

E. W. Kendrick Has All Of Mystery Farm No. 28 In Permanent Pasture

E. W. Kendrick will have been living on Mystery Farm No. 28, Route 2, Columbia, in the East Columbia Community for eight years this coming December. He bought the Lewis Watts house and about 12 acres of land.

Mrs. E. W. Kendrick is the former Minnie Belle Coulter. She and Mr. Kendrick were married in 1919.

Their daughter, Nell, married Ollie Glen Elkins. Mr. and Mrs. Elkins and their two sons live with Mr. and Mrs. Kendrick. The boys are named Ollie, Jr., usually called "Laddie," and Wayne.

Laddie is 12 years old and is in the seventh grade in Columbia. He is a member of the First Baptist church and belongs to the Royal Ambassadors. He is taking up fishing and hunting. His mother says he did fairly well on his dove hunting this season. Though he shot a lot of shells, he didn't complain of any sore shoulders.

Laddie has been thinking of joining the 4-H Club and getting into the livestock business by showing a calf. His grandfather, Elvin, has been in the cattle business for years and can teach Laddie a lot of the points to watch in selecting a club calf.

Ollie Elkins belongs to the First Methodist church in Columbia and attends the Men's Bible Class there. He is a Mason and a member of the Shrine Club. Mrs. Elkins is a member of the First Baptist Church, as are Mr. and Mrs. Kendrick, where an active part is taken in the Sunday School, Baptist Training Union and other church activities.

Both of the boys, Laddie and Wayne, are in the youth choirs at the Baptist church. Wayne is in the third grade in the Columbia school and likes to play, having no real pronounced hobby as yet.

The twelve-acre Kendrick farm was partly in permanent pasture when Mr. Kendrick bought it. He grew a crop of corn on part of it the first year and put the corn field in permanent pasture, too. Now all of the farm is in permanent pasture.

Mr. Kendrick buys and sells cattle and this pasture has been a good place to winter several head. He now has some registered cattle that he plans to keep for stock cattle.

This pasture is kept well fertilized

and is mowed when necessary, though the sod is well developed and mowing is not often necessary to keep down the weeds.

The pasture boast of a stock pond that has been stocked with fish. About a year ago the local newspaper carried a picture of Laddie and Nell with three-quarter pound bass that he caught out of this pond.

Nell said her father was cleaning out the garage about two months ago and backed into a big wasp nest. Quite naturally the wasps went to work and this made Mr. Kendrick mad. So, down came the wasp nest to go fishing in the pond with Mr. Kendrick. In a little while, Nell stated, her father came back to the house with a string of thirty-four fish, but he doesn't recommend that

method of finding fish bait.

Mrs. Kendrick likes to grow flowers in the yard and Nell likes to grow pot plants. This makes a good combination because it keeps flowers in the yard and in the house, though the dry weather hasn't helped Mrs. Kendrick in the yard.

Mrs. Kendrick and Mrs. Elkins run Wimpy's on Church street. This keeps them busy and tends to keep them from working at their flower-growing hobbies as much as they would like.

Mr. Kendrick and Mr. Elkins like hunting and fishing, and Nell says they always agree on these subjects and wish they had more time for shooting and fishing.

The family at Mystery Farm Home Number 28 keeps up with

local news by reading the Columbian Progress and Sunday Mirror newspapers and by listening to radio station WCJU. Nell says she doesn't devote any time to the radio and her mother especially like the morning devotional and the Queen for a Day programs when they are at home and can listen. The men, she says, go in for sports. The only time the radio is not tuned to the local station, she stated, is when it doesn't happen to be carrying a ball game that is wanted.

Though the acreage is small on this stock farm, it does have some of the best grazing in the county on it. It is one of the nicest and best kept farming sections of the county.

The Kendricks and the Elkins help to make it one of the best communities in which to live.

