WILLA CATHER

Willa Cather, one of America's best novelists, was raised in Red Cloud, Nebrasko. She was able to copture this early life an the Plains in some of her best novels, including <u>O Pioneers</u> and <u>My Antonia</u>. One of Cother's great strengths is her ability to give color, character, and vitality to the Great Plains, a region many people perceive as barren and colorless. Her description of the Plains as a sea of grass transcends the cliche. Poet and novelist James Dickey has said that the one word that best describes Willa Cather's fiction is <u>splendar</u>. Those who love the plains as Cather did are not strongers to the beauty of the land as she describes it in her books. From PLAINS TALK