

Cisco.

Da es vielleicht manchen der Leser vom Volksblatt interessieren würde, auch etwas von unserer Gegend zu lesen, so will ich mich auch einmal bequemen und eine kleine Correspondenz ein-senden.

Viele Leser werden wohl von dem bergigen und steinigten Cisco gehört haben, manche werden's auch schon ge-sehen haben — vielleicht nur vom Bahns Fenster, und die werden mit Recht sagen, daß es eine reizende und bergige Gegend ist, und doch ist der größte Theil dieses County's aus ebenem Lande, ohne Steine. Das Land ist zum Theil sandiger und zum Theil schwarzer gemischter Boden. Der Preis steht zwischen \$10 und \$30 per Acre, und da nun noch eine neue Bahn gebaut wird, ist der Preis beständig im Steigen.

Am 1. Juni wurde unsere Gegend schrecklich von Wind, Hagel und Hoch-wasser heimgesucht. Der Hagel schlug Alles kurz und klein. Corn, Baumwolle, Hafer, Obst und alles Gemüse, ja selbst Busch und Bäume wurden stellenweise ganz laß geschlagen, und will ich hier einige von unseren Deutschen nennen, die schwer betroffen wurden: Vater Wende, Otto Weiser, Wm. Eifert, Emil Winge, Wm. Stroebel, Carl Wende, Heinrich Stroebel. Die Romney Gemelde ist nicht so schwer betroffen worden.

Gruß an Verwandte und Bekannte,
O. Wende.

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Since it would probably be of interest to many readers of the *Volksblatt* to hear from our region I will also try to send a letter correspondence.

Many readers will undoubtedly have heard of Cisco's hilliness and rockyness — and may even have seen it — maybe from a train window, and they will be able to say with some truth that it is a very hilly, stoney region, and in spite of it all the largest part of the country is level and without any stones. The soil is fairly sandy and partly black. The price of land varies — between \$10 and \$30 per acre, and as another railroad is being built the price is constantly rising.

On July 1 the region was hit by a terrible hailstorm. The hail battered everything to bits: corn, cotton, oats, fruit and vegetable, even the forests and trees in some areas were turned into bare trunks.

I would like to mention some families of German origin whose farms were struck by this storm: Father Wende, Otto Weiser, Wm. Eifert, Emil Winge, Wm Stroebel, Carl Wende, Heinrich Stroebel. The Romney area was not hit as hard.

Greetings to relatives and acquaintances.

O. Wende

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Since some of the readers of the *Volksblatt* might also be interested in reading something about our area, I will accommodate and send in a short correspondence.

Many readers have probably heard about the mountainous and rocky Cisco; some will have seen it already — perhaps only from a train window, and they would be right to say, that it is a stony and mountainous area. Yet for the greatest part this county consists of flat land, without rocks. The land is partly sandy and partly black mixed soil. The price stands between \$10 and \$30 per acre, and now that a new railway is being built, the price continues to rise.

On June 1 our area was lashed terribly with wind, hail and flood. The hail beat down everything short and small. Grain, cotton, oats, fruit and all vegetables, even bushes and trees in places were beaten totally bald.

Here I will name several of our Germans who were hit hard: Father Wende, Otto Weiser, Wm. Eifert, Emil Winge, Wm. Stroebel, Carl Wende, Heinrich Stroebel. The Romney community was not hit so hard.

Greetings to relatives and acquaintances,

O. Wende

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