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**THE OLD AND THE NEW**—The Flagship Fort Worth, last of the famed prewar DC-3 fleet of American Airlines, was retired Thursday night in a short ceremony at Municipal Airport after its last flight, El Paso to Fort Worth. Replacing the retired airship was a new Convair twin-engined transport which will carry the Fort Worth name. Left to right, under the nose of the retired DC-3 are Capt. Art Fox, First Officer Pat Preston and

Stewardess Margaret Van Bibber, crew of the last flight; M. D. Miller, regional vice president in charge of sales; Amon Carter, William Holden, Chamber of Commerce executive vice president, and five of the passengers who made the last flight. At the right under the nose of the new Convair are Capts. Frank Haynes, William Borgers, Stewardess Dena Chapple and First Officer Ed Schwarting.

## J. T. Baker, Ex-Farmer, Dies in Dallas

MINERAL WELLS, April 1 (Spl).—John Thomas Baker, 88, retired farmer, who lived for more than 60 years in the Stag's Prairie community, six miles northeast of here, died at his home in Dallas Thursday. Funeral services are scheduled at 3 p. m. Friday in Dallas.

Born in Mississippi, he came to Texas when he was 17. He was for many years a deacon in the Rock Creek Baptist Church.

Two of his five sons, Bryant and John Olin Baker, are physicians in Dallas. Another, Obed, is a Dallas dentist. Henry M. of Childress and C. Baker of Cedar Park are school teachers. Other survivors are his wife; four daughters, Miss Mary Opal Baker, Mrs. Inez Luden and Mrs. Martha Jane King of Dallas; and Mrs. Hortense Boecker of Lubbock; 13 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Dick and Bryan Griffin and Miss Label Griffin of Mineral Wells are nephews and niece.

## Replaces Retired DC-3

# Convair Transport Takes Over American Lines Run

A sleek Convair transport plane Friday carried the historic name, "Flagship Fort Worth," on American Airlines.

The name was transferred to the Convair Thursday night in ceremonies at Municipal Airport, marking retirement of American Airlines' last DC-3.

The DC-3 was retired as "a victim of service only," said M. D. Miller, regional vice president in charge of sales.

The DC-3 came in from El Paso at 9:37 p. m. and on hand to greet it was a group that included Amon Carter and William Holden, Chamber of Commerce executive vice president.

Miller presented Carter with the DC-3's nameplate mounted on a plaque. Carter said he would cherish it "in appreciation of what the DC-3 has done for American Airlines. The DC-3 is what helped make American Airlines the great line that it is."

Carter and the stewardess, Miss Margaret Van Bibber, 1006 W.

Bowie, sealed the DC-3's door with adhesive tape. Carter also was presented a letter of greeting from R. F. Momsen, chairman of the El Paso Aviation Committee, which stated that the DC-3 was a "victim of progress" and added: "Our city is proud that the passing of the 'workhorse of the air' from service on American Airlines should take place between El Paso and Fort Worth."

After the ceremony, the DC-3's passengers boarded the Convair to continue their flight to Tulsa.

## Parents Told Flier Killed

OWENS, April 1 (Spl).—Mr. and Mrs. Woodson Emsinger were notified by the Air Force Friday that their son, Lt. Thurman C. Emsinger, was killed Sunday when a bomber on which he was serving as navigator crashed during a

## Bar to Hear Thompson

George Thompson Jr., executive vice president of the Continental National Bank, will speak at a meeting of the Fort Worth Bar Association at 9 a. m. Monday in 96th District Court. He will speak on phases of the Texas trust act.

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