many memories of Kansas and the west. It has had to do with Lane and Robinson and John Brown. It has published the works of John Speer, Eugene F. Ware, James W. Steel, Henry King, Henry W. Inman, W. E. Connelley, and other eminent Kansans. Edwin P. Harris, a pioneer in Kansas, and famous as proof-reader, all over the United States, has been associated with Mr. Crane for many years and is still at work.

It was George W. Crane who demonstrated to the people of Kansas and the big book trusts that just as good, if not better, school books could be produced right here in Kansas, and this house carries a large line of school books at the present time.

He was a man of public spirit and it is doubtful if there is a single subscription paper for the betterment of Topeka in the last forty years without his name and all he could possibly af-

ford to give standing opposite it. His father, Dr. Crane, was of the same temperament and disposition, and donated land and money to every different enterprise which would help to build up the city. When the question of bringing the Santa Fe shops came up, it was Dr. Crane who donated five acres of ground which are now occupied by the freight house, yards, and a part of the shops. Dr. Crane owned the district bounded by Sixth avenue, Monroe street, First street and Klein street, and since Dr. Crane's death, George W. Crane has given hundreds of warranty deeds to poor people who could not finish paying for their lots.

In June, 1870, Mr. Crane was married to Ella Rain, who was the only daughter of Silas and Minerva Rain. Mrs. Crane died in April, 1881, survived by two children, Frank S., who is treasurer of Crane & Company, and Edna, who was married to Charles L. Michell, and died at Morenci, Ariz., August 25, 1894. In 1882 Mr. Crane was married at Elkhart, Ind., to Fannie Kiblinger, a cousin of his first wife.

Politically, Mr. Crane always took a lively interest in city and state affairs, voting constantly with the Republican party, but never consented to hold office. In 1893 he was nominated by his party in the legislature for the office of state printer, one for which he was eminently qualified, and he lacked only one vote of election, receiving many more votes than his party controlled.

For a year Mr. Crane's health had been failing. In October, 1912, he went to the hospital for an operation, which was successful, and for a time it was hoped that he would recover. He declined again, and died at home on the 30th of January, 1913,—died as he had lived, cheerful, comforting, consoling those about him, instead of grieving or complaining. Death had no terrors for him.

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## FARMERS ORGANIZE.

Take First Step in Forming New Telephone Company.

Fifty Shawnee county farmers took the initial steps towards the formation of an independent or mutual telephone company in this county at a meeting held in the rooms of the Commercial club late Monday. W. S. Robinson, of Indianola, was chosen to head the new organization and O. F. Whitney, of Shorey, was made secretary.

Those in attendance at the meeting stated that the service they have been receiving recently justifies the formation of a company to compete with the Bell concern. The proposed system, if it materializes, will not include the city of Topeka, but will cover practically all of the rural districts.

A special committee of representatives of various Shawnee county districts was appointed to meet with a delegation of Bell Telephone Co. officials who were present. The committee: J. J. Messenger, Berryton; H. J. Massey, Grantville; H. H. Wallace, Mission Center; A. B. Howard, Richland; J. Hayes, Elmont, and O. F. Whitney, Shorey.

Among the Bell officials present was P. H. Hopkins, of Kansas City, general commercial superintendent of the company. He made a proposition to install either "crank" or magneto phones, but suggested that those who now have the magneto phones, leave them in until July when the storm period has passed in order to give them an impartial trial. He and the other officials showed a disposition to conform to the wishes of the farmers.

"The Bell Co. wants to be fair," said J. J. Messenger after Mr. Whitney had made a report in regard to the conference with the Bell officials. "I believe we will get better service out of the 'crank' phones and I am in favor of accepting the report."

Afterwards Mr. Messenger evidently had a change of mind. He asserted that the Bell Co. is oppressing the

## CHILDREN ARE IMMORAL

Eugenia St. John Says 80 Per Cent of Them Are Bad.

Denver, Col., Feb. 4.—"Eighty per cent of the school children in the larger cities of the United States are immoral," was one of the declarations made before a meeting of women by Mrs. Eugenia St. John, an ordained minister and evangelist and a leader in the work of the National Anti-White Slavery association.

Mrs. St. John declared that one out of every 17 girls who go wrong is a high school girl and said that high school principals and teachers, being powerless to deal with the conditions, concealed them from the public.

She asserted that high school girls daily make appointments to meet men over the school telephone and that girls are called from their class rooms by men who wish to make the engagements. She advocated the teaching of sex hygiene in the schools.

## GUARDED BY HIS DOG.

Body of Dead Brakeman Is Found in a Wreck.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 4.—When rescuers reached the scene of a wreck which occurred here early this morning when three cars of a Baltimore and Ohio freight train dropped over an eight-foot trestle they found the mangled body of Charles Woodsmall, switchman, still clutching his lantern with which a moment before he had flashed the danger signal and standing above the body, his dog which had been following the train through the yards. Only after the dog had been dragged away by force were the members of the train crew able to extricate the body.

According to the engineer the train was backing on the trestle in the yards when Woodsmall, who was on top of the second car from the end displayed a danger signal and a moment later disappeared.

The engineer applied the emergency brakes and stopped the train, but not in time to prevent the three rear cars from dropping over the trestle. The cause of the accident has not been determined.

## RIVER STEAMER SINKS

Rams Her Bow Into a Pier Near Gallipolis, Ohio.

Gallipolis, O., Feb. 4.—Ramming her bow into Beartrap pier in the darkness early today, the packet steamer, City of Parkersburg, sank in deep water in the Ohio river. Fifteen panic stricken passengers and members of the crew managed to get to shore and kept from freezing by fire built of driftwood.

The boat, which is owned by the Pittsburg & Cincinnati Packet company and valued at \$55,000 had a capacity cargo. Both boat and cargo, it is feared, will be a total loss.

The steamer Greenland struck the same pier but managed to keep afloat and was put in the dry dock at Point Pleasant, W. Va.

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9:15 p. m.	11:00 p. m.	Rock Island	11:55 a. m.	2:25 p. m.
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