

Valley Mills

(Coryell County)

The cotton picking is in progress and if it does not rain, the people will be finished with the picking in a few weeks.

Sunday the 4th of September, Pastor Daude from Killeen preached to St. John's Congregation. He said that in his area it is also quite dry and consequently the cotton is quite devastated and withered. Yes, he said, that in some fields, whole cotton rows are already considered ruined.

On 18 September, we celebrate that our Pastor K Ermisch will again preach in our midst after his return from Germany.

I was recently in Gatesville and saw the two railroads being built. The Temple Northwestern has the rail bed finished and the Cotton Belt is already setting the rail to Hamilton. How far they already are, I do not know.

Also, Gatesville has plans of another train from Hardeman to Rockford with a new company. So therefore Coryell will be left out again. I think the people here must not be active enough. Otherwise, I do not know what is to blame.

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