Attack Fatal
To J.T. Baker

James T. Baker, employee of a living nursery firm, apparently suffered a heart attack which led to his death Monday afternoon.

Baker, 52, 1101 Oakdale, was setting out some plants when stricken. An inquest verdict was pending at Gilbert’s Clinic, where a Black’s ambulance rushed the body. No

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Teacher Dies
As Unknown Millionaire

WASHINGTON, Kan. (UPI) — Thomas C. Baker, a small town carpenter and inventor of sorts, was also a conservative stock market gambler. When he sold one of his inventions, he took part payment in shares of a little-known company.

That was about 40 years ago. In 1924, the company merged with one only slightly larger, and Baker received 24 shares of its stock worth $3 each.

Today, that small stake in Wall Street had grown to about $5.5 million. The value was placed by lawyers appraising the estate of Baker's spinster school teacher daughter, Miss Margaret Baker, 79.

Miss Baker, who died Nov. 21 in the old house where the family had lived for decades, also left farm land valued at about $500,000.

That property included three sections of prime wheat land in western Kansas and a half section in Nebraska. There are 640 acres to each mile-square section.
Rites Set Today
For Mrs. Barber

Funeral services will be held today at 10:30 a.m. in Black's Funeral Chapel for Mrs. Ogleza Margaret Barber, 1504 Brookhollow, who died Tuesday in Methodist Hospital.

Mrs. Barber, who was 64, had lived in Irving six years.

Rev. James L. Carter of First Methodist Church will officiate at services. Burial will be in Laurel Land.

Survivors include her husband, John H. Barber; two daughters, Mrs. Robert Coppage of Irving and Mrs. Robert L. Cooks of Dallas; a sister, Mrs. E.M. Dick of Dallas; six grandchildren.
Rites Set
For Sister
Of Irvingite

The body of Mrs. Leila, Maurine Barnes, 2148 Stovall, Dallas, will lie in state at Black's Funeral Chapel until early Wednesday. She is the sister of Mrs. Avanelle Tarbutton of Irving.

Services will be held at Marshall and Marshall Funeral Home in Hillsboro Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. and interment will be in Itasca Cemetery.

Other survivors are a daughter, Miss Doris Ann Barnes; sons, James Ray Barnes, Billy Joe Barnes; father, W.J. Priddy; sisters, Mrs. Christian Appleby, Mrs. Juanita Weaver and Joyce; brothers, Weldon Southward; Lloyd Priddy; Harold Priddy; Dean Priddy.

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BROOKLYN: A 7½ week old child died Tuesday in a plunge from a fourth floor window in Brooklyn.

The body of Yolanda Barnes was found in a yard behind her family's apartment. Police said she either fell or was pushed through a window of the home.

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Services Set
Monday at 4
For Mrs. Barry

Services have been set for 3 p.m. Monday in the chapel of Black's Funeral Home for Mrs. Almeda Barry, 77, who died Friday in a Dallas hospital. Internment will be in Oak Grove Park.

Mrs. Barry, who lived at 516 E. Shady Grove, is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Elva E. Johnson of Houston, and a son, Auda Barry of Irving. Other survivors include three sisters, Beulah Gilmore, Jewel Hawkins and Estelle Carn, four grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

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Mrs. Beauford

Rites Monday

Mrs. Marie Beauford, 423 W. Sixth St., died Friday in Hurstview Nursing Home after a long illness. She was 70.

She was a member of St. Luke's Catholic Church. Rosary will be recited at 8 p.m. Sunday at Black's Chapel with Rev. R. P. McGill as celebrant. Mass is at 10 a.m. Monday at St. Luke's Catholic Church. Interment will be in Old Kit cemetery.

Mrs. Beauford had been a resident of Irving for 65 years, and her late husband, Henry Beauford, who died in 1960, was a life-long Irving resident.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Davis, Irving, and Mrs. Josephine Hutsell, Corpus Christi; by four sons, August, Paul, and Marcell, all of Irving; and Clyde, of McGregor; and six grandchildren.
LONDON -- Sir Thomas Beecham, the great English conductor and composer whose acid comments were respected as much as his baton, died peacefully early Wednesday of a cerebral thrombosis. He was 81. Lady Beecham, the 27-year-old secretary he married in 1959 a year after the death of his first wife, said he suffered a severe attack of virus pneumonia during a three-month American tour last February and that illness contributed to his death.

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Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday at Black's Funeral Home for Mack E. Belk, 2056 Rosebud Dr., who passed away Friday at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Dallas.

He is survived by his wife, Marion, two daughters, Mrs. Thomas Ray Coker (Eldersleen) of Marshall, Tex., and Mrs. Robert Lee Smith of Brownsville, Tex. Also surviving are four brothers, a sister, and five grandchildren.

Born in Camden, Ark., he attended Louisiana Tech and was a member of Pulaski Heights Masonic Lodge of Little Rock, Ark. Moving to Irving eight years ago, he was a member of the First Methodist Church.

Interment will be at Restland Cemetery, Dallas. Pallbearers will be W.C. Williams, Joe D. Mitchell, Jerry Martin, Robert Grove, T.L. Evans, and Marvin Blount.

The family asks that any memorials be made to the Methodist Orphanage at Waco, Tex.
Father of Two Irving Women Buried Monday

The father of two Irving women was buried in Pilot Point Monday. Alois Berend, father of Mrs. Charles Breach, 1313 Schuler, and Mrs. Dan Mülken, 1302 Segundo, died Friday at the age of 68, after a 17-year illness. Services were held in St. Thomas Catholic Church and burial was in Pilot Point.

Other survivors include his wife; two sons, Leonard Berend and Virgil Berend, and another daughter, Mrs. Arthur Schon, all of Pilot Point. He is also survived by 16 grandchildren.

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Berend

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Cop Reasons Killer, 14, Into Surrender

SHORT HILLS, N.J. (UPI) -- A wealthy A and P food chain executive was fatally shot Friday by his teen-age son who then held off police with two revolvers for 90 minutes before surrendering in tears to a fatherly detective who asked him:

"All right, you didn't like your father, but what about me and my kids?"

The midnight tragedy took place at the $100,000 mansion of Robert R. Besch, 42, assistant national sales executive of the Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company in this exclusive suburb 20 miles from New York City.

He was felled by four or five slugs fired at close range as he forced his way into the locked third floor bedroom of his son Robert R. Jr., 14, a psychiatric patient who had been sulking for hours over poor school grades.

His mother, the former Minnie Wrightson, a great granddaughter of the founder of A and P stores, was in the house along with two other sons and a daughter when the shooting occurred at 11:20 p.m.

Young Robert, a lanky sixfooter who collects guns and is a member of the Junior National Rifle Association, fled to another part of the house and, with a loaded revolver in each hand, met police and detectives who responded to his mother's call.

Detective Paul Tighe, whose wife Nancy is expecting their third child, succeeded in approaching young Robert and, in a fatherly, soft-spoken tones, talked with him for about an hour. They sat in a lounging room about 10 feet apart, the boy with two pistols trained unsteadily on the detective, who had put away his own weapon as a condition of the talk.

Unknown to both Tighe and young Robert, a police sharpshooter had been stationed outside a window during the conversation with a rifle pointed at the boy.

"He was jitters and incoherent most of the time, but I kept him talking until he decided to give up," Tighe said.

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Pilot's Body Discovered

EL PASO (UPI) -- A search party found the body of test pilot Art Behl in his crashed F-89 Scorpion jet fighter plane Thursday.

The plane had crashed into Monument Canyon in the Sacramento Mountains between El Paso and Alamagordo, N. M.

More than 1,000 persons had searched for the plane after it disappeared while on a target launching mission over the federal McGregor firing range in New Mexico. Behl was from El Paso.
Mrs. Bowden Dies Sunday

Mrs. Nettie N. Bowden, 1407 Trinity View, passed away Sunday at her home.

Services were held at Black's funeral home. Interment was at Oak Grove cemetery.

She is survived by two sons: E. J. Bowden of Irving, J. B. Bowden of Dallas, 4 grandchildren, and 8 great-grandchildren.

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Attends Rites

Mrs. Albert Johnston, 702 Belltower, went to Kilgore to attend the funeral of her mother, Mrs. Alma Boyd, who died Thursday evening.

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Death Strikes
Family Twice
Within Hours

Double funeral services will
be held at 2 p.m. today at
Lone Oak for Lonnie L. Boy-
kin, 1127 Bluebonnet Dr., Ir-
v ing, and his mother, Mrs.
Lillie Boykin, who died a few
hours earlier in another city.

Mr. Boykin, who had been
ill for some time, died Fri-
day. He was 45. He is sur-
vived by his wife, Lorene,
one daughter, Mrs. Carolyn
McCormick, two sons, Jimmy
Boykin and Gerald Boykin,
one sister, three brothers,
and two grandchildren.

Interment will be at Don-
ations Cemetery.
Rites Set Saturday
For Mrs. Mae Branch

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. in Haskell, Tex., for Mrs. Mae Branch, 74, of 1506 Hurwitz, who died at her home Thursday morning.

She is survived by a brother, Cliff Chamberlain, Irving, and two nephews, Louis and Samuel Chamberlain.

Mrs. Branch had lived in Irving three years prior to her death. She had been ill for some time.

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Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Sunday, at Calvary Baptist Church for Mrs. Juanita Pearl Briggs, who passed away Friday morning. Rev. Charles Kellough will officiate. Mrs. Briggs is survived by her husband, John Briggs, of 1006 Hurwitz, five brothers, four sisters and her stepmother, Mrs. Nora Raines.

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Death Takes Rep. Brooks

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- Rep. Overton Brooks, veteran congressman and first chairman of the House Space Committee, died of a heart attack Saturday at Bethesda Naval Medical Center. He was 63.

Brooks, widely known Louisiana Democrat, was admitted to the hospital Monday for treatment of a heart condition. He also underwent major surgery there last month but details were not announced.

The House, meeting in an unusual Saturday session, cancelled its plans to vote on disarmament agency legislation and eulogized Brooks instead.

His death created a vacancy in the 437-seat chamber for the first time since mid-June. It reduced the line up to 262 Democrats and 174 Republicans.

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Albert S. Brown
Dies at Convair

RICHLAND HILLS -- Albert S. Brown, an electrical engineer at Convair in Fort Worth, died of a heart attack at his desk at the plant Friday afternoon. Brown, 47, had been a resident of Richland Hills for 14 years and had resided at 7146 Havenkamp for five years.

Brown was born in Honey Grove.

He is survived by his wife; and children, Mary Tedford, Patrick Edward and Elizabeth Duff; and a sister, Mrs. Lyle Hooker, wife of a prominent Houston doctor.

Brown was a member of the Fort Worth Rifle Club, Arlington Sportsman Club, and attended St. Phillips Presbyterian Church in Hurst.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday at St. Phillips with burial being at Bluebonnet Hills in Grapevine.

Rev. J.F. Garvin will officiate at the funeral services.

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Rites Held Tuesday for Mrs. Brown

Funeral services were held Tuesday for Mrs. Cora Brown in Palestine, with Calvin Dickey officiating. Mrs. Brown had been living for the past eight years in Irving with her daughter, Mrs. Annie Lou Chambers, and had for the past few months been visiting a son in Slocum.

She died Sunday in a Palestine hospital after a heart attack. Interment was in Parker cemetery near Grapeland, where Mrs. Brown formerly resided. She was born in 1877 in Choctaw County, Ala.

Surviving, in addition to Mrs. Chambers, are two sons, Arnold Keen of Slocum, Leo Keen of Pasadena; two other daughters, Mrs. Lora Morris of Palestine, Mrs. Orlean Dunnam of Kilman; several grandchildren and great grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. L. D. Ellis of Crockett, Mrs. Tom Brown and Mrs. Burtis Brown, both of Grapeland; one stepson, Hooker Brown of Brandon, Miss., and a step-daughter, Mrs. Ruth Morris of Irving.
Earle Brown
Rites 2 p.m.

Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Tuesday at Leach's Funeral Home for Earle Brown, 61, who died Monday morning of a heart attack.

Brown, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Otis Brown, arrived in Irving from Almont, Col., last month to spend the winter here with his wife, Mrs. Willa Fay Brown. He and his wife ran a hunting and fishing lodge at Almont.

He is survived by his wife and four brothers. Brothers include Mayor Lynn Brown, C. Loyd Brown, and John Brown of Irving and Stanley Brown of Dallas.

Third oldest son of Otis Brown, co-founder of Irving in 1903, Earle Brown was a graduate of Irving High School and attended Abilene Christian College.

On last month, Earle had participated with his brothers in dedicating the Fort Admittance Office of the Irving Community Hospital in honor of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Brown, who passed away in 1958 within three months of each other.

Prior to purchasing White Water Resort at Almont, Col., he was employed in Grand Prairie by Temco and later was self-employed as an engineer.

Funeral services will be conducted by Rev. Robert Walker of First Methodist Church.

Interment will be at Oak Grove Memorial Cemetery.

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Funeral Rites

Monday For

Henry Brown

Funeral services will be held 10 a.m. Monday at Black's Funeral Home Chapel for Henry Stayton Brown, 2400 Lombardy Lane, Dallas. Brown, 65, passed away Friday.

A former Irving resident of 100 Edith Dr., he was a retired trucker. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Otto Owen of Irving and Mrs. Virginia Hodgins of Dallas; one son, Howard Brown of Irving, and five grandchildren.

Funeral services at Black's Chapel will be conducted by Rev. Luther Whatley of Lemmon Avenue Baptist Church.

Interment will be at Crown Hill Cemetery.
Mrs. Brown

Rites Held

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at First Christian Church for Mrs. J. W. Brown who passed away Monday at a Pittsburg, Tex., hospital.

Mrs. Brown, 67, a former Dallas resident, is the mother of Mrs. E. L. Smith and Mrs. J. E. Jordan of Irving. Other survivors include Mrs. Brown's husband, a retired contractor now living at Pittsburg; two sons, Jacob A. Brown of Dallas and John W. Brown, Hennessey, Okla. Eight grandchildren also survive her.

Interment was at Crown Hill Memorial Park, Dallas.
Services Set For Father Of Irving Man

Services will be held this morning at 11:30 for the father of James O. Brunner, 2601 Ridgewood in Irving, at Lamar-Smith Funeral Home.

Clyde L. Brunner, 83, who died Monday at the Kessler Park Hospital in Dallas, will be buried at Oak Grove Park, with the Irving Masonic Lodge in charge of graveside services.

Brunner, who lived at 77 Hubert Dr. in Dallas, was a member of the Odd Fellows Lodge in Ames, Okla. for 35 years, and was a 32 degree Mason.

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Mrs. Burns' Rites Today

IRVING -- Funeral services will be held at Black's Funeral Chapel today at 10 a.m. for Mrs. Grace Artemissa Burns, 63, of 607 Oakland, Irving. The burial will be held at Rose Hill cemetery in Tulsa, Okla.

Mrs. Burns died Thursday in a Dallas hospital after a short illness. She is survived by one son, H.M. Herndon Jr., of Irving.

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Oklahoma Rites Will Be Held for Mishap Victim

Funeral services were to be held in Granite, Okla., for Miss Betty J. Byrum, 36, of Irving, who was killed Sunday afternoon in an auto which plunged off the Carpenter Rd. overpass on Highway 183.

Miss Byrum was driving the convertible when it made the 30-foot fall, police said she had started to pass another car headed east and that the other car pulled onto her path. Swerving, she struck the overpass curbing, rode the curb with the car and then went off the overpass, flying 100 feet through the air.

Miss Byrum's body was found face down about 40 feet from the place where the car came to rest.

A passenger in the car, Miss Rhoda Lanham, 33, of Dallas, was taken to Parkland for treatment of cuts and bruises, then released.

Miss Lanham said the two were going to the lake and had left the trailer park where Miss Byrum lived on Bel Aire Lane Rd., headed for Bachman Lake. Miss Byrum was an American Airlines reservation agent at Carter Field, where she had worked since April, 1956.

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