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**Cranbrook Close-Up: Businessman-Teacher Has a 24-Hour Job**

What goes on behind those ivy-covered walls... the ones that mean Cranbrook school for boys, out on Lone Pine Road? There must be something worthwhile happening inside or some 25 youngsters wouldn't bother to pour into the school from all parts of the globe every year.

To get the "feel of" and "reason for" Cranbrook school, I plunged into the heart of the school, the office of assistant headmaster Ben M. Snyder. He's an enormous fellow, about 4'3", and doesn't look like Mr. Chips or even an Ivy Leaguer.

Notwithstanding "The Man in the Gray Flannel Suit", Ben Snyder is about half businessman, half teacher, who loves his job and works at it almost 24 hours a day.

HERE'S a man who specializes in boys—all kinds of boys. He knows what he's doing, and why he's doing it, and in this manner is very similar to all the other administrative and faculty personnel at Cranbrook.

Ben is a young man, out of Philadelphia, a graduate and Phi Beta Kappa from the University of North Carolina. Right after his college commencement he spent 2 1/2 years in the Air Force. From an outside source comes the tale of how he earned a medal or two during the war.

HE WAS a bombardier on a B-24 in the South Pacific, and his squadron was making a bombing run near the Gulf of Davao. Over the target Ben released the bombs, but the big explosives failed to drop from the plane.

In a matter of minutes they would go off, inside the B-24. So "Big Ben", as he is fondly called by his students, lighted across the catwalk, over the open bomb bay doors, and managed to loosen the bombs until they dropped from the plane. He had saved the B-24 and the crew from certain death.

Shortly after this incident, he was stationed on the remote Pacific island of Angaur, and had plenty of time to think about his future. It was here he decided that he could be of the greatest service to the postwar world by entering the field of education.

SO BACK to school he went and came out with a master's degree in history from Harvard. But this wasn't enough for Ben Snyder. He took further courses at the University of Leiden in The Netherlands and the Universities of Wisconsin, Pennsylvania and Edinburgh.

Then in 1948 he came to Cranbrook school as an instructor. Why did he pick Cranbrook? Let's let



BEHIND THE IVY-COVERED WALLS of Cranbrook School work men like Ben M. Snyder. Below is the story of what he does and why he does it.

life and instruction. When Ben leaves his teacher's podium, he swings into administrative details which keep the school functioning and take some of the load off Headmaster Harry D. Hoey.

AS assistant headmaster, he rides herd on students' extra-curricular activities, maintains personal contact with all boys suffering academic problems, co-ordinates social functions with Kingswood school, and secures speakers for assemblies and special programs.

(Hardly a foreign dignitary passes through Michigan without speaking at Cranbrook school, largely due to Ben's efforts.)

WHEN ALL of this is accomplished for the day, he's off to the soccer field where he serves as head coach over an enthusiastic and skilled squad of ball players.

And someday, when there's more time for leisure, he hopes to write

a book about the air raids on Poland during World War II. What does go on behind those ivy-covered walls out there on Lone Pine Road? Plenty... because with men who think and act like Ben Snyder, life just isn't dull!

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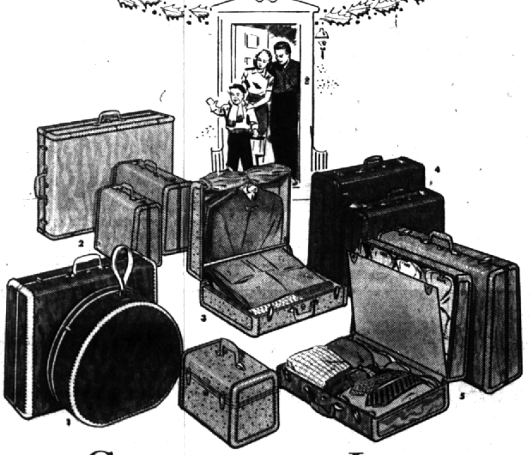
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