

FFA JUDGING TEAMS - Pictured left to right are Cassie Campbell, Cody Cooper, Chasity Holman, Jesse Blanton, John Stevens, Kenny Johannes and Clay Cooper, Cassie, Chasity and Kenny are members
of the Land Judging team, and Cody, Jesse, Clay and John are members of the Range and Pasture Team. The Range and Pasture will compete in the State meet April 25th at Stephenville

## FFA team advances to State

The Motley County FFA Land
evaluation and the Range and Pas-
ture evaluation teams have been
competing this sring in preparation
for the State Qualifying contest which

## Babe Zaharias

 Golf Tournament set for April 28thThe Roaring Springs Ranch La
des' Golf Association will spons Scramble on Sunday, Aprili 28 at $2: 00$ p.m. Entry fee will be a donatio
the American Cancer Rund
 menh e cereryone is is welcome.

Love Fund established for local residents granddaughter

A Love Fund has been estab-
lished for Tiffany Fletcher, the 21 Darleen Fletcher of Roaring Springs. rany was recently diagnosed with therapy in Amarillo. She is the daughter of Marty and Tammy
Fletcher of Amarillo. Marty is a 1976
chool. Love Fund has been set up
The by her church. Donations may be
mailed to: Comanche Trail Church of Christ
1323 B. S.E. 58 th St Amarillo, TX 79118 flowers or any of the usual items sent to the hospital, because of lack of
immunities.
was held at Texas Tech on April 6th The land team consisting of Chasity Holman, Cassie Campbell, District and 8thin An Area I. Cassio was
the 8 th high individual in the contest out of approximately 100 contestants.

## The range and pasture team co sting of Jesse Blanton, Clay Coop Cody Cooper, and John Stevens fin- ished 3 rd in district and 5 th in Area I. They advance to the state contes April 25th.

Area high school receives bomb threat


Alexander wins Commissioner's race in Tuesday's run-off election

Russell Alexander of Roaring
Springs came out on top in Tuesday's run-off election for Commissioner
Precinct 4 defeating incumbent J.N. Fletcher, 95 votes to 78 votes.
A total of 57 residents of Precinct
voted early, with 35 for Mr
lexander and 22 for Mr. Fletcher.
tion Democratic ballot was the posi-
tion of United States Senator. Ron
Justice, Court of Criminal Appea Kirk received 95 votes and Victor $\quad \begin{gathered}\text { Place } \\ \text { Paul Womack received } 13\end{gathered}$ for Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals
Place 2. David Rich In the Republican run-off race,
Elizabeth Ray received 15 votes for
Cathy Cochran received 17 votes Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2. for Judge of Criminal Appeals, Place
Date Wainwright received 9 . Tim Taft received 18 votes for $\begin{gathered}\text { Mr. Alexander will take over the } \\ \text { Commissioner's position January } 1 .\end{gathered}$
Early voting will begin April 17th for May School Board Election


#### Abstract

Early voting will begin Wednes- day, April 17 th for the May 4th elec- position, currently held by Joey Thacker, is open, as well as two counThacker, is open, as well as two coun cil positions, currently held by Gary Simpson and Corky Marshall. Mr. Marshall has filed for the Mayor's Mosition. Incumbent Simpson has filed for reelection Parson and Mrs. Jones have also filed for reelection. The only opposed race in the coming election will be the School Board. Two (3-year) terms are open, currently held by James Gillespie currende helays Candidates are in- and Vaden Hays cumbents Gillespie and Hays, Pat cumbents Gillespie and Hays, Pat In Matador, the Mayor's position, Smith and Tina Brooks. ELection for Roaring Springs City Council, Matador City Council and Hospital Hospital Board have been canceled. In Roaring Springs the Mayor's currently held by Rodney Williams, is open, as well as two Council posi- tions, held by bhane Jones and Fred parson. Mr. Williams has filed for lied for reelection. The Motley County Hospital ourrently held by C.W. Moore, Dianne Washington and D.A. MCGuire. All hree candidates have filed for reEarly voting for the School Board ection will continue through April candidate's profile for this race in an upcoming issue.


Motley County Republicans meet in County Convention
Approximately 20 people met in
the Luther Green home last week to manent Secretary.
Eight resolutions we
the voting delegates. elect delegates to the state conven-
tion to be held in June at the Dallas
Convention Center. Ten voting del Convention Center. Ten voting del-
egates were present and a quorum
was declared present. was declared present.
Wilburn Martin was elected perMC Golf teams advance to Regional
Lady
Matadors
District
champs
by Cassie Campbell
The Motley County Golfers
played for the district title on April played for the district title on April
6 th and 7 th. The grirs played on Mon-
day and the boys played on "A" Team came home with the Dis-
trict plaque and a team total of 491 Cassie Campbell shot a 1111 , for a 2 n
place finish Stachia Baxter shot 124, for a 3rd placee finish. Courtne
Hays shot a 129 Emily Hurt had Hays shot a 129 , Emily Hurt had a 12
and Brittan More shot a 139 . The Lady Mats " B " Team came 2nd place team, but took home the
3rd. Their team consisted of Kittie Campbell who had a 154 , Sabrin
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team will not be able to adivance be
cause you have to have a first or sec
ond place and thay received 3 rd
They have all worked really hard this
year. The boys team had a team tota of 409 . They received 2nd as a team whe team consisted of Brad Baxter Christopher received 4th with a score
of 97. Brandon Moore shot a 105 , Yse Alvarado who had a 111 and Kenny
$\qquad$
job and are now preparing to go to
Abilene on April 22 and 23 . Come s
port our Motley County Golfers.

Longtime Motley County resident, Mrs. Fern Henderson, celebrated
her 101st birthday, April 9 . She came to Motley County with her par ents, Mr. and Mrs. Whitaker, when she was seven years old, from Oklahoma. She attended Whiteflat schools and married Floyd Henderson to Matador in 1955. They had one daughter, Dorothy Day of Matador two granddaughters and three great-grandchildren. Mr. Henderson died
1960. Mrs. Henderson is a resident of the Lockney Care Center and is in very good health. A birthday party will be held in her honor, Satur-
day, at $2: 00 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at the Center.

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I have a bug this week. It's called farmers and men of other profess
SPRING FEVER! And I've got a bad ions who work in the hot sun every case! I just cant concentrate on any-
thing. All I can think of is getting in my yard, spring cleaning, spring planting, etc. Tuesday was such
beautiful day, I could barely stand it
With the days, I am really going to be itching to get home and get in the yard. I love the outdoors, the warmer
(not hot!) weather and everything not goes weather and everything
that in tong with it energy going
out morning for a walk out in the early morning for a wal
or sitting on the porch and having a things up, giving things a spring lift. I like hard work, sweating and fee ing like I have really done something
physical. In sure there are a lot of

## Judge Smith performs

## first marriage ceremony

Judge Ed D. Smith honored Mr. made by neighbor Shirley Barton, and Mrs. Joe Martinez when he offi- centered the refreshment table in the
cited at their renewal of vows March
dining area. Odessa Mullins assisted 12 in their new Roaring Springs coun- with hostess duties at the delicious
try home. It was Judge Smith's first brunch served following the ertime to perform a wedding ceremony. lemony when the cake was cut. He was accompanied by his wife, Pat Vows were exchanged as the partici- Also present were a daughter
pants stood in the archway between and grandson, Louella and Logan living room and dining areas. from Ohio, granddaughters Courtney The home was lovely with fresh and Anna of the home, Carl an
flowers. A beautifuliy decorated cake, Shirley Barton and Rita Groves.


Garbage in, Garbage out. Good in, Good out


Talking about it just makes me
more anxious to get outside and more anxious to get outside and get
busy. I can just hear Jim now - "You just create work." He says that avcry year about this time when I start on all the needed jobs. Oh well, ev-
erybody can't enjoy the same things. erybody cant enjoy the same things,
One person's fun is another person's misery, I guess.
thank our precious God.for new beginnings, for the beauty He bring

## Flomot Do Gooders meet

## presided at a purple designed ser- vice. Geneva Martin was pleased to win the door prize.

 win the door prize. They served reshments offresh vegetables, crackers and chips
with a variety of dips, cake, cookies
with fruit punch and coffee.
Mrs. Waydetta Clay, president,
Mrs. Waydetta Clay, president,
onducted a full agenda of business. Mrs. Alma Shorter read the minutes of the club's last meeting in March
that were approved.
The club an asset to the commThe club, an asset to the commu-
nitty, voted to put solar window
$\qquad$
Look UUho'se New

Hudson Brian Klaile

 Tuesday afternoon, April and at the wilding and purchase a new vacuum $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Community Center in Flomot. } & \text { cleaner to use at the Center. Mrs. } \\ \text { The table was laid with an ecru } & \text { Mary Jo Calvert, sec. of the Flomot }\end{array}$ The table was laid with an ecru Mary Jo Calvert, sec. of the Flomot
cloth and the hostesses, Mrs. Erma
Community Association, said they cloth and the hostesses, Mrs. Erma Community Association, said they
Washington and Mrs. Nada Starkey were having needed plumbing represided at a purple designed ser- sere
vice. Geneva Martin was pleased to
pane.
The club has completed the RagThe club has completed the Rag-
time quilt on which chances will be
sold. They plan to have pictures of the quilt on display in neighboring comnunities and towns. The name of the Tri-Annual Homecoming on July 6 th. Those attending were Mesdames Ina Beth Clay, Sure ie Shannon,
Kathy Shorter, Naca Starkey Erma Washington, Waydetta Clay, Mary Jo Washington, Waydetta Clay, Mary Jo
Calvert, Geneva Martin, Alma Vegan and Trull Martin



Holden Lee Haile, $21 / 2$, and par- Hóspitalin in Stephenville. He weighed
ens. Brian and Heather Haile of 7 pounds 8 ounces and was $191 / 2$ ents, Brian and Heather fane
Stephenville, would like to announce stephenvilie, would like to announce
the arrival of his little brother, Hudson Brian.
Hudson was born March 25, 2002,
t $8: 06 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ at the Harris Methodist inches long. Grandparents are Roy, and
Frances Hobbs of Matador and Don
and Sylvia Haile of Hamilton Great and Sylvia Hale of Hamilton. Great-
grandmother is Lula Jones of

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My Story Also we have James the authorbegis a new series called
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the North China Marines. Those of
you suspense, humor and mystery, you who liked Brady's The Marines
of Autumn will like this book. Another Exposure is a great begin-
of ing to the literary career of First of Autumn will like this book. Another ming to the literary career of First
autobiography is Bob Bunk's North
Daughter Susan Ford and a fresh and Star Over my Shoulder A Flier's Life.
New fiction in the library includes exciting new entry in the popular Iris Johansen's Body of Lies, Sandra $\begin{gathered}\text { genre of presidential fiction. } \\ \text { We appreciate the memorial do- }\end{gathered}$ Brown's Kiss Remembered and Bur- nation we received from Ann and Pat suit by Johanna Lindsey. We have Seigler in memory of Jack Case and many new books in the library - too Lewis Armstrong. Donations such as
numerous to name each one. I am these are very important to the lisure you can find something you like. brary and they make a lasting memo-
For instance, Double Exposure by For instance, Double Exposure by rial to special people.

was a warm summer night as so dearly loved. There was also con grandmother sat on the steps of her secern for his Spiritual food knowing,
front porch with her three-year-old, "Man cannot live on bread alone." front porch with her three-year-old, Man cannot live on bread alone.
very first grandson. It was indeed a Beside his plate each day she placed
Kodak moment, a time of eternal handwritten scriptures or prayers to Kodak moment, a time of eternal handwritten scriptures or prayers to
bonding as she shared her faith with guide him through a day of worldly bonding as she shared her faith with guide him through a day of world y
him. She pointed out the 'Big Dipper',
temptations and disappointments.
 not forgetting the bright star of the of his own. Having found his place in
East that had led the Wisemen to God's Kingdom, he sings, teaches East that had led the Wisemen to God's Kingdom, he sings, teaches
Jesus. As she gave him an accurate and lives for Jesus. His Nama's house
Bi Jesus. As she gave him an accurate and lives for Jesus. His anas of man
Bible account of the beauty and won- is quiet with only memories of man
der of Heaven, his wonderful world grandchildren coming and going der of Heaven, his wonderful world grandchildren coming and going.
of imagination became activated. of imagination became activated.
With a chubby little finger pointing upward and eyes sparkling like the stars, he exclaimed "Look Nance, see
the rainbow! When I get to Heaven I the rainbow! When I get to Heaven As their hearts spoke to one an-
other, she prayerfully watched him become an energetic teenager. Raid
ing him up in the way he should was his parents number one priority with a tenacious determination to
break his stubborn will Through tears, his grandmother discerned
that that when directed toward God, this would be a tremendous virtue that would separate him from the world. Overnight, it seemed, he was a one hand and a football in the other Every school day she fed him his fa-
verite food :Pizza) worrying that his verite food (Pizza) Worrying that his
thin body was not suffice to endure
the physical contacts of the sports he

Her needs are numerous, feeling owhental anguish of old age, wit-
owhysical pain and perpetual attacks of depression from the en-
my. On a emy. On a particular day of all-out
warfare, she needed a breakthrough
Who could she Who could she call that wouldn't
judge her need judge her need as spiritual weak-
ness? Her thoughts immedi turned to that special night on the front porch many years an the made the call, anticipating the com-
ort of hearing month-old dais his voice. With his fourchest and with no prior knowledge of her need, he began to minister with powerful, anointed words from the

The seeds she had sown long ago Th gone into good ground, taken root, produced fruit and now were
giving back Peace came like a river
and God received the and God received the glory.

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## Motley County School News

Lady Mats compete at District


## Book Fair

April 22-26
A scholastic Book Fair has been
set to come to Motley County school
on April 22-26. The Book Fair will share exciting books and educational
learning products with readers of all ages. Parents and teachers will find
plenty of items to interest them, too a.m until $3: 30$ p.m. and is offering Buy One - Get One Free' special.
The Book Fair helps promote learning while raising money for spe-
cial school projects. Don't miss out on the Scholastic
Book Fair. Call Carol Ann Turner at

## CORRECTION

 coming summer season, a child mus instead of September 4 yeas as reportedinster instead of September 4, as reported
in last week's paper. We apologize for


## MONDAY, APRIL 15

 Lunch: Chicken Parmasian, Green Salad, Bread Sticks, Pears,
Vanilla Wafers, Milk. TUESDAY, APRIL 16
 Lunch: Barbecued Ribs, Creamed Potatoes, Carrots, Sliced
Bread, Banana Pudding, Milk. WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17
Breakfast: Pancakes, Sausage Lunch: Hamburger, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Onion, Chips, Peanut THURSDAY, APRIL 18

> Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Lunch: Chicken Nuggets, Creamed Potatoes, Gravy,
Beans, Hot Roll, Honey, Milk FRIDAY, APRIL 19
Breakfast: Biscuit, Scrambled Lunch: Beef Enchiladas, Green alad, Spanish Rice, $1 / 2$ Apple, Treat,


## Students of the Month

## Motley County Students of the month of April High scected for the are Clint Cooper and Stachia Baxter. Elementary/Jr. High Students are yo Santos and Kortney Williams. Clint is the 16 -year-old son of Jim

 and Judy Cooper of Matador. He is Junior. His favorite subject is Ag andhis favorite teacher is Coach Cox
Clint enjoys sports, hunting, fishcile enjoys sports, hunting, fish ing, sleeping, and watching TV in his
spare time. He is a member of FFA, spare time. He is a men Council. He
FCA, NHS, and Student
plans to attend college after high

When asked what he wanted to be when he grows up, Clint replied "I don't want to grow up." Clint's advice to fellow students Clint's advice to fellow students
is not to take things to oseriously. His faverite color is shue. His fa-
放 vorite food is steak. His favorite mu-
sical group is Lynyrd Skynyrd and his sical group is Lyyyrd Skynyrd and his
favorite movie is Forrest Gump. The avorite movie is Forrest Gump.
last book he read is Moby Dick.
Clint listed Jhn Win Clint listed John Wayne as his He believes the qualities of a good citizen is honesty, trustworthy
and hard working. When asked what he would be
doing when he is 50 , he replied "I will doing when he is 50 , he replied "I wil try." Stachia is the 16-year-old daughter of Don and Colleen Baxter o
Matador. She is a Sophomore. He favoriter subject is Yearbook and her avorite teacher is Coach Sanchez.
Stachia enjoys talking on the Stachia enjoys talking on the
phone, hanging out with friends and phone, hanging out with friends and
riding around in her spare time. He
participates in basketball, pep club participates in basketball, pep. club,
golf, FCCLA, cross country and Stu golf, FCCLA, cross country and Stu-
dent Council. She plans to attend college at San Angelo after high school and hopes to become a reporter or lawyer, bu
is not sure yet what she would like to
Her advice to fellow students is to keep your grades up and have fun blue and light pink. Her favorite food is chicken. Her favorite music is Rock
and she likes the groups Afroman and she likes the groups Afroman
and Staind. Her favorite movies are American Pie 1 and 2 and Half Baked
The last book she read was her Biol

## ogy book. Her heroes are the rescu- ers in New York City. Stachia belies. Stachia believes the qualities of a good citizen is being patriotic, nice

 agood citizen is being patriotic, nice,kind, polite and generous. When asked whate and generous. When
she is 50 , she rould be doing when she is 50, she replied, "Hopefully kids and, married and partying!
Nayo
 He is in the second grade. His favor-
ite subject is Math and his favorite teacher is Mrs. Kautz. He enjoy playing basketball and riding his bike
in his spare time. He plans to attend in his spare time. He plans to attend
college when he completes schoo and hopes to be a farmer when he grows up,
Nayo's advice for fellow students His favorite color is green. His favorite food is taco salad. His favor ite music is Rap and his favorite
movie is Dinosaurs. The last book he read was Little Gorilla Nayo admires his dad (Mario). He believes the qualities of a good When asked what he would be
eitizen is being ande
doing when he is 50 , he said he would
be working

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { be working. } \\
& \text { Kortney is }
\end{aligned}
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Kortney is the 9-year-old daugh ter of Kellie and Larry Williams. She
is a fourth grader. Her favorite sub is a fourth grader. Her favorite sub-
ject is Att and her favorite teacher is Kortney enjoys writing in her journal, playing on the trampoline and riding her horse in her spar
time. She participates in Girl Scouts Choir and PIPs. She plans to attend
college when she completes school college when she completes school
and hopes to become a Veterinarian. Kortney's advice to fellow stu-
dents is to try your best on tests and have self control.
Her favorite colors are pink and purple. Her favorite food is seafood Her favorite music is Rockies are the Mary Kate and Ashley movies. The las
book she read is Everything book she read
Need To Know.
Kortney admires her grandpar good citizen is obeying the law. When asked what she would be
doing when she is 50 , she said she will
be a Vet.

## Student Council

 to sponsor Perfect Attendance contestThe student council will again
sponsor a perfect attendance sponsor a perfect attendance contest
for the last six weeks of school. for the last six weeks of school.
The only absences that will not
be counted will be for extracurricube counted will be for
lar school activities. lar school activities.
Elementary stude Elementary students attendance
is taken for a day at 10:00 a.m. The-
ses ses grades include PK-6th. A student
must be here at that time to be must be here at that time to
counted present. Attendance is tak
only once a day in those grades. only once a day in those grades. period by period. Each period is
counted separately. Students please counted separately. Students please
give this a try, you might like it. We
are almost positive that we would are almost positive that we would see
grades improve if your attendance is grades improve if your
perfect.
Divisions include:

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& \text { Divisi } \\
& \text { PK-3rd } \\
& 4 \text { th-6th } \\
& 7 \text { th- }-\mathrm{th} \\
& 9 \text { 9h- } 12 \text { th }
\end{aligned}
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This contest will start on Monday, April 15, 2002 and go through Thurs-
day, May 23. There will be a school day, May 23 . There will be a school
holiday on May 10. Maybe if you could make your Dr appointment for that
day if you have to go between now day if you have to go between now
and the end of schol.
Any student who has perfect at Any student who has perfect at-
tendance in the different divisions
will have their name put in a hat and will have their name put in a hat and
one name from each division will be drawn out for a nice prize.
We will let you know a date what the prizes will be. They will
be donated

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# NEWS AROUND THE COUNTY 

Roaring Springs News
 Association has postponed the begin- $11: 30$ am for lunch and after a short
ming of their golfing season due to the meeting, will begin play. All lady ning of their going season due to the members of the Springs Ranch are
aeration of the greens on Thursday, meme
April 11 . The course will be closed on encouraged to join.

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Janey Carothers
Afton-Services for Janey Carothers, many years before moving back to Afton.
69, of Afton will be held at $2: 00$ pom. Sun-
She has also been a foster parent for the 69, of Alton will be held at 2:00 p.m. Sun- She has also been a foster parent for the
day April , 2002, at First Baptist Church last 20 years. She wrote the Alton news
in Anton with Rev. C. Atkinson official- column for the Texas Spur Newspaper for in Aton with Rev. C.L. Atkinson official- column for the Texas Spur Newspaper for
ing. Burial will be in Aton Cemetery un- many years and was a member of the ing. Burial will be in Afton Cemetery un- many years and was a member of the
der the direction of Campbell Funeral
Home often PT0. She was a member of First
Baptist Church in Aton.
She died Friday, April 5,200 , in Lub-
bock. Mrs. Carothers was born September
21, 1932, in Afton to James and Ila Mae fo
Alexander Brow. She married Alvin Al, 1932, in Anton to James and Ila Mae
Aonster-sons carothers of Rochester, thana of two
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## Order of Cancellation De Orden De Cancelacion


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Cary Simpson. Council member
Bob Vandiver. Council member
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# 8. FARM ANP RANCHF NFEWS 

## Rainfall management critical for dryland cotton

skip-row system where two 40 -inch
rows of cotton are separated by fallow, bare row. In theory, the fallow, or moisture bank for adjacent cotton rows, but some are now questioning the wis
said. "If we leave a barren row of
ground out there, we have created a zone with high evaperavion potential.
In the past few years, we have seen better, more consistent yields from cotton planted on 30 or 32 inch rows interspersed with grain sorghum,
he added. "In this system, we plant he added. "In this system, we plant
several rows of cotton and grain sorghum in adjacent strips to produce field that is two-thirds grain sor ghum.
system and manage soil moasily in this the same time. The grain sorghum residue helps reduce wind erosion and boosts rainfall infiltration. It als
reduces evaporation of soil moistur reduces evaporation of soil moisture
by reflecting heat and sunlight, and reduces the incidence of soil sealing after a pounding rain by softening the
impact of raindrops." impact of raindrops,"
Krieg said this system of combin ing crop rotation with soil moisture management could boost yield po
tential by as much as 100 pounds pe acre

He also advised producers to
think beyond "maximizing yield" by
ocusing on plant health and fiber Krieg challenged dryland pro-
ducers at the Caprock Cotton Conference to "choose varieties for fiber
quality and then manage it" to optimaility and then manage it" to opti-
mize both soil moisture and yield
otential. potential.

## Boll Weevil expected to be eradicated by 2006

sioner Susan Combs said last week
she will ask for another $\$ 50$ milion she will ask for another $\$ 50$ million
to extend funding for the state's boll weevil eradication program and expects the pest to be substantially years. ${ }^{\text {Your }}$ interest is our interest" Combs told scores of cotton produc ers at the annual meeting of the "We are really seeing tremendous

## Three more of the state's 12 ac- pratication enes likely will be

## dive eraraication zones likely will be


three are the El Paso Trans Pecos and the Permian Basin zones, said
Allen Spelce of the Texas Department of Agriculture. Two zones - the Southern Roll-
ing Plains last month and the Roll ing Plains last month and the Roll-
ing Plains Central in 2000 - have already been declared functionally eradicated.
Combs, who earmarked $\$ 50$ milCombs, wha earmarked $\$ 50 \mathrm{mil}$ -
lion for the eradication program in
the last legislative session lion or the eradication program in
the last legislative session, said she will include another $\$ 50$ million in her

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COW POKES ${ }^{\circ}$ By Ace Reid "Dryland cotton yields on the
South Plains have been essentially

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APRIL SOMELS BRING MAY FLOWERS
Say "Thank you" to your secretary on wiai Aprifin'ith with a hanging basket!! *Bedding plants *Pottery
*Hanging baskets $\quad$ *Shrubs \& Trees *Bark mulch/Potting soil
isaeline budget for legislators to con
sider when they return to Austin in January.
Functionally eradicated mean that trap catches for the year aver age fewer than one weevil per week and that no evidence of reproducing boll weevil populations was found for Cowng season.
Combs also encouraged cotton across the state to educate them on
agricultural is agricultural issues, especially since
there are fewer rural representatives in the Texas House.
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