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## Medal of Highest Honor Awarded Lt. Jack Mathis

First Lt. Jack Mathis, bombardier killed in the raid over Vegesack Germany, last March 18, has been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor posthumously.

A letter came to his mother, Mrs. Avis Mathis, at the week end from the War Department announcing the award, highest military honor for valor in this country, and requesting her presence in Washington to receive it July 14.

A telegram from President Franklin D. Roosevelt reached her about the same time, stating the presentation would be made at 11:30 in the morning of July 14 and asked her to be present.

The War Department letter indicated she might be accompanied by a party of six.

Mrs. Mathis indicated in letters both to the War Department and to



THE LATE LT. MATHIS

the President that she would be unable to be in Washington. In view of this it is presumed the presentation will be made by military personnel from one of the flying fields at San Angelo and that Brig. Gen. Isaiah Davies, being the ranking officer there, either will officiate or will designate some other officer to do so. This follows a pattern in other similar presentations. Mrs. Mathis also has had hopeful news relative to another son, Lt. Mark Mathis, missing in action after he had taken the place of his brother in the flying fortress, The Duchess.

Mrs. Mark Mathis, wife of the officer, received word from a pilot at Lakeland, Fla., who had flown with Mark, "I know Mark is alive." He said that was all he could say. A recent radio broadcast was heard recently saying Mark was a prisoner, but the War Department subsequently indicated it had no message and that any reports were unofficial.

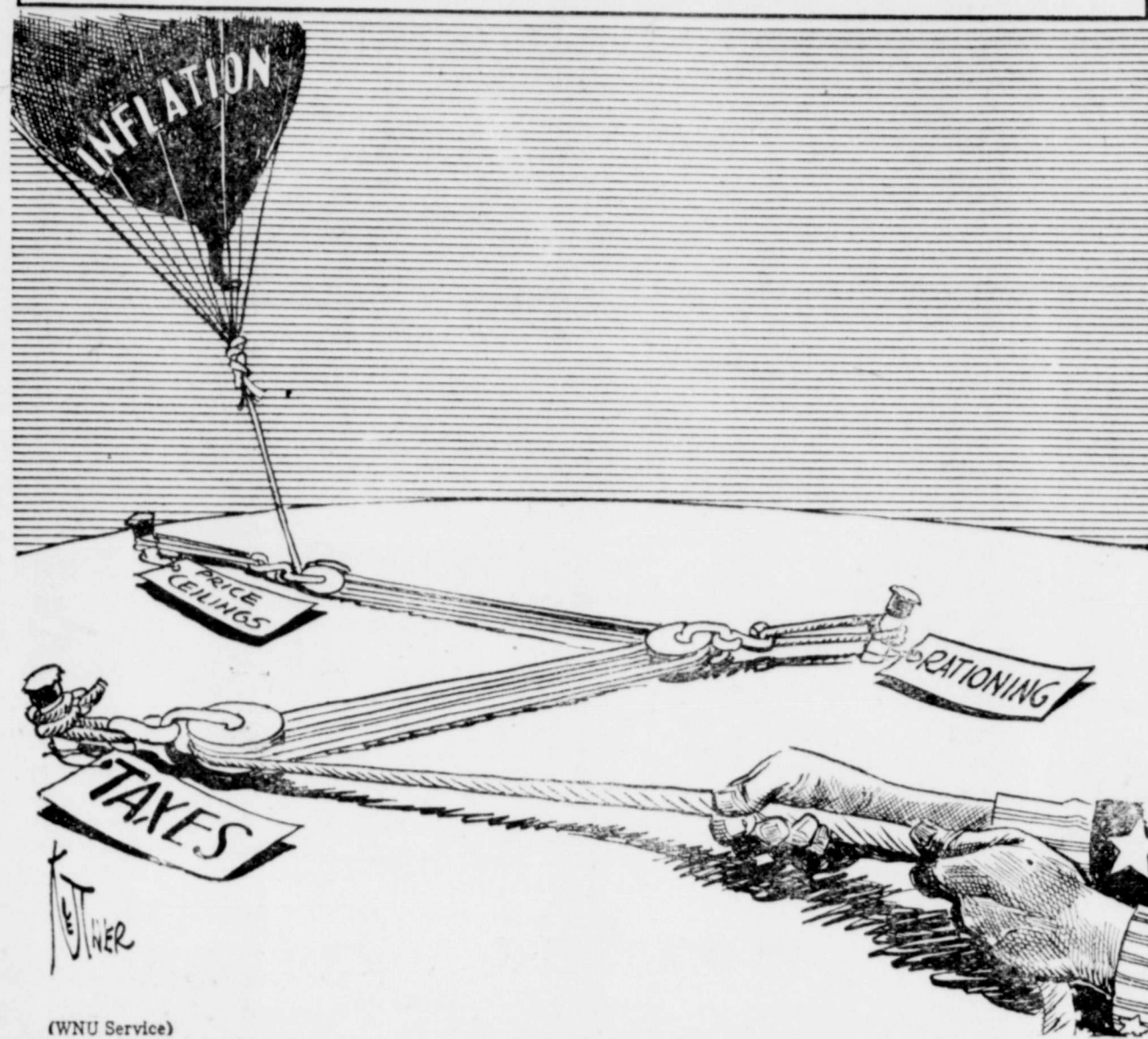
Lt. Mark Mathis failed to return to his base after a raid on Kiel, May 14. Other bomber crews confirmed that seven parachutes billowed out from the crippled plane as it plunged downward.

Lt. Jack Mathis died at his bombsight after flak had nearly torn off his right arm, the officer being knocked from his position, then crawling back to release the bombs and called "bombs—", the first word of the usual "bombs away."

His final act was to close the bomb-bay doors.

Maybe the high light of the Girl Scout auction was the dozen and half eggs that sold to W. M. (Grady) Clark, for the Moorman Mineral Salt Co., for \$5.00. Mr. Clark is a new Sterling citizen, having just recently been moved here by his company from Colorado City.

## Holding The Line



(WNU Service)

## Another Deep Oil Test For Sterling

As mentioned in last week's News-Record, the Phillips Petroleum Company is going ahead with the proposed deep oil test in the J. L. Glass pasture a little over a mile northeast of the J. L. Glass head-quarter ranch house and a short distance south of highway 158.

The drilling site is located on the northeast quarter of sec. 3, Block 31 Tsp. 5 S. T. & P. Ry. Co. The contract depth, we are told, is to be 9,000 feet unless pay is encountered at a less depth.

A slush pit has been made, material is on the ground and rigging up is progressing rapidly. They expect to spud in next Monday or Tuesday.

Some 15 to 18 families of the drill operators have sought quarters in Sterling City. So far as we can learn, most of the temporary homes have been secured.

As the crow flies, this new test is South 10 degrees west 14 miles from Sterling City. By way of highway 158, it is 15 miles from Sterling City.

## Fire Destroys N. H. Reed Car and Garage

About 4 o'clock last Thursday morning, N. H. Reed's garage was discovered on fire. A fire alarm was turned in, but before the six-mile drive could be made, the building and the car inside it were practically gone when Joe Emery and crew and fire truck arrived. However, the boys kept the fire under control and kept it from spreading to other buildings.

Two barrels with gasoline in them were within a few feet of the burning building got very hot but did not explode.

The loss of the building including the car was estimated at about \$2,000. No insurance.

Mr. Reed was absent from home. Mrs. Reed and the children had attended a picture show in town and drove home and put the car in the garage at about 12 o'clock. At 3:45 it was discovered on fire. The cause of the fire is unknown, but it

## THE DOG'S FOR THE ARMY



Tantalizing Imogene Carpenter, singing star of the Ziegfeld Follies, is shown here with an English bull dog like those she is raising on a diet of dehydrated dog food for donation to the Armed Services. The dogs are turned over to the Army in Arkansas, where her kennels are maintained. Pard, the dehydrated food given to the dogs, contains fresh meat by-products, soy flour, wheat and barley, edible bone, salt and fish liver oils—all fortified with vitamins.

is supposed to have originated from a short circuit of electric wiring.

## Lions Club Sponsoring Letter Writing to Men In Armed Forces

Mesdames D. Hall, R. T. Foster, H. L. Hildebrand and Daisy Smith were hostesses to the Lion's Club in the basement dining room of the Methodist Church last Wednesday at noon. They served a splendid lunch to the club.

John G. Prude of Rankin, singer for the present Methodist revival, was a guest of the club. After a fine talk to the club, he sang two numbers, accompanied by Mrs. Tommie Johnson on the piano which were keenly enjoyed by all present.

The club is sponsoring a letter writing campaign to the soldier boys. The club not only urges its members to write to the boys, but urges everybody to write to them. They get lonesome and a good cheerful letter from home, makes them see the brighter side of life.

## Fourth of July Celebration

Sterling had a three-day Fourth of July celebration. On Saturday the Girl Scouts had a basket dinner at the City Park. In the afternoon a Rodeo was held in John Reed's pasture one and a half miles north-west of town.

The main feature of the rodeo was riding and roping. The trick performances of the Palaminos trained by D. D. Garrett were marvels. It is wonderful how these animals can be trained to do things that indicate almost human intelligence. But it is all in the know-how of the trainer.

The basket dinner and rodeo were complete successes. The Girl Scouts raised over three hundred dollars for their proposed camp house in the City Park. They already had three hundred dollars and this added to that raised last Saturday insures the building.

J. T. Davis and others are drafting plans for the building, and construction will begin soon.

On Sunday the 4th. Sterling was almost a "Deserted Village." No one stirred, not a chicken stirred, not even a dog. The wind took a layoff and refused to lift the scraps of loose paper scattered about. Only the road lizards were stirring about the edge of the roads. Of course there were crowds of people going to hear Brother L. O. Ryan preach at the Tabernacle. Sunday was a double holiday—Fourth of July and Sunday all in one.

On Monday, July 5, the celebration continued. All the stores, except the drugstore closed. Oscar Findt closed his City Cafe and Fred Allen fed them as long as he could get anything to feed the hungry, but the groceries had closed hard and fast, and some had to go away hungry. It is not good for a town when the sale of food is closed down for two days at a time. It is not so bad for the town people, but how about the stranger within your gates? But that is some more of my business.

But it was the Glorious Fourth and as patriotic citizens it was fitting that we celebrate the birth of the greatest Nation on God's green earth.—Uncle Bill.

## Girl Scouts Raise Neat Sum for Building Hut

The Girl Scouts and their leaders and the Girl Scout Committee of Sterling City wish to take this means of thanking every body who backed their Celebration Day last July 3rd and put it over the top as a big success. All our neighbors and friends who brought their baskets and made the noon spread such a hearty feast, even in war times with food rationed. The men and women who worked so hard to make our parade and Rodeo something to be proud of. Those men and women who donated animals so that we might have an Auction Sale—and the men who bid so generously on these animals. The sale netted \$174.25 and there were donations by ones who were unable to furnish an animal and that brought this total to \$194.25. Gate receipts were a few cents less than \$96.00. We want Mr. Carter and Mr. Tatum to know we appreciate their job at the gate.

From the sale of lemonade, cookies and ice cream and the 10 per cent given the Girl Scouts out of the entrance fees for the various Rodeo events—a grand total of \$370.66 was made to go in the Girl Scouts building fund.

Levi Garrett's "Hogarth" and Lena Findt's "Nelson Eddy" were much enjoyed by the crowd, and we appreciate very much Mr. Garrett and Miss Findt showing their horses for us.

Riley King was so handy with the mike we'd better watch him or he'll go professional on us. To Riley, Virgil Brownfield, Trenon Revell, Herman Garlington, Collie Littlefield and all of you who helped out in the pens—we say thank you. And to Mr. and Mrs. Donaldson of the Palace Theatre we say another "thank you" for the use of the loud speaker.

The ranchmen contributed to our cause most heartily by their animals and time, money and attendance, many of the merchants gave their support also.

Meyers Grocery, cream, sherbert, and cones; Davis Drug Co., cream, Randolph Grocery, lemons; Clell Ainsworth, ice; Roland Lowe, dippers; Banner Creamery, Big Spring, ice cream; and Mead's Bakery, Big Spring.

To you boys that got the Rodeo together: Chat Reynolds, Robert Foster, and Foster Conger, and to Pete Ainsworth, William Foster and all you boys who helped in any way—the whole county thinks you did a bang up job—and again we say "thanks."

Fred Allen and William Foster sponsored a dance on Friday night and generously gave the Girl Scouts all money made over expenses and that made us \$17.00 better off. When folks believe in an idea, and just about every body believes in anything for the good of their young ones it looks like—a move in the direction of accomplishing that idea simply does not turn out as a failure, Sterling folks, and all other friends—we say thank you every one—again!

Soon we will be able to give you a definite report on plans and actual work on that Scout house you have all been hearing about. And when it is finished we are inviting one and all to see the result of your efforts.

Mrs. W. Y. Bengé, Jr.  
Girl Scout Committee Chairman



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**THE OLD TIME CHARIVARI**

They spell it "charivari" in the dictionary and the criminal statute books, but everybody knows that it is "shivaree." The dictionary also spells it "shivaree." It means a rude "Sarabneighed" or reception for a bride and bridegroom.

The old time shivaree was funny to everybody except the newlyweds. The boys and men who conducted an old time shivaree, usually armed themselves with anything that would murder sleep and peace and provoke cuss words. Cowbells, tin pans, old plow disks, oil cans or anything that would make one think that hell had torn loose in Georgia, were the instruments used by the serenader.

The code of ethics among the old Sterling boys was that no one was to be shivareed except friends of the gang. A stranger was perfectly safe, and a "persona non gratta," was also safe.

When one of the gang got married they showed him no mercy. They kept the racket going as they marched around the house until the bridegroom came out and treated the crowd. The "treat" more often consisted of pies, cakes and coffee prepared for the occasion. Sometimes it was drinks which ranged from cider to corn liquor. No ice in the drinks, because we had no ice except during a blizzard in the winter time.

Sometimes a bridegroom would buck up and refuse to come out and then the fun picked up.

When Grandpa and Grandma Charley Coulson got married, they were honored with a mighty shivaree. They were just a pair of big school kids. Charley was a pious kid, but in spite of his exemplary training, he was full of devilment and ran with the shivaree gang. Charley assisted his sisters in entertaining their beaux. One evening a young fellow dismounted at the yard gate of the Coulson home, and walked boldly to the front door. Just as he was about to enter, Charley, who was holding his dog, said: "Sickem!" When the dog and the young man were separated, the dog had a goodly portion of the victim's trousers in his mouth.

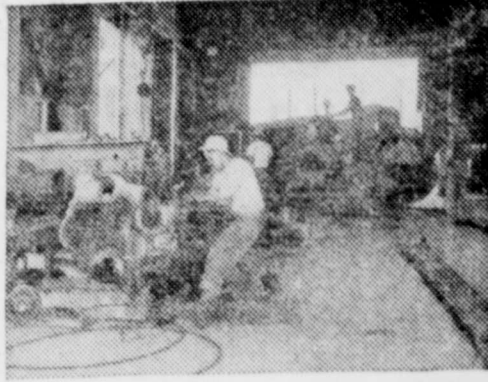
Charley would fight for the mables he won, or for a friend who was imposed on. He would divide the last stick of striped candy with a friend. He grew up that way and to this day, they all like him.

Grandma Coulson, was Nora Foster. She was as pretty as a June rose and as good and sweet as she looked. She is that way yet, if you ask me.

Charley and Nora were prime favorites with the youngsters of town and their gang planned a grand shivaree for them.

Elbert Fisher made a big Sque-dunk for the occasion that afterward scared all the cats out of town. J. T. and Vern Davis made a straw man that was an interesting feature of the occasion. I would

**Japanese American Workers Help in Food Production**



Japanese Americans who were evacuated from the Pacific Coast and temporarily quartered in the WRA relocation centers, are helping to produce food for victory. Many have left the centers for seasonal farm work, some living at the FSA transient farm labor camps. Rural War Production training courses are given at the centers to qualify those lacking in experience who have volunteered for farm work. These courses include care and repair of farm machinery, as well as planting and cultivating crops.

The lower center picture shows a typical Japanese American family relocated in a year round home outside the center. The head of this family volunteered for beet harvest work last year and arranged for full-time employment.

**FIGURE IT OUT YOURSELF**



not put it past Walter Sparkman, Bennie Cummins, Al Rutherford, Ed Gilmore and others of the old gang to be in that mob, but I wasn't there and don't know. When the "Timpanidonium Band" played the "Ontario of Hades" as they marched around the house, all the cats and dogs left the premises in high gear. Charley waked up but he wouldn't budge. Finally one of the boys told Charley they were coming after him. At that moment the straw man was inside the door became silent that it might hear what Charley had to say to the straw man.

Charley addressed the straw man in uncomplimentary terms. He told the straw man of his canine ancestors and made remarks that reflected on the chastity of his female relations. The crowd left Charley and his bride in peace, but they never made him budge.

It was different when Grandpa and Grandma Walter Sparkman got married. A grand shivaree was planned, because Walter and Jessie were very popular among the younger set.

When the "Timpanidonium Band" played a stampede tempo as they marched around the house,

Walter came out with a gallon jug of "white cawn" whiskey in one hand and a sixshooter in the other. He punched J. T. Davis in the ribs and told him to drink and he did. When it came Hoard Leaton's time to drink, no Hoard ever drinks. J. T. whispered in his ear, "drink, you darned sucker, or he will shoot you." Hoard grabbed the jug and took a swig that almost left him breathless. After Hoard got his breath, he was asked to drink again. He did, but he was all in and had to retire. Hoard was popular with the gang after that, but he didn't want any more "white cawn."

It was against the law to shivaree people, but no one ever invoked the law in those days. It was all in good natured fun. About all the fun they had in those days was what they made themselves, and they usually made a good job of it. —Uncle Bill

**Red Cross Workers**

Red Cross Workers Monday night were: Mesdames Lester Foster, Roy Foster, T. F. Foster, W. B. Allen, Lee Augustine, S. M. Bailey, Sterling Foster, Henry Malloy and W.Y.

Benge, Sr. Red Cross Workers Tuesday were Mesdames J. B. Crossno, Lester Foster, Sterling Foster, V.F. Bomar, H. F. Merrell, Rufus Foster, J. L. Sneed and Pat Kellis.

**WESTERN JUSTICE**

The Spirit of Hospitality and Congeniality were at its best Saturday in Sterling City. "Love thy neighbor as thyself" came to the point of action, at the basket dinner; spread and served in the park. The plates were loaded with the best of food and friendly greetings, smiles, and happy little visits were indulged in by the crowd.

It seemed as if no one ever had in the past been compelled to "warn the wicked, from his wicked way, to save his life," or say "thou shalt not hate thy brother in thy heart." "Thou shalt not go up and down as a tale-bearer." "Thou shalt not give a false report." "He that bideth hatred with lying lips, he that uttereth a slander is a fool."

No thought of unkindness seemed to enter the hearts of the citizens. They appeared to have lived by the Code of the West. "Tell the transgressor of his fault to his face, and give him a chance to correct it. If there is no correction, by him, of his bad conduct. Then take severe issue to correct it for him—Tell it on him. Clean it up—Then shake hands, and wipe off the slate." —A Westerner

**Another Fine War Picture Coming**

Palace Theatre July, 11, 12, 13—Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, "Yankee Doodle Dandy." A war-timely inspiration. It will not only play upon every normal emotion but also rouse the patriotic fervor of any American. This picture is one of Hollywood's finest. Sight and sound are blended to make a screen masterpiece. Never before has a living President of the United States been the subject of a motion picture portrayal. James Cagney star of the picture, demonstrates his versatility as he sings and dances. There is a song bit for every star and a star for every stripe. Not only Warner Bros. leading picture but the greatest picture of all. Don't miss James Cagney in "Yankee Doodle Dandy."

**Corn—Home-Canned to Keep!**

"Corn, a favorite food of man, beast, and bacteria, is the victim of defense propaganda and I am not talking about war." Gladys Kimbrough, Home Service Director of Ball Brothers Company, made the above statement and went on to explain, "Persons who refuse to take the time and trouble to understand corn, defend their canning failures by claiming that it refuses to keep. The truth is, corn is more than willing to be canned, but is doomed to spoilage unless right tactics are used, because it has no acid to protect it against the invasion of bacteria. Tactics? Why," says Miss Kimbrough, "they can be summed up in one sentence: i. e., learn what is to be done, begin at the right time, keep things moving, and turn on the heat."



Photo Courtesy Ball Bros. Co.

The first thing to be done is to get jars, lids, rubbers, and canner ready. If you have no pressure cooker, get along with a water-bath canner. Examine every jar and lid to see that it is in good condition—remember glass top seals and two-piece metal vacuum seal caps won't work unless the top edges of the jars are perfect. Wash everything clean; cover jars, glass lids and zinc caps with luke-warm water and put on the stove to heat. Cover vacuum seal lids and rubbers with boiling water and leave until needed. When everything is ready, gather the corn—bring in no more than needed for one canner full. Keep in mind that canning too much too late is a common cause of spoilage. Place the corn on a board and use a strong sharp knife to cut the husks (shucks to you in the Middle West and South) off at each end just where the corn begins and ends. There shouldn't be any worms if you have followed Victory garden directions, but if there are worms in the tassel end, cut deep enough to leave them with the husks. The husks will come off easily and bring most of the silks with them.

Examine every ear of corn and use only those having plump, glossy, juice-filled kernels. Remove all silks; rinse the corn and cut it from the cob. One or more cuttings may be made, but scrapings should not be used unless processing can be done in a pressure cooker, because the scrapings make a thick mass that heats through slowly. Cover the corn with boiling water, using about half as much water as corn; cook five minutes; then pour immediately into clean, hot jars. A generous amount of water helps the corn heat through quickly and aids in preventing its sugar from caramelizing and causing a brownish color. Add one teaspoon salt to the quart and seal jars according to manufacturer's directions. Then put into the canner and process.

If possible, use pint jars, as they heat through more rapidly—the quicker the jars can be heated through, the more certain the destruction of bacteria. Process pints and quarts 70 minutes at 10 pounds pressure or by boiling 3 1/2 hours in hot-water bath. Remove the jars from the canner as promptly as possible after processing; finish sealing all jars that require rubber rings; set jars as far apart as possible on folded newspaper or cloth so they can cool quickly, but be sure they are not where a breeze will strike them.

The jars should be examined after twelve hours in order to make sure they are sealed. To do this, remove bands from glass top seals and metal vacuum seal caps (leave the bands off when the jars are put away). Test the glass top seals by pulling gently on the lids with the finger tips. Vacuum seals are tested by pressing down on them with the fingers—if sealed, they won't move under this pressure. "Lightning" type are tested by holding upside down and watching for leaks. There won't be any leaks if instructions are followed and there won't be any spoilage if you keep in mind that Vigilance means Victory. Furthermore, you will never know how good canned corn can be until you have tasted your own home-canned brand.

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Local Items

Born: On July 2, to Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Reed, a boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Knight and Hal Jr., spent the week end in Menard.

Mr and Mrs. Steve Currie of near Garden City, were visitors in Sterling City last Saturday.

WANTED: To buy a good used piano. Call Mrs. R. P. Ainsworth H. S. Ranch. 3t

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lane came in from their ranch near Stiles last Thursday to visit friends and to attend to business.

The Senior Girl Scouts met on Wednesday, July 7, and there was a round table discussion on plans for being Senior Service Scouts. All Scouts are requested to be present next Wednesday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock for further plans.

John Walraven has moved his garage and filling station into his new quarters facing South on Fourth Avenue on the site of the old ice factory. Its just the same old John in a new, neat building which he recently erected.

Major Darrell Welch, son of Owen Welch of Midland, visited his grand mother, Mrs. W. G. Welch and other relatives here this week. Major Welch has experienced some of the heavy fighting overseas, and is one of Uncle Sam's distinguished officers.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Reynolds were in from their Glasscock County ranch last Saturday. It will be remembered that Mr. Reynolds sustained painful injuries last winter from a fall from a horse and was in a hospital for several weeks, but he says he is feeling all right now.

Mrs. J.S. Cotten had as her guests this week Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cotten of San Angelo, Mrs. W. H. Gayle, Jr and little daughter Mary Evelyn of Fort Worth, Mrs. Sam Roberts of Alpine, and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Nessmith and sons Harvey and Joe Albert of Sanderson.

Captain Roger Williams who was among the early fighters in the South Pacific, who distinguished himself in many combats and who has been transferred as an aviation instructor to a Florida field, came in last Thursday on a furlough to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Green Williams and other relatives here.

Our three-day celebration found a bread famine in our town last Tuesday afternoon. I enjoyed the famine, because the women folks had to make biscuits. Our high speed dough mixer is situated in San Angelo and during our celebration, somebody overlooked the bread. But I enjoyed the biscuits Uncle Bill

In Gratitude

July 4th at the Brannan home at 3:00 o'clock a beautiful surprise party was given me. Those present were; Mr. and Mrs. John Walraven, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Humble and children, Mr. and Mrs. Riley King and children, Mrs. Joe Davis, Mrs. Ella Ligon, Misses Ovella and Joann King and R. M. Woods. A gift shower of 66 gifts, representing 52 families was brought by these good friends. I am so happy. My heart is filled with love and gratitude for such beautiful expressions of love and friendship. I am not deservng.

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Friday and Saturday  
July 9-10

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**"Young and Willing"**

News of the Day  
Short Subjects

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday  
July 11-12-13

James Cagney  
In

**"Yankee Doodle Dandy"**

Also News of the Day  
Selected Short Subjects

Wednesday and Thursday  
July 14-15

Dan Ameche  
Joan Bennett

in

**"Girl Trouble"**

Short Subjects

Friday and Saturday  
July 16-17

Constance Cummings  
Robert Morley

In

**"Somewhere in France"**

Richard Dix  
Jane Wyatt

In

**"Buckskin Frontier"**

News of the Day and selected short subjects

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**Baptist Church**

Sunday

A. m.

10:00 Sunday School lesson

11:00 Worship Service

P. m.

7:45 Training union

8:30 Evening worship

Wednesday

P. m.

4:00 Missionary Society

8:00 Weekly Teachers meeting

8:30 Mid week Devotional

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## CAN PEAS AND BEANS, TOO!



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Peas . . . Some like them hot, some like them cold, but nearly everybody likes them canned, or so claims Gladys Kimbrough, Home Service Director of Ball Brothers Company. Not everybody likes green or "English" peas and that's all right because there are plenty other peas of different color and flavor.

All kinds of peas, lima beans, and butter beans are canned the same way. All should be picked and canned the very day the pods are full enough to be shelled. At that time they will be from small to medium size, tender and sweet.

Peas and beans begin to lose flavor and food value as soon as pulled from the vine and are likely to spoil if time is wasted between gathering, preparing, and canning.

Flat sour and all other spoilage can be avoided by paying strict attention to canning rules. Yes, Rules, they are as simple as this:

1. Check over jars and lids the day before the canning is done. If glass top seals or two-piece metal vacuum seals are to be used, examine the top edges of the jars—the slightest flaw may cause you to have to do work over. The same is true of the sealing surface of glass lids. If there is any doubt as to the tension of the wires on "lightning" jars, fill them with hot water, seal, let stand until cold, then hold upside down and examine for leaks, and don't forget to wash jars, caps and rubbers clean.

2. Use young, tender, freshly gathered vegetables—and they won't be fresh after being out of the garden all night.

3. Prepare no more than your canner will hold and not that many if the canner is large and the help small.

4. Wash the pods clean before shelling. Sorry, but dirt is the chief cause of spoilage, so rinse the peas or beans in clean, cool water after they are shelled.

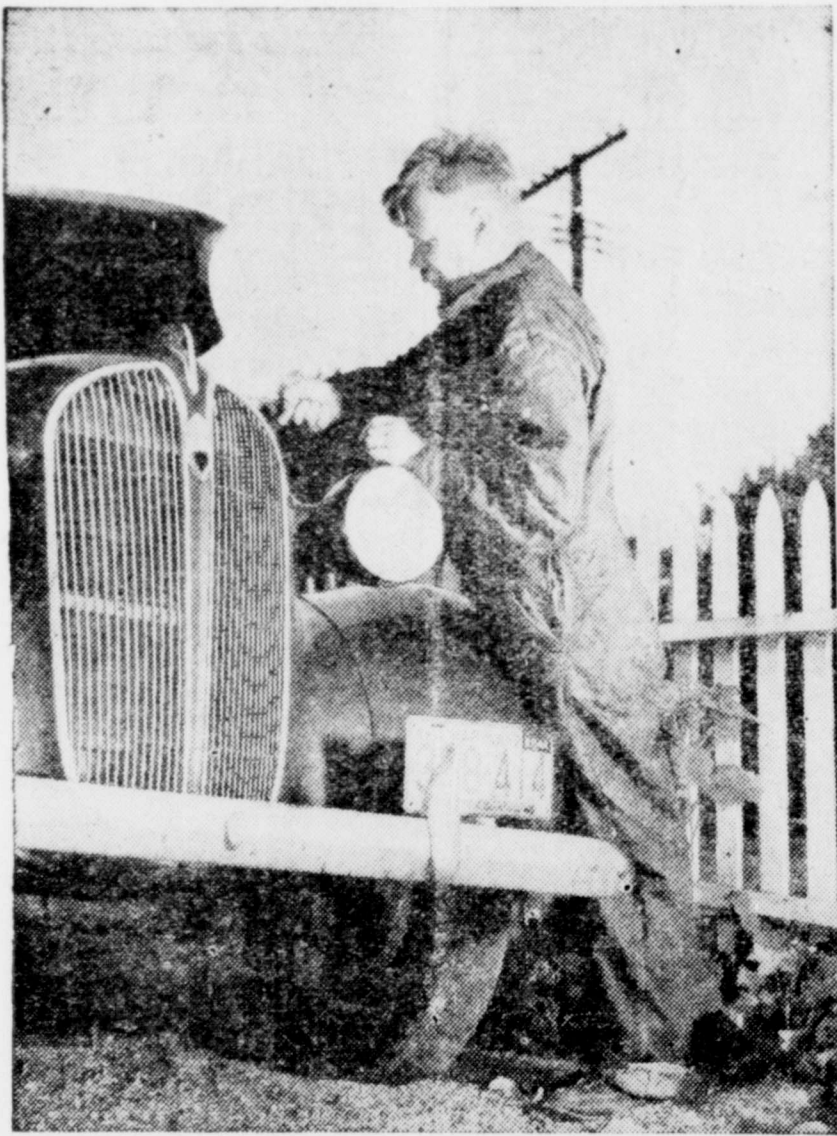
5. Cover with hot water and cook from 3 to 10 minutes, depending upon size; then pour into the jars while boiling hot—this won't break jars that have been covered with lukewarm water, heated to boiling and kept hot until needed.

6. Leave about an inch space at the top when filling the jar: add ½ teaspoon salt to each pint. Pint jars are best for peas and shelled beans because the heat reaches the center of the pack more quickly but whether pints or quarts are used, be sure to have enough water to insure quick heating all the way to the center of the jar. Seal or partly seal jars, depending upon type used; then put into the canner as quickly as possible and process the correct length of time. Young, tender, green peas take 50 minutes; black-eyed and field peas, limas and butter beans are processed 60 minutes at 10 pounds pressure. If no pressure cooker is available, process (boil) 3½ hours in hot-water bath canner. Use the same time for pint and quart jars. Nothing larger than a quart is safe for canning non-acid vegetables.

The bacteria that cause spoilage in peas and beans thrive in the temperature that makes you say "Whew, ain't it hot in here!" The quicker you make it too hot for bacteria, the better. So, don't piddle around when canning vegetables or anything else for that matter. If you have no pressure cooker, use a water-bath canner (never an oven or a steamer for vegetables). And remember to boil beans and peas 15 minutes before tasting them—even if a pressure cooker is used—for about once in a million or so times, a toxin forms in non-acid foods. Such toxin can be destroyed by boiling. Failure to take this precaution has been known to cause serious illness. Reboil non-acid vegetables left over from one meal to another.

To use a water bath right: Have the water steaming hot and deep enough to cover the tops of the jars two or more inches when they are put into the canner. Get the water boiling as quickly as possible and keep it boiling steadily every minute of the time called for in the recipe. Take the jars out of the canner as soon as they have processed long enough; complete the seal on all jars that require it (all except two-piece vacuum seals should be partly sealed before and completely sealed after processing—the vacuum seals are sealed before only); stand the jars far apart on a cloth or folded newspaper to cool. Make sure every jar is sealed when put away for winter and, believe it or not, there will come a day when you will say "I didn't dream it possible that canned peas could taste so much like garden fresh ones."

### The Family Car Goes to War



Your family automobile is one of the vital means of transportation on the Home Front. Dad may not be the best mechanic in the world, but he can make necessary minor repairs that will keep your car in useful service. In War-time it is also patriotic to share a ride with a friend or neighbor.

### Surgical Dressing Unit Awaiting Material

The San Angelo District Surgical Dressing Unit has completed its quota for the time, so that the Sterling City Unit will be discontinued until more material arrives. Those in charge of the local work wish to thank every worker for her cooperation. Announcements will be made through this paper when new material for dressings arrives. The local unit has made 44,000 dressings from September to July. This has been done by from three to twenty-three women one day and one night each week.

### Federated Clubs to Meet July 16th

The Federated Clubs monthly meeting will be a tea on July 16th at 5:00 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Roy Foster. Mrs. Charles van de Putte of Ballinger, who returned last September from three years stay in Argentina, will present a talk on the country and play several South American selection on the piano. Please call either Mrs. Templeton Foster, Mrs. Homer Pearce or Mrs. Dayton Barrett if you plan to attend.

Charter No. 9813 Reserve District No. 11

### REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF The First National Bank OF STERLING CITY, IN THE STATE OF TEXAS.

At the close of business on June 30, 1943.

Published in response to call made by Comptroller of Currency under Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes

ASSETS	
Loans and discounts, (including \$1,016.40 overdrafts),	\$245,940.50
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed,	366,000.00
Corporate stocks, including stock of Federal Reserve bank	4,800.00
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	858,024.51
Bank premises owned \$4,500.00, furniture and fixtures \$1000.00	5,500.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$1,480,265.01</b>
LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits, of individuals, partnerships and corporations	\$1,252,376.08
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	487.56
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	9,626.51
Other deposits (certified and cashiers' checks, etc.)	3.24
Total deposits	\$1,262,493.39
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$1,262,493.39</b>
CAPITAL ACCOUNT	
Common stock, total par	\$60,000.00
Surplus	100,000.00
Undivided profits	57,771.62
Total Capital Account	\$217,771.62
Total Liabilities and Capital Account	\$1,480,265.01

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Sterling, ss:  
I, J. S. Cole, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
J. S. Cole, Cashier  
Subscribed and sworn to before

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4 pts. Salt Pork	Fat back per lb.	16¢
7 pts. Hams	Swift's Premium whole, per lb.	39¢
14 pts. Beans	Green cut No. 2 can	12¢
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[Seal] Rogers Hefley, Notary Public.

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