

Three county youth win in Houston show

Three Hansford youth came away with honors in the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo that was held last Thursday, Mar. 2. Brant Armes, Brandon Vanderburg, and Chris Brooks, all members of the Hansford County 4-H program, each showed steers in the competition.

Brant Armes is the son of David and Kelly Armes of Gruver. He showed his 1,250-pound steer to win the medium weight class and then went on to win the Simmental

Junior Steer Show with the steer. "He has the right size and thickness," said Judge Gary L. Minish. Minish is a professor of animal science at Virginia Polytechnic University.

First place in the light weight division was shown by Brandon Vanderburg. He is the son of Joe and Kim Vanderburg of Spearman. He showed a Limousin steer.

Chris Brooks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Brooks, took third place in the show with a light-weight Simmental steer.



Brant Armes shows junior market champion Simmental steer at Houston Livestock Show.



Brandon Vanderburg won the Lightweight Limousin Steer class at the Houston Livestock Show last Thursday.

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Cudd files for alderman

City secretary Cheryl Gibson reports one person has filed for a position on the ballot as a candidate for city alderman. Mike Cudd, currently serving on the city council, filed to be re-elected to that position.

There are three positions open-

ing as alderman on the Spearman City Council, and those interested in filing for one of the positions has until Mar. 22 at 5 p.m. to file. Those interested in filing may report to the City Hall Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Eleven citizens go to Austin in delegation

Eleven Spearman citizens have made definite plans to be a part of the Spearman delegation that is going to Austin on Mar. 21. The delegation will participate in the 71st Legislative Session where members will view their ideas on pending legislation.

It may still be possible to be a member of the delegation. Those who can make arrangements to go to Austin are welcome to join the delegation. The Chamber office has booked one extra room and have one open seat (as of presstime

Wednesday). Anyone who is interested in attending may call the Chamber office at 659-5555 and see if the opening is still available.

Members of the delegation will be meeting in the next few days to discuss their itinerary for the trip. The current plans include meeting with area representatives including Dick Waterfield and Teel Bivins. They will also be attending the Texas Chamber of Commerce breakfast and visiting the Capitol before returning on a flight Wednesday evening.

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Electric coop sponsors

D.C. trip for students

The Board of Directors of North Plains Electric Cooperative, Inc. have authorized the sponsorship of a speech contest among students attending school in the Cooperative's service area. Winners of the Government-in-Action Youth Tour contest, one boy and one girl, will be awarded a 12-day, all expense paid trip to Washington, D.C., June 15-27, 1989.

All students in the Cooperative's service area between the ages of 14-19 are eligible to enter the contest. (Members of immediate families of North Plains Electric employees and directors are not eligible to participate.)

Each entrant in the contest will be required to give a five-to-eight minute speech on the subject, "Rural Electric Cooperatives...In Touch With Technology." After each presentation, a panel of judges will ask the contestant three questions about North Plains Electric or rural electric cooperatives in general. Reference and study material will be furnished for each contestant.

Two finalists will be selected from each school and will represent their school in the final contest to be held on Thursday, March 30, 1989, in the "Willie Room" of North Plains Electric in Perryton. Schools considered to be in the Cooperative's service area are Booker, Canadian, Darrouzett, Follett, Gruver, Higgins, Perryton and Spearman.

The winners of North Plains Electric's speech contest will travel to Lewisville, Tex., on June 15. There, they will join other young people from Texas who have won similar contests for the chartered bus trip to Washington, D.C. While in Washington, they will meet other youth from all over the United States and visit many scenic and historic places including the White House, U.S. Capitol, National Archives, Smithsonian Institution, Library of Congress, Arlington National Cemetery, and Iwo Jima Monument. Tour participants

will also meet with and view their congressmen and senators in action.

Students interested in more information concerning the contest or the Youth Tour should contact their school principal or Paula Webb at North Plains Electric Cooperative, Inc., P.O. Box 1008, Perryton, TX 79070-1008, or call (806) 435-5482.

Comptroller's report shows Hansford County's sales up

The State Comptroller's office released the State Sales and Use Tax Analysis Report for the third quarter of 1988.

The Hansford County amounts in the report represent the 173 industries and 94 retail trade divisions with a sales and use tax permit who filed a return.

The 173 industries in Hansford County filing gross sales for the 1988 third quarter reported \$21,150,924 in gross sales the third quarter of 1988 compared to \$17,714,075 in that period of 1987, which represents a 19.4 percent increase in the filings in the industries for that period. Of this amount in 1988, \$95,817 was reported under use tax purchases. These were costs of all taxable items removed from inventory for personal or business use and all purchases on which on Texas sales tax was paid or use tax accrued.

The total of the 94 retail trade divisions in Hansford County filing gross sales for the 1988 third quarter was \$13,263,364 for the period, compared to the \$10,796,642 amount for the third quarter period in 1987 in Hansford County's reporting retail trade divisions. This reflects a 22.8 percent increase over the year for those reporting \$8,234 of the amount was under use tax purchases.

by Melyn Johnson

Often times we relate certain years to what was happening to us that year. 1989 will probably be "the year the Gruver boys basketball team took second in the region." 1976 will forever be the Bicentennial Year to me and 1980 will be "the year we had the kids."

Dorothy Hudson wrote down the story her grandmother, Maggie Hart, told about 1903 - "the year of the big snow."

"The morning of the snow found heavy frost clinging to the barbed wire fences and the tumbleweeds. At noon on February 24, 1903, the snow started and continued until February 26, with little wind. When it was over, the snow was three feet deep on the level. When he could finally get about, Walter (Maggie's husband) started looking for the horses, eventually finding them over in the adjoining county of Ochiltree in a dry lake bed.

"In their hunger they had eaten off each other's manes and tails. It was fairly late when he found them so he had to go back to the dugout and get an early start the next morning. He got them back within a mile and a half of home the next day, leaving them in the corral at Billy Christian's place. It was long past dark when he got home. I was terribly worried, as it was very foggy, and I was afraid he was lost. The horses had followed the tracks made as he rode out, so he had no trouble finding his way."

In the year 1903 Hansford County was not yet a thriving megalopolis so it is difficult to find many written or oral accounts of the "Big Snow." But Dorothy also found in the March 3, 1961 *Amarillo Daily News* a part of George W. Maize's diary in their "From A to Izzard" column. Mr. Maize lived in Hansford, Tx, during the big snow and the information was gathered by the newspaper from Mrs. Finis Maize of Spearman.

Mr. Maize's diary reads as follows:
"MONDAY morning, Feb. 23,

1903--A very cold raw cloudy morning, turning warmer in the afternoon and at night. It was very cloudy and warm.

"TUESDAY morning, Feb. 24--Ground covered with snow 3 inches deep. Very mild. Snowed all day. At night snow is 6 or 7 inches deep, still very mild and snowing; snowed all night.

"WEDNESDAY morning, Feb. 25-- Still snowing and very mild. Snow seems to be at least 15 inches deep, drifting slightly...At 3 p.m., still snowing and I feel it is all of two feet deep. Still snowing and drifting badly. At half past six, it is still snowing. Snow is fine and very moist, very little wind from east or north and we think it will snow all night. The snow seems to be three feet deep at bedtime. We are very comfortable, have coal and food enough to last Ben (a son), his mother, and I for ten days. Haven't had a word from anyone since the snow started and we are very anxious about everyone. We also have plenty of feed for our stock, but I know many do not have and will be financially ruined.

"THURSDAY morning, Feb. 26--Last night was a very mild night, barely freezing. The weather has been comparatively mild since it began snowing. It was not snowing at seven this morning, but is snowing now and looks as if there is no end in sight and it looks as if it had snowed all last night.

"The snow is so deep a large strong horse will not wade it of his own accord to go to the trough for water. That is not 75 feet from the windbreak.

"FRIDAY morning, Feb. 27--The sun rose clear this morning, snow stopped between 7 and 8 last night. Is still very mild.

"SATURDAY Feb. 28--Still very mild this morning. Haven't had an overcoat on since the snow started. Saturday evening: Hasn't thawed any; wind from north blowing hard but snow is crusted enough; it will not blow very cold.

"SUNDAY morning, March 1--Sun rose clear and bright this morning with southwest wind and 6

degrees below zero. In fact it froze water in a pail on the heating stove in the living room

"I think the snowstorm is over and it will melt fairly quick. I have

never seen so much snow and I can remember back as far as 50 years. I was never as anxious to hear from my neighbors and the outside world as I am at this time."

Consultant visits museum; suggests applying for grant

The Station Master's House Museum in Spearman had a special visitor on this past Valentine's Day, Feb. 14. A field consultant from the Texas Historical Commission, Dennis Chapman, came to visit the museum for the first time.

After looking the museum over, Chapman had many nice things to say about it. Chapman met with members of the museum committee and gave them suggestions for improving the museum's operation. He told members they might have a chance of obtaining a grant for heating and cooling the museum. He added that cooling and heating is essential to preserve the artifacts of the Station Master's House Museum.

After the meeting, Chapman and members of the committee dined at J.J.'s Restaurant and committee members invited the consultant to come back soon for another visit.

The museum committee is asking for the help of Hansford County citizens. It has come to their attention that legislators may cut off funds of all Hotel and Motel Tax from museums. Concerned citizens are asked to call or write State Representative Dick Waterfield, Box 2910, Austin, TX. 78769 or Senator Teel Bivins, Box 12068, Austin, TX 78711 and request that they keep the monies collected from the tax for the museums.

The local museum needs these funds to pay utility bills. Committee members ask for the public's help in trying to keep these funds.

The members of the Station Master's House Museum committee are planning a surprise for the public coming within the next week. They invite you to watch for it at the northwest end of Main Street in Spearman.



Texas Historical Commission representative visits Station Master's House Museum.

English student protests language; later becomes "prize" student

Reporter's Note: The following story is a true experience I had while teaching junior high English in Indianapolis in 1981-82.

by Jean Ann Behney

Mark was one of those students who believed he deserved to pass seventh grade English simply because he came, was warm and breathing. His blue eyes constantly squinted a challenge at me. The few times this tall, skinny tow-headed boy raised his hand, it was to voice concerns such as "Why do we have to take spelling tests?" or "Teacher, you have a run in your stockings!"

The remainder of the class period, he would beat a staccatoed protest of his school imprisonment on his desk with two pencils. (He borrowed these from other pupils, because he rarely came to class with books, paper, or writing implements.)

I was a new, eager teacher and was sure I would eventually inspire Mark, who already tested a full year behind in reading and writing skills. (Meanwhile, I counted to ten a great deal of the time.) We came one day to a grammar unit on the correct usage of verbs. I explained that "ain't" should be "am not," "is not," or "are not." Mark appeared to be asleep, but the next morning he approached me triumphantly with a bedraggled pocket dictionary (he had probably swiped it from the school library) and announced loudly, "If 'ain't' ain't a word, why is it in the dictionary?" The class rustled with excitement.

Painstakingly, he searched through the a's until he found it, then thrust the book at me.

"Yes, Mark, I see the word 'ain't'." I said steadily. "But do you see the notation after it?" He pointed and said, "You mean that little word c-o-l-l?" "Yes, that means colloquial," I explained. "That means slang. And did you read the definition of 'ain't'?"

The class sat open-mouthed as Mark read aloud, "'Are not, is not, am not—though an unaccepted use of the verb forms.'" The back of his neck grew red as he bent over the dictionary, but I stopped the rising titters from his classmates

with a menacing glare.

"You were right, Mark, 'ain't' is a word! It was very clever of you to think of looking it up in your dictionary. But 'ain't' is one of those tricky words that has its special time and place to be used, and our classroom and English homework will not be that time or place."

Mark had re-seated himself without any directive from me, but the pencils remained still. Every pair of eyes was one me, and I wondered fleetingly if there were a tarantula delicately moving about on my hair.

I impulsively decided to make the most of this unusual attentiveness. "Tell you what—I am going to use incorrect grammar, including 'ain't', for the remainder of this period, and you will be the English teachers. The student who catches each mistake first and can correct it and tell why it was wrong will win bonus points towards a free reading day. Here we goes..." There was an audible gasp, then a dozen arms were waving frantically.

The bell rang much too soon. As they filed out slowly, Mark said suddenly, "Don't talk like that any more, teacher!" "Why not?" I asked in surprise. "It...it just sounded terrible coming out of your mouth," he said, brow crinkled. "You're right, it did," I said. "And do you think I would have ever been hired if that was how I spoke at my job interview?" Mark regarded me closely and shook his head. "So even though I think 'ain't' has its occasional time and place, I also know when and how to avoid it by speaking correctly. You don't. That's part of what I'm here to teach you. Okay?"

He slouched towards the door. "Yeah," he mumbled.

The next week, Mark seemed to metamorphose right before my eyes. He handed in homework assignments and passed the spelling test. I held my breath. A month later, he was correcting other kids' grammar in class and his own as well. By the end of the semester, he was every teacher's dream.

He still found occasions to drum

on his desk with pencils, but they were his own pencils now, and once in a while he made grumbling noises about the day's lesson, but I noticed that his was generally the first hand up to answer questions. Furthermore, it seemed that "ain't" was banished from his in-class vocabulary.

The last day of school, he approached my desk in his turn to be informed that he had earned a "B" for his semester's work, as compared to the previous term's "D". "What do you know!" he murmured. "A 'B' in English."

I was very surprised when he returned to his seat without broadcasting the good news. When the bell rang, he fumbled with his belongings until the others had all whooped out of the room into the hall. I watched as he headed towards the door and then turned back to me for a parting remark I will never forget. With a big grin, he exclaimed loudly, "I'm pretty cool, ain't I?" As he exited, I said smilingly to myself, "Ain't you indeed!"

Reporter expresses belief in occasional use of "ain't"

Will Rogers' definitive analysis of the word "ain't" was as follows: "Maybe ain't ain't right, but I notice lots of folks who ain't saying ain't ain't eatin'."

Regardless of who is talking about it, "ain't" seems to be one of those controversies in our English language that simply refuses to die a natural death. Some humorists claim the English teachers of America are pitted against the world in this clash over the word and its use. Even dictionaries don't seem to agree with one another on the "ain't" issue. Some of them refuse to include the word at all, as Noah Webster did in his first lexicon. Others include "ain't" but indicate that it is "bad grammar," while still others grudgingly or willingly allow for the colloquial use of the contraction.

The word ain't probably originated as a contracted form of "am not" although in its modern form it also means "are not," "is not" and even "have not" and "has not." The word makes a lot of sense as the contraction for "am not," which becomes monstrously awkward when it is inverted for questions. "Ain't I?" simply rolls off the tongue compared to the correct "Am I not?" or "Am not I?" Use either one of the latter two expressions, and people invariably think you're a hopeless snob or Shakespeare reincarnated. Because of the "am not I" complication, many people use "aren't I" instead, but do they also then say "I are"? Never!

"Ain't" is less tolerable as a substitute for "isn't" and "aren't" since their sources in "is not" and "are not" follow the rule for making contractions out of verbs. When the English language is involved, we should probably stick to the existing rules. Things are confusing enough without them.

"Ain't" doesn't do as well for "have/has not" either, as in "I ain't said no." After all, how do we get "ain't" out of "haven't"? Changing "have" to "haven't" isn't difficult enough to merit substitution by "ain't"!

America's educators tend to condemn "ain't" in all usages, and this is not a bad idea, since we want our children to hear correct English in the classroom. On the other hand, these same children are going to run into "ain't" for the rest of their lives, so why not explain to older students its specialized role in home-town dialogues and its use for emphasis? For example, Al Jolson's famous remark "You ain't heard nothin'

Letter to Editor policy explained

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR: The Spearman Reporter welcomes letters to the editor on subjects of interest to our readers, but require that the letters be signed to be published.

A signed letter can be verified to its authenticity and also carries more weight than unsigned letters.

Readers are also reminded that letters to the editor do not necessarily reflect the editorial policies or beliefs of the Spearman Reporter.

Editing may be necessary for space or clarity or to avoid obscenity, libel or invasion of privacy, but ideas will not be altered.

The Spearman Reporter recently received several letters to the editor that may have been of interest to our readers, but were unable to publish them due to the fact they were unsigned.

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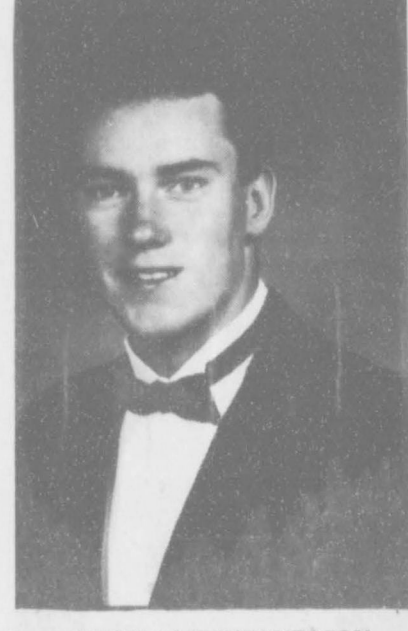
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THOMAS KEVIN NELSON

Nelson gets academic honors at Tech

Thomas Kevin Nelson has recently been initiated into the Phi Eta Sigma at Texas Tech University in Lubbock. Phi Eta Sigma is a scholastic honor society for students who, during their first year, have distinguished themselves scholastically. Requirements for membership in the honor society are high. Only about 2.25 percent of the students in the freshman class attain the honor each year. Nelson was named to the Dean's Honor Roll with a 3.57 G.P.A. He is also a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon social fraternity.

Obituary

CORA LEE SMITH
Cora Lee Smith died Thursday, Feb. 16, 1989. Services were in Boxwell Brothers Funeral Chapel. Burial was in Ochiltree Cemetery.

Mrs. Smith was born in Nocona, Tx. She lived in Perryton for many years and moved to Spearman in 1979.

She was married to Virgil B. Smith in 1913 at Mobeetie, Tx. He died in 1943.

Mrs. Smith was a homemaker and a member of Full Gospel Church in Perryton.

Survivors include a daughter, Juanita Cook of Spearman; a son V.B. Smith of Eufala, Okla; two brothers, Debs Bailey of Borger; and Guy Bailey of Dedias; two sisters, Margie Brooks and Birgie Bass both of Ardmore, Okla.; six grandchildren; twenty great grandchildren; and five great great grandchildren.

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to express our gratitude to the many friends and neighbors who extended numerous acts of kindness during the recent loss of our loved one. The flowers, food, phone calls, and other expressions of concern were a comfort to us and will be long remembered.

Sincerely,
Juanita Cook & family
V.B. Smith & family

Mission conference set at local church Mar. 11

The First United Methodist Church of Spearman will be hosting a Mission Conference on March 11 and 12 featuring missionaries, Mike and Bonnie Shrode and W.L. and Faye Armstrong. Jerry Lane will provide the music during parts of the conference.

Mike and Bonnie Shrode are from Canadian, Tex. They have been in Ecuador since 1980 working in the missionary field. While in Ecuador, Mike worked with the national evangelism committee to strengthen existing churches and establish new congregations and

Bonnie served as a teacher and principal of a school in Guayaquil for children of missionaries. The pair are currently serving as dorm parents in Quito for missionary children.

The Armstrongs have served in Missions in Hawaii and Indonesia as well as working in several towns in Texas. The couple has spent the last three years as missionaries in Indonesia, assigned by Bishop Schowengerdt. W.L. has helped to build new churches in Indonesia and establish new congregations while Faye has helped teach English.

Jerry Lane is a fifth grade school teacher in Pampa. He has been speaking and singing in churches in the Panhandle for the past nine years.

The conference will begin Saturday, March 11 with a breakfast at the United Methodist Church at 7 a.m. The Shrodes will be present that evening, the church will have a covered dish supper and the Armstrongs will present slides taken in Indonesia.

On Sunday, March 12, the church will have Sunday school at 9:45 with guest speakers present. The Sunday school is for all ages. At 11 a.m., there will be a service led by Mike Shrode. After the service a fellowship luncheon will take place.

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Among the Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

On the occasion of her latest 39th birthday, Olive Pendergraft was honored at a family birthday party in the home of her granddaughter, Peggy and Allen Varnon. Betty Gaines was a co-hostess.

Many happy returns from all the neighbors, Olive!!

Greg Hazlewood, with sons, Nicholas and Christopher, of Hereford spent the weekend with his parents, Paul and Betty Hazlewood.

A group of 27 members of the Union Church returned late Thursday night after a few days skiing at Red River during the school break.

Those enjoying the jaunt were the families of the Damon Goodhearts, Ladd Gaffards, Don Savages, Andy Francis, Jimmy McLeods; Marilyn Anderson and daughter; David Pearson and son; Matt and Mark Eakin, Ted Miller and Brian Beck.

Bodil Stackhouse spent last weekend with her mother, Ora Lee Blackburn. A few days previously, Bodil had fallen on ice in Dumas and broken her left elbow and right wrist. She has been able to return to some of her duties at the office of the Court of Civil Appeals, in Amarillo.

Doris and T.C. Kitchens are back after a long, sad trip to Virginia for the funeral of her sister, Annie McCord Neel. They were notified of her passing on Tuesday and left immediately, driving the 1,300 miles to Wytheville, Va.

The funeral was Friday. Mrs. Neel had visited here on many occasions and had formerly lived in Pampa.

The Kitchens noted the extensive flood damage through Missouri and Tennessee and ran into heavy snow at Nashville. Enroute home they spent a night with their daughter and family in Broken Arrow, Okla.

Overnight guests on Wednesday of Maxine Banister were old friends, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Bartholomew of Steamboat Springs, Colo.

Mrs. Valeta Bowen had foot surgery at High Plains Baptist Hospital last Wednesday. Despite her foot in a cast and the use of a walker, she says she is doing fine at home.

Minister and Mrs. Russell Gibbs left Tuesday for a brief visit with his parents to San Angelo. Enroute home they spent one night with her

parents in Amarillo.

The youth group of the First Baptist Church returned Saturday from a memory-making ski outing and retreat. They went to Crested Butte, Colo., where they found the snow good, but unusual, in that the three days they were there, it varied from icy to powdery. They left on Tuesday and returned Saturday.

The theme of the retreat was "Motivation" and was inspiring and stimulating.

Adults accompanying the young people were Mr. and Mrs. Scott Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Buford Baker, Will Black, Becky Lusby, Robert Queener, Doug Holmes.

The youth making the trip were Brook and Barry Beck, Stan Brandt, Tracy Thompson, Keith Clark, Chance Jackson, Billy Clubb, Mark Garcia, Jeff Hutchison, Kris Kelp, Toni Snow, Melissa, Brandon, and Kevin Baker.

Since some of the didos on the ski slope probably will make ski history, a video record was made for posterity and will be shown on Wednesday evening.

Woodrow Gibner had hip replacement surgery on Friday evening and it was considered to be successful. He expected to begin therapy on Monday. He is in Room 543, St. Anthony's Hospital, Amarillo and will be there for an indefinite time. The Gibner's son, Lynn Gibner of Portland, Oreg., is expected to be with them and will arrive on Wednesday.

Mozelle Sparks is missing her daughter, Sheila Munday, who left last Friday after a months visit. Sheila lives in Collbran, Colo.

During her stay here, she and her mother drove to Corpus Christi and visited her daughter.

Enroute home they stopped in Lubbock for a short stay with Teddy, and then also in Amarillo with her other son, Gene, and his family.

The basketball game at Level-land Saturday night for the regional championship certainly was not for the faint hearted. It was a thrilling game and the Gruver Greyhounds are to be congratulated for going as far as they have this season.

A VIP in the person of Emily Jo Tidwell arrived in Spokane, Wash. on Feb. 21. She weighed 7 pounds 7 ounces and proud parents are Lt. Mark and Carrie Tidwell. Her only grandparents are Claudine and Albert Clark (their first) and one great grandparent - E.A. Tidwell of Vernon.

Claudine and Albert flew up,

arriving some three hours after her birth. Albert returned in about a week, but Claudine remained for two weeks, reaching home late Sunday night.

An interesting note - One night they attended one game of the Washington State Girls' Basketball Tournament. In the huge crowd they came face to face with Ralph Newton, former Spearman basketball coach. He was visiting relatives in Spokane also.

After attending an interesting rodeo and stock show in Houston last week - the Larry Trospen family and Jody and Bill Harnish and family started home, following Glen Ray Mackie and his daughter. He was driving the truck with the livestock.

They left Houston about 10 a.m. Saturday morning. The highways were extremely icy and hazardous. Driving slowly, inch by inch, through snow and seeing countless accidents, they reached home safely at 5 a.m. Sunday morning.

Don and Lynanne Maize, with Jami Maize and Dezzi Pearson, spent several days at Angel Fire, skiing. They returned Sunday night.

Others enjoying the Slopes at Angel Fire were the families of the Charles and Fred Shieldknights, the Dick Gillaspies, Jimmy and Lois Shieldknight, Marcia Shieldknight and Debbie Stopper of Amarillo.

Results of the choir and individuals in the Spearman High School Music Department are carried elsewhere in this issue. Congratulations to the soloists for their excellent ratings and good luck in their next contests. Those winners of a First Division were Clint Patterson, Michele Graham, Miranda Loomis and Shannon Baxter.

Spearman music lovers may have difficulty picturing Clint as a winner in the robust, vigorous, physical arena of rodeo, just as the cowboys may have difficulty picturing Clint with vocal ability. They will have a chance to see him in action soon. No, he will not ride on stage horseback, ala Roy Rogers, but he will appear in a voice recital with the talented Miranda Loomis.

Miranda and Clint are students of Mrs. Scott in Borger and she feels their friends should have an opportunity to hear them.

They will be presented on Sunday, Mar. 19, at the First Baptist Church at 2:30 p.m. Clint and Miranda are reluctant to say "Y'all" come, but the public is invited.

Hansford Hospital admittances since last Monday are: Clyde Soapes, Jr., and Gene Leatherman, Gruver; Barbara Alexander, Fred Howard, Mindy Stewart, Jeoffroy Langlains, Bernice Ford, Borger; Christina Gonzales, Stinnett; and from Spearman - William Johnson, Phoebe Fox, Winnie Carol Allen, Ed Garner, Elizabeth Nitschke, Eva Adkinson, Jo Dell Tigrett, Karen Schnell, Anna McGary, Mildred Dailey, Elsie Mathews, Joe Cummings, Connie Holmes, Virgil Williamson, Thelma Tindell, James Cummings.

To report locals, call 659-3468.

Club News

SPEARMAN BOOK CLUB

Members of the Spearman Book Club met Feb. 28 in the home of Mrs. Tom Etter for dinner and a book review given by Mrs. Judy Nelson. The title of the book was *Change Points* by Joyce Landorf. Nelson said the book stressed that one needs to learn how to cope with change and check out the real needs versus the wants of one's life.

Those present who enjoyed the evening were: Mesdames Frank Hefner, Herbert Kirk, O.C. Holt, Carrie Marie Berry, Bruce Sheets, Joe Trayler, Jane Meek, Hostess Tom Etter and guest, Judy Nelson.

HANSFORD COUNTY LIBRARY NEWS

Bea Reed is the featured Artist of the Month at Hansford County Library. She is married to J.W. Reed of Perryton. As part of a long-time desire, she has taken art lessons from Margaret Womble for two years.

Reed finished school in Dodge City, Kan., and attended Wilcox Beauty School and St. Anthony's School of Nursing there. She later attended classes at Biggers School of Paints in Scottsbluff, Nev., studying work in ceramics, tile and china painting.

Reed has been a homemaker and mother, raising seven children. She keeps busy with her home, canning, reading writing, and painting.

The public is invited to come to the library and view her paintings.

DAHLIA FLOWER CLUB

The Dahlia Flower Club met Monday, Mar. 6, with Louise Archer. The meeting was called to order by the president, Marjorie Curtis. The Pledge of Allegiance and the Club Collect, given by all the members in unison, opened the meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved, Myrna Biggers gave the outline of the new year book. Roll call was answered with "A goal I hope to accomplish this year."

The refreshments were served to Marjorie Curtis, Myrna Biggers, Sada Hoskins, Sammy Bishop, Cleo Denman, Ethel Ellsworth, Mabel Edwards, Karen Babitzke, Ruth Mary Whitson, Holly Riley, Jewel Turner, and the hostess, Louise Archer.

The next meeting will be Mar. 20 with hostess Ruth Mary Whitson in the home of Louise Archer.

Birth Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Reneau of New Orleans, La. are proud to announce the birth of a son, Kenneth Windell, born Feb 26. He weighed eight pounds, four ounces, and was 21 inches long.

Maternal grandmother is Mrs. Ruth Ann Giggy of White Deer, Tex. Great grandmothers are Mrs. Stella Giggy and Mrs. Rosina Bartel both of Newton, Kan. Paternal grandmother is Mrs. Selma Reneau of Spearman.



Ants can be frozen for long periods without harm. Many spend the winter inside logs and stumps, coated with ice crystals.



Clarendon College announced the student body choice for Most Spirited for 1988-89, Bryan Caison of Spearman and Larinda Pettit of Clarendon. Bryan was also nominated for Cowboy of the Year. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Caison of Spearman.

Area museum launches art auction fundraiser

The Museum of the Plains in Perryton is combining art and history to launch its first art auction fundraiser. Called "Art for History's Sake" the auction is planned for Saturday, April 1, beginning at 8 p.m. at the Perryton Club, 520 S.E. 24th.

The art will be available for viewing at 7 p.m., and hors

d'oeuvres, punch and coffee will be served to patrons. There is no charge to attend the event, with all proceeds raised through art sales.

Auctioneer services are being donated by Swink and Cook Auction Company.

A limited edition sculpture created by Jan Searle-Kubby valued at \$750 will be given away.

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Community Calender

MARCH

10 ²⁹⁷

County Spelling Bee 4:30

Canadian Track Meet all Divisions

12 ²⁹⁵	13 ²⁹⁴	14 ²⁹³	15 ²⁹²	16 ²⁹¹	17 ²⁹⁰	18 ²⁸⁹
One-act Play at 2:30 in HS AUD.		One-act Play Contest at Boys' Ranch City meeting 7:30 p.m.	Womens Division C of C Meeting Noon at JJ's Restaurant	Ambassadors' Meeting Noon at JJ's Restaurant	Stinnett Track Meet all Divisions Stock Show	HOLIDAY St. Patrick's Day

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