

# Agriculture changes mold county's third decade

**Editor's note:** This is the second half of our Centennial Series' article on the third decade of Hansford County history [1910-1920]. Today's article covers changes that occurred during this time period, including increased mechanization of farming, the move from Old Hansford to Spearman with the coming of the railroad, World War I, and anecdotes about early school days. Next week's article will deal with the fourth decade of county history [1920-1930].

A consideration of what was happening in the world of agriculture is appropriate for Hansford County's third decade (1910-1920). The period from 1900 until the years of World War I has been called the "Golden Era" of American agriculture, but many of these years were characterized by drought in the Texas Panhandle. It must be remembered that prior to 1915, all farming was done with horse-drawn plows, binders and headers. All phases of farm operation were labor-intensive and time-consuming.

As Vera B. (Lackey) Worten described it in an article published in the *Hansford Plainsman* in 1964, "We had no tractors, but we had advanced to the place that we had disc plows drawn by eight head of horses. We finally cut our wheat with headers and hauled it in stacks on barges built on wagons." She estimated that it took a month to cut 150 acres of wheat and six weeks to thresh the grain. "A header man made \$3 a day," she reported, adding that this was an "unheard of price" in those days, being so high, but that other workers made \$1.50 a day, which was still quite a good salary.

**Feeding the threshing crew.**  
Jessie Spivey recalls the vast amounts of food women prepared for the seasonal threshing crews,

and how these men would sleep out in the yard at night. "We'd cook lots of fried chicken and cakes and beans and lemonade," she reports, "and Johnie and I butchered our own hogs, too." She agrees with Vera Lackey Worten's statement that "I never saw men eat so much in my life!"

Steam and gasoline-powered farm equipment made it possible for fewer men to plant, cultivate and harvest far greater quantities of wheat in the following years. Herb Kirk's father had a gasoline-powered thresher and hired himself out to his neighbors for many years at harvest time. With the advent of the combine (see next week's article for more on this), W.V. Edwards, who also owned the county's first gasoline-powered tractor, was able to harvest 1,000 acres of wheat!

Faye Wilbanks Klutts, daughter of "Aunt" Susan Wilbanks, describes Old Hansford in its heyday (late 1890's to about 1920) as "a small place but a busy little place." The town boasted two banks, a hardware store, a drug-store, a mercantile, lumberyards, a three-storied schoolhouse, the county courthouse and its famed Eclipse windmill, a hotel, and many permanent homes. The streets were unpaved, but there was telephone service available and mail came every other day by stage from Dodge City, Kansas.

When the railroad bypassed it, however, Old Hansford, in the words of the Robertsons in their *Panhandle Pilgrimage*, "died on the vine." By the winter of 1919, with the Santa Fe's tracks laid in Spearman, Old Hansford residents were resigned to moving to the railroad's site.

Spearman was named for one of the Santa Fe's officials. Local historian G.W. Robinson explains that Mr. Thomas Spearman was

not the vice president of this railroad company, as reported in several books on local history, but was in fact a surveyor. The town was named for him and Bernice Street after his wife! Kenneth Street was also the name of a Santa Fe official.

Many of the other streets platted out in 1917 were named for Hansford County residents. Haney and Gibner were physicians here, for example. It is curious that many of the county's most important pioneers do not have streets named for them in Spearman--where is Cator Street, for example?--and it seems unjust that railroaders who never settled here would have that honor in their place.

#### Old Hansford "dies"

Prior to Old Hansford's demise, the United States became involved in first world war. Max Lackey, Vera's brother, was the first Hansford County boy to enlist when World War I was declared. Floyd and Susan Wilbanks sent two sons to the war. In Susan Dacus's story on the life of Susan Wilbanks, it is reported that Lawrence and Henry's parents took them to Guymon, where they entrained for camp. Lawrence became quite ill in Austin with the dreaded influenza while Lawrence

shipped out for France. The county's only war fatality was Jessie Spivey's brother-in-law, Sulavan R. Spivey, who was killed at Argonne, Mrs. Spivey's daughter, Ada Joyce, visited his grave many years later in an American Cemetery in Europe. Jessie's own Johnie also served but, in her words, "was not sent across." Another Hansford County boy, Jess Hays, lost his hand in the war.

#### World War I involvement

World War I brought with it a great demand for wheat at a time when there was inadequate manpower in the fields. As wheat was exported in record amounts to Europe, its market price rose to \$2.10 per bushel. Hansford County residents did their part for the war with Red Cross drives and war bond sales. As Susan Wilbanks said, "We were rationed on flour, sugar and meat and felt no hardship in our war effort. The main thing was to get the boys home as soon as possible."

The end of the war brought all the boys but one home to Hansford County, but as Jessie Spivey admits, "Johnie was kind of restless back home first. He would have been shipped across soon if it hadn't ended. It took all the boys a while to get back in this country."

#### Moving to Spearman

The Santa Fe railroad finished its work and Spearman became an established town as Old Hansford began to die. Buildings were moved from Old Hansford to Spearman by steam-driven vehicles, but the process took up to two full days and was quite expensive. J.D. Wilbanks' costs for moving a building were recorded as being \$1,450.00!

Two buildings in Spearman today were originally built in Old Hansford and then moved here. They are the Maize-Brandt building (presently Sack's Third Avenue) and the old Hansford Hotel (presently Horse Creek

Boutique). The Dacus family lived in the hotel at the time it was moved, and they simply rode in their home as it rolled towards Spearman. The first building moved to Spearman was the John R. Collard Real Estate Office and hard on its heels followed Bill and Denzil Bardford's Telephone Company office. Bill's wife, Spray Wilbanks Bardford, was Spearman's first woman resident.

Old Hansford remained the county seat for some years after this. More information on this subject will be included in the article about Hansford County's

see THIRD DECADE, p.2



This building was built in Hansford and later moved to Spearman. [now the Hotel Royal]

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YOUR HOMETOWN NEWSPAPER

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## Spearman school sends 31 athletes to Regionals

Spearman High School will be represented by 31 athletes at Regional Competition in Abilene April 27, 28, and 29. In the Regional Golf competition, 10 SHS students will compete, 15 in track (Shawn Cook is in both tennis and track) and seven students will compete in the Regional Tennis Meet.

The girls' golf team, who took

second place at the District Meet qualifying them for Regional competition consists of Marci Womble, Sunshine Smith, Nancy Ivey, Jennifer Turner, and Carly Shieldknight. The boys' team who also took second at District is made up of team members Alan Howell, Keith Clark, Carson Womble, Pat Shields, and Ron Whittington.

Tracksters that will be com-

peting at Regionals include Ron McCown in the high jump, Shawn Cook in the 110 meter high hurdles, the 300 meter intermediate hurdles, pole vault, long jump and as a member of the 400 meter relay team.

Lance Swan and Matt Tucker will be going to compete in the discus and shot put events. Jerold

Blan will be running in the 3200 and on the 400 meter relay team. Haskell Garrett and Chris Williamson are the other two members of the 400 meter relay team.

The girls competing in Track Regionals are Heather Murrell in the long jump, high jump, 100 meter hurdles, 400 meter dash and as a member of the 1600 meter relay team.

Joy Gafford will be competing in the high jump competition and on the 400 and 800 relay teams. Laci Lasater will compete in the

triple jump, 100 meter hurdles and the 400 meter dash and on the 1600 meter relay team.

Krista Kirkland will be in Regional competition in the 1600 and 3200 meter runs.

The other members of the 1600 meter relay team going to Regionals include Sonya Nitschke and Shannon Holton. The 800 meter relay team other members are Carla Greene, Nitschke, and Suzanne Sanders. The other 400 meter relay team members are Mindy Lasater, Nitschke, and

Sanders.

In tennis, Shawn Cook and Slaid Jones will be competing in boys singles. Cook took first place at District and Jones was second. Brandi Schneider will compete in girls singles after winning first place at District. Tamri Townsen and Cam Butts will compete in girls doubles after winning first place in doubles in the District Meet. Jan Crawford and Ginger Pearson took second at the District Meet in girls doubles, also qualifying them for Regionals.



Members of the Spearman Golf Team that took second place at the District Golf Meet qualifying them for regional competition are: [front row, l-r] Alan Howell, Keith Clark, [back row] Carson Womble, Pat Shields, and Ron Whittington.



Members of the Spearman Girls Golf Team include [l-r] front row: Marci Womble and Sunshine Smith, [back row] Nancy Ivey, Jennifer Turner, and Carly Shieldknight. They took second place at District, qualifying them for regional competition.

## Spearman Council to meet Tuesday, April 25

The Spearman City Council will meet on Tuesday, April 25 at 8 p.m. in the City Hall to discuss items on the agenda.

After consideration of the minutes of the last meeting, council will consider awarding a contract for property and liability insurance coverage from May 1, 1989 through April 30, 1990. Council will then consider providing financial support to the Retail Merchants Committee of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce for additional Christmas decorations.

Next, a status report from the city council's committee reviewing the Spearman Volunteer Fire Department will be reviewed.

After discussion of the preceding matters, council will move on

to the consideration of a change order #1 with Lewis Construction Company to increase their contract from \$42,791.99 to \$48,437.99 for the 1989 sealcoat project.

The council will then regard the matter of whether to award a purchase contract for a front mount riding tractor mower for the Parks Department. They will also consider a professional services agreement with Brandt Engineering Inc. in the amount of \$4,000 for the design and inspection of an animal control shelter.

Councilmembers will consider the monthly revenue and expense report, and open the meeting to other matters before adjourning the meeting.

City secretary, Cheryl Gibson reports that the Zoning Board of Adjustment will meet at 7:30 p.m. on April 27 in the council chambers of the City Hall at 30 S.W. Court in Spearman. A public hearing will be held in conjunction with the meeting.

The meeting will first address the minutes of the Zoning Board of Adjustment Meeting held on March 30.

The public hearing will be for the purpose of considering waiving the "minimum side yard setback regulation" for an addition to be constructed on the north side of the single family dwelling on lot 10, Block 12, Glover Terrace, which is street address 1103 Haney.

## Classroom Teachers Association presents "Meet the Candidates"

The Spearman Classroom Teachers' Association (CTA) announces a "Meet the Candidates" Forum to be conducted Thursday, May 4 at 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. The purpose of this forum is for voters in Spearman to meet the seven candidates on the election slate for the Spearman Independent School Board. This election will take place on Saturday, May 6 at the high school.

The seven candidates vying for the three school board positions include three incumbents: Tom Latta, Dennis Nelson, and Charles Shieldknight. The four other can-

didates are: Carolyn Gresset, Linda Jarvis, Randy Kirk and Craig Schumann. School board members serve a three-year term once elected.

Each candidate will have the opportunity to present his or her platform of ideas at the May 4 "Meet the Candidates" Forum. The Forum is open to the public.

Questions from the public will be screened in advance. This is done in fairness to those candidates who are not incumbents. Anyone having a question of any candidate may call 659-2584 between 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. on Monday through Wednesday,

April 24-26 to leave their question on an answering machine. Selected questions will be chosen for the moderator to ask of the candidates.

The school board election will follow on May 6. Voters can come to the high school to cast their ballots between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. on election day. School board election results will be announced on Radio Station KRDF later that evening after the polls close. Absentee voting can be done in the business office at the high school between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. from now until May 2.



# Events plentiful in Centennial Celebration

Plans are being made for the best Hansford County Celebration yet, as committee members prepare for the June 2, 3 and 4 Centennial Celebration. Tickets are on sale now for a combination of many events. Events included on the combination ticket are two night rodeo performances; a street dance; barbeque dinner; breakfast; and Joe Mack Cherry; Country Cookin' and Gary P Nunn and the Sons of the Bunkhouse performances. The combination ticket for all events sells for \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 13-years and under.

Organizers of the events encourage members of the community to get involved with the plans for the Centennial Celebration, and help by purchasing tickets early. The following committee members may be contacted for tickets: Loretto Cook, Linda Butt, Randy and Donna Hendrickson, Hazel Shieldknight, Pat Dear, R.L. McFarlin, and George Young.

As part of the festivities celebrating Hansford County's Centennial, organizers will be having

a biathlon to be held June 3. The race will allow athletes from all around the "Golden Spread" (Kansas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Texas) to participate in the event.

The Biathlon is a 10-mile bike ride followed by a three-mile run. The race will begin at 8 a.m. at Gopher's convenience store on the east edge of Gruver and will finish at the Hansford County Courthouse in Spearman.

Entry fee is \$10 if paid in advance (by May 26), or \$12 after May 26.

Race categories begin at 13 and under, then continue with 14 to 16, 17 to 19, 20 to 24, 25 to 29, 30 to 34, 35 to 39, 40 to 44, 45 to 49, 50 to 54, 55 to 59, and 60 and over. There will be awards presented to the top three finishers in each age category, trophies to top finishers overall, and t-shirts given to all participants.

For more information contact Joe and Wanda Archer, 403 S. Barkley, Spearman, Tx. 79081 or call (806) 659-3519. Early registration is encouraged because of number of participants. A release form must also be signed.

fourth decade, which will appear next week.

### One-room schoolhouses

Hansford County schools were still unconsolidated at this point, and there were many one-room schoolhouses spread across the rural areas. Mrs. Carrie Cotter and Jessie (Eubank) Spivey were two of these early schools' teachers. Mrs. Spivey has wonderful memories of her 1918-19 tenure as Lakeside School's teacher.

"Oh, my pupils were so good! I had 19 of them and I boarded with the Doziers just a quarter mile from the school house," she reminisces. "I'd go down of a morning with my lunch in a bucket and make up the fire. We carried our water to the school from the Dozier Place." She swears that she never had to paddle anybody, but "I did keep some in after school a time or two." Mrs. Spivey was paid \$75 a month to teach at Lakeside, \$15 of which was paid the Doziers for her room and board.

Mrs. Spivey married Johnie Spivey after teaching for one year at Lakeside. Four of the Spivey brothers married Lakeside school teachers, in fact!

In an article she wrote describing her teaching experiences, published in the **Spearman Reporter** years ago, Carrie Cotter tells about her 56 students in Old Hansford's school. In one amusing incident, she explains that the routine was to send "little folks ten years and under" out to play in the afternoons. One day, as she announced "All you little folks rise and pass out for your extra play," a boy named Millard Martin put his head down on his desk and began to sob "like his heart would break." Upon asking what was wrong, Millard told his teacher, "I'm eleven today." Mrs. Cotter took pity on him and sent him outside to play anyway!

**Correction:**  
Last week's timeline incorrectly gave World War I dates as 1913-1918. The correct dates are 1916-1918.

The following are ads that ran in old editions of the **Spearman Reporter**.

### Notice

The practice by certain parties of driving ours through my gates without opening, tearing down and leaving same open, must be discontinued. This notice is final. This pernicious practice will no longer be tolerated. I will pay a reward of \$50 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the guilty party.  
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### Wanted

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## Ask Ann Richards

How can I get my name off mailing lists?

Editors Note: State Treasurer Ann W. Richards each week answers questions about personal finance and state government. These questions are compiled from various letters to the State Treasury. Answers are not intended to take the sound advice of reputable financial advisers or other professional counselors.

If you have a question, write:  
Ask Ann Richards  
PO Box 12608  
Capitol Station  
Austin, Texas 78711



Send \$2 for each booklet to "Guide," Investment Company Institute, 1600 M Street NW, Suite 600, Washington, DC 20036.

Is there a publication I could buy or a place I can call for a listing of mutual funds that are currently available? I have been looking to invest my money in a mutual fund, but there seems to be so many ways to go.

There are quite a few mutual funds out there—several thousand to be exact.

The Investment Company Institute is a national trade group whose member companies com-

prise most of the mutual fund industry. The institute publishes a guidebook listing the funds that are members of the institute, along with basic information on mutual funds, advice on reading a prospectus, and contact names for each fund.

This directory would be a good starting place for information on investing in mutual funds.

I am so tired of opening my mail box to another pile of junk mail. How can I get my name off mailing lists?

Companies buy and sell mailing lists to other companies all the time.

If you have ever ordered something through the mail, chances are your name was put on a list. That company may have sold the list to another company, who turned around and sold its list to another company.

If you want to get your name off mailing lists, send your request in writing to:

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Direct Mail Marketing Association  
P.O. Box 3861  
Grand Central Station  
New York, NY 10163-3861

Your name will be sent to nationwide and regional companies that use mailing lists. Your name should be removed from their lists within about 4 months.

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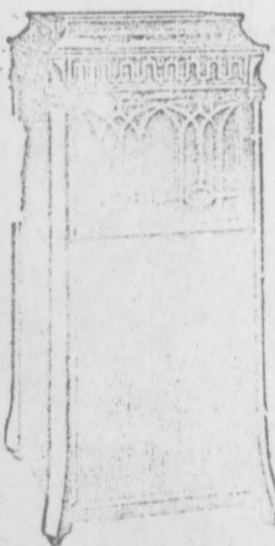
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## Quiz Time! Quiz Time!

Look for new Quiz Questions in next week's Centennial Series article on Hansford County's third decade.

Last week's Quiz Questions covered the third decade of Hansford County history. The second half of this decade's article appears today. Respondants to the questions were P.A. Lyon and Woody Gibner.

The "Short Answer" Quiz Question from last week was "Who sold the first combines in

Hansford County?" The answer is R.L. McClellan Sr. If you were paying attention, McClellan's grain elevator was pictured in the background of our photo showing the trainload of Case combines brought to Spearman in 1926.

Last week's "Think About It" Quiz Question was "How or why did Spearman become the county seat?" Look for this answer in next week's Centennial Series article. (Yes, we are going to make you wait!)

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## Obituary Roberts to graduate from Amarillo College

### Oscar Ball

Oscar Ball of Anthony, Kan., brother-in-law of Joyce Woolley and Linda Coombs of Spearman, suffered a stroke Wednesday night April 12 and passed away Saturday April 15.

Services were Tuesday April 18 in Anthony, Kan.

Those attending the services from Spearman were: Mrs. and Mrs. Paul Woolley and Tim; Mr. and Mrs. Randy Coombs and Kiley; Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Graham; and Mr. and Mrs. George Rex and Garrett and Kelcee.

### Reception planned;

### honors Lela Dortch

The children and grandchildren of Mrs. Lela Dortch are hosting a reception in honor of her 90th birthday on April 29 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Hansford Manor in Spearman.

Lela Dortch was born in Miami, Tex. in 1899 on May 1 to Annie and L. Owen Boney. The family moved to a homestead in Sherman County, 3 miles west of Morse in 1905. Other family members include brother, F.W. (Cap), sisters, Verda, Annie and Cora.

Lela moved to Miami where she lived with an aunt to attend high school (as Morse had no high school at that time). She later went by train to Kansas City to attend business school.

She married Mack Dortch of the Spurlock Community (north of Sunray) in 1920. She had been teaching school prior to the marriage and he had just returned from World War I.

The couple moved to Morse in 1928. They had seven children, Virgie Lee, Billie Jean, Jack, John, Maxine, Doyle and Tom. She now has many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Her husband died in 1965 and three of her children have died, Billie, Jack and Doyle.

Mrs. Dortch was a longtime member of the Baptist Church in Morse until moving into Hansford Manor last December. She was an active member of the Morse community.

### THANK YOU

I would like to say Thanks for the prayers, cards, calls, and flowers while I was in the hospital. May God Bless each one of you.

Thank you,  
Mary Miesner

## Roberts to graduate from Amarillo College

Charla Roberts of Spearman will be among the 522 graduating from Amarillo College May 12 at 7 p.m. in the Cal Farley Coliseum Amarillo Civic Center.

Roberts will receive a degree in Associate Degree Nursing.

Dr. George T. Miller, president of Amarillo College will preside at the graduation ceremony which will be followed by a reception which the public is invited to attend.

### Harris honored

ShaLynna Harris, daughter of Roy and Rhema Dell Harris of Morse, Tex., was initiated as a Charter Member of Sigma Kappa Sorority,--Theta Nu Chapter, at Baylor University in Waco, Tex. recently.

Sigma Kappa is one of the oldest national sororities with 112 active chapters and over 87,000 members. Its philanthropies include Gerontology and Alzheimer's Disease research, The American Farm School, and the Maine Sea Coast Mission.

Harris is a junior business major at Baylor. She also participates in the Baylor Big Brother/Sister Program, the Methodist Home Big Brother/Sister Program, the Baylor Riding Assoc., and teaches a 5-year-old preschool Sunday School class. She has also been chosen as a member of the Welcome Week Support Staff 1989.



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Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Stokes

## Chase-Stokes wed

Heidi LuRae Chase and Christopher Alan Stokes were united in marriage recently with the Rev. John Eastman officiating. The ceremony was held at Amarillo Bible Church in Amarillo.

The bride is the daughter of Janet Chase of Amarillo and Ronnie Chase of Borger. Parents of the groom are Larry and Yvonda Stokes of Amarillo.

Maid of honor was Heather Chase, twin sister of the bride. Bridesmaid was Shelley Lambert, sister of the bride, of Miami, Tex.

Best man was Ronnie Sanderson of Amarillo. Groomsman was Blane Jones of Pampa. Ring-bearer was Matt Lambert, nephew of the bride. Guests were seated by Robert Chase, brother of the

bride, and James Thornton.

Krystal Stokes, sister of the groom, of Wichita, Kan., sang "Wind Beneath my Wings" and "Household of Faith," accompanied by Chet Russell, pianist.

Chris Stokes is the grandson of Johnny and Edith Pipkin and has spent several summers helping his grandfather and uncle farm in Spearman.

Out-of-town guests included Johnny and Edith Pipkin, Richard and Lisa Pipkin, Candice, Kara and David, all of Spearman; Orlene Martin of Quitman, Ark., and Quida Wilson, Perryton.

The groom is employed at Wilhite Refrigeration Service, Inc., in Amarillo.

## Newcomb receives greetings from White House

Ernest Newcomb came into the Spearman Reporter this week waving his birthday card from President and Mrs. George Bush. Newcomb, who will be 86 years old today, April 23, claims he does not know how he got on the White House mailing list!

We'd like to share Newcomb's card with our readers. It reads as follows:

"We are delighted to send our best wishes on your birthday. May health and happiness be yours in the months and years ahead. Congratulations on this special day."

It was signed by Barbara Bush and George Bush.

## Wedding Announcement

Karon Matthews Farber and Richard Hampton announce their recent marriage on Friday, April 14 at the Little White Chapel in Las Vegas, Nev.

## Paper profiles class of 1979

Zane Newton is presently serving as minister of youth and recreation at Calvary Baptist Church, Vernon, Texas. Prior to Vernon, Zane served as minister of youth and music at First Baptist Church, Laverne, Oklahoma. He is married to the former Kandy Stovall of Fritch and they have two children, Kaleb Zane, age 5 and Rachel Karmel, age one year.

## Boxwell to appear in theatre production of DROOD

A local woman, Candy Boxwell, will appear in the Amarillo Little Theatre (ALT) production, DROOD. Performances are scheduled for May 4, 5, 6, 12 and 13 at 8 p.m. and matinee performances on May 7 and 14 at 2:30 p.m. The performances will be at the ALT, located at 2019 Civic Circle in Amarillo.

DROOD is a five-time Tony Award winning musical, The Mystery of Edwin Drood. It was adapted from the work of Charles Dickens, who died before completing the book. Rupert Holmes took the unfinished book and created a bawdy musical, set in the Cloisterham Music Hall

Royale in the 1800's. The fact that Dickens died prior to letting the reader in on the conclusion of the murder mystery, proved to be a winning tool for Holmes. With each performance, the audience has the privilege of voting for the character that they think killed Edwin Drood. The cast is prepared to perform one of seven different endings according to the audience's selection.

Boxwell will portray Edwin Drood. The ALT offers student and senior discounts and also group rates. Reserved seats can be purchased by calling the ALT or going by 2019 Civic Center. Tickets may also be purchased at the door.

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## Among the Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Twice as proud as most grandparents are Faye and Bart McDonald as they have twice as much to be proud of with the arrival of twin grandchildren. The girl, Chaela Marie, weighed 5 pounds, 6 1/2 ounces and the boy, Jory Adam, weighed 4 pounds, 11 1/2 ounces. They were born March 29 at Ochiltree General Hospital in Perryton to Anna and Lorenzo Sanchez. Their brothers, Jeremy, Joshua and Nathaniel greeted them.

Other grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Rodriguez of Barstow, Calif. Great grandmothers are Mrs. Nellie McDonald and Mrs. Sarah Hamilton, both of Spearman.

Denetta and Larry Hagerman were in Spearman over the weekend where they visited his mother, Lucille Hagerman, and other relatives.

They live in Austin and came up to attend her grandmother's funeral at Hooker. Larry is engaged in the production of airplane instruments and Denetta is a student at Texas University.

To all those who were surprised to hear of Dan Desimone's surgery and expected to go visit him at St. Anthony's--too late. He had a triple bypass on Monday and since Sunday is already home. He is in a quandary--should he be proud of his rapid recovery, or dismayed that he didn't have a longer hospital stay with all the sympathy and TLC?

The Desimones are grateful for the friends and relatives who came over and stood by during the surgery.

Bill Russell Sr. had a pleasant weekend with his son, Bill Jr. and wife Sue from Sunday through Tuesday. Bill Jr. is retired and they live at Temple.

Leona Sikes of Portales has been here several days with her mother, Margaret Shedeck, and Richard, of the Manor, and Dolly and Jack McWhirter. Mrs. Shedeck suffered a painful fall last week but apparently is recovering.

Karen Reimer, one of Spearman's talented artists, received well-deserved recognition last week when three pieces of her artwork were selected to hang at the First National Bank of Ama-

rillo. This was in connection with the "Best of the Southwest" juried show.

Another of Karen's handiwork was chosen to hang in the Amarillo Public Library during the month of May. It is titled "Circus Memories."

In addition to exhibiting her work, Karen found time to spend two days with son, Greg, who is attending Southwestern Oklahoma University at Weatherford.

The children (brothers and sisters of Mr. and Mrs. Sid Beck met at Caddo Lake in east Texas on April 5 for a reunion. After five days, they all went to Freeport for a few days. They went to visit their sister, Marietta Huse. Since her health is too poor for traveling, she and Smoky are staying there near their daughters.

Al and Juanita Tucker and Marie Beck went from Spearman. They were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Beck, Perryton; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Beck, Dayton, Ohio; Jeanette and Bob Kiker, Albuquerque, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Beck, Amarillo.

When 82 birthdays have come and gone, more than one celebration is needed to properly observe the occasion.

On Saturday evening, Lelan Close was surprised by family members bringing a beautiful birthday cake, homemade ice cream, gifts and having a cookout to share his birthday. Helping to blow out his candles were his sons and daughter and other family members. Carl and Jeanie Close and their daughter Cari and Eugene Carrillo of Borger were there with Mike and Carolyn Close and Brandon of Spearman, also Carol Stumpf, Rhonda Baker and Pam Stumpf with great grandson, Brad Carlyle, and neighbor Maxine Banister.

On Sunday, the Carl Closes hosted a birthday dinner at Borger for them. Then on Tuesday evening his neighbors came to his home, bringing cake and punch for an evenings fellowship. They were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Garner, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Ricketts, Maxine Banister and Dolores Sloan.

Lelan was born south of Spearman in Hansford County in 1907 in a "half-dugout" and has witnessed and experienced much of Hansford County's history.

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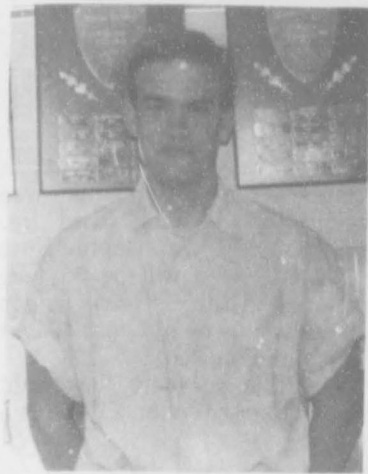




Haskell Garrett will compete at the Regional Track Meet as a member of the 400 meter relay team.



Laci Lasater qualified for Regionals in four events.



Clint Patterson claimed fourth place in Prose Interpretation at the UIL District Meet.



In the Science competition at the District UIL meet on March 31 at Highland Park were front row: [l-r] Krista Kirkland, Tony Pacheco, and Dary Hawkins; [back row] Pat Shields, Ross Jarvis and Clint Patterson. Pat Shields took third place to qualify him for Regionals in the event.



[L-r] Ginger Pearson, Jan Crawford and Laci Lasater competed in Ready Writing at District UIL meet. Pearson will go to Regionals in the event.



From l-r, Kay Beeson, Melissa Beck and Shannon Baxter competed in UIL at the District Meet in Accounting.



L-r are Ross Jarvis, Maria Gomez and Laura Dyess, took first, third and second respectively in Calculator at the District UIL Meet.



[L-r] Tony Pacheco, Pat Shields, and Mark Garcia competed in Literary Criticism at the District UIL event. Pacheco took fourth place and Pat Shields took fifth.



These students qualified to go to Regional competition April 22 in Abilene in UIL events. Top row [l-r] are Krista Kirkland, Jeff Hutchison, Tony Pacheco, Pat Shields, Ross Jarvis; Front row: Laura Dyess, Maria Gomez and Ginger Pearson.



Ron McCown will be going to Regionals at Abilene to compete in the high jump event.

Leslie Latta and Jessica Woolley were in competition at the District UIL Meet held at Highland Park on March 30.



Heather Murrell will go to Regional competition in five events.



Joy Gafford will be competing in the high jump, 400 meter relay and 800 meter relay at Regionals.

## 7th grade boys place 3rd at District Meet at Panhandle

At the District Track Meet in Panhandle April 14 and 15, the Spearman seventh grade boys placed third out of six participating teams from surrounding towns, and the eighth grade boys came in fifth in total points.

Kory Brown captured a first place ribbon for Spearman in the discus with 113' 10." Brandon Vanderburg claimed second place in the high jump, 4' 10," fifth in the 200 meter dash with a time of 27.58, and a sixth place in the pole vault, 7' 0."

Victor Lopez took second in the long jump competition with a jump of 16' 2." He came in third place in the 100 meter dash with a time of 12.59, and he had a sixth place in the discus, 87' 1."

Jason Varnon took fifth in the 110 meter high hurdles with 20.25. He made a sixth place ribbon in the 200 meter hurdles, 33.30.

Todd Marshall made a fourth place for the seventh grade boys in the long jump with a jump of 15' 7." In the 100 meter dash, he came in sixth with a time of 13.37.

The seventh grade boys 400 and 800 meter relay teams took second and third place, respectively.

On the eighth grade track team for Spearman, Cody Pipkin gained high points with two first place ribbons. He captured first in the 1200 meter run with a time of 3:43.63, and in the 800 meter run

his time of 2:15.02 was good enough for first. He also took a third place in the high jump competition, 5' 2."

Russell Shaver had the sixth place finish in the long jump, 16' 7." Mike Hagar was sixth in the 110 meter hurdles, 19.92. In the 800 meter run, Junior Tercero was sixth with a time of 25.29.

The Spearman eighth grade boys 400 meter relay team took fourth place.

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## Consumer Groups Storm Local Grocery Stores!

### Stores point finger at newspaper

Today saw one of the largest consumer responses of the week to offers made by local grocery stores for discounted prices. Across the city, shoppers were redeeming coupons cut from the local paper in record numbers.

"We know any offer we make will be highlighted most by the newspaper," commented a grocery store spokesman. "Our goal is simply to inform the consumers that these discounts are available. We are confident they will respond if they see it in the paper." His statement was backed by recent Consumer Data Service reports that indicated grocery store ads triple volume on discounted items and double volume on regularly priced items. It also revealed grocery ads are read by well over 70% of newspaper readers.

Grocery store representatives unanimously agreed that newspaper advertising was the only way to get immediate consumer response. One grocer remarked, "Most people read the paper, and a bunch of those readers clip our coupons. It's that simple." His comments reflect the well known Manufacturer's Coupon Center report which stated that over 80% of all families use coupons.

"When consumers want more for their money, they always go to the



Grocer claims local newspaper "totally responsible" for consumer rush

### "We make great offers in our newspaper ads every week, and we always get great response."

newspaper," a grocery official said. When pressed by reporters for the best offer he could make to the consumers he replied, "Look in the paper, it's all right there. Green leaf lettuce, two heads for 79¢...with a coupon of course."

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students and parents about this program.

Coming from the "Just Say No" Clubs will be skits related to drug abuse and performed by students. Some students who recently participated in the U.I.L. events will show their skill in literary events. Annette McCloy from Pringle-Morse PTA will be present to install the new PTA officers for the 1989-90 school year.



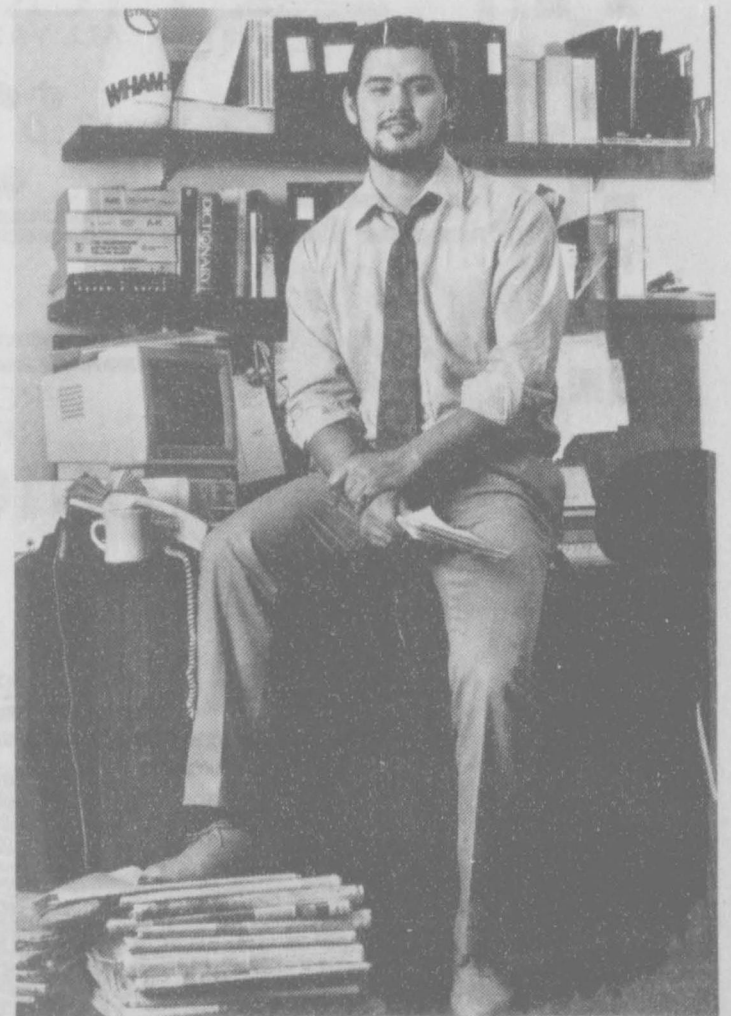
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- MONDAY**  
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- TUESDAY**  
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MILK
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MASHED POTATOES/GRAVY  
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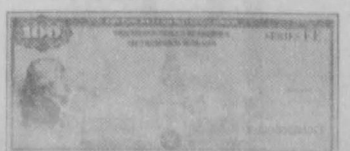
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