

## **The Giddings News**

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### **HE'S REDUCING**

Otto Hielscher, thrifty farmer of Northrup, thought that as reducing was the program of the day, he would try reducing in various ways. Last winter when it was raining so much that he could not work in the field, he began to reduce his amount of farm work and he began to fatten up. In fact, he became so fat that his clothes became uncomfortable and he could hardly tie his shoes. He decided that he had increased enough, so decided to reduce his avoirdupois and went to real hard work and his surplus flesh began to dwindle away. He is now back to normalcy, his cheeks no more wads of fat and his wife says he looks like his real self.

Otto says the rains during July ruined prospects for a good cotton crop and he fears the tap root has rotted away, which means no cotton to the farmer who understands that cotton is a dry weather plant and the tap root is the feeder root. Corn is short, grass is good and the turkey crop is coming along as usual with him. He is one of the largest turkey growers in the county. Otto's son, Dalton, who is in the U. S. Navy, and has been in the Hawaiian Islands for some time, is now at San Diego, Cal.