

water pumps and other household conveniences.

# Mrs. Willie Hunt Claims Photo Of Mystery Farm Home Number 11

Mystery Farm Home Number 11 looked like it was going to remain a mystery and go unsolved. But, Mrs. Willie Hunt dropped by the Sunday Mirror office and said the picture in last week's paper was of her house. She now has a beautiful aerial photograph of the home of her family. This picture is mounted and will be a prized possession in her household.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Hunt live east of Kokomo on the road running south of Nick Lewis's place on Highway 24, not far after crossing old Highway 24.

Before she became Mrs. Willie Hunt she was Jessie Mae Lee. Mr. and Mrs. Hunt were married in 1929. They had three children until about two years ago when they

lost one of them.

Evelyn is married and has one son. Quite naturally, the Hunts are proud of this grandson.

Wendell is scheduled to finish high school at Marion-Walthall next year. He is a member of the 4-H Club and Future Farmers of America chapters at Marion Walthall School.

The Hunts have 60 acres in their farm. Close to thirty acres are in cultivation, 10 acres are in uncleared timber. Three acres are in cotton, and they are hoping to pick a bale to the acre.

Pastures take up the remainder of the acreage. Some of this is native and some of it is improved pasture. Mrs. Hunt says they have

red and white clovers on their improved pastures.

Like many farmers a few years ago, the Hunts depended altogether on row crops. Four or five years ago they began to improve their pasture and to get into the cattle growing business as one method of diversifying their farming operations. They have found this type of farming more profitable than the regular row-crop farming they were doing before. And, they say it is easier to do this type of farming. However, they seem to believe that it is best to have more than one source of income.

Growing beef is one of Wendell's pet 4-H Club and F. F. A. projects, as well as being one of the main

sources of income for the family. There are twenty-five head of grade beef type cattle on this farm.

Food for this livestock is grown on the farm. The big barn was built two years ago; it has a large hay loft that provides storage space for hay to be fed to the cattle during the season when pastures are not high enough to feed them.

Mrs. Hunt said her hobbies are fishing and growing flowers. Her love for fishing makes her a typical Marion Countian, since the people in and around Columbia have the reputation of being the biggest bunch of fishermen in the county. And, like all of those who fish, she didn't tell us just where to go to get the biggest ones that have gotten away or what bait to use.

She did tell us, though, that she enjoys gardening and likes to have plenty of food around. The deep freeze at the Hunt home is used to the best advantage. It is filled from the garden with home-grown vegetables.

Deep-freezing vegetables is a convenient way of preserving food for future use and is much cooler in the summer than doing a lot of canning, Mrs. Hunt finds.

The Hunts belong to the Shiloh Baptist Church and are quite active in their community in various ways.

Chickens, turkeys and guineas are another means of providing something to go into the deep freeze and to keep things lively around the place. According to Mrs. Hunt, she doesn't buy these fowls too much. She lets them run loose, and does not keep them penned up.

The guineas make good watch dogs. Nothing does much stirring around the Hunt home without stirring up a guinea conversation about it.

The Hunts subscribe to The Columbian-Progress and keep up with the news of the county through this medium and the local radio station, WCJU. In addition to this they have a television set. Mrs. Hunt says she keeps the radio turned on most of the time because she finds it relaxing.

