

Vivian Clark, proudly displays some of the fine fiddles he has produced from his work table in his own home in Gail.

Borden Co. rancher fine fiddle maker

Long time Borden County rancher, Vivian Clark, has turned out some great fiddles in the last thirty odd years. He began making his own instruments in 1949, using patterns of the Italian masters Stradivari and Guarheri.

Clark said, "I've been playing the fiddle all my life, when I was growing up, it seemed like every boy wanted to learn to play the fiddle. Back in those days people made their own entertainment, and almost everybody played some kind of instrument. My father played the harmonica, and my mother played the guitar and mandolin. I guess I learned to fiddle from my uncle, Willie Kincaid. He sold me my first fiddle when I was 18 and I've still got it."

Clark took up making violins while working for Convair Aircraft in Fort Worth. "I had always wanted to make my own fiddle," Clark said, "but I never had the money or the time to do it. When I finally got the money for parts, I decided to make the time."

Clark still uses the metal forms he made from scrap airplane metal at Convair to measure the slope of the top and back of the instruments.

"Once I get the wood and get started, it takes about a year to 18 months to make one," he said, "But I have let them drag on for three years.

Clark still has all the violins he has made. He says he's had offers to sell them, but none of them are for sale. Each one has a little different sound because of the wood and its age; and, besides he says he's kinda attached to them. He uses slabs of curly apple and spruce for his fine fiddles and currently has enough wood for one more fiddle.

New educational program available

When school gets underway this year, a new educational program will be available in Borden County. The Borden County School District has entered into a cooperative agreement with the Klondike School District to provide special education for those students who may be in need of such services.

Special education is designed to provide special instruction for children who might need more than the regular school curriculum. Children with a wide range of problems from mild speech disabilities or learning disabilities in one or more subjects to more severe mental or physical disabilities are eligible for this program.

Borden County and Klondike will each have a special education teacher. Tana Yates who began teaching in Borden County last January will fill this position locally.

The cooperative program will be under the direction of Nancy Castleberry. Miss Castleberry will also serve to evaluate students who may be in need of a special education program. Miss Castleberry has her bachelor's and master's degrees from Texas Tech University and has six years of experience in special education.

If you would like more

information about the program you are invited to visit the Bi-County Special Education Co-op office located in Borden County High School.



NANCY CASTLEBERRY

County Horseshow scheduled

The Borden County 4-H Horse Show has been scheduled for Tuesday night, August 18th. The first class will begin at 6:30 p.m. Registration for competition will begin at 5:30 p.m. at the Borden County Rodeo arena. The costffor entering is \$3.00 per person, you can enter as many classes as you want. Classes that are

scheduled for the show are

Registered and Grade Mares and Geldings, Showmanship, Wstern Pleasure, Reining, Pole Bending, Flag Racing, Barrel Racing, Team roping, Breakaway and Tie down roping.

There will be awards through 6 places in each class for grand and reserve mare and gelding and for high point pee-wee, Junior and senior. To be eligible for

School days ahead

Borden County school will officially start on Monday, August 24, 1981. Teachers will attend workshops and prepare for the first quarter from August 17 through 21. Students will start regular classes on Monday, August 24.

Student registration will begin Friday, August 21 with Seniors registering from 9:00-10:30; Juniors the show, you must live in Borden County or attend Borden County Schools.

Don Richardson, County Extension Agent from Howard County, will be the judge for the show. Entry blanks are available in the County Extension Office and will be available at the horse show on the 18th.

Each family is ask to bring ice cream and or punch and cookies.

10:30-12:00; Sophmores 1:00-2:30; and Freshmen from 2:30-4:00.

The school will observe regular time schedule beginning August 24; school begins at 8:20 a.m. and will dismiss at 3:30 p.m.



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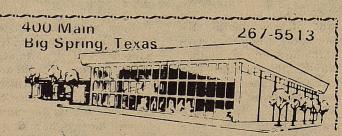
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Thon held August 22 in conjunction with 4-H Family Day. This Bike A Thon is being held to raise money to pay for the Borden county pledge to to the National 4-H Center in Washington,C. The money raised will also be used for the County Exhibit Building renovation.

The Bike A Thon will be 15 miles in length and will end at the 4-H Family Day site on Lake J.B. Thomas. All 4-Her's are encouraged to participate in the Bike A Thon. The 4-Her raising the most money will receive a Sony portable AM-FM

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families are invited to attend 4-H Family Day on the same day as the Bike A Thon. Along with the Bike A Thon, there will be volleyball, games, relays, crafts and free hamburger supper. This event is for the entire 4H family so make plans to attend on Saturday, August 22. If you need more information, please call our office. Times and pledge forms are in the forthcoming 4-H newsletter. We ask that if you plan to

attend, let us know by 5:00 August 19th.

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INGENUITY- A partially disabling stroke three years ago has slowed down but has not stopped Tenner Lokse of Fluvanna. For a man who had farmed most of his life, working in the yard just seemed to come naturally. Rather then give up a passtime he enjoys very much, Lokse used a little ingenuity and asked a friend (Bobby Stansel) to attatch a hoe on the end of one of his crutches so that he can get around in the yard and keep the weeds and goatheads trimmed. Lokse said he works awhile and rests awhile. (The circle marks the spot where the hoe is attached to the crutch.) Sitting around doing nothing all day long was not to the Fluvanna man's liking. Besides yard work, Lokse also likes to play dominoes and goes fishing. Lokse's wife, Florene, said without the help of the "good people of Fluvanna' she and her husband would never have made it when he was first stricken. (SND Staff Photo)



By JERRY STONE CROP FEDERAL INSURANCE

Small grain producers have until August 31 to make arrangements to obtain insurance coverage thru the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC) on small grain to be planted this fall.

The disaster program, as authorized by The Food and Agricultural Act of 1977 as by amended the Agricultural Act of 1980, weill expire with the 1981 crop year. Producers who plant small grains this fall for harvest in 1982 will be required to purchase crop insurance thru FCIC, provided they want to be covered for losses due to adverse weather, insects, or other natural causes beyond their control. If you are interested in the insurance, you should contact FCIC immediately. Their address is: Mr. Larry Hollar, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, 2702 Navajo, Big Spring, Texas 79720, Telephone 915-263-1866.

DISASTER 1981 AFFECTED CROPS

Producers of grain sorghum and cotton are reminded that should your crop fail due to reasons

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McLeroy On Honor Roll

Lisa J. McLeroy of Gail was one of more than 1,800 students at TexasTech University who qualified for the dean's honor rolls in the six colleges during the first term of the 1981 summer session.

To qualify for a dean's honor roll a student must have a grade point average of 3.0 or more on a 4.0 scale and must have taken at least six semester hours of work.





Seventeen Borden County 4-Her's went to County Camp held at Roaring Springs, July 29-31. Camp was held at the Spring Ranch Club south of Roaring Springs.

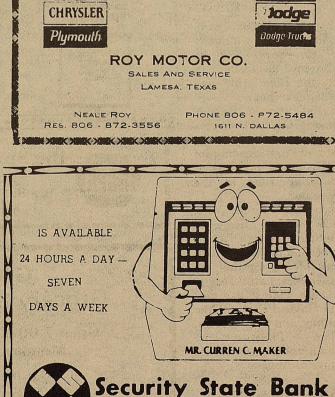
4-Her's attending received ample time to swim in the spring-fed swimming pool. A lot of fishing was done as well. We camped out in tents and cooked out. We also hiked to an old Indian burial ground just across the river from camp. All attending shared the

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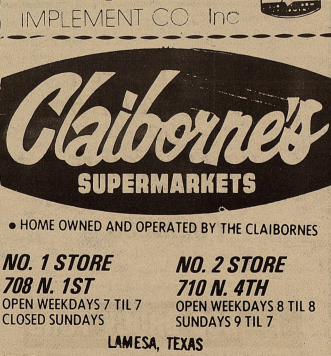
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COUNTY TAXES

The following legal notice is in compliance with state law. It does not necessarily mean that your county taxes will be more in 1981 than they were in 1980. Unless your property value has increased, your taxes will be lowered.

NOTICE OF TAX INCREASE

The Borden County Commissioners' Court proposes to increase your property taxes by 10.7 percent.

A public hearing on the increase will be held on August 24, 1981 at 5:30 p.m. at the Commissioners' Courtroom in the Courthouse at Gail, Texas.

The Borden County Commissioners' Court has considered the proposal and voted in a meeting as follows:

FOR the proposal: Jim Burkett Herman Ledbetter Larry Smith Vernon Wolf Ed Rinehart AGAINST the proposal: None ABSENT and not voting: None

For Sale

OBITUARY D. C. JONES

Funeral services were

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Jones, 53, who died at 9:55

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Memorial Hospital. Mr. Jones, a lease operator for Amerada-Hess in the Lake Thomas area of Southwest Scurry County, has been hospitalized Tuesday after he was bitten by a rattlesnake on the

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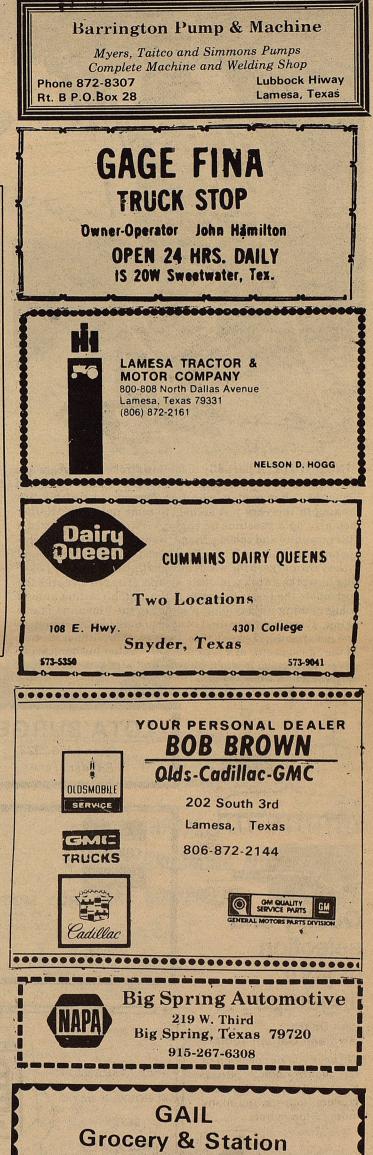
lease. He reportedly suffered several bites by a large rattlesnake on an arm and hand.

His son, the Rev. Rick Jones, pastor of First Assembly of God Church in Big Spring, officiated at the He was funeral rites. assisted by the Rev. Richard Owen, pastor of Bethel Assembly of God Church in Snyder, who is Mr. Jone's son in law. Mr. Jones himselfhad been an Assembly of God minister for 30 years, and he maintained membership in both the Big Spring and Snyder churches.

Burial was in Hillside Memorial Gardens, with the rev. James R. Jackson, pastor of First Assmbly of God Church in Snyder, conducting rites at the graveside.

Surviving are his wife, Laura of the home, a daughter, Dianna Owen of Snyder; a son, the Rev. Rick Jones of Big Spring; his mother, Mrs. Lottie Teague of Cross Plains; a sister, Allie Gayle Price of Lake Whitney; and two brothers, Allen Teague of Brownwood and Bill Teague of Abilene.

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