

Practice Begins---

Bolivia Bears Have High Hopes

The Bolivia high school football team began its drills last week in preparation for a season which will see them engage in 10 games, 9 in the Border Belt Conference and one non-conference contest.

The Bears open on September 1 in a non-conference tilt with Waccamaw High when the home fans will get first chance to see them in action on their own field.

The conference schedule is as follows: Sept. 8, Bolivia at Parkton; Sept. 15, Rowland at Bolivia; Sept. 22, at Maxton; Sept. 29, Acme-Delco at Bolivia; Oct. 6, Laurel Hill at Bolivia; Oct. 13, at Clarkton; Oct. 20, Waccamaw there; Oct. 27, Tar Heel at Bolivia; and the final game will be against Hallsboro at Bolivia.

Bear Coach Frank Hogg is quietly optimistic about chances.

"Last year was the first year for the Bears in the 8-man Border Belt Conference," he explained. "Before that we fielded regular 11-man teams and were forced to play big towns with plenty of beef, replacements etc. Last year we posted a 2 and 7 conference record, not the best, of course; but still two of our boys made All-Conference and second team All-Eastern."

The wiry Hogg, who looks more like a track mentor than a beef-truster, sighed a little. "It was just too much competition, playing cities of 3 and 4 thousand. I think it hurt the boys' self confidence a little mite."

Hogg, in his fifth year at Bolivia, teaches five grades as well as serving as head athletic coach for the school. Rapidly he gave out the following information:

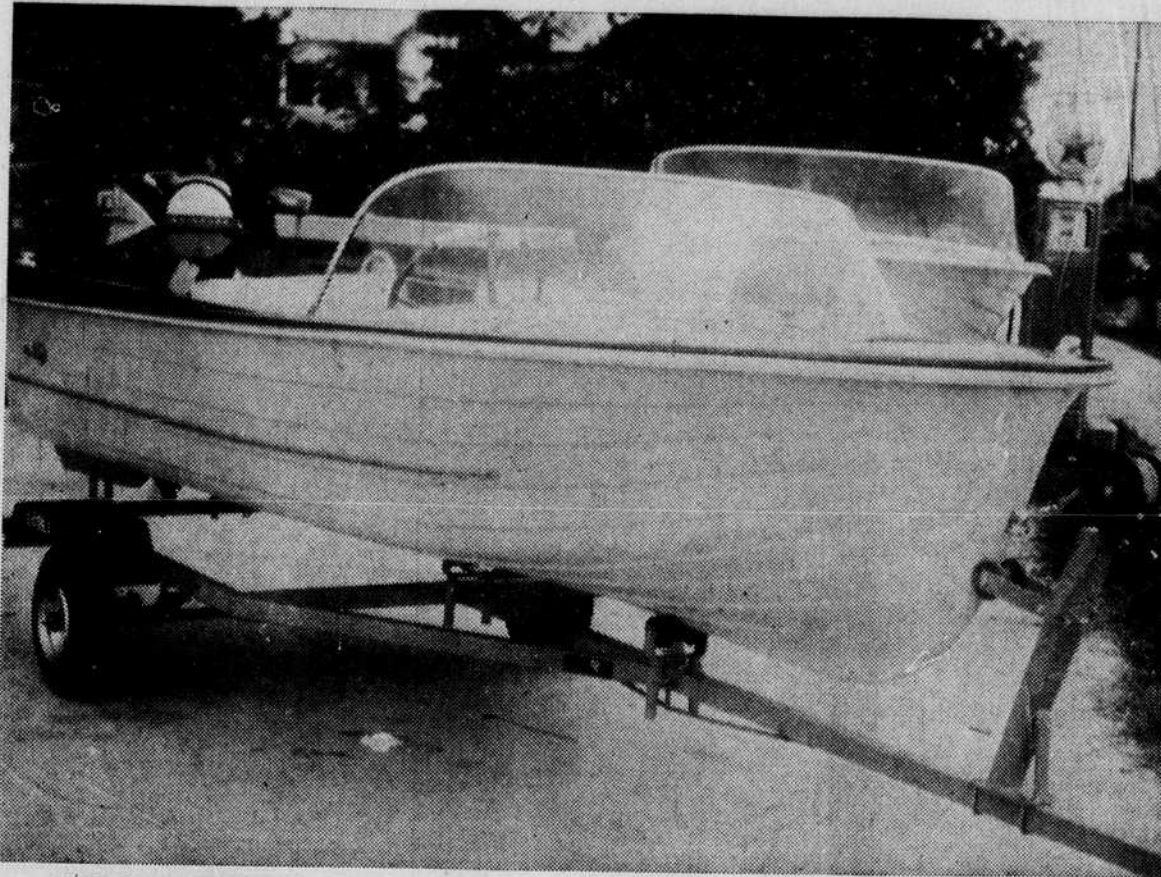
There are 24 boys now working out for the varsity, 10 of whom are frosh. Twelve lettermen return for this year's wars; of which five are seniors, 7 are juniors with one soph. The boys, according to their coach "are fairly big and very willing, but experience will be the big factor in our success."

Hogg said he was looking for good offense from Quarterback Steve Mintz and from Fullback Dick Rabon. They are the team's co-captains. Halfbacks Jackie Potter and Davey Cook are being pressed hard as starters by Roy Rogers, one of the team's bright freshmen, according to Coach Hogg.

In the line, the Maultsby brothers, Tom and Neil, along with Owen Willetts, are expected to lead the Bear defense. Two freshmen linemen, Morry Watkins and Cookie Henry, show definite promise, said Hogg.

The rest of the squad now working out, includes lettermen

Jaycee Boat And Motor



JAYCEE BOAT.—This 14-foot fiberglass boat, complete, with 40 horsepower Evinrude motor, Cox trailer, life preservers, gasoline, etc., will be given away by the Southport Junior Chamber of Commerce at 2:00 p. m. on Labor Day, September 4, 1961, at the City Boat Ramp in Southport. The winner will be selected from among those who donate \$1.00 or more to the Jaycees in their current drive for funds for community development.

Mike's "Kit-Bit" Is Gone

The "kit-bit" is gone-away from the home of Mike Fluharty, that is.

And, Mike is sad. Sad as only an 8-year-old boy who has lost a pet can be.

For, you see, Mike had become quite attached to the animal that looked like half-kitten, half-rabbit in the short time it stayed with the Fluhartys, who live in the New Hope section.

When Mike trapped the unusual-looking animal some three weeks ago, it received widespread publicity after a News Reporter story told of its looking for all the world like that rare creature—a hybrid animal.

Hundreds of persons flocked to the Fluharty home to see the "kit-bit" and others called, wrote, etc.

Then, several days ago, Mrs. Solon Ward who resides in the Antioch area, came to the Fluharty home and said the animal was hers. She produced pictorial proof, so Harry Fluharty told Mike if the "kit-bit" belonged to the lady, then it must go home with here.

Mrs. Ward said the oddity was part Manx cat, a rare breed that has only three vertebrae and a short rudimentary tail. The "kit-bit" has a small tail similar to a rabbit and has long rear legs and hops like a rabbit when it runs.

Since the story, The News Reporter and its sister-paper, The State Port Pilot of Southport, have received a number of letters, etc. Practically all of them also indicate from the cat's description as seen in the picture with the story that the animal is a Manx

cat. One card, from Bolivia stated in part, "The Manx has a short tail and hind legs higher than the front. It is a rare breed, usually striped like a tabby . . . but this little fellow obviously has other blood in his veins, as well . . ."

Glenn Tucker, Carolina Beach real estate broker, wrote a poem about the unusual animal. Jim High has a note from a Miami, Fla. resident in his "Highlines", today. There have been other communications by all available means.

And, practically all have indicated the same thing . . . that the "kit-bit" is a Manx cat, or partially a Manx cat. So, a Manx "kit-bit" it is!

Mike agreed to Mrs. Ward having the animal back, his dad declared. But, he still misses him. For, before that, there were some birds Mike had for pets, and the birds died. Now, the "kit-bit" is gone.

But, Mike's dad says he's going to buy him some rabbits — full-blood, honest-to-goodness rabbits—for his pets. That oughta make him happy!

Read It In The State Port Pilot

Summer Weather Hard On Poultry

During summer months poultry producers can expect a reduction in feed efficiency and actual productivity of both broiler and laying flocks. Dr. James R. Harris, extension veterinarian at N. C. State college, says these losses result from decreased feed consumption and the utilization of energy as the birds try to lose body heat.

"If the bird is not able to keep its body temperature within certain limits, mortality occurs," Dr. Harris said. Prolonged exposure to temperatures of 110-120 degrees will produce mortality.

Dr. Harris says the chicken is not able to maintain its normal body temperature of 106 degrees if the environmental temperature is above 85 degrees. When temperatures reach this level the body temperature of chickens will

rise as the room temperature rises.

Under experimental conditions at the University of Delaware, scientists showed that a mortality rate of 70-80 per cent occurred within two days when seven-week-old caged broilers were exposed to temperatures of 115-120 degrees from five-six hours per day.

"This high mortality shows that everything possible should be done to prevent the rapid rise in temperature and to help the bird to lose its body heat," Dr. Harris added. Constant air circulation and low humidity are two of the most important factors in helping the bird lose body heat, he concluded.

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Strange Fish For Hope Mills Party

The Howard F. Lee family of Hope Mills came hopefully down to Southport last week to go some fishing. They were not disappointed.

At the Quarantine Station

Thurston Sullivan, Billy Rich, Joe Lewis, Hugh Phillips and Curtis Maggard, newcomers number Aubrey Hickman, a promising quarterback, Frank Rabon, Terry Gaskill, Charley Reynolds, Dwight McDowell, David Padgett, Jackie Cook, Kenny Benton and Ernest Reynolds.

Frank Hogg, coach for the Bolivia Bears, spread his hands in that expressive gesture beloved by football mentors coast-to-coast. "See me after the first game," he said. "I'll know a whole lot more about the boys then."

Split Dove Season Set

RALEIGH—A split season for doves was announced, Friday, by the State Wildlife Resources Commission.

Executive director Clyde P. Patton said the first segment of the season will begin Sept. 9 and run through Oct. 14. The second portion begins Dec. 13 and runs through Jan. 15.

As last year, shooting hours will be from noon until sunset and bag limits will be 12 daily and 24 in possession after the first day's shooting.

The season for marsh hens (rails and gallinules) will run from Sept. 20 through Nov. 28.

Bag limits will be 25 daily or in possession for sora rails, and 15 daily or 30 in possession for Virginia and clapper rails, and gallinules. Shooting hours will be sunrise to sunset.

The woodcock season opens Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 23, and ends Jan. 1, 1962. Daily limits will be four daily and eight in possession. Shooting hours will be sunrise to sunset.

The season for Wilson's snipe will be Nov. 23 through Dec. 22. Bag limits will be eight daily and eight in possession. Sunrise to sunset shooting hours will be allowed.

on Friday they began pulling up some fish which looked like exotic Oriental fantails. In all they landed six prizes with 18 tails.

Oldtimers informed them their catch were "triple-tails", a fish not exactly unknown to these waters, but a fish which is very rarely taken with rod and reel.

The largest weighed 21½ pounds and the smallest tipped the scales at 15 pounds. There were other fish bagged,

but none so odd or so large as the "triple-tails". These last are roundish rather than lang and resemble a black drum of monstrous size—with, of course, three tails per fish.

A recent survey indicated that 86 per cent of the country's motorists said they prefer their car to other forms of transportation when they make long trips. Motorists said they found the automobile more pleasant and relaxing than trains, planes or buses.

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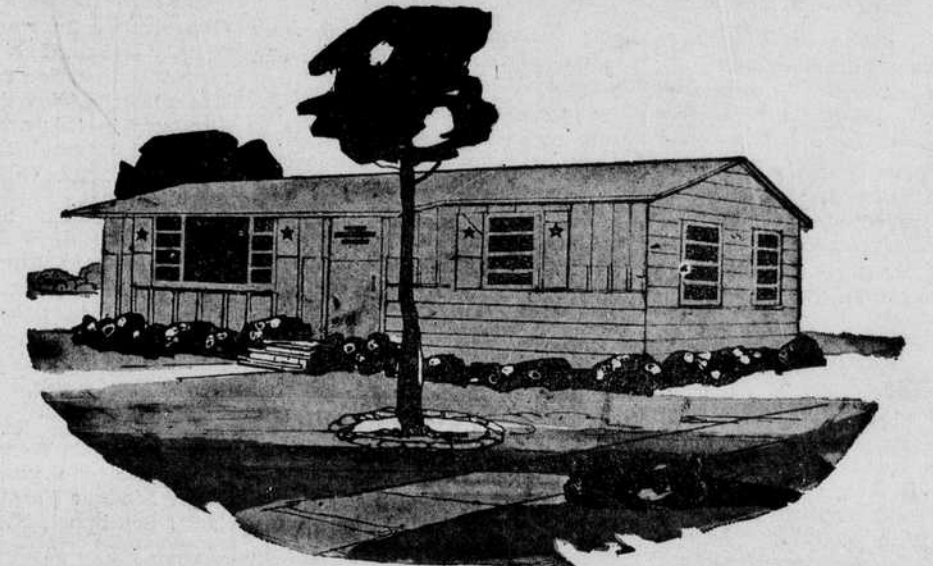
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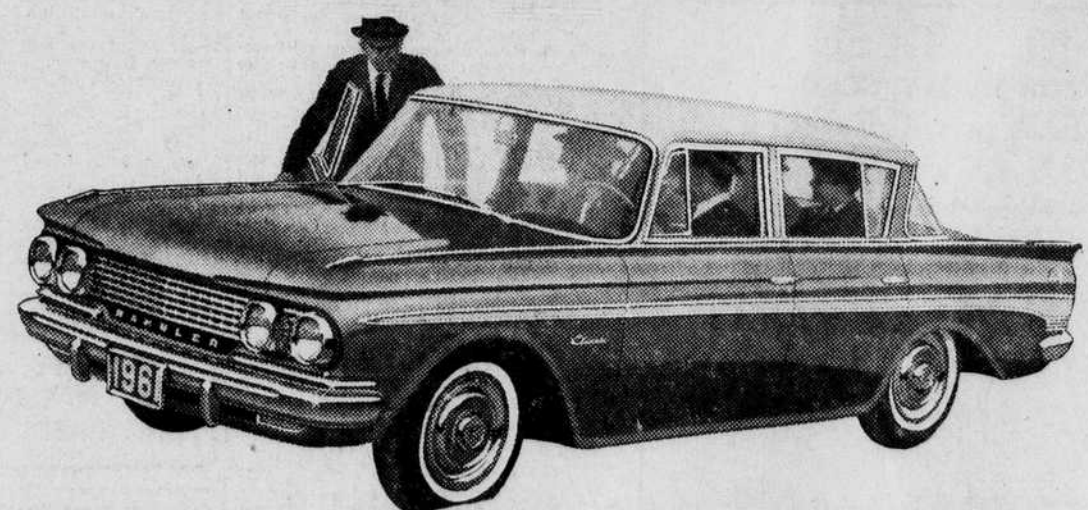


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