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Candlelight ceremony unites Jones, Popp

The First Baptist Church of Breckenridge was the setting for the candlelight ceremony uniting Miss LaVonda Carol Jones and Gerald Wayne Popp in marriage on Saturday, May 21, 1983 at half-past seven o'clock in the evening. Rev. J. D. Mabry of Lamesa performed the doubling ceremony. He also was the officiating minister when the bride's parents were married.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Jones of Breckenridge. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Popp of Garwood are parents of the groom.

Presented at the altar by her father, the bride chose the traditional formal gown which was designed by the bride and made by her mother. The gown was of white tulle with a wide lace collar and a wide lace train. The gown was of white tulle with a wide lace collar and a wide lace train.

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edged with matching lace. Lace motifs formed a design in the back of the veil. The veil was also designed by the bride and made by her mother. A pair of off-fashioned pants, a gift from Mrs. R. D. Harvey, aunt of the bride, completed her outfit.

She carried a nosegay type bouquet of white silk roses, greenery and chrysanthemums with fresh baby's breath. The bouquet had white lace ribbon streamers tied in love knots. She also carried two white silk roses for the mothers. The bride presented her mother a rose upon entering the church and the groom presented his mother with a rose as the couple left the church.

In keeping with the tradition the bride wore something old, her dress which was worn when she was crowned Buckaroo Queen; something new, a pair of pearl earrings, a gift from the groom; and something borrowed, her mother's diamond pendant.

Attendants
Mrs. Rocky Cozart of Brownfield served as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Eddie Jones of Grand Prairie, Misses Daria Beaty and Elizabeth Gibson of Lubbock, Mrs. Rusty Prewitt of DeSoto and Mrs. Button Vick of Breckenridge.

Their gowns were of white and each bridesmaid wore a different rainbow color. The floor-length gowns featured a double ruffle on the scoop neckline and the brief sleeves. A deep hemline ruffle completed the look.

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The groom wore an all white tuxedo with a white ruffled shirt. His boutonniere was a white silk rosebud accented with Stephanotis and English ivy.

Gregory Popp, twin brother of the groom, and Garwood served as best man. Groomsmen were Dale Popp, brother of the groom, of Rosenberg, Andy Holloway of Brenham, Bob Jones of Gavista, California, Al Mahalite of Matthes and Greg Wood of Victoria.

The best man was attired in a silver tuxedo with matching cummerbund and bow tie. His white ruffled shirt was trimmed in black. Groomsmen were similarly dressed. They wore miniature carnation boutonnieres to match the pastel colors of the bridesmaid dresses.

Ushering the wedding guests were Eddie Bolch, brother of the bride, of Bryan, Kirk Schneider of Nalda, Gary Gunter of Palacios, Dick Graff of College Station and Gale Thompson of Garwood.

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Industrial Foundation and Revitalize in magazine article

Two articles in the May issue of "Texas Town and Country" show how the Industrial Foundation and Revitalize Eagle Lake can work hand in hand to spur

business and enhance the quality of life in this community. The first article "Local Quality of Life Attracts Industry" depicts how such

a movement as revitalization with its goals to beautify the community, provide recreational activities and bind the community as a whole can make

the final difference as to whether an industry selects a particular community. The second article "The Total Benefit of New Manufacturing Jobs"

describes a study which is being done to show how a new industry can spur many aspects of the community.

Local quality of life attracts industry

A new report from Public Technology, Inc., suggests that many factors are attracted to the quality of local life if they are interested in attracting new business and industry.

The report, "Business Location Decisions and Cities," reviews the findings of a series of studies on why businesses select one site in preference to another for a new plant or headquarters. Among the primary local concerns of business are several over which cities have little or no control, such as local labor markets and land prices.

As the report points out, however, businesses also are attracted by local "livability" factors that can be influenced by the city — such as quality recreational and cultural facilities and low crime rates. Quality-of-life factors take on additional importance after a corporation has selected a particular region and then begins narrowing choices among localities in that region. These factors are especially important to firms with above-average concentrations of white-collar and technical employees, the report said.

While livability sometimes is overlooked by corporate decision-makers whose primary concerns are economic, the report said that at least a third of the nation's largest corporations consider the quality of life an important ingredient in site selection. Some cities have managed to affect their local labor climate, which is a pre-eminent locational factor. For example, local officials in Beaumont, Texas, Jamestown, N.Y., and other cities have created labor-management committees to promote increased awareness of the

need for harmony between business and workers. In many instances, these committees are credited with reversing local trends toward economic decline. Conversely, local efforts to attract industry by offering tax abatements and similar incentives have been less effective. A survey of 161 new plants opened by "Fortune 500" corporations, for example, revealed that only 14 took advantage of tax concessions. "Giveaways no longer make sound economic sense," the report said, suggesting that cities follow

the lead of several western cities which require businesses receiving public subsidies to commit themselves to hire local residents or otherwise ensure that the community will actually benefit from the presence of the business. The attitude of local officials toward business also plays a role in locational decisions. The report recommended that cities invest in a professional economic development staff that has the support of top local officials. A well-thought-out plan with strategies linked to specific objectives, also was recommended.

The total benefit of new manufacturing jobs

The most immediate benefits of a new manufacturing plant brings to a community are obvious: more jobs, higher manufacturing output, and increases in local tax revenues.

The indirect effects of a new manufacturing facility are more difficult to measure, however. For example, it is logical to assume that the employees of a new plant will make a

variety of purchases at local retail outlets, and that the volume of sales in the community will increase. But by how much will sales climb, and what additional effects can be expected?

The Texas Industrial Commission (TIC) is developing a system for answering those questions. Using a "Texas Input-Output Model," the TIC is determining the direct and indirect effects of new

manufacturing jobs on the Texas economy. In basic terms, the model is a computerized procedure designed to calculate the state's economic "input" when new jobs, investment or production are "input" to the economy.

In the TIC's initial analysis, 100 new manufacturing jobs were used as the input, and the computer estimated the output both direct and indirect effects — from those new

jobs. The results of this preliminary study indicate that the effect of new manufacturing jobs is much greater than might be expected. The direct benefits of new jobs are of two types: (1) salaries paid to new workers; and (2) increased manufacturing output as a result of those new jobs. The input-output analysis estimates that direct salaries generated by 100 jobs average \$455,592 an-

nually, while the direct increase in manufacturing output from those jobs would be worth about \$5 million per year.

However, it is not until indirect effects are considered that the total economic impact of new manufacturing jobs can be determined. When a manufacturing plant opens, for example, increased output is needed from businesses that service the plant; the new employees hired at the plant make consumer purchases; and more employment (in addition to the new manufacturing jobs) is created. These indirect effects are of four types: (1) new jobs — over and above the 100 manufacturing jobs; (2) salaries — over and above those paid to the new manufacturing employees; (3) increased industrial output — over and above that of the new plant; and (4) increased retail sales.

The TIC study shows that 100 new manufacturing jobs will generate 237 additional jobs for a total of 337. Additionally, the total salaries paid to those 337 additional employees will average \$223 million per year. Across the "overall economy," the total of 337 new jobs would create \$12.2 million in industrial output annually. And finally, retail sales would increase by \$1.7 million per year because of the new jobs.

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Mr. and Mrs. Rex Allen Shoop, Farrah Faye and Mrs. R. A. Shoop attended a large family gathering in Wharton on Tuesday evening of last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Kutak. Their son Joshua was two years old. The birthday table was loaded with a delicious chicken supper, punch and a German chocolate birthday cake. Joshua received many lovely gifts.

Some of the Garwood people enjoying the talent show in Columbus last Sunday night were Mrs. Louis Miller, Mrs. Annie Erdelt, Mrs. Annie Bek Mr. and Mrs. Bill Carpenter, Kristine and Ryan and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Berger.

Mrs. Mollie has just returned from a 10-day vacation visiting relatives in Sabinal, Mrs. Estelle Giffin. She returned home with her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Herring. They spent the night with Mrs. Hunt when they all returned.

Mrs. B. J. Drapela was met at the Continental Airport in Houston by Mrs. Alice Drapela and Barb Jersey after she had spent almost two weeks visiting her daughters and families. She visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sides and Connie in New York City, New York. While there, Rachel Sides Sauer and her husband Marc came to visit her from Richmond, Virginia and Larry Sides from Cambridge, Massachusetts. After a few days stay, Mrs. Sides accompanied Mrs. Drapela to Maryland to visit Karen Drapela McCall where they all attended the award and pre-convocation ceremony on Thursday the 19 of May given by the Class of 1983 and faculty program in Medical Technology at 7 p.m.