

The Giddings News

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Raid by Rangers

A group of Texas Rangers headed by Sergeant J. B. Wheatley with headquarters at San Antonio, assisted by Rangers Molesworth, Bledsoe and Buck Taylor, came to Giddings Wednesday at noon, completing a raid over parts of the county near Loebau. On their trip they found

11 stills

over 300 gallons of mash

15 to 20 gallons of whiskey

160 pint bottles of beer

20 gallons of home made wine.

They smashed ten stills, bringing one along with them, and after bringing a quantity of each substance found, they destroyed the remainder of their "find" of beverages. They visited residences of people in broad open daylight Wednesday morning and said the people offered no resistance.

Engelbert Reuther and Ernst Mitschke were in company with the Rangers and the parties proceeded to Austin where it was understood that charges would be filed for violating the prohibition laws.