

Announcements.

Terms: Cash, in Advance	
Congressional,	\$10.00
County,	\$5.00
Precinct,	\$2.50

COUNTY.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR,
B. F. CULPEPPER,
E. G. PETERSON.

FOR TAX ASSESSOR,
S. L. BENNETT.

PREJOINT.
FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE, Precinct No. Three,
L. TAMPKA.

FOR CONSTABLE, Precinct No. 3,
ROBERT MAULDIN.

ROLL OF HONOR—Paid up Sub-

scriptions of last week.
Richard Wendel.
John F. Phillips.
Judge P. H. Green.
Wm. Blakelee.
A. Grave.
August Seelitz.
Caldwell Smith.

LOCALS.

This is good weather for gardens. And the rain fell on the just and the unjust.

Charles Muecke's new residence is approaching completion.

Plover shooting and fishing affords plenty of amusement now.

When in Moulton go to Fritz Helwig's saloon.

Mrs. Charles Welhausen returned from Hempstead Sunday.

A Hahnke went to Schulenburg Tuesday.

—Barbecued meat on hand every day at the City butcher shop.

The new council met and took the oath of office Monday night.

—"My Favorite," cigars on sale at the Favorite Saloon.

M. Richter went to San Antonio Monday on business.

Nick Brodes went to Hallettsville on court business Monday.

—Bismark Saloon for O. D. H. S. cigars.

R. Jaeggli was up Friday collecting his rents.

I will sell good cord wood at \$3.50 per cord. CHAS PERL.

Ang. Schmidt and Ang. Schamm spent Sunday at Ang. Jungermans.

Miss Selma Richter of Weimar is visiting here this week.

For the old reliable Standard Cultivators, go to Walters Bros.

A. J. Lawrence removed his family to Yoakum last week.

Just received a barrel of new California orange cider at J E MENSENBURG'S.

E. G. Pateron was in town Saturday rustling the voters.

W. E. O'maly of Lake Charles, is here visiting Mrs. Thomas Hughes.

—A. M. Kotzebue is an authorized agent of the GAZETTE Moulton.

J. F. Mittanek went to Hallettsville Wednesday on business.

Henry and Will Kuesal were in town, last Thursday.

Every style of spring and summer hats at Miss Nolan's millinery store.

Miss Fannie Kaeglar and Miss Hillie Jungbecker visited Lockhart Saturday.

T. J. Burkett, City Marshal elect returned from Hochheim Sunday.

A fancy line of millinery goods at Miss Nolan's. Next door to Carnes Bros.

There was a feast at the Dickson School House Saturday night.

Traffic has been exceedingly heavy on the Sap for the past week or ten days.

Oswald Buescher has returned to school at Breham and has ordered the GAZETTE sent to him there.

Cattle are pouring into the Indian Territory from all over west Texas now.

Come and see my surprise counter of Glassware.
J E MENSENBURG.

Hallettsville and Sweet Home were treated to a soaking rain Monday.

The Fire Boys will from this on meet every Tuesday and Friday night.

Miss Teresa Spaulding of Yoakum was visiting Mrs. Leo Hummel last week.

—Apples, pecans and best assortment of candies at Ed. Coleman's.

L. B. Richter went to Gonzales Wednesday last week and returned Friday.

Henry Dreyer Jr. went out to the river on a fishing excursion Saturday.

Hamburger steak sandwiches every day in the week at Barny's saloon, Moulton.

Mr. Lee Fahr of Moulton was visiting the family of M. Richter Monday.

Dave Hughes and Prof. Crouch of Moulton were in town Sunday.

J. C. Blohm and Emil Ruhman went to Hallettsville Monday.

Dr. R. L. Smith and J. R. Daniels went to Hallettsville Monday.

The Hawkins House is the headquarters for Shiner people when in Hallettsville. Terms, \$1 per day.

Joseph Bartsch of Dilworth was in town Monday and ordered the GAZETTE sent to him twelve months.

Wm. Frey, Mrs. Joe Zeitz, Mrs. Duvell are under the care of Dr. M. L. Eidson this week.

Pocket knives, Pipes, Mirrors and a good many other things very cheap at J E MENSENBURG'S.

General Henry McCullough passed through Tuesday on his way to Rockport.

Mrs. S. E. and Mrs. Wm. Wheeler of Stockdale are visiting R. S. Carnes this week.

A beautiful assortment of artificial flowers, ribbons and laces at Miss Nolan's millinery store.

W. O. Goode was in town Friday and reported the rain very light at his place about four miles north of town.

Mrs. Robert Wolters of Schulenburg came down Thursday on a visit to her son Edmund Wolters.

Miss Lillie Kessler of Schulenburg was visiting her sister Mrs. Adolph Wangemann here this last week.

Charles H. Flato, E. J. Maile, Emil Ruhman and C. L. Williams went to Flatonia Tuesday to inspect new K of P Lodge there.

There were services at the Catholic church Saturday. Father Pateron of Hallettsville conducted the session.

Fred Conners came into town Sunday looking for a hand. Fred must be going to make a world of cotton this year.

W. B. Hawkins of Hallettsville passed through Sunday on his return from the reunion at Waco.

Squire Jackson, Wm. Krause, Barney Lockmann and Prof. Walker attended court at Hallettsville last week, from Moulton.

The GAZETTE office is printing programmes for an entertainment to be given by the G. H. E. Club of Moulton, Wednesday, April 18th at Kotzebue Hall. Music by Prof. Rathbone.

In Hallettsville last week Tom Willis was elected Marshall and at Yoakum J. D. Montgomery was elected Mayor.

General Agent of the Lone Star Brewery of San Antonio was in town last week and visited Dilworth in company with M. Richter.

The cases against business men of Shiner and Moulton charged with violating the Sunday law, were dismissed from court last week for lack of proof.

—A full stock of perfumeries, brushes, toilet cases, combs, stationery, school books, fancy toilet articles and notions of all kinds at A. Grave's drug store, Shiner, Tex.

Richard Wendle returned Thursday from a weeks visit to Colorado county. Saturday he brought seven bales of cotton to town securing the highest market price.

P. L. McCurdy visited Bee county last week and reports everything suffering for rain in that section. The cattle have all been shipped out to the territory.

A. G. Wangemann had delivered to him last Wednesday in his store two pistols that seemed to have been very valuable. At least they cost their owners \$63.15 a piece in the county court.

Reports give accounts of terrible rain storms in the north and central parts of the state. The country is said to be flooded in some portions.

—C. L. Williams is the agent for the genuine Waukegan and Glidden barbed wire and warrants all wire sold by him to be in perfect condition and uninjured by contact with salt water.

The announcement of Robert Mauldin for Constable for precinct No. 3 appears in this issue of the GAZETTE. Mr. Mauldin is meeting with plenty of encouragement in his canvass.

Emil Buescher of Moulton passed through here Monday on his way to Houston to attend a meeting of stockholders.

P. Stucko, Robert, Charlie and G. W. Eschenburg went to High Hill Fayette county, early Sunday morning to attend the funeral of their cousin Gus Graf.

The infants of M. E. Wolters, J. W. Holloway and S. A. Carnes' little daughter Lizzie have been sick this week. They were attended by Dr. Nave.

Will Buesing came back from San Antonio, Sunday on a visit. Will looks a little pale and has grown moustache since he left here last fall. He is taking a business course and will be gone two or three months yet.

The eastern part of the county had one of the heaviest rain falls Monday that has fallen for years. The ground was flooded and everything thoroughly drenched.

Courthouse fires are getting alarmingly frequent here lately. The GAZETTE hopes and trusts that no one will be so utterly base as to set fire to Lavaca county's magnificent (?) structure at Hallettsville.

A. W. Hinrichs has exchanged his town property here for the dry goods stock of W. D. Wofford. Mr. Hinrichs will remove the stock to Karnes City and go into business there.

The returning visitors to the Reunion at Waco reported heavy rains in that part of the state.

home in Hallettsville last Thursday morning. She had been ill consumption for more than a year. The deceased was a sister of M. Thomas Hughes of this place.

Mrs. Cappis Friedrich of Moulton was visiting here this last week. She contemplates removing with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Neel from Moulton to Llano Llano county, some time this month.

W. B. Sayers, W. B. Cavet, A. W. Hasman, Henry Qualls, Gilford Ramsey, and Milan Fitzgerald of Gonzales and R. Gelhorn of this place attended the Reunion of the Texas Rangers at Waco last week.

Wendland and Wagener purchased a lot from John Kolar last week and Fritz and Otto Pfaff were given the contract to move the blacksmith shops to the new location. The work was completed Monday and Tuesday.

John Lockman shot a pelican last Wednesday evening that measured eight feet from tip to tip. It was pure white. It was one of a drove that John and Emil Lockman found on the creek Wednesday evening.

John Keopke and Miss Anna Schumacher at the residence of A. C. Koepke Tuesday, April 10th. Mr. Koepke is a nephew of A. C. Koepke of this place. The young couple will make their future home at Hochheim.

The ball given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. French O. Smith was well attended. Music was furnished by the Shiner String Band. Dancing continued until about two o'clock. Neal Nash of Cuero and Walter Kokernot of Gonzales were present. Also Miss Selma Richter of Weimar and Miss Nora Kokernot and Miss Mabel Simpson of Bir Hill Ranch.

James Head and Miss May Wiley, were married, Wednesday morning April 4th, at Lockhart and left for Galveston on a wedding tour. Jim is well known to the GAZETTE readers through his being a brakeman on the Gonzales mixed. There are two Jims on this train, Jim Francis and Jim Head.

The new city Officials qualified Monday and now the city directory reads:
Mayor J. C. Blohm.
Marshal T. J. Burkett.

ALDERMEN.
C. H. Flato, Edmund Wolters.
L. Wagener, Louis Trautwein.
M. E. Wolters.

Mrs. Titus Burns died, Friday morning at her home on the Culpepper place about three miles from Shiner. The deceased had been ill for nearly a year of a lingering complaint. She leaves a husband and one child, a little girl. The interment took place at the Bunyes grave yard Friday evening.

Rain commenced falling at daylight Friday morning April 6th and continued until about ten o'clock. It was hailed with rejoicing by the farmers and business men, who were anxious to see it continue several days. It will require a weeks general rain to benefit the soil to any great extent. Complaints are coming in from all over the state that the drought is becoming burdensome.

The Fire Boys.

At the Firemen's meeting Wednesday night, the boys agreed to attend the May Feast at Yoakum May 3rd. A motion was made and carried that caps and belts be provided for the company and an order was sent in Thursday for twenty three of the members. The books made for the company were accepted and at the close of the meeting the boys were treated to a keg of beer by Christian Wagener.

DEATH—After a very brief illness, Mr. John Bilek died very suddenly early Wednesday morning and will be buried to-day. Mr. Bilek was industrious and well liked by all who knew him. He leaves a wife and many friends to mourn his loss.—Flatonia Argus.

Mr. Bilek formerly held a position with Henry Krause at Moulton and it is with deep regret that we draw the blue pencil through his name on our subscription books. He removed to Flatonia with his family about six months ago.

Wanted.
A German or Bohemian girl to do house work. Apply at this office.

For Sale.
A well improved farm of eighty acres, adjoining the town of Moulton, Texas. 60 acres in cultivation. All rich, good producing land, with house and the best barn in the county and all modern improvements, good well, etc. Residence about 250 yards from the Catholic church. For further information apply at this office.

Wrecked.
A cachose drawn by engine 60 went through the bridge in Mrs. Hughes pasture, Saturday evening about three o'clock. They were running to Gonzales after cattle, running backwards. The cachose had passed safely over the bridge when the structure gave, throwing the engine from the track and tearing up the track for several yards. The engineer and fireman escaped by jumping and nobody was hurt. The wreck was cleared by one o'clock Sunday morning and the Gonzales mixed proceeded on its way. What might have been a serious disaster occurred in the yards here about three o'clock Sunday morning. The construction train was running in on the siding when a north bound cattle train ran into the cachose smashing in the draw heads and shaking everything up generally. The cattle train was able to proceed on its way without further delay.

Picnic.

There was a feast and ball at the Dickson school house Saturday evening and night, the proceeds to go towards the school building. In company with E. J. Peterson candidate for county tax collector, we drove out to the grounds about four o'clock in the afternoon. The attendance was large and the writer had the pleasure of forming the acquaintance of a number of farmers living in that part of the county. Among others, Ernst Meyer, Henry Meyer, Albon Fahr and Messrs. Wolfe, Wendel, Wenken, Joe Huebner and several others. Mr. Fahr added his name to the GAZETTE'S subscription list as did also several others. J. H. Huebner and Moritz Ellinger were present from Shiner and Prof. Crouch and Dave Hughes from Moulton. The patrons of this school seem highly pleased with the work done by Prof. John Brown here and he will probably teach here again next year. Later in the evening the writer and Mr. Peterson partook of the abundant hospitality of Mr. Wm. Dickson, whose home is beautifully situated on the brow of a hill about a mile off of the Nickel and Shiner road. There is a new pond being opened up by Mr. Dickson's house which will be open for travel some time this week.

Historic Courthouse Burned.
Cuero, Texas, April 9th.—The De Witt county courthouse is in ruins. This morning about three o'clock the ruin of fire was heard and the weekly gathering crowd saw one of the old landmarks sink into ashes. Caused almost beyond a doubt by an incendiary. The building was entirely of wood and made an immense fire.

The records of all the offices are preserved, thanks to a good vault and safe. A few of the papers in the district clerk's office were burned and also some records in the county judge's office. The safe in the treasurer's office was the last opened and it is now known that his books are right as the safe was guaranteed fire proof.

This passes away one of the historic buildings of this section. The main part of it, as it stood yesterday, was erected at Old Clinton in 1848, and seemed as the temple of justice through the trying times from that date up to 1875, when, after an exciting county seat election, it was moved to Cuero. The town of Clinton has no more, and now the building, around which so many years of memories pleasant and unpleasant, and clustered legends.