

FIFTY YEARS AGO

July 10, 1891

Visitors in Ciddings: R. E. Morse of Lexington, Ree Awalt of Deansville, Wright Moore of La Grange, Miss Minnie Allen of Flatonia, Miss Willie Bowers of Deansville, W. R. McClellan of Ledbetter, Dr. S. G. Northrup of Houston, J. S. Reat and R. A. Knox of Dime Box, J. N. Story of Lexington, J. C. Hillsman and family of Ledbetter, J. R. Ellis of San Marcos, Lee Farmer of Caldwell, Tommie and Willie Williams of Brenham, Aaron Petty and Alexander Griffin of Brenham, J. N. Fisher of the Knobbs, Miss Mamie Lyles of Brenham, Nelson Williams of La Grange, Misses Annie Delameter and Rosa Reeves of Caldwell, A. P. Oliphant and wife and M. F. Burnet from Brenham.

Giddingsites visiting elsewhere: Miss Alice Flack and John Fields in Manor, Mrs. E. W. Flack to Sealy, Jesse Alexander to Beeville, Miss Alice Knox in Corpus Christi, Miss Jennie Williams to Austin.

Mrs. George Cox presented the Grange Store clerks a freezer of ice cream which was immensely enjoyed by the clerks after their hard work of taking stock.

Advertisement: F. Dietrich, shoemaker, Boots and shoes made in any style, comfortable fit. Prices to suit the times. Shop next door to F. Straub.

Tuesday evening a number of young men were out hunting on Bluff Creek on Mr. V. P. Wooley's place, and during the joyment of the hunt two of the boys began to play with a squirrel they had killed, and Mr. Carnes striking Mr. Praytor with the squirrel in fun and Mr. Paytor began to punch Mr. Carnes with a .32 rifle, not meaning any harm and the gun accidentally went off, the ball piercing the heart of Mr. Jack Carnes, killing him instantly.

Darden Springs.- Crops are laid by and farmers are idle. Mr. H. Alford of near Giddings passed through here to Mason County. Allie Hamilton visited Lexington Saturday. Quite a

crowd from the Knobbs was on a deer hunt here Saturday. Oscar Darden has returned from Austin. Willie Brooks and family of the Knobbs visited here.

One and one-half miles of track are laid each day over the Aransas Pass. The road will be completed to Rockdale tomorrow night. Passenger and freight trains will run regularly to Rockdale by July 20. The depot there and all section houses will be built as soon as the track is laid. About 250 men are at work. About 30 men are at work on the Little River bridge. Trains are planned to be run from Yoakum to Waco by Sept. 1.

"All honor to the Aransas.

To her employees we wish good luck;

May she never grow Frangible.

We glory in Nelson's pluck. Conductor Niles gives the signal.

On Sept. 1 from Waco he will start;

Tom Pine pulls the throttle diagonal.

And in one day, from Waco to Yoakum, she will dart.

Tanglewood. - Crops are fine. Health is so good that the outlook for physicians is so gloomy that Drs. Baine and Wilson have moved their location. Since the suspension of work on the farm, fish fries, picnics and parties follow one another in quick succession. Any one coming to Tanglewood need not lack for entertainment. There is no summer school here. A school in organ music is in progress at the residence of W. H. Martin, taught by the efficient instructor Miss Laura Prewitt. This is a new departure for this place and is undoubtedly a vast help to the advancement of the neighborhood. Preaching at Hugh Wilson church every fourth Saturday.

Dime Box. - The evening of June 29 will be remembered by the young people of Dime Box as one of the most enjoyable

and brilliant events of their lives. The occasion being a reception given by Mrs. Luca Clark and Miss Eola Stockton at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Allen. Miss Eola was just sweet seventeen. There were at least twenty young ladies in attendance and twice as many young men in attendance. The young ladies each made a white apron for the young men to finish with a hem. It was agreed that he one doing the best work should carry off a fine cake, that was prepared for the occasion by Mrs. Allen. Joe Teague was the lucky man. It was amusing to see the young men trying to do something they never did before. At eleven the apron work was finished and all were invited to partake of ice cream and cake that was prepared by Mrs. Allen and Miss Eola. It was far into the wee small hours when the guests made all goodnight, each earnestly hoping for a reaction of the joys of the occasion. Prof. Floyd Griswell will begin his writing school here this week.