

LOCAL OPTION ELECTIONS

There were twenty-nine local option elections reported to the Texas Liquor Control Board in 1942, the smallest number of any single year since Repeal.

Twenty-one were county-wide elections, one of which was held void; seven were precinct elections; and one election was held in an incorporated city. Results of the county-wide elections were as follows:

Eight against prohibiting alcoholic beverages: Carson, Gregg, Hardin, Howard, Live Oak, Palo Pinto, Tarrant, Trinity.

One against prohibiting beer: Archer.

Two against legalizing 14% beverages: Callahan, Marion.

Two for prohibiting all alcoholic beverages: King (dried up six precincts), Wichita (dried up two precincts.)

One for prohibiting 14% beverages: Clay (dried up four precincts.)

Five for prohibiting beer: Grayson (dried up two precincts), Lamar (dried up the City of Paris, which had been the only wet area in the county), Marion (dried up four precincts), Nolan (dried up one precinct), Somervell (dried up one precinct.)

One for legalizing 14% beverages: Willacy (five out of six precincts now wet.)

The voting in 1942:

(Note: In the following tabulations the first figure denotes the "wet" total, the second figure the "dry" total.)

Archer County:

Archer County voted (1067-947) against prohibiting beer July 25.

Precinct 8 (Mankins, Dundee, Geraldine) voted (83-87) for prohibiting beer Oct. 24.

Callahan County:

Callahan County voted (734-1718) against legalizing 14% beverages March 21.

Carson County:

Carson County voted (580-512) against prohibiting alcoholic beverages May 23.

Clay County:

Clay County voted (1020-1644) for prohibiting 14% beverages Aug. 1.

The voting in 1942: (Continued)

Dallas County: Precinct 8 (Irving) voted (387-410) for prohibiting beer Aug. 8.

Grayson County: Grayson County voted (3329-5617) for prohibiting beer Oct. 24.

Gregg County: Gregg County voted (4134-3304) against prohibiting alcoholic beverages Sept. 19.

Hardin County: Hardin County voted (1167-839) against prohibiting alcoholic beverages Nov. 7.

Harris County: Magnolia Park voted (1415-659) for legalizing all alcoholic beverages May 9.

Howard County: Howard County voted (1819-1602) against prohibiting alcoholic beverages May 2.

King County: King County voted (140-183) for prohibiting all alcoholic beverages Feb. 28. This election was held void.
King County voted (143-172) for prohibiting all alcoholic beverages June 5.

Lamar County: Lamar County voted (1887-3137) for prohibiting beer Oct. 17.

Lipscomb County: Precinct 4 (Higgins) voted (170-88) against prohibiting beer March 27.

Live Oak County: Live Oak County voted (850-557) against prohibiting alcoholic beverages May 2.

Marion County: Marion County voted (787-968) for prohibiting beer May 29.
Marion County voted (763-1011) against legalizing 14% beverages Aug. 15.

Moore County: Precinct 1 (Dumas, Etter) voted (203-195) against prohibiting alcoholic beverages Sept. 26.

Nolan County: Nolan County voted (1359-1847) for prohibiting beer April 25.

The voting in 1942: (Continued)

Palo Pinto County: Palo Pinto County voted (1496-1408) against prohibiting alcoholic beverages Dec. 8.

Pecos County: Precinct 4 (Buena Vista, Imperial) voted (69-106) against legalizing beer March 21.

Somervell County: Somervell County voted (291-311) for prohibiting beer Nov. 3.

Tarrant County: Tarrant County voted (14,952-10,417) against prohibiting alcoholic beverages Nov. 3.

Trinity County: Trinity County voted (1154-1034) against prohibiting alcoholic beverages Oct. 3.

Val Verde County: Precinct 4 (Juno) voted (1-28) for prohibiting all alcoholic beverages Aug. 25.

Victoria County: Precinct 6 (Bloomington) voted (53-104) against legalizing beer June 6.

Wichita County: Wichita County voted (5364-5859) for prohibiting all alcoholic beverages July 25.

Willacy County: Willacy County voted (810-708) for legalizing 14% beverages Feb. 21.

WET-DRY STATUS OF TEXAS COUNTIES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1942

(Asterisk indicates counties wholly wet; all others dry in part.)

COUNTIES IN WHICH DISTILLED SPIRITS ARE LEGAL: 95

*Aransas	Falls	Kerr	Refugio
Atascosa	Fayette	*Kinney	San Patricio
*Austin	Fort Bend	*La Salle	Shackelford
Bastrop	Galveston	Lavaca	*Starr
*Bee	Gillespie	Lee	*Sutton
*Bexar	Goliad	Liberty	Tarrant
Blanco	Gonzales	Live Oak	*Terrell
*Brewster	Gray	Llano	Tom Green
Burleson	Gregg	*Loving	Travis
Calhoun	Guadalupe	Matagorda	*Trinity
Cameron	Hardin	Maverick	*Upton
Carson	Harris	McLennan	Uvalde
Chambers	*Hartley	McMullen	Val Verde
Colorado	*Hidalgo	Medina	Victoria
*Comal	*Howard	*Menard	Waller
*Crane	*Hudspeth	Milam	Ward
*Culberson	Hutchinson	*Moore	*Washington
Dallam	Jackson	Nueces	*Webb
Dallas	Jefferson	Orange	*Wharton
DeWitt	*Jim Hogg	Pecos	Williamson
*Duval	Jim Wells	*Potter	Wilson
*Ector	Karnes	*Presidio	*Winkler
Edwards	*Kendall	*Reagan	Zapata
*El Paso	*Kenedy	*Reeves	

COUNTIES IN WHICH ONLY 4% BEER IS LEGAL: 23

Archer	*Brooks	*Kimble	Robertson
Bandera	Caldwell	*Kleberg	Stephens
Bell	Concho	Limestone	*Sterling
Bowie	Frio	Lipscomb	Wilbarger
*Brazoria	*Gaines	Midland	*Zavala
Brazos	*Hemphill	Montgomery	

COUNTIES IN WHICH 14% BEVERAGES ARE LEGAL: 2

Palo Pinto Willacy

COUNTIES WHOLLY DRY: 134

Anderson	Baylor	Burnet	Cherokee
Andrews	Borden	Callahan	Childress
Angelina	Bosque	Camp	Clay
Armstrong	Briscoe	Cass	Cochran
Bailey	Brown	Castro	Coke

COUNTIES WHOLLY DRY: (Continued)

Coleman	Hale	Lubbock	Runnels
Collin	Hall	Lynn	Rusk
Collingsworth	Hamilton	Madison	Sabine
Comanche	Hansford	Marion	San Augustine
Cooke	Hardeman	Martin	San Jacinto
Coryell	Harrison	Mason	San Saba
Cottle	Haskell	McCulloch	Schleicher
Crockett	Hays	Mills	Scurry
Crosby	Henderson	Mitchell	Shelby
Dawson	Hill	Montague	Sherman
Deaf Smith	Hockley	Morris	Smith
Delta	Hood	Motley	Somervell
Denton	Hopkins	Nacogdoches	Stonewall
Dickens	Houston	Navarro	Swisher
Dimmitt	Hunt	Newton	Taylor
Donley	Irion	Nolan	Terry
Eastland	Jack	Ochiltree	Throckmorton
Ellis	Jasper	Oldham	Titus
Erath	Jeff Davis	Panola	Tyler
Fannin	Johnson	Parker	Upshur
Floyd	Jones	Parmer	Van Zandt
Fisher	Kaufman	Polk	Walker
Foard	Kent	Rains	Wheeler
Franklin	King	Randall	Wichita
Freestone	Knox	Real	Wise
Garza	Lamar	Red River	Wood
Glasscock	Lamb	Roberts	Yoakum
Grayson	Lampasas	Rockwall	Young
Grimes	Leon		

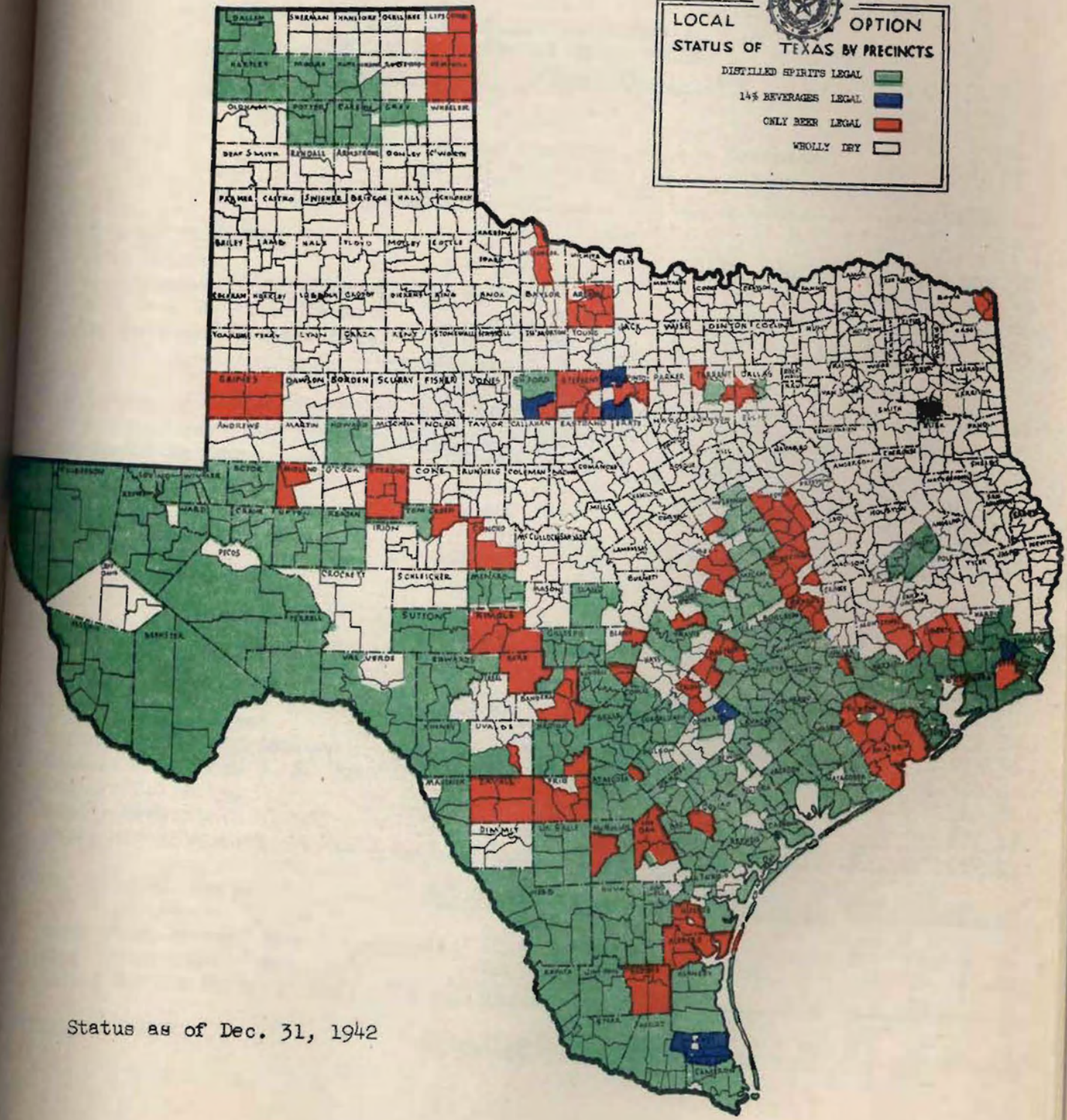
Note: The Texas Liquor Control Board has compiled a pamphlet, WET-DRY STATUS OF ALL AREAS IN TEXAS BASED ON U. S. CENSUS BUREAU ESTIMATES OF POPULATION, which is available to anyone interested in more detailed information on local option than it is possible to include in the annual report. This pamphlet is revised and issued at periodic intervals, and will be mailed to interested persons upon request.

The map on the following page gives a visual outline of the local option status of the entire state.



LOCAL OPTION
STATUS OF TEXAS BY PRECINCTS

DISTILLED SPIRITS LEGAL ■
 14% BEVERAGES LEGAL ■
 ONLY BEER LEGAL ■
 WHOLLY DRY



Status as of Dec. 31, 1942