

SMITHVILLE ENTERTAINED

The program Friday night was presented by several persons from Smithville, who came under the auspices of the Lions Club. Those coming were Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Bastian, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Johnson and Douglas, Jr., Misses Willie Mae Grant, Anna Bell Haynie, Ella Ruth Thorn, Lucille Turney and Margaret Ann Thorn, Mrs. Clifton Carter, Rev. Ben H. Moore. More would have come but Smithville was scheduled that night to present programs at La Grange and Giddings, so it was necessary to meet both programs. However, the program presented in Giddings was complete with entertainment. Mr. Johnson introduced the performers.

Miss Grant opened the series of musical selections with the beautiful "La Golondrina" which was played in its usual atmosphere of the Mexican's Home Sweet Home. Little Miss Margaret Ann Thorn then gave a reading "Who's Afraid" which was excellent. Her voice is strong and capable of impersonating several varied characters. Misses Haynie and Turney then played two piano duets which were splendid, the second piece a stirring march, was repeated by request. Douglas Johnson then gave a good story about a bear, well spoken and well mastered. Mrs. Carter sang a solo ending with Home Sweet Home and was also requested to sing another one during the second half of the program. Miss Thorn, teacher of expression, gave an excellent reading, and the program was closed by Rev. Moore, Presbyterian pastor who complimented Giddings in the spirit of the occasion, for fostering better community fellowship and good will and showed where such functions are necessary to the well development of any community. He recited the poem "The One Way Trail" which typified the years as mile stones on the trail that leads only one way, never to be retraced, a poem full of real philosophy.

Jacob Grimm of Giddings was asked to assist in the program and he sent for his accordeon, of which he is a master. He has been playing the accordeon about Giddings for the past forty years, and was at his best Friday night as his fingers nimbly glided over the keys producing sweet music. The second encore brought him back again and "Listen to the Mocking Bird" was a real treat, seldom heard, but appreciated by Jacob's friends who have been hearing him play for years.

The program was one of the best that has been presented in Giddings this summer, and speaks well for Smithville's talent and spirit of cooperation. Next Friday night Bastrop will present another program, then Fedor will present the program Sept. 9, to be followed by the Giddings Lions Club program Sept. 16, which will be the last one of the series. Bastrop has presented one splendid program in Giddings this summer, so you will hear another good one Friday night.