

FIFTY-ONE YEARS AGO

Aug. 8, 1890

Visitors in Giddings: Dr. De-Long of Fedor; Dr. McLarty, Squire Dorsett, J. S. Reat, Wm. Stockton, Gus Stockton and daughter, all of Dime Box; Miss Mattie Bachman of Paige; Gus Eschberger of McDade; H. N. Lay of Fedor; Capt. Rector of Austin; R. J. Carothers of Deanville; J. M. Renick of Lexington; Wm. Schubert, postmaster at Fedor; Nelson Williams of La Grange; P. A. Pampell and wife of Serbin; Deputy Sheriff Belsher of Lexington; V. B. Shearin, Darden Springs; John Dismukes of the Knobbs; Richard Morse of Georgetown; Miss Minnie Ahrendt of Lexington; Miss Sophie Stockton of Bell County.

Giddingsites visiting elsewhere: Mr. and Mrs. J. Renick, Mrs. O. A. Bexley and children, to Lexington; W. H. Cherry and family to Bell County; Misses Emma Burns and Annie Weaver to Independence; Miss Ella Darrow to Houston; H. Bluman, wife and baby to Houston.

Those on sick list: Ernest Robinson and Miss Jennie Collier.

Serbin. - Ernest Zschech is on the sick list. John Biar is visiting in Brenham.

Mr. Ernst Wiederaenders and Miss Mary Umlang are to be married Aug. 14.

To Parents in Giddings: We take this means of notifying you that your children are endangering their lives by climbing and playing on the trains and cars while they are in motion, which we think if known to you you will put a stop to. If some action is not taken on your part, there will be a few arrests made which we would be glad to avoid.

M. Dunlap, Agt., S. A. & A. P.
G. E. Kelly, Agt., H. & T. C.
First Bale: Last Monday morning about 9 o'clock Mrs. Peschke of Grassyville drove into Giddings with the first bale of cotton. It was purchased by I. J. Fariss who paid the liberal price of 12½c. a pound for it. The premium paid on it was 1½c. per pound. Mrs. Peschke was just in time, however, for in the evening another bale was brought in. Price paid for cotton this week was about 11c.

Deanville. - We are needing rain badly since it has not rained since June 6. Everything is drying up. Corn that has not been worked is a total failure. Cotton is looking well considering the dry weather. The camp meeting is progressing fine. Sam Miller and sister of Giddings were at the meeting. Mrs. E. W. Folkes is suffering with a bone felon.

Dime Box. - Crops are almost burned up since we have had no rain in 7 - 8 weeks. It will take 3 - 5 acres to make a bale of cotton. Corn will not average 15 bu. per acre. There is a good deal of sickness in the neighborhood. Wm. Ramsey after an illness of a week, died. We have lost one of our best neighbors. Mr. Ramsey leaves a devoted wife, four sons and one daughter. He was 79 years old. Rev. Rhodes and Rev. Airhart commenced a protracted meeting here July 16 and continued it to Aug. 1. There were 6 converts and as many back-

sliders. Revs. Rhodes and Airhart went to Stein Prairie to assist Rev. Stephen in a protracted meeting at that place. They had quite a revival at Buffalo camp grounds this time. There were 20 or more confessions. Mr. R. A. Knox left last week for Kimball County to be gone a month. Dr. Williams of Giddings is visiting Mrs. R. A. Knox here. L. K.

Billingsley and family left for Frio County to seek out a home. J. T. Reat and Wm. Walthell have the contract to build a slough bridge near the Robinson crossing on Middle Yegua. J.S.R.