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# Mystery Farm Home No. 35 Identified By Owners, Located On Gates Road

Mystery Farm Home Number 35 is located just off the Gates road, about eight miles from Columbia. It is the home of Vandus Anderson and his family.

Mrs. Anderson visited the newspaper office Monday morning and showed her aerial photograph of this Mystery Farm Home, saying she never dreamed that a picture of her house had been taken.

Most likely everyone was away from home at the time the picture was made. Mr. Anderson has done a lot of work for a local contractor. He is now working at the New Orleans Furniture Manufacturing Company plant in Columbia, running a sanding machine. Mrs. Anderson says he likes working at the furniture plant very much.

Mrs. Anderson has worked at Reliance for about six years. Most of the time she has been working on parachutes, though she has spent some time on shirts and corsetry parts. She says she is off from work right at this time and is enjoying the time off very much. She expects to be back at work in a short while. She is catching up on some of the odd jobs around the house and some of the other things she has been pushing aside.

Porter Anderson is the fifteen-year-old son of the Andersons. He is in his freshman year at the Improve high school. Mrs. Anderson says this is his first year to belong to the Future Farmers of America. He is working on a shop project, building a cabinet.

Porter likes to go to the show. He also likes to go squirrel hunting, taking his gun and going to the woods many afternoons when he returns from school. He is doing better this season than his father because Mr. Anderson has been working on Saturdays.

Peggy, the daughter in this family, has begun her first year as a teen-ager. Mrs. Anderson says Peggy was born on April 1, 1941, and gets a lot of ribbing because of the date of her birthday.

Peggy is on the basketball team at Improve and really likes to play ball. Her mother says basketball is her pride and joy and is more interesting than her sewing project. Peggy is in the eighth grade and a member of the 4-H Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson don't have time to get to day-meetings during the week because they both work. They belong to the Good Hope Baptist Church and the Par-

ent-Teacher Association at Improve.

Mystery Farm Home Number 35 was built in 1931. It is a five-room house with bath and is heated with gas. Washing is done in the wash house behind the Mystery Home in an electric washing machine.

Mrs. Anderson says she couldn't do without the washing machine, adding that she didn't think too much of using one before she got one and became attached to it. She says it really saves a lot of work.

The Andersons are subscribers to The Columbian-Progress. They like to listen to the radio and keep are at home. Mrs. Anderson says she likes the morning devotionals very much. They also like the Hill Billy Hayride and Jamboree programs. Radio station WCTU is their favorite spot on the dial.

Mrs. Anderson was Miss Hiawatha Sanford before she married Mr. Anderson on February 5, 1938.

The Anderson farm has 80 acres within its borders. The cultivated acreage is about 25. Mrs. Anderson says the rest of the farm is in said. The rest of the farm is in cultivated land lay idle this year. Plans are to buy a tractor another season and put these rested acres back to work.

Porter says he wants to drive the tractor on Saturdays and after school. Mr. Anderson will have some time to devote to the farm, too. This way, Mrs. Anderson says, the farming and public work can be combined.

Six acres of corn were grown on the Anderson farm this year. The Andersons feed the livestock. Some oats are fed the livestock for pasture, though they have not been planted yet for this year. However, five acres of permanent pasture was

planted two years ago. Mrs. Anderson says she didn't remember just what was planted in this pasture with it, but the reseeded crimson clover is mighty pretty when it is in bloom.

The five head of cattle are used for milking for home use and the surplus animals are sold, some having been sold a week or so ago. The 31 chickens are laying over 20 eggs a day. The five head of hogs are for home use and Saturday will find one being butchered if Mr. Anderson doesn't have to work. Mrs. Anderson predicted.

The stock point has been stocked with fish. The different agricultural agencies have been called on for various types of assistance in the past and Mrs. Anderson says they will continue to use this valuable assistance to help balance the agricultural and industrial program of Mystery Farm Number 35.

