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WINS SILVER MEDAL



Shayne Hess, daughter of Steve and Pam Hess, has returned home with a silver medal in twirling. She attended the 1990 University Interscholastic League Contest in Austin where she received an Excellent rating in her competition.

Shayne is a Junior at Borden County High School. She is the twirler for the Coyote Marching Band.

Attending the state competition Pam Hess and Mr. and Mrs. John B. Harris.

GAIL FFA MEMBERS ATTEND STATE CONVENTION

Three members of the Gail FFA Chapter have recently attended the 62nd Annual State FFA Convention which was held in Lubbock this summer.

Members attending from Gail included Kristin Kilmer, Betsy Breeden, and Shayne Hess. The students were accompanied by their advisor Buddy Wallace.

The convention itself included several sessions of awards and

activities such as scholarships, State Degree presentation, and Talent and Sweet-heart Competition.

The four day convention took place from July 10-July 13 and was attended by some 5,500 FFA members from around the state.

While at the convention, Shayne, Kristin and Betsy served as voting delegates representing the Gail Chapter.

DISTRICT 6

Fifteen Borden County 4-H Shooters along with their leaders, attended the 1990 District 6 Shoot held in Midland this past weekend, competing in Trap, Skeet and a new event, Sporting Clays.

A friend of 4-H Shooting Sports, R.C. Thomas of Big Spring, recognized the new shooters in the area by awarding a beautiful metal to each of the shooters.

There were 23 recognized with 8 new shooters coming from Borden County. We are pleased to see this many new shooters.

4-H Shooting Sports are beginning to grow at a rapid pace. However because of the West Texas economic difficulties for the past few years, very few shooters have started this program. We are pleased to see the number of new shooters beginning to grow.

The results of the shoot are as follows:

SKEET SUB JRS.

DeAnn Parks, Clint Miller and Sky Jones placed 2nd in a 3-man team with a score of 90 out of 150.

Jeffery Dennis and Colton Miller placed 6th in a 2-man team with a score of 43 out of 100.

4-H SHOOT

Clint Miller placed 5th Individual.

JUNIORS

Seth Vestal, Cody Cox and Guy Will Zant placed 2nd in 3-man team with a score of 177 out of 225.

Cody placed 3rd Individual with 62, Guy Will placed 4th Individual with 59 and Seth placed 5th Individual with 56.

SENIORS

Clay Miller and Fuzz Herridge placed 5th in 2-man team with a score of 174 out of 200.

Cole Vestal and Amanda Anderson placed 4th in 2-man team with a score of 180 out of 200.

Amanda placed 5th in Individual with 93.

TRAP SUBS.

Clint Miller, DeAnn Parks and Sky Jones placed 1st in a 3-man team with a score of 103.

Dayna Parks and Thad Isaacs placed 5th on a 2-man team with a score of 28.

Colton Miller and Jeffery Dennis placed 5th on a 2-man team with a score of 73.

Deann placed 2nd as an Individual after a shoot off and shot 25 out of 25.

Colton placed 5th as an individual.

Clint Deann and Sky placed 1st 3-man team in High Over All.

JUNIORS

Cody Cox, Seth Vestal and Guy Will Zant placed 1st on a 3-man team with a score of 189 and they placed 1st High Over All.

Guy Will placed 2nd as an Individual, Cody placed 4th as an Individual.

Cody also placed 2nd as an Individual High Over All after a shoot off against Guy Will.

SENIORS

Clay Miller and Fuzz Herridge placed 4th on a 2-man team with a score of 164.

Cole Vestal and Amanda Anderson placed 1st on a 2-man team with a score of 172 and was High Over-All 2-man team.

Cole placed 2nd as an Individual.

SPORTING CLAYS

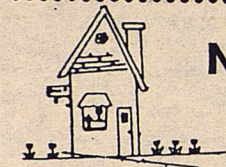
Sporting Clays is a new addition to the Shooting Sports program. We were pleased with the showing Borden County kids did. It is an Individual event only.

JUNIORS

Guy Will placed 1st Seth placed 4th Cody placed 5th

SENIORS

Cole placed 2nd.



NOTES FROM HOME

BY DEBRA POLLARD

Home Demonstration/CFA

Helping Your Child Acquire Language Skills

Oral language skills are important precesors to reading and writing. How parents talk to their children about the experiences the child has influences the amount and kind of knowledge the child will gain from the experience. When children begin to read, they draw upon the experiences they have had and the knowledge they gained from those experiences.

Parents can aid their children in acquiring literacy skills in a number of ways:

°Talk about the things in which children are interested.

°Patiently answer their questions in ways they can understand.

°Encourage children to develop their

interests and talk about them.

°Do things together and talk about your activities: going to the store; visiting the museum or the zoo; attending a movie, a concert, or church together; watching television and talking about what is happening; checking out books at the library and discussing how many different books there are; participating in or watching sporting events; and engaging in hobbies together.

°Allow children to direct the conversation; don't tell them they are stupid or what they're saying is wrong.

°Listen to children so you can learn about them, show that you care and are interested in what they have to say.

°Provide young children with a play telephone and let them talk to friends and relatives on the phone.

°Encourage children to describe the objects or things they see.

°Look at a picture together and talk about the objects in the picture. Then hide the picture and see how many objects the child can recall.

°Sing to and with children.

°Make up games using language such as spontaneous rhymes or silly words and phrases or chants and raps.

Talking with children and having fun with language will help them develop language skills and an understanding of words to assist them in reading, writing and conversing.

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EMS NEWS



New Paramedics serving Borden County are from left to right: Mary Bilano, Freida Campbell, Barbara Miller and Judy Pylant.

Courthouse News

WHEREAS, On the 9th day of July, 1990, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Regular Session at the Regular meeting place thereof in the Courthouse at Gail, Texas, the following members of the Court being present and participating, to-wit:

VAN L. YORK	COUNTY JUDGE, Presiding
FRANK CURREY	COMMISSIONER, Prec No 1
LARRY D. SMITH	COMMISSIONER, Prec No 2
VERNON WOLF	COMMISSIONER, Prec No 3
HURSTON LEMONS, JR.	COMMISSIONER, Prec No 4

with Dorothy Browne, Clerk of the County Court and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners' Court, absent, constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the meeting of June 25th were read. Commissioner Wolf made a motion to approve said minutes as read. Commissioner Currey seconded the motion.

Voting For: Commissioners Currey, Smith, Wolf and Lemons

Voting Against: None

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED

Current accounts were examined. A motion was made by Commissioner Smith to pay said accounts. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Currey.

Voting For: Commissioners Currey, Smith, Wolf and Lemons

Voting Against: None

COUNTY BUDGET

County Budget for 1991 discussed. No action had.

TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES UNEMPLOYMENT FUND

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf to approve the interlocal Participation Agreement for Texas Association of Counties Unemployment Fund and give Van L. York, Borden County Judge, authority to sign same. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Voting For: Commissioners Currey, Smith, Wolf and Lemons

Voting Against: None

Commissioner Wolf absent after lunch.

COURTHOUSE ANNEX

The Court examined the preliminary plans for the Courthouse Annex addition and remodeling and approved the plans to go to the engineer.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Currey and approved unanimously.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 23RD DAY OF JULY, A.D. 1990

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WEDDING SHOWER



A wedding shower was held Sunday in the school conference room in Gail, honoring Chris & Tracy Cooley. Hostesses were Janine Williams, Nona Woodward, Randi Woodward, Kristi Adcock, Beverly Herring, Sue Mize, Karen Story, Jean Taylor, Joyce Herridge, Joyce Kincheloe, Karen Laverty and Verna Adcock.

Chris and Tracy were married on June 29th in a ceremony at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Ball with the Rev. Richard Laverty officiating.



Dennis Poole
County Extension Agent-Ag
Borden County

Texas Agriculture Sweats Out Global Warming

West Texas landscapes, with their thirsty soils and treeless horizons, could sweep across nearly all of the state if a recent study is right about global warming trends.

Given current climate forecasts, by optimistic standards, agricultural land use in Texas would drop by 10 percent," said Dr. Bruce McCarl, an economist at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station. "But at the other extreme, agricultural acres could drop by 40 percent."

McCarl, with a team of 10 scientists across the nation, examined suspected global climate change and U.S. agriculture. The research included regional implications for 10 of the nation's major agricultural production

areas, speculating on changes if certain conditions happen within the next 50-75 years.

Temperatures around the world are going to become increasingly hotter throughout the 21st century, many scientists believe. This global warming, if it occurs, is blamed on a buildup in the atmosphere of carbon dioxide and other gases that trap sunlight that normally would be reflected by the Earth.

For Texas, forecasts indicate that average annual temperatures could be about 10-13 degrees F higher, McCarl said. Added to an already semi-tropical to semi-arid climate,

the increased temperature could have a major impact on Texas agriculture.

Adding 13 degrees to the annual average temperature of 57.5 degrees in the Texas High Plains, for example, would make that region more like the current climate in the Lower Rio Grande Valley. The Lower Valley's annual average temperature in 1988, the latest available figures, was about 73 degrees.

McCarl and his colleagues used models from atmospheric science, plant science and economics to examine the potential impact specifically for corn, soybeans and wheat crops.

"Dryland crop yields would decrease by up to 44 percent, and irrigated crop yields would decrease by up to 21 percent," McCarl

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OBITUARY

WINNIE CHANDLER MILLER 1895-1990

Services for former long time Borden County resident Winnie Chandler Miller, 94 of Rapid City, S.D., was held at Bell-Cypert-Seale Chapel in Snyder Friday, July 6th, at 2 p.m. with Rev. Jo Taylor, niece of Mrs. Miller, officiating. Bural was in Snyder Cemetery.

Mrs. Miller died Tues., July 3rd in a Carlsbad Retirement Home where she had lived since February.

She was born in Gail, Texas December

16, 1895. Her father J.H. Chandler operated the Chandler General Store in Gail for many years. She was married to W.C. "Bill" Miller, December 17, 1914. Together they ranched in Borden County and later in South Dakota. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Rapid City.

She was preceded in death by her husband Bill and her children William, Jim and Mary Jim.

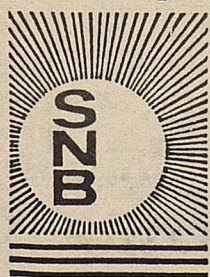
She is survived by two daughter-in-laws, Guila Miller of Rapid City and Billie Marie Miller of Coleman; a sister, Dobie Patton of Carlsbad; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; one sister-in-law Edna Miller of Borden County and a host of nieces and nephews.

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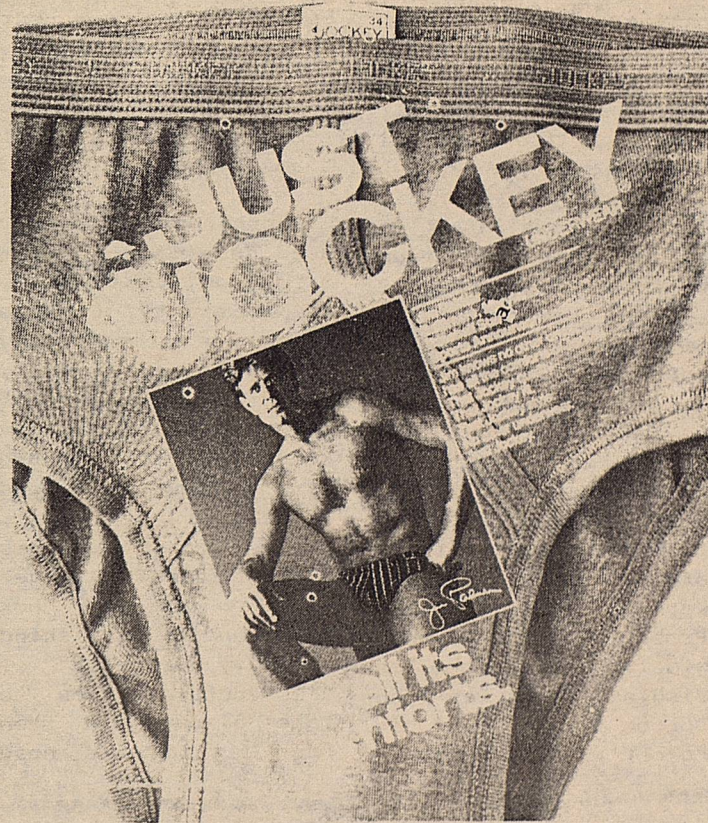
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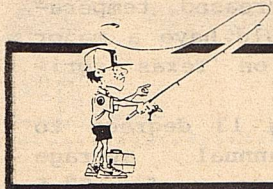


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Fishing with Mark Weaver

CATFISH: The New Sport

Fishing for catfish has finally moved from the dark ages to the 90's as an enjoyable sport. For some unknown reason, the very word catfish (at least to sport anglers) conjured up thoughts of a "junk fish" roaming the depths of a body of water scavenging for dead fish. While catfish will eat a variety of foods, both dead and live, they are now sought out as a desirable sport fish. Three major factors have contributed to a new found interest in the species.

First, catfish are just plain good eating. Actually, I prefer catfish to bass or bream. Forget everything you've ever heard and sit down to a plate of deep fried catfish fillets and you've got a meal that will rival any! Second, catfish are plentiful. Like bass from several decades ago, catfish can still be caught in large numbers. Days of fifteen, twenty, even thirty catfish are not at all uncommon on many lakes and rivers. Third, catfish, even the small ones can put up a fight that, at times, will top even the biggest bass.

The methods for fishing for catfish are varied and most work quite well. Probably the most widely used method is fishing right on the bottom with a big "glob" of chicken

livers. This method is tried and true but don't limit yourself to just this one. Live minnows or shiners is another method that has really caught on in recent years. Gone is the theory that a catfish bait must be dead or spoiled. Live minnows work best when fished under a "bobber" about six to twelve inches off the bottom. It requires a little patience but when the first one hits, other catfish won't be far behind.

Many catfish anglers like to "bait" a likely spot with anything from soured corn to fresh fish intrals. It only takes an hour or so for the catfish to show up after baiting an area. For best results, spend the first hour of your fishing day baiting four or five likely areas and return to give each of them a good working over.

Another bait commonly used is a "stink" bait or "blood" bait. There are a variety of these which are commercially produced. However, while it is a productive bait, it's my least favorite because of the tremendous mess associated with it. This type of bait is also difficult to get to stay on your hook when casting or fishing in heavy current.

I encourage you to take a day off from bass fishing and head

Global Warming

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said of the Texas figures. "Agricultural prices would increase."

Because of the increase in crop water demand and reliance on irrigation, he said, there could be a net increase of 5 percent on water use for crops.

Agricultural benefits to consumers and producers would decrease by \$700 million to \$3 billion if crop varieties adapted to heat and dryer soil conditions are not available," he said.

Climate forecasts were derived from the NASA Goddard Institute of Space Studies (GISS) and the Princeton Geophysical Fluid Dynamics Laboratory (GFDL) Models. These calculate likely climate changes under various carbon dioxide levels.

But carbon dioxide, one of the culprits in global warming, could have some positive results for crop production because it stimulates photosynthesis, the process that makes plants grow. Therefore, the researchers also considered two scenarios within each model: one included the expected growth stimulating benefits; the other ignored them.

Using the GISS climate forecast without the beneficial implications of carbon dioxide,

out for a day of catfishing instead. Look forward to plenty of action and one of the best meals you could ever ask for.

God bless you and thanks for going Fishing with Mark Weaver

irrigated corn yields in Texas would drop more than 14 percent, but irrigated soybean yields would increase almost 13 percent. Winter wheat yields would remain about the same under irrigation and but drop almost 18 percent on dryland acres.

The figures are worse under the GFDL climate forecast without considering beneficial

carbon dioxide. Under that scenario, irrigated corn, soybeans and wheat yields drop about 20 percent. Dryland wheat yields decrease by more than 40 percent.

The outcome was less gloomy when the researchers included the beneficial side effects of added carbon dioxide in the atmosphere. But almost all Texas crops still registered lowered yields.

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