

# Crandall, Opal Spillman

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### Time Names & Places Subjects covered

- 00-78 Mr. Hutt Early history of parents. Opal was born in Norwood. Her father owned a printing press. Later he was appointed post master. The family moved to Telluride in 1931. Describes living in Norwood. The Ute Indians came into Norwood from the Lone Cone area, to attend the fall festival.
- 78-110 Royer, Oliver, Gregor Opal attended school in Norwood until she was 15. Names various families that lived there.
- 110-262 Mrs. Macken, Mr. Hardy, Elizabeth Spillman, Warick sisters, L. Pilcher, G. Swan, C. Peterson, F. Purdy, M. Matri She moved to Telluride when she was a sophomore. Father was elected County Treasurer. They lived on Galena and Aspen. Memories of school days. Telluride won the marching band tournament in Grand Junction. Girls basketball team won the tournament in 1932. Mentions classes she took. Her sister taught the 4th and 5th grades. Names students she graduated with. Describes the Sr. Sneak trip to Grand Junction, the Jr.-Sr. Prom and banquet. Speaks of local dance bands.
- 262-314 The town population was very small. Depression days. Describes the house they moved into and how people helped themselves to the fixtures in it, before they bought it.
- 314-332 Pekkarine Father was County Treasurer for 10 years. Opal attended 1 year of JR. College in Grand Junction and then transferred to school in Gunnison. She worked at the Sheridan and other cafes. Also at Pekkarines Store. Moved to Grand Junction in 1941.
- 332-480 Pekkarine, Mr.s Wheeler, Etha Rella, Sylvia Lines, J. Morgan Ogda worked for the Pekkarines for several years. Many stories of the Pekkarine family. Aino attended school to learn the English language. Speaks of their shoe shop. Stories of Mrs. Wheeler. Speaks of Eino Pekkarine's life. Describes the store
- 480-515 J. Moore, Grimes Speaks of John More. He owned the Sheridan Hotel and the King Lease Mine in Ouray. He purchased a lot of property in Norwood. Speaks of all the mines opening up when J. Grimes bought the Veta Mines. Describes the merchandise sold in Pekkarines.
- 515-576 Etha Rella, Wichman <sup>Eth</sup> Rellas beer parlor. Etha was a musician and studied violin in Italy. Describes their business. Many stories of bootlegging. Describes shipping whiskey on the train, labeled as vinegar. Memories of the federal agents destroying the stills and equipment. Speaks of Wichmans Brewery.
- 576-598 Describes the division of the nationalities in town. Speaks of the picnics each group of communities held every year in their own picnic grounds. Swedes had 3 day celebration for Midsummer picnic.

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- 00-48 Clementi Opal left Telluride in 1941 and then moved back in 1949 to be married to Cecil Crandall, who was originally from Rico. He and his mother had purchased the liquor store from Mrs. Clementi. They lived in Telluride until late 1950 and moved to Ophir for 2 years.
- 48-198 R. Belisle, S. Reid, Opal's husband ran a mine in Ophir. Memories of living in Ophir.  
J. Noise, Mrs. Tollen, Stories about Jimmie Noise. Mentions Mr. Dennison who post master  
Mr. Dennison in Telluride for years. Jimmie Noise knew many men that were riders on the Chislom Trail Drive.
- 198-328 Bill & Maude Paris Talks about the 2nd year they lived in Ophir. More stories of Jimmie Noise. There was 1 child in school that year in Ophir. Mrs. Paris was the teacher. Stories of Mr. Paris who did assay work at the mill. Stories of snow slides and blizzards in the winter of 51 and 52.
- 328-378 Belisle, Farris, History of the Belsisle family. Randy's parents were from Norwood and  
Mrs. Pellet, Aken Vera came from Montrose to work at the Silver Dollar Saloon. Memories of dances at the Silver Dollar.
- 378-449 J. Siegebert, Irene Memories of working at the Sheridan. Describes the dinning rooms,  
Cullum, T.Parsons, and kitchens after the flood. Speaks of all the original brass railings  
Stone, Dr. Parker, and etc. that were taken out and sold. Speaks of playing in the Opera  
J. Moore House when Siegeberts owned it. Dances and movies were held there. Speaks of the wedding parties that were held in Sheridan Opera House.
- 449-515 E. Spillman, Dr. Speaks of Dr. Parker. Opals sister was his first nurse at the hospital.  
Ballinger, Dr. Parker Tells of the medical plan Dr. Parker set up to guarantee his income. Speaks of her sisters death in 1936. Talks of the warm feelings the community held for Dr. Parker.
- 515-570 Dad Painter, Nan Describes the New Years Open House party given by the Painters, a  
Leino very formal elegant occasion.. Dad Painter owned the Abstract Office. Speaks of her original deed to their house.
- 570-595 B.Ellis, W.Pera, Memories of playing tennis on the courts in the lower end of town.  
J. Siegebert Talks of her friend Joanne Siegebert.