

FIFTY YEARS AGO

June 26, 1891

Visitors in Giddings: Misses Julia and Carrie Sass of Houston, Miss Lila Bell Waggoner of Austin with Miss Carrie Knox, Sam Lackey of Cuero, Miss Maggie Baker of Waco, Cyrus Hillsman of Ledbetter, Willie Williams of Brenham.

Mrs. Clemons and grandson Harry Cherry are visiting in Brenham. Mrs. Ben M. Frye and daughter Miss Sallie have returned from Brownwood.

The board of trustees will meet the first Monday in July to select teachers for the Giddings school.

The Grange Store will be closed July 1, 1891 for taking stock.

Sunday school committee was appointed as follows: R. E. Harris, W. A. Folkes, John Darden, James Williams, R. H. Northrup to formulate a plan for the Sunday schools of the town.

Jimmie Warren was kicked by a mule which he was driving to water.

V. T. Ely will open a writing school at the school house for sixteen lessons. A good handwriting guaranteed or no charges will be made. Terms \$3.00.

Deanville. — Miss Lillian Bowers returned home Sunday, accompanied by Gus Michel, Horace Chriesman, Walter Mays, Harry Stuart, Tom and Tee Awalt serenaded the town Monday night. The marriage of Dr. Cole to Miss Awalt was announced. A nice time was spent at J. L. Dean's Tuesday night. Crops are fine.

Serbin. — Ernst Zschech had his picture taken by J. R. Ellis of Giddings Saturday. Rev. H. Killian preached in Austin Sunday. Prof. G. A. Killian was in Austin Sunday. Ben Kessel of Winchester left for Waco. Squire Miertschin and family paid Giddings a visit Wednesday. Robert Miertschin was in Giddings Wednesday.

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Paige. — Paige Lodge A. F. & A. M. held their regular meeting Saturday. The officers elected for the ensuing Masonic year were: J. S. Dunbar, W. M.; S. D. Gilbert, S. D.; D. E. Roe, J. W.; J. W. Kennedy, treasurer; L. B. Condra, secretary; J. M. Taylor, tiler. The lodge is in a prosperous condition. The Paige Schuetzen-Verein will give a grand entertainment at their park here July 2. Hon. J. D. Sayers will be present and deliver an address on the political issues of the day. (Note: Hon. J. D. Sayers of Bastrop went to Congress for many years and was elected Governor of Texas while in Congress, succeeding Gov. James Stephen Hogg. Gov. Sayers made a distinguished record as congressman and governor. The editor.) A good rain would insure a bumper corn crop.

Darden Springs. — Farmers are through plowing until it rains again. Some have gone fishing. James Murray has left for Glen Rose. We regret to lose such a fine young man. Chas. Mundine and family visited here last week. Dist. Clerk J. J. Darden visited home folks here. Rev. White and lady of Lexington visited here last week. Mr. M. P. Hamilton, one of our enterprising citizens, visited in Caldwell. James Griffith visited the Knobbs.

Bluff Creek. — Ben Alford and wife of Red Hollow were on the creek this week. Richard and Bob Lancaster have gone to Evergreen to help clean up the town. Prof. John Watson is teaching school here. Jeff Wat-

son and Joe Lumkins of Tanglewood are attending the school. Others are speaking of coming.

The First National Bank will begin July 1 to erect a brick building.

Scholastics for Giddings, by F. Raube: Over 8 and under 16 - white, male 76, female 107; colored, male 50, female 52. Total 285.

Bids will be opened July 10 for a bridge over Middle Yegua at the Znox crossing.

The contract has been let for the completion of the S. A. & A. P. R. R. from Lexington to Lott at \$300,000.