

FIFTY YEARS AGO

From The Giddings News,  
May 22, 1891

Corn at the Grange Store, 95c per bu.; Corn meal, 85c; Granulated sugar, 14 lbs. for \$1.00.

H. Bluman has bought the Adkins stock of goods.

Galvanized barbed wire at Knox's, at 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ c per lb.

Choice hay for sale, E. E. Bryan.

The Maifest given by the Schuetzen Verein was a grand success. Music was by the Carmine band. Receipts were \$277.

Last Saturday at 9 a. m. the jolliest and most sprightly crowd of young ladies and gentlemen accompanied by the old folks boarded the Aransas Pass passenger for the Colorado River to enjoy a picnic. Everybody brought heavy baskets of delicious eatables which were soon spread. Fishing was tried but our efficient County Attorney I. H. Bowers purchased a string of fish. The following includes those in attendance: Mesdames I. H. Bowers, E. W. Flack; A. E. Northrup, Misses Kennie, Julia, Mamie, Lou and Mary Williams, Lulax and Alice Flack, Eva McGuire, Irene Doak, Winnie Eason, Mamie Burns, Maud Fields, Annie Northrup, Mamie and Louise Bowers; Messers I. H. Bowers, R. H. and Haden Northrup, Frank Flack, Clinton and Charles Williams, Morris Burns, Richard Folkes, Harry Knox, and J. D. Northrup.

Oscar Jersig of Ledbetter, Joseph Knittel of Taylor, Wm. Schubert of Houston, Miss Portia Barnhill of Lexington, visited in Giddings.

String Prairie: Crops were never better. D. M. Highes has laid by 16 acres of corn which is shoulder high. Messers Ballard and Engelhart, two of Lexington's gallant young men, were here Sunday.

Wedding. Mr. Paul Knittel and Miss Agnes Schubert were married Sunday at the Lutheran church by Rev. Krenke. A delicious supper was served after the ceremony at the residence of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. August Schubert. The happy couple, accompanied by some relatives took a tour to Huston. Those from Houston attending the wedding were: Mrs. Augusta Mueller, Sophie Lottmann, Gettie Proetzel, Wm. Schubert; from Bastrop, Messers Joe and Albert Knittel; from Greenvine, Mrs. Mary Bartels, Wm. Seidel and lady Miss Emily Seidel and Mr. John Gilmore; from Serbin, Prof. H. Woerner and family and Mrs. Mary Kepel.

Blue. Farmers are up with crops. The Sabbath school is very successful at the Cain schoolhouse. J. M. Willingham is superintendent. We have preaching three Sundays in a month. There seems to be a great deal of sickness. Our old teacher E. B. Echols has returned from West Texas. The school at Old Shiloh was out Friday. The teacher was Mr. Willie York. He has pleased the people very much, they were

very sorry to have to give him up.

Serbin. Ben Kessel, one of Winchester's pleasant young men, was in Serbin Sunday. August Nakunz and Miss Theresa Liberty passed through our city Sunday. G. Preuss, E. Schulz and J. Mrosko were gathering cattle Monday. Aug. Schulz, Hm. and John Noack were hunting last week. Miss Christiana Paulo passed thru Serbin Sunday. Aug. Schatte visited Winchester Sunday.

Commissioners Court: Jim Henly, burying pauper, \$8. Robert Maxfield, digging grave, \$3. F. Killough, special officer at inquest, \$2.50. Chas. Moodyman, work on jail, \$1.50. H. Luecke, flue covers, 80c. J. S. Scarborough, sheriff, feeding prisoners, \$193.80. Bus Schubert, work on court house, \$3. Mrs. Relling for goods destroyed by fire on account of small pox, \$79.

The First National Bank report, May 4, 1891. Loans and

discounts, \$55,788.19. U. S. bonds to secure circulation, \$12,500. Other resources make a total of \$94,992.28. Capital stock, \$50,000. Surplus, \$500. Undivided profits \$2,447.87. Individual deposits subject to check, \$9,839.10. J. A. Fields, P. M. Cuny, Ed. R. Sinks.