

338. Greene (David): *Cró, crú* and similar words.

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Revises the corresponding entries in *DIL* and concludes that all meanings derive from one of three basic words *cruē*, *crú*, *cráo*. Deals in particular with: 1. OIr. *cruē* ‘hoof’; 2. OIr. *cráo* ‘enclosure’, (a) ‘socket, hoop (of lance), eye (of needle)’, (b) ‘box, container’; 3. OIr. *croūd*, (a) *croūd* ‘bringing into, caring for in, an enclosure’, (b) EModIr. *crúdh* ‘collecting’, (c) EModIr. *crúdh* ‘milking’, (d) MIr. ?*crúdh* ‘plundering’; 4. OIr. *crú* ‘gore, blood’; 5. OIr. *cró* ‘wound; death; wergild’, (a) *cró* ‘wound’, (b) ‘violent death’, (c) ‘wergild’; 6. Later Ir. *cró* ‘inheritable property’, (a) *cró* ‘inheritable property’, (b) *cro[dh]aighe* ‘heir’.

*Classifications:*

- D 1.2: Lexicology
- D 2.1.3: Historical semantics (cf. historical linguistics)

*Indexes:*

Words/Proper Names:

- *cráo* ‘enclosure’
- *cró* ‘inheritance’
- *cró* ‘wound; death; wergild’
- *croūd* ‘bringing into an enclosure’
- *cro[dh]aighe* ‘heir’
- *crú* ‘gore, blood’
- *crúdh* (?) ‘plundering’
- *crúdh* ‘collecting’
- *crúdh* ‘milking’
- *cruē* ‘hoof’