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There is getting to be too much speeding on residential streets again. Judging from the time some motorists make on Eighth Street and Broadway you would think they were going to a fire. This is very dangerous and a tragedy will be the result if the practice continues.

Highway construction is underway again after losing time for the past three weeks on account of cold weather. The last trouble from this source was experienced Saturday when the supply dump between Ballinger and Rowena was found frozen.

Milady's wardrobe is going to be hard hit this spring. Leaveovers from last spring and summer are out of date and will resemble a ballet costume this spring if advance fashion sheets speak true.

Most cars parked along Ballinger curbs Saturday morning were wearing 1930 number plates. A few, however, had old plates, and officers were on the search for them.

Indications from over Texas are that poll tax receipts issued up to February 1st are not much increased over 1929. Last year was an off-year in politics, and this year should have seen a big increase.

The old saying is that when you brag something will surely happen, but with only two criminal cases on the docket for grand jury investigation it is difficult to refrain from calling attention to the clean county and city in which we live.

One reason for the small amount of crime here is that officers keep a close watch and undesirables are invited to be on their way. Night watchmen walk their beats at night, city police are constantly on the job, and the sheriff's department is always on the alert and moving to prevent crime.

Several conventions in West Texas during the spring will be of interest to a large number of Ballinger people. The meeting at Brady in April of the Mid-West Educational Association will probably be attended by most or all

of the Ballinger teachers. Teachers will be allowed to attend this meeting, and if all teachers want to attend, school will be dismissed. Local workers in the Parent-Teacher Association will be hosts to the sixth district convention of that organization here in March.

Just to keep it before the public and keep the ball rolling towards the building of a municipal park here we report that no further action has been accomplished by the committee. After an inspection of the site by a special committee, members of the general committee composed of the park committees from the Chamber of Commerce, Rotary and Lions clubs, and American Legion post have not been recalled to hear the report.

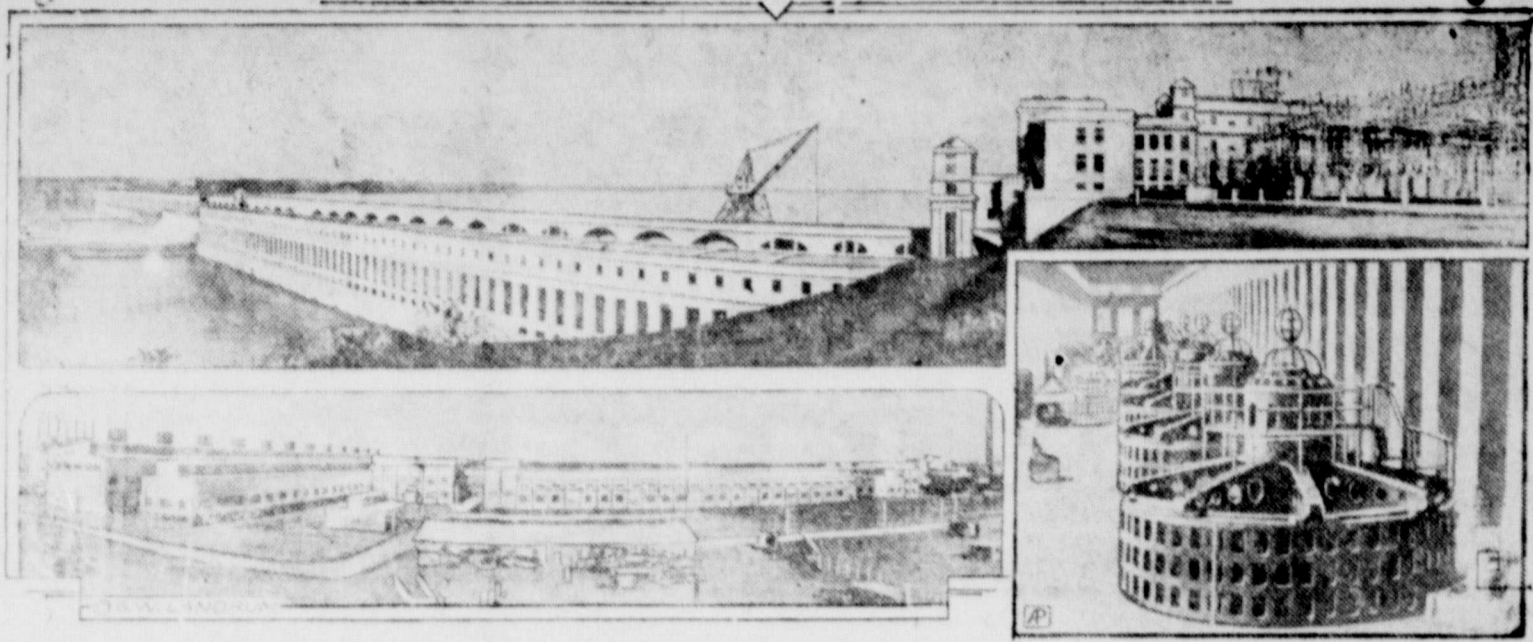
Being a good citizen nowadays is a large order. In every town additional organizations are launched annually which demand membership and usually the men who support the new organizations are the backbone of several others that they have belonged to for years and with each new one comes new duties which must be performed.

Candidates can now begin to estimate how many votes they will receive at the Democratic primaries this summer. The poll tax rolls are about complete in this county and will show about 5,300 voters by that route and a number of exemptions will run the total considerably higher.

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Muscle Shoals Groomed and Ready to Go



Muscle Shoals, the government's great nitrate and power project, is ready to go on a few days' notice. The upper picture shows the \$15,000,000 Wilson Dam on the Tennessee river with the power house at the right. Lower left is the \$27,500,000 nitrate plant. Lower right is a view of the 25,000-horsepower power generators.

(By Associated Press) SHEFFIELD, Ala., Jan. 27.—All dressed up and waiting for the house-warming is Muscle Shoals, the government's \$133,000,000 power and nitrate project on the Tennessee river here.

ways leading into that town. Ballinger citizens boast of their attractive yards but there is still much room for improvement and a contest would bring about enough enthusiasm that yards all over the city, even though not entered in the competition, would be improved.

MUD AND THE FARMER

A recent editorial in the "Bureau Farmer" says that the barrier of mud which five months out of the year separates five million farm families from the markets where they sell their produce and likewise buy their supplies, is of supreme importance in the agricultural economic situation.

REAL ESTATE MAN HEAD C. C.

(By Associated Press) LUBBOCK, Feb. 4.—R. L. (Bob) Murray, prominent realtor and former president of the Lubbock Rotary Club has been chosen president of the Lubbock Board of City Development and Chamber of Commerce.

Hearings on the Norris bill were to start in the house in January and in the senate as soon as the tariff measure is disposed of. Senator Norris' proposal provides government operation, but also contains a section which permits leasing at an annual rental of a dollar to any firm which will carry out the provisions of the bill, with profits to a per cent.

Designated to produce nitrogen, for munitions or fertilizer, the plant has been picking up pin money by selling power, keeping fit with these light exercises. Three municipalities and a power concern are customers. The plant is operated by the army.

OTTO PLAYS SAFE--SAVES CHIN, MUFFS CHANCES

Take a look at Otto's profile and then you may see why he devotes so little time to swinging his right and so much time blocking blows at his charming chin.



OTTO VON PORAT

various forces that shape a family's destiny. "New Roots" is taken up, another family novel demands attention. It is "Australia Felix," the first of Henry Handel Richardson's trilogy of which "Ultima Thule" was the final volume in the composition, but the first to be accepted by American readers.

TRUCK GROWERS PLAN BIG CUCUMBER ACREAGE

(By Associated Press) CLARKSVILLE, Feb. 4.—Truck growers of the area between Clarksville and Detroit are planning to go into the production of cucumbers extensively during 1930 with completion of plans for the establishment of pickling vats in the district.

expense has been about \$67,000, although the average annual income was \$254,000, army records show. For the same fiscal year the operation and maintenance of Wilson dam cost \$231,000, with an income of \$176,000, according to the report of the commanding officer.

On the other hand, revenues from the sale of power from January 1, 1925 to December 30, 1925 totaled \$454,000, with expenses approximately the same as for the federal fiscal year. The contract for sale of power during the calendar year 1929 called for a minimum payment of \$500,000. Total revenue from the sale of power since September 12, 1925, to July 1, 1929, was \$2,639,000, with expenses in the same period amounting to \$753,000. Operating expenses would be increased but little if the plant were really put

BRADY PREPARES FOR LIVESTOCK SHOW

(By Associated Press) BRADY, Feb. 3.—Preparations are progressing for holding McCulloch county's livestock show on March 5th, under auspices of the Farmers Council of the Brady Chamber of Commerce.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- For District Attorney: C. L. SOUTH, J. EDWARD JOHNSON
For Tax Collector: W. L. BROWN, E. V. BATEMAN
For Cotton Weigher, Precinct 1: PAT TILLERY
For Sheriff: R. E. McWILLIAMS
For District Clerk: GEORGIA SINGLETARY
For County Clerk: IMA MCKOWN
For Tax Assessor: MIKE C. BOYD
For County Judge: PAUL TRIMMER
For County Attorney: ROY L. HILL
For County Treasurer: Mrs. R. P. KIRK
For Commissioner Precinct No. 1: R. J. DEENS, T. J. PARRISH
For Commissioner Precinct No. 3: C. L. HARTER, J. A. BROADSTREET
For Commissioner, Precinct No. 4: R. A. PERRY

to work and run at capacity. The straight-line arrangement of the nitrate plant permits a steady flow of the material in stages of manufacture with maximum efficiency.

The process, roughly, is the burning of limestone into lime, mixing it with an equal quantity of treated coke and the fusing of the two into calcium cyanide. This, when cooled and grained, is placed in ovens in contact with nitrogen gas obtained from the air.

REAL ESTATE BOARD IS FORMED AT BIG SPRING

(By Associated Press) BIG SPRING, Feb. 1.—The Big Spring Real Estate Board has been organized and the following officers elected: F. H. Miller, president; M. N. Meiner, vice-president; and Mrs. W. A. Earnest, secretary-treasurer. The board will affiliate with the National Board of Realtors.

DROP IN BATHTUB EXPORTS IS SHOWN BY THE OLD YEAR

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Bath-tub exports from the United States for 1929 show a decrease of approximately 10 per cent, says the commerce department, compared with 1928.

Drop in Bath Tub Exports

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BETHEL P.-T. A. The Bethel Parent-Teacher Association met Thursday evening, January 23, at the school building. There was a good crowd present. A short business session was held. We decided to finish some improvements started on the school building, also to improve the playground. There being no other business to attend to, the business meeting was drawn to a close.

U. S. PLANS BORER STUDY IN SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN

EAST LANSING, Mich., Feb. 5.—A three-year farm management study of five southeast Michigan counties in the heavily infested corn-borer areas has begun for the purpose of determining the most profitable methods of combating the pest.

MANY FARMERS MOVING TO SOUTH PLAINS COUNTY

(By Associated Press) LEVELLAND, Feb. 4.—Indicative of the manner in which new families are moving into the South Plains area to new land which they are putting to first cultivation, more than 40 families have moved to various tracts of the George M. Slaughter block in Hockley and Cochran counties, during the past few months.

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