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## FISHER MEETS DR. X

[A sequel to the story of "Old Time Doctors" published in the News Record of June 18, 1943.]

As my readers will recall, I told you how J. T. Davis acquired the soubriquet of "Buck" more than two years ago.

When J. T. Davis and Elbert Fisher hazed an itinerate doctor to the Terry Ranch on the Divide to treat a cowboy for a broken limb that existed only in the fertile minds of these young scamps of an age gone by.

I told you about the doctor coming back to town and tried to lodge a criminal complaint against these young offenders but when called on for the name, he wasn't certain but thought it was "Buck Davis".

Nothing was done in court about it and the doctor left the country and these wicked young pranksters then wondered what had become of their medical victim until—

Elbert Fisher had an uncanny faculty for remembering faces. If he ever saw you once, he never forgot you, though forty years had elapsed since he saw you last, he would know you when he met you. No Indian warrior ever surpassed Fisher in remembering faces.

Now read on. One day Elbert and a party of friends were touring Northern Mexico. They enjoyed looking at the beautiful country and were much gratified to find the Mexicans friendly and good scouts.

After pointing their cars toward their homes, they came to a famous fishing place and decided to stop over for a day and do some fishing.

The first man that Fisher met in the little town by the lake was a big, tall raw-boned, gaunt man who seemed to ramrod the place. He learned the interesting man was Dr. X. While the name did not register with Fisher, my Lord, it was HIM. The victim of his and Buck Davis's santonian escapade. So

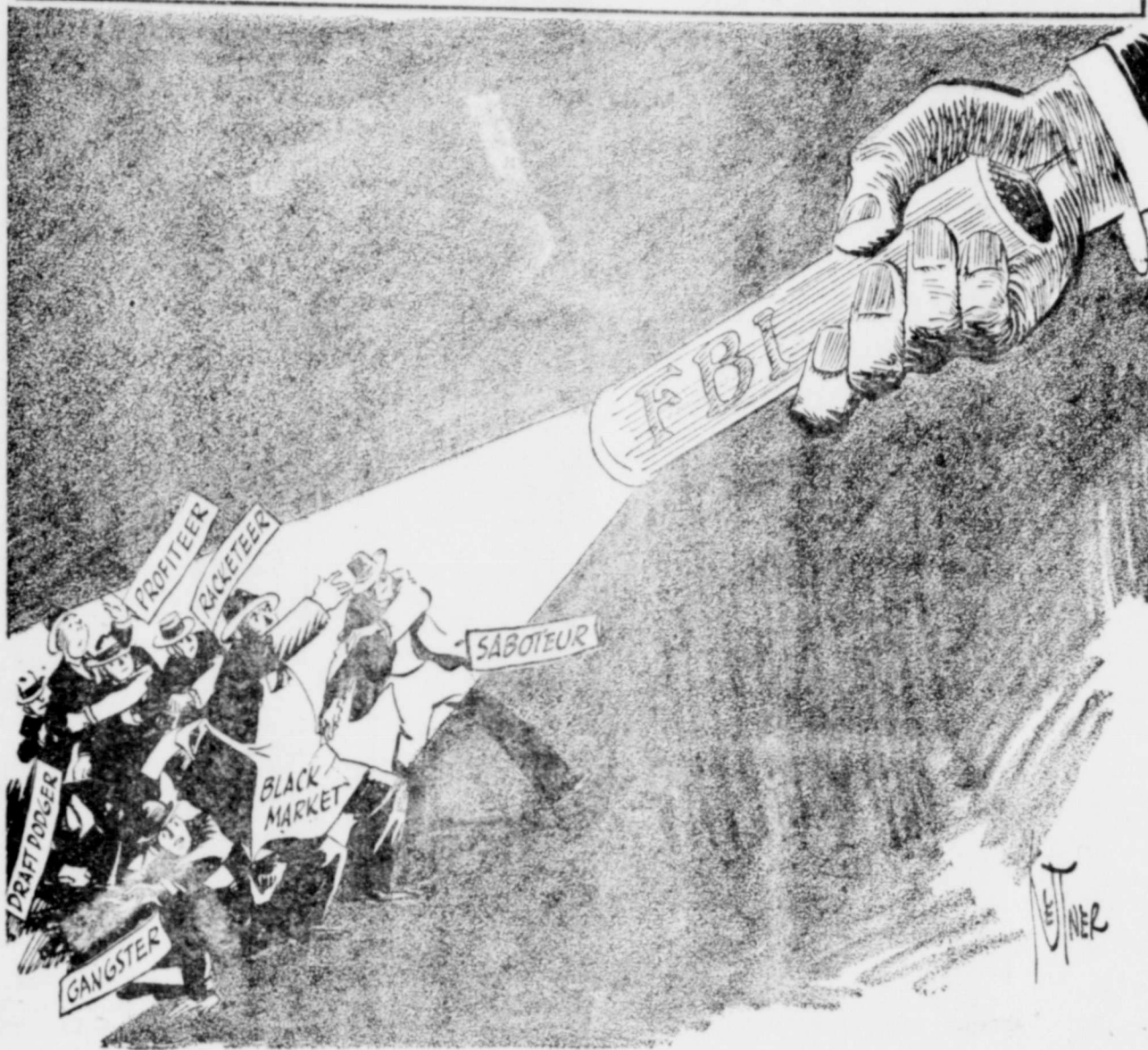
Dr. Fisher knew, the Doctor did not recognize him, although he thought the Doctor suspected him.

At that moment Fisher suffered an attack of homesickness. He felt that if several hundred miles lay between him and that doctor, he would feel better. So he planned that as soon as the day's fishing was over, they would start for home.

After the day's fishing, it began raining and kept up a downpour for three days and nights. Then to add to Fisher's misery, one of the men in the party took desperately ill and he had to call this doctor whom he and Buck had so grievously hazed, to minister to his sick friend. They had to stay there for five days with the doctor boring him with those haunting eyes of his. (My Godalmighty, Sinner, just listen to that!) Five days in Hades

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## All In the Same Spot



## WILD ANIMALS

When I was an inquiring kid, old Uncle Joe the colored pensioner of the plantation told me many tales about coons, 'possums and other creatures of the range.

Uncle Joe would often sing:  
"De raccoon's tail am a ring around  
O'possum's tail am bare,  
De rabbit has no tail at all,  
Just a bunch ob hair."

And this brings up the subject of coons, 'possums and other wild creatures that inhabit the hills and valleys of the Conchos.

A few years ago, the trapper had made fur-bearing animals very scarce in these parts. The sheepman with his trapper drove the coyote, lobo, and bobcat to the vanishing point. In fact, the lobo and panther is found only in the Big Bend country and other isolated spots in West Texas.

After the coyote was practically from the range, the fox came from his hideouts in the cedar brakes of the rocky canyons and made his home on the open ranges where rabbits were more plentiful. The fox has multiplied in vast numbers on the ranges. He is now a menace to new born kids and lambs.

You see, a fox and a coyote can't get along on the same range. A coyote is very fond of fox meat and will eat every one he can catch. So, for a long time the fox had to make his home in the canyons or be eaten.

It was the same way with the bobcat, but the bobcat would put up such a fight that the coyote dreaded him and would not tackle him unless the coyote had his pack along with him.

While riding the range once, I witnessed a fierce combat between a big bobcat and four coyotes. They passed in front of me with the bobcat in the lead. Being closely crowded, the cat took refuge in a mesquite tree. Coming on the scene from under a hill, the bobcat could see me approaching from his high perch, but the coyotes couldn't.

The cat became frightened as I rode toward him. He sprang right in the middle of his tormentors and for a few moments it was the fiercest fight I ever saw. The old warrior bit and scratched his enemies until they squealed and yelped like whipped puppies. Had I not opened fire with a rifle on the coyotes, I believe the old cat would have won the fight. As it was, only three of the coyotes got away, and two of them ran on three legs. My sympathy was with the underdog and the cat went his way in peace while rifle bullets kicked up the dust around the heels of the coyotes and urged them to make all the speed that was in them.

Owing to the game laws the coon as well as the other furbearing animals, has increased in vast numbers in this part of West Texas during the past few years. While the coon is comparatively harmless and in reasonable numbers is a benefit to the range, but when food is scarce, he becomes a great pest.

When the coon takes to poultry, there is no remedy except to kill him. You can't frighten him away. You may chase him all night with dogs, and he will show up at the poultry yard for breakfast.

There is nothing a coon likes better than roastingears and watermelons. It will invade a patch of corn and before you know it he has cleaned it up. He is smarter than a button boy about watermelons.

The Donaldsons authorize us to thank their patrons for their good patronage and we are sure the people thank them for their good service and wish them another prosperous year.

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## Mrs. Van de Putte Is Guest Artist of Federated Clubs

Continuing their summer programs, the Federated Clubs of Sterling City presented Frances Ravellette Van de Putte of Ballinger, as guest artist at a tea Friday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Roy Foster. Mrs. Van de Putte returned last September from Argentina, where she lived for three years. She entertained the clubs with a lecture on the countries and music of South America, and played a number of piano selections typical of the fast tempo and emotional life of our neighbors to the South.

Setting her talk after the pattern of her personal trip to South America, beginning with her departure from New York harbor and ending with her trip by clipper through the Central American countries and old Mexico, she painted a word picture of the harbor at Rio de Janeiro, the streets of Buenos Aires, the Andes, the Indians of Peru, the Panama Canal, and the Central American Republics so vividly as to make her listeners feel that they had personally made the trip with her. And to add to her talk, her references to many personal experiences made the picture even more interesting.

Her musical selections, typical of countries described by her included Malaguena by Ernesto Lecuona (Cuban), Pirlampas by O. Lorenzo Fernandez (Brazilian), Arroz con Leche by Alberto Ginastera (Argentinian), Danza Lucumi by Ernesto Lecuona (Cuban), El Vito by Manuel Infante (Argentinian).

A graduate in music from Mary Hardin Baylor College, Mrs. Van de Putte received her Master of Music degree at the University of Kansas, and did graduate work at the Julliard School of Music. Her husband, Charles Van de Putte, is now on overseas duty. She is the mother of a two-year old child, Suzanne, who was born in Argentina.

Federated Clubs participating in the program were the Wimodausis, the Sesame and the Noratadata. The house party included Mmes Roy Foster, Templeton Foster, W. N. Reed, E. F. McEntire, George

## Cinderella Girl



Mary Dillon

Dark eyes and hair, a luscious olive skin, and verve are the attributes of lovely Mary Dillon, whose Cinderella story has made headlines from Coast to Coast. Mary was working at a popular restaurant opposite a North Hollywood Studio when she was spotted by studio executives and signed to a seven-year contract. She is to make her debut soon in Republic's "Three Little Sisters," and audiences will enjoy her excellent coloratura voice, inherited from and trained by her mother, former opera star, Marguerite Sylva.

Case, and Lester Foster.

Miss Ethel Foster, State President of Federated Clubs, presented Mrs. Van de Putte. About 25 guests called. Out-of-town guests included Mrs. Ravellette and Mrs. Arthur Giesecke of Ballinger.

## W. M. Key Bruised When Horse Drags Him

W. M. Key was severely skinned and bruised last Saturday when a frightened horse dragged him at the end of a rope attached to the saddle horn. Fortunately, the rope broke and he was released. However, he suffered painful flesh and skin injuries. He is rapidly recovering and will soon be all right again.

This was the second accident of the kind last week. Neal J. Reed was dragged Wednesday of last week and suffered cuts and bruises, but he is reported to be doing fine.

John R. Welch was at a clinic in San Angelo last Thursday for eye treatment. Mrs. Welch and W. B. Welch were with him.

## New Deep Oil Test Sets 14-inch Casing

The new 9,000 feet oil test in J. L. Glass' pasture 15 miles west of here, from latest reports should be drilling around the 1,000-foot level.

Fourteen inch casing was set at the 550 foot level to case off the fresh water which was encountered at around 40 or 50 feet and reaching to 550 feet. It seems that an underground river was encountered—furnishing water enough to irrigate a large area when and if it is ever reduced to possession.

This is one of the biggest well drilling outfits made, and you are welcome to visit it and look it over.

There are no locks and keys with no keep out notices, and the operators are very courteous and friendly. The only strings to it is to step carefully and not get hurt. It is the biggest outfit in the county. Go see it.

## Palace Theatre to Have First Anniversary

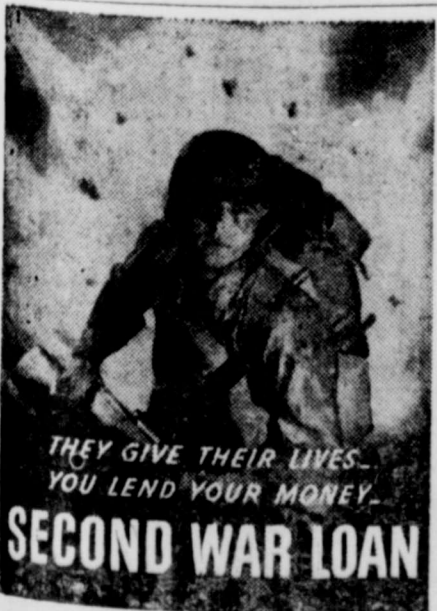
Next Sunday will be a year since Horace Donaldson and family took over the management of our local picture show, the Palace Theater.

The anniversary will be celebrated by putting on the screen some rare features. The "Thunder Bird" a thrilling scene will be one of the features. Technicolor war scenes will also be featured. All these features will be informative and educational.

During the past year, the Donaldsons have given the people of Sterling City splendid service. They have put on none but good, clean pictures. They have been uniformly courteous and helpful to their patrons. They have co-operated with the town in all worthwhile movements.

During these war times, the people must have entertainment, or they will make it for themselves.

The Donaldsons authorize us to thank their patrons for their good patronage and we are sure the people thank them for their good service and wish them another prosperous year.



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**SELL YOUR WOOD**

If you have any firewood to spare sell it to your neighbors and do your bit in winning the war. The chances are that coal and kerosene will go on the ration list and somebody may suffer for want of fuel this coming winter. You would be sorry to know that somebody was suffering from cold when you had plenty of wood. Sell your wood at a price that you and your neighbor can live.

Selling your wood would clear your land of dead wood that is choking out the grass. Yes, somebody may leave your gate open and otherwise be a nuisance, but this is no time to clamp down and deny your neighbors of the necessary things of life. John L. Lewis would do such a thing, but it would be a hard thing for me to believe that a Sterling County rancher would come down on a level with John L.—Uncle Bill

**THEY'LL KEEP THEIR PROMISE**

Mr. Churchill and Mr. Roosevelt promised the Pope of Rome that the Vatican City, the town where the Pope lived should not be bombed if within their power to prevent it. The Vatican was not bombed, but the city of Rome was torn up like a sow's nest. Rome is where Mussolini and his gang lived. The city was full of German soldiers and their war equipment. It was alive with enemy shipping and our boys went after them. With the promise that the Vatican would be spared, was the understanding that our enemies were not to make it a city of refuge for them to be protected and then come out and do us hurt. The nearest bomb to fall to the "Holy City" was four miles, but the Dagoes are hollering about it.

**A SOLDIER'S PRAYER**

(Contributed)

Through clouds of war and miles of space,  
I hear your voice and see your face,  
I see you kneel at close of day,  
I hear you softly, sweetly pray:  
"Oh, God, please keep him from all harm,  
Please let him rest upon Your arm,  
Protect his footsteps all the while,  
And give him strength to conquer trial."  
Yes, my love, I hear your prayer,  
And though my heart aches to be there,  
It's God's wish that it be this way,  
I know He's listening as I pray:  
"Dear God from Heaven up above,  
Look down upon the one I love,  
Tell her, Lord, she should not fear,  
Though far away, through prayer I'm near."  
"When clouds of war that dim the sun  
Have passed away, and Victory's won,  
Protect us all from future strife,  
And give us faith throughout our life.

**Listen to Morgenthau-Marshall  
Tell Power of Payroll Savings!**

Washington, D. C.—How important is the average worker's war bond purchases out of his pay every payday in the grand strategy of the Allied High Command? Does the extent of his or her War Bond allotment have a part in determining when, where and the strength of our military blows?



George C. Marshall

Any worker listening in on a recent conversation between General George C. Marshall, President Roosevelt's Chief of Staff, and Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., learned the answers to these questions. Said General Marshall: "Mr. Secretary, I want you to answer a question for me and to answer it with complete frankness. Can we military leaders plan to fight this war in an orderly way—in the surest and most effective manner—or must we take extraordinary risks for fear the money will not hold out?"

Replied Secretary Morgenthau: "General, the American public will take care of that. What they have done in the Second War Loan drive—the money they have produced and the spirit they have shown—is proof enough for me that they will not let our fighters suffer from lack of support until we achieve complete victory, no matter how long that may be nor how much it may cost." Up your War Bond allotment out of your wages today. Figure it out for yourself how much above 10 per cent it should be.



Henry Morgenthau, Jr.

U. S. Treasury Department

**"Mother Can Fix It"**



Children's clothes have a way of needing Mother's constant attention. These days, when every garment must be made to last as long as possible, a "stitch in time" often saves school or play clothes from wearing out. In wartime it's patriotic to make your clothes do full duty.

**WILD ANIMALS**

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He never mistake a green melon for a ripe one. He leaves a melon alone until it is ripe. Then he makes a hole in it and digs out the meat with his little human-like hands and eats his fill. It is too much work for him to make holes in melons only for his present needs. Unlike boys, he does not destroy melons beyond his wants.

The coon is more than a match for the coyote in smartness. He is hard to trap unless you know how. Curiosity is a coon's fatal fault. He can't resist putting his paw on a bright object. A piece of bright tin, or a mussel shell fastened to the trigger of a trap will get him nearly every time. If he is caught once in a trap and escapes, his curiosity is gone, and you can't catch him again with a bright object for bait. But a sardine is almost irresistible to him. He will take all kinds of chances for a sardine or other fish. The coon is very smart. He wears a coat of high grade fur and his skin brings a good price. When the trapper wakes up and goes to work, he will find a bonanza on the ranges here about. He will find 'possums, polecats, badgers, foxes and fur bearers galore. He will find most of the ranchers ready to welcome him. —Uncle Bill

**FISHER MEETS**

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with Satan looking on with approval of Fisher's misery.

During these five days, the doctor and Fisher had many conferences. The doctor craved to know where Fisher came from. According to Fisher's statement, he came from somewhere up North.

No, Elbert had never had the honor of living in West Texas. Yes, he might have heard of Sterling City, and may have passed through the town on his way to Mexico, but he knew nothing of the town. He made these statements stick like those of a certain Senator. They were big ones and big ones were needed on this occasion and he came out with flying colors.

Fisher wasn't afraid of this doctor. Elbert never saw the man that he was afraid of, but "the wicked flee when no man pursueth." —Uncle Bill

Oscar Findt, who underwent a surgical operation at a hospital in San Angelo on Tuesday of last week, came home last Sunday and is convalescing nicely under the care of Mrs. Findt, who is a trained nurse. It will be several days before he will open the City Cafe again. Owing to lack of help, this popular eating place had to remain closed until Mr. Findt recovered.

**HOW TO PAY THE WAR DEBT**



Of course the united democracies are going to whip the dictators. It may take time and a bit of doing, but eventually, we'll win out—and then what? Who's going to foot the bills of the war? And what are we going to do with Hitler, Hirohito and Mussolini? Hitler et al won't be retired to vast rural estates to spend their declining years in luxury while we pinch and scrape to keep ahead of the tax collector, if R. L. Nafziger, president of Schulze Baking Company, of Chicago, Ill., has anything to say about it. He has a plan, the Nafziger Plan, and it has a two-fold purpose of giving a Herculean lift to future tax burdens growing out of the war, at the same time solving der fuhrer's housing problem when the birds resume their fittings over Dover's white cliffs. Mr. Nafziger proposes that three glass-lined cages be constructed and sent on a world-wide tour in the company of a detail of international guards. Hitler would be caged in one, Hirohito in a second and Mussolini in the third. In every city and hamlet on the face of the earth the troupe would travel for the entertainment of the people—and—for revenue. They would be placed on view for one and all at the following prices: HITLER, \$5; HIROHITO, \$4; MUSSOLINI, 25c. Will the traveling troupes pay off the war debt? Here is Mr. Nafziger's answer: "It's a cinch. Why, the show's a natural! It has more crowd appeal than the Kentucky Derby, the Army-Navy game, and the department stores' January White Sales, combined. How much money will the Nafziger Plan produce? The almanac estimates 2,145,200,000 people in the world. At \$9.25 a head, they would pay in \$19,943,100,000.00—not by any means enough to pay the war debt in full, but certainly enough to make a terrific dent in it. If you have any suggestions, write Mr. Nafziger.

**Who are non-essential travelers?**

You are the judge of whether or not your trip is essential—and your judgment is what our government is relying upon.

Please consider these points when you think of traveling on the railroads this summer and for the duration:

1. Your trip may take a Pullman berth or chair car seat needed by men in uniform traveling under orders.
2. Your trip may delay war workers, not in uniform, in reaching their vital jobs.
3. Your trip may deprive men and women in the service of a furlough trip to visit their homefolks. If you do take a trip, plan for it in advance, travel light, consider taking a box lunch to avoid delayed meals in the diners, and make up your mind to put up with certain inconveniences and crowded conditions.

**WHAT ABOUT VACATION TRAVEL?**

Vacations should be spread out over the year, not confined to summer months.

A vacation trip should be confined to one round trip only, starting and returning on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.

Travel in chair cars whenever possible, and please carry only one piece of luggage.

Consult your Santa Fe Agent about your travel plans. You'll find his friendly advice helpful.



**"Order Coal Now"**

**Local Items**

George Garner reported for duty with the U. S. Army Engineers this week.

**Pigs For Sale:** I have 17 nice pigs for you at reasonable prices.— E. K. Cherry 2tp

C. C. Reynolds came up from Gilmer, Texas, a few days ago to look after his ranch interests here.

Mrs. Lena Findt who has been visiting her son, Doris Findt at Fluvanna, returned home the first of the week.

Larry Glass, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Glass, is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Key at Rock Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Slaton of San Angelo, visited friends and relatives here last Saturday as well as attended to business.

**Born:** On the 15th. at a hospital in San Angelo, to Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Walraven, a boy. Grandpa John Walraven is stepping high.

John Copeland, Jr., who recently underwent major surgery at a hospital in San Angelo, is expected to return home in a few days.

District Attorney, Benton Templeton of Colorado City, was a caller at this office last Thursday. Mr. Templeton was born and partially reared in this community.

Masters Junior, David, Tommy and George Bass, accompanied by their father, Sam Bass, of Sulphur, La., are visiting their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Garner.

Thad A. Green, son of Mrs. Dorothy Green, was recently promoted from the rank of private to corporal. Cpl. Green is a member of the 1082 BFT SQ. at the new Army Air Field at Winfield, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. John Shafer were in from their Glasscock County ranch last Monday attending to business and visiting friends. They report that it is a bit dry up their way, but stock is in good condition.

Private John M. Green, son of Mrs. Dorothy Green, has recently been promoted to Private First Class. He is a member of the Hq. & Hq. Sq., 95th Glider Training Group at Dodge City Army Air Field, Kas.

Mrs. Clyde H. Davis accompanied by Miss Jamie Sue McEntire, left last Wednesday for Lincoln, Nebr. where Mrs. Davis will spend a few days visiting her son, Billy Clyde Davis, who is with the armed forces at that place.

**Lions Club Hostesses**

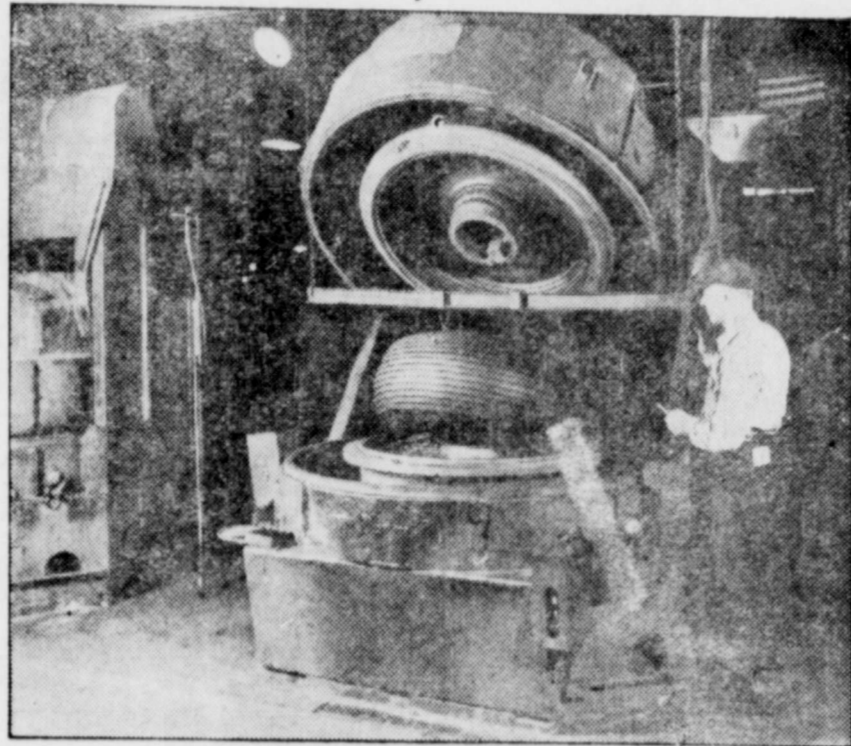
Mesdames Lura McClellan, C. C. Ainsworth, and T. S. Foster were hostesses to the Lion's Club in the basement dining room of the Methodist Church last Wednesday.

Work on the Girl Scout Cabin now in course of construction at the City Park was reported to be satisfactory.

A highway committee has been appointed to keep in touch with local highway activities and collaborate in the construction, improvements and operation of all highways affecting Sterling City and vicinity.

Salt should be added to all canned vegetables—one teaspoon to each pint. Make a habit of putting salt in the jar first where you can see it.

**Air-Minded Synthetic Rubber**



Evidence of the way synthetic rubber already is taking over even the toughest assignments formerly handled by natural rubber is this scene at a B. F. Goodrich plant showing one of the new synthetic tires for airline planes coming out of the mold. The air-mindedness of Texas is expected to help make this state an outstanding market for the synthetic rubber made in Texas plants in the coming postwar era of "personalized aviation." Recently the Civil Aeronautics Administration granted, for the first time, approval for use of synthetic tires on commercial transport planes, on the basis of extensive tests the B. F. Goodrich company had made, along with performance records of its Ameripol auto tires, first put on general sale in June, 1940.

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--and--  
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Evelyn Ankers

In **"Burma Convoy"**  
Short Subjects

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday  
July 25-26-27

Gene Tierney  
Preston Foster

In **"Thunderbirds"**

News of the Day  
Short Subjects

Wednesday and Thursday  
July 28-29

Brian Donlevy  
Veronica Lake  
Alan Ladd

In **"The Glass Key"**

News of the Day and selected short subjects

Friday and Saturday  
July 30-31

William Gargan  
Edmund Lowe  
Peggy Moran

In **"Flying Cadets"**

Virginia Bruce  
Brod Crawford  
Dick Foran

In **"Butch Minds the Baby"**

Also News of the Day  
Selected Short Subjects

**SUNDAY MATINEE**  
3:00 P. M.

WANTED -- Used sewing machine, Singer preferred. Will buy used furniture, and anything of value -- Sterling Production Works, across street from Baptist Church. 4tp.

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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  
We welcome you,  
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IF YOU HAVE NO CANNER, MAKE ONE



Photo Courtesy Ball Bros. Co.

"All authorities on home canning advise that non-acid vegetables be canned by processing (cooking in jars) in a steam pressure cooker because a pressure cooker is the only household utensil that can retain a much hotter than boiling temperature. High temperatures are desirable when canning beans, peas, corn, greens, etc., because they insure more certain destruction of bacteria and because the canning can be done more quickly. But," says Gladys Kimbrough, Home Service Director of Ball Brothers Company, who heartily approves using a pressure cooker whenever possible, "the time is at hand when we must be practical. Don't worry if you can't buy a pressure cooker for surely you can find a wash boiler, lard can, baby bath tub or some deep container in which water can be boiled. Tack a few strips of wood together to make a rack or platform to hold the jars about one-half inch from the bottom of the container. Find something, even if it has to be a board, to use as a lid. Then you will have a water-bath canner for those Victory garden vegetables.

"You are afraid to eat vegetables canned that way? Nonsense! A lot of folks who say a water bath can't be used were raised on vegetables canned by that method. But let's get three things clear before we go any further: first, there have been a few instances of poisoning from eating canned vegetables; second, all such danger can be avoided by boiling the canned vegetables 15 minutes before tasting or serving—they should be re-boiled before serving if left from one meal to the next; third, a pressure cooker is not a guarantee against spoilage. There will be spoilage if the pressure gauge registers too low or if poor judgment is used in the selection, preparation, and packing of food into the jars. And don't let anybody tell you otherwise.

"Now, back to the water bath. The water should be steaming but not boiling when the jars are lowered into it and deep enough to cover the tops of the jars two or more inches. No, water won't get into the jars if directions are fol-

lowed. The water should be brought to boiling as quickly as possible and kept boiling steadily throughout the canning period.

"Any jar suitable for use in home canning (and only those with names lettered on them are suitable) may be used for water-bath processing. Mason jars may be sealed with one-piece zinc cap and rubber—if you can find the caps—with glass top seal, or with two-piece vacuum seal caps. Glass top seal closures and vacuum caps seal on the top edge of the jar, therefore it is necessary to make sure the top edges of the jars are even, smooth, and perfect in every respect. The bands are screwed down tight on the vacuum seals as soon as the jars are filled to within from one to one-half inch of the top, and should not be tightened again. Zinc caps are screwed down on the rubber and then loosened slightly. Bands for glass top seals are screwed down and then loosened. This tightening and loosening is called 'partly sealing' and should always be done before jars are placed in a canner. Seals are completed by tightening caps or bands immediately after processing.

"Then there is the jar with a glass lid and rubber ring held in place with wires—it is ideal for canning, especially when fitted with high-tension, stretch-proof, steel wire. It is partly sealed before and completely sealed after processing.

"Those who select vegetables that are young, tender, and right out of the garden, and waste no time in washing them clean, cooking them five to ten minutes, and pouring into clean, hot jars and processing immediately, will live to laugh at those who say it can't be done. It is the Cans, not the Can'ts, who are going to win the war on both home and battle front."

Engagement of Mary Lou Foster Is Announced

Mrs. Roy Foster announced the approaching marriage of her daughter, Mary Lou, to Pvt. Finis Westbrook of the San Angelo Bombardier School, when she entertained with a tea Tuesday afternoon. Receiving the guests were Miss Ethel Foster, Mrs. Roy Foster, Miss Mary Lou Foster, Mrs. J. B. Atkinson, Mrs. W. J. Wallace of Greta, La., Mrs. J. S. Cole, Jr., Miss Jamie Sue McEntire and Miss Carolyn Foster.

The beautiful appointed dining table in crystal and silver was attractive with its white gladiola arrangement and delicate green shower. Miss June Wilkinson of Tuscola and Miss Olga Atkinson of San Angelo, cousins of the bride-elect and the groom-to-be, alternated in pouring punch. Attractive cards disclosed the engagement with the words, "Mary Lou and Finis" Assisting in serving were Mrs. Fred Allen, Mrs. Martin Reed and Mrs. T. F. Foster. Mrs. Jack Wilkinson of Midland, directed the guests to the bride's book where Mrs. I. N. Wilkinson of Tuscola, presided.

During the hours Mrs. Tommy Johnson and Mrs. Reynolds Foster entertained with piano selections. Mrs. Lester Foster sang, accompanied by Miss Betty Donaldson on the violin. Mrs. H. M. Kautz read a delightful legendary romance "Blue Roses."

White gladiola arrangements

decorated the living room. About 75 guests called. Out of town guests in the house party included, Mrs. I. N. Wilkinson and daughter, Miss June of Tuscola, Mrs. Jack Wilkinson of Midland, Miss Olga Atkinson of San Angelo, Mrs. W. J. Wallace of Greta, La. Other out of town guests attending were: Mrs. George McEntire, Jr., of Hollywood, Calif., Mrs. Frank Atkinson of San Angelo Mrs. Horace Spalti of Dallas, Mrs. B. A. Austin of Robert Lee and Mrs. George Demere of Water Valley.

Typhus Fever Is Prevalent

Reports coming into the State Health Department indicate the presence of Typhus Fever in almost all sections of the State without any particular apparent regard to city or rural population according to Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

In urging full cooperation from all communities in a campaign to exterminate rats and thus control the possible increasing incidence of Typhus. Dr. Cox said, "It must be kept in mind that the rat acts as reservoir of the Typhus germ, and the rat flea is the means by which Typhus is transmitted to man. Rats are known to travel many miles from one community to another, and it is therefore obvious," Dr. Cox said, "that it will be necessary to conduct a vigorous rat extermination program over the entire State."

Dr. Cox recommends a four point extermination program in addition to the already widely used poison-

TEMPTING DISH



Port Wine Jelly

2 1/2 tablespoons gelatin  
1/2 cup cold water  
1 1/2 pounds fresh sweet cherries  
1 1/2 cups boiling water  
6 tablespoons sugar  
6 tablespoons lemon juice  
1 1/4 cup California Port Wine

Soften gelatin in 1/2 cup cold water. Wash and pit cherries. Place 1 cup cherries in a saucepan with 1 1/2 cups boiling water. Cook 5 minutes. Strain. Add softened gelatin and sugar to liquid, stirring until gelatin is completely dissolved. Cool. Add lemon juice and wine. Pour into one-quart mold. Chill until firm.

Unmold and serve with remainder of cherries.

ing campaign which he asserted will assure more than temporary Typhus control. The program includes making all food stuff inaccessible to rats through proper garbage storage, collection and disposal; rat proofing homes, business and public places; keeping at least two traps set and baited in every home which is not rat proof and proper educational measures.

In discussing the educational measures, Dr. Cox pointed out that since the Typhus Rat is known to inhabit practically every section of the State it will necessarily take state-wide cooperation to exterminate the pest. In order to do this the public must become adequately acquainted with the habits of the rat and the various effective control measures that may be applied.

Dr. Cox stated that the State Department of Health has available motion picture films on this subject and that the department has also issued a bulletin outlining rodent control measures. "This bulletin will be mailed free upon request, and the films may be had for public showing upon application through local health units," Dr. Cox said.

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 in-	

All-Week Specials

July 26-31, inclusive

Cleansing Tissue	2 boxes for	15 <sup>c</sup>
Mustard	qt. jar for	43 <sup>c</sup>
9 pts. Pork Chops	Fresh and lean, lb	35 <sup>c</sup>
7 pts. Pork Roast	Best quality per pound	32 <sup>c</sup>
4 pts. Jowls	Fresh Salt, per lb.	16 <sup>c</sup>
4 pts. Salt Pork	Fat back per lb.	16 <sup>c</sup>
7 pts. Hams	Swift's Premium whole, per lb.	39 <sup>c</sup>
14 pts. Beans	Green cut No. 2 can	12 <sup>c</sup>
16 pts. Tomatoes	Fancy pack No. 2 can	10 <sup>c</sup>
Potatoes	No. 1 white California, lb.	6 <sup>c</sup>
Vinegar	Bulk, bring your jug. Per gallon	29 <sup>c</sup>

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STERLING CITY, : : : TEXAS

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
<b>Total deposits \$1,262,493.39</b>	
<b>Total Liabilities .. \$1,262,493.39</b>	

CAPITAL ACCOUNT	
Common stock, total par \$60,000.00....	\$60,000.00
Surplus.....	100,000.00
Undivided profits.....	57,771.62
<b>Total Capital Account .. \$217,771.62</b>	
<b>Total Liabilities and Capital Account .... \$1,480,265.01</b>	

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 me this 6th day of July, 1943.  
[Seal] W. W. Durham, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:  
J. T. Davis }  
Rufus W. Foster } Directors.  
W. L. Foster }

A Card of Thanks

We wish to extend our deepest appreciation to our many friends in our hour of grief.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McDonald  
Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Davis  
Mr. and Mrs. Will Meyer  
Mr. Oskar Meyer

Undertaker's Supplies  
Ambulance Service  
DAY OR NIGHT  
Lowe Hardware Co.

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FHA LOANS  
Let Us Protect Your Property  
D. C. Durham Insurance Agency

THE TEXAS CO.  
Petroleum & its Products  
R. P. Brown, Agent

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"Any American who wilfully neglects to pay his taxes on time or to invest every cent he can in War Bonds is surely giving aid and comfort to the enemy. . . . We have a job to do and we are all called for service to our country. Our dollars are called to service too. Let us all ask ourselves, 'Shall we be more tender with our dollars than with the lives of our sons?' — Secretary Morgenthau.