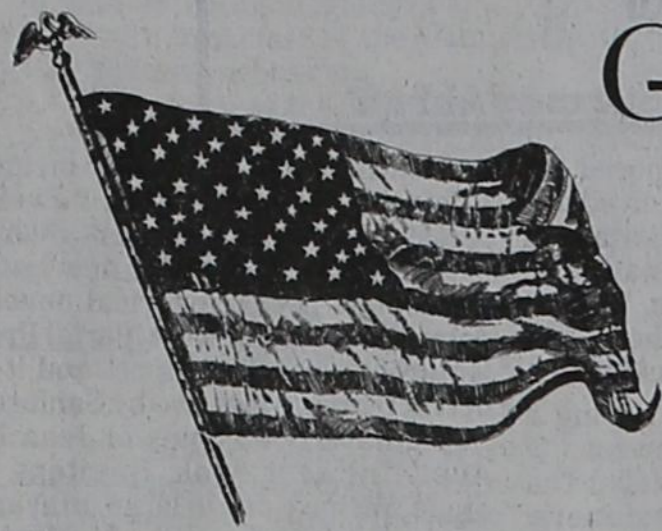


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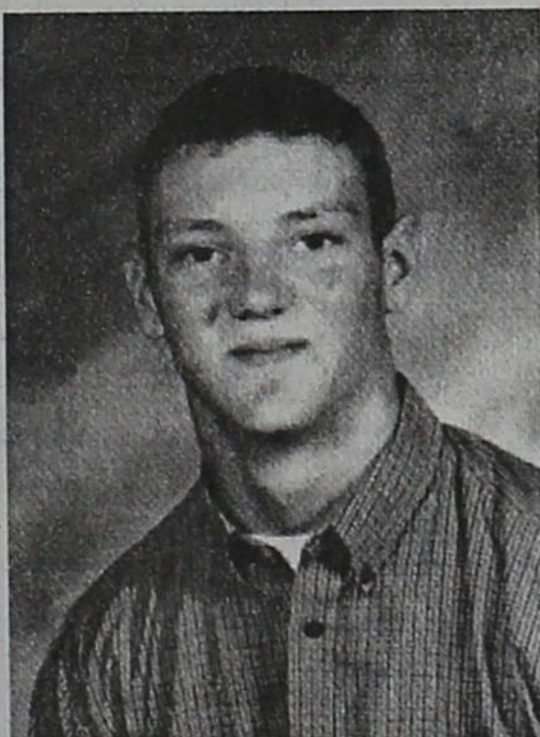
Remembering those who served

Members of the Freshman Ag. Class at Motley County High School pose with some of the crosses they helped make this year. The crosses were made to be placed at all Veterans graves in the County. American Legion Fleming Post #337 provided the materials and were responsible for the placement of the crosses. On Memorial Day volunteers placed American Flags on the crosses in remembrance of those who served our country. All of the students in Agriculture Classes at MCHS helped in the refurbishment of old crosses and making new ones. They, along with Ag. Teacher, Jim Cooper, wish to thank the American Legion Post for letting them be a part of this worthwhile project. Students pictured above, left to right, are Kenny Johannes, Emily Hurt, Clay Cooper, John Stevens, Jesse Blanton, and Cody Cooper.

Local students selected to attend Boys' and Girls' State



Cassie Campbell



Clint Cooper

American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary of Motley County will sponsor two teens to attend Boys State and Girls State.

Clint Cooper, sponsored by the American Legion will attend Boys State, which will be held on the Campus of the University of Texas at Austin, June 1-7.

Cassie Campbell, sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary, will attend Girls State, July 10-20, at Texas Lutheran University at Seguin.

Clint, the son of Jim and Judy Cooper of Matador, is a 2002 Junior at Motley County High School. He was selected to participate in this program because of his demonstration of sincere desire to attend, strong leadership abilities, outstanding scholastic achievement, good character, competitive spirit and an ability to work with others.

Boys State was founded, and its courses of instruction designed, to supplement the information taught in high school civics classes. Boys State teaches that our form of government is good and that its preservation depends on intelligent, informed and loyal citizens. It is an activity of high educational value, born out of a need for youth training in practical citizenship. It is a leadership action program in which qualified male high school juniors develop a working knowledge of the structure of government. It teaches the young citizens that government is just what they make it.

Cassie, the daughter of Douglas and Janie Campbell of Matador, is also a 2002 Junior at Motley County High School. She was selected for this honor by the local American Legion Auxiliary because of her leadership, citizenship and character.

The purpose of Girls State is to educate young women in the duties, privileges, rights and responsibilities of American citizenship. Its purpose is to awaken within the youth of this nation a sincere conviction that a well-informed, intelligent, participating citizenry is most vitally needed to protect and preserve American institutions and American democracy.

Congratulations to these local teens for being selected for this honor.

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School Board meets for called meeting

The Motley County I.S.D. Board of Trustees met on May 20 in a called meeting. All board members were present. Also present were Superintendent Rick Copp, Principal Sonya Herrell, and Bettye Stevens.

President Marisue Potts asked if there was any legal representation at the meeting for any party. There was none acknowledged.

A large group of students, parents and staff were present for open forum. During open forum, Justin Jameson expressed the views of the seniors present at the meeting requesting that class member Frankie Martinez be able to participate in the graduation exercises.

Teacher, Ronnie Cox, spoke expressing that although there was a typographical error in the student handbook, the intent was there to follow the rules when it was adopted by the board.

Teacher, Chelsea Read, also spoke expressing that laws and rules are created and maintain accountability in a democratic society.

President Marisue Potts thanked the speakers and read from the board member handbook the duties and responsibilities of each school board member.

President Potts asked Mr. Copp to explain the typographical error in the handbook. Mr. Copp explained that the error was found after the printing of the handbooks in August and that it was noted in the original on August 21, 2001. A copy of the pages were faxed to the school lawyers to read and advise on and it was found that the statement was in two places, one correct and one with the error.

Upon a recommendation by Mr. Copp, a motion was made by Douglas

Annual Memorial Day Muster remembers those who served

The local American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary sponsored their annual Memorial Day Muster, Monday, May 27, at the Motley County Senior Citizens Center. Flags were placed on the graves of fallen servicemen before a delicious breakfast was served back at the Center.

Boys State representative, Clint Cooper, recited "Flanders Field," and Girls State representative, Cassie Campbell, responded.

Motley County high school junior, Amanda Hurt was the keynote speaker and presented the following speech:

MEMORIAL DAY by Amanda Hurt

Memorial Day is a day to honor those brave souls who gave the ultimate sacrifice for their country. It is a day when all Americans, no matter race or religion join together to remember the sacrifices of those who gave their lives. On Memorial Day thousands of Americans flock to monuments, cemeteries, and parades to honor the dead and remember wars past. But, also at the same time, thousands more spend the day off enjoying barbecues and picnics. Here is a thought, without the sacrifices of these men and women you might not be able to have a barbecue, and I might not be standing here today delivering this speech. The freedom that we enjoy everyday did not come cheaply. It was paid for with flesh and blood of American servicemen and women, and with the tears of those whose loved ones are gone forever.

On this day Veterans will gather

to honor and remember fallen comrades, who they shared a foxhole or a meal with. Their time might have been short lived, but the bonds that were formed will remain forever. We have to make it a point to never forget about these who were killed. It does not have to be Memorial Day to celebrate the fallen. Everyday their memory should pass through our minds, for without them we would not have the precious gift of freedom.

It is hard for me to believe and always will be that so many people died for us, even though they would never meet us. It gives me so much pride when I look up at our flag and think of all the hardships that it went through to give it meaning. The American Flag is known around the world as a symbol of freedom. Every star, stripe, and thread in the flag represents a fallen hero, it was made by those Americans who pursued freedom and gave us freedom.

After September 11, I watched our country come together to form one. We all realized the price of freedom and the unbelievable things Americans had to endure to give it to us. That day ignited a flame in many American hearts that I hope will never go out.

Our pride and unity must be passed to future generations. They also must know the sacrifices that these people went through and are going through as I speak. Everyday should be celebrated as though it is Memorial Day.

Even if on Memorial Day you do not go to a cemetery or monument to pay your respect, just pause for a few moments of silence for the dead.

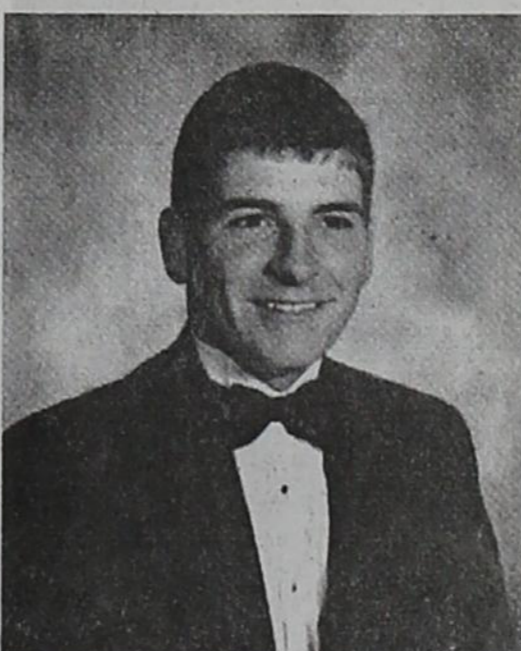
Those in attendance today, keep up a tradition of pride and remember all who have fallen, and rejoice in the ones who still live and remember. Let none of us ever forget the true meaning of Memorial Day.

In closing, I would like to read a poem written after September 11 entitled "The Power of One" (author unknown).

"ONE"

As the soot and dirt and ash rained down,
We became one color.
As we carried each other down the stairs of the burning building,
We became one class.
As we lit candles of waiting and hope,
We became one generation.
As the firefighters and police officers fought their way into the inferno,
We became one gender.
As we fell to our knees in prayer for strength,
We became one faith.
As we whispered or shouted words of encouragement,
We spoke one language.
As we gave blood in lines a mile long,
We became one body.
As we mourned together the great loss,
We became one soul.
As we retell with pride of the sacrifice of heroes,
We became one people.
We are: One color, One class, One generation, One gender, One faith, One language, One body, One family, One soul, One people.
We are the Power of One.
We are United.
We are America.

Cap Rock Telephone Scholarships awarded to Motley County graduates



Justin Jameson



Kayla Copp

Cap Rock Telephone Cooperative established a Scholastic Achievement award in order to play a role in the continuing educational efforts of area youths. Since the inception of the scholarship award program, Cap Rock has provided \$32,000.00 for area students to continue their education. This year Cap Rock awarded eight \$1,000.00 scholarships to young men and women across the area.

Two scholarships were awarded to Motley County High School graduates Justin Jameson and Kayla Copp.

Cap Rock Telephone is honored to contribute to the beginning of each recipient's educational success. The entire staff wishes all area graduates continued success in the pursuit of a higher education.

Students receive honors at Annual Moving-Up Ceremonies

Motley County students were honored at the school's annual Moving-Up ceremonies held Thursday, May 24. Awards were given to students for their accomplishments in various courses of study and activities throughout the school year. Scholarships were announced to 2002 Seniors as follows:

Yusef Alvarado - Eternas Study Club.
Bradley Baxter - Farm Bureau, Booster Club, and Clay Lancaster Memorial.

Kayla Copp - Roaring Springs Lions and Predicta Study Club, Charlie & Viola Keith, Douglas and Lila Meador, El Progreso Study Club, Roaring Springs Kid's Camp,

Matador Lions Club, Cap Rock Telephone, South Plains College.

Courtney Hays - Motley County PTO, Martha Ann Cogdell, Aunt Juddie Stephens, WTAMU Residence, WTAMU Tuition.

William Ho-Gland - Roaring Springs Full Gospel Church.

Justin Jameson - Martha Ann Cogdell, Motley County Exes, Thacker Honorary, Cap Rock Telephone, South Plains College.

Shawn Marvel - Roaring Springs Full Gospel Church, Roaring Springs Lions and Predicta Study Club.

Brandon Moore - First State Bank, Jeremy Davis Memorial.

Lisa Perryman - Roaring Springs Full Gospel Church.

Tony Salazar - Martha Ann Cogdell, Motley County PTO, Vance H. Gilbreath Memorial.

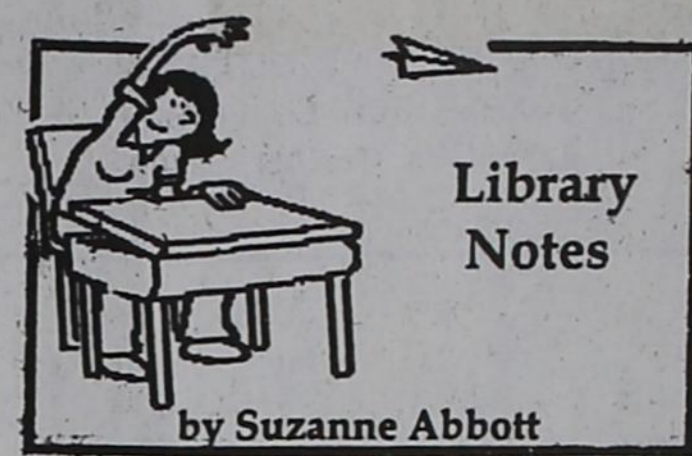
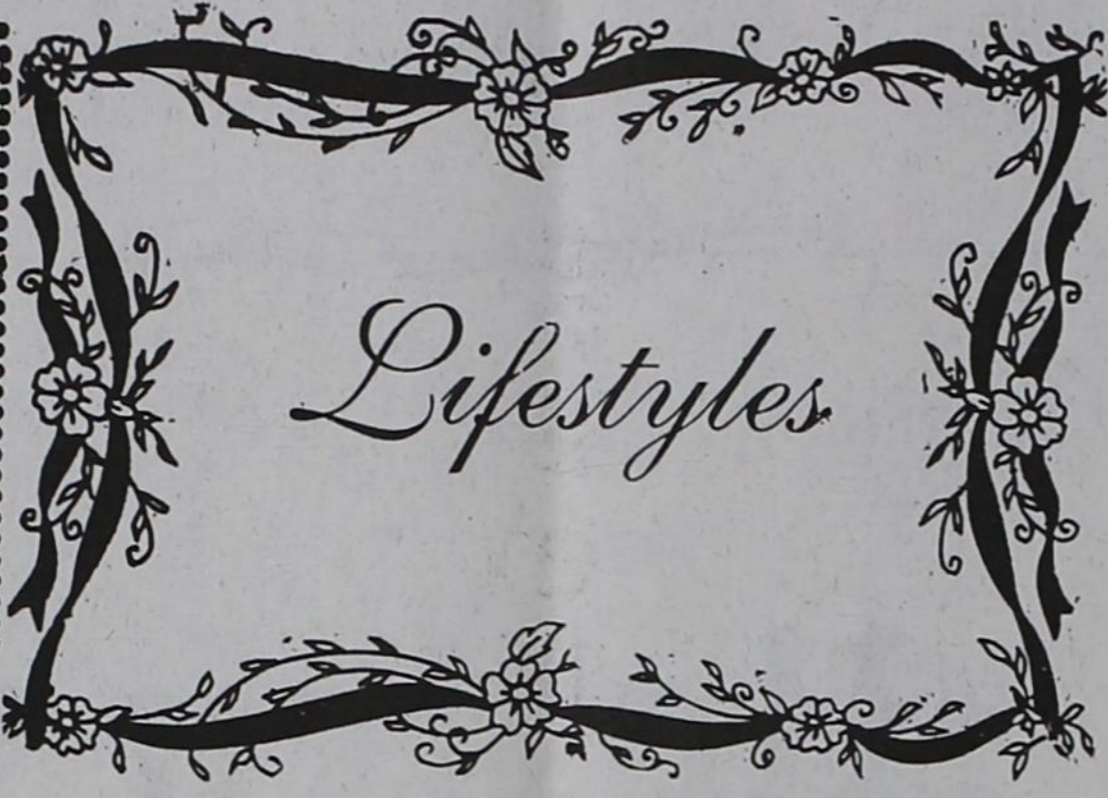
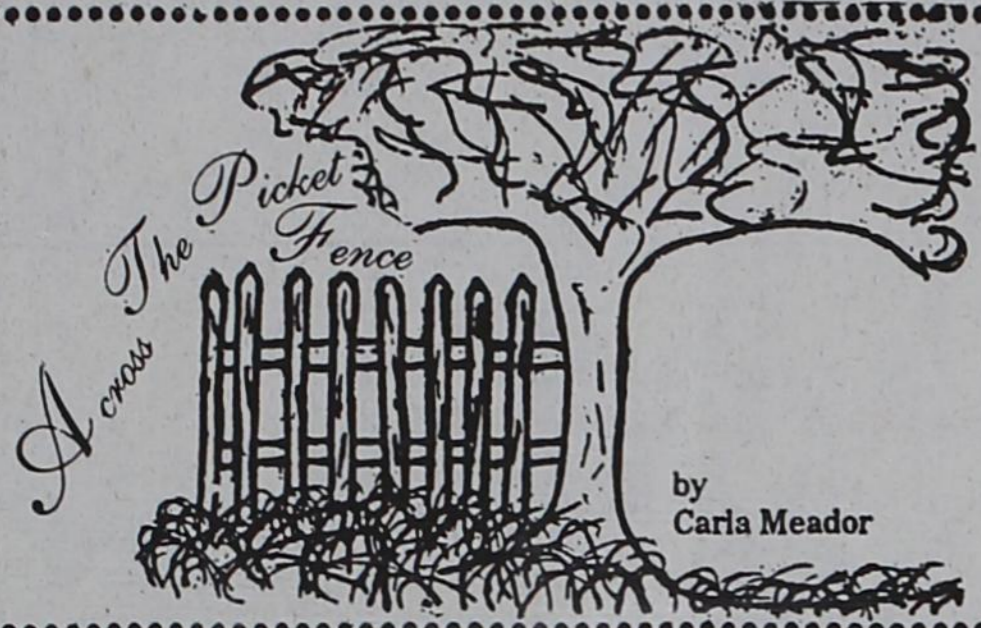
Leslie Taylor - Motley County Booster Club, Eternas Study Club, Roaring Springs Full Gospel Church.

Kelsi Wallace - Hazel and Earl Stephens, Motley County Exes, First Baptist Church.

Awards presented to students in grades 9-12 are as follows:

Teachers Honor Effort Award: Sis Taylor and Sergio Flores. This award is a faculty nomination for 1 boy and one girl who exemplify ambition, determination, cooperation, dependability and responsibility. The

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I hope everyone takes the time to read Amanda Hurt's Memorial Day speech on page one. It is very touching. Good job, Amanda! It's good to know that we have youth who realize the true meaning of Memorial Day.

I heart a report on TV the other day saying that a poll had been taken among grade school children asking them what Memorial Day is. The biggest response was "the day the pool opens." While that may sound funny, it's really rather sad. Before September 11, I suppose that group of youngsters probably never imagined what war really is. Before recent reports on the news, they probably never heard of servicemen being killed in action.

How the world has changed in such a short time!

Speaking of remembering, I hope everyone makes plans now to attend the Roaring Springs July 4th celebration. The dedication of the Veterans Memorial will be held that morning. The memorial project was started several years ago by Joe Bruce King, a Roaring Springs class member of Frank N. Mitchell, recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor. Mr. King worked very hard on the

project, which was designed to honor Roaring Springs Veterans. Due to illness there were several delays. With donations, the Roaring Springs Lions Club and volunteers have almost completed the project.

In addition to the dedication, the other events of the day are really fun, especially the Lawn Mower Parade. I know it's a month away, but mark it on your calendar, you don't want to miss it.

"If a task is once begun, Never leave it 'till it's done. Be the labor great or small, Do it well or not at all."

"I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do." John 17:4

Men's Breakfast is Saturday

The monthly men's breakfast will be held Saturday, June 1, at 7:00 a.m., at the First United Methodist Church in Matador.

All men of the county are invited to attend.

Breast Screening Clinic to be held at Motley County Clinic

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Motley County Clinic, 1224 Main, in Matador on June 6, 2002.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month.

Participants will receive a low-cost screening mammogram. Each woman screened will receive a breast health risk appraisal and individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Call (806) 356-1905 or 1 (800) 377-4673 for more information.

Living a Life of Love & Laughter Bible study begins

"Medicine for a Merry Heart! (God's Prescription for a Happy Life)" will be the second of six sessions of the "Living a Life of Love & Laughter" Bible study series at the First Baptist Church, Matador, this Sunday evening, June 2, at 7:00 p.m.

The video series, which features Christian humorist Dennis Swanberg, provides spiritually sound instruction for facing life, accompa-

nied by plenty of lighthearted moments along the way. Facilitator for the study is Pastor Jack Boggs.

Everyone in the community is invited to be a part of this study. Each session is self-contained, so anyone may attend any or all of the sessions. (There is no cost and no homework). For information, please call the church office at 347-2345 or 347-2782.

Pivots & Divots

by Mary



Play Day on May 23 was for low net. Louise Barton, Olivia Barton, LaVoe Thacker and Geneva Wilson played 18 holes. LaVoe won the ball.

All the afternoon players did not have a handicap computed, so they played for low putts. Nell Berryman, Frances Hobbs, Mary Jones and Judy Renfro played 9 holes. Judy won

the ball. We want to add a big "thank you" to Virginia for the good food she serves through the week from her regular menu. It is a real treat after a round of golf. The steaks she served on Saturday night were delicious and were enjoyed by everyone. Thanks, Virginia!



ASLEEP

Satan has many tools. As he attempts to wreak havoc in our lives and in our hearts, he reaches into his tool box and selects the appropriate instrument to tempt us to depart from the will of God. His tools are varied, some are dramatic, best described as a sledge hammer or cutting torch. Other tools are much more subtle, used with great dexterity and finesse. For many of us, the hammer is as threatening as the others. You know what I mean, the hammer hurts, but it is obvious and more often than not, it drives us to God for solace and protection, it definitely gets our full attention. For this reason the instrument that most threatens me is the greatest tool of subtlety. This instrument is quiet, gentle, and almost completely imperceptible. Do you know the one I am talking about? No, not the drill, not the pry bar, not even the knife, this tool had various names. We know it as Boredom, Sameness, Dullness, Status Quo.

Perhaps more threatening than any other is the quiet creeping aptitude that lulls us to sleep. The sensation that allows the boat to rock us to sleep as we drift closer and closer to the deadly falls. Just relax, don't get so worked up about all this "God stuff"! There's time tomorrow to pray, I will be a better student of God's Word next week when things aren't so busy. As soon as I get my finances in shape, then I will be better able to give like God wants me to. Hmmm, yawn...I know God needs more teachers, more servants, things need to be done, the harvest is ready, let me think about it, I need more time to prepare. Yawn...stretch...why am I so tired? I need to rest a little bit more, then I will be ready, just give me a few more minutes, don't be so loud!.....ZZZZZZZZZZZZ.....

WAKE UP!!! There is an eternal battle being waged. We must not let Satan deceive us any longer.

Roaring Springs Church of Christ
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 Radio Programs, K-96 FM
 Bible Study - 10 am Worship - 9 am

El Progreso Club installs officers for upcoming year

by Winifred Darsey

El Progreso club members met May 11 at the Senior Citizens center for their regular meeting, for installation of officers, a program on Federation, and a Tasting Bee party.

President Jeanne Adams called the meeting to order at 3:30 and proceeded with business after giving the invocation.

Mrs. Jo Ann Dickson gave a report from the State Convention, held at Midland, May 9. She listed the awards El Progreso club won. Among the many awards, the most outstanding was first place in Poetry, won by Mrs. Dickson and first place for short story, "Jasmine". She wrote the story for the December program. It's a charming story about a cat.

El Progreso's awards included: First place in Santa Rosa District, Category I; 2nd place, Arts and Crafts, Category II; 2nd place, International Affairs, Special Project, Category II; 3rd place, Public Affairs, Yearbook Cover, displaying Motley County historic jail.

Four members were elected to serve as District officers for this ensuing term. Mrs. Jo Ann Dickson, President; Jeanne Adams, Secretary; Loys Campbell, Treasurer; and Winifred Darsey, Parliamentarian.

Mrs. Dickson was installing officer for the installation of officers for the ensuing year. She used hands as a symbol for the ceremony. She presented a work glove to each officer and tucked inside was a note of instruction for the duties of that office. It was very appropriate and inspiring.

Mrs. Lana Copp was installed as President; President Elect was Mrs. Sharon Allen; First Vice-President, Mrs. Freida Burns; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Shirley Smith; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Loys Campbell; Reporter, Beverly Vinson; Parliamentarian, Mrs. Winifred Darsey. Mrs. Darsey will also serve

as reporter pro-tem. It was a unique way to install officers and Mrs. Dickson made it very special to the club.

El Progreso Club was pleased to award its annual scholarship to Miss Kayla Copp for outstanding achievement in high school.

Mrs. Jeanne Adams gave a brief valediction to the members on her pleasure of having served as club president the past term. The members responded by complimenting her for hard work and the lovely manner in which she presided.

The tea table was lovely and inviting with its beautiful white cloth, centered with Spring flowers and loaded with sandwiches, dips, mini-pizza, tortillinos, cookies, nuts, olives, pickles, cake, and a punch bowl of a delicious drink.

Mrs. Freida Burns and Mrs. Ruby McGuire were the decorating committee and the food was prepared by the members.

Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Dickson each included a poem in their addresses to the club.

Members present were Sharon Allen, Jeanne Adams, Freida Burns, Lana Copp, Lucretia Campbell, Grace Campbell, Loys Campbell, Billie Koon, Opal Pipkin, Shirley Smith, Jo Ann Dickson, Lou Walker and Winifred Darsey.

Billie Koon presented each member a Mother's Day gift of a pretty cutting board, embellished with fruit or flowering painting. Thanks and surprise was the catch-word for her thoughtfulness.

The club is pleased over having as many District officers in El Progreso Club. It's an honor for the club.

Grace Campbell will be Federation Counselor for 2002-2004.

The Federation traveling team will be in Crowell July 10. All members are urged to attend.

Club meetings are suspended until September.

Predicta Study Club meets in Roaring Springs

by Lula Swim

The Predicta Study Club met in the home of Mrs. LaVoe Thacker last Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Thacker was assisted in hostess duties by Mrs. Odessa Mullins. Mrs. Thacker was in charge of the meeting. Programs for the coming year were planned.

Officers for the new year are President, LaVoe Thacker; Vice

President, Odessa Mullins; Treasurer, L.V. Damron; Secretary, Pam Thacker; Recording Secretary, Callie Giesecke; Reporter, Lula Swim.

Members present to enjoy the delicious refreshments, in addition to those already mentioned, were Grace Zabielski, Nona Long, and guest, Mrs. Johnnie June Lowrance of Amarillo. The club will not meet again until September.

We appreciate the memorial donations that the library received this past week. We thank Donna and Larry Hoyle for their donation in memory of Chris Guerrero. We also thank Earline Vaughn for her donation in memory of Chris Guerrero.

The library has been having a flooding problem when it rains. (It does rain every once in a while.) The Motley County Commissioners' Court agreed to help with the problem. Specifically Ronnie Davis and his crew removed some trees and cleaned out the rain gutters behind the library. We appreciate all the work that was done to try to correct this situation.

New books in the library include Lucia St. Clair Robson's newest, *Ghost Warrior*. It has been a while since Robson has had a new book. She writes great historical novels. John Sandford's newest *Mortal Prey* features Lucas Davenport and it is better than the last two by Sandford.

We have two copies of Jean M. Auel's newest book, *Shelters of Stone*. We have one in large print and one in regular type. Larry McMurtry has a new book called *Sin Killer*. It is the first of a four-part series. Finally, Tony Hillerman has written another Joe Leaphorn/Jim Chee novel. It is called *Wailing Wind* and is ready for you to check out and enjoy.

Library to offer spreadsheet lessons

The Motley County Library will offer spreadsheet lessons on the computer June 12 and 13, 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. There will be two lessons for this

class and each session will be one and a half hours long. You must be proficient with the mouse and must know how to move around the computer screen in order to take this two-day class. If you wish to sign up, please come by the library or call at 347-2717 in the afternoons. There are only five slots available and they will be assigned on a first come first serve basis.

Darsey receives outstanding rating at State Contest

Dumont Darsey, 16-year old student of Amy Andrus of Amy's Piano Studio in Lubbock, auditioned on May 18, 2002, at the State Federation of Music Clubs Festival at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth. His piano solo audition of Taking It Easy by Martha Mier earned an Out-

standing rating in the Moderately Difficult Class II event.

This was Dumont's eighth invitation to the annual state festival. Accompanying Dumont to the Fort Worth festival were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robin Darsey, of Matador.

School Board

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Campbell and seconded by Coy Franks to table action on the handbook due to the fact that a new code would be forthcoming and preparation on the new book would begin this summer.

A motion to continue Frank Martinez's placement in the Disciplinary Alternative Education Program and to not allow him to participate in graduation exercises was

made by Coy Franks and seconded by Douglas Campbell. During discussion Pat Smith stated that he would like recorded in the minutes that he was only in support of the second paragraph in the handbook which reads, "For Seniors eligible to graduate and are placed in a disciplinary alternative education program at the time of graduation, the last day of placement in the program will be the last instructional day and the student will be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony or in other related graduation activities." It was noted and stated that this was the paragraph that had the typographical error in question.

A Note of Thanks

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to Shane Jones for all the help she has put forth in making the graduation party a 'huge' success. Thank you again, Shane

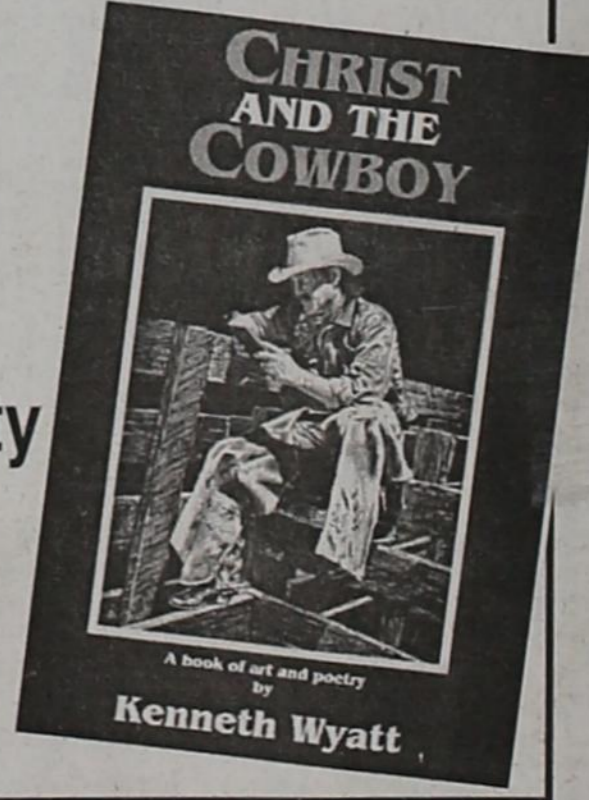
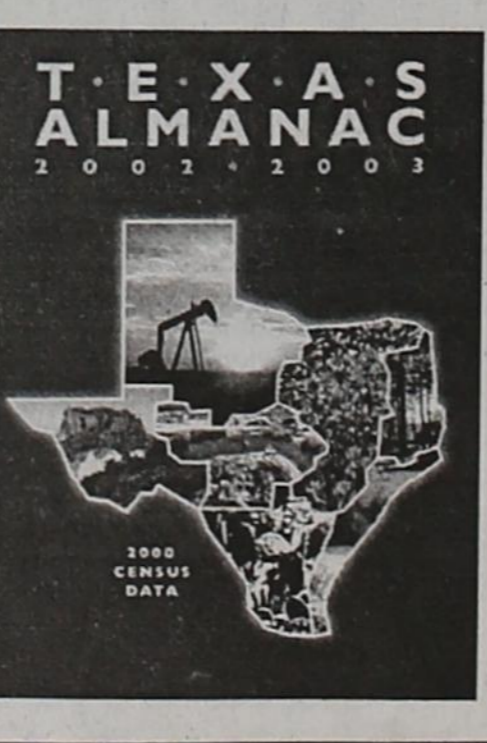
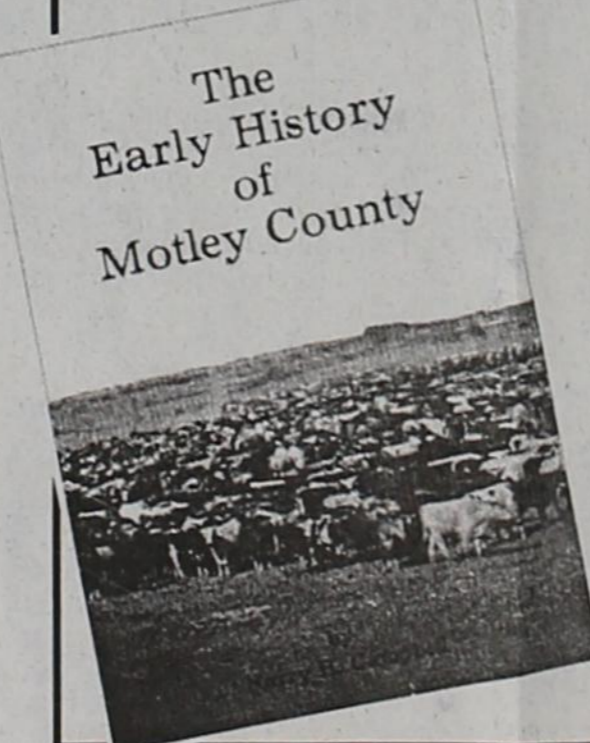
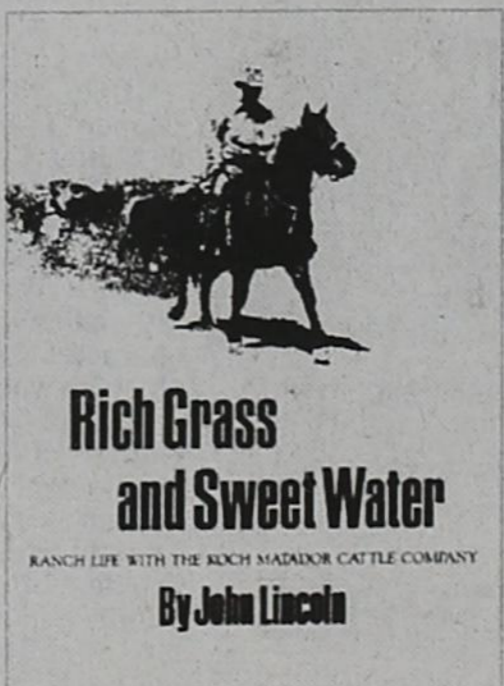
Members of the Motley County Booster Club

The Motley County Booster Club would like to take this opportunity to thank the many individuals who helped make the All-Night Graduation Party a big success.

To all the business people in our community a "Big" thank-you for all the donations you send our way. If not for you and your generosity our party would not be possible from year to year. Thank you to all the towns people for the donations you make to our party — above graduation presents that you give to the Seniors. Last but not least, to all the parents who plan, decorate, cook, clean-up, D.J., set-up and operate the games, move furniture, load and unload trucks, sweep, vacuum and mop, stay up all night, sit in the halls, and loose sleep.

We appreciate each and every one of you.

The Motley County Booster Club



These books and many others available at

The Motley County Tribune

Plans being made for July 4th Celebration

The Roaring Springs Community Volunteers are finalizing plans for the 2nd Annual July 4th Celebration. The event will be held on Thursday, July 4, with activities beginning at 7:00 a.m. with breakfast at the Community Volunteers building. Dedication of the Veterans Memorial will be held at 8:30 a.m. State

Representative David Counts will be the speaker. At 10:00 a.m., the unique and interesting Lawnmower Parade will begin in downtown Roaring Springs. Games and visiting will be enjoyed at the community building after lunch. Some of the games planned are Horseshoes, Volleyball, Washer

Pitching, and Dominoes. A very special event will be held for the kids. A Stick Horse Race for kids 7 and under is sure to be a most exciting event. Kids are urged to get their horses ready for the big day. Activities will continue with a patriotic sing along at 3:00 p.m. A barbecue supper will be served be-

ginning at 6:00 p.m. Cost will be \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children. At 7:30 p.m. homemade ice cream will be served. The day will wind down with the beautiful fireworks display, which will begin at about 9:30 or when it gets dark. The ice cream supper and the fireworks display are courtesy of Roaring Springs friends.

On display throughout the day at the Center will be service uniforms and other memorabilia.

To be a part of the parade or for more information call Alex Crowder at 348-7336 or Corky Marshall at 348-7000.



Nicole Green

Granddaughter named Salutatorian

Nicole Elizabeth Green, daughter of Rickey and Jackie Green of Tahoka, former Matador residents, has been named Salutatorian of her 2002 Tahoka graduating class. She is the granddaughter of Betty Bearden and the late Jack Bearden of Matador and Ted and Nelta Green of Plainview, also former Matador residents.

Nicole has attended Tahoka schools for the past 13 years. She was involved in NHS, UIL, FCCLA, FCA, volleyball, basketball, track, and cross-country. Nicole won various academic awards, was named a Student of the Six Weeks, won the International Foreign Language award, was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students and was an All American Scholar. She was active in the First Baptist Church Youth Group, Chrysalis Reunion Group, and the choir/drama group at FBC.

Nicole plans to attend Wayland Baptist University.

Motley County Library to host Summer Reading Program

The Motley County Library will host a summer reading program for kids, grades K-2, during the month of June. At the end of the program kids who have read the most books will receive prizes. There will be a special program for the kids at the library each Wednesday during June at 10:00 a.m. The theme for this year's summer program is "Read Across Texas" and at least one of the Wednesday programs will have a western story and craft project.

Pam Thacker will direct a story-time each Wednesday morning. Jan

Jones and her students will also help with the program. In addition to the story time, the participants will have an opportunity to make arts and crafts projects under the direction of Betty Henry. The Friends of the Library will serve refreshments.

The program on June 26 will be patriotic in nature. Mr. James Watson will read a story about the American flag and there will be a flag folding ceremony for the kids.

Register now at the library for this summer reading program and let's "Read Across Texas."

MCYO expresses thanks to local volunteers

by Tina Brooks

The Motley County Youth Organization was first made up by a group of individuals that wanted to help the youth of Motley County. Today's members have tried to keep that tradition going. The hard work of parents who volunteer their time and the many great business owners that have sponsored the MCYO program have made it into a successful organization. Members wish to thank these individuals who have put in their time and/or their money to the MCYO organization enabling the organization to make a donation to the Motley County I.S.D. Accelerated Reading Program. The school chose to use the donated money to take Pre-K through 6th grade to "Joyland" to celebrate the end of school.

There could not be a MCYO Organization without the help from many different people and the organization would like to thank each and every one of you for your help and

support. When you venture to a game this season, make sure to notice the back of the children's shirts, these are the sponsors of the children of Motley County. Without their help and support it would be very hard to keep the baseball program going. Members would also like to thank Shane Jones and Matador Variety for ordering the shirts and to Colleen Baxter for applying the names to the shirts.

If you have driven by the baseball field lately you have probably noticed the new equipment building. It was voted to add this building last year so that the concession stand would have storage and it would make it safer and easier to get the equipment to the field. Thanks to Rodney Williams for donating much of the material used, to Shawn Elliott, Kenneth Marshall, and Brent Marshall for getting the last minute touches on the building so that it could be used this year.

School Spirit Award (faculty nominate and select): Cassie Campbell

Citizenship (faculty nominate and select): Seniors, Courtney Hays and Tony Salazar, Juniors, Brittany Donaldson and Chantry Meyer; Sophomores, Shea Rose and Quinten Rose; Freshmen, Maria Martinez and Jesse Blanton.

Lions Club Citizenship Award (teachers select): Kayla Copp and Justin Jameson.

P.T.O. Literary Award (highest UIL score at UIL event): Tony Salazar and Courtney Hays.

English I: Maria Martinez
Theatre Arts: Veronica Mendoza
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Journalism: Amanda Hurt
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World History: Chantry Meyer
Algebra II: Jesse Blanton
Algebra 9-IV, 3 & 4: Kris Bethard
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Wade Vandiver awarded Law Degree

Wade Vandiver received his Doctor of Jurisprudence Degree, May 19, at graduation ceremonies held at South Texas College of Law in Houston. He graduated Magna Cum Laude.

Wade is the son of Ronnie Vandiver of Matador and Betty Whitson of Pampa. He is a 1984 graduate of Motley County High School. He received a BA in Political Science from Texas Tech University in 1989. He is employed with a law firm in Houston.

He is the grandson of John and Bonnie Vandiver of Bella Vista, Ark., and Dale Swain of Lubbock.

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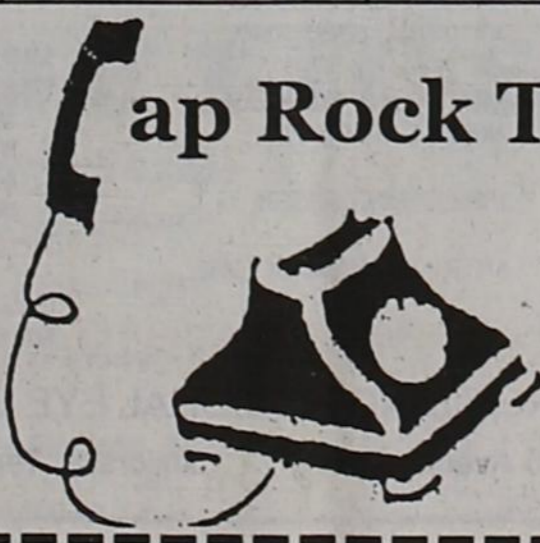
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FARM AND RANCH NEWS

Contact officials before moving boll weevil traps

Boll weevil eradication is beginning its second year on the High Plains and one obvious difference this year will be the number of traps placed around cotton fields.

The increased number of traps is necessary for making treatment decisions and foundation officials seek growers' cooperation in protecting them.

Foundation personnel follow specific guidelines in placing the traps around cotton fields so they will be effective in attracting weevils and provide good information on weevil activity. Traps are placed to optimize their usefulness while providing the least disruption to farm operations.

Where possible, traps are set next to existing structures such as fence or telephone posts. When this is not possible employees try to place the traps so they will not be in the way when growers are working the fields.

Growers may believe, however, that some traps are in the way and decide to move or remove the traps. Doing so can hamper the progress of the eradication program, officials say.

Producers are asked to contact their field unit supervisors before moving or removing any trap. The

supervisors will find a placement for the traps that meet program goals and reduce interference to farmers' operations.

Occasionally a piece of equipment will clip a trap and knock it down or break it. Also, inclement weather can damage traps or blow them down.

Traps are checked weekly and growers will quickly grow accustomed to the schedule for their fields. Should they notice damaged or downed traps between regular inspections, growers should contact their field supervisor with the information so the traps can be repaired or replaced.

Well-maintained traps allow foundation personnel to monitor weevil activity and make proper treatment decisions. Damaged or missing traps may result in extra treatments to ensure that weevils don't have the opportunity to infest fields unnoticed.

Growers may contact their district office for more information.

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.

County Agent's Report

by Lonnie Jensechke - Motley County Extension Agent



SPRAY WEEDS WITH VINEGAR?

USDA scientists have the first scientific evidence that vinegar is a potent weedkiller. It is inexpensive and environmentally safe as well. Researchers tested vinegar on major weeds in greenhouse and field studies. They hand-sprayed the weeds with various solutions of vinegar, uniformly coating the leaves. The vinegar had an 85 - to 100 - percent kill rate at all growth stages. Canada thistle, one of the most tenacious weeds in the world, proved the most susceptible. Spot spraying cornfields with 20 percent vinegar killed 80 to 100 percent of weeds without harming the corn. If vinegar were sprayed over an entire field, it would cost \$65 per acre. If applied to local weed infestations only, it costs around \$20 to \$30.

TOXIC MOLD OR ORDINARY MILDEW? IS IT SERIOUS?

Many homeowners are worried about the rising cost of insurance due to mold. Mold spores spread through the air and are known to cause allergies. In order to grow, mold needs a food source, moisture, and mild to warm temperatures. Mold thrives on organic materials such as dust, paper and paper products, and soap scum. The best way to fight mold is to thoroughly clean areas where it might grow. After cleaning a site where mold has been found, use a disinfectant to prevent it from growing back. Experts suggest controlling moisture by maintaining and repairing the plumbing system, air conditioning, and roof.

FIRST-EVER TEXAS COTTON PRODUCTION GUIDE

Cotton production information has become a lot more accessible. The book, "Texas Cotton Production - Emphasizing Integrated Pest Management," is a new Extension publication. It offers all the latest information needed to grow cotton in the Lone Star State. The book is designed to help cotton producers, consultants, and agribusiness optimize yields and maximize profits. The book addresses soils, weeds, insects, fertilizers, weather, plant diseases, and irrigation systems. Other topics covered include variety selection, planting and replanting decisions, harvest aids and timing, insect and weed control, and tillage systems. The cost of the book is \$15 each for orders less than 50 volumes. Orders over 50 are \$10 per book.

DOG AND CAT VACCINATION CLINIC

I would like to thank 4-H members, leaders, Dr. Fuston, Motley County Tribune, and the Motley County Volunteer Fire Department for assisting with a very successful Dog and Cat Vaccination Clinic. I would also like to thank everyone in the community that took time to bring your animals to the clinic to have them vaccinated. The number of rabies cases is increasing, and the more prevention that can be done helps decrease the chance of an outbreak in the County. Thank you for your support in this worthwhile project.

USDA launches Farm Bill Implementation Website

Washington - Just one day after President Bush signed the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 into law, the U.S. Department of Agriculture launched a new website aimed at helping farmers, ranchers and the general public learn the latest information about the new farm bill.

"The new farm bill is very broad and contains many new programs to assist America's farmers and ranchers," said Agriculture Secretary Ann M. Veneman. "This website will serve as a repository of information on the new farm bill as we begin vigorously implementing its provisions."

The website can be directly accessed from USDA's official website at <http://www.usda.gov/farm> bill or by simply clicking on the 2002 Farm Bill icon on USDA's main website at <http://www.usda.gov/>. The 2002 Farm Bill icon will also appear on USDA agency websites.

The new website will include farm bill program details, questions and answers, program applications and sign-up forms, as well as other important materials from USDA agencies on farm bill implementation. The website will also contain advanced electronic applications to help program applicants receive program benefits faster and more efficiently.

The website will help farmers,

ranchers and others locate information through one site rather than searching through web pages of the many agencies that make up USDA. Information will be indexed by farm bill title and by agency. Users will be able to access specific agency information through the site and easily return to the home page by clicking on the Farm Bill 2002 logo located throughout USDA agencies' web pages.

Information to be posted on the site over the next several weeks includes:

- A comparison of 1996 Farm Bill provisions and 2002 provisions prepared by the Economic Research Service;

- Fact sheets in English and Spanish that cover the changes in conservation programs administered by the Natural Resources Conservation Service;

- Information from the Farm Service Agency on program details and instructions on how to calculate new yields;

- On-line applications and electronic forms to help make processing time more efficient.

The website will be updated regularly as new information and program announcements become available. The "What's New" link will alert users to updates and added information.

New Consumer County Agent announced

Jennifer Trufan has been named county Extension Agent - Family & Consumer Science for Foard, Motley and Throckmorton counties according to Pam Foster, District Extension Director, and the Commissioners Courts effective May 28, 2002.

A native of Chillicothe, Mrs. Trufan graduated from Texas Tech University with a B.S. degree in family studies. Mrs. Trufan was an eight year member of the Hardeman County 4-H program where she excelled in foods and nutrition, clothing and steer projects.

Her work experiences include social service, counseling and recruitment with Rolling State Com-

munity Services, Texas Workforce Commission and Wright Brand Foods.

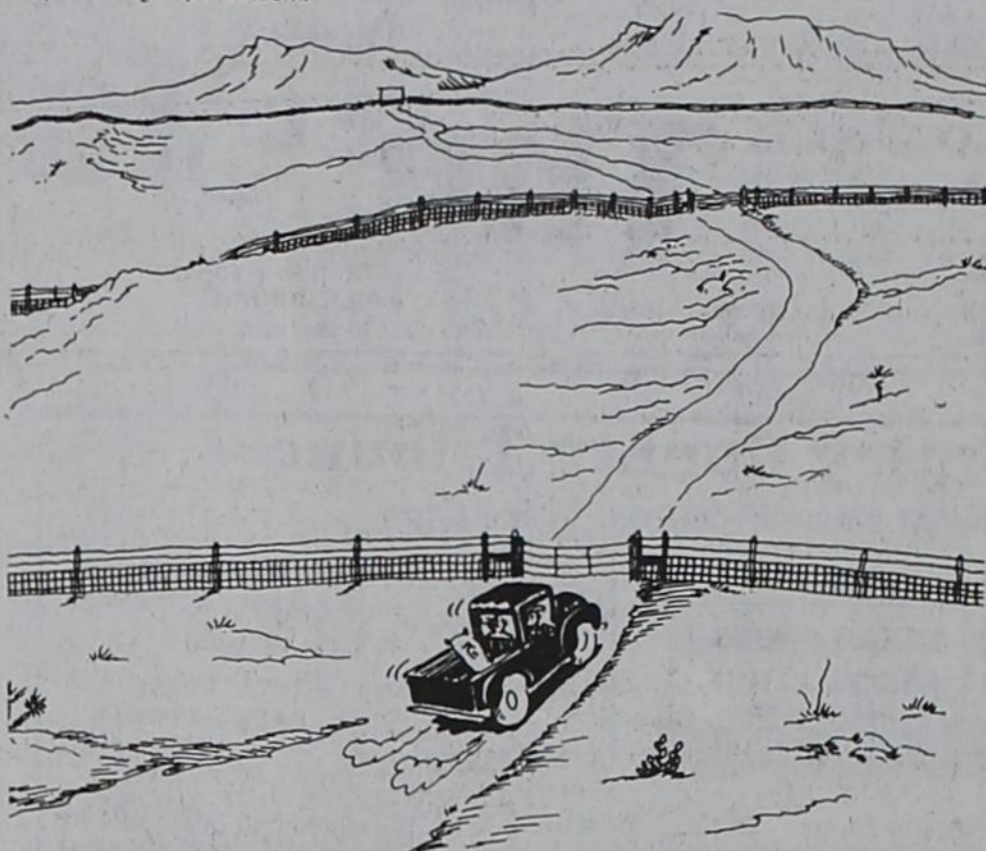
She is currently pursuing a Masters degree in Human Resource Development from Midwestern State University.

Mrs. Trufan will give leadership in family and consumer sciences in Foard, Motley and Throckmorton counties. She will work with county Extension agents - agriculture in developing 4-H and adult education programs through Extension Program Councils.

Jennifer and husband Joey reside in Chillicothe with sons Matthew, 4, and Jacob, 2.

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High Plains cotton producers are moving ahead with 2002 cotton planting at a fairly typical rate according to Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

According to PCG officials irrigated acreage is being planted at a fairly good clip across the area. It is thought that the majority of the irrigated crop is now in the ground.

A recent series of cool nighttime temperatures, some reaching as low as the mid-thirties, have slowed early development and/or emergence in some cases. The overall net effect this will have is difficult to predict at this time.

The other side of the coin, however, is the area's non-irrigated acreage. Producers with non-irrigated acreage are mostly still in a wait and watch mode as they look for additional rainfall to help bolster already present underground moisture and assure the crop achieves a strong start.

President Bush signed the Farm

Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 into law on May 13, 2002, immediately following the Congress sending it to him for signature. At the signing ceremony, the President said, "The farm bill will strengthen the farm economy, and that's important. It will promote farmer independence, and preserve the farm way of life for generations. It helps America's farmers, and therefore it helps America."

The new farm bill provides rebalanced loan rates, lives within the Congressional budget resolution agreed to last year and is consistent with international trade obligations. The farm bill also contains record-level support for environmental stewardship, a renewed commitment to renewable fuels programs, additional investments to help expand international markets, rural community programs and food stamp assistance for low-income Americans.

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