

April 15, 1921

## VALEDICTORY

April 29, 1914, Ye Editor signed the papers for controlling interest in the Giddings News, to become effective May 1, 1914. April 30th, 1921, he will sign papers selling his interest in the News to become effective May 1, 1921, thus, for 7 years he has given his active management to the News and Job Printing. C. M. Bishop, will on May 1st, become Editor and Manager of the Giddings News Pub. Co., taking over all interest of H. G. Bishop and also his position. During these seven years, it has been with much pleasure he has tried to give you the local happenings, and at times which it was a struggle to do for News items get scarce as well as other things. During these years it seems we have gone through the worst stages of life we could ever hope to or ever want to again. Before he hardly became familiar with the plant the war broke out and threw a damper on business which we suffered as all other lines. We have had drouths, rainy seasons, sickness and mostly all kinds of mishaps. Through it all we have stood at our post and baffled the waves such as they came. As mentioned before, he will leave here Monday, May 2nd, about noon, going to Cameron to spend the night and on to Dallas the next day where he will again be with the Ginnier & Miller Pub. Co. of Dallas, a company he was with some 6 or 7 years before returning to Giddings. C. M. Bishop while taking over the News will not be able to get here to devote all of his time for some three or four weeks, after his school is out, when he will move here and again be a resident and assume charge of the News.

I desire to thank each and every one, collectively and individually, who have in any way contributed to the success such as the News has enjoyed. Your patronage has been appreciated and we have tried to give you satisfactory work.

A newspaper is a public enterprise which has to have the co-operation of the public to exist. This applies not only to news items, but job printing as well, in a town this size. We feel we have enjoyed a liberal share of your patronage and trust we have given satisfaction, in both ways.

In leaving you, we must confess it with a sigh of regret. I know I have made friends, I know I have made enemies. Enemies, for the reason you thought I was against you, you were mistaken, I was for you but you did not realize it. Now that I am leaving you, I assure you I hold no malice towards those who may hold such against me, and instead of wishing you harm, I do not, but wish you every success possible.

I ask the public to show their same cooperation towards C. M. Bishop as you have shown me. I feel that he will give you a better paper than I have. I know that many of you know

him that do not know me and regardless of what his position has been heretofore, I feel that when he assumes his place that he will be where he realizes that he is serving the public again, only in a different attitude, and that with your cooperation he will be able to give you a paper that you will appreciate.

Again thanking you one and all and bidding you a "Good Bye" Monday about noon, I wish one and all much happiness and prosperity.

Ye Editor, H. G. BISHOP.