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EMERGENCY BILL TO AID HIGHWAY WORK

District 3 Road Bonds Sold; Work Starts Soon

County Judge Paul Trimmer announced Tuesday that all remaining bonds in road district No. 3 were sold Monday. This gives the district money for the completion of all highway projects in this district and will include the completion of Highway 23 from Ballinger to Talpa with a bridge across Elm Creek and the road hard surfaced, and also the hard surfacing of Highway 4 from Ballinger to the Concho county line.

While only about \$50,000 was needed at the time a better sale could be accomplished by selling the unsold bonds in one block, and as the money will be needed soon to match state and federal aid in the completion of the two remaining projects.

The contract for the grading and drainage structures on Highway 23 to Talpa has already been let by the state highway commission and contractors will soon be ready to break ground and start the work. For the past month or more Judge Trimmer with the assistance of Engineer G. M. Garrett have been working in an effort to secure the land for the right-of-way to Talpa and Tuesday morning Judge Trimmer stated that all the additional land had been secured by the county with the exception of 2 land owners who hold land thru which two and one-half miles of the road must run. He stated that he hoped to secure this land Wednesday and at least would know by that time.

The next expected contract for this road district will be the hard surfacing and final completion of the road to the Concho county line of Highway 4. The grade and drainage structures have been completed for several months on this 11-mile stretch and after the heavy rains since October, is in fine condition, being thoroughly packed and ready for the water bound macadam surface called for in the specifications.

The four highways leading north, east, west and south will be 100-foot right-of-ways as soon as the two remaining land owners and the county reach a final settlement and will end that part of the county's trouble.

NO MORE PRISONERS

(By Associated Press) QUERO, Tex., Dec. 9.—Victoria county authorities have refused to accept any more federal prisoners, 16 persons convicted in federal court there on liquor charges will serve their sentences, ranging from 10 to 90 days, in the DeWitt county jail here. The cost of their care will be paid by the government.

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Rob-On-the-Run is Latest in Highway Thieving "Racket"

There is apparently a new "racket," or perhaps an old "racket" in new form that rivals in purpose and extent the action of pirates on the Spanish main. The new one, however, is flourishing on the highways rather than on the high seas. A truck driver who makes regular trips from one of the larger shipping centers to this section of West Texas, informed a Ledger reporter Monday night that stealing from moving trucks is becoming common, especially in the more thickly settled districts, and the new "racket" instead of being operated under the cover of darkness generally seeks broad open daylight.

The modern highway pirate driving a speedy automobile, approaches a loaded truck from the rear. The truck may be making 40 or 50 miles an hour, but that does not deter the robbers. One of the gang swings himself from the automobile to

Car Hits Pair Fixing Flat Tire

(By Associated Press) HILLSBORO, Tex., Dec. 9.—Norville Phillips of Caddo Oklahoma, was fatally injured, and his brother Orville Phillips, was seriously injured when an automobile struck them while they were fixing a tire along the roadside beside their parked automobile today.

Veteran is Found Dead at Big Spring

(By Associated Press) BIG SPRING, Tex., Dec. 9.—W. E. Gilman, 80, Confederate veteran, this morning was found dead from gun wounds in the home of his daughter here, where he had been residing recently. A verdict of suicide was returned by the coroner.

Two Grandview Banks Consolidate

(By Associated Press) GRANDVIEW, Tex., Dec. 9.—The First National Bank of this place today absorbed the Farmers & Merchants National Bank of Grandview.

Officers of the First National took charge of the consolidated institution today.

SINGING AT EAGLE BRANCH

Eagle Branch P-T-A announces a community singing and a pie supper, at the school house on next Friday night, December 12. Everybody is invited.

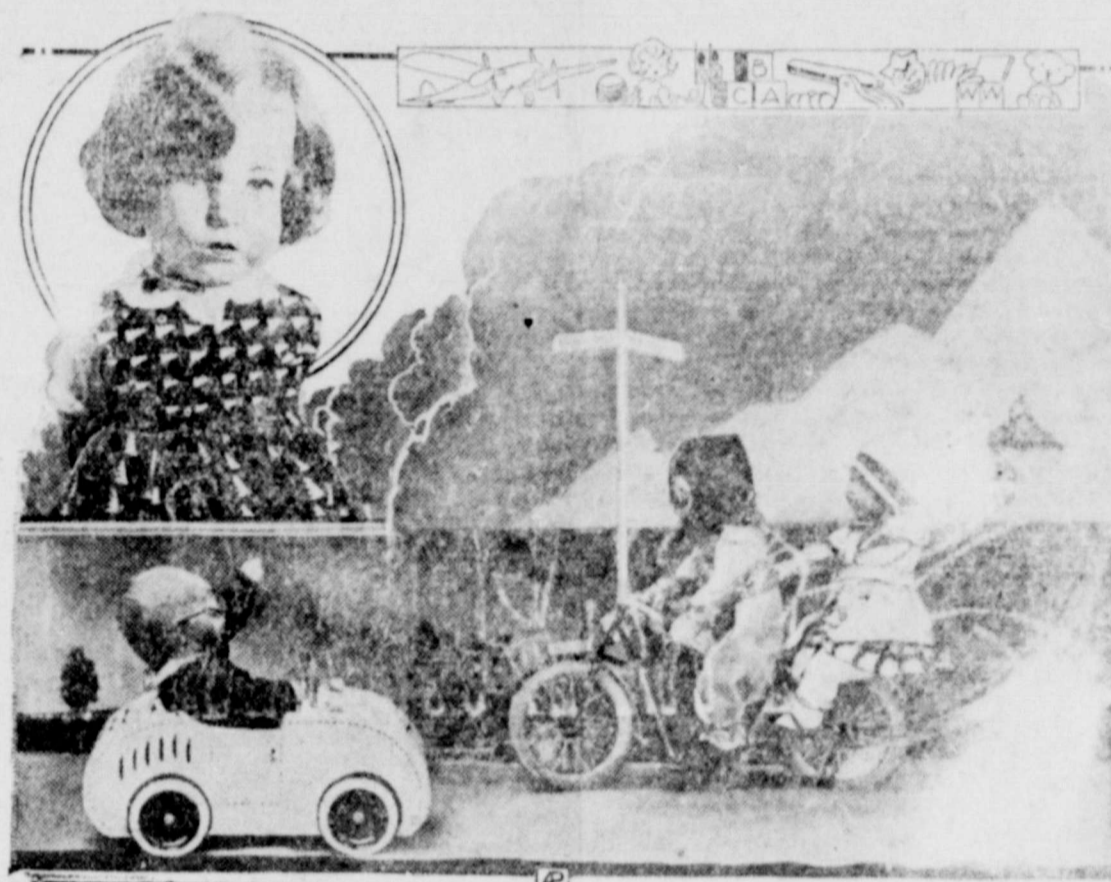
Canada is the greatest producer of raw and waste asbestos and the United States the largest consumer.

Railway Safe at Boerne is Robbed

(By Associated Press) SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 9.—Safe blowers dynamited the office safe in the Southern Pacific Railway station at Boerne, near here, early this morning, escaping with \$45 cash loot.

The building was almost demolished. The detonation awakened the community, several persons reporting that they heard the roar of an automobile soon after the blast.

Toyland "Comes to Life" this Christmas



Mechanical toys this year perhaps come closer to being lifelike than ever before, and almost every well known form of machinery is presented in toy form. Here is a realistic scene from a toy display, and one of the new dolls is shown upper left.

(By Associated Press) They crouch, spring and strut, new methods of making dolls that will perform in even more life-like fashion than usual. Besides the improvement in mechanical toys, there is a larger variety than in the past. Forty thousand different samples were exhibited by 900 manufacturers this year at the toy show held at the Leipzig fair in Leipzig, Germany. Christmas tree ornaments, too, have kept pace with the growing variety of toys. One manufacturer has prepared 2,500 different designs.

New Road District Created; \$160,000 Bond Issue Asked

The Runnels county commissioners' court Monday voted to create road district No. 4, which will include all of former road district No. 2 and the remainder of precinct No. 2. Application for creation of the new district was presented by Commissioner Joe Mapes. Citizens of that district soon will vote on a \$160,000 road bond issue for construction of lateral roads in the event that an election is called, and that appears very probable.

S. W. Cooper, secretary of the Winters Chamber of Commerce, came to Ballinger Tuesday morning to get the petition which will be circulated for the required number of signatures. The petition must have at least fifty names asking the court to call the election. When the petition is presented a hearing will be ordered within not less than fifteen days and if the court sees fit the election can be called not less than 30 days after the hearing.

The proposed issue will divide the \$160,000, using \$44,000 to pay off outstanding road indebtedness in the district, and the balance, or \$116,000, will be used in constructing gravel, macadam or paved roads in the district, known as lateral roads, which will lead to state highways.

This movement has been on foot in the Winters territory for some time and it is said that a large number of the rural residents favor the step which will improve roads they travel and at the same time give employment to many during the generally dull period, next spring. Leaders of the movement will push the project as rapidly as possible and the required signatures for the petition probably will be secured in a day. In fact it is believed that many more will sign.

Scratch Pads, 20c per pound, at Ledger office.

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Woman, 3 Children, Are Badly Burned

(By Associated Press) SEMINOLE, Okla., Dec. 9.—A woman and three children were burned to death, and another child was badly burned here today when a gas stove explosion destroyed the A. J. Kirby home in Seminole.

The dead are: Mrs. Olive Kirby, her two daughters, Virginia and Corla, and a cousin, Arthur Hicks, aged 5 years, who was visiting the Kirbys.

George Kirby, another child of Mr. and Mrs. Kirby, was badly injured. Mr. Kirby, who was at work in a machine shop nearby the home, escaped without injury.

Texas Rail Line To Begin Extension

(By Associated Press) LUBBOCK, Tex., Dec. 9.—F. E. Williamson, of Chicago, president of the Burlington railway system, today announced that actual construction of the 113-mile extension of the Fort Worth & Denver Northern Railway, would start within three weeks.

The new line will be built from Childress to Pampa, Texas.

VETERAN RAILWAY MAIL CLERK RETIRES FROM RUN

(By Associated Press) LOCKHART, Tex., Dec. 9.—W. L. Smith, veteran railway postal clerk on the run between San Antonio and Brownsville on the Southern Pacific Railway was placed on the honor roll by voluntarily retiring on annuity Dec. 1.

Smith was appointed to the railway mail service in the early part of 1887, coming out of the Coleman, Texas, postoffice. He served on the San Antonio & Aransas Pass railway after it was first built.

Two Prisoners Escape from Jail

(By Associated Press) NACOGDOCHES, Tex., Dec. 9.—John Clayton and James Clayton, both being held on charges of burglary, escaped from the county jail here last night.

Other prisoners in the jail refused the opportunity to leave.

Famous Priest Dies After Long Illness

(By Associated Press) SAN JOSE, Calif., Dec. 9.—Rev. Jerome Sixtus Ricard, "padre de la rana," 80, member of the Society of Jesus for 59 years, astronomer and scientist, died of heart disease here during the night.

The noted Catholic priest had been ill since April of last year.

WEATHER FORECAST

(By Associated Press) West Texas—Cloudy and unsettled tonight and Wednesday, probably occasional rains in the south portion. East Texas—Mostly cloudy tonight and Wednesday, probably local showers on the coast. Warmer in the west portion tonight.

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(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The Senate today passed the bill authorizing \$69,000,000 for farmers in the drought stricken regions, to be used in purchase of seed, feed and fertilizer.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The House today received, from its appropriations committee, the unemployment emergency construction bill providing \$110,000,000 for highway aid, rivers and harbors improvements.

Of the total \$30,000,000 was stipulated for advance to the states so they might build roads at once despite their inability to meet federal aid obligations. The fund would be returnable over a five-year period.

The appropriation was \$40,000,000 under the \$150,000,000 asked by the president. In approving the bill, the appropriations committee amended it to permit using the funds up to September 1 instead of July 1, end of the fiscal year.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—President Hoover today declared that efforts were being made to impose greater burdens on the government than its financial position permits. Noting that pending appropriations legislation would impose an additional burden of \$4,500,000,000 above that asked for in his budget message, the president said the budget contained the maximum expenditures the government could make without increasing taxes.

Poultry Dressing Gives Employment

Over one hundred people are being employed at the present time by the various poultry dressing plants in Ballinger, the average daily wage of each being \$2. The dressing plants will operate for a period of about two weeks longer in preparing turkeys for the Christmas market, this affording employment for quite a number of needy persons.

As perhaps the major source of employment at the present time the local packing plants are furnishing work for men, women, boys and girls.

While the Christmas turkey market has been open only a few days there is an abundant supply of the birds being sold and all plants are running on a full day-time scale and some until late at night.

FUR TRAPPERS HIT

(By Associated Press) DEL RIO, Texas, Dec. 9.—Outlook for fur trappers in the Del Rio section is gloomy. The season on fur-bearers extends from December 1 to January 1.

Last year about \$100,000 worth of furs, mostly ring-tail, were shipped through Del Rio. These came from Mexico and Texas counties which border on the Rio Grande.



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It will soon be time to start buying Red Cross Christmas seals and such a sale will be conducted in practically every community.

The Christmas spirit is beginning to be shown here. Trees line the sidewalks, the lights are being turned on in a few places...

Every day robberies come nearer home and such things usually happen during the joyful Christmas season. Many of these can be avoided if proper precautions are taken.

Ballinger firemen are meeting with a competent instructor this week studying methods of fighting fires. A good department is a great asset to a town...

See the many beautiful and useful Christmas gifts at the Workers Class Christmas Bazaar Wednesday at the Moor Cafe building on Hutchings Ave.

HOPPERS TURN TO SOUTH. (By Associated Press) GUINEA, Portuguese Africa, Dec. 9.—Fleeing the chemical war waged against them in North Africa billions of grasshoppers have invaded this colony...

The new 12-story St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Chicago has a radio in every room.

PUFFY



For hansom cabs," says Puffy, "thanks be! Australians use them lots, I see. Along with cars, which means, of course, "There's still a job for Mr. Horse."

HOW'S your HEALTH

Edited by DR. MACO GALVESTON

BLOOD PRESSURE. If you were to ask your physician to explain what blood pressure means, he would probably proceed somewhat like this: On the left side of your chest there is a hollow muscle called the heart, which serves as a pump. Connected with this pump is a series of pipes. One of these pipes, called the aorta, takes blood away from the heart and brings it through many branching smaller pipes to all parts of your body.

In its simplest form the blood system may be thought of as a central pump, with one big pipe carrying the blood away from it and another one bringing it back. For our purpose, this pipe system may be thought of as completely closed and the pump keeping the blood moving round and round.

SUNDOWN STORIES. An American In Paris. By Hazel Reavis. PARIS, Dec. 9.—(AP)—One of Parisians' pet reclamation projects is about to get under way. Rag and bottle merchants have been ousted from the regal halls of the Hotel de Sens...

CHRISTMAS TRAVELING. By Mary Graham Bonner. Do you like going around and seeing how Christmas is celebrated in different countries? The Little Black Clock asked the children. "Sure, it's great," said John. "I just love it," said Peggy.

More Apartments. There is a law here that every building in downtown Paris must contain a certain number of living apartments. It is the townsmen's protection against being driven to the suburbs against his will. Downtown apartments are getting more and more like penthouses, however, since a law was passed permitting buildings an extra story under certain conditions.

New Road. (Continued from page 1) the petition than the required fifty. It has not been indicated what types of roads will be built nor just where the improvements will be placed.

MACAO, Portuguese China, Dec. 9.—(AP)—This tiny colony, shown as "sailor's paradise," is Great Britain's poorest customers. England bought \$785 worth of goods here last year but sold only \$55 worth.

DOROTHY DARNIT. ALWAYS REMEMBER TO BE KIND TO ALL DUMB ANIMALS. YES M. AND NEVER KILL A BUG. I'LL REMEMBER. OUCH!! WHAT'S THE MATTER? IM SITTING ON A WASP AND IM AFRAID IM HURTING HIM.



BARNETT NEWS

Roy Tyree and Cless Howell have just returned from a hunting trip in Mason county. They failed to bring back a deer this time, but said they enjoyed the trip.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Thompson had as their guests for Thanksgiving, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Harber, of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Claud Thompson, and Willie Joe and Milton Mapes, of Pony Creek community.

Mr. and Mrs. Obid McElroy and children, of Corpus Christi, spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. McElroy's brother, Doc Camp, and family.

Among Mrs. Roy Tyree's guests for Thanksgiving were her mother and sister, Mrs. Loudamy and Elizabeth Loudamy, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Loudamy, of San Angelo; Mrs. Otto Loudamy, of Miles; and Miss Clemmie Lee Laxton.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Forgey visited Grandmother Forgey at Ballinger Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Laxton spent Sunday with relatives at Rowena.

J. B. Dorsey left Sunday with Mr. Russell, of Hagan, for Denton

county to look at a place which Mr. Dorsey is considering trading for.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Tyree and little son, Wilbur, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Laxton and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nelson and Mr. and Mrs. Pat Tyree visited Mr. and Mrs. Douglass Bryan, of Norton, Sunday.

Mrs. A. J. Tyree visited her daughter, Mrs. J. M. Laxton Monday afternoon.

Grandpa Dunn is getting along very well at present.

HOUSTON LIBRARY GETS VALUABLE BOOKS OF WAR

HOUSTON, December 9.—Two of Texas' most illustrious sons, one of them now dead, joined hands in donating to the Houston public library a volume of "Memorial des Allies," a book commemorative of the allies work in the world war.

The volume belonged to Col. E. M. House, President Wilson's trustful adviser, and was turned over to the late Will Hogg, son of former Governor James Stephen Hogg while the Houston capitalist was in Paris shortly before his death.

The executors of the Hogg will delivered it to the library.

"Memorial des Allies" bears this brief inscription by Colonel House:

"This volume has just been issued and if my native city should consider it worthy of a place in Houston's library, it would be a source of great satisfaction to me." The only other volume known to be in Texas has been given to the University of Texas.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Company has been called by the Directors of said corporation, to be held at the principal office of the corporation in the City of Galveston, Texas, on the 23rd day of February, 1931, at eleven o'clock a. m., for the purpose of submitting to the stockholders the question of increasing the authorized capital stock of the corporation from Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000), consisting of One Hundred Thousand (100,000) shares of the par value of One Hundred Dollars (\$100) each, to Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000), consisting of Two Hundred Thousand (200,000) shares of the par value of One Hundred Dollars (\$100) each, and to do all things

and give all proper authorizations to carry out and effectuate such increase.

GEO. N. YARD, Secretary of Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Company. dec 8-60td

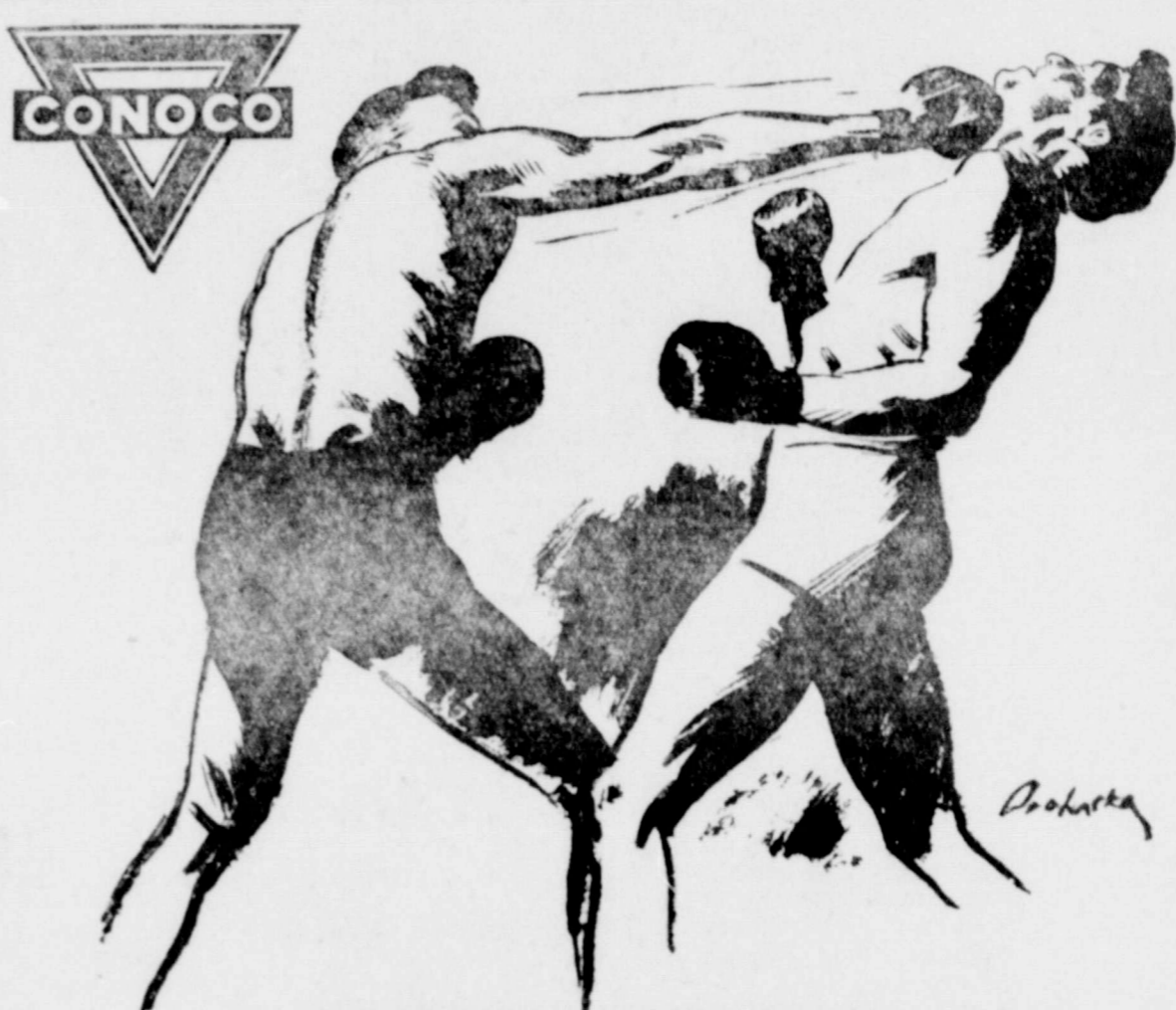
The Workers Class of the Methodist Church will serve a real Mexican dinner Wednesday at the old Moor Cafe building next door to the Ledger. A large assortment of Christmas gifts will also be on display in their Bazaar. 2d

SETS CANNING RECORD

(By Associated Press) SLATON, TEXAS, Dec. 9.—Believed to have set one of the outstanding records in the state for home demonstration projects, Mrs. E. R. Slater of near here this fall canned 1,507 quarts of fruits and vegetables, valued by government estimates at \$544.10, from a half acre plot irrigated from a shallow well and a windmill.

In addition, Mrs. Slater sold during the season vegetables which brought \$101.42, bringing her revenue from the half acre to \$645.52, while the family table and neighbors were also well supplied. Cost of production was \$34.45.

South Africa holds first place as an export outlet for American hosiery, according to the department of commerce.



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Europe's "Man of Mystery," Ill, Seeks Medical Relief in London



Sir Basil Zarahoff, "mystery man of Europe," is shown in his full regalia as an English knight.

By Bates Raney
LONDON, Dec. 9.—(AP)—Sir Basil Zarahoff, known to Europe as "the man with a thousand secrets," is coming to London for medical treatment. He has been seriously ill for many months.
Reputed to be the richest man in Europe, a man who has been seriously ill for many months.
Reputed to be the richest man in Europe, a man who has swayed governments, but who shuns any form of publicity, Sir Basil Zarahoff is eighty years old. A few years ago his sudden appearance in one of the capitals of Europe meant that something was afoot.
He is said to be worth \$100,000,000. He has owned Monte Carlo, but does not gamble. He married, after waiting for her for forty years, a Spanish duchess who died after only two years of wedded life.

Not the least of his mysteries is his title as a Knight of the Grand Cross of the Beth. There are only twenty-one such titles in existence and his was awarded at the recommendation of Prime Minister Lloyd George "for services rendered," but what those "services" were has never been explained.
He recently burned his diaries, in which he had kept the happenings of each day and his comments. A French newspaper had offered \$5000 for one single page.
Sir Basil recently had to be removed hurriedly from his sick bed to a neighboring hotel when a fire broke out at night in his apartment. One floor of the place was destroyed but no damage was done to the library, which is reputed to contain more facts concerning the secret history of modern Europe than any other existing records.

BLANTON NEWS
Church, Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. at the Baptist church Sunday all were well attended.
Mr. and Mrs. Forgey of Ballinger visited Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Huddleston Sunday.
Miss Juanita Huddleston returned home Tuesday from Denton where she has been attending college.
Misses Juanita Huddleston and Minnie Bee Wade were guests of Miss Eula Fowler Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Foreman visited Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cope of Miller Thursday.
Rev. and Mrs. Tierce took dinner with J. A. Foreman and family Sunday.
Rev. and Mrs. Tierce and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Brevard and Miss Alice Foreman attended the Sunday school zone meeting which was held at the Baptist church at Ballinger Sunday afternoon. The next meeting will be held at Norton the first Sunday in January. Our church will be represented by a reading presented by some one from this church. Everyone is urged to attend.
The B. Y. P. U. zone meeting will convene next Sunday at the church here at 3 o'clock. A good program is expected and everyone is invited and urged to attend.
Rev. and Mrs. Tierce took supper with Mr. and Mrs. Sid Hale Sunday night.
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Liverman are the proud parents of a fine baby girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Avent are the proud parents of a big baby boy who arrived last Monday. Mrs. Avent will be remembered by her friends here as Miss Elva Foreman.
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Foreman and family visited Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Wood of Bethel Friday.
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Tourgett and family visited relatives at Miles Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Booths and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Ceebe Flannigan Sunday.
Bro. Cooper from Winters will be with us next Sunday morning

for Sunday school.
Cotton picking will soon be a thing of the past in this community. There is only a little scrap cotton left.
The B. Y. P. U. business meeting which was held at the home of R. L. Boothe Wednesday night was well attended.
Victory and Blanton junior and senior basketball teams played at Blanton Friday evening. Blanton seniors won by one point while the juniors lost by the same margin.
Quite a few from this vicinity attended the senior play at Ballinger Friday night in which Misses Carrie Witter and Pauline Malone had parts. All reported it a fine play.
Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Brevard visited relatives at Herring Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Williams have taken charge of the Bair house, 205 Eighth Street, and have both furnished and unfurnished apartments. These good people are well and widely known here and they will treat you well.
NEASDEN, England, Dec. 9.—(AP)—Work will be started here in the spring on a new factory for the Bosch company, makers of automobile accessories. The construction work will employ 1,000 men.
Chicago has 42,000 retail stores.

Close Out SALE
On Jan. 1st I will close my business here and will lease the plumbing plant.
During the remainder of December I will offer every article in stock including hot water tanks, kitchen sinks, Radiance gas stoves, pipe, fittings, faucets, bathroom goods and many other items at actual cost and below.
E. J. Carroll

Mexico to Have Own Hollywood

(By Associated Press)
LAREDO, December 9.—Mexico is to have Hollywood of its own in the capital city of that country and within the shadow of the beautiful hill on which Chapultepec, the "West Point of Mexico," is located. Construction work is well under way on the first of the massive studios at Mexico City that will be utilized in the making of talking motion pictures in the Spanish language, with Mexican stars in the casts.
Other buildings on the site of the "Hollywood de Mexico," which covers 8,000 square meters of land, will be started in the near future.
All of the buildings will be of the old Spanish type of architecture, and all construction and landscape gardening will be with the aim of making the Hollywood of Mexico one of the most beautiful spots in the national capital of Mexico. Entrance to the studios and grounds generally will be through a massive arch surmounting four large round columns of rubble stones. The studios will be of reinforced concrete. The first studio is expected to be completed and ready for occupancy by the first of April.
American motion picture stars always will find a welcome awaiting them at the Hollywood of Mexico on visits there after the studios are completed. Many of the talking pictures that will be made in the Mexican studios in the Spanish language are expected to reach the United States to entertain the Spanish-speaking residents of the country. They will also create a market in Central and South America, Spain and other countries.

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INCREASE TOMATO ACREAGE
(Associated Press Staff Writer)
YOUNG, Tex., Dec. 9.—Having prospects for the largest acreage ever planted in tomatoes in this section, Young farmers are preparing their land for the 1931 crop, well in advance of planting time. Hot bed planting and resetting will be replaced in most instances this year by outright field planting in an effort to speed up maturity and harvesting of the crops.

CONSTIPATION ILLS
Black-Draught Praised By Illinois Woman Who Tells of Its Many Uses In Her Home.
Cairo, Ill.—"I have used Black-Draught in my home for fifteen years, and it is a splendid medicine," writes Mrs. Bernice Brack, of 230 Thirty-second Street, this city. "Sometimes I am subject to colds and constipation, and I find it to be the finest thing for this."
"My mother used Theoford's Black-Draught in her home for years, and it was there that I began taking it. She thought it was so good that she had me to use it, and I have never found any medicine that would take its place satisfactorily."
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To Seek Pension Bill for Texans

(By Associated Press)
GALVESTON, Tex., Dec. 9.—A bill creating a system of old age relief for the state of Texas has been prepared by Judge J. C. Canty of the 10th District Court here and will be introduced at the next session of the state legislature.
The system of old age relief which the bill proposes is similar to that now in existence in 12 states, Judge Canty declared. The last three states to adopt such a bill were California, Massachusetts, and New York.
Copies of the proposed bill will be sent to people in Texas who have been interested in the formation of an old age relief system, and plans call for concerted action when the bill is introduced in the legislature.
The measure would provide for the payment of aid to any persons who have reached the age of 70; who have been citizens of the United States and residents of the state of Texas at least 15 years before making application for aid; are not inmates of any prisons, infirmaries, insane asylums or any reform or correction institutions at the

time of application for aid, and has no children or other person to support him.
Existing conditions of the person applying for aid would set the amount of aid to be received. Administration of the proposed bill would be controlled by the state comptroller and the county commissioners court of the various counties. Funds for the relief would be provided by the commissioners court.

MARRIED WOMEN WILL STAY ON PAY ROLLS
(By Associated Press)
SAN ANTONIO, December 9.—Married women will not be discriminated against in the hiring of city employees, Mayor C. M. Chambers has declared in answer to a request from the San Antonio Building Trades council that married women be released from the city payroll.
Mayor Chambers declared that his office would show no discrimination against the women employees, but where the city employed both a husband and his wife the least efficient one is to be released.

E. F. Kre has been ill for the past ten days with pneumonia and still is in a serious condition. He became ill a little more than a week ago.

SHORT STATURE PUTS FRENCH PRESIDENT IN SHADE AT CASABLANCA

CASABLANCA, Morocco, Dec. 9.—Moroccan caids are generally big strapping men and stature is regarded among the tribesmen as a necessity of authority.
When President Doumergue of France, a few weeks ago visited the new port of Casablanca, members of his suite were surprised at the volume of cheering which greeted Andre Maginot, minister of war, whenever the latter appeared in public. His welcome often overshadowed that of the president.
Si Khadour ben Ghabrit, chief of the protocol at the court of the sultan, explained: "M. Maginot stands six feet

seven. President Doumergue is only five feet seven. The tribesmen from the mountains, before President Doumergue was pointed out to them, believed that the minister of war was the 'great French chief.'"

RADIO EQUIPMENT PLACED ON 'SUNSHINE SPECIAL' TRAIN
ST. LOUIS, Dec. 9.—Radio receiving equipment has been installed on the Missouri Pacific Lines "Sunshine Special," through passenger train operating from St. Louis through Little Rock, Dallas, Fort Worth, El Paso and other points to Los Angeles and the Pacific Coast, and on the "Texan," companion train in the opposite direction.
The equipment has been installed in lounge cars.

Toys and Games Aren't Enough
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