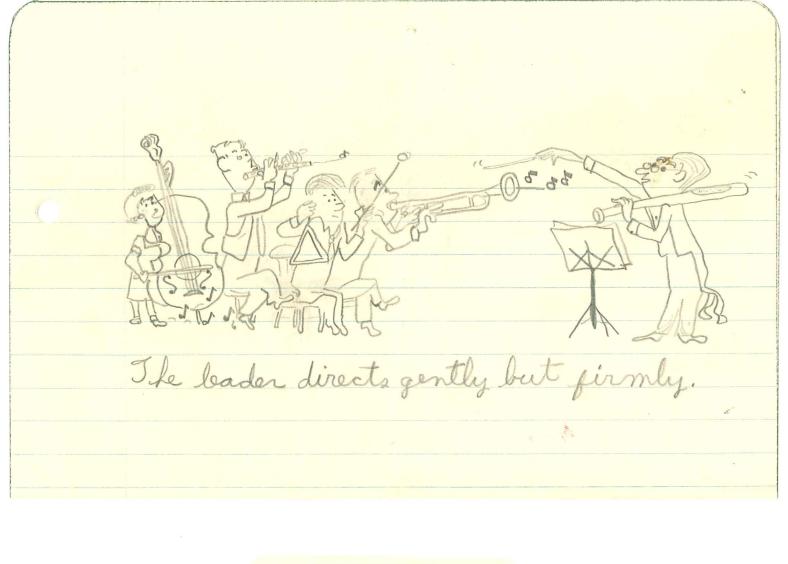
D. W. (Dub) Crain, Jr.

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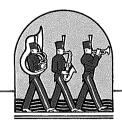
Mr. Crain attended Abilene High School, The U.S. Navy School of Music, Hardin-Simmons University, served two tours in the United States Navy, and played in The U.S. Navy Band. He taught band in Rotan, TX, Lovington, N.M., Abernathy, TX, Petersburg, TX, Sunray, TX, and in Dumas, TX.

Mr. Crain's bands were consistent first division winners and were judged by some of the most prestigious musicians in the United States. His bands were named to the top five in State Honor Band Competition on more than one occasion. Mr. Crain was also widely sought after as an adjudicator nationwide.

Mr. Crain is married to Mary Frances Crain. The Crains have two sons, Ferrell Crain and Terry Crain, and one daughter Toni Terrel.



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#### The National Educational Scholarship Foundation

601 Old Skokie Road Northbrook, Illinois 60062 312 498-5668

January 27, 1976

Mr. D. Qain Dumas High School Band Dumas, Texas 79029

Dear Mr. Qain:

The excellence of the Dumas High School Band has been brought to the attention of Artistic Directors Dr. William D. Revelli and Dr. Stanley Michalski and the Nominating Committee of the INTERNATIONAL YOUTH AND MUSIC FESTIVAL - 1977. On July 8, 1977, for the sixth consecutive year, bands from all over the world will meet in Vienna, Austria, music capital of the world. For one week, Vienna will be the site of concerts, parades, competitions and shows. Festival activities will then continue through Switzerland, Luxembourg, Germany, and finally, Paris, France.

In the enclosed blue brochure you will find a description of the cities and countries to be visited by the 1976 participants. In 1977, the Festival will again visit these same areas. Special information pertaining to your band's participation in 1977 is also enclosed.

We invite you to avail your band of this opportunity by sending a tape to Dr. Michalski in accordance with the instructions which you will find enclosed. July, 1977 may seem a long way off, but our experience in working with ninety-three North American ensembles has shown that if you start now, you can easily achieve this exciting goal.

Should you have any questions concerning the Festival, we will be happy to talk with you. In order to assure that the United States will be proudly represented by its finest bands at the INTERNATIONAL YOUTH AND MUSIC FESTIVAL - 1977, we wish to be of assistance to you in every way.

Congratulations upon being recognized at the national level for the high degree of musical proficiency that has been exhibited by you and the members of the Dumas High School Band. We look forward to hearing from you and hope that you will be able to share a marvelous experience with us in 1977.

Cordially,

Mrs. Robert Asher
Executive Secretary

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Enc.



#### OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

WILLIAM P. CLEMENTS, JR. GOVERNOR

STATE CAPITOL AUSTIN, TEXAS 78711

March 25, 1982

Mr. Dub Crain and the Dumas High School Band Dumas High School Dumas, Texas 79029

Dear Mr. Crain and the Dumas Demons:

Thank you for the musical greeting that I received in Dumas on March 19th. That was quite a welcome for 8:30 in the morning! You did a good job with <a href="Texas">Texas</a>, <a href="Our Texas">Our Texas</a>.

Thank you again and I wish all of you the best of luck for the remainder of the school year.

Sincerely,

Bill Chrones

William P. Clements, Jr. Governor of Texas

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#### P.O. Box 615 Dumas, Texas 79029

May 25, 1988

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Mr. Dub Crain 1600 Binkley # 53 Dumas, Texas 79029

Dear Dub,

What a way to conclude the year and to enter retirement!! You're going out in a most professional manner.

Dub, we appreciate so much your fifteen years of service to Dumas ISD. You've been a most positive force within the school system and the community. You've provided every reason for us to be proud of our band program and our students. You're a true professional.

The banquet, in your honor, was super. I don't recall having attended any school event that was more touching. It was a very sincere tribute to a most deserving "Dub Crain." You are admired by students, teachers and parents. You've certainly earned the respect that was paid to you.

Best wishes as you enter retirement. It will be a real pleasure to do the many things that you've looked forward to doing without the worry of an organized schedule alwaying hanging over you. Now, you can really enjoy life --- even with a new television set!

Feel free to call on us if we can be of assistance to you in any way. We welcome a visit from you at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Roy Pennington Superintendent

RP/es

Department of Music Box 879 W.T. Station Canyon, Texas 79016-0879 (806) 656-2016



October 22, 1984

Mr. D. W. Crain, Jr. Dumas High School Band 3rd and Klein Dumas, TX 79029

Dear Mr. Crain and Band:

It was a special treat to get to see your outstanding performance at marching contest last Saturday. It certainly showed the results of hard work and dedication that I know went into it.

Again congratulations and best wishes for continued success throughout the year.

Sincerely,

Gary T. Garner Director of Bands

GTG:gy

#### The National Educational Scholarship Foundation

601 Old Skokie Road Northbrook, Illinois 60062 312 498-5668

June 3, 1975

Mr. D. Cain, Director Dumas High School Band Dumas, Texas 79029

Dear Mr. Ogain:

At the personal request of Dr. William D. Revelli, I am pleased to congratulate you for your outstanding work with the Dumas High School Band.

The excellence of your band has been brought to the attention of Dr. James Dunlop and the 1976 Nominating Committee of the INTERNATIONAL YOUTH AND MUSIC FESTIVAL. For the fifth consecutive year this Festival will begin in July, 1976 in Vienna, Austria. Festival activities will continue through Switzerland, Italy, Luxembourg and Germany, terminating in Paris, France.

Almost 100 musical groups from North America have attended the program over the past four years. The enclosed material contains complete details regarding participation in the 1976 Festival. Also enclosed is a pamphlet on organization and fund raising that is a result of our experience in working closely with previous groups. July, 1976 may seem a long way off but in reading this pamphlet you will learn that the challenging tasks of artistic and logistic preparation are exciting and easily accomplished if you start now.

It is the sincere hope of this Foundation that you will avail your band of this opportunity by submitting an audition tape to Dr. Dunlop no later than June 13, 1975. Should you have any questions concerning this material or the audition deadline, please call me collect. In order to assure that North America will be proudly represented by its finest ensembles when the Festival bands bring their music to the people of six nations next year, I wish to be of assistance to you in every way.

Again, congratulations upon being recognized at the national level for the high degree of musical proficiency that has been exhibited by the members of the Dumas High School Band.

Cordially,

THE NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

MRS. ROBERT ASHER Executive Secretary

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The Sunray Bobcat Band under the direction of Dub Crain walked away from the University Interscholastic League Concert and Sight-reading Contest for the first time in six years with two first divisions to their credit. They were the only district 1a band to earn such an honor.

Wellington was the only that morning. I thought other band out of the 13 entered played the very best they in the contest to earn 1's in could and that was good both concert and sightreading.

All three concert judges gave Sunray division I ratings following their performance of "Salvonic Folk Suite," A Santa Cecilia" and "Black Knight."

The piece of music that the band drew for sightreading was an arrangement called "Zenith Overture." In speaking about the piece, Crain commented that it was "Quite tricky with three key changes and five time differences." I was pleased with the way the kids handled it."

"I was real proud of the band," said Crain. "They were at a disadvantage going into the contest since they were the first band to perform and had to begin at 8:00 that morning. I thought they played the very best they could and that was good enough for first divisions form all three judges."

While the happy director expressed his appreciation for the hard work the students have put in since the first of this year, he cautioned that the work is just beginning. "We've come a long way, but I think that the kids realize that we can't stop working for improvement. It's going to take every member

get ready for next year- especially our marching."

Our sincere congratulations to the Sunray Bobcat Band and their director Dub Crain. We hope and believe that with your dedication and hard work, and the support of the community, Sunray is entera bright and shining musical era.

UIL concert and Sightreading Results

SUNRAY I'I
Sunray I,I
White Deer, III,III
Canadian II, II
Stinnett II, II
Fritch II, I
Gruver II, I
Wheeler III, III
Vega III, III
Memphis I, II
Clarendon II, II
McLean III, III
Claude II, II
Wellington I, I



CONGRATULATIONS to the 1972-73 Sunray Bobcat Band (top picture) and their director Dub Crain (left) for their first division UIL rateings in both concert and sight reading. Officers and representatives of the band (right) proudly display the award presented to the band. Pictured with the trophy (left to right) are Susie Canada, Jody Stone, Casey Stone, Angeletta Crenshaw, Carrie Ferguson, Janet Walker, Kelly Stone, Karla Gamblin and Maria Mallory.



## 15 years in Dumas . . .

# DHS band director to end long career

A career as a band director that began nearly 40 years ago will come to a close next May when D. W. "Dub" Crain Jr., exchanges his baton for a fishing rod.

Crain's resignation as Dumas high school Demon band director, a position he assumed in 1972, was accepted by Dumas Independent School District trustees at their Monday night meeting.

His current contract ends

next spring.

Since entering the teaching profession in 1948 at Rotan, as a senior at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, Crain directed bands in Petersburg, Abernathy and Lovington, N. M., before coming to Moore county.

He was band director at Sunray for a year before joining DISD in 1972.

During the 40-year period, Crain also spent nine years in

another profession.

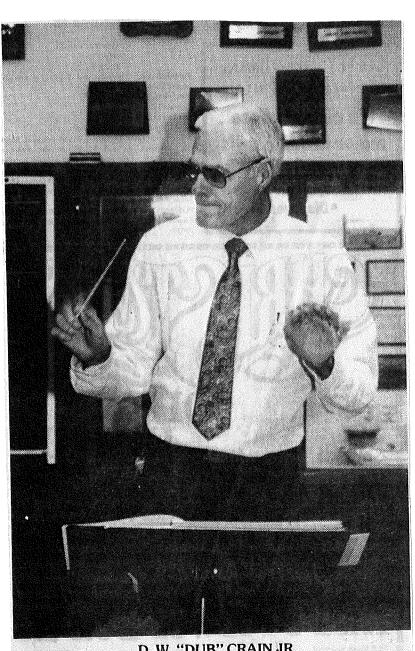
In the 15 years in Dumas, Crain's record shows a number of awards for the Demon band in UIL and music festival competition, consistently winning division one and sweetpstakes trophies.

"Probably our best bands were from about 1978 until the early 1980s," says the af-

fable band director.

"We enjoyed a time when other bands in our district

See DHS BAND, p-3



D. W. "DUB" CRAIN JR.
... band director to retire

D. W. Crain 209 W. 7th Plainview, Texas 79072



Volume 8

PETERSBURG, HALE COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, JULY 4, 1969

Number 31

# Dub Crain Hired As Band Director

Mr. Dub Crain, Jr. of Plainview has been employed by the Petersburg Public Schools as Band Director for next year. Mr. Crain has been in private business managing a music store in Plainview the past few years. Prior to that time he served as band director in Lovington, N. m. and eight years in Abernathy. It was there that Mr. Crain built the Aberanthy band into one of the most outstanding bands in Texas. In the twelve years that he has served as band director, his bands have won sweepstakes nine years. His bands have never been ranked below second division. In 53 parades and contests they won first in 46 and second

Mr. Crain is a veteran of World War II and was later called back into the Korean War. He is a graduate of Abilene High School and Hardin Simmons University, where he was a member of the Cowboy Band.

Dub's family consist of his wife, Mary Frances, two sons, Ferrel Ray and Terry, and a daughter, Toni. All will be in school. Dub is the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Crain, Sr. of Plainview, a former band director at Petersburg. The Crains



plan to move to Petersburg around August 1. They are members of the Church of Christ.

Supt. Pete Wilson had this to say about Mr. Crain, "we are delighted to be able to attract a man of Dub Crain's talents to our band directors position. I know him not only to be an excellent musician but the highest type Christian gentlemen. He and his fine family will make a great contribution to this community and we know our band students will enjoy him."



MUSIC IS FAMILY AFFAIR—D. W. Crain, left, and his two sons, Kyle, center, and Dub, all have been members of the Hardin-Simmons Cowboy Band, and will attend the band's Silver Anniversary Reunion here tomorrow. The elder Crain was president of the H-SU Band in 1925, and now di-

rects the North Junior High band. Dub was president of the Cowboy Band in 1948-49 and now is director of the Lovington, N. M., High School band. Kyle, who will be graduated from Hardin-Simmons this week, also expects to become a band director. (Staff photo by Don Hutcheson).

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UNDER THE DIRECTION OF MARION McCLURE

Wilson Auditorium

Thursday, July 29, 1948

8:00 P. M.

#### PROGRAM

#### PART ONE

| Skyliner—March                |                  |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Symphony No. 5, Finale        | Shostakovich     |
| Fantasie Pastorale Hongroise  | .Doppler-McClure |
| Tropical—American Symphonette | Gould            |
| Valse des Fleurs              | Tschaikowsky     |
| Blue Bells of Scotland        | Pryor            |
| Russian Sailors Dance         | Gliere           |

#### INTERMISSION

#### PART TWO

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## **Antelope Band** Wins Sweepstakes In Regional Meet

The Abernathy High School Band was sweepstake winner in the Area 1 Interscholastic League contest held Saturday at O. L. Slaton Junior High school and Chapman Field. Sweepstake winners were those bands having superior ratings in each of three events, concert playing, sight reading and marching. Dub Crain is director of the band.

Thirty-two bands participated in the event. Bands were not competing against each other but against standards. Bands in class A were Abernathy, Whiteface, Ta-hoka Sundown, Sudan, Spur, Seagraves, Ralls, Paducah, Olton, Morton, Hale Center and Crosbyton. Sundown was the only other band in class A to win sweepstakes, and there were only seven sweepstake winners from the 32 bands.

Eighty-eight members make up the Antelope Band and this was their first time to win sweepstakes.

#### Open Letter to Dub Crain

Dear Mr. Crain:

We, the members of the Antelope Band, should like to take
this opportunity to express our
appreciation to you for the fine
work you have done. We should
especially like to express our gratitude for your willingness to do titude for your willingness to devote long hours both before and after school, your assuming the responsibility of raising money to hire chartered buses for our trips.

We are grateful to you and wish to pay tribute to you as a great bandmaster, teacher, and friend.

Members of the AHS Antelope Band.

#### Crain Brothers Going To New York With Cowboy Band

Dub and Kyle Crain, Sweetwater, are among the Hardin-Simmons University Cowboy band members who will leave Abilene Friday morning, July 23, for a week's tour of the East. Dub is bass horn player for the celebrated Cowboy musicians while Kyle plays the oboe and

saxophone.

The brothers will have the experience of playing with the Cowboy musicians on the steps of the national capitol in Wash-ington (Saturday, July 24) and marching down Fifth avenue in New York City with the Texas Lions in the opening parade of the International convention. The Cowbosy are making the trip at the invitation of eight district governors of the Texas Lions and of Marlowe Fisher, state ex-

ecutive secretary.

The band is expected to play on several occasions Saturday while in Washington and also to make a sightseeing trip around the nation's capitol. Sunday it will be in New York City to greet incoming Lions. Monday it will head the Texas delegation in the parade. Last year the band was judged the best musical organization at the Lions International convention in

Francisco.

The Cowboys will go to New York via air. Two planes will transport the musicians half way across the continent. It will be the second aerial jaunt for the musicians half way across the continent. It will be the second aerial jaunt for the musicians who previously accompanied their football team to a game played in Corpus Christ last fall.

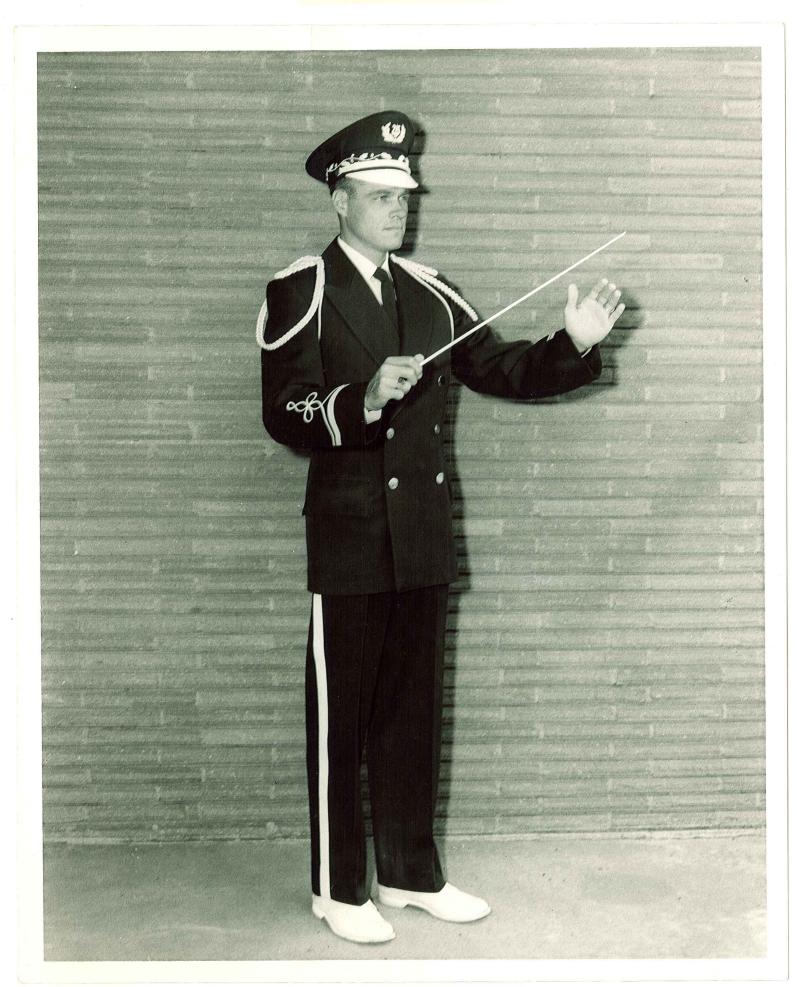
Dub Crain has been elected president of the world famous musical organization 1948-49 school year. for

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| against the Ordinances of the City of _ THESE ARE THEREFORE TO C | COMMAND YOU to arrest the said Dub Chair                                    |
| and                                                              | immediately bring before the Judge of the , Texas to answer said complaint. |
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# THE ABILENE, TEXAS, REPORTER-NEWS Abilene, Texas, Friday Morning, February 18, 1949



cowboy band prexy—Dub Crain, senior music student, is president of the Hardin-Simmons University Cowboy Band which will be presented in concert tonight at 8 p. m. in Behrens Chapel. The band, under the direction of Marion B. McClure, is presenting its second in a series of three school-year concerts under the auspices of the Hardin-Simmons University School of Music.

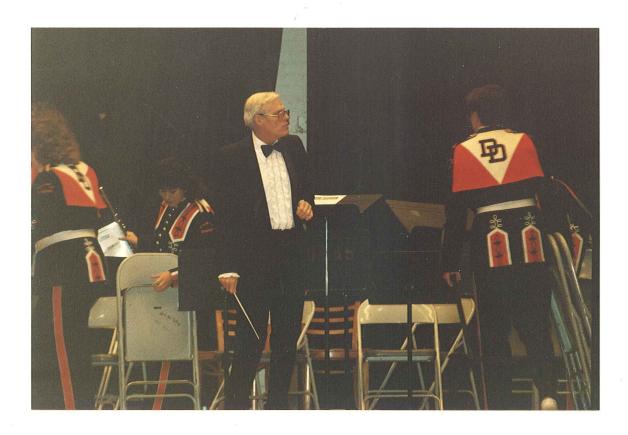


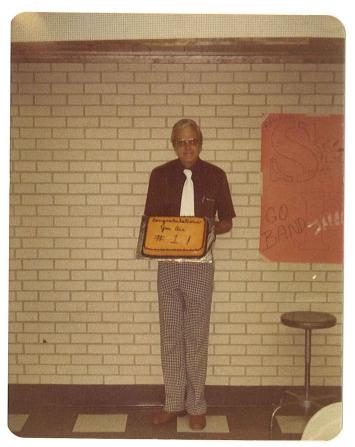
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August 8, 1979

Mr. D.W. Crain, Jr. President Texas Bandmasters Association 1600 Binkley No. 99 Dumas, Texas 79029 U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Crain:

On the behalf of members of Sony Concert Band, may I take this opportunity to express to you our deep appreciation on the many kindnesses accorded us on our visit to TBA Conventic

It was a concert which we will never forget and our dream of San Antonio will always be with us.

We enjoyed the concert, the dinner, the party, the people of Texas--- in other words we thoroughly enjoyed everything about our visit.

You and TBA people were so gracious with your time and in so many other ways that we can not find words appropriate to thak you properly.

My best wishes for every continued success in all of your musical activities.

Sincerely yours;

Toshio Akiyama, Director

SONY Concert Band

#### HALL OF FAME INduction

#### D.W. CRAIN, JR.

DUB WAS BORN NOVEMBER 1, 1926 IN ELIDA, NEW MEXICO. HE STARTED SCHOOL IN MELROSE, N.M. WHERE HIS FATHER, D.W. CRAIN, SR. (A HALL OF FAME MEMBER) WAS BAND DIRECTOR. AT THE END OF THAT YEAR, THE FAMILY MOVED TO ABILENE, TEXAS, WHERE D.W., SR. ASSUMED THE BAND DIRECTING DUTIES AT ABILENE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE. DUB CONTINUED HIS PUBLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION IN ABILENE, AND PLAYED IN THE ABILENE HIGH SCHOOL BAND UNDER THE DIRECTION OF DR. RAYMOND BYNUM (ONE OF THE FIRST SIX MEN INDUCTED INTO THE TEXAS BANDMASTERS HALL OF FAME). THEY PARTICIPATED IN MANY CONTESTS AND WON 1ST DIVISION IN THE OLD NATIONAL BAND CONTEST. DUB PARTICIPATED IN MANY SOLO CONTESTS, PLAYING TUBA, AND WINNING FIVE STATE SOLO CHAMPIONSHIPS AND TWO NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS.

AFTER HIGH SCHOOL, DUB ENROLLED IN HARDIN-SIMMONS, BUT STAYED ONLY ONE YEAR AS HE JOINED THE NAVY AND WAS ACCEPTED INTO THE NAVY SCHOOL OF MUSIC IN WASHINGTON D.C.. AFTER GRADUATION FROM THE MUSIC SCHOOL, HE WAS ASSIGNED TO THE FLEET BANDS AND SPENT THE REST OF THE WAR ON AN AIRCRAFT CARRIER IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC. HE RETURENED TO WASHINGTON D.C. AFTER THE WAR AND PLAYED IN THE NAVY BAND FOR SEVEN MONTHS BEFORE BEING DISCHARGED. ONCE AGAIN HE ENROLLED IN HARDIN-SIMMONS UNIVERSITY AND BECAME A MEMBER OF THE COWBOY BAND. WHILE STILL IN SCHOOL, HE ORGANIZED THE BAND AT ROTAN, TEXAS IN 1948, AND AFTER GRADUATING FROM HARDIN-SIMMONS IN 1949, DUB WAS HIRED AS BAND DXIRECTOR AT LOVINGTON, NEW MEXICO. IN 1952, DUB WENT TO ABERNATHY, TEXAS WHERE HIS BANDS WON MANY OUTSTANDING AWARDS AND SWEEPSTAKES. HIS ABERNATHY BAND WAS ONE OF THE LARGEST AND MOST RESPECTED OF ALL OF THE SOUTH PLAINS BANDS, REGARDLESS OF CLASSIFICATION. IN 1960. HE LEFT THE BAND DRECTING PROFESSION TO EXPERIENCE THE JOYS AND FRUSTRATIONS OF THE RETAIL MUSIC BUSINESS. HE QUICKLY ESTABLISHED A NEW REPUTATION.. "A FIRST DIVISION BAND CLINICIAN".

DUB WENT TO PETERSBURG, TEXAS IN 1969 TO TAKE OVER THE 4TH DIVISION, 25 PIECE PETERSBURG BAND. IN HIS SECOND YEAR THERE, HE BROUGHT THE BAND BACK TO A SWEEPSTAKES ORGANIZATION. DUB MOVED TO SUNRAY, TEXAS IN 1972 WHERE HE STAYED ONE YEAR. THE OPPORTUNITY THEN CAME FOR DUB TO MAKE THE MOVE TO DUMAS WHERE HE SERVED AS HIGH SCHOOL BAND DIRECTOR UNTIL HIS RETIREMENT IN MAY OF 1988.

ALL OF DUB'S BANDS WERE CONSISTENT 1ST DIVISION WINNERS, AND DURING HIS TENURE OF BAND DIRECTING, HIS BANDS ACCUMULATED 22 SWEEPSTAKES. DUB HAS SERVED AS ADJUDICATOR AND CLINICIAN THROUGHOUT TEXAS, NEW MEXICO, OKLAHOMA, AND KANSAS. HE IS ONE OF THE MOST SOUGHT-AFTER CLINICIANS IN THE PANHANDLE AND SOUTH PLAINS. HE IS CALLED THE "WALKING STROBOCONN".

DUB SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF TBA IN 1979, AND IS A RETIRED MEMBER OF TMEA, TBA, TMAA, AND PHI BETA MU. DUB CRAIN AND HIS WIFE, MARY FRANCES CONTINUE TO RESIDE IN DUMAS.