



MR. and MRS. W. B. LaMASTER

## Mr. and Mrs. W. B. LaMaster Observe Golden Wedding Anniversary With Sunday Open House

Scores of friends, old and new, thronged the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. LaMaster Sunday afternoon to congratulate the couple on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. LaMaster have been an integral part of the growth of Ochiltree county and Perryton during their 50 years of married life, and the afternoon was spent in reminiscing of old times, dating back to 1910 when Mr. LaMaster had just established a real estate office in Ochiltree and his bride joined him there.

In the receiving line were the honored couple, Mrs. Klein Lilly of Chicago and Mrs. Orem LaMaster of Litchfield, Ky., both sisters of Mrs. LaMaster, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Tandy of Deweyville, Texas, Mrs. LaMaster's brother, Mrs. Jim Goode of Laferia, Texas, a niece, Mrs. Kathryn Judice and Mrs. Ellis Kelly of Perryton, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. LaMaster.

All of the LaMaster children were present for the reunion, and the LaMaster daughters-in-law, took turns presiding at the punch bowl.

The table was laid with an or-gandy and linen white applique cloth with silver appointments and a punchbowl centerpiece. The floral arrangement consisted of yellow and white daisies, with yellow roses arranged around the punch bowl. Yellow tapers in silver branched candelabra flanked the bowl.

Other seasonal floral arrangements decorated the receiving rooms.

Miss Connie LaMaster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Giltner LaMaster, registered the guests.

Mr. and Mrs. LaMaster are both

native of Kentucky. In 1909, Mr. LaMaster, hearing of the opportunities in the west, was attracted by the highly advertised "homestead excursions" being promoted by eastern real estate developers and came to Ochiltree county to establish a home.

Mrs. LaMaster came in 1910, and the couple lived in Ochiltree where Mr. LaMaster was engaged in the real estate business. All ten of the LaMaster children were born in Ochiltree county, the first six at Ochiltree and the next four after the family moved to the home near Perryton where Mr. and Mrs. LaMaster reside.

When Perryton was established in 1919, Mr. LaMaster and the late George M. Perry had charge of the sale of township lots for the Santa Fe railway, owner of the land. Mr. LaMaster established his office in Perryton on the opening day of the town and has been here since that day.

Down through the years, both Mr. and Mrs. LaMaster have been active in the community affairs of Perryton and Ochiltree county. This year, when the Chamber of Commerce awarded "Pioneer Achievement Awards" to senior citizens with outstanding records of accomplishment in this area, both Mr. and Mrs. LaMaster were so honored.

In spite of rearing a large family, Mrs. LaMaster found time to be active in several organizations, being especially honored in two of them. She was one of the early workers in the Parent-Teacher Association, and served as president of the Perryton PTA, later holding several district offices including that of district president.

She has long been active in the

Perryton Sorosis Club and in the state and district Federated Women's Clubs, holding a number of district offices.

Her devotion to both resulted in a life membership being voted her in both the district Parent-Teacher Assn. and the district Federated Women's Clubs.

Mr. LaMaster was a charter member of the Perryton Lions Club, served actively for many years in the Chamber of Commerce, took part in every community promotion that came along. His first love, however, was in the promotion of highway for the Perryton area. He has served as state and national president of the US 83 Association, and spent many an hour and traveled many a mile in promoting highways here.

Mr. LaMaster still keeps office hours at the W. B. LaMaster Realty Co., which he operates with two of his sons, Walter and Giltner. He is also president of the Perryton National Bank.

Mr. and Mrs. LaMaster received national recognition during World War II, when nine of their ten children served in uniform as members of the Army, Navy and Air Force. The only one at home was Mrs. Ellis Kelly, who was rearing a family.

One son, Joseph, lost his life during World War II while serving as a crew member on an Air Force bomber. Another son, Kenneth, lost his life in an accident at the farm several years ago.

The LaMaster children and their children, present for the reunion, were Mr. and Mrs. Walter LaMaster and Mrs. Gwen Turner; Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus LaMaster, Polly Beth, Walter, Robert and

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## LaMaster's Observe—

Tandy; Mr. and Mrs. Giltner LaMaster, Connie and Joseph; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Judice, Kay Tandy and Sammy Joe; Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Kelly, Charles Ellis and Kenny Jack; Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy LaMaster and Babette of Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Henry LaMaster, Regna, Carol and Richard of Whitesboro, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Phil LaMaster, Denise, Belinda and Jean.

Out-of-town relatives and guests included Mr. and Mrs. Roger Tandy of Deweyville, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Goode and Jim of Laferia, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Cline Lilly of Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Orem LaMaster of Leitchfield, Ky.

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On Chignecto Bay in Nova Scotia, fishermen string nets in an incoming tide. When the tide recedes, the fishermen drive horse drawn carts over the dry seafloor to pick up the fish from their nets.