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Local News In Brief

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Gilbert during Thanksgiving were their sons, Calvin Gilbert and family of Denton and John Kent Gilbert and family of Dallas, also Mrs. Ida Gilbert of Gorman.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Campbell spent the Thanksgiving holidays with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Donovan of College Station and attended the A&M-Texas football game.

Travis Spence and family of Iraan visited friends and attended to business here last weekend.

Rev. and Mrs. Bruce McNair and Tim visited her mother, Mrs. Donna Reed, of Colorado City during Thanksgiving.

Guests of Mrs. Callie Vaughn during Thanksgiving were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brown and Ronnie of Clyde, Mr. and Mrs. Clive Murray, David and Charles of Pleasanton, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Vaughn, Mary and Mike of Odessa and Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. Vaughn, Rita and Nancy of Midland.

D. M. Collins of Houston visited his father, W. H. Collins, last weekend and he accompanied him as far as Fort Worth on Sunday where they spent the day with their daughter and sister, Mrs. J. L. Elby, and family.

Maurice Sherrell and family of Dallas were here on business Saturday.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Sandlin were Bill Sandlin of Huntsville, Mrs. Dora Sandlin of Springtown and Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Colburn of Eastland.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Butler and Robert of Dallas spent Thanksgiving with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Butler.

Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Wharton of Fort Worth and Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Crawley of Kokomo spent Thanksgiving with their mother, Mrs. H. C. Wharton.

The following hunters returned home last week from their deer lease near Strawn: W. W. Kelly, Speck Greer, Monte Walker, Wayne Walker, Steve Walker, Roy Ussery, Coy Holland, Bob O'Connell, Troy Cross and Slick Walker. The group had a very successful hunt, each one getting his limit with the exception of one who got only one buck.

Mrs. Claudette Collins and daughter of Fort Worth spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Guy.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Williams of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Lyon of Mason visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Berry, last weekend and attended services at the Methodist Church Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Putnam and Mr. and Mrs. Abb Putnam of Cisco visited Mrs. Cealy Putnam Sunday.

Alec Scott visited relatives in San Antonio last weekend.

Doug Crabtree and family of Dallas visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tucker, during Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hogan of Fort Worth visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Norris, last week.

Rev. Benny Hagen and family of Wilson visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Hagen, and Mr. and Mrs. Bud May during Thanksgiving.

James Parten and family of Cisco spent Thanksgiving with his mother, Mrs. Ina Parten.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Rhyne visited their son, Buel Rhyne, and family of Corpus Christi during Thanksgiving holidays.

Lee Roy Ussery and family of Weslaco, Wayne Walker, and family of Odessa and Monte Walker and family of Midland visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Walker, during Thanksgiving. The Usserys also visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ussery.

Mrs. Lillian Hall of Big Spring visited Mrs. H. Hall Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Daniel of Comanche visited Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Hardin Sunday.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Jackson during Thanksgiving were their children, A. L. Jackson and children of Hobbs, N. M., A. D. Jackson and family of Bolivar, Missouri, Bob Jackson of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. John Griffith and daughters of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sims and sons of Graham. Mrs. Jackson's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Payne of Andrews, also visited in the home enroute from Olney where they attended the wedding of their son, Leonard, on Friday in the First Baptist Church of Olney.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Everett of Olden spent Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wade White, and they spent the remainder of the week visiting in Olden and Cisco.

USDA Expects Peanut Farmers To Measure Own Crops—With Smallest Margin for Error

Peanut raisers will have but 5 acre minimum while other raisers will operate under a 2 acre tolerance. With such a small tolerance, and in view of the difficulty of measuring in this area, local peanut farmers are likely to be subjected to penalties in support, it is believed.

The Eastland County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation County Committee is vitally interested in the inequity that may penalize farmers here, and has asked for and got agreement from the state ASC committee in asking for changes on the national level.

But the Washington offices apparently plan to stay with the policy, claiming:

"Nationally, about 13 per cent of the peanut farms have allotments of 2.0 acres or less and another 14 per cent of the peanut allotments are between 3.1 to 5.0 acres. A 2.0 acre minimum tolerance could in many cases have the effect of doubling the farm peanut allotment."

The County ASC committee, made up of R. G. Lyerla, chairman, Paul L. Norris and Charles E. Little, presented their cases to the state committee in detail.

In the past the ASC office has been charged with the responsibility of measuring compliance, but under new laws, the farmers will be expected to measure and stay within their allotments. Apparently the small, two and three acre farms in the Southeastern states, are being used as examples by the USDA on the national level.

of 38,771.4 acres. We have found that approximately 55 per cent of this acreage is strip cropped, which is essential for erosion control in this sandy area. We have also noted that approximately 233 farms or 26 per cent have allotments between five and less than 20 acres. We have only three or four allotment farms with less than five acres. We have approximately 671 farms or 73 per cent with acreage allotments of less than 40 acres. In reviewing Paragraph 65 of Hand-

In seeking the state's assistance, Lyerla stated: "Peanuts is our basic crop, with a county allotment book 2 CP for failure to fully comply under subpara-

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Huddleston and children of Fort Worth spent Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Rogers.

W. H. Collins and son, D. M. Collins of Houston attended the Homecoming at Olden, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Dunn spent Thanksgiving with Truman Mahan and family of Cisco.

Tom Beeler and family of Fort Worth visited her parents, Tom L. Garrett and wife during Thanksgiving.

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graph B, which applies to acreage determination for peanuts, we have noted that the tolerance is the larger of .05 acre or 5 per cent of allotment not to exceed 10 acres. In our opinion the maximum of 10 acres is satisfactory, however, we do not believe the minimum acreage is large enough due to difficulties in measuring irregularly shaped fields, which are predominant in this area peanuts intertilled with other crops and idle land.

"We would like to submit Paragraph 65 B1 be amended as follows: That the 0.5 acre minimum be increased to 2.0 acres. This will make the tolerance for peanuts in line with wheat, feed grain and Upland cotton.

"We believe that this provision should be changed for the following reasons:

1. To give the peanut farm-

er the same tolerance as wheat, feed grain and Upland cotton farms. We believe that peanut is more frequently strip - cropped than any other crop as it is grown in sandy areas and this makes crop acreages more difficult to determine.

2. Aerial photography is not as easy to work with in the sandy areas as in tight land due to the changes in field boundaries which occur each year.

Mr. Lyerla stated further: "We do not believe that farmers will intentionally plant the tolerance acreage because in more than 95 per cent of the cases we can expect our producers' co - operation on certification."

In reviewing the 1967 compliance on peanuts, it is found that 176 overplanted

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Eastland Man Awarded Bronze Star For Service In Viet Nam

LOS ANGELES—U. S. Air Force Master Sergeant Roy L. Lane, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lane, Sr., of 911 W. Commerce St., Eastland, has been decorated with the Bronze Star Medal at Los Angeles Air Force Station, Calif., for meritorious service while engaged in military operations against Viet Cong forces.

Sergeant Lane was cited for his performance as a personnel superintendent at Pleiku AB, Viet Nam. He also holds

the Air Force Commendation Medal.

The sergeant is now assigned to the 6592nd Support Group at Los Angeles Air Force Station. He is a member of the Air Force Systems Command.

A 1948 graduate of Eastland High School, he attended the Orange County Community College, Newburgh, N. Y.

Sergeant Lane's wife, Lois, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. McCormick of 1456 Chamin Ave., North Merrick, N. Y.



AWARD WINNER — Mrs. Ann Justice, secretary of the Eastland County Farm Bureau displays the prizes won at the State Convention just concluded in Austin. Mrs. Justice's scrapbook took second place in the state, and the trophy is for the largest five-year gain in business. Mrs. Betty Claborn assisted on the scrapbook.

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Eastland County Agent

The United States Department of Agriculture recently announced that a national peanut marketing quota of 1,490,239 tons and a national allotment of 1,610,000 acres would apply to the 1968 crop marketing quota penalties on acreage in excess of the farm allotment. The penalty provision was approved for a 3-year period by a vote of producers two years ago. Eastland County's share of the national allotment should be just under 40,000 acres. Eastland County farmers will receive about 10 to 12 percent of the state's share of the national allotment. Allotments are computed locally; each farm having a base acreage according to his planted and harvested acreage in the last three years. In order for a farm to protect his base, he must have picked or threshed 75 percent of his allotment during the current or either of the two preceding years.

Peanut farmers who have not protected their peanut base and will not pick or thresh 75 percent of their allotment are reminded that they may file a request for a waiver of this provision by not later than Dec. 1, 1967. This provision of the peanut law gives ASC County Committee the authority to waive the picking and harvesting provision and protect individual farm allotments where abnormal conditions exist. A review of our farms indicate that this provision will not apply to very many Eastland County farms.

Applications for New Grower allotments for 1968 peanuts and cotton will be announced by this office at an early date. Full details on eligibility will follow.

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slowed the peanut harvest. Peanut farmers are looking for some good weather. Some have already turned in marketing cards with yields from 700 to 2,000 pounds per acre. This indicates a better than average crop. After the frost of October 31, peanut harvest will get into full swing.

The first United States Census was taken in 1790. be given a gift by Texas

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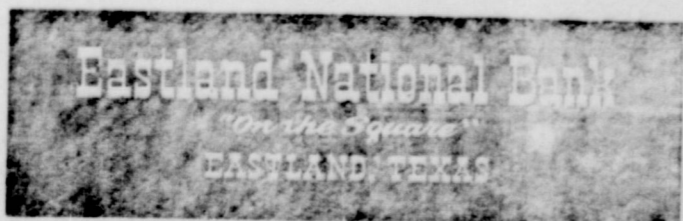
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Congressman Has Maps of Vietnam

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Congressman Omar Burleson announces that he has a limited number of 300 Viet Nam and Asian Continent Maps which he is desirous of distributing to families and close relatives of boys serving in Viet Nam.

The Congressman advises the maps are printed in several colors and indicate the political boundaries and the topographic elevations of countries of Asia, with enlargements of Southeast Asia including an economic map illustrating the products of the various geographic areas. The intent is to provide a useful, factual and informative document but not to include any of the military aspects.

Burleson said he felt the document would give families of servicemen a better perspective of the area, layout and location where servicemen may be, and he wishes to place them with

people who do have a son, husband, father or close relative in Viet Nam and will welcome such requests, on a first-come, first-served basis.

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If the carcass is transported on the hood of a car and exposed to engine heat and road dust and grime, then the hunter can expect lowered meat quality and taste.

In an effort to aid the hunter in preserving the quality of venison, the Parks and Wildlife Department has reprinted an article entitled "Now that you've killed it..." from an earlier edition of the Texas Parks and Wildlife magazine.

Copies of the single page article, written by Game Warden Grover Simpson are available by writing to the Department, John H. Reagan Building, Austin, 78701.

Walk-way Finished At Possum Kingdom

BRECKENRIDGE—The 96-foot combination walking bridge and fishing pier across an arm of Possum Kingdom Lake in the State Park is nearing completion, according to Ronnie Moreau, park superintendent of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

Rogers said that this floating pier is designed to permit normal size boats to pass under the walk-way.

The bridge is located near the headquarters area and is expected to be used for fishing as well as a walk-way from a camping area to the concession area and headquarters building.

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USDA Expects--

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farms in the county, but only from one to three acres. A large per cent of these would not have been within the acreage tolerance if we were operating under producer certification at this time. There are only approximately 20 farms of the 176 that are considerably and intentionally overplanted in excess of three acres, it is said.

The state committee accepted the recommendation from the Eastland County committee and recommended to the Washington office that the limitation be changed from the larger of .5 acres to the larger of 2 acres. "This change would eliminate many administrative difficulties in determining peanut acreages by producer certification and avoid hardships to family-size peanut farms being ineligible for price support under the existing limitation," the state committee commented.

The Washington level vetoed the recommendation and in its reply stated:

"The penalty for failure to file accurate certification must be severe enough to encourage unscrupulous farmers to file an accurate certification. The small margin (0.5 acre of 5 per cent of the allotment, not to exceed 10 acres) allowed peanut farmers in certification counties, is only to take care of small errors they may make in determining or measuring their own acreages. Farmers with small allotments should not miss the acreage by 2.0 acres if they make a reasonable ef-

fort to stay within the allotment.

"We believe the administrative difficulties you outline in your letter can be greatly reduced by the counties conducting an aggressive campaign to acquaint farmers with the measurement service program and its advantages. If farmers use the help and services which are provided by the county office, (ASC) they should have no trouble."

The matter may not be settled yet. The Southwestern Peanut Growers Association has voted unanimously to work toward having administrative policies changed so as not to discriminate against the peanut farmers.

Ross Wilson of the Southwestern Grocers Association said Friday that he has talked with Cong. Omar Burleson on the matter, and while the representatives don't have direct control over this, an administrative situation rather than a legislative matter, they can speak out for the people of their districts. Cong. Bob Pogue and many others are also being contacted regarding the matter.

The penalties for non-compliance are so rigid that a farmer could not profitably intentionally fail to comply, it is reported. (With prices at some 11 cents a pound, and the penalty at about eight and a half cents, the farmer couldn't be making much on intentional over-planting at about two cents a pound.)

Stars and stripes in the American flag, were suggested by the coat of arms of the Washington family.

Plans Being Made For Eastland Pecan Show

Plans are rapidly being completed for the 15th annual Eastland County Pecan Show to be held in Cisco Dec. 8-9, reported A. D. Elington, president of the Eastland County Pecan Growers Association.

The pecan organization and the Cisco Chamber of Commerce are jointly sponsoring the annual affair. The show will be held in the Daniels Hotel building where the "Chicken on the Run" restaurant was originally located, said Jim Smothers, manager of the Chamber of Commerce.

All pecan growers in West Central Texas are invited to enter pecans in the show. An entry consists of 40 nuts of each variety, native or must be grown by the person entering the nut and they must have been grown in 1967. There is no entry fee. Ribbons will be awarded to the first three place entries seedling. The entries may be left or sent to either the county agent's office in Eastland, the Chamber of Commerce offices in Cisco, Ranger, or Rising Star, or Todd's Variety Store in Gorman.

The first three place entries will be sent to Abilene to be entered in the Regional Pecan Show Dec. 14-16. However, winning entries from counties where a county pe-

can show is held will not be sent to the regional show.

County Agent DeMarquis Gordon said the judges will include: J. W. Worthington of the Texas A&M Extension Service, Tom E. Denman of the Texas A&M Experiment Station, and Dr. Benton Storey, Professor of Horticulture at Texas A&M University.

Other features of the show will include a Pecan Queen contest Dec. 7, a bake show, and a center piece show to be held in conjunction with the pecan show.

Prizes of \$10.00, \$5.00 and \$3.00 will be given for the best centerpieces using pecans or parts of the pecan tree in various forms.

Rio de Janeiro means January River.

Basketball News

The Carbon High School Basketball teams started play this week. The boys played San@ there Tuesday night losing by the score of 45 to 65. Herbert Casey 19 points and Rickie Pack 14 were high scorers for Carbon.

The high school girls beat the Ranger Junior College B Squad Tuesday night at Ranger.

Both teams play in the Desdemona tournament this weekend and play Strawn at 5 & 6 o'clock Thursday.

The grade school teams played Putnam there Monday night, the Carbon boys losing 26 to 29 and the girls by the score of 23 to 8.

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LANE - MIDKIFF VOWS ARE EXCHANGED

Miss Sandra Luan Lane and Billy Jack Midkiff were married in ceremonies performed Saturday, Nov. 25, at 7 p.m. in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hitt. Rev. Lee Field of Carbon, Baptist minister officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leak W. Lane of Cisco, and parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Midkiff of Cisco.

Mrs. Olin Odom III was organist, and soloist was Mrs. Carl Gorr. Genie Dameron and Standlee McCracken were candle lighters.

Mrs. Larry Burns was matron of honor, and best man was Preston Midkiff, brother of the bridegroom.

The bride wore an empire dress featuring lace bodice, long lace sleeves, and an organdy skirt. Her veil of illusion was attached to a rose.

A reception was held honoring the couple. The bride's table was laid with a green table cloth centered with yellow mums. Members of the houseparty were Miss Ann Midkiff, sister of the bridegroom; Misses Barbara Ables, Butch Willingham, C. D. Rust, and Don McCrary.

Both are graduates of Cisco High School and Cisco Junior College. Mr. Midkiff attended North Texas State University, and Mrs. Midkiff attended Hardin-Simmons University.

The bride is employed by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company and he is a coach at Lipan. The couple will live in Town House Apartments in Weatherford.

The bride is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Jackson.

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