## Valley Mills

(Coryell County)

## Worthy Volksblatt!

On Monday the 12th of September we had a rain shower, which soaked the soil about 2 inches. It was not much, but hopefully more will come soon.

Everyone is now busy picking cotton. Since the price is a pretty good, it is worth picking already. Clean cotton currently is 13-25c a pound, and cottonseed per ton \$25.00. Grain is 50c, up to 60c. per bushel. Wheat is \$1.00 and above per bushel.

As we were told, by my in-laws Fritz Buth, Fraulein Louise Kleibrink from Wehdem, Westphalia, Germany, leaves the 22<sup>nd</sup> of the month for a return trip to America again. Miss Caroline will stay with her worthy parents in the old home. Miss Caroline we would be very happy if you or the parents would like to tell us in the *Volksblatt* about your old home and your wellbeing. When Louise will arrive, I will tell you later. So now I want to close for today and greet the *Volksblatt* readers.

The *Volksblatt* has expired
That's what happened to me now, also last year.
Put an end to the malady.
Pay it now, until the year after Christmas.
So I send in two dollars today.
The *Volksblatt* must be paid.
Also hope, that everyone pays the *Volksblatt* sooner.
Every worker is worth his wages.

Gustav Symank

Translated by Sandra McNeely

Louise and Caroline Kleibrink (Kleybrink) were Mrs. Buth's nieces. They came to Texas in 1906 to visit their brother, Fritz, and returned home to Germany after a year as promised to their mother. Later, they each immigrated to Texas, Louise in 1910 and Caroline in 1911.

Berthes Bolleblattl m Eromas ven 12. Cept. en wir einen fleinen Schauer Regen, welcher bas Erbreich ungeg 2 Roll einweichte. es ja nicht, aber beffentlich tommt balb mebr. Bebermann ift fest fleißig beim Baumwoll-Bfluden. Da ber Breis ein recht Guter ift, fo lobat fich bas BRuden ichon. Gereinigte Baumwolle loftet gegenwartig 13-26f bas Bjund, und Baumwellfamen per Tone \$25.00. Rorn toftet boc, bis boc, per Bufbel. Beigen \$1.00 unb barfibet bet Buffel. Ge wie uns befannt gemacht murbe,bou meinen Schwiegereitern Rria Buth. fo ift Braulein Louife Rleibrint bon Bebbem, Beftphalen. Dentichland, feitbem 22. b. Mis. wieber auf ber Madreife noch Amerita begriffen, Ardulein Caroline bei ibren merthen Eltern in bet alten Beimath bleiben wirb. Fraulein Caroline mir warden und febr freuen, wenn bu ober bie Gitern uns im Bolleblatt von eurer wertben alten Deimath und euerm Boblergeben berichten mbetet. Main Louife antommen wird, werde ich End fpater mitteilen! Go will ich nun für beute fchliegen, und bie gange Bolteblattlejet gruben. Das Bollsblatt mir abgelanfen war. Bo gings mir lebt, and borleht Jahr. Bill bem Uebel bed ein Cabe maden. and, bağ jeber bas Bollsbiati efci nkab Symant.