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UIL MEET

Borden High School literary students scored 151 points to finish third in Monday's U.I.L. district meet. Rankin High School captured first place in the contest which was held at Kermit Jr. High.

Borden students advancing to regional will be Heather Armstrong, first in informative speaking; Shawn Lewis, third in Lincoln-Douglas debate and in persuasive speaking; Jacquelyn McPhaul, first in prose reading; Pat

Underwood, first in feature writing and second in editorial writing; Steve Waters, second in accounting. Alternate individuals include Brandon Adcock and David Buchanan in cross-ex debate and Jimmy Rios in current events--these people finished fourth and will advance in case one of the top three places are not able to compete.

Several students scored vital points for the literary group

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EARN'S OUTSTANDING WHIP AWARD

Congressman Charles Stenholm was recently cited for his contributions to the Democratic Party by being named an "Outstanding Whip".

On behalf of the House Democratic Leadership, Majority Whip William Gray II (D-PA) made the presentation during the Democratic Issues Conference in Leesburg, Virginia.

"Congressman Stenholm has proven to be a vital part of the Whip organization," said Gray. "His leadership on a wide variety of issues during the 101st Congress was outstanding. Congressman Stenholm does excellent work for both his district and

the House as a whole and this award is a tribute to that work."

Stenholm explained he is committed to getting the conservative view across to the Leadership. "I have been honored to serve as a Deputy Whip since 1989. I believe this post helps me to further the conservation by allowing me the opportunity to bring that point of view to the negotiating table with the other Democratic Leaders. I am honored that my efforts have earned the attention to our top Democratic Leaders." Stenholm was appointed a Deputy Whip in October 1989 during

PROCLAMATION

NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT WEEK

APRIL 7 - 13, 1991

WHEREAS, County government is the oldest form of local government in the United States and 98 percent of the nation's population reside in counties; and

WHEREAS, county government in Texas has been a major partner in providing services to citizens since the early days of the Republic and today the 254 counties of this state are involved in providing dozens of services to their citizens; and

WHEREAS, counties are on the front line of addressing many of the nation's most critical issues including environmental protection, indigent health care, special assistance for the elderly, job training, transpiration and public safety; and

WHEREAS, serving as an elected or appointed county official today requires dedication, hard work and a strong sense of purpose. The mission of Borden County is to meet the needs of our citizens without placing an undue burden on local taxpayers and to find solutions that are of benefit to all Texans; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Borden County Commissioners Court does hereby proclaim the week of April 7 through the 13, 1991 as "National County Government Week" and urges all citizens to be more involved in and aware of issues affecting county government.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED on the 25th day of March, 1991.

Van L. York
Van L. York
County Judge

Vernon Wolf
Vernon Wolf
Co. Commissioner, Pct. 3

Frank Currey
Frank Currey
Co. Commissioner, Pct. 1

Hurston Lemons
Hurston Lemons
Co. Commissioner, Pct. 4

Larry Smith
Larry Smith
Co. Commissioner, Pct. 2

ATTEST:

Dorothy Browne
Dorothy Browne
County Clerk

the 101st Congress. He was reappointed for the 102 Congress also.

There are 15 Deputy Whips. The members of the Whip organization are responsible for acting as a liaison

between the Leadership and the Democratic members of the House of Representatives. The Deputy Whips are the highest ranking appointed members of the Whip organization.

The House Leadership consists of the House Speaker, Majority Whip, Caucus Chairman, Caucus Vice-Chairman, Chief Deputy Whip and 15 Deputy Whips.

UIL MEET

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in the following events: Pat Underwood, a sixth place finish in ready writing; David Buchanan, a sixth place in editorial writing; Kristin Monger, sixth place in headline writing; Will Shafer, sixth place in keyboarding. These students earned four points each for their placement and received ribbons.

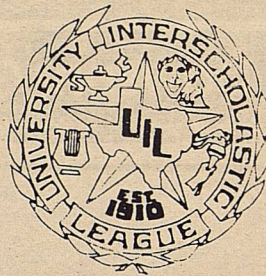
Other students competing at Kermit were Tyler Duncan, informative speaking; Joe Acosta and Cody Cox, poetry interpretation; Seth Vestl, prose reading, calculator applications, and number sense; Melody Harrison and David

Buchanan, ready writing; Imperial Saturday, Richard Buchanan, April 6, to compete headline writing and calculator application; Heather Armstrong, advance to regional news writing; Will Shafer and Kristin Monger, accounting; J.J. Kincheloe, current events; Cole Vestal, current events and science; Melody Harrison, number sense; Jacquelyn McPhaul, calculator application; Shane Kemper, number sense.

Sponsors assisting with the events this year were Joe Copeland, Rita Dotson, Sue Jane Mayes, Sheri Poole, and John Wilson.

U.I.L. continues this week as the one-act play cast and their director, Mr. Wilson, travel to

Imperial Saturday, April 6, to compete for the area title. Two winning plays will advance to regional competition to be held April 18 on the South Plains College campus in Levelland. Regional qualifiers previously listed above will have their contests on the following day, April 19, also at South Plains.



SIGN UP FOR LADY TEXAN BASKETBALL CAMP

LEVELLAND--Applications are being accepted for the Lady Texan Basketball Camp scheduled July 21-26 in the South Plains College Texas Dome.

Area girls will have the opportunity to work on fundamental basketball skills or polish their game during the annual camp offered by the SPC athletic department.

The camp, open for all girls from fifth through 12th grades, is designed to accommodate day and overnight campers and will include meals, a host of special activities and basketball tips from one of the most successful basketball

programs in the nation.

"We are excited about this year's basketball camp," said Lyndon Hardin, camp director and head coach of the SPC Lady Texans. "With the staff that we have working this year, it will be a great opportunity for girls who want to improve their skills and become better basketball players."

Assisting Hardin with the camp will be Lady Texan assistant coach Cheryl Watson. Other staff instructors will include outstanding area coaches, members of the Lady

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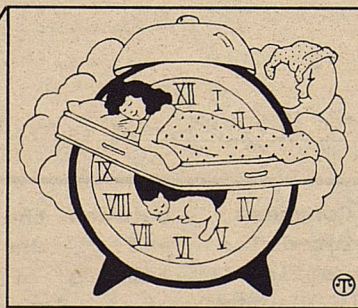
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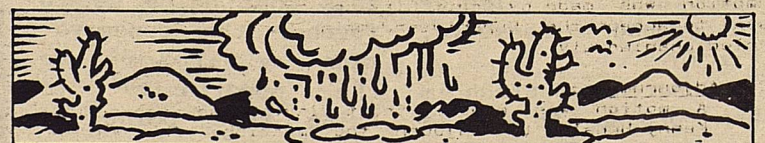
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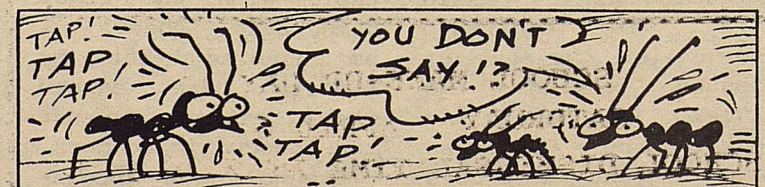
EVENTS	SCORING	Borden County	Buena Vista	Grady	Granfalls Royalty	Klondike	O'Donnell	Rankin	Sands	Wink
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PERSUASIVE	15,12,10,8,6,4	3 10	4 8			6 4	2 12	1-5 21		4 8
PROSE	15,12,10,8,6,4	1 15			3 10		2 12	6 4		5 6
POETRY	15,12,10,8,6,4				6 4		2-3-4 30	1-5 21		
C-X DEBATE	25,20,15,10	4 10			1-2 45			3 15		
L-D DEBATE	15,12,10,8	3 10					1-4 23	2 12		
NEWS	15,12,10,8,6,4						8	31		16
FEATURE	15,12,10,8,6,4	15				2 12		14	4	10
EDITORIAL	15,12,10,8,6,4	16					8	21		10
HEADLINE	15,12,10,8,6,4	4			2 12		6	18	15	
ACCOUNTING	15,12,10,8,6,4	2 12				3 10		1-4-5 29		6
CALCULATOR	15,12,10,8,6,4			1-2-3 37				5 6		4-6 12
CURRENT EVENTS	15,12,10,8,6,4	4 8		6 4			2 12		1-5 21	3 10
KEYBOARDING	15,12,10,8,6,4	6 4						5 6	3-4 18	1-2 27
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NUMBER SENSE	15,12,10,8,6,4			1 15		5 6	4	2-3-4 30		
READY WRITING	15,12,10,8,6,4	4				20	21	10		
SCIENCE	15,12,10,8,6,4			1 15	2 12	3 10		6 2/3	4 8	3 1/3
SHORTHAND	15,12,10,8,6,4						2-3-6 26		1-4-5 29	
SPELLING	15,12,10,8,6,4				3-6 14			15	4 8	2-5 18
ONE-ACT PLAY	20,20,15	20			20			15		
INDIVIDUAL AWARDS	4,2,1	8			8			11	5	
TOTALS		151	8	81	125	62	242	283 2/3	115	124 1/3



REMEMBER IT WILL FORWARD ON APRIL
BE TIME TO SPRING 7th 12:01 a.m.



Our driest state is Nevada. Its annual rainfall averages 8.8 inches.



Ants "talk" with one another by tapping their antennae.

**Regular School Board Meeting
March 29, 1991**

The Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District met in regular session on Friday, March 29, 1991, at 5:00 P.M. in the Board Room of Borden County School.

Board members present were Jack McPhaul, Kenny Hensley, Randy Adcock, Scott Clayton, Tom Ed Vestal and Joel Dennis.

Administrators present were Jimmy Thomas, Superintendent and Mickey McMeans, Principal.

- 1. Call To Order:**
The meeting was called to order by Board President, Jack McPhaul.
- 2. Community Input:**
There were no visitors present.
- 3. Drawing for Positions for Board Election:**
Positions were drawn for placement on the ballot for the May 4, 1991 School Trustee Election as follows:

**POSITION I
(Regular 3-Year Terms)**

1. Scott Clayton
2. Randy Adcock
3. Guy Zant

**POSITION II
(2-Year Unexpired Term)**

1. D. M. Parks

- 4. Minutes:**
The minutes of the February 18, 1991 Board Meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Kenny Hensley to approve the minutes. The motion carried unanimously.
 - 5. Bills:**
The bills for March were reviewed. A motion was made by Tom Ed Vestal and seconded by Scott Clayton to approve the bills. The motion carried unanimously.
 - 6. Textbook Committee Report:**
Superintendent Thomas explained the textbook report. A motion was made by Scott Clayton and seconded by Randy Adcock to accept the Textbook Committee Report and books for adoption. The motion carried unanimously.
 - 7. Cast Ballots for Education Service Center Board of Directors:**
Mr. Thomas discussed the procedure for election of the directors. Each board member voted by secret ballot for their choice of directors.
 - 8. Unexcused Absence Policy:**
The Board discussed the Borden County Independent School District's policy and state laws concerning unexcused absences. No action was taken.
 - 9. Resignation of Doris Steadman and Beverly Copeland:**
Mr. Thomas presented the letters of resignation from Miss Doris Steadman and Mrs. Beverly Copeland. A motion was made by Tom Ed Vestal and seconded by Joel Dennis to accept with regret the resignations of these two magnificent teachers who have served the students of Borden County I.S.D. for the past 37 and 18 years, respectively. The motion carried unanimously.
 - 10. Act On Professional Staff Member's Contracts:**
Superintendent, Jimmy Thomas made a recommendation to renew the contracts of all professional staff members that are not presently on a probationary contract with further consideration to be given after or as soon as possible in conjunction with the resolution of the school finance issue. A motion was made by Randy Adcock and seconded by Tom Ed Vestal to renew teacher's contracts as recommended by the Superintendent. The motion carried unanimously.
 - 11. Superintendent's Report:**
 - a. Financial Report -** Superintendent, Jimmy Thomas gave a year-to-date financial report for the 1990-1991 school year.
 - b. Attendance Report -** It was reported that K - 12 enrollment for the District was 177 as of March 29, 1991.
- A motion was made by Scott Clayton and seconded by Tom Ed Vestal to accept the Superintendent's Report. The motion carried unanimously.
- 12. Adjournment:**
A motion was made by Scott Clayton and seconded by Kenny Hensley to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

BASKETBALL CAMP

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Texan basketball squad and college players.

Registration for the Lady Texan Basketball Camp is at 2 p.m. Sunday, July 21 in Gillespie Hall on the SPC campus. Camp activities will conclude at 3 p.m. Friday, July 26.

Day campers may

commute daily from their home to the SPC campus, while overnight campers may spend the week on campus in a college residence hall.

Cost of the camp is \$190 for overnight campers, \$155 for day campers who eat in Texan Hall and \$100

for day campers who do not eat on campus. In addition to quality instruction in game fundamentals, the price of the camp includes an official camp basketball and t-shirt, camp insurance, a camp photo, awards and certificates for each participant. Other facilities include an indoor junior Olympic-sized pool swimming pool, indoor racquetball courts, video arcade games, pool tables, ping-pong, a concession stand and giant screen television.

Camp applications will be accepted as they are received. A \$75 deposit should be returned with the camp registration and the remaining balance will be due at registration. The deposit is non-refundable after July 5.

For more information about the Lady Texans Basketball Camp, contact Lyndon Hardin at (806)894-9611, ext. 224 or write: Lady Texan Basketball Camp, 1401 S. College Ave., Levelland, Tx. 79336-



The ancient Greeks awarded crowns made of laurel leaves to victorious athletes while The ancient Romans decorated their war heroes with crowns of oak leaves.

**STUDENT LUNCHES AND BREAKFAST
April 8 - 12, 1991**

MONDAY

Lunch	Breakfast
Corn Dogs	Toast
Salad	Juice
Onion Rings	Milk
Peaches	
Milk	

TUESDAY

TACOS	Sausage & Biscuits
Lettuce & Tomatoes	Juice
Ranch Style Beans	Milk
Carrot Cake w/Nuts	
Milk	

WEDNESDAY

Fajita's w/Veggies	Pancakes
Tator Rounds	Fruit
Salad	Milk
Fruit	
Milk	

THURSDAY

Barbecued Chicken	Cinnamon Toast
Creamed Potatoes	Applesauce
Green Beans	Milk
Hot Rolls	
Banana Pudding	
Milk	

FRIDAY

Sloppy Joes	Cereal
Corn	Toast
Potato Salad	Milk
Ice Cream	Fruit
Milk	

April 1991

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 High School Dist. Literary Meet-Kermit J.H.	2 EXIT EXAM (Writing) H.S. District Tennis Big Spring-9 A.M.	3 EXIT EXAM (Reading)	4 EXIT EXAM (Math) H.S. District Tennis-3:00 P.M. Big Spring	5 J.H. Track at Sands (Ackerly)	H.S. Track at Klondike School Day Make Up Bad Weather Day (8:15-2:30) Zone One-Act Play-Imperial
7	8 H.S. Dist. Golf Sweetwater at 9:00 A.M.	9 SRA Testing K - 12	10 Six-Weeks Exams Periods 4&6	11 Six-Weeks Exams Periods 0,2,7 H.S. Dist. Track at Klondike	End 5th Six Weeks 12 Six-Weeks Exams Periods 1,3,5	13 Area F.F.A. Judging Contest at Texas Tech
14	15	16 U.I.L. Concert Sightreading at Sundown Dist. F.F.A. Banquet-Snyder	17	18	19 REGIONAL LITERARY MEET	20 State Horse Judging-Tech
21	22 Elem. & J.H. Literary Meet Borden I.S.D.	23 F.F.A. Banquet at 7:00 P.M.	24	25	26 BAND TRIP	27 State F.F.A. Judging A & M BAND TRIP
28 BAND TRIP	29	30 Regional Golf at Abilene Elem. & J.H. Literary Borden I.S.D.	Regional Tennis	Regional Tennis	Regional Track & Field-Abilene	Regional Track & Field-Abilene

MARCH 1991						
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**SCHOOL MAKE-UP DAY
SATURDAY APRIL 6....
SCHOOL DISMISSAL TIME AT 2:30 p.m.**

TEXAS ROADSIDES SHOULD BOAST CARNIVAL OF COLOR

High winds and climbing temperatures are sure signs of a Texas spring, but so too are the lush carpets of wildflowers that paint roadsides following a wet winter.

This should be a good spring to invite the northern relatives to visit Texas.

We're running about 200 percent above our average winter moisture levels across our prime wildflower areas. this means we only need a little bit more to really put on a show soon.

As early as January, I noticed bluebonnets already the size of coffee cup saucers in McCulloch and Mason counties, and they've been growing ever since.

Many wildflowers started germinating in July and August flowing abundant area-wide rains. the plentiful rainfall got the plants off to a good start. More rain in the late summer and early fall kept them going. An added bonus was an almost unheard of wet January that gave the plants an added kick.

If we get anything in terms of moisture in April we'll have a virtual flower garden, statewide.

Already we're seeing the first wave of wildflowers such as filaree, windflower and rock daisy. All of these are tiny and not obvious or visually attractive from the driver's seat. Soon though, we can expect more and more color until we hit the peak of the season normally about the middle of April.

By then we'll see bluebonnets and the yellows of Engleman's daisy, our most abundant spring wildflower here. Further east other old favorites such as Indian paintbrush with its fire engine red will mingle with the pinks, whites, yellows and purples of the delicate primroses and sturdy phlox.

All signs so far promise a banner year for Texas wildflowers. Last year poor fall rains and inadequate ground moisture resulted in a disappointing array of spotty stands made up of small flowers. With any luck, motorists should enjoy quite the opposite this season.

The Hill Country offers the best place to experience the unfolding rush of color.

For bluebonnets, it's hard to beat the Llano, Mason and Fredericksburg area. Practically any roadside not recently worked will provide a gaudy blue display as will pastures without sheet and goats.

Sheep, goats and deer also like our state flower, but they generally enjoy them long before there's a hint of blue. That's why you see more bluebonnets on the roadside than in the pastures across the Edwards Plateau.

Wildflowers along with other native plants are increasing in popularity as additions to home and commercial landscapes throughout the state. Aside from their natural beauty, they are well adooted and require little addiit-

ional water or care once established.

Texans are also fortunate in having the National Wildflower Research Center located at Austin. Created by Lady Bird Johnson in 1982, the center is the only institution in the nation dedicated exclusively to conserving and promoting the use of native plants in North America. The center's goals are to encourage the conservation and use of native plants and to provide information that promotes those efforts.

There is also a Native Plant Society of Texas. Members receive a newsletter published six times a year on meetings, tours and news about Texas' native flora.

People wishing to learn more about Texas wildflowers and other native plants can contact either organization. The National Wildflower Research Center is at 2600 FM 973 North, Austin, Tx., 78725-4201, Phone: (512)929-3600. The Native Plant Society of Texas is at P.O. Box 891, Georgetown, TX. 78627.

EMS NEWS

The Borden County EMS is proud to announce that Debi Parks has completed Paramedic Training. We congratulate her on her dedication to this effort.

Kent Holmes and Debi attended an emergency treatment for burns seminar March 30th held at Hendricks Hospital. The program was presented by some of the staff from the Parkland Hospital Burn Center.

EMS NEWS IN MEMORY OF:

RUTH BELEW

Ross, Sarah & Jason Sharp

ARBIE BRUMMETT

Ross, Sarah & Jason Sharp

BILL GILLILAND

Buddy & Margaret Sharp

CHARLIE HUNNICUTT

Marge, Mike & Patrick Toombs

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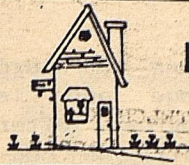
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NOTES FROM HOME

BY DEBRA POLLARD

Home Demonstration/CEA

Spring Cleaning-- Don't Forget The Kitchen

When it's time for spring cleaning, an important room to keep in mind is the kitchen where food is stored, prepared and eaten.

The kitchen needs to be kept clean and food must be stored safely. Start by checking the refrigerator and freezer to make sure safe temperatures are maintained for storing perishable foods. An appliance thermometer can be used. The refrigerator temperature needs to be between 34 degrees and 40 degrees Fahrenheit. The temperature will vary somewhat in different parts of the refrigerator so check for the coldest places to store most perishable foods like meats, dairy products and eggs. The freezer should register 0° F. or lower. Keeping the refrigerator and freezer clean will help maintain safe temperatures. Clean and defrost insides, and clean lint and dust from the motor and refrigerating unit. Check door gaskets for tightness.

Any spoiled foods or those which have an expired "use-by" date should be discarded. Mold on any meat, soft or semi-soft cheese, fermented dairy products such as sour cream or yogurt signals the need to discard these products. If hard cheese has a small mold growth, substantial trimming of the mold from the cheese can save it. A heavy mold growth on a small portion of cheese may not be worth the risk. Throw it away. Also, clean up any spills in the refrigerator. These encourage bacterial growth.

Check freezer foods. While frozen food stays safe for extended

periods, the texture and flavor will suffer. Rotate frozen foods and, in general, use within six months to a year. Date all items so rotation will be easier. Packages with frost inside or with freezer burn will probably show loss of quality.

Check the cabinets and pantry. Ideally, foods should be stored in the coolest cabinets in the kitchen. Heat speeds up deterioration of foods.

Avoid storing foods near sources of heat such as the range, oven, dishwasher or hot water heater. Also, don't store foods under the kitchen sink where water and pipe connections encourage pest and rodent entry.

Check pantry items such as flour, spices, cereals and grains for signs of insect infestation. If you see little black bugs, throw the infested products away. Clean the storage area and sanitize. Store these types of goods in

air-tight containers. Moldy breads should also be discarded and not eaten.

Check cans and jars for rust, dents, cracks, leaks or bulges. Don't taste any suspicious foods. Throw them away. Again check "use-by" dates. Set up a system of "first-in", "first-out" to ensure the use of oldest foods first. Generally it's best to use canned goods within one year, especially home-canned items. Check for signs of pests or ordents and take proper measures of control.

Check appliances for cleanliness and proper operation. Now may be the time to replace those appliance parts or repair those you have been putting off. Cleanliness for appliances such as can openers, processors, slicers, blenders, etc, is important to help prevent cross-contamination of foods with disease-causing bacteria. Be

sure you have a good supply of clean dish rags and sponges. These items harbor bacteria very well.

Spring may be a good time to do a thorough kitchen search and cleaning, but habits established on a regular basis to keep foods and the kitchen

safe are one good way to maintain food quality and safety, and get the most from the food dollar.



When female elephants fight, it is said, they usually try to bite off each other's tail.

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A NEW PROGRAM
 A new program is called the Intergrated Farming Management Program (IFM). This program allows the earning of the normal deficiency payment for the farm while planting a cover only. The length of the contract could be 3,4, or 5 years. A maximum of 20% of the total bases on the farm would be required. A maximum of 100% of the bases could be enrolled. Eligible covers are: grass, small grain (except wheat and malting barley), forage legumes (such as alfalfa) but not any beans, soybeans, or guar, and mixtures of the above. The signup continues thru April 26, 1991.

NEW TOLERANCES FOR 1991
 The tolerance on acreages certified without the help of measurement service is the larger of 1 acre or 5% of the certified acreage. The maximum number of acreage tolerance is 10 acres. For crops this tolerance applies by both over and under certification. ACR tolerance applies to acreages less than certified only.

There is not a tolerance if measurement service is requested. This means that if the measurement service shows a crop to be planted over the permitted, an adjustment will have to be made before certification. If the adjusted crop is selected for a spot check, the tolerance is the larger of 1 acre or 5% of the adjusted acreage.

THE 1990 FARM BILL ACR-CU LAND
 Change in classification of all counties of Texas - It has been determined that Texas is an arid area. This means the cover that had been required to be planted on ACR is not applicable now. The rules for cover are now the same as in years past except for Blackeyed Peas. Permanent grass, cane, sudan, and haygrazer can be planted at anytime. Small grain including voluntary is an eligible cover if you file a request to let reseed or the small grain is kept shredded. Fall seeded small grain as well as stubble can be used as an eligible cover. All ACR and Paid CU must be land that has both weeds and soil erosion controlled through December 31 of each year.

Ineligible covers for ACR and Paid CU are: sunflowers, soybeans, program crops (see special rules for grain sorghum and corn), fruits, and vegetables (this includes beans and blackeyed peas). Normal home gardens are eligible cover if not sold. Vegetables can be grown under the small garden rule.

Grain sorghum and corn have been approved as an eligible cover for ACR by the County Committee. The following conditions apply. No grazing or baling of the acreage is allowed. The crop residue must be turned under. A request for a county office employee visit to determine that no harvesting has been done is required

if conventional rows are used. If corn or grain sorghum is sown, no request is required.

The minimum size of each plot of ACR and Paid CU is one chain (66 feet) wide and 5 acres in size. The only exceptions are: the skips (at least 4 rows) in a skiprow pattern across the entire field and one area per farm number can be less than the minimum size. Notice that the Paid CU (acreage for pay under the 0/92 and 50/92 programs) must meet this rule also.

Eligible Land is land that has been certified to row crops, small grain, ACR, or Paid CU in one of the last five years.

HAYING AND GRAZING (ACR or CU for Pay)

The non-grazing date for ACR and CU for pay in Borden County is April 1st, 1991 to September 1st, 1991. Any acreage hayed or grazed beyond the April 1st deadline is ineligible for ACR or CU for pay. After the August 31st date you can hay and graze ACR and CU for pay.

SMALL GRAIN CERTIFICATION

The final date to certify all small grains, (wheat, etc.) is May 1, 1991. Small grain acres must be certified regardless of whether the acres be for grain or cover. This includes all small grain, ACR, CU, etc.

Small grains for cover must be grazed out or substantially disposed of prior to May 1, 1991. Any small grain

that reaches the hard dough stage and is left standing after May 1st will be considered to be for grain unless a reseed application is filed, (same reseed procedure as for small grain on ACR and CU for pay).

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- April 26th - Final Date to Sign Into the ARP
- May 1st - Final Date to Certify Small Grain

Eligibility for participation in all programs administered by ASCS is established under law without regard to race, sex, religion, marital status, color national origin, age or disability.

THERE WILL BE NO PARENTS CLUB MEETING ON THURSDAY, APRIL 4th.
NEXT MEETING WILL BE, THURSDAY, MAY 2nd.

LEGAL NOTICE
 The Commissioners' Court of Borden County will receive bids on the following until 10:00 A.M., April 22, 1991.

1. Asphalt for the 1991 paving program
2. Gravel for the 1991 paving program
3. Fuel for 1991
 - a. unleaded gasoline
 - b. regular gasoline
 - c. diesel
4. Propane for Courthouse, County Office Building and 4-H Exhibit Building

For specifications and information on the above contact the office of the County Judge, Borden County Courthouse, (806) 756-4391.

Bids should be submitted to the Office of the County Judge, Box 156, Borden County Courthouse, Gail, Texas 79738.

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BORDEN COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK

The Officers and Directors of the Borden County Jr. Livestock Assn. met on March 27, 1991. Those present were Kenny Hensley, Scott Clayton, Mike Herring, Max Jones, D.M. Parks, Buddy Wallace, Dennis Poole, John Anderson and Guy Zant.

Visitors present were Jerry and Joyce Kincheloe

MINUTES: The minutes of the December 5, 1990 meeting were read. John Anderson moved to accept the minutes as read. D.M. Parks seconded the motion. Motion carried.

1991 BORDEN COUNTY JR. RODEO: After some discussion, D.M. Parks moved to have a "open" junior rodeo similar to those held in the past. John Anderson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

John Anderson moved that the 1991 Rodeo be held on Friday and Saturday nights. May 31 and June 1, 1991. D.M. Parks seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Scott Clayton moved to give Joyce Kincheloe the authority to buy advertising for the 1991 rodeo. Max Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Kenny Hensley appointed John Anderson to contact rodeo stock contractors and get bids for the 1991 Rodeo.

REVIEW OF THE 1991 BORDEN CO. JR. LIVE-STOCK SHOW: D.M. Parks moved that the barrows be classified for the 1992 Borden Co. Jr. Livestock Show by the person selected to classify lambs and steers. Guy Zant seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Kenny Hensley appointed a Premium Sale Study Group consisting of D.M. Parks, Max Jones and Mike Herring.

STEER NUMBERS: Dennis Poole reported that this time there were 17 European Breed steers, 3 British and 3 American Steers on feed with more to be purchased.

Texas Cotton Ginners' Association

The Texas Cotton Ginners' Association (TCGA) will hold its 84th Annual Cotton Trade Show and Convention on April 11, 12 and 13. The show will again be held at the Memorial Civic Center in Lubbock as it has been since the late '70's.

The 1991 Cotton Trade Show will feature over 160 exhibitors representing all aspects of the ginning industry. The products on display range from gin machinery and office equipment to farm supplies and cotton fashions. In short, the show offers something for everyone - gingers, producers, consultants, and friends of the cotton industry.

The highlight of the convention will be the educational workshops and meetings. One workshop will feature a panel discussion on lint contamination and classing system changes, while another workshop will address harvest aid management. The Texas Agricultural Extension Service will present a seminar on cotton marketing, nematodes, seedling diseases, pest control and genetically engineered cottons. However, according to Jerry Harris, Lamesa, president of TCGA, one of the best educational opportunities of the annual event is the chance to visit among friends and associates representing other segments of the cotton industry.

Other highlights of the convention include

1992 BORDEN COUNTY JR. LIVESTOCK SHOW JUDGES: Judges for the 1992 stock show were nominated and voted upon. These selections will be announced at a later date after they have been confirmed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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TU Electric has proposed that the refund be made effective with customer billings beginning in the first billing month following five days after entry of a Commission Order authorizing such refund. All customers and classes of customers whose electric service rates include charges for fuel cost pursuant to TU Electric Rider FC, entitled "Fuel Cost Factor", and all territories in which TU Electric provides electric service will be affected if the application is granted.

A complete copy of said application is on file with the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in these proceedings should notify the Public Utility Commission of Texas as soon as possible. A request to intervene, participate, or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Division at (512) 458-0223 or (512) 458-0227, or (512) 458-0221 tele-typewriter for the deaf.



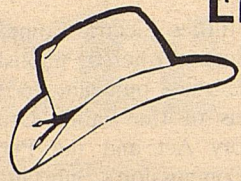
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Texas 1015 Onions Looking Good

The Texas 1015 onion harvest is approaching, and growers say the crop is looking very good.

Harvest begins in about mid-April, with Texas 1015 onions scheduled to make their appearance in grocery store produce sections sometime around April 20.

The sweet, almost grapefruit-sized vegetable is one of the most popular onions on the market. Developed by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at the cost of \$1 million over 15 years, the onion offers a good flavor without the oniony side-effects. Leonard Pike, a plant breeder at Texas A&M University, found a way to reduce the chemical pyruvate, the source of onion-induced tears, bad breath and indigestion.

"The growth and color of the foliage looks just beautiful," Pike said, after inspecting a portion of the more than 3,000 acres of onions planted this year.

"They're about the prettiest onions I've seen in two or three years down there," he said. "There's no sign of disease, and barring some environmental catastrophe, the quality is going to be just super."

Harvest should begin about mid-April, depending on whether the weather "gets warm and stays warm," he said.

Overall yields could be lower than normal for the acreage planted, because some fields are thin in number of plants. Salt problems in the soil plagued onion producers at planting, he said.

The 1015s account for more than 30

percent of the total onion acreage in the state. Last year, their impact on the state's economy was estimated at \$100 million.

An estimated 2,800 acres are planted in the Lower Rio Grande Valley, and 224 acres are planted in the Winter Garden southwest of San Antonio and in the Laredo area, according to figures released by the South Texas Onion Committee, a commodity group.

The plantings are up from 2,490 acres last year, so more sweet onions will be available to consumers this year. This season's acreage is consistent with the 3,100 acres planted in 1988-89 and 3,500 acres in 1987-88.

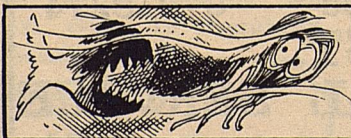
Fewer acres were planted last season because prices were poor at about \$6 per 50-pound bag in 1989.

No one made any money that year, and in fact some fields were probably plowed up.

Planted acreage is up this year, primarily because the 1015 brought good prices at \$10 per bag in 1990.

Acreage also could have increased because of the premiums of \$1 a bag the 1015 onion draws. Banks have been more inclined to approve loans for growing the 1015 onions over other onion varieties.

All the banks are familiar with the 1015 and they think they're a good bet.



The squid escapes from his enemies by shooting a cloud of black sepia into its enemy's face. Leaving his enemy in the dark, the squid makes his getaway.

Watch Out for Those Knees!

We don't usually think about our knees until something goes wrong with them. But when a "problem knee" causes discomfort and interferes with normal activities, we suddenly realize how important our knees are.

A problem knee can occur at any age and any time. A blow, twist or severe injury can tear or break the knee's ligaments and cartilage, especially in sports like football, basketball or skiing. The knee can be sprained when it is asked to do more than it is conditioned to do, as in the case of the "weekend warrior." More severe injuries can occur when sufficient force is applied, for example a car or motorcycle accident.

According to Debbie Thornton, director of Physical Medicine at Methodist Hospital, pain and loss of motion are the most common complaints in knee injuries. Swelling immediately following an injury can be due to bleeding inside the joint and should be examined by an orthopedic surgeon as soon as possible.

When an injury does occur, ice, elevation and immobilization of the injured leg will minimize the pain and

prevent further injury until it can be examined in the Emergency Department.

After your doctor determines the severity of your injury and puts you back on the road to recovery, Thornton suggests following these tips to avoid further injury.

*Check with your doctor for any persistent knee pain, swelling or if you have any questions.

*Use medication as directed by your doctor and ask him what activities to avoid after your injury and/or surgery.

*If you're out of shape, your muscles surrounding your knees probably are, too. Before you return to strenuous activities, such as weekend sports, protect your knees with a preconditioning and ongoing exercise

program. Remember to stretch your muscles before engaging in your activities.

*Avoid activities that regularly irritate your knee, for example squats and stair climbing, and consult your orthopedic surgeon to determine the cause of pain and swelling.

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