



Miss Edith Bolt and Mr. William Kermit Dunn, III Exchange Vows December 29



Miss Edith Bolt and Mr. William Kermit Dunn, III, both of Arlington, exchanged marriage vows at 8:00 p. m. Friday, December 29 in the First Methodist Church of Gorman.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Donald Bolt of Gorman and Mr. and Mrs. William Kermit Dunn, Sr., of Mira Loma, California.

Rev. Joe S. Davis, pastor, and Rev. John Dowd, pastor of Coups Memorial Methodist Church of Weatherford, officiated at the double ring ceremony. Marriage rites were read before an altar of candlelight and pine greenery.

Organist for the pre-nuptial music and Mendelssohn wedding march was Mrs. Linda Brown of Fort Worth. Vocalist was Miss Mary Havens of Fort Worth.

Mrs. Lawrence Jasman of Corpus Christi was matron of honor. Bridesmaid was Miss Kathy Kay Arnold of Arlington.

Serving as best man was Carl Perry of Fort Worth.

Groomsman was John Paul Bolt of Grand Prairie, brother of the bride. Ushers were George Bolt of Fort Worth, brother of the bride, and Glynn Ancil Arden of Arlington. Miss Kimberly Royal of Denton, cousin of the bride, was flower girl. Candlelighters were Scott Patrick Adams of Baytown, nephew of the bride, and Misses Annette and Jeanette and Jack Jackson of Gorman. Billy Adams of Baytown, nephew of the bride, was ring bearer. Trainbearers were Paul Edward Bolt of Grand Prairie, nephew of the bride, and David Lindsey of De Leon, cousin of the bride.

The bride, escorted to the altar by her father, wore a formal length white brocade gown, fashioned with jewel neckline, three quarter length sleeves, and narrow yoke, all emphasized with banded pearl trim. An attached Watteau panel extended to form a voluminous fan shaped Chapel Train. A brocade bow held her tiered veil of illusion. She carried a bouquet of orchid and mums. Her jewelry was a diamond pendant, gift of the groom, and an heirloom cameo pin, which has been worn by brides of her mother's family.

The matron of honor and the bridesmaid wore identical Princess style dresses of purple velvet accented with a velvet bow. Each carried a bouquet of sweet-heart roses.

The reception was held at the home of the bride's parents.

The bride's table was covered with a white net over satin and centered with an arrangement of white chrysanthemums and white tapers. The beautifully decorated four-tiered white cake further enhanced the table. Silver and crystal appointments were used. Members of the house party included Misses Mary Jay, Sarah Fry and Jean Allisn and Mesdames Bill Lindsey, Dale Adams, George Bolt, John Bolt, Virgil Reding, Kennard Royal and J. O. Jackson, Sr.

Mother of the bride chose a taupe silk suit, with harmonizing mauve accessories. Her corsage was in shades of purple.

The bride is a graduate of Gorman High School and attended Texas Wesleyan College where she majored in Music and Christian Education. She is employed with American Airlines.



SP. 5 BILLY W. KENT NOW SERVING IN KOREA

U. S. ARMY, KOREA (AHTC) — Army Specialist Five Billy W. Kent, 27, son of Mrs. Bert Kent, Gorman, Texas, was assigned as a cook in the 1st Battalion of the 2nd Infantry Division's 23rd Infantry, in Korea on November 23th.

Estelle Craddock and Kay Ann visited in Sundown from Thursday to Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Snooks Craddock and Kay Frances, and Lonnie Craddock and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Craddock and family. They also visited in Andrews with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ragland and family and in Lamesa with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Moore.

The C. L. Chambers Feted At Reception On 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Chambers were honored with a reception from 2 to 4 p. m. Sunday, December 31 at the Fire Hall. The reception marked the couple's 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Hosts were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Boen Chambers of Denver, Colo., and Mrs. Jean Skeen of Waltersboro, S. C.

Other children of Mr. and Mrs. Chambers are Mrs. Jolene Loza of Santa Maria, Calif.; who spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, but was unable to remain for the celebration; Don Chambers of Denver, Colorado; and W. J. Chambers of Sunnyvale, California.

Mr. Chambers was born April 6, 1891 in Limestone County. His parents were Annie and W. J. Chambers. The family moved to Comanche County in 1892 where they farmed in the Sipe Springs and Indian Mountain communities.

Mrs. Chambers, the former Bessie Boen, was born at De Leon on January 29, 1899. Her parents were Jack and Nancy Boen. They were also farmers in the Comanche County area until 1914 when they moved to Scurry County and returned to De Leon in 1917.

The couple met when Bessie was visiting an uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Acie Smith, in the Indian Mountain community, and Mrs. Smith invited the young people in the neighborhood to meet her. Among the young people there was Mr. Chambers. Others included the Maupins, Charlie Colies, Davis Smith and three of the Hester girls. They all met at the John Stephens farm where they went fishing and held a fish fry. Following the fish fry they all went to a revival meeting in wagons. This all happened in July and the Chambers had their first date July 27.

Later the Boen family moved to Indian Mountain and Bessie and C. L. continued dating and were married on January 15, 1917. They were married by the Justice of the Peace at Comanche. They were accompanied by Myrtle Boen, sister of Bessie, and Arthur and Clara Chambers, brother and sister of C. L. The couple remember the day well as it was a most severe cold day and they made the trip in buggies with heated rocks and wool lap robes to keep them warm.

The first year of their marriage they lived in the Beattie community and farmed in Comanche County until 1943.

They moved to Weslaco where Mr. Chambers was employed as a Bee Apiarian where they worked until their three sons entered the service of the U. S. and they moved to Mission and was employed in the tool repair shop of the State TB Hospital. Mrs. Chambers served as a nurses aid and medical attendant and later became an LVN.

They retired in May, 1963 and returned to De Leon, and moved to Gorman in October of 1963.

The couple have 17 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. Grandchildren attending the anniversary celebration were Glenn, Johnnie and Robert, children of Boen Chambers of Denver, Colo., and Jan Skeen, daughter of Mrs. Jean Skeen of Waltersboro, S. C.

Other members of the family attending the celebration were his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Alice Gist and son, Roger of Sundown, Mrs. Clara Hansford of De Leon, and nephews, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Logan and children of Gatesville, brother of Mrs. Chambers, Mr. and Mrs. John Boen of Olden, and sister-in-law, Mrs. Pollie Boen of De Leon, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Boen and Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Colies of Huntsville and Mrs. Dean Miller of Eastland.

CARD OF THANKS

Words cannot express our heart felt thanks to our many friends who helped in any way to make lighter our sorrow at the passing of our dear loved one. To Delton and Fae Nabors and attendants for their kind and untiring service. To Rev. Heckman and Rev. Lowell Skaggs for words of comfort. Also to Rev. Dewey Lamb. To those who prepared and served food, those who sat up, and the lovely floral offering, and to those who rendered the beautiful music.

May we say thank you and may God bless each one of you.

The Family of
Walter Barker

Weekend visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Miers were their sons, Mr. and Mrs. Lee A. Miers of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Miers of Bryan.

FINAL RITES FOR J. B. ANDERSON SET TODAY AT 3

Mr. J. B. "Buck" Anderson passed away at his home at 9:15 p. m. Tuesday, January 2, 1968 from a heart attack.

Funeral services will be held at 3:00 p. m. today, Thursday, in the First Baptist Church with the pastor, Rev. Huron A. Polnac, officiating, assisted by Audy Moore, minister of the Church of Christ. Burial will be in the Oakland Cemetery.

Born October 4, 1912 at Portales, N. M., he was married to Ruby Barbee on November 10, 1934 at Gorman. He was a farmer in the Cheaney community on Route 3, and a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors are his wife, Ruby; two daughters, Patricia Anderson of New York, N. Y., and Mrs. Jimmy Nash of Fort Worth; two sons, Jerry of Gorman and Larry Anderson of Huntsville; two brothers, Otis Lee and Ezra Anderson of Fort Worth; nine sisters, Mrs. Jerry Pierce, Fort Worth, Mrs. L. E. Shifflett, De Leon, Mrs. Morgan Rhodes, Fort Worth, Mrs. Carl Pepper, Fresno, Calif., Mrs. Elmo Townsend, Clovis, N. M., Mrs. Walter Swopes, Portales, N. W., Mrs. Horace Ellis, Modesto, Calif., Mrs. Delton Chambers, Rising Star, and Mrs. Roy Park, Denver, Colorado.

Pallbearers will be Wilburn Overstreet, Frank Rhymes, Shirley Brown, Norman (Sibe) Poyner, Gabe Wright, and A. D. Pittman. Honorary pallbearers are Charles Duran, Erich Arnold, J. O. Jackson, Jr., Bill Simpson, Herbert Whitlock, and J. T. Sayer.

A. J. (Ted) McCuin, Former Resident, Buried Saturday

Alvin J. (Ted) McCuin, 61, prominent business man and former superintendent of Cross Plains Schools, was laid to final rest in the Cross Plains cemetery Saturday afternoon.

He died at 7 p. m. Thursday in Hendricks Memorial Hospital in Abilene of injuries sustained in a two-car accident at Coleman Tuesday of last week.

Funeral at the First Baptist Church at 2 p. m. Saturday, conducted by the Rev. Roger Butler, pastor, was attended by friends who crowded the large sanctuary beyond capacity and others stood outside with bared heads in near freezing weather, a parting tribute to a man held in high esteem by the people among whom he had lived the past 25 years.

Born in Gorman Oct. 10, 1906, Mr. McCuin attended Texas Tech and was graduated from Hardin-Simons University in Abilene in 1931. He married Maurine Pumphrey in Wintons Nov. 27, 1935. They moved to Cross Plains in 1943, when he accepted the principalship of Cross Plains High School. After one year in that capacity, Mr. McCuin was elevated to the superintendency which he filled until retiring from the teaching profession in 1950, to open an insurance agency there.

He and his wife operated the business and had added three other agencies to their clientele in the intervening 17 years.

Mr. McCuin was active in civic affairs, held membership in the Masonic Lodge of which he was currently serving as junior warden, the Order of Eastern Star, was a Scottish Rite Mason, and the Volunteer Fire Department of which he had been assistant chief for the past five years. He was an active worker in the Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife of Cross Plains; a daughter, Mrs. Weldon (Cynthia) Newton of College Station; a son, Jay Frank McCuin of Cross Plains; his foster mother, Mrs. Minnie Newell of Gorman; two grandchildren; one brother and two sisters.

Pallbearers were Norrell Long, Fonia Worthy, Alton E. Hornsby, Jack Scott, Ike M. Neal and Oscar Koenig.

Mrs. H. H. Pullig has returned from the Christmas holidays spent in Fort Worth with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stone, Jr. She was accompanied to Fort Worth by her sister, Mrs. T. G. Jackson, where she was met by her son, Jack Powers, and grandson, Paul of Vidor. She returned home with them for the holidays.

John F. Barker and Brent of Frederick, Oklahoma spent last weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Dean Rodgers and Dr. and Mrs. D. V. Rodgers.

Deadline For Voter Registration Nears

Voter Registration in Eastland County is now in the last month of time period for registering to vote in 1968 elections, according to a report from Edgar Altom, Tax-Assessor-Collector of Eastland County.

Deputies have been appointed at the following places in the county to register voters:

Mrs. Joe Collins - Chamber of Commerce Office, Ranger.
Mrs. Alene Cotton - Chamber of Commerce Office, Cisco.
Mr. A. D. Jenkins - Jenkins Insurance Office, Rising Star.

Mr. E. E. Todd, Todd's Variety Store, Gorman.

Every person, age 21 years and up, must register in order to vote in 1968.

More than 3,700 voters have registered since the registration period began October 1st.

There are many more to register and we urge everyone who has not already registered to do so as quickly as possible. You may register at the Tax Office in the Court House in Eastland or at any of the above named stations or send in the application forms by mail.

Funeral Services For Walter Barker Held In De Leon

Funeral services were held on Friday, December 29, 1967 in the Northside Baptist Church in De Leon for Mr. Walter Clay Barker with Rev. Ralph Heckman officiating, assisted by Rev. Lowell Dean Skaggs. Music was rendered by Mrs. Selah West, Jimmy Duncan, Homer Wofford, and Andy Hudson, accompanied by Mrs. C. L. Mohon, Sr. at the piano.

He was born on November 15, 1891, in Comanche County, and passed away on December 23, 1967, in the De Leon Nursing Home at the age of 76 years, 1 month and 13 days. He had lived in Comanche County all of his life and was a member of the Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mrs. Effie Hooper Barker in 1949. Surviving him are two daughters, Mrs. Foye Dyson of Desdemona, and Mrs. E. H. Joiner of Gorman; four sons, Elton of Fort Worth, Felton J., L. G. and Troy Barker, all of De Leon; one sister, Mrs. Grady Kay of De Leon; two brothers, Lester and Vernon Barker of De Leon; nine grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Interment was in the De Leon Cemetery with Nabors Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Danny Dyson, Ed Dyson, Gary Barker, Fred McCarty, Dale Barker, John Mac Wallace, C. R. Williams, and Harvey Don Joiner, all grandsons of Mr. Barker.

Friendly Ladies Party Held In Mrs. Green's Home

Now that the New Year is here, students, housewives and business men are back in their routine pace. I hope you haven't forgotten Christmas. One time I am remembering is one good time with Nedra Green when she was hostess to the Friendly Ladies Sunday School Class on Tuesday, December 12th.

Guests on arrival got a welcome from candles in the windows. Inside and down the hallway and back into the living area they made a survey of Christmas decorations and "uhm and awed" over new things artistic Nedra had made.

Then the beginning of chatter of anticipation with Betty and Tommy getting the floor.

Regular class business ignored except that Mrs. Joe Davis will be the new class teacher.

Pretty soon Nedra gave the devotional and it would not be Christmas without Carols. So, Nedra played her organ of 1900 vintage, and everyone sang "Joy To The World" and "Silent Night".

Less they date themselves the Friendly Ladies continue to exchange gifts.

Forgetting waist lines, fruit punch, cake, candy, cookies, sandwiches were enjoyed before good nights were said.

Lucretia Fairbatter

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Bennett visited relatives in Big Spring, Midland and Odessa from December 21 to December 28th.

The Gorman Rebekah Lodge meets each Tuesday evening.

Perfect attendance Pins Given At Lion Luncheon Tuesday

One Year Perfect Attendance Pins were presented to six members of the Gorman Lions Club at the Tuesday noon meeting at the Brown Jug Steak House. They were Dave Smith, Herman Bennett, Gene Plaunty, Jack Brown, A. D. Pittman and Arnold Butler.

A report was given on the club Christmas project. Clothing was purchased at Frossard's for children for four needy families.

The members voted to hold a Volleyball Tournament between the Lions Club members from area towns. They also discussed the possibilities of holding another Turkey Shoot in the near future. The one held in December netted the club \$34.45.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my deep appreciation to my friends and neighbors for the many kindnesses shown me at the time of loss of my loved one, Ted McCuin. A special thanks to Mary Jones and R. C. Snider for their many acts of kindness and to those who sent cards, and brought food to my home, and for the beautiful floral offering.

May God bless each of you.
Mrs. Minnie Newell

Gorman Duplicate Bridge Club Honors Gus Frossard At Special Events Meet



FROSSARD'S HONORED — Mr. and Mrs. Gus Frossard, center, were honorees at the Special Events Bridge Tournament. Gus was presented a plaque of appreciation by John Kimble, right, and Dr. D. V. Rodgers, extreme left. Clara Mae was presented a gift for being the most cooperative "Bridge Widow."

A Special Events Bridge Tournament held at the Fire Hall on Thursday, December 28 honored Gus Frossard, president of the Gorman Duplicate Bridge Club. The recognition came as a complete surprise to Gus when he was presented a plaque of recognition which read "Recognition Award Mr. Gus H. Frossard in appreciation for your loyalty and service, Gorman Duplicate Bridge Club."

A buffet turkey and ham dinner was served to the 13 tables of bridge players from Gorman, Breckenridge, Abilene, Eastland, Cisco and Gorman.

Mrs. Frossard was presented a gift from the club for being the most cooperative "Bridge Widow". Making the presentations were John Kimble and Dr. D. V. Rodgers.

Winners not pictured were Mrs. E. G. Henderson of Gorman and Mrs. M. Bearman of Cisco, second place winners of East and West; and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Kirk, third place winners.



SPECIAL EVENTS WINNERS — Winners of Silver Trays at the Special Events Bridge Tournament in Gorman December 28 for North-South division were (left to right) Mrs. Marie Root, Breckenridge; Gus Frossard, Gorman; Mr. Murphy Root, Breckenridge; Mrs. Ruth Wellhausen of Abilene; Mr. Robert Preston, Abilene; and Dr. D. V. Rodgers, Gorman.



EAST-WEST WINNERS — Stan Sutton and Mrs. Dorothy Flowers of Abilene were presented silver trays for first place winners at the Gorman Special Events Bridge Tournament.

Pink-Blue Shower December 29 Fetes Mrs. Roy Buchanan

Mrs. Roy Buchanan was honored with a pink and blue shower on Friday, December 29, from 2 to 4 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Glenn Jordan.

Co-hostesses with Mrs. Jordan were Mmes. Roddy Miles, Claude Fuller, D. F. Eaves and J. L. Morrow.

Christi Fuller registered the forty guests who called.

The refreshment table was laid with a white cloth, centered with a pink, blue and white floral centerpiece. The cakes were beautifully decorated by Mrs. D. F. Eaves, with pink rosebuds and inscriptions "Welcome Baby" and "Welcome Little One". Pink punch, cake squares, mints and nuts were served. Table appointments were crystal and silver.

Mrs. Buchanan was presented with a corsage made of baby socks, made by Mrs. J. L. Morrow.

The many beautiful and useful gifts were displayed in a bedroom with "Mr. Stork" admiring them.

Special guests were the honoree's mother, Mrs. Albert Hendricks, and grandmother, Mrs. W. A. O'Neal of Gorman, and a cousin, Paula Eppler of Abilene.

J. J. SPARKMAN LAID TO REST AT DESDEMONA

Mr. Jesse Joe Sparkman, 62, of Desdemona, died on Monday, January 1 at 6:30 a. m. in the De Leon Municipal Hospital following a brief illness.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday at 2 p. m. in the First Baptist Church of Desdemona with the Rev. Darrell Dossey officiating, assisted by the Rev. Robert Jeffrey. Burial in the Desdemona Cemetery was under the direction of Nabors Funeral Home.

Born August 6, 1905, in Hood County, he was an operator for the Mobil Oil Co. in Desdemona. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Desdemona. He married Evah Abernathy on December 22, 1927 in Eastland.

Survivors include his wife of Desdemona; one son, Homer Joe Sparkman of Stephenville; three sisters, Mrs. Lawson Kemp of Goldthwaite, Mrs. Elmer Hughes of Gorman and Mrs. Edward Houser of Weatherford; also five grandchildren.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

CABLE TV — It is reported that only 35 more signers are needed to get the required 200 for the TV Cable in Gorman. If interested see Buck Foster, E. G. Henderson or Speedy Clark.

New Year Invitation — The Willing Workers of the First Methodist Church invite you to meet with them at 9:45 a. m. Sunday to start a study of the Fourth Gospel. Read Chapter 1. The study begins on the first Sunday of 1968 and will continue through Easter.

Lucretia Fairbatter

Friends and relatives are invited to attend a Wedding Shower honoring Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cross (the former Miss Connie Martin) at the Fire Hall Saturday, January 6 from 6 to 9 p. m. The couple were married December 1 in Mineral Wells.

Dates for distribution of USDA Surplus Foods are as follows:

Monday, January 8 - Eastland, Olden and Ranger.

Tuesday, January 9 - Pioneer, Rising Star, Okra, Carbon, Gorman, and Desdemona.

Wednesday, January 10 - Cisco, Scranton and Nimrod.

Persons who cannot come on those dates may come on Thursday or Friday, January 11-12.

The Licensed Vocational Nurses Association, Division No. 64, will meet Monday, January 8 at 7:30 p. m. in the Conference Room of the Eastland Memorial Hospital. All members are urged to attend.

The Kokomo Home Demonstration Club will meet on Monday, December 8 at 1:30 p. m. in the home of Mrs. O. T. Hazzard. All members are urged to attend and visitors are always welcome.

A Representative of the Social Security Administration will be in Gorman at the City Office on Monday, January 8 at 10 a. m.

Singing at Rock Bluff will be held on Sunday night, January 7.

The Gorman 4-H Club will meet Monday, January 8, at the Fire Hall.

The School Board of Gorman Independent School District will meet Monday, January 8th.

The Woman's Study Club will meet Monday, January 8 in the home of Mrs. Dave Smith.

Members of the Gorman Volunteer Fire Department have postponed their regular meeting from the first Monday in January to Monday, January 8th. The meeting will be held at the Brown Jug Steak House. Election of officers for the coming year will be held according to Vardie Huff, Chief.

The Friday Afternoon Duplicate Bridge Club meets each Friday at 1:30 p. m. at the Fire Hall.

Voter Registration application blanks are available in all business houses. All persons are required to register to be eligible to vote in the 1968 elections.

The Gorman Duplicate Bridge Club meets each Thursday at 7:30 p. m. at the Fire Hall.



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Renewal Changes For Driver License Underway For '68

AUSTIN — Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, reminded Texans today that a color photograph becomes a standard part of all drivers' license issued after January 1, 1968.

"The change makes it necessary for all drivers to renew licenses in person at one of our Department offices," Garrison said, "and we have been working toward setting up a procedure that will not cause excessive delay when a person comes to

service license renewals. Issuance of new licenses will also be conducted in many of these new offices as well as at offices already established.

There are currently over 5,800,000 licensed drivers in Texas and about 2,500,000 licenses are renewed annually. To facilitate the process all licenses after January 1 will be renewed to expire on the birthdate of the licensee. If the person holds a license ending in an even number, it will be renewed for a four year term; if the license ends in an off number, it will be renewed for two years the first time then for four years each time thereafter. The cost to the driver remains the same per year.

The new license will be approximately 2 1/8 inches wide by 3 5/8 inches long, or about the same size as a standard credit card.

"We anticipate fairly large crowds at many of our offices," said Garrison, "and we hope to be able to give each person completely satisfactory service. We look forward to making many new friends among the millions of persons we have been serving by mail before now."

Tempry. Disability Qualifies Some For Social Security

Some disabled persons in Eastland County may be passing up social security benefits for which they are eligible, according to Mrs. Fay Grant, social security field representative.

"Until recently, short-term disabilities could not qualify one for monthly checks. Now, however, if it appears that a disability will last more than 12 months, some benefits may be payable," Mrs. Grant stated.

Mrs. Grant will be in the City Office in Gorman on Monday, January 8 at 10 a. m.

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KEEPING UP WITH FRIENDS

Mr. and Mrs. John Goble, John Paul and Anita of Fort Worth, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Mears and Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Thurman from Sunday to Tuesday.

Mrs. Fanny Burkett and her daughter, Mrs. Margaret Ellison of Abilene, have returned from a visit in Austin with Mrs. Dorothy Palmie and Dee. Mrs. Ellison also visited in Ocean Springs, Miss. with her daughter, Capt. and Mrs. Currier and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Haynes spent the holidays in Whitney with her sister, Mrs. Lillie Prentice, and her mother, Mrs. J. Q. Chatman, who is ill in the Whitney Hospital. Guests in the Haynes home New Years Day were Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Reeves of Gorman and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Witherpoon of De Leon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Holliday of Throckmorton, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Holliday of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Norris of Carbon and Mrs. B. M. Bennett and Becky of Temple were holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Holliday and Debbie.

Mrs. J. Frank Dean has returned home from a weeks visit in Dallas with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Dean, and in Morton with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Neal Rose.

Debbie Dean and Tommie Thomas of Dallas spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Shell. Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Dean visited Sunday with Mrs. J. Frank Dean and the Shells.

1967-68 GORMAN HIGH BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

- Jan. 5 - De Leon - There
- Jan. 9 - Blanket - Here
- Jan. 12 - Desdemona - Here
- *Jan. 16 - Moran - Here
- *Jan. 19 - Olden - There
- *Jan. 23 - Carbon - Here
- *Jan. 26 - Putnam - There
- *Feb. 2 - Moran - There
- *Feb. 6 - Olden - Here
- *Feb. 9 - Carbon - There
- *Feb. 13 - Putnam - Here

* Denotes District Games

Alan Barton To Have Entries In Stock Show Event

FORT WORTH (Spl) — Alan Barton of Route 3, Gorman, will have Duroc Barrows in the Swine Division competing in the 1968 Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, January 26 through February 4th.

With entry closing for cattle, horses, sheep and swine just past Fort Worth Stock Show officials, led by Show President and Manager W. R. Watt, started the task of computing 1968 entries. Poultry, rabbit and pigeon exhibitors have until January 15, 1968 to

submit their entries. "Although its still too early to tell," said Watt, "it looks like we've got some fine entries and should have another great show."

In the Fort Worth Rodeo Arena Watt's sure there's a great show lined up. Led by guest star Rex Allen with the "Men of the West" the Fort Worth Show will be packed with entertainment. Specialty acts include "Big Loop" Roping, Championship trick and fancy riding and an unusual ex-

hibition of dressage performance. Rodeo action will be plentiful with over 450 top cowboys competing for nearly \$75,000 in prize money and entry fees on some of the roughest stock in the business. Stock producers for '68 are Tommy Steiner-Hoss Inman and Associates.

Mail order tickets for the '68 Fort Worth Rodeo are available from the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, P. O. Box 150, Fort Worth, Texas 76101.

Large Crowd In Attendance at Sand Hill Singing Event

Singers from all the surrounding territories met at Sand Hill Sunday night, December 31 to sing out the old year and sing in the new.

The community was richly blessed with the singing which left our hearts glad and people still talking about. There were singers and quartets from Santa Anna, Goldthwaite, Brownwood, Center City, Eastland, Cisco, Breckenridge, Cross Plains, Rising Star, Kokomo, Gorman, Carbon, Comanche and De Leon.

Services started at 7:30 and singing continued until 10:30 and the singing dismissed for refreshments and intermission and then met and sang and as the old year crept out, the song "Abide With Me" was being sung.

We wish to thank each and everyone who came and took part in the service, who brought food and drinks. Without your help there would be no New Year's Eve Singing at Sand Hill.

We are looking forward to next year's singing.

Mrs. Bob Scott, Reporter

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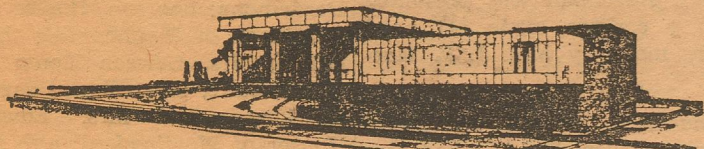
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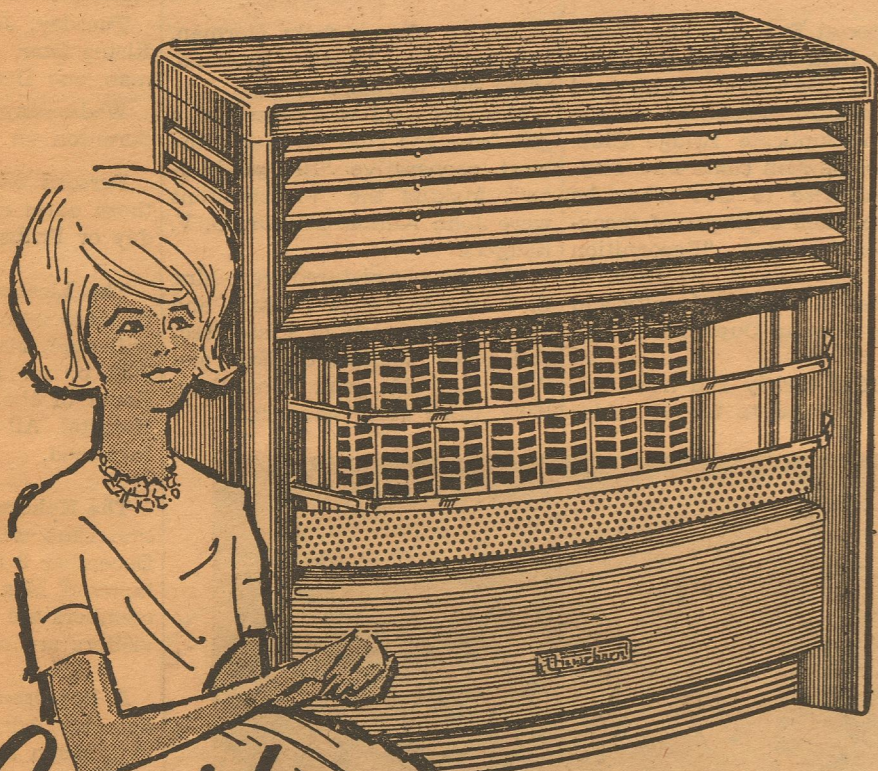
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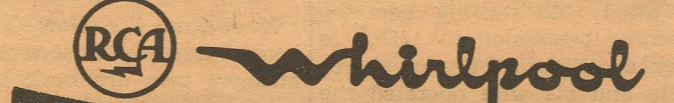


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By FLORENCE RICHARDSON

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New Years. Well, 1967 is behind us and the New Year is ahead. We are looking forward to see what the New Year holds for us. The B. A. Hirst family and the L. B. Hirst family spent Sunday in Eastland with Mrs. Hardy Parker.

All of the Setzler children spent the holidays at home with their parents.

The A. D. Bryans spent last Sunday in Ranger with the Johnnie Bryans and their families.

The L. F. Miers spent part of the holidays in Weatherford with their daughter and family, the Roy Weehunts.

The Jessie Atchison family spent last Tuesday in Goldthwaite celebrating Mrs. Bob Atchison's birthday. She was 93 years young.

The Bill Locke family of Austin spent the holidays with the Rawls and Locke families.

Spending Christmas Day in the R. H. Watson home were Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Bryan, Susan and Liz of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Watson, Kenny, Kerry and Kathy of Eastland, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Glasson, Glenn Edward and Gena Gwin, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Goodin of Iowa Park, Mr. and Mrs. Harvie O'Neal of Abilene, Mrs. D. L. Bond, Mrs. Craig Waller, Mr. and Mrs. Buel Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Hirst, the Homer Richardsons, and Miss Connie Coan and Richard.

The Jim Johnsons were dinner guests in the home of their son, the Troy Johnson, on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Baker visited the Rex Kinser family during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Levens and children of Lubbock spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. J. N. Watson.

Mrs. Mamie Love of Dallas was

visiting her sister, Mrs. Clyde Setzler, Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. Clyde Shelby (Maudene Dominey) of San Angelo and Mrs. Oscar Scitt (Ima Dominey) of Odessa were visiting friends and attending the New Years singing.

We want to thank the young people for helping us to make our singing a success New Year's Eve. We are so proud of such a group of nice youngsters who are interested in gospel singing. The weather was rather bad but seems everyone enjoyed themselves so much. See you all next year, same place, same time!

The Will Park children all gathered in the home of Mrs. George Reid in Stephenville on Monday for a get together. Present were Frank Park, Roy Park, Mrs. Mamie Love, Mrs. Clyde Setzler, Mrs. George Reid, Press Park, and Mrs. Joe Couch of Dallas.

DESDEMONA NEWS

By MRS. ETHEL KEITH

Mr. Jessie Sparkman passed away in the De Leon Hospital early January 1st. Funeral ser-

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vices were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday, January 2nd.

As this reporter was out the past two weeks and with the holidays we can readily see lots has happened. It seems everyone visited relatives or their relatives visited them.

A Christmas Tree and buffet Supper was held at the First Baptist Church on Wednesday night before Christmas. A nice program was presented and enjoyed by all.

A very nice "Tea party" was enjoyed at the home of Mrs. Paul Dietz on Thursday before Christmas by a very large group of friends and neighbors.

Mr. Raymon Joiner is home again after spending some time in the Harris Hospital.

Mr. Roy Guthery is quite ill in the Gorman hospital at this

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writing.
Mrs. Iva Bucham is a patient in the Stephenville Hospital. Also Mrs. Foy Dyson is a patient in the Gorman hospital.

Lannie Baker, student at McMurry College in Abilene, spent the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Baker.

Mrs. Sally Huffman enjoyed having all her children home on Christmas except Bud Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Curly Craig spent the Christmas holidays in Fort Worth with their children and Douglas Craig, the youngest boy, brought them home for an extended visit.

Mr. Gordon Tate has been a patient in the Gorman hospital, but is home now.

B. M. Keith and family of Odessa spent the holidays here with his mother, Ethel Keith.

Rev. and Mrs. Robert Jeffrey and children spent the holidays with their relatives near Huntsville and other points.

John Farris, a college student, visited his mother, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dietz, during the holidays.

The Les Williams family of Corpus Christi spent the holidays here with his mother, Docy Williams.

Mrs. Neta Gee, who makes her home here with Mrs. Docy Williams, spent a week in Fort Worth with her children during the holidays.

Mrs. Myrtle Reed had two of her three children and their families home for the holidays.



HEAD STATE'S LARGEST FRATERNITY

These four top officers were elected to head the Masonic Grand Lodge of Texas in 1968 at the annual communication in Waco. Named to head the state's largest fraternity were (left to right): Joe W. Steed of Mount Pleasant as Grand Junior Warden, Grand Senior Warden Hal Burnett of Alpine, Grand Master J. W. Chandler of Houston and Deputy Grand Master J. Guy Smith of Dallas. Over 3,500 Masons from Texas Lodges attended the meeting.

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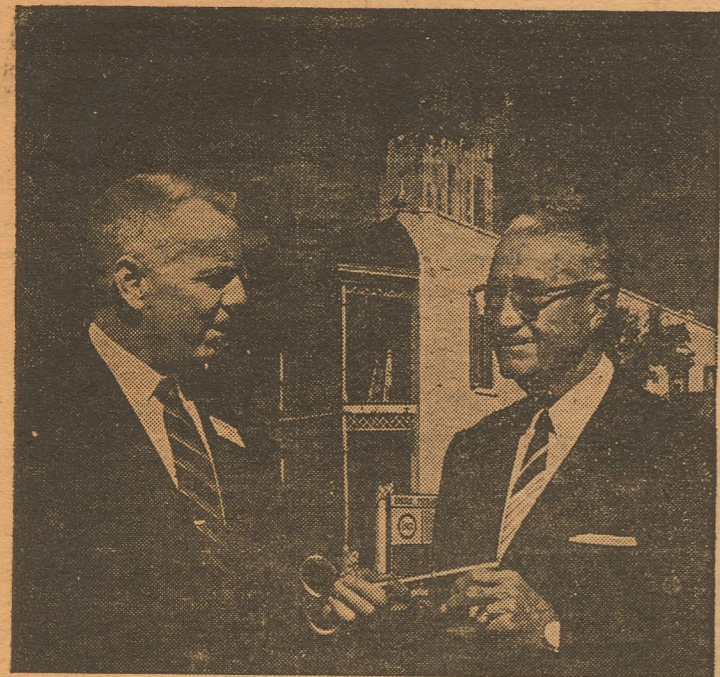
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THE PEANUT INDUSTRY 30 YEARS AGO AND TODAY

By MELVIN E. SHELL, member of Board of Directors National Peanut Council, and Co-Chairman of Transportation, Storage, and Handling Committee of the Council

changes in the peanut industry since 1937. Let's take a few minutes and look at some of the most important ones.

1. Methods of growing and harvesting peanuts. In 1937 the yields were considerably lower than to-



KEY TO A LANDMARK—Dr. Chas. F. Jones (left), president of Humble Oil & Refining Company, receives the ceremonial key to one of San Antonio's pioneer stores from Mayor W. W. McAllister, Sr. The weathered building, known to generations of Texans as the Schultze Stove and Hardware Company, is being restored and will become the Humble Pavilion containing a travel center, transportation exhibit, and theater at HemisFair '68, the first world's fair ever held in the Southwest, April 6 to October 6.

day. Growers were just beginning to use fertilizer. Herbicides were unknown. There was no irrigation in the Southwest or in any other peanut producing area as far as the writer knows. Tractors were widely used but not 100 per cent. Most of the farms were small. Mechanized harvesting had not yet appeared and lots of hand labor was required. Peanuts were plowed up, windrowed, piled, and left to the mercy of the elements until they were dry enough to thresh. Sometimes this was just a few days but it could run into weeks. After threshing, or picking, the peanuts were sold on sound mature kernel content with very little attention being paid to foreign material and moisture content.

The peanut grower of today plants certified seed on land which has had the very best preparation using the proper kind and amount of fertilizer and herbicides. Most farms are fully mechanized. The use of insecticides has increased yields. Irrigation is increasing each year. Peanut combines and peanut dryers have eliminated much of the hand labor and risk of weather damage during harvest. All peanuts are inspected by the Federal-State Inspection Service and only the top quality nuts are processed by the shellers. Peanuts with high moisture content cannot be sold.

2. Shelling and cleaning. The shelling plants of 1937, by today's standards, were incomplete and inadequate. All peanuts were received and stored in bags. They were stacked in warehouses by hand, loaded onto trucks by hand, hauled to shelling plants where they were opened by hand. After a minor cleaning, the peanuts were shelled, cleaned over gravity separators, hand picked, and packed in burlap bags, which were also sewed by hand. The peanuts were moved to cars and trucks by hand trucks as fork lift trucks were not then being used.

The shelling plants of today store most of the peanuts in bulk. They are moved from warehouses to shelling plants by machinery. The plants have excellent machinery for removing sand, rocks, sticks, iron, and loose shelled kernels from the farmers' stock before they reach the shellers. Peanut shellers have been improved and will shell considerably greater tonnage. The majority of the mills use electric sorting machines for at least part of the picking operation. This is supplemented by hand picking. Better machinery is available for grading the shelled peanuts into the proper sizes. The lower grades have been removed from the market. All peanuts must be inspected in identity preserved lots by Federal-State Inspection Service prior to sale. Beginning with the 1967 crop all shelled peanuts must be tested for aflatoxin.

There is one phase of the shelling business, however, which has changed very little, if any. This is the method of handling, storing, and shipping shelled peanuts. Shellers have traditionally packed shelled peanuts in 10-oz. burlap bags. For years they were packed in odd-weight bags and were sewed by hand. Now they are even-weighted and sewed by machine.

The high cost of handling peanuts in bags is still with us.

Let's take a look at the cost of handling shelled peanuts in burlap bags. If the sheller is using an automatic scale, one man is required to do nothing but place the bags on the scale. Another man is needed to run the bag through a sewing machine. Two or three more men are needed to haul the bags from the machine to a car or truck. When the truck arrives at destination, additional man power is needed to unload the truck into the buyer's warehouse. If the peanuts are not processed immediately, another handling will be necessary. When the peanuts have been dumped from the bag, it will be resold at about 1/2 the original cost.

If the peanuts have been placed in cold storage, there will be additional manual labor required.

Burlap bags are easily torn and the claims for losses in transit will amount to a considerable sum in a year's time. They do not offer much protection against rodents or insects.

Many manufacturers today are looking for a better method of handling, shipping, and storing shelled peanuts. Considerable attention is being given to the use of pallet boxes instead of bags. A pallet box, measuring approximately 40" x 48" and having a capacity of 2000 pounds, seems to be the most desirable. These will fit side by side in a truck if stacked the narrow way or side by side in a boxcar if stacked the other way. A 2000-lb. capacity fork lift truck, which is the size most used in the peanut industry, will transport and stack them with ease. Most of the hand labor can be eliminated by using pallet boxes. They can be filled very quickly by one man, loaded in cars or trucks by one man using a fork lift, and unloaded and stacked in warehouses by one man.

These boxes can be made of various materials: wood, steel, aluminum, fibre glass, or rubber. They can be used over and over again. They offer protection against rodents and insects. Most of the materials will offer protection against moisture as well.

Equipment is available to dump the containers by machinery, thereby eliminating hand labor.

The railroads are agreeable to considering the empty weight of the boxes as part of the tare weight of the car. This eliminates paying freight charges on the weight of the containers. In some instances the empty boxes are returned to the shipper in the same boxcar in which they arrived. There is no charge for this service. For the large user of shelled peanuts covered hopper cars are available. With proper equipment these can be very easily loaded and unloaded. Hopper cars offer the maximum labor savings. However, there are some disadvantages in using hopper cars. For instance, if a car of bulk peanuts does not meet quality standards on inspection, there is no way to put the peanuts in temporary storage unless the buyer has enough bulk storage bins to handle this problem.

Another method which may appeal to the large user is to use large steel bins shipped on especially designed flatcars. The shipper may lease the bins and the cars. He will receive mileage payments from the railroads which will reduce the overall cost of shipping.

We should very quickly point out that the bulk part of any savings from bulk handling will accrue to the buyer and not to the sheller. This is due to the fact that as long as the sheller packs most of the peanuts in bags he must keep the regular crews to fill and load the bags. There would be no savings in loading an occasional bulk shipment. However, the shellers do not want to stand in the way of progress and are

Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Burns were his son, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Burns of Austin, and cousins, Mr. and Mrs. John Hatley of Missouri, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Burns of Gorman, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. York and Gay of Denton, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Seay and children of Newburg, daughters of Mrs. Burns, and her sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Lukovsky of Moulton, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Whitenton of Stephenville, and Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Wilson of Comanche.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Welch and Becky of Charmon, N. M. spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Doc Hamilton and the Ernest and Odie Welch families and the Lon and Jewel Sniders.

ready and willing to co-operate with the buyers in this respect.

There are still some problems to be overcome in the bulk handling of shelled peanuts. Sampling the peanuts is one of them. We are confident that the answer to getting a representative sample as the containers are loaded will be found in a short time.

The problem of moisture inside bulk containers must also be overcome. The answer to this, too, will be found. Experiments are underway now to put a small container of silica gel, or other desiccant, inside the bins to absorb any condensation which appears.

The peanut industry has come a long way during the past thirty years. I am confident that even greater progress will be made in the next thirty years and beyond.

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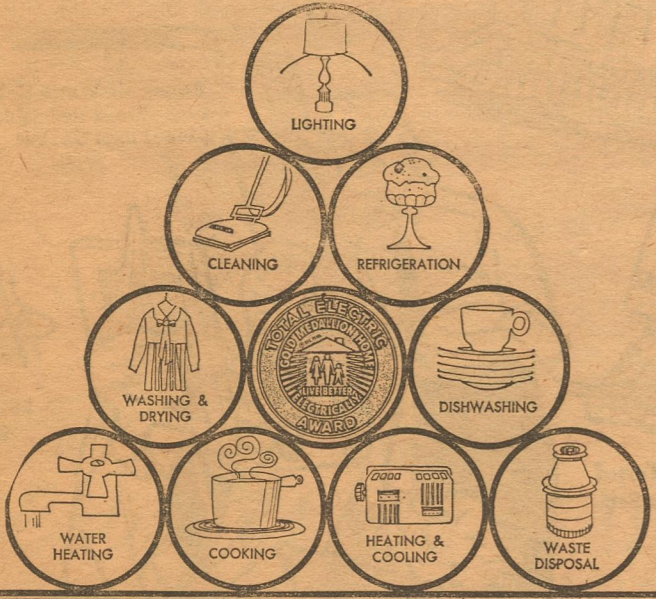
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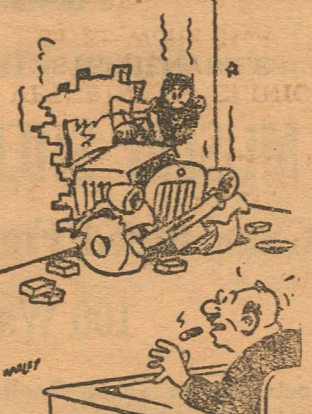
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