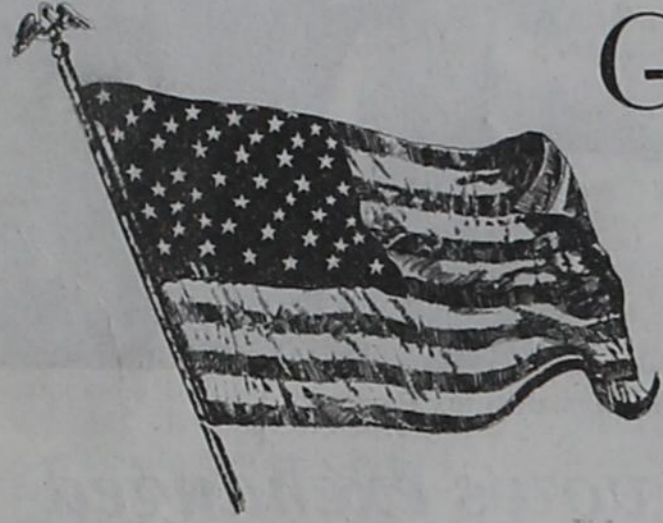


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AROUND THE COUNTY

News briefs of area events

Candidates file for May 4th local elections

The filing date for the May 4th local elections came to an end last Wednesday, March 20.

The Matador City Council will not hold an election as the race is uncontested. The Mayor's position, held by Rodney Williams, is open; as well as two council places, those held by Fred Parson and Shane Jones. All three have filed for re-election.

The Roaring Springs City Council will have two council positions open, now held by Corky Marshall and Gary Simpson. Mr. Simpson has filed for re-election. Bob Vandiver has also filed for a council position. The Mayor's seat, currently held by Joey

Thacker, will also be open. Corky Marshall has filed for that position.

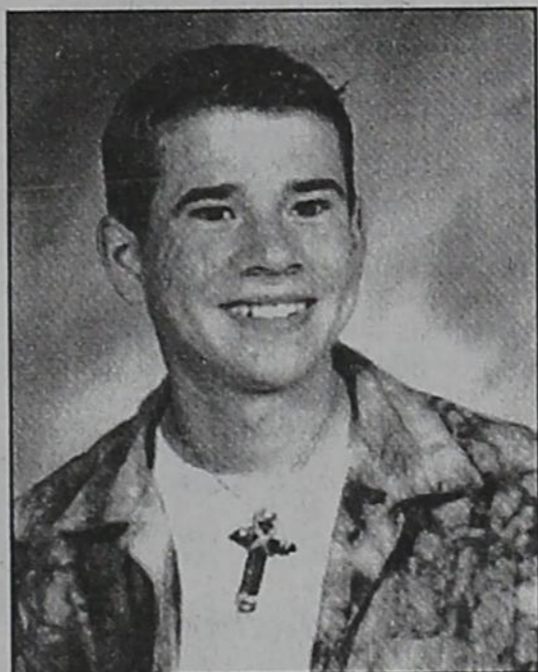
The Motley County School Board will have two places up for grabs. Four candidates have filed, including incumbents James Gillespie and Vaden Hays, as well as Tina Brooks and Pat Smith.

The Motley County Hospital Board will not hold an election, as all three candidates have filed for re-election. Incumbent candidates are Dianne Washington, C.W. Moore and D.A. McGuire.

Early voting will begin on April 17 and end April 30.

Superior Rating qualifies Darsey for State

Dumont Darsey, 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robin Darsey of Matador, earned a superior rating on Saturday, March 23, with his Piano Solo audition in the District 2 National Federation of Music Clubs 21st Annual Pastoral Music Festival held at Lubbock Christian University. His audition in the Moderately Difficult II event included the required composition, *Taking It Easy*, by Martha Mier, and a choice selection, *The Happy Farmer*, composed by Robert Schumann.



DUMONT DARSEY

The Superior rating at the district festival qualifies Dumont for the Texas Federation of Music Clubs Festival to be held in May in Dallas. This will be his eighth trip to the annual state competition where he was named All-State Musician for his 1996, 1998, 2000, and 2001 auditions.

Dumont is a sophomore at Motley County High School and has studied piano privately for the past 3 years with Amy Andrus of Amy's Piano Studio in Lubbock. He had previously studied in Matador with the late Eleanor Traweck.

Dumont was accompanied to the Pastoral Music Festival on Saturday by his parents.

Dumont also represented Motley County High School in University Scholastic League Class 2 (non-com-

petitive) Piano Solo auditions on February 16 at Coronado High School in Lubbock where he received a top score of Rating I. His selections for the non-competitive UIL audition were *Diversions 1 and 2*, Opus 23, composed by Robert Muczynski. Dumont's father, Robin Darsey, accompanied him to Lubbock for the UIL audition.

Postal Rate Commission announces another rate hike

Washington - From birthday cards to bank statements, charitable appeals to newspapers and magazines, it'll cost more to send mail starting in midsummer.

The increase - including a 3 cent boost to 37 cents for first-class mail - could come as soon as June 30, giving the cash-strapped postal service a boost as it tries to cope with declining business and hundreds of millions of dollars in costs from the terror attacks last fall.

All that remains is for the Postal Service's governing board to set the date.

Postal Rate Commission Chairman George A. Omas announced approval of the rate agreement, which was worked out by the post

office and nearly 60 organizations and businesses. That agreement allowed the commission to avoid the months of legal wrangling that usually accompany rate cases.

"I cannot overemphasize how extraordinary today's decision is," Omas said.

He said the increases would give the post office "breathing room" to deal with its financial problems, "an immediate influx of revenue while holding rate increases to a reasonable percentage for postal customers."

Commission member Danny Covington said the board realizes no one likes rate increases but also rec-

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Looking for Spring

Morgan Jones tip-toes to peek inside a birdhouse. This picture was shot late Summer and although Spring officially arrived last Wednesday, the scene brings anticipation for new beginnings of the season. Warm weather is predicted for the remainder of the week, with a chance of rain for Easter Sunday. Morgan is the 4-year-old daughter of Jeremy and Whitney Jones of Lubbock and the granddaughter of Jim and Carla Meador and Travis and Lou Anne Jameson of Matador; and Jon and Chris Jones of Fremont, California.

Flomot Baptist Church to hold Spring Revival services

Spring revival services will be held at the First Baptist Church in Flomot, Wednesday April 3rd through Friday, April 5th. Services will be held each night at 7:30. Preceding the services Friday night a fish fry supper will be at 6:30 at the church.

The Rev. Joe Weldon, pastor of the Baptist Church in South Plains, is the evangelist. Ticen Nixon of Plainview will conduct the music.

The Rev. Nathan Mulder, pastor of the church in Flomot, extends a cordial invitation to everyone to attend this spiritual renewal.

First Baptist Church to present Easter Musical

The Choir of the Matador First Baptist Church will present an Easter Musical, Sunday, March 30, at 11:00 a.m. "My Savior's Love" is a worship musical dealing with the Last Supper, the Garden of Gethsemane, the arrest, and crucifixion of Jesus Christ.

Everyone is invited to this special service as the miracle of Easter is presented in song.

School to dismiss for Easter holiday

Motley County schools will dismiss for the Easter holiday, Friday, March 29 and Monday, April 1. Classes will resume at the regular time, Tuesday, April 2.

Kid's Praise set for April 3

All children in the community, two years old through 6th grade, are invited to Kids' Praise on Wednesday, April 3, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m., at First Baptist Church, Matador. There will be games, songs, crafts, a Bible story, food, and fun for all.

Kids' Praise is a monthly event sponsored by Women on Mission of the Church's WMU.

American Heart Association funds mandated CPR training in schools

The 2001 Texas Legislature passed HB821 that required high schools to teach CPR, but without state funding.

In response, the Texas affiliate for the American Heart Association

stepped up to the plate in support this year as an answer to the non-funded mandate. This would cover equipment, supplies and training for all ninth graders in the state. CPR is a basic life skill for the 21st century, just

like knowing how to use a computer. Motley County has historically been an excellent supporter of the AHA and this is the type of community based programs they fund in return. Thanks Motley County citizens.



My Sunday School class made the following project this past Sunday and it was a wonderful way to teach them the real meaning of Easter. Each child soaked in the information and could tell me afterwards their version of the story of the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus. My little grandchildren loved making the 'Resurrection Eggs' last Saturday night. Although 2-year-old Judson was a little young to understand, he loved placing the items into each egg. 4-year-old Morgan asked questions about each egg and was so concerned about Jesus when she learned that He was nailed to the Cross. She said, "Oh, Meme, did Jesus hurt?" Needless to say, I was touched to tears.

RESURRECTION EGGS
Gather items and place in 12 plastic eggs.

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Scripture: Matthew 21: 1-11
Item: Piece of palm branch
2. Mary poured expensive perfume on Jesus' feet.
Scripture: John 12: 2-8
Item: Small perfume sample or cloth with perfume
3. Jesus shared the Last Supper with His disciples.
Scripture: Matthew 26: 17-19
Item: Chex cereal
4. Judas betrayed Jesus for 30 pieces of silver.
Scripture: Matthew 27:3
Item: 3 dimes
5. Jesus carried His own cross
Scripture: John 19:17
Item: Small stick cross

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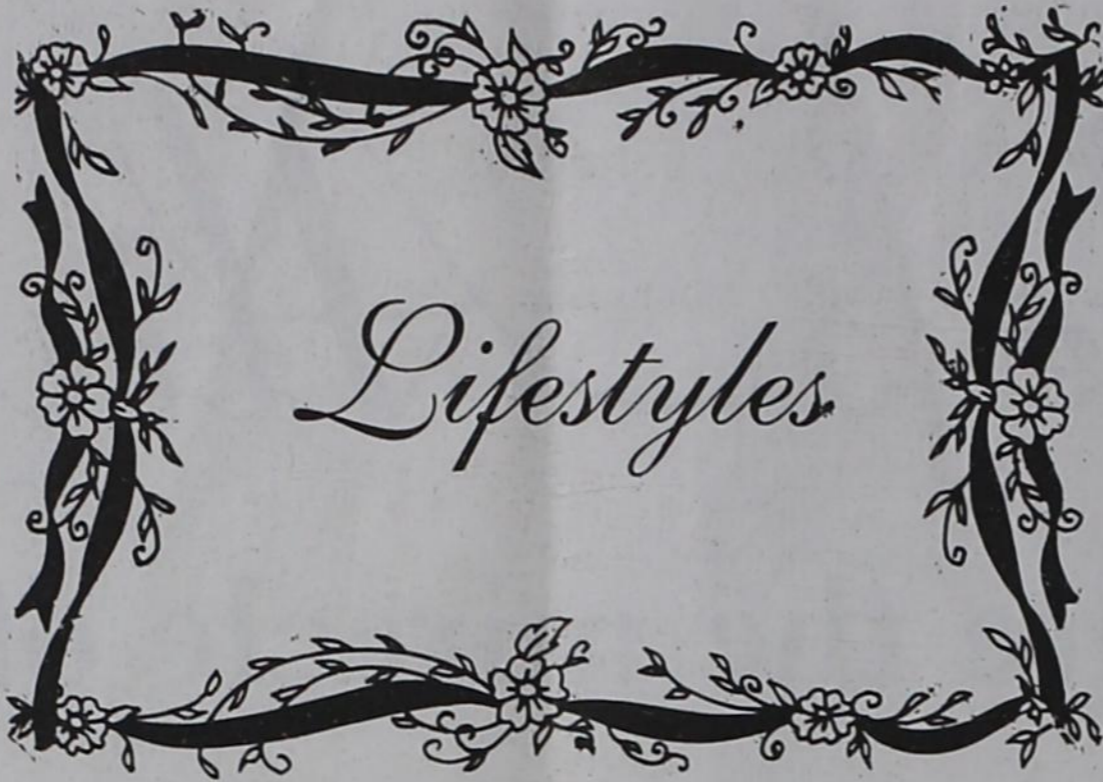
Ladies Golf Association to kick-off Summer Play Days

The Ladies Roaring Springs Golf Association will kick off their summer play days on Thursday, April 4, at 11:30 a.m., with lunch at the club house.

After lunch and a short business meeting the group will play a round of golf. Any lady member of the Roar-

ing Springs Golf Association is encouraged to join the fun. Play days are held Thursday with a morning group (18 holes) and an after 5:00 p.m. group (9 holes).

For more information contact Judy Renfro, Tempie Francis or Olivia Barton.



Predicta Study Club hosts annual Men's Night

by Lula Swim

The Roaring Springs Predicta Study Club hosted their annual Men's Night on Thursday, March 21, at the Hitchin' Post Cafe. Club president, Mrs. LaVoe Thacker was in charge. Her husband, Buzz Thacker gave the blessing for the food.

Mrs. Odessa Mullins introduced the speaker, Mr. Joey Thacker. Mr. Thacker didn't need much of an introduction as he was born and raised in Roaring Springs. He also owns a business here, Thacker Jewelry.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited before Mr. Thacker began his speech on Patriotism. He stated that we have had wars in which men have given their lives for our country so that we may have a free country. He also spoke of the Declaration of Independence and asked the question, "Who would be willing to sign a document like that now?" At least 50% of the men who signed the historical document were hunted down and killed.

Mr. Thacker told of a Christian

lawyer from Florida who wrote about Francis Scott Key. Mr. Key went on board of a ship that helped some US prisoners, wanting to exchange British prisoners for US prisoners. The Commander of the ship wanted Key to lower the US Flag, but no way would he do that. The British bombed Fort Henry, but Key and the prisoners, one by one, kept the Flag flying. Several men lost their lives defending the US Flag. To complete his talk, Mr. Thacker recited the Star Spangled Banner.

Members of the club present were Odessa Mullins, LaVoe Thacker, Pam Thacker, L.V. Damron, Jo Crowder, Lee Cook, Dorothy Lee, Callie Giesecke, Joyce Smith, and Lula Swim.

Guests were Bro. and Mrs. Mike Crowley, Buzz Thacker, Jeff Thacker, Alex Crowder, Dean McInroe, Mrs. Ed D. Smith, Mrs. Darleen Fletcher, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Mullins, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Burton, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Abbott, Mrs. Bennie D. Dillard, Mr. R.C. Giesecke, and the speaker, Mr. Joey Thacker.



Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy Perkins

Wedding vows exchanged in December ceremony

Jesse and Caron Perkins of Snyder, former residents of Matador, would like to announce the recent marriage of their son, Jeremy to Dana Vandivort of Dallas. Dr. Jan Daehnert performed the ceremony at Lake Highland Baptist Church in Dallas on December 15, 2001. Jeremy is the grandson of local residents John and Dorothy Russell and the late Boyd and Eileen Perkins.

Kasey Parks Bell awarded WTAMU degree

Kasey Parks Bell was awarded a BS degree in Sports/Exercise Sciences during fall commencement exercises in December. She graduated Cum Laude.

The ceremonies were held at the Amarillo Civic Center Auditorium. The university awarded 335 baccalaureate and 89 master's degrees.

Graduates with an overall grade point average of 3.50 - 3.074 receive the honor recognition of Cum Laude. Only 39 graduates earned Cum Laude honors.

Kasey is the daughter Harold and Barbara Parks of Roaring Springs. She is a 1997 graduate of Motley County High School.

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Library Notes

by Suzanne Abbott

We appreciate the donations that we received at the library this week. Thank you to Irene Welling for her donation in memory of Mollie Burleson. We also thank David and Ginger Jones and Martha and Mickey Bowes for their donations to the library.

New books in the library include *Changing Woman* by Aimee and David Thurlo. We have two or three of the Thurlo's books and if you have read any of them, you will remember Ella Clah, a tribal policewoman, who is the main character. Also we have *The Translator* by John Crowley and *Whirlpool* by Lori McCourtney. These books are books about families. New books arrive every week and you are sure to find something good to read at the Motley Count Li-

brary. If you read Sunday's *Avalanche Journal*, you saw an article about the new *Terry County History Book*. Thanks to the Motley County Genealogical Society, the library has a copy of this highly informative book. It can be found in the Genealogy section of the library and you may read it there.

Look for another rousing book discussion in April. This time we will have "Mystery Lovers Night Out" and a panel of ardent mystery readers will discuss their favorite authors. The tentative date for this fun-filled evening at the library is April 30 at 7:00 p.m. More information will be given later.

The library will be closed, tomorrow, April 29, for Good Friday. Have a nice Easter.

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Ahab wanted to go to war, so he asked his prophets whether or not he would win. They were as corrupt as he was, so they told him what he wanted to hear. Micaiah alone prophesied a disaster if Ahab went to war, even though he was warned to go along with the false prophets. "As the Lord lives," Micaiah said, "what the Lord says to me, that will I speak." And he did.

What a great example Micaiah is for us! When lying and corruption are the order of the day, how refreshing to read of a man who insisted on telling the truth, even to a king who hated him, and who exposed the lies and hypocrisy that were all about him and was willing to stand alone against the majority.

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Motley County School News



Motley County High School students compete at UIL

Motley County High School's One Act Play traveled to Jayton on Tuesday, March 19, where they competed in the 2002 contest. Receiving honors at the meet were Chantry Meyer, All Star Cast; Stachia Baxter, Kattie Campbell and Courtney Hays, Honorable Mention All Star Cast. Jayton and Patton Springs advanced to the

next level of competition.

The UIL Academic teams competed at the District meet held in Jayton on Saturday, March 23. Veronica Mendoza, Chantry Meyer, Brandon Moore and Tony Salazar competed in Number Sense and placed fourth as a team.

The Calculator team was Brandon Moore, Tony Salazar, Emily Hurt and Chantry Meyer. They were also the fourth place team.

The Mathematics team consisted of Clint Cooper, Brenda Gillespie, Brandon Moore and Tony Salazar. Brandon Moore placed 5th individually and the team captured 4th place.

Competing in Science were Clint Cooper, Brenda Gillespie, Chantry Meyer, Brandon Moore and Quinten Rose. This team won 6th place. The Current Events team placed 2nd; Clint Cooper was 2nd individual and will advance to the Regional Meet.

Annie Green competed in Feature Writing and Amanda Hurt in Editorial Writing. Annie won 5th place in her contest. Mandi Ream competed in Spelling and Kattie Campbell spoke in Persuasive Speaking. Brittany Moore (9th grade) competed in Poetry Interpretation. The Literary Criticism team consisted of Kayla Copp, Amanda Hurt and Emily Hurt. They were the 2nd place team.; Emily Hurt won 5th place honors.

Tony Salazar and Ysef Alvarado competed in Accounting. Tony placed 1st., while Ysef won second place honors. Both will advance to the Regional level.

Ready Writers included Courtney Hays, Annie Green and Amanda Hurt. Courtney won first place and will advance to the Regional meet.

Coaches for these UIL Academic Events were Cathey Turner, Kathy Gillespie and Carrol Hays. The Regional competition will be held in Abilene on April 19-20.



MONDAY, APRIL 1
Easter Holiday!

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

Breakfast: Biscuit, Sausage, Gravy, Juice, Milk.

Lunch: Pepperoni Pizza, Green Salad, Fruit, Sugar Cookie, Milk.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

Breakfast: Cereal, Apple-Cinnamon Muffins, Fruit, Milk.

Lunch: Assorted Sandwiches, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Chips, Oreo Cookie Fluff, Milk.

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

Breakfast: Pancakes, Sausage, Syrup, Juice, Milk.

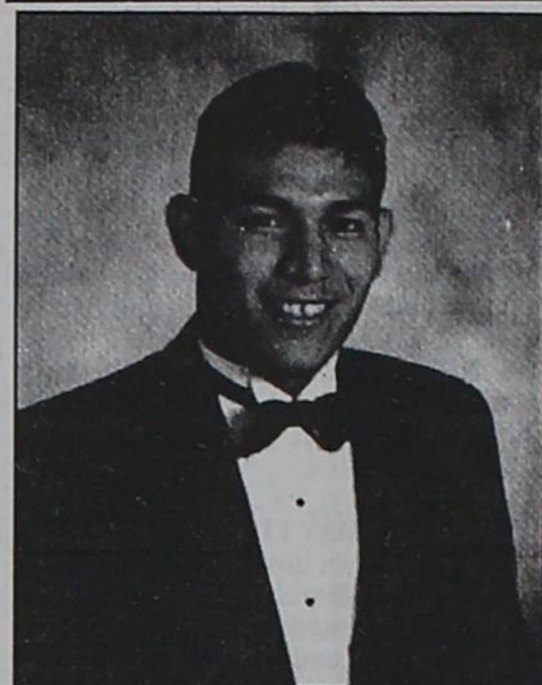
Lunch: Steak Fingers, Creamed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Hot Roll, Honey, Milk.

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

Breakfast: Cereal, Cinnamon Toast, Fruit, Milk.

Lunch: Cheeseburger, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Onion, Fries, Chocolate Cake, Milk.

CLASS OF 2002 Senior Spotlight



YSEF ERIDAN ALVARADO



KAYLA SHARELL COPP

Age: 19
Birthday: 10-20-82
Parents: Eransisco and Yolanda Alvarado
Siblings: Erick, Edward, Magdiel and Leslie Alvarado
Who do you admire most and why? My parents because they are always there for me when I need them.
Favorite high school memory: When a bunch of us went to Plainview to the movies.
Extracurricular activities: Football, track, golf, and UIL
Special honors: All-District football, citizenship award, Most Handsome, and Mr. MCHS
Words of wisdom to the underclassmen: Study hard and have fun
Plans after graduation: Attend WTAMU in Canyon
Favorites:
Food: Mexican
Hangout: Justin's barn
Movie: The Fast and the Furious
Musical Group: Tigrillos
Color: Yellow
Past Time: playing pool
Soft Drink: Dr. Pepper
Book: Tale of Two Cities
Song: Nescito Decirte
Teacher: Coach Ridgley
Sport: Football and Soccer

Age: 18
Date of Birth: 3-28-84
Parents: Rickey and Lana Copp
Siblings: Jody Copp
Who do you admire most and why? My dad because he has always worked to achieve his goals.
Favorite high school memory: Regional Tennis
Extracurricular activities: Tennis, Stockshow, and UIL
Special honors: NHS, G.T., Most Intelligent, and Most Likely to Succeed
Words of wisdom to the underclassmen: Study for math, it is possible
Plans after graduation: Attend Texas A&M University
Favorites:
Food: Pizza
Hangout: my room, ag barn
Movie: 8 Seconds
Musical Group: Pat Green
Color: Silver
Past time: sleeping
Soft drink: Mountain Dew
Book: Gone with the Wind
Song: Rodeo
Teacher: Mrs. Cox
Sport: Tennis
Quote: Believe in dreams, they are the fabric of reality.

Dumont Darsey named to US Achievement Academy

The United States Achievement Academy announced recently that Gary Dumont Darsey from Matador, has been named an All-American Scholar.

The USAA has established the All-American Scholar Award Program to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines. The All-American Scholars must earn a 3.3, or higher, grade point average. Only scholars selected by a school instructor, counselor, or other qualified sponsor are accepted. These scholars are also eligible for other awards given by the USAA.

Dumont, who attends Motley County High School, was nominated for this national award by Tommy Gleghorn, Counselor. His name will appear in the All-American Scholar yearbook, which is published nation-

ally. "Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly, winners of the All-American Scholar Awards should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, Executive Director of the United States Achievement Academy.

The Academy selects All-American Scholars upon the exclusive recommendation by teachers, coaches, counselors, and other qualified sponsors. Once awarded, the students may be recognized by the USAA for other honors.

Dumont is the son of Robin and Beverly Darsey of Matador. His grandparents are Dorlores Fox and Dumont Bridge of Afton, and Winifred Darsey of Matador.

Postal Increase

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ognizes that the terrorist attacks last fall have had a profound impact on the nation and the Postal Service.

Robert F. Rider, chairman of the postal board of governors, said the board will take up the increases at its April meeting.

The post office announced Sept. 11 - just before the airliner attacks - that it was seeking new rates to take effect in the fall of this year because of falling business in the slow economy. The agency had a loss of 1.68 billion last year and anticipated one of 1.35 billion this year, despite freezing new construction and cutting 12,000 jobs.

Then came the attacks in New York and Washington, followed by the anthrax-by mail contamination, slapping the agency with hundreds of millions of dollars in costs for repairs, decontamination and health care.

Knowing that would plunge the post office into even worse financial problems, Omas suggested the agency and mailers sit down and work out an agreement for speedy consideration of the rate case - an action that would cost mailers as much as 1.5 billion because the increases would take effect months before originally planned.

"I believe mailers cooperated in the effort because they felt that their short-term financial sacrifice would help keep the nation's Postal Service strong. This selfless attitude is a credit to the entire mailing industry," Omas said.

Many that normally oppose rate increases accepted this one, though not always cheerfully.

One group of businesses commented that if the case had been fully argued, its members would have fought for different rates.

"The settlement agreement represents, we believe, the best result that is possible to achieve under current circumstances," said the group, which included the Alliance of Non-profit Mailers, AOL Time Warner, Coalition of Religious Associations, Magazine Publishers of America and the National Newspaper Association.

"However," the group added, "the circumstances themselves - the need for so much additional revenue so soon after the last two rate increases, based on estimates developed prior to Sept. 11, 2001 - reflect poorly on the Postal Service."

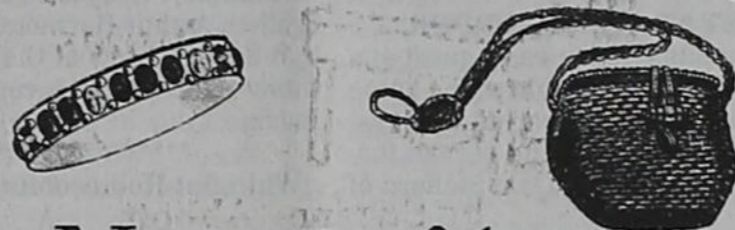
The only opposition came from the American Postal Workers Union, which represents workers who sort mail. The union argued that the rate increases offered giant mailers discounts for presorting mail that exceeds the amount the Postal Service would save by not doing that work itself.

The post office denied that argument, saying it was "based on speculation regarding postal revenues, finances and capital investment plans."

And organizations that would benefit from the discounts defended them. "The settlement rates are well within lawful limits," argued a group including the Association for Postal Commerce, the Mailing and Fulfillment Service Association and the Recording Industry Association of America.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Motley County Independent School

School Board Election

Motley County Independent School District will hold a School Board of Trustee Election on May 4, 2002. Applications have been received for the two (3) year openings on the School Board.

The applicants are:

- Vaden Hays
- James Gillespie
- Tina Brooks
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NEWS AROUND THE COUNTY

Roaring Springs News

by Odessa Mullins

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Largent of Lubbock visited his mother Thursday. They had lunch at the Hitchin' Post Cafe.

Pearl Patten and Jo Etta Bumgardner of Matador visited in Floydada with Mrs. Patten's husband, Harry, at the Care Center. He is a resident there.

Zella Palmer celebrated an early Easter Sunday since great-grandson, Ty Adams, will be in the hospital Easter after his surgery on Tuesday. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. James Palmer of Eureka, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. Scotty Palmer and Seth of McAdoo; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Spikes, Shelby and Shanna of Rotan; Mr. and Mrs. James Adams, Dylan and Ty, and Miranda Palmer, of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Palmer, and Haden and Hance Davey of Matador; and local resident, Mattie Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Mullins went to Arlington Monday for doctor's appointments. They went on to Waco for business.

Modean Brooks has been a patient in Crosbyton hospital for tests. She entered the hospital on Saturday.

Odessa Mullins spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Bud Roller in Lubbock. Saturday she attended the TFWC Caprock District 42nd Annual Convention held at the Holiday Inn Lubbock Plaza Inn. The theme was "Sweet Land of Liberty." Beth Pratt, Religious Editor of the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal* was the morning speaker. Her topic was "Packaging the Patriot." The afternoon speaker was the State President Mary Beth Gay. She also installed the officers for the 2002-03 year. The Men's Caprock President, Gerald Dean Wood, was honored with a welcome

tea after the convention closed. Those enjoying coffee and refreshments at the Methodist Church fellowship hall on Monday morning, March 25, were D.A. and Ruby McGuire, Buzz and LaVoe Thacker, Bill and Lea Peacock, Dennis and Donald Letkeman, Reva Sweeney, Rev. Paul Stearns, J.N. Fletcher, Lula Swim, Cleo Watson, Larry Watson, and Dean McInroe.

BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON

Audrey Jones hosted a birthday luncheon, Friday, March 22, for her sister, Dora Hurt of Matador. Those enjoying a delicious meal complete with a birthday cake were local residents Joyce Meredith, Barbara Marvel, Sara Ho-Gland; Dora Hurt, Shirley Smith and Carla Meador of Matador.

WESLEYAN GUILD MEETS

Callie Giesecke was hostess to the Roaring Springs Wesleyan Service Guild when members met in her home Wednesday night, March 20. Pearl Patten was in charge and she gave the blessing for the food.

Mary Lumsden gave the devotional using readings about Being Not Dismayed, and Help Us Along.

Cheslea Read continued the Bible study on Courageous Women of the Bible using Mary Magdalene. She used scripture from Matthew, Luke and John.

Those attending, in addition to those already mentioned, were Grace Zabielski, Donald Letkeman, Jo Crowder, Kay Jones, and Lula Swim.

Flomot News

by Earlyne Jameson

Wilburn Martin and Mrs. Waydette Clay were in Fort Worth Tuesday and Wednesday to be with their sister, Mrs. Nita Merritt of Granbury, who had knee surgery on Wednesday. She is doing fine.

Mrs. Laverne Kenney of Ione, California, Mrs. Charlotte Bloodworth of Idalou, Mrs. Sylvia Hastey and Mrs. Bessie Purdy of Lubbock visited Mrs. Ruth Lee, Wednesday.

Leah Cruse of Lubbock visited during spring break with her family, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Cruse, Keane and Derrick.

Aleda Elaine and Megan Ross of Castroville, who visited during the spring holidays with grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ross, were accompanied home Saturday by their aunt, Mrs. Elisa Wigley of Lubbock. She visited their family, Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Ross, Cheyenne and Ciara before returning home Sunday.

Mrs. Alma Shorter visited from Friday until Monday in Dallas in the home of her sister in law, Mrs. Elsie Beard. Joining her there to visit was daughter, Mrs. Judy Rhodes of Lake Conroe, Mrs. Rickey (Marian) Rhodes and baby son, Chase of Fort Wayne, Indiana. Marian and Chase also visited her parents, Bob and Eunice

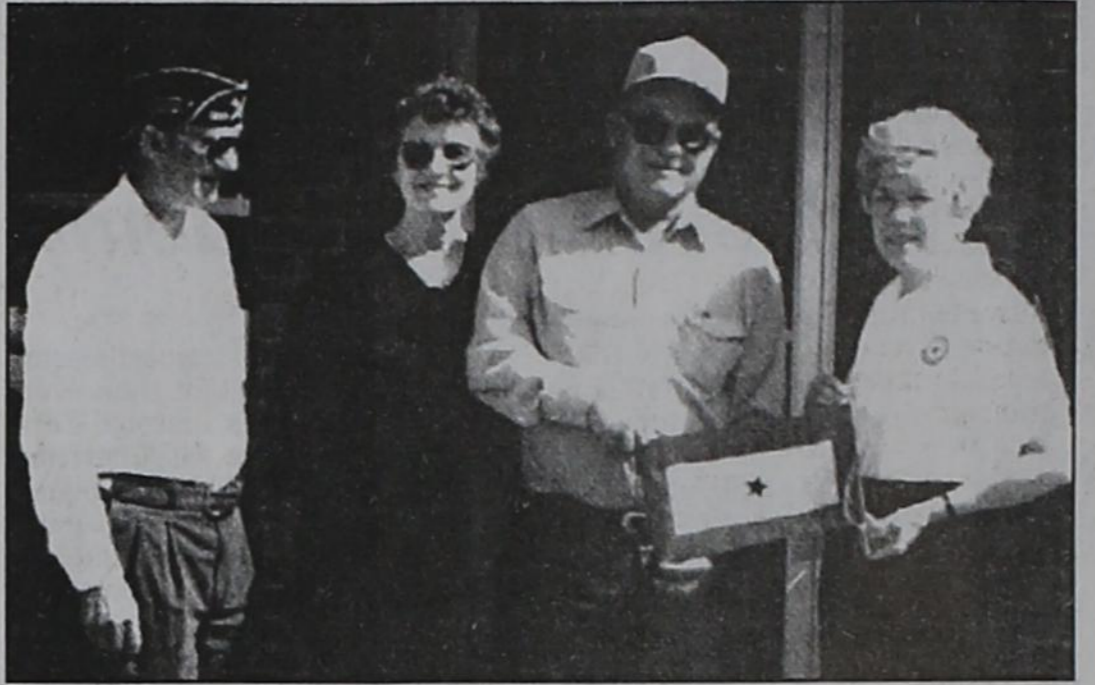
Grooms of Dallas.

Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin were Mrs. Vinita Hrcir of Quitaque and Mrs. Wanda Lane of Lockney.

Jack and Nada Starkey visited overnight Thursday in Canyon with Mr. and Mrs. Michael Starkey. They were in Amarillo, Friday for Nada's medical appointment. Daughter, Mrs. Jackie Lynn Davis of Fritch met them there and they visited Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Reid.

Keri and Kevin Sehon and son, Brian of Ropesville visited Friday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter. Brian remained to visit and his parents continued to Possum Kingdom. Visiting them on Sunday was daughter and family, Mrs. Christi Millam, Emily and Haley of Petersburg. Emily visited overnight Sunday and Mrs. Shorter accompanied her home on Monday.

Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse visited in Mineral Wells, Wednesday with her sister in law, Mrs. Joleta Johnson. She continued to Rising Star and visited until Saturday with her mom, Mrs. Dona Browning and brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Browning.



AMERICAN LEGION BLUE STAR BANNER — American Legion members presented this special banner to Dana Graham (top photo) and Bennie D. and Devonne Dillard at Roaring Springs on March 14. This banner is given as a token of appreciation to parents and grandparents of men and women currently serving on Active Duty in the United States Armed Forces. Dana's son and the Dillard's grandson is Airman Jerod Rieger, stationed at Yokota AFB, Japan. Participating in the ceremony were Legionnaires Buzz Thacker, Walter Trammell and Jerry Green; and Legion Auxiliary Unit member, Jo Trammell.

Whiteflat News

by Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD
Lord Jesus, thank you for your love and redeeming death so that we all may have abundant life. Help us follow your ways and be faithful citizens of your kingdom.

ATTEND DISTRICT CONVENTION

Mrs. Wilda Dixon attended the 42nd annual Caprock District Spring Convention of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, Saturday held at the Holiday Inn Plaza in Lubbock. Mrs. Dixon is District Year Book Chairman and a member of the Motley County Eternas Club.

She and Spencer were in Lubbock overnight Friday after his physical therapy treatment in Crosbyton.

GUEST AT STEAK SUPPER

Mrs. Juanita Cooper was a guest at a steak supper, Tuesday night at the home of Ms. Lula Swim in Roaring Springs. David Stafford cooked the steaks furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Gale Stafford of

Matador that Ms. Swim won at a drawing of names at an American Legion Meeting.

Others enjoying the delicious meal were Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Letkeman, Jack Samford, Mrs. David Stafford and Cameron and Bro. Paul Stearns of Matador. Mrs. Pearl Patten, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Crowder, Mrs. Darleen Fletcher and Mrs. Mary Lumsden of Roaring Springs.

David Dixon of Garland visited during the weekend with Mr. Mrs. Spencer Dixon and Mrs. Frances Dixon. He killed a wild hog, two coyotes and saw a flock of 90 turkeys. Turkey season begins April 6th.

Mrs. Vee Gordon and Jack Samford of Matador and Mrs. Juanita Cooper were in Amarillo, Friday to be with the women's brother, Arthur Harmon of Amarillo who had back surgery at the Baptist St. Anthony Hospital. He is reported to be doing fine.

Whiteflat Homecoming is April 6th!

Matador News

Mrs. Barbara Luster, daughter, Amanda and friend, David Schafer of Cisco visited last weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Billie Ray Slover. David competed in the Regional Weight Lifting Meet held in Floydada, Saturday and placed 3rd in his division. Over 80 schools participated in the events.

Mrs. Katie Davis was conveyed by ambulance to Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock, Friday, March 15 following a stroke. She was transferred to the Rehabilitation Unit, Room 414 this weekend. With her has been husband, Jack, son and wife, Ronnie and Karen Davis. They are optimistic she will have a good recovery.

Mrs. Susie Posey of Amarillo, former resident of Motley County, is a patient at the Baptist St. Anthony Hospital in Amarillo following an accident outside her home, Friday, March 22nd. She suffered a broken hip and an arm injury. She was conveyed by ambulance when a cable T.V. man found her on the porch where she had been for twenty minutes unable to move. She had eleven stitches in her arm and had hip surgery Sunday morning. Her daughters and husbands, Rhonda and Mike Webb of Amarillo and Rene and Gary Laughlin of Midland have been with her during hospitalization and surgery. Her address is 4515 South Virginia, Apt. #215, Amarillo 79109.

A Note of Thanks

The family of Mollie Burleson has been lifted up by the acts of kindness that have been performed in her behalf. We are especially conscious of the tender mercies of the affectionate and considerate caregivers of the Floydada Care Center and the nursing home visitors of the First Methodist Church, and many faithful family members and friends who kept in touch during a long illness. Prayers, food, cards, memories and memorials have honored Mollie and consoled us. She would have been so proud.

Marisue Potts, S.C. (Teen) and Lou Burleson, and Mary Ellen (Dude) Barton

GRATITUDE FOR SUPPORT

With heartfelt gratitude we thank residents and ex-residents of Motley County for your generous donations to the annual AHA Heart Fund Drive, Jump the Rope and memorials throughout the year. May AHA research, medical progress and programs be a benefit to you and your loved ones.

Judy Cooper Odessa Mullins
Mary Jo Calvert Myrna Blasingame
Earlyne Jameson

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Notice of Run-Off Election

April 9, 2002

To the registered voters of the County of Motley, Matador, Texas.

NOTICE is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., April 9, 2002, for voting in a Run-Off Election to elect a United States Senator and Precinct Commissioner for Precinct #4.

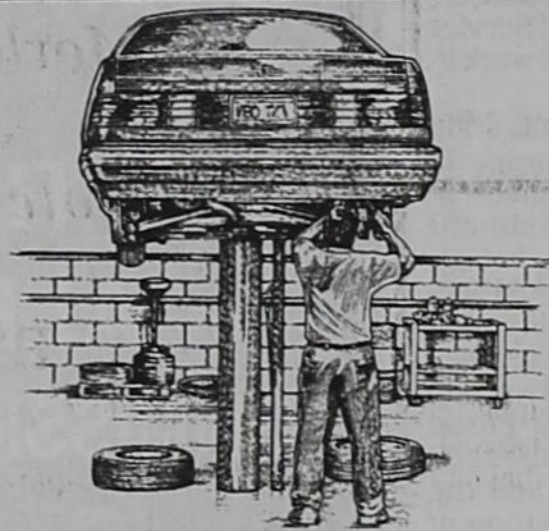
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- Precinct #2 — Flomot Community Building
- Precinct #3 — Northfield Church
- Precinct #4 — Roaring Springs Community Building

EARLY VOTING BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE WILL BE EACH WEEK DAY AT:

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FARM AND RANCH NEWS

Rolling Plains Central to continue Eradication effort

Cotton producers in the Rolling Plains Central Eradication Zone have overwhelmingly affirmed their commitment to eradication by passing a referendum to continue the effort.

Just a few weeks after the zone was declared functionally eradicated, growers passed the measure with 89.66 percent of the voters favoring continuation.

Woody Anderson of Colorado City was reelected as the zone's representative to the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Board of Directors. Anderson is also chairman of the board.

"This vote proves the Rolling Plains cotton growers are among the best anywhere," Anderson said. "Even though they're dealing with some of the toughest times ever - with several years of severe drought and the lowest prices in decades - these growers chose to stick with the program they started and protect their investment. Better times are ahead."

Lindy Patton, the foundations's executives director, joined Anderson in offering congratulations to RPC producers.

"What a tremendous job RPC growers have done," Patton said.

"They persevered through extremely tough times and continue to work together in an effort to improve conditions for the cotton industry in the rolling plains. I'm proud to work for such a great group of farmers."

Anderson noted with pride that the zone's vote was the highest passing percentage of the zones that have recently held retention elections. The Southern Rolling Plains zone just the south of RPC and the South Texas/Winter Garden zone recently voted to continue eradication efforts, each with positive votes of about 88 percent.

The three zones were the first zones in the state to begin eradication efforts in 1996. By the 2001 growing season, the eradication program had grown to 11 zones. In 2002, the program will expand again as growers in the Upper Coastal Bend zone begin eradication. One other area, the Northern Blacklands in northeast Texas is considering a referendum to join the effort.

The Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation is a nonprofit, grower-initiated and funded organization dedicated to eliminating the cotton boll weevil from the state in the most cost effective and environmentally responsible manner possible.

Farm Service Agency News

by Debbie Shaw, CED



College Station - Federal regulations published today set the stage for better risk protection for growers of noninsurable crops, but leave only a short time for Service Agency (FSA) offices to stand ready to accept applications from producers for coverage available through the Noninsured Assistance Program (NAP).

Crops eligible for NAP coverage are those for which crop insurance is not available, including fruits and vegetables, aquaculture, pecans, turfgrass and forage crops.

"The new regulations governing NAP give producers the opportunity to purchase affordable protection against crop losses," says John Fuston, State Executive Director for FSA in Texas. "It's critical that producers file their 2001 and 2002 applications for coverage and pay their service fees by April 18, 2002. Like crop insurance, once an application period closes, the opportunity to obtain coverage is gone," he says.

NAP coverage requires a service fee of \$100 per crop, per producer with \$300 cap per county. Out of pocket expenses for any producer will not exceed \$900, even if production occurs in more than three counties. Service fees may be waived for eligible limited resource producers.

"The new, streamlined program has already begun to benefit Texas growers. To date Texas has dispersed more than \$212,000 for NAP crop losses incurred in 2001," Fuston said.

Under the previous NAP program, coverage was only available when catastrophic losses occurred in a widespread area. New provisions allow for individual coverage tailored to meet a producer's specific needs and allow for a customized crop protection plan. With the elimination of area crop loss provisions, each qualifying individual loss can be addressed based on its own merits.

"Because FSA has the ability to protect against individual losses, re-

sponse time is quicker and payment to the producer will be at the end of the growing season," says Fuston.

As outlined in the regulations, maintaining eligibility for 2001 and 2002 crops requires producers who otherwise would be late in filing the application apply and pay service fees within 30 days of publication of the rule. NAP continues to require reporting of crop acreage, yields and production as a condition of eligibility. In addition, producers are required to report losses the earlier of 15 days after damaging weather occurs or the date loss becomes apparent.

"Good record keeping by producers is becoming increasingly more important. This is especially true for NAP because accurate records ensure producers receive the best coverage available under the program," says Fuston.

Fuston explained, if producers timely filed a notice of loss for the 2001 crop year they may be eligible for NAP benefits. However, if this notice of loss was not filed within 15 calendar days of the disaster of the loss became apparent, then the producer is not eligible for 2001.

In addition to filing applications for coverage and paying fees within the next 30 days, NAP crop producers have the opportunity to certify their 2000 crop production to both support their proven yields and submit 2001 crop production records to substantiate loss claims.

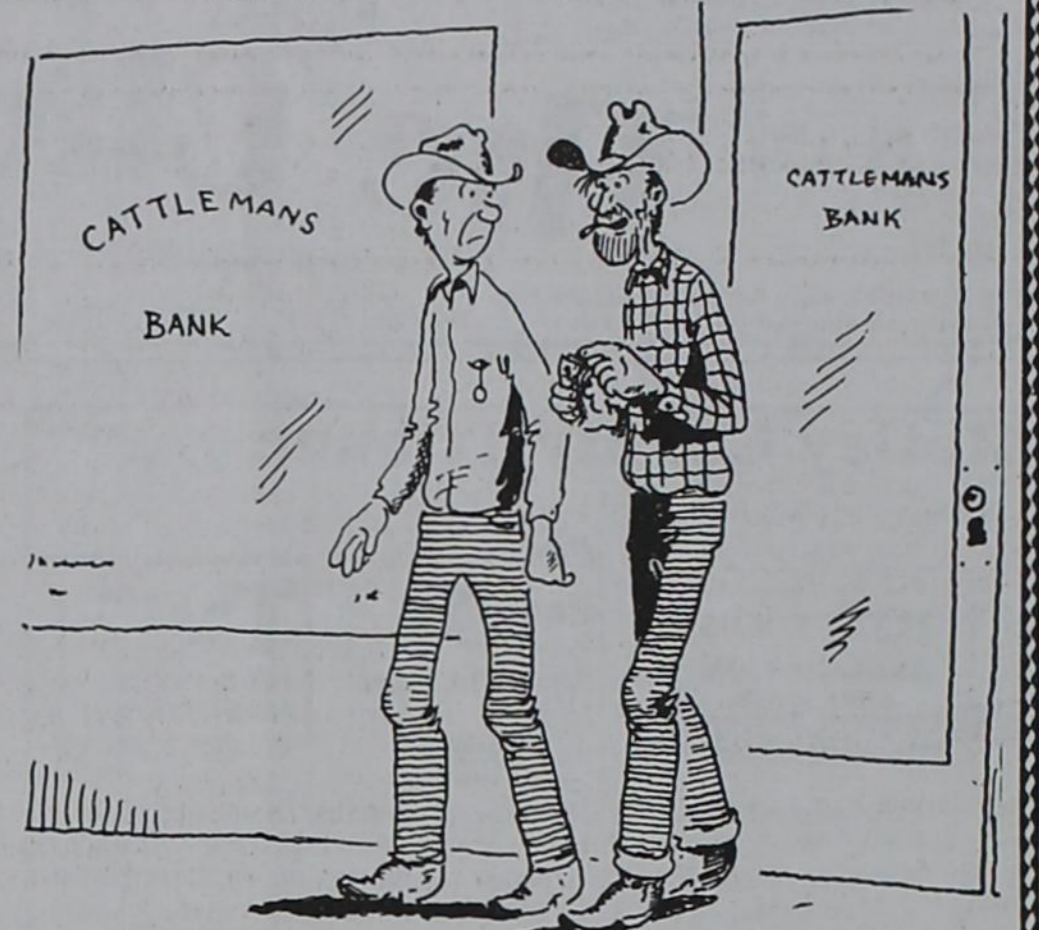
"The window of opportunity for NAP coverage for 2001 and 2002 is now down to less than 30 days. So I would encourage interested producers who timely submitted notices of loss on 2001 crops to apply for coverage by April 18, 2002, and encourage 2002 NAP producers to heed this deadline as well," Fuston states.

For more information about NAP and other FSA administered programs, contact your local USDA Service Center or visit the national FSA website at www.fsa.usda.gov

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6. Soldiers placed a crown of thorns on Jesus' head.

Scripture: John 19: 23

Item: Small thorny branch

7. Soldiers parted Jesus' garments and cast lots for His coat.

Scripture: John 19:23

Item: Swatch of burlap and a nail.

8. Jesus was nailed to a cross and pierced in His side.

Scripture: John 18: 18, 37 & John 20: 25-29.

Item: A Nail

9. They gave Jesus vinegar mixed with gall on a sponge to drink.

Scripture: Matthew 27:34

Item: A small sponge

10: Spices to prepare Jesus for burial.

Scripture: John 19:40

Item: 7 or 8 whole cloves

11: The stone covering Jesus' tomb was rolled away.

Scripture: John 20:1

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12: Jesus' resurrection from the Tomb

Scripture: Matthew 28: 5-8

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SPECIAL SESSION
Thursday, March 28, 2002
at 1:30 p.m.
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