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## Cudds Take Eur-ag Tour

'Tis said the mark of a good world traveler is the ability to share the jaunt descriptively with the folks back home, so... This makes Gene Cudd one of the best for whether he is describing Lucerne, Switzerland; Dijon, France or a German farm, you listen and catch yourself wishing you didn't have to get on the best and go to the next stop.

Cudd, the area John Deere Farm Implement dealer, and his wife recently returned from a 1,500 mile tour of European points of agricultural interest climaxed by the world farm machinery exposition in Paris.

The Cudds were members of a tour company comprised about half-and-half of farm implement dealers and farmers--and their wives. The jaunt was organized by the PROGRESSIVE FARMER magazine people.

Leaving March 1, the first stop was Brussels, Belgium where one of the hosts for the tour--similar to agriculture commissioner for the European common market countries--saw the Cudd's Texas name tag and asked, "...Where?"

Gene told him Spearman, remarking he probably never heard of it.

The man grinned and said, "...I grew up at San Angelo." Traveling by bus, the tour entered Germany via the seaport city of Cologne with the highlight in that country a visit to what is considered a large farm there.

"It was just 160 acres," Gene Cudd noted, "and the principle crops were wheat and barley."

From a main tour stop at Heidelberg in the Rhine Valley, the Cudds went to nearby Swebbrucken to visit the German plant where John Deere combines are manufactured.

"We--John Deere--does not import combines," Cudd said. "Some tractors are brought in from Germany but these are made at Mannheim and we did not get over there."

He said over there John Deere makes some 15 models and sizes in combines where

only four are offered here at home.

"Both combines and the tractors we saw had smaller wheels and tires," Cudd commented. "Considering how wet it was when we were there, I would think they would bog down but maybe it dries out quickly when those valley farmlands do drain."

At the time of the tour, it was just between winter snows and spring rains--what Cudd described as a misty dampness most of the tour.

"The brightest sunshine we saw on the entire trip was in Switzerland," Cudd noted. "where we saw the big brown Swiss dairy cows...who do not see much sunshine."

At the Alpine dairy farm they visited, the 30 head of production animals were kept in the barn at all times except for a brief morning romp on the meadows.

"They seemed happy with it," Cudd observed. "When it came time to return them to the barn, they went in and right to their stanchions with no fuss at all."

The tour route into Switzerland was through the storied Black Forest. At Lucerne, they visited a cheese factory.

"Of course, Switzerland is noted for its Swiss cheese," Cudd noted, "but it seemed to be a strong production item in some form in every country we visited."

He observed, however, that grapes and their attendant wine production was the chief "crop" throughout Europe.

"I am no winebibber," Cudd said, "but wine over there is low alcohol content with the accent on flavor--and it sure beats most of the water over there which we were told was its traditional start to such production proportions."

Agriculture as a whole in Europe has its transient crop production curves, according to Cudd. Potato production was down this year while sugar beets were up dramatically. The

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## Now, If They Will Buy People Give To Rotary Auction

The YMCA-Rotary Auction will be Sunday, April 12 at 2:00 p.m. The Auction will take place at the YMCA building, located at 501 South Hazelwood, Spearman.

Members of the YMCA Board and Spearman Rotary Club have been talking with local business and professionals in and around Spearman for donations to this youth auction. Most of the items and merchandise is committed and picked up the day before the Auction. Some items are secured earlier and a small list of things which will be sold are listed below. This, however, is only a very small listing of items which will be on hand, to give you an idea of the diversity of merchandise. There is something for everyone. Plan to come to the Auction. There will be something for you.

### FARM & RANCH

North Plains International - IH 3/4 ton pickup-overhauled-loaded.

Agco of Spearman - Milo and corn seed.

Consumers - grease. H & H Water Well Service - centrifugal pump.

Hansford Implement - welder.

Charles Reid - hauling. Farber Livestock - hauling.

Red Hamilton - hauling. Ray Martin - hauling.

Busters Dusters - aerial spraying.

Speartex Grain - grain storage.

Beef, Incorporated - dip and weigh.

A & A Gas Leak Service - gas leak check.

Spearman Auto Supply - water tank heater.

Spearman Auto Supply - truck tool box.

Hansford Composting - composting.

Cat Lyn Cummings - 6 gallons exterior paint.

Hansford Implement - welder.

Slater Body Shop - masking paper.

Consumers - windshield solvent, etc.

HOME & FAMILY

Anita & Lawrence Anthony - food warmer tray.

Anita & Lawrence Anthony - hot dog cooker.

Anita & Lawrence Anthony - casserole cooker.

Dara Womble - full glass door.

White House Lumber - storm door.

Hutchison Cabinet Shop - unfinished bookcase.

Altha Townsend - lounge & chaise chairs.

Beedy Furniture - leather chair & ottoman.

Consumer Sales - 10# washer detergent.

John R. Collard - 8 mm projector.

John R. Collard - pair ladies shoes.

John R. Collard - 3 dish warmer set.

Don Wirsdorfer - 2 bicycles.

North Plains International - IH model kits.

Golf Pro Shop - Sunday golf bag.

B & B Sales - 2 fondue cookers - fondue fork set.

B & B Sales - electric toothbrush.

Jim Benson - car auto reverse cassette player.

Consumers - car windshield solvent.

YMCA - 1971 Dodge passenger van.

Massads - tote bag.

INVESTMENTS

First State Bank - series EE savings bonds.

Transpetco - series EE sav-

ings bond.

Brown & Graham - series EE savings bond.

Brown & Graham - 50 caliber rifle & accessories.

Emmett Sanders - 2 Russell framed prints.

Karen Reimer - original artwork.

Eloise Renner - original artwork.

Lucille Allen - original artwork.

Brenda Shieldknight - original artwork.

Beth Phelps - original artwork.

Ruth Bryan - original artwork.

SERVICES TO AUCTION

A & A Gas Leak Service - 2 Busters Dusters - aerial spraying 100 acres.

Speartex Grain - \$300 grain storage.

Red Hamilton - hauling.

Ray Martin - hauling.

Farber Livestock - hauling.

Charles Reid - hauling.

A & L Printing - 500 business

cards.

Dr. David McClellan - complete physical.

Dr. David McClellan - wart removal.

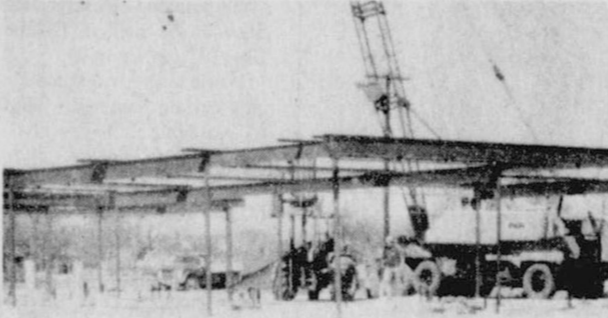
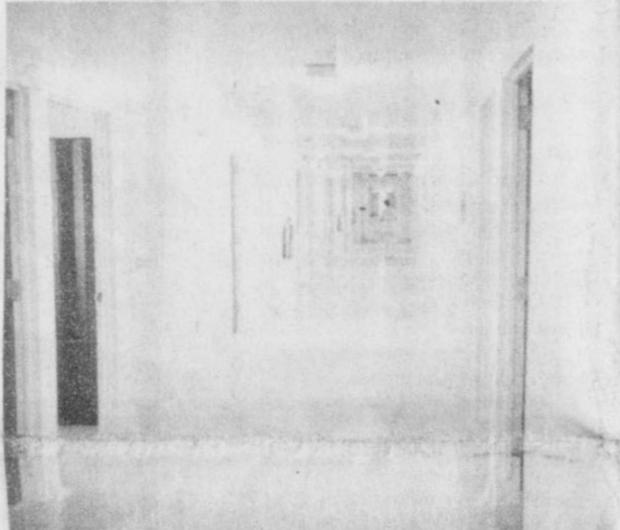
Dr. E. E. Novak - \$100 dental work.

Kid's Stuff - \$100 gift certificate.

"N" Place - \$50 service certificate.

Cinderella Beauty Salon - \$50 service certificate.

Dr. Douglas Steger - combat glasses.



STANDING STEEL -- The skeleton of the extended care center is rising swiftly to the point where it will soon be complete stone and steel, then the home of a number of senior citizens watching progress.

## Mark's Moments... Hospital Gets Spruce-Up

Hansford Hospital is proud to announce the remodeling of the hospital. During the past month work has begun to improve the appearance and quality of our

### Jenkins Rites

Services were conducted Thursday for Mrs. Grace Jenkins, 90, from the Church of Christ where she was a member with the minister, Gaylord Cook and Russell Pogue, minister, First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Holt Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Jenkins died Tuesday. Born in McClennan County, she moved to the Spearman area in 1906.

In 1908, she married Lee Jenkins in Hutchinson County. Survivors include her husband; a son, J.W., Spearman; a daughter, Hazel Brooks, Amarillo; a sister, Buela Johnson, Fort Morgan, Colo.; four grandsons, 10 great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

facility. We would like to thank everyone in the community for their patience and cooperation during our remodeling.

The hallways and ceilings have been repaired and painted to give the hospital a new and clean appearance. We would like to thank Charlene Bulls for helping the hospital with the choosing of colors for the painting. The hospital hallways are now apricot and blue in color in contrast to the yellow and green that was originally applied at the time of construction of the hospital in the 1960's.

We are presently remodeling the patient rooms which includes needed repairs, painting and new window blinds. The patient rooms now have new mini-blinds to replace the older window coverings of the past. These new mini-blinds have been donated by the Hansford Hospital Womens' Auxilliary Club. We would like to thank the Womens' Auxilliary for their hard work and the many needed items which they so graciously donate to the hospital and for the community use.

The hospital has also added a new medical records department located in the front lobby by the business office. The business office renovation call for the new medical records department, a computer room to be located in the old medical records department, and new mini-offices to house admis-

sions, insurance, and billing departments. We hope these changes will make a much more efficient and quality business office to facilitate those using our hospital.

The construction of the extended care facility is moving along quite well. The electrical and plumbing have almost been completed and the contractors are now placing the steel beams in place in readiness for the foundation and slab to be completed. A skeleton of the facility can now be seen by those driving by the construction site. Estimated completion time for the facility is October 1981.

For those people needing the services of the hospital's emergency room, we would like to inform you that the entrance to the emergency room is under construction and not in use. We would like you to use the front entrance of the hospital and seek the assistance of the medical staff at the nurses station.

Once again, we, the staff at Hansford Hospital, would like to extend our thanks to everyone in the community for helping us with our remodeling and construction. We hope any inconvenience during this period will result in a hospital that everyone can and will be proud of in the near future.

Mark Hardin  
Administrator

## Unique Spice Set Being Sold

From April 4th through April 16th the Spearman Volunteer Fire Fighters and the H & S EMS will be offering to the general public a unique spice set. This is an ideal gift for anyone for any occasion.

The sets may be ordered through any of the Firefighters or ambulance personnel. The price per set is only \$7.00.

Also, if you have children that would be interested in taking orders from family or friends, the department is offering special prizes for different amounts of sets sold. The prizes include an electric yo-yo, an am/fm radio, an am/fm head-

phone radio, a three foot snoozy bear, and all the way up to their very own 12" portable black and white television.

The money made on this project is to be used for the finishing work on the new building and to send personnel to the Hurst "Jaws of Life" school.

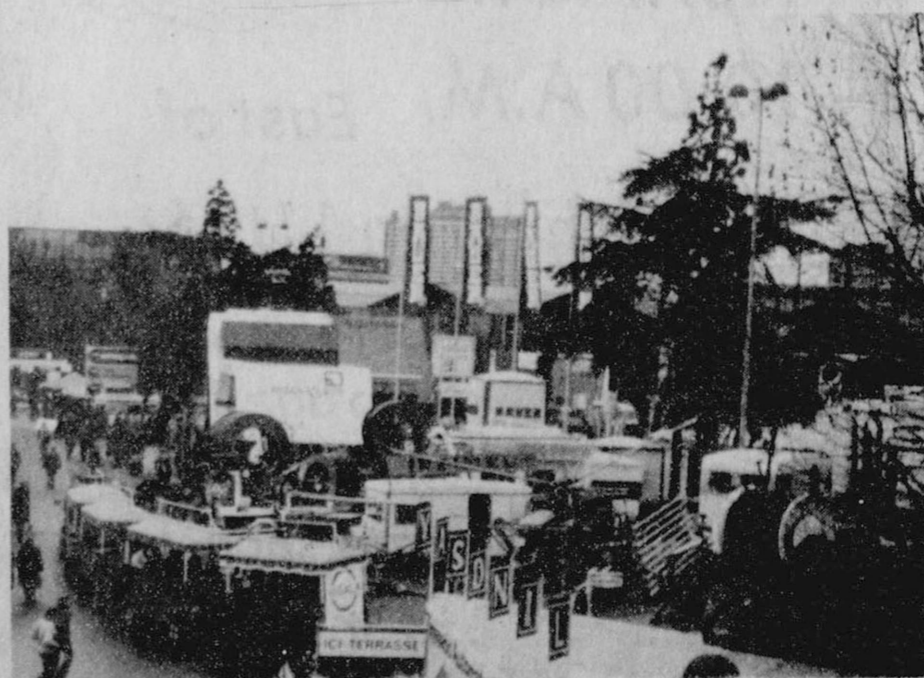
Any children interested in helping the department in this are asked to contact Vicky Bullard at 659-3319, (after 5) or Ronnie Antalek at the Spearman Cable Office (9-5) at 659-3363.



IT'S WINDSDAY! -- Ideal Food Store Mgr. Steve Krug presents Debora A. Easley a certificate for \$100 in merchandise. Each Wednesday -- oops! -- WINDSDAY, three names are selected for \$100, \$50, and \$25 in merchandise. Visit the store for details.



CITY COUNCILMEMEN SWORN IN -- With the city they will serve behind them through the picture window of the council chamber, new aldermen were administered their oath by City Manager Jim Murray. From the left, Gerald Heinrich, Jim Mercer, Bob Pearson and Murray. The city owes a debt of gratitude to Jim Nicholson for six years service on the council; Gene Cudd, five and a half and Frances Lofton, four. Her departure leaves the panel without a distaff member.



PARIS IN THE SPRING -- No French postcards these, but color photos taken by Gene Cudd on the fairgrounds of Le SIMA... Salon Internationale de la Machine Agricole in the French capital city featuring 950,000 exhibits displayed in five languages. The Cudds were part of an agriculture tour group covering some 1,500 miles through Europe climaxed by the exposition.



**CANCER? IT'S A FIGHT!** -- To the group pictured here and its counterpart in hundreds of communities, a 30-day concentrated fight against the nation's number two killer is more than a mayor's proclamation, more than April on the calendar. These fight the cancer battle the year 'round. During this special emphasis month, they try to get you concerned, too.

**Instructions  
Baton and Karate**

Jackie Pearson will conduct baton instruction classes for girls who are members of the YMCA, beginning Monday, April 13. Times for the classes are: 3&4 grades 3:30 - 4:15 p.m.; 5&6 grades from 4:30 - 5:15 p.m. There is no cost for the program.

**KARATE INSTRUCTION**  
Karate instruction continues under the leadership of Rusty Ricks. 2nd degree blackbelt in Tae Kwon Do style of the

martial arts. Classes are Mondays at 7:00 p.m., Tuesdays at 8:15 p.m. and Saturdays at 7:00 p.m. Cost for the classes is \$20 per month for Y members and \$25 per month for non-Y youth members.

Reagan seeks review of work standards.

Queen consents to Charles' marriage.

2nd anniversary of TMI facility still closed.

Oil industry gave \$6 million to campaign funds.

Reagan administration plans mission to S. Africa.

Park system faces major Reagan changes.

**SOUTH AFRICA & U.S.**

The Reagan administration, having concluded a major policy review, plans to announce the dispatch of a high-level mission to southern Africa to explore ways of bringing about the independence of South-West Africa, as well as settling other key problems with South Africa.

**Area Youths Attend A.Q.H.A. Shows**

Six of our area youth have attended two American Quarter Horse Shows. Will Jarvis, Tammy Savage, and Deana Turner of Spearman and Russ Savage of Waka, traveled to Lawton, Oklahoma, March 29, to the Annual Wichita Mountains A.Q.H.A. Show. The placing for the day were:

**Will Jarvis: YOUTH GELDING, All Ages, 5th PLACE; Youth Showmanship, 14-18, 5th PLACE; Youth Western Horsemanship, 14-18, 5th PLACE; Youth Western Pleasure, 14-18, 5th PLACE.**

**Deana Turner: Youth Showmanship, 13 & Under, 6th PLACE; Youth Hunt Seat Equestrian, 18 & Under, 4th PLACE; Youth Bridle Path Hack, 18 & Under, 3rd PLACE; Youth Western Horsemanship, 13 & Under, 3rd PLACE; and Youth Western Pleasure, 13 & Under, 5th PLACE.**

The Judge for the event was John G. Toews.

On April 4, Jon Garnett and Andrea Archer attended the Kimbolton Hunt Farm Quarter Horse Show in Oklahoma City. The Judge for the event was Mrs. Joan M. Dupont. Placing were:

**Andrea Archer: Youth Showmanship, 13 & Under, 1st PLACE; 1978 Geldings, 4th PLACE; Youth Geldings at Halter, 3rd PLACE; Youth Pole Bending, 2nd PLACE; Youth Barrel Race, 1st PLACE!!**

**Jon Garnett: Youth Hunter Hack, 6th PLACE; Open Hunter Hack, 4th PLACE; Bridle Path Hack, 4th PLACE.**

Jon received enough points on his horse in Hunter Hack that he qualified for the World Championship Quarter Horse Show to be held in Oklahoma City, November 16-21.

World is an invitational show, only certain horses are eligible to participate. To receive an invitation to one of the 62 events, a horse must earn a predetermined number of points at various A.Q.H.A. approved shows held between August 1, 1980, and July 31, 1981. **CONGRATULATIONS, JON!!!**

CIA disputes Reagan stand on terrorism.

White House redecoration contributions grow.

**Letter to Editor**

Dear People of Spearman:

This letter is a letter of appreciation to a town called Spearman and the people who live there.

I have been in Viet Nam eight months now and I will be very glad to get back home. Every once in a while, a fellow Marine asks where I am from. I tell him. Of course, he asks me where

that is at, which makes me a little mad, but I am proud of my little town with its one little stop light, which seems to be the pulsating heart of a happy town.

A town floating in a sea of wheat with a proud banner called an elevator. It is a town far from killing and hunger. It only seems to have to worry about the next wheat harvest.

Being in a war zone, I have come to appreciate that little town more than ever. I hope my little town never has to experience the terrifying sight of bombs being dropped on its buildings. Or the flashing of flares all night long. I hope my little town never has to run to a foxhole every time the fire whis-

tle blows. The most important thing I don't want the people of Spearman to experience the cold, weak, terrifying feeling a human gets when bullets are buzzing all around him, or motor rounds are walking toward the foxhole he is in.

There is one particular group in my town I would really like to say something about. They are called Veterans. I know there are many in our town alone. Chances are they are solid citizens in the community and very glad to be a part of the town. Chances are they appreciate life very much and are doing alot to help the town.

When I first came to Viet Nam there was a sign over my bed. It read, "to live you almost die, to those who fight for it, life has a savor the protected will

never know." To you as veterans, you know exactly what those words mean. To you who are not veterans, go find a veteran and shake his hand. You can bet he will appreciate it and the fact he is able to shake your hand.

In conclusion I must say something about the men who have given their lives for Spearman. They are monuments now, an inseparable part of Spearman. A monument along with the elevators and the wheatfields. They are truly Spearmanites and will never be loyal to another town and truly will be remembered as long as Spearman wants to remember them

Cpl Ayers  
USMC  
Viet Nam

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Spearman

**Display of the Month**

Mirror, mirror on the wall--or rather, in the Hansford County Library display case. Betty Jean Davis' collection of mirrors is on display at the library during April.

Betty Jean became interested in collecting mirrors when she had her father's mule shoe made into a mirror several years ago. Her father, E.D. Clements, participated in the Rolling Plains Mule Train.

Other display objects transformed into mirrors include a Model-T Ford wheel wrench, an old key lock, & a clasp and chain from a brocade purse.

Betty Jean is married to Irvin Davis and they have three children and four grandchildren. They have resided in Spearman all of their lives.

- I. Establish quorum
- II. Canvas school board election and declare results
- III. Oath of Office for new board members
- IV. Election of officers for the board for 1981-82
- V. Hearing of any group wishing to come before the board
- VI. Reading of minutes
  - a. Regular meeting of March 9, 1981
- VII. Business Manager's Report
  - a. Ratification of bills
  - b. Financial Report
  - c. Tax report
- VIII. Communications
  - a. TEA letter giving approval for bus routes
  - b. ESC letter concerning Sunray Visiting Committee
  - c. Chamber of Commerce letter of thanks
  - d. Letter from Sen. Roy Black concerning Unemployment Compensation Bill
  - e. Financial statement for girls bi-district basketball game IX. Old business
    - a. Board action on movement of funds from I. and S. to Local Maint.
- X New Business
  - a. Consideration of renewal of Communications Agreement with the local Classroom Teachers Association
  - b. Board action on Supt's request to attend I.D.E.A. Institute (July 12-18, 1981).
  - c. Board action on letters of resignation.
  - d. Board action on E.S.C. Board of Directors Candidates.
  - e. First consideration of 1981-82 Budget
  - f. Tuition for Transfers
- XI. Superintendent's Report
  - a. Enrollment chart
  - b. Cafeteria report-Salary adjustments for 1981-82
  - c. High school calendar for April
  - d. C.T.A. Banquet, April 16th, at 7:00 p.m.
  - e. Change meeting time to 8:00 p.m.?
  - f. Board Breakfast April 28th, 6:30 a.m.
  - g. P.A.A.S.B. Meeting at E.S.C. on April 23rd.
  - h. F.F.A. Banquet, May 4th
  - i. Athletic Banquet, May 5th.

**Easter Egg Hunt**

**April 18th**

**10:00 A.M. East of High School on 11th St.**

All children invited up to age 14. 3 age groups with prizes sponsored by Spearman Moose Lodge.

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Every handicapped child, from ages 3 through 21, has the right to a free public education. It's a state law, but many people are unaware of this fact.

If you know a handicapped child who is NOT receiving appropriate educational services,

**Call Collect 806-376-5521**

or complete & return the Referral Form below.

Region XVI Education Service Center can assist in obtaining the appropriate services for a handicapped child. Referral & Resources can be provided through the Direction Service Component. Certain Supportive Services in cooperation with your local school district can be provided by the Direct Service Component.

Please take one minute of your time to either fill out the attached form, call the above phone number, or contact the Special Education Director of your local school.

**REFERRAL FORM**

Name of Child \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Person Making Referral \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone of Person Making Referral ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

(By law, all information is held in strict confidence)

Mail Referral Form to:  
Region XVI Education Service Center  
Attn: Special Education Director  
P. O. Box 30600 - Amarillo, TX 79120

Title VI B Education of the Handicapped Act

**¿CONOCE USTED A ALGUN NIÑO/NIÑA CON INCAPACIDADES?**

**En un minuto usted puede cambiar toda una vida**

Todos los niños/niñas incapacitados de 3 hasta 21 años de edad tienen derecho de recibir educación dentro del sistema de educación pública. Esta es una ley estatal, pero much gente no se dan cuenta de este hecho.

Si usted sabe de algun niño/niña incapacitado que no está recibiendo los servicios educacionales apropiados,

**Hable El Teléfono 806-376-5521**

o llene esta forma abajo y regrésela.

El Region XVI Education Service Center (El Centro de Servicios Educcionales de la Region XVI) puede asistirle para que usted pueda recibir los servicios apropiados para el niño/niña incapacitado. Recomendaciones y recursos pueden ser recibidos por medio de Direction Service Component. Ciertos servicios apollados en cooperación con el distrito local de educación pueden ser mantenidos por el Direct Service Component.

Por favor tome un minuto de su tiempo para llenar esta aplicación o llame al teléfono 806-376-5521 o si prefiere, comuníquese con el director de Special Education de su escuela pública local.

**FORMA DE RECOMENDACIÓN**

Nombre de Niño/ Niña \_\_\_\_\_ Edad \_\_\_\_\_

Nombre de Padres/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Domicilio \_\_\_\_\_

Ciudad \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Teléfono ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Nombre de la Persona que hizo la recomendación \_\_\_\_\_

Numero del telefono de la Persona que hizo la recomendación (Por ley, toda la información que usted nos de será guardada como información confidencial.)

Envie esta forma a:  
Region XVI Education Service Center  
Attn: Special Education Director  
P. O. Box 30600 - Amarillo, Texas 79120

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average wheat yield through most of the production areas regardless of country, was 2.2 metric tons per acre!

The Cudds spent a day and a half in Paris at the farm machinery exposition which was the main purpose for the tour. The fairgrounds covered some seven and a half acres and the main exposition hall--seven stories high--took up about a third of this.

"They told us there were some 950,000 displays throughout the show," Cudd said. He said the only way to see any significant part of this array was to take the little train shown in one of the pictures with this story--and the tour did not allow time for that.

From the Paris show the tour group returned to Brussels and the flight home.

Cudd summed up the experience noting that, with gasoline in Europe selling at \$2.70 per U.S. gallon, the streets and highways were still crowded with cars all the time.

"New hotels and high-rise dwellings are much in evidence," Cudd said. "Of course, Europe still has a way to go to catch up with the U.S. but work is being done."

He said the tour group in most places had to be divided into different hotels--even in Paris. However, the first night in France was spent at Dijon (the mustard place) where they were all housed in one brand new, modern hotel.

About the only criticism Cudd had was of the French and that only in the area of language. He said in Belgium where the Flemish people speak a language that has its beginnings in both French and German; in Germany where there are many dialects and in Switzerland, folks were friendly and cooperative when members of the tour tried their limited vocabularies and grammar. In France, they could care less.

"At the fair, there was a place selling a number of 'goodies' to eat, among them a bread, cheese and mild sausage concoction we wanted to try," Cudd recounted. "One of our group knew some French but the woman at the booth was not interested in helping so we said to heck with it."

There is an old joke about European travel that goes: "...It's Wednesday so this must be Spain."

The Cudd's tour was not like that for two reasons. First, they were on a planned visit to the points of agricultural interest they wanted to see. Secondly, when you consider that all of England can be lost in the state of Georgia, a 1,500 mile jaunt took them over a considerable chunk of European real estate.

**Teresa Tindell 1st Place**  
**The advantages of living in a small town are . . .**

All of my life I have lived in a small community. Fourteen years isn't a very long time, but in these few years, I have noticed some definite advantages for members of a small town. The people in my town are very friendly and a pleasure to be with. This makes it seem like the entire town is family. For these reasons I prefer a small population over living in a large metropolitan area.

Since there are few people, there never seems to be any strangers. Everyone knows everyone, and they are usually close acquaintances. With things being this way, the entire town, in a sense, consists of one big happy family. Most of the people share the same interests. I live in the Texas Panhandle in a farming community. The people are basically farmers and their families. Since everybody is well informed on one subject, friendships are closer and tend to stay that way. In large cities, there are always disputes among city officials, school officials, and the citizens. In a small area, things are much more peaceful. The largest quarrels are among neighborhood children, and these never amount to much.

I feel like a small town is not only friendlier and more peaceful, but it is a much safer place to live. The crime rate is high in urban areas, and it seems to be steadily increasing. I would be constantly afraid of burglars, murderers, or street gangs in one of these places. Where as in my community, I have no fears of things in the criminal nature.

A small town also has its advantages in the school system. There are fewer students and a better chance of receiving a good education. There they can focus on groups needs and individual needs. In a large school, there is not time to work with pupils one by one. It is true that the faculty of a large school may be better trained than the

staff of a small school, but they can not fully devote their time to help each student as needed.

My feelings of a small town may differ from others, but my views on life lead me to think it would be much more enjoyable in an area with a small population. City life may have its advantages, too, but I am more inclined to believe that living in a small town has more.

**Nick Wirsdorfer, 2nd Place**

**The advantages of living in a small town are . . .**

Do you live in a small town? If you don't, there are certain advantages. So right now, I am going to tell you about the certain advantages people who live in small towns have.

When you live in a small town, you know more people. You know more people because it's a smaller town and there are not as many people. Also, it is easier to make friends because most people are friendly and want to make friends.

In a small town, it is more fun to go to school. You get to know the kids better, because there are less kids to know than in a big city. Also, you get more help, because there are less people to help. If you get more help, you will get better grades, and that will get you through school.

When you live in a small town, there is less violence and crime. In a big city, there are a lot more crimes, such as a robbery. But in a small town, there are less crimes, so it is safer. At night if you are walking home, you don't have to worry about someone mugging you, but in a big city there is a better chance of it happening.

In big cities, there are more kids with drug problems. In a small town, less kids are involved with drugs, because we are shielded from those problems. Since the people know each other better help because everyone knows him better.

In small towns, if you are in trouble, people will help you. If you need a job, someone will give you one because they know you will work hard and know you need the job. If you need credit from a store, because you can't pay right then, they will give it to you because they know you will pay them back when you can.

In a small town, you will probably have better programs.

**Lynxette Teams Ready for District**

The Varsity, 7th and 8th Grade Lynxettes are competing in the District Track Meet. The Varsity and 8th Lynxettes have a GREAT chance to come home--from Dalhart--with the District Championship, but they've got to overcome a very "tall" obstacle--the Dalhart Wolverines!! The 7th Lynxettes have a good chance, also.

The Lynxettes--Varsity--have 2 young ladies in the Panhandle Girls' Track Honor Roll. They have a great deal to do with the Lynxettes success, this year in track. Now, don't get me wrong, all the Lynxettes have something to do with their success, but these two girls especially. They are: Jan Davis, who is 3rd in the Panhandle Honor Roll in the 400-Meter Dash with a time of 59.4;--she is behind Sonya Dreyer of Tascosa who is #1 in the Honor Roll with a time of 59.0; and Susan Bean of Miami, who is 2nd, with a time of 59.3. Jan qualified for State, last year, and will try to do the same thing this year.

The other SUPER Lynxette is Jean Davis--twin sister to Jan. Jean is ranked 7th in the Panhandle Track Honor Roll with a time of 2.28.3. Above her are Mays of Hereford, who is #1 in the Honor Roll, with a time of 2:20.6; Cosby of Canyon is ranked 2nd with a time of 2:23.6; Leverett of Tascosa is ranked 3rd with a time of 2:24.5; Lovell of Dumas is ranked 4th with a time of 2:24.6; Chanceler of River Road is ranked 5th with a time of 2:26.7; Rogers of Hereford is ranked 6th with a time of 2:27.1x--this denotes metric conversion from distance run in yards.

The Lynxettes also have a GREAT 400 Meter Relay Team, and a SUPER 1,600 Meter Relay

Team that is ranked in the Honor Roll. The 400 Meter Relay Team of the Lynxettes is #4 in the Track Honor Roll. The Tascosa Relay team is #1 with a time of 48.6. The Plainview team is 2nd with a time of 49.2. Amarillo High is #3 in the Honor Roll. Dalhart Relay Team is #3 with a time of 49.5. Then the 400 Meter Relay Team--Spearman Lynxettes--is #4 with a time of 49.9.

The Lynxettes have one more Relay that is ranked 6th in the Panhandle Track Honor Roll. The Lynxettes Relay time is 4:09.9 and are beaten by a few real good teams in the Panhandle. Canyon is #1 with a time of 4:01.9; Plainview is 2nd with a time of 4:05.2; Tascosa is very close behind with a time of 4:05.2; Hereford is 4th with a time of 4:07.2; and Dalhart is JUST above the Lynxettes with a time of 4:08.8.

All in all, the Lynxettes have a great Track Team and will do TERRIFIC in the District Meet today, Saturday--April 11. The Varsity Lynxettes has Jean and Jan Davis, Stacey and Shelly Cook, and have lots of Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors.

percent of their class.

Initiates for 1981 include: senior marketing major Nanette Cluck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Del Cluck of Box 642, Gruver.

"You never know what is enough until you know what is more than enough."  
William Blake



Gingham got its name from a town in Brittany, France called Guingamp.

**Good Friday**

The Spearman Ministerial Alliance will have a service of worship at the First Christian Church on Good Friday, April 17th, beginning at 7:30 p.m. The speaker for the evening service will be Bruno Gaskamp, pastor of Faith Lutheran Church. Other members of the Alliance will assist in the service.

It is good for you to remember the meaning of this day in

your life. You need to take time to reflect on it in relation to your life and your relation to God. As the event of the cross closed, the words of the centurion expresses a feeling that has changed lives. "Truly this was the Son of God!" You to can feel this experience in your life. Come and worship on Good Friday as we share this together in our community of Spearman, Texas.

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## Twentieth Century Club

Twentieth Century Club met Thursday, April 9, 1981 at the First Christian Church. President Mrs. Michael Holt opened the meeting.

Mrs. Woodville Jarvis reported that at the District meeting held in Borger we received: 1st place for Outstanding Federation Program; 1st place project in Visual Arts; 1st place program in Citizenship Division, Public Affairs; 1st place program International Politics Division, International Affairs; 1st place workshop; and 2nd place in community education division, education. Our Yearbook was among the top ten in the District to go to state.

Our next meeting will be April 23 at the Amarillo Garden Center and we will leave the Hansford County Library at 8:30 a.m.

Mrs. Michael Holt, assisted by Mrs. J.R. Stump, had the Roll Call of Past Presidents. Each Past President present responded with highlights of her year.

Mrs. Tom Sutton introduced the Spearman Music Club who gave the program. Myrna Biggers gave the story of "The Sound of Music." Bonita Reimer, accompanied by Anne Sanders, sang "The Sound of Music." A quartet consisting of Janie Kunselman, Fran Glass, Margie Schoenhals, and Jackie Womble, accompanied by Audrey Leighnor, sang "These Are a Few of My Favorite Things." The club chorus, led by Charlotte Angel and accompanied by Anne Sanders, sang "Do Re Mi." Mary Brock, accompanied by Anne Sanders at the organ, sang "Edelweiss." The quartet sang "The Lonely Goatherd" using hand puppets to illustrate their song. The Chorus closed with "Climb Ev'ry Mountain" and "So Long, Farewell."

Hostesses Mesdames: Tommy Russell, J.R. Stump, Cecil Biggers, John Trindle, C. U. Pope and C.A. Kleeberger served refreshments to guests and members Mesdames: Bonita Reimer, Eddie Largent, Anne Sanders, Mary Brock, Jackie Womble, Audrey Leighnor, Margie Schoenhals, Janie Kunselman, Fran Glass, Charlotte Angel, Harold Shaver, John R. Collard Jr., Guy Fuller, Verna Gail Keim, Sada Hoskins, Ora Sanders, Coy Palmer, Jane Meek, L.L. Anthony, George Cook, Fred Holt, John Brown, D.E. Spoonemore, Tom Sutton, Woodville Jarvis, and Michael Holt.

Twentieth Century Club met Thursday March 12, 1981 in the home of Mrs. J.R. Stump. The meeting was opened by President Mrs. Michael Holt.

Mrs. J.R. Stump and Mrs. L.L. Anthony were elected as delegates to the Spring Convention to be held in Borger on April 3 & 4.

The collect was led by Mrs. Wayne Hutchison. Roll Call was answered with "A Texas Oddity." Mrs. Coy Palmer gave a Mini-Federation Report. The GFWC supports two federated clubs in New Jersey whose members are handicapped.

Mrs. O.C. Holt gave a program on "Panhandle Personalities." She gave brief biographies on Judge J.C. Paul, a Panhandle banker; Dr. Ruth Lowe, an educator in the Panhandle; Rev. George E. Morrison, a minister from Panhandle who murdered his wife; and Gene Howe, owner and publisher of the Amarillo Globe News.

Hostesses Mrs. J.R. Stump and Mrs. John Brown served refreshments to Mesdames: John Trindle, Jane Meek, George Cook, Deta Blodgett, John Bishop, Ed Freeman, L.L. Anthony, Tom Sutton, Woodville Jarvis, Wayne Hutchison, Coy Palmer, O.C. Holt, Michael Holt, and Cecil Biggers.

Twentieth Century Club met Thursday, March 26, 1981 in the home of Mrs. Coy Palmer with Mrs. Cecil Biggers presiding.

Jane Meek was elected to fill the unexpired term of Vice President.

We will be hostesses for the month of August at the Golden Spread Center. We will deliver Meals on Wheels in September.

Roll Call was answered with a Show and Tell of a piece of porcelain. In Reflections from the Past, Mrs. Tommy Russell told of the Wedgewood China program that was presented at Mrs. J.R. Stumps.

Mrs. Fred Holt presented the program on the "History of Porcelain Making." She also had a display of Flow Blue China and explained how it was made.

Hostesses Mrs. Coy Palmer and Mrs. George Cook served refreshments to Mesdames: Jane Meek, Wayne Hutchison, John Brown, John Bishop, Russell Pogue, Tom Sutton, L.L. Anthony, Fred Holt, J.R. Stump, C.U. Pope, O.C. Holt, Cecil Biggers, Ed Freeman, C.A. Kleeberger, Woodville Jarvis, and Tommy Russell.

## AGENDA TUESDAY APRIL 14, 1981 7:30 P.M.

1. Pledge and invocation.  
2. Consideration of the minutes of Regular City Council meeting on March 24, 1981 and Special City Council meeting on April 7, 1981.

3. Consideration of appointment of Mayor Pro-Tem.  
4. Public Hearing concerning the rezoning of the following property:

A. Lots 1-12, Block 63, Original Town, Spearman, Original County, Texas to Mobile Home residential.

B. Lots 4-6, Block 33, Original Town, Spearman, Hansford County, Texas to Mobile Home Residential.

C. North half of Outlot 13, Spearman, Hansford County, Texas to General Commercial.

D. 60' X 140' of the West Half of Outlot 12, Spearman, Hansford County, Texas to Mobile Home Residential.

5. Consideration of Ordinance #467 an Ordinance amending Chapter 14, Planning and Zoning, of the Spearman Municipal Code; amending the Zoning Code by amending Certain District boundaries on the Zoning Map of the City of Spearman, and providing an effective date.

6. Consideration of taking bids on a grass lease, 86.3 acres of land, of City Property located next to the Spearman Golf Course.

7. Consideration of a contract between the City of Spearman and Hansford County Library for Library Service to City residents.

8. Consideration of awarding low bid for Two light bars for the Spearman Police Department.

9. Consideration of Awarding Low Bid for 1,000 feet of three inch fire hose for the Spearman Volunteer Fire Department.

10. Consideration of awarding low bid for a Gas Leak survey for the Municipal Gas system.

11. Consideration of reappointing three member to the Planning and Zoning Commission, two member to the Disaster Committee and two member to the Electrical Board of Examiners; appointment for a two year term.

12. Consideration of monthly Fire, Ambulance, Police, Animal Control, and Municipal Court Reports.

13. Consideration of monthly bills payable and current cash position.

14. Adjourn.  
15. Other.

## WTSU to Host Special Olympics

WTSU--More than 500 children and adults from the Panhandle area will participate in the Region XV-I Special Olympics hosted by West Texas State University on Friday, April 17.

Registration will begin at 8 a.m. in the Activities Center followed by the parade of participants at 9 a.m. in the All-Purpose Room of the Activities Center.

Events will include the 50-yard dash, 200-yard run, 400-yard run, softball throw, high jump and broad jump on the WTSU track and in the All-Purpose Room.

Several of the contestants will advance to the state Special Olympics meet at Austin in May.

The Special Olympics program was created in 1968 through the Joseph P. Kennedy Jr. Foundation to allow retarded persons to compete.

WTSU has hosted the regional meet for the past 10 years. Dr. A.J. Luquette, WTSU professor of physical education, is Region XVI coordinator and students in the Department of

Health, Physical Education and Recreation help with the meet. West Texas State University.

The debate team of Mike Dixon and Rory Sheppard took third place in that event. James Farmer placed second in informative speaking. Bonnie McCloy took second place in ready writing competition. Oralia Ochoa and Kathy Sullivan took first and third place in spelling. Lee Ann Gibner placed second in typewriting.

Participating in the district tournament with Spearman High School were Boys Ranch High School, Dalhart High School, Perryton High School and Riverd Road High School from Amarillo.

Students competed in 17 scholastic contest events in the areas of public speaking, journalism, science, drama and skills.

## Gruver Wrestlers

The Gruver Wrestling Club made a great showing in the Lamar Evening Lions Wrestling Tournament in Lamar, Colorado April 4th. They managed to bring home six medals with over 300 boys in the tournament with 13 teams participating from Texas, Colorado and Kansas.

Placing in the age 8 and under were:

Brad Pingle--45 lb.--1st Place  
Chad Brown--55 lb.--2nd Place  
Placing in the age 10 and under were:

Lance Sparks 55 lb. 1st Place  
Scott Pingle 55 lb. 3rd Place  
Slavin Sparks 60 lb. 5th Place  
Billy Harris Hwt. 1st Place  
Also wrestling and making a

good showing was Clint Bell in the 8 and under 55 lb. weight class. Coaching the boys was Richard Crowley with assistance from Ron Pingle and Randy Brown.

The team had one member travel to Rocky Ford, Colorado, to participate in the Rocky Ford Collegiate Wrestling Tournament April 4th--Steve Duncan placed 1st in the 12 and under 70 lb. Division. There were also over 300 boys participating in this tournament from Texas and Colorado.

## Bowling News

**HIGH TEAM GAME**  
Smith Rentals 858  
**HIGH TEAM SERIES**  
Frank Oil Company 2311

**STANDINGS**

Frank Oil Company 78½-37½  
Smith Rentals 70-46  
Deis Grill 68½-47½  
Barclay Child Care 68-48  
Daley's 62½-53½  
Fausset & Sons Conoco 62-54  
Anthony Electric 59½-56½  
Ranger Bowl Inc.  
Kirby 56-60  
Big A Spreader 56-60  
Bull Rogers 56-60  
George Lease Service 54-62  
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## Open House

### For Resource

### Center

Open House for the newly remodeled building to house TSTI-Amarillo's "Resource Center" will be May 3rd from 2 pm till 4:30 pm at 1400 Avenue F on the TSTI campus.

The Resource Center is a 21,576-square foot facility that will consolidate the offices students must contact when they register at TSTI-Amarillo. The Business Office, Student Services, Library, Housing, Admissions and Personnel will occupy the building.

The public is cordially invited to attend the open house for refreshments and tours.

## Hospital news

Patients at Hansford Hospital are Sam Patterson, Patricia Olivarez and son, and Lily Cox.

Dismissed were Don Andring, Beverly Antalek, Alicia Vasquez and daughter, Carry French, Juan Avila, Sr., Regina Kenney, Albert Clark, Dee Jackson, Alma Longley, Lige Hughes, and Martha Reed.



It is estimated that 4,000 languages have become extinct over the course of history.

"Appearances are often deceiving." Aesop

## Local Students to Compete

WTSU--Seven students from Spearman High School will compete in the Region I-3A University Interscholastic League Tournament on Saturday, April 25, at Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

The students qualified to participate in the regional competition by placing among the top three finishers at the District 3-5A Tournament at

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10% Discount on Men-Student & Boys Wrangler Boot Flare  
\$13<sup>50</sup> \$11<sup>70</sup> \$9<sup>00</sup>

MARKET  
Corn 53.42  
Wheat 3.83  
Milo 5.15  
Soybeans 5.75

## 11th Annual Rodeo at Amarillo

TSTI-Amarillo will sponsor their 11th Annual Intramural Rodeo on Saturday, May 16. Tickets are \$3.00 for children and \$5.00 for adults. This includes a barbecue which starts at 1:30 pm and the rodeo which starts at 4:30 pm.

Events are bareback bronc riding, saddle bronc riding, team roping, calf roping, chute dogging, barrel racing, goat tying, bull riding, pole bending. Extra added attractions will be the scoop race and the rescue race.

Entries are open to TSTI full time students and ex-full time students and their spouses, TSTI staff members and ex-staff members and their spouses, TSTI faculty and ex-faculty and their spouses.

For more information contact Jean Cates 374-9733, Janet Johnson 335-2295 or Saddle and Tack office 335-2316 ext. 255, entries close May 13, 5 pm.

Last Day

Sunday

1-6

