

# Charlie Kroon Interview with Mrs. Anderson

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Me: What years did you work at National Mine school?

Her: I went to work when Lois was in 5th grade and I think  
well we will take it this way I worked there for 21 years + they

Me: wouldn't give me a raise so I quit  
Was it fun

Her: At first I was afraid cause they thought I new a  
lot about food but I didn't and they thought I did

cause I taken a course in New York city on food  
but that isn't cooking I didn't know how to cook that  
vast amount so I had to learn it so I got to so I  
learned it

Me: What kind of food did you cook

Her: stews meat pies biscuits chicken turkey  
real turkeys that we had to bake overnight for  
the next day to carve it we had everything you would  
so post to get in a turkey meal chilli, soup I made  
donuts there is and interesting things about the donuts

Mr. Lindberg the kids would go by the window and smell the donuts so I couldn't resist so I would give them a donut I didn't have much progress that way Finally Mr. Lindberg he was new in the school he was going to be the principle when Mr. Annala quit Mr. Bath was superintendent so Mr. Lindberg <sup>came</sup> and said Mrs. Anderson could you rephrase that each kid that passes the window not to give them a donut "Ha Ha"

Bake Bean that were baked in the night time and they were so good the janitor would be so nice to turn the oven off

the pans were so big they would just fit the oven it was hard to get them clean

me. What was the most hardest part of your

Job

er: Doing dishes IF they would have given me a dishwasher or a hood that would take up the dirty end when I want to go home

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IF I wanted to bake more for  
+ then next day

ME: Why did you choose this job

Her: Cause we just went through the  
depression and down and out I was  
ofered the job and by the way I was  
ofered to me by Salma Kroon she was  
on the school board she new I was  
intresed she said Andrea I know you want  
this job cause I had just came back from  
New York and I learned about foods there  
But she really didn't know what I learned  
about food But I took it even though I  
didn't know I liked it I liked kids  
a lot of time the kids would asks for  
another fork so I give them one.

Q: Did the kids come back for seconds?

A: Yes lots

ME: Did you receive any special training for your job

her: In this way it was a federal project

Mr. Barth and I said it was not of this kind of project

In with this we would get more money every month from the government and they would have me

Break down what I put in the meals to cut back on expenses she'd tell me how many pounds of this and how many pounds of that I would have to put in the meal within one month ~~I had~~ we were so busy I had to relax

ME: what were some of your helpers like

her: well we didn't have that many then we

Finally got someone to go around and fix the

tables cause we had to do it ourselves

ME: where did the kids eat

her: they ate by the office across from it by the door and later they ate in the halls

ME: was there any humorous events that happened in your career

her: yes many like the incident I told you about

the donuts I cut my finger in a mixer I got my little finger caught in a mixer door in shop he did know he

he shot off the current but the finger was still in the mixer somebody ran down to the bus garage to get out to my husband cause he was a bus driver he came in there and looked at it and was weeling in front of me and I was crying and the tears were going down on him and so was the blood to so he jus pulled the mixer apart and said here is your finger and Mr. Bath came and brought me to town and got my finger stiched on

Me: What was your biggest responsibility of your job

her: to order cause nobody could order but me I had to order and we yod's to get our bredd and things from the two stores in National Mine But we bought from both of them one day I brought from one the next from another

Me: Why did you like this job

her: well I loved the old school and the kid cause I liked to work with kids

I loved the old auditorium and Mrs. Gleason's plays there will never be a play as good as hers. I would forget myself entirely if I was to remember it all. There was one play where all these loud couples were dancing it was lovely. I loved basketball game we would bring the kids in the cars to games then we would come back at 1:00 clock in the morning and have coffee at the school I would make coffee and we would sit there and talk to 3:00 clock. By that time I had another lady working for me her name was Mrs. Magneson and she said I wasn't going to make it like this staying up and drinking coffee to 3:00 clock in the morning and then going to work at 5:00 clock. There was once when I was a shaperone to a basketball game and the we were in the finals I had to keep the boys and girls quiet. Then the boys would really get to know me and come in and do dishes for me.