

The Giddings News

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Friday night, a chamber of commerce for Giddings was organized. The following directors of the Brenham chamber of commerce were present, upon invitation, to assist in organizing one at Giddings: Mayor Hacker, Theo. Low, B. F. Teague and Messers Winkelmann and Dagert. After a few words of welcome by Mayor Hertel, Mr. Teague responded as the first speaker. He related how he lived about two miles from Giddings forty years ago and, after his crop was laid by, he would cut and haul wood and that his first gold piece was obtained from selling cord wood to Judge Sinks. Mr. Teague is now one of the prominent attorneys of South Texas and his address was concise, emphasizing the results from the Brenham organization. Mayor Hacker then with good humor spoke of the needs of a chamber of commerce to the well being of any town. Theo. Low, president of the Brenham chamber of commerce and also of the First National Bank gave in detail the workings of their organization and his thorough knowledge showed that he was a power at anything he undertook. Mr. Winkelmann, business man, then spoke very forcibly of what every citizen owes to a chamber of commerce, followed by Mr. Dagert, manager of public utilities, who spoke of the service that can be rendered.

Each speaker was in complete mastery of his phase of the subject and there were no dull moments, there being ample wit and humor dispensed to show that each one was a past master in after dinner speaking. The audience voted to organize and a committee composed of John Schneider, Herman Hielscher, Ury Moses, Carl Merchant, C. W. Fields, E. W. Heck, E. H. Ramsey, W. A. Jaehne, C. C. Bobo, L. Fariss, J. D. Fields, Henry Lehmann, Paul Nerger, C. M. Bishop and Herman Gersch were elected as a board of directors. A meeting is called for tonight (Friday) for the election of officers.