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## Girl Confesses Aimee Paid Her \$5000 to Tell Story

(By Associated Press)  
**LOS ANGELES, Sept. 13.**—The Los Angeles Examiner, in a copyrighted story today says that Mrs. Lorraine Seilaff, an \$18-a-week seamstress, has made a confession in which she declares that her story of having shared the seaside cottage at Carmel-by-the-Sea, with a sister, the anonymous Miss X-B, and Kenneth Ormiston, was a fake, and she denies the testimony. Mrs. Seilaff, in her confession, says that she received \$5,000 from Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson, the "Four Square Gospel" evangelist, for telling the story that she occupied the cottage with Ormiston.

The authorities have been trying to connect Mrs. McPherson with the seaside cottage scandal in an investigation of her kidnapping story when she alleged that she was kidnapped, carried into Mexico and held a prisoner in a deserted cabin for nearly a month, finally cutting the rope with which she was bound by using a tin can to cut the binding from her arms, and escaped by walking twenty miles through the cactus desert.

Mrs. Seilaff's confession today gives the authorities a new clue to work on.

## COMMISSIONERS ON ROAD MISSION TO STATE CAPITAL

Judge Paul Trimmer, D. W. Yeager, commissioner of precinct No. 2; and George W. Miller, commissioner of precinct No. 3; are in Austin looking after highway affairs.

The three officials left Sunday for the state capital and will return after they have received a hearing with the State Highway Commission.

They will ask that the state designate the highway from Coleman through Winters to Sweetwater.

## MOTHER AND BABY BURIED TOGETHER

The remains of Mrs. T. O. Williams and her infant were laid to rest in the same casket at Winters Sunday afternoon. The mother and baby both died about the same hour at the home of Mrs. Williams in the Winters country Saturday night.

Mrs. Williams was a sister of Mrs. I. D. Thompson of Ballinger, and Mr. and Mrs. Thompson went to Winters to attend the funeral. Mr. Thompson is with the West Texas Lee Company here.

## TO VISIT FAIRS ABILENE-ANGELO

Ballinger boosters will attend both the West Texas Fair at Abilene, Sept. 20 to 25, inclusive, and the All-West Texas Exposition, in San Angelo, Sept. 27 to October 2, inclusive, according to J. D. Motley, secretary of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce.

"These fairs are having no special days for the neighboring towns and counties," Mr. Motley said, "but Ballinger and Runnels county will be represented in the opening parades at both expositions."

Mr. Motley said the trips to these two towns would not be solely Ballinger affairs but that the delegations would comprise citizens from all over the county, and that any citizen residing in Runnels county was invited to make these excursions and to help make them the best ever conducted to boost the Runnels County Fair.

The dates have not been set for these trips, Mr. Motley said, but a meeting of the board of directors of the local chamber of commerce Tuesday will determine the dates.

Ballinger has always had good representations at both fairs and this year larger delegations are expected to go to both cities.

## KANSAS FLOOD CLAIMS LIVES AND BIG DAMAGE

(By Associated Press)  
**EMPORIA, Kans., Sept. 13.**—The Neosho River rose a foot and a half since midnight last night and is threatening to inundate new territory and extending the flood area over a large scope of country.

The continued rise brings increase in damage to buildings and other property and heavy loss in lives resulted yesterday when the flood waters of Cottonwood, Verdigris and Neosho rivers swept a section of Southeastern Kansas of approximately twenty-five miles wide and sixty miles long.

Today's rise was caused by torrents pouring from Cottonwood River into the Neosho River, seven miles Southeast of here. Further damage is expected as the flood waters spread over a wider area.

## BEARCATS WORK FOR FIRST GAME

Not quite two weeks now, and the Ballinger Bearcats will play their maiden game of the 1926 season under the direction of Coach Felton Wright, who has been endeavoring to get some 25 or 30 boys in shape for the team during the past three weeks.

The Bearcats first game comes with the San Angelo eleven in San Angelo on Friday, September 24th, and it is expected that the Bearcats will make a much better showing this year than they have in previous years.

Equipment has been issued all prospective players and Coach Wright has been putting the players through a hard grind. They will all be in shape for the first gridiron battle of the year.

Ballinger business men are expected to support the team this season as they have a first-class high school football coach in charge and one who will put the Bearcats out in a winning team if it can possibly be done.

The Bearcats practice each afternoon at the Fair Park gridiron where all home games of the squad will be played.

Coach Wright invites all those who are interested in football to come out and watch the young hopefuls work out each afternoon. The more interest taken in this game and in the local team by Ballinger citizens, the better the boys will play this year.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Williams and baby, of Gorman, visited Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Williams here Sunday.

Miss Frances Holman left Sunday afternoon for Madison, Wis., where she will attend the University of Wisconsin.

Eugene Underwood has gone to Brady, where he has accepted a position with the Western Weighers Association. Mr. Underwood will be in Brady about four months.

Guy Davis, of Abilene, was in Ballinger Monday looking after business.

Joe Cannon, of the Amarillo News-Globe, who was with Rice, took a bus out of Eden Saturday afternoon for Brady, and continued his trip home Sunday morning via Fort Worth.

Witnesses in Eden, according to Mr. George, said the Chrysler was knocked some 90 feet after the crash. The Pontiac stopped where it struck the Chrysler.

Neither Rice nor Cannon were injured severely although both were badly bruised and shaken.

Judge O. L. Parish left Sunday for Austin, where he will be during the special session of the Texas legislature representing the 92nd district.

## LABOR SHORTAGE TO BE RELIEVED

(By Associated Press)  
**FT. WORTH, Sept. 13.**—Shortage of cotton pickers will be materially relieved after Thursday when between 200 and 300 pickers will be released daily from the San Antonio office of the United States Farm Labor Bureau, C. W. Woodman, manager of the bureau's office here stated today.

He said the Mexican Independence day which is to be celebrated Thursday, is holding up release of pickers from the Rio Grande Valley.

## Special Session Convenes Today; Houses Organize for Business



## Victims of Auto Accident at Eden are Recovering

## BANDITS HOLD NEW YORK MAN IN OLD MEXICO

(By Associated Press)  
**MEXICO, D. F., Sept. 13.**—Jacob Rosenthal, a retired New York business man who came to Mexico as a tourist, is being held a prisoner by bandits who attacked an automobile party some 40 miles from Mexico City late Sunday afternoon.

## FAMOUS LOUVAIN LIBRARY IS HIT BY DEPRECIATION

(By Associated Press)  
**LOUVAIN, Sept. 13.**—Belgium's financial difficulties have swallowed up, at least temporarily, much of the million dollars worth of Belgian bonds presented by Americans to Belgium for rebuilding the famous library destroyed by the Germans in 1914.

Thus the funds contributed by Americans to Louvain have lost much of their original value through Europe's financial crisis and the rebuilding of the Louvain Library may be retarded by many years.

Representatives here of the Foundation Company of New York, under contract to construct the library expect work to stop for lack of funds in the fall, when the foundations and the stack rooms will be completed.

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## MERCILESS PROBE FOR WILLACY CO.

(By Associated Press)  
**RAYMONDVILLE, Sept. 13.**—Stating that an extraordinary condition existed in Willacy county and that circumstances warrant the conclusion that numerous persons had been connected with the shootings last week in which seven men were killed, Judge Cunningham today granted the Willacy county grand jury to make a fair, thorough and merciless investigation of the crime and also of general conditions existing in the county.

## BODY TAKEN FROM GRAVE IS MUTILATED

(By Associated Press)  
**HOUSTON, Sept. 13.**—The body of Miss Mamie Bichon, 31 years old, who committed suicide here last Wednesday, was found partly removed from its grave today.

Detectives opening the coffin found the body badly mutilated. They believe it is the work of a fiend who committed three similar cases here eight years ago. In each instance the body mutilated was that of a young woman who had met with violent death.

## CASTROVILLE SETTLED BY ALSATIANS IN 1840

(By Associated Press)  
**CASTROVILLE, Tex., Sept. 13.**—More than four score years ago a little group of Alsatians founded here a little settlement that was the first between San Antonio and the Rio Grande to survive in the face of Indian attacks and the hardships of pioneer days. Today is the eighty-second anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone of St. Louis' Roman Catholic Church, an event commemorated from year to year, though the original church has given way to another structure.

This village, declared to be changed but little since the day the settlers came in the early 1840's, was named for Henry Castro, their leader. He and several other men of his group had served under Napoleon, some of them participating in the retreat from Moscow.

The population of Castroville, which is 30 miles West of San Antonio, has mixed as the years passed but descendants of the pioneers from Alsace-Lorraine still are here. And tourists going to or from El Paso and the Far West still remark on the quaintness of the village scene—one not unlike a painting of an old master.

Five new suits were filed in the 35th District Court here by Miss Georgia Singletary, district clerk, Friday and Saturday of last week, for service during the October term, which convenes on October 25.

Two cases were to try title; two for divorce, and one for debt.

Miss Margaret Kirk left Sunday afternoon for Austin, where she will attend the University of Texas during the 1926-27 session.

## FIVE NEW SUITS FILED IN COURT

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(By Associated Press)  
**AUSTIN, Sept. 13.**—The special session of the Texas legislature started at noon today with the Senate being the first branch to complete its organization. After being in session for about half an hour it recessed until 2:30 o'clock.

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**AUSTIN, Sept. 13.**—Texas today set out to make valid its obligations of about \$100,000,000 in district road bonds when members of the 39th legislature gathered here at a called session, issued by Governor M. A. Ferguson.

The upper and lower houses were to meet at noon and organize and then recess before going into the business session.

Governor Ferguson will send her communication to the legislature. It is expected to include an issue on the bond validation, an investigation of various state departments, advocacy of a 5-cent gasoline tax to be used as revenue to be applied on the scholastic apportionment.

Several resolutions have been prepared by members of the legislature, some of which call for an investigation of state departments, and repeal of the federal inheritance tax.

Some attack on the present administration is expected to be inaugurated shortly after the session convenes.

New members of the House include Ben Woodall, of Marshall, vice John Jasper, resigned; E. P. Hornaday, of Harlingen, vice Harry Faulk, resigned; B. J. Forbes, of Weatherford, vice F. G. Bedford, resigned.

Miss Ruth McAuley, of Abilene, visited her mother here over the week-end.

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## K. K. K. MEETS IN WASHINGTON

(By Associated Press)  
**WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.**—The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan gathered here today for their third biennial convocation.

The convocation will be ushered in by a parade up Pennsylvania Avenue. The sessions of the gathering will be closed to the general public.

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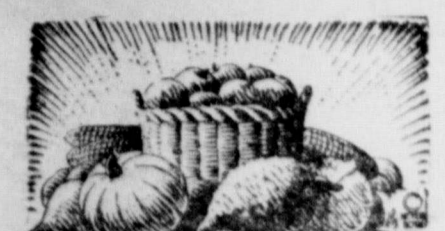
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**SEPT. 19**  
Watch This  
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The automobile has brought many farmers to town to live. Distance to the farm has been eliminated.

At the rate motorists are burning gasoline, three cents per gallon tax will soon create a fund sufficient to tempt the graffers to get busy. Three cents is too much.

The report that East Texas is calling for cotton pickers is of little interest to the farmers of Runnels county. We have our own little troubles, and no sympathy for the other fellow who planted more cotton than he can gather.

Authorities on the question have failed to show us where the law gives any motorist the right to speed along the highways and through cities at a break-neck speed to advertise some make of automobile, or for any other purpose, and endanger the lives and limbs of other people. It is a practice that should be stopped.

The crop condition report in Saturday's Dallas News, illustrated with a map that did not harmonize. The report gave the condition of crops in Runnels county as "fair," while the map pictured the crops as "poor." The local correspondent for the News sent in the report but had nothing to do with making the map. This is the second time this little discrepancy has occurred much to the vexation of those who have a pride in our county. The News should be more careful.

West Texas baseball fans have revived the agitation for a circuit in this section of the state again. It is proposed to connect Big Spring, Colorado, Sweetwater and Abilene on the T. & P., and Ballinger, San Angelo and Comman on the Santa Fe and Winters on the A. & S. Beginning at this time and keeping up persistent boosting might put it over. Smaller towns in East Texas are doing it.

The fireworks began to explode at Austin Monday, and for probably thirty days at least a work will be carried on which will either hinder or help the development of Texas. Naturally every tax payer is somewhat apprehensive for fear that his pocket-book will be touched pretty heavy, and the chances are somebody will have to dig up. It is hardly possible to keep two or three hundred politicians together a month without considerable cost to the tax payers.

Mrs. Cordelia Giesecke and Miss Ann Louise Bather visited in San Angelo Monday.

**Heads Band To Appear At State Fair, Dallas**



A. F. THAVIU

Thaviu's Exposition Band, coming from engagements at the Sesqui-centennial, Philadelphia, and the Steel Pier, Atlantic City, will be heard in free concert at the Auditorium, during the State Fair of Texas, Dallas, Oct. 9-24.

**HORSE SHOW EVENTS AT STATE FAIR TO HAVE EIGHT CLASSES**

Entries for the horse show to be held during the 1926 State Fair of Texas, Dallas, Oct. 9-24, close on Monday, Oct. 4, according to the premium list, and all premiums are open to the world.

W. L. Yopp is director in charge of the horse show division and C. B. Teems will judge the different classes. There are eight classes, including the equestrian events, in which only amateur riders are eligible. All animals competing must be entered in the names of bona fide owners and the animals must be named when entered.

The classes include saddle horses to halt, five-gaited; the novelty class, in which all horses on the grounds must be shown; the five-gaited sweepstakes, the walk, trot and canter, wherein competitors in the five-gaited class are not eligible, hunters and jumpers; the equestrian for lady and gentlemen riders and for boy and girl riders, under 14 years of age, and for a team of four lady riders, representing a club. The class for harness and saddle ponies includes Shetlands and others than Shetlands, and no entry may be over 40 inches in height.

**POULTRYMEN PLAN FOR BIG DAY AT FAIR**  
Poultrymen's Day at the State Fair of Texas, Dallas, Oct. 9-24 this year, will be one of the red-letter days of the exposition, according to Walter Burton of Arlington, Texas, superintendent.

Highly enthusiastic over prospects for the State Fair show, which will be held Oct. 9 to Oct. 18 inclusive, Mr. Burton declares that arrangements for Poultrymen's Day anticipate all sort of events of paramount interest to breeders and the general public.

**FREE BAND CONCERTS STATE FAIR FEATURE**

Free concerts in the great Auditorium by A. F. Thaviu's "Exposition Band" are to be featured at the 1926 State Fair of Texas, Dallas, Oct. 9-24.

On two afternoons each week, the concert will be given in addition to excerpts from the well known operas. On such days a nominal admission fee is to be charged. The band concerts alone, however, will be absolutely free.

According to the schedule, the free concerts will be given in the morning on days when there are to be musical performances of "Princess Flavia." On non-musical days, Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays—the band will be heard in the afternoon. Morning hours will be from 11 to 12:30 o'clock, and afternoons from 2 until 3:30.

Thaviu's organization will come to the State Fair following engagements at the Sesqui-centennial Exposition Philadelphia and the famous Steel Pier at Atlantic City. In the personnel of the band and singers who are to offer the grand opera excerpts there are artists of soloists of international reputation.

**TEXAS RANKS FIRST IN PRODUCTION OF WOOL**

Texas, with a production of 25,804,000 pounds, ranked first among the wool producing states of the nation in figures estimating the 1926 clip, as announced by a Salt Lake City statistician. Utah was second and Montana third, with Utah's increase the greatest, figuring at more than 2,000,000 pounds over the showing of last year. Some conception of Texas' rank as a sheep growing and wool producing state may be had from the exhibits in the sheep and goat department at the State Fair of Texas. J. M. Jones is superintendent, and A. K. Mackey of College Station, assistant in the department. Judging will take place on Tuesday Oct. 12.

**VISITS ANGELUS TEMPLE**

Mrs. S. W. Hampton, formerly of this city, and who now resides at Port Arthur, Texas, stopped off here Sunday en route from Los Angeles, where she had been visiting her daughter and son of that place, to see her sons, J. P. and J. M. Hampton, of the Jeanes Co. While in Los Angeles Mrs. Hampton attended a Sunday service at the Angelus Temple and heard Aimee Semple McPherson lecture. Curiosity, more than anything else, Mrs. Hampton said, prompted her to visit the famous temple. Words, she said, could not describe the magnificent temple and grounds surrounding it, the wonderful white robed choir and orchestra, the masses that fought their way to hear the woman preacher, and the devotion that her followers were showing her. However, she states, California, like Texas, has an element that is skeptical as to the truthfulness of the recent McPherson kidnapping story.

**No Cropped Waitresses for London Restaurants**

LONDON, Sept. 11. — Cafes must be as careful about the appearance of their waitresses as modistes are about their mannequins, and as many girls cannot possibly look smart with an Eton crop the manager of a great London catering concern has decreed that the women in his employ must not have their hair cropped.

"Some girls look all right with their hair cropped, but others are a fright," declared the manager. "Consequently we have decided to make the universal rule that the Eton crop is not to appear in our staffs. There is nothing in the world uglier than a girl with bad ears and a bad-shaped head when she has her hair cropped. The appearance of waitresses is such a vital thing in the cafe business that we have to be very careful about how our staffs dress and deport themselves."

Miss Tama Key Coulter left for Menard Sunday, where she will teach in the schools of that city.

Miss Elizabeth Coulter has gone to a ranch in the Fort Stockton section, where she has accepted a place as governess and tutor.

Mrs. John Q. McAdams and children, of Winters, were the guests of Mrs. McAdams' sister, Mrs. Henry Jones Sunday.



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**PERSONALS WANTED**

Personals make good local news and Ballinger people want to see who is coming and going and all that concerns local citizens. It is a hard matter, a proposition to gather personals and city briefs, but the subscribers of this paper could assist in keeping the sheet full of locals, personal mention and city briefs if they would call the office and report same. All calls will be given prompt and courteous attention. Use your telephone—call No. 27.

**Real Estate Transfers**

**Warranty Deeds**  
Morgan Jones et al to Sam Wyatt, a lot of the Broad & Romar subdivision and parts of blocks Nos. 4, 5 and 6 of the J. W. Murray addition to the city of Winters, August 16, for the sum of \$1,250.

**Mineral Deeds**  
Len Mapes et ux to R. G. Erwin et al, 1/2 of the 1-8 of all oil, gas and other minerals produced' on 170 acres of the Jno. Brown survey No. 100 1-2, and of the R. A. Smith survey No. 102, September 9, for the sum of \$10 and other valuable considerations.

**Royalty Deeds**  
Q. V. Miller to W. J. Halfmann an undivided 1-8 interest in and to all oil, gas and other minerals produced on 213.33 acres of the Johann Kohler survey No. 104, September 3, for the sum of \$125.

CROSBYTON — An extensive building campaign is under way here.

**NEW OIL BUSINESS FOR BALLINGER**

A. O. Bartlett, formerly connected with the Santa Fe railroad in this city, has resigned from the railroad business and has secured the agency for Texhoma oils in Ballinger's trade territory.

The Texhoma Oil & Refining Company, of Wichita Falls, has leased a lot on the A. & S. right-of-way near the Ballinger Gin Co. plant, at the end of Eighth Street, and a fine station house has been erected with storage tanks in connection. Mr. Bartlett has opened up for business and will be in position to take care of all orders.

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**Notice**

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**FLYERS RISK THEIR OWN LIVES FOR OTHERS' SAFETY**

(By Associated Press)  
 DAYTON, O., Sept. 11.—The unknown quantity is the big thing at McCook Field. And airplane crack-ups, while not exactly courted, are more or less expected.  
 McCook Field is the experimental field for the United States Army Air Corps, and all ships and pieces of equipment for ships are given thorough tests before they are adopted for general use.  
 It is the work of McCook Field test pilots—those who have crashed to their deaths as Lieut. E. H. Barksdale did recently and those who have survived through near-miracles—that has made possible the safety with which mail planes and commercial aircraft now skim the skies.  
 A new ship is built. A pilot is assigned to take it up. And when he does, he never knows how he will return to earth, for a new ship is an unknown quantity. The "x" of algebra days never figures more largely than it does in a test flight at McCook Field.  
 The Army Air Corps picks the cream of its flyers for these jobs. It is not so much a question of risking the lives of its best men, as of having for test pilots men who understand the ships and will know what the trouble is—who will be able, after the crash, if they pull through—to tell expertly and without hesitation what it was that caused the crash.  
 The pilot's only protection against the unknown quantity is his parachute, which he wears strapped to him. This comparatively flimsy bit of silk is his sole protection and through tests at McCook Field they have been perfected to a point where they rarely fail. And every pilot killed at McCook Field adds to the measure of safety which attends aviation today.

**CHAMPION EATER WILL NOT VISIT AMERICA**  
 (By Associated Press)  
 LONDON, Sept. 11.—George Leader, the 238-pound eating contest champion of Middlesborough has declined an invitation to visit the United States and take part in a world's championship event. Pressure of business in this line at home is the reason, he says.  
 "I have two matches on hand," he explained, "and I want to get those over before I consider any more."  
 Leader has won all thirteen matches in which he has been engaged in the last few years. He will be heavily handicapped in his next match by having to eat a pound of broiled ham and a dozen eggs before his opponent starts. Nevertheless, he is confident of winning.  
 In easily winning his last match, in which his opponent retired after three pounds of ham and forty eggs had been consumed, Leader gave an exhibition of what a really good eater can do. He dispatched the 19 eggs that were left and completed his feast with steak and kidney pudding and cream cakes.

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**STONE SELLS INTEREST IN SYKES OVERLAND CO.**

C. R. Stone has sold his interest in the Stone-Sykes Motor Co. to O. C. Sykes and the business will be known as the Sykes Overland Company.  
 Mr. Stone, about five months ago purchased an interest from Mr. Sykes, and was actively connected with the business. He sold back to Mr. Sykes about ten days ago.  
 Mr. Stone has not announced what his business intentions are but he is expected to remain in Ballinger.

**GOOD YEAR Shoe Rebuilding**

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**Movies**

**New Meighan Film Arrives in Town**

Florida—with its bathing girls and auction sales makes its screen debut in Tom Meighan's latest Paramount picture, "The New Klondike," which opens at the Queen Theatre today for a two-day run.  
 From what one is able to gather, this modern Southern state would seem to be in quite a flurry of excitement. People sleep on the sidewalks and fight on the identical pavements—all in the search and hunt for gold. It is a repetition of the "old Klondike" in a new setting, with brains being used instead of bullets.

The star is seen as Tom Kelly, a baseball pitcher who is bound for Florida and the training camp. On the way he meets Lila Lee who is going to visit her grandmother, and get rid of some property.  
 Arrived at camp, Tom is surprised to find that Cooley, his manager, has had him discharged. Despondent, and not knowing what to do, Tom accidentally becomes involved in a real estate deal. Soon he has made more money than he thought existed in the whole world. He drives up to the ball field and orders the team off by flashing a deed which shows him to be the rightful owner.  
 The men are jealous and induce Tom to admit them as partners.

He agrees to do this and soon has them all on the road to wealth. As a result, the team forgets about hits and bunts, and thinks in terms of leases and sales. Then Tom is let in on a false deal; and just as fast as the money had come in—now it all disappears. He is broke—with only a piece of worthless swamp land for his pain and effort.  
 What happens then, and how he succeeds in pulling through, go to make up the remainder of an interesting picture. Ring Lardner wrote the tale, which is full of Lardner's characteristic touches. It is a Paramount picture.

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PORT ARTHUR—Improvement of drainage facilities in territory across the Beaumont highway from Lambert addition is proceeding rapidly.

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**The New Klondike**

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**Card of Thanks**

We wish to take this means to thank our many friends and neighbors for the many kind deeds and timely assistance rendered us in the recent sickness and death of our father and grandfather.

We wish to express our appreciation for the kind words of sympathy also for the nice floral offering.

May God bless each and every one who took part in any way.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Caudle and Children. 13-1td-1tw

**O. E. S. Meeting**  
Stated meeting of the Ballinger Chapter of the Eastern Star tonight at 8:00 o'clock.

Members are urged to attend. Visitors are cordially invited. Mrs. Lucy Moser, W. M. Mrs. Jennie Kirk, Secretary. 13-1td

Be wise and advertise.

**MEXICAN TRADE OF INTEREST HERE**

(By Associated Press)  
HOUSTON, Sept. 13.—Perhaps no other section of the United States is watching economic and trade developments in Mexico closer than Texas.

"Any changes in Mexico affecting our business are reflected immediately in export circles in Texas and New Mexico," Ernest L. Tutt, district manager of the Texas and New Mexico office of the United States Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, said in connection with a recent survey of conditions in the adjoining republic as affecting shipments from the United States.

There is a sectional aspect to Mexican affairs which should not be overlooked by the Southern shipper who does a large business with Mexican importers, Mr. Tutt said.

"It need not necessarily be taken for granted that developments in one section will spontaneously affect business similarly in all parts of Mexico," Mr. Tutt said. "For that reason Southern exporters will do well to keep in touch with individual states to which their particular shipments are made, rather than to take it for granted that indications in one part of the country apply generally."

Mr. Tutt is in possession of valuable consular reports from Vera Cruz, Guadalajara, and Chihuahua, which, he believes are of interest to business men.

In Guadalajara, a report says, the trend is downward, money is short, collections are slow and risk seems to be attached to all operations.

A feeling of unrest is prevalent in all lines of business in Chihuahua during the first six months of the present year, another report says, despite the flourishing condition of mining. Crop prospects are good.

In the Vera Cruz district American imports have increased some.

**FEAR KEEPS FAMOUS WRITERS FROM SCREEN**

(By Associated Press)  
NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The moving picture industry can get more "big names" of fiction and play writing to do stories for the screen if the fear of most dramatists that the films are a foreign field can be broken down.

Such is the opinion of Owen Davis, eminent playwright and chairman of the Authors League of America, who wrote the play, "Forever After," and recently aided in its screen production by the First National Company.

"The movies seem to be a bug-aboo to many well known writers today, whose works would be a great contribution to the screen," he said.

"They feel that the cinema is an absolutely different medium of expression than the stage. It isn't. The two are progressing together in such a close association that I personally feel there is little difference in their drama."

"A good yarn," Mr. Davis said, "will be a good yarn whether it is told between the covers of a book, on the boards of the stage or the silver-sheet of the pictures. "Fiction is fiction, no matter what its medium of expression and if it is conceived by an imaginative mind it will be born a vivid story no matter where it is offered for public approval."

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**MANY ATTEND PIONEER'S FUNERAL**

More than one hundred automobiles were parked at Evergreen Cemetery Sunday afternoon, while the last sad rites were performed in laying to rest the remains of W. T. Caudle, a pioneer citizen and veteran of the Civil War.

Mr. Caudle died at the home of his son, D. E. Caudle East of Hatchel at 2:00 o'clock Saturday morning. He was 84 years of age and for several years had been in feeble health, although able to go from place to place and visit with his children. He made his home with his son, D. E. Caudle.

The funeral services were held at the Church of Christ in Hatchel at 3:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Rev. Ernest Allen, of Abilene, conducted the services, and the church was filled to overflow with friends of the family, quite a number coming from a distance to attend the funeral.

A long funeral procession

formed and followed the body to Evergreen Cemetery where they were laid to rest. Messrs. Crews and Jennings, of the Higginbotham undertaking department, were in charge of the arrangements.

The active pallbearers were: Frank Kemp, W. B. Currie, J. W. Hendrick, R. R. Reams, Scott Guin, and Ernest Moore. The honorary pallbearers were Mack Gunn, M. A. Bales, Willard McMillan, R. M. Bales, Mitchell Moore and Carl Reams.

Dr. T. A. Rape is reported to be gradually growing weaker, and those watching by his bedside expect this pioneer physician to pass away at any time. Dr. Rape has been confined to his home and in bed for several months, and for some time no hope for his recovery has been promised. He was one of the first physicians to settle in this country, residing at Old Runnels several years before Ballinger was established and travelling on

horseback visited the sick on ranches throughout the country.

Mrs. Claud Wilmeth and daughter, Miss Fannie, and Misses Evelyn and Edna Routh visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Blagg at Brownwood Sunday.

Misses Adda Ward and Katherine Pagn have returned from Brownwood, where they had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Latham.

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