

Abilene Reflector, 1899

“Crusade at Enterprise: Joints are Visited in Force by the Reformers”

The Journal says that the joint war is on. Taking a cue from the war started in Abilene last week in an endeavor to close the joints there about 15 of the prominent workers in the cause of suppressing the Rum Fiend and headed by Mrs. A. Zahner and Revs. Adams and Humfeld visited the two joints of this city Tuesday evening.

At the first place visited but two outsiders were present but a crowd soon congregated to witness the unusual sight. Prayers, songs, speeches and testimonies occupied the time and tears were freely shed for the reformation of the jointists.

At the second place Mrs. Zahner made quite a talk and attempted to show the wickedness of running joints. One joint keeper was asked why he was in the business and replied that it took money to live but he would give up the business if he had a good job. A member offered him \$5 worth of flour a month but as yet it has not been accepted.

It is understood the meetings in the joints will be continued during the winter in the hopes of eventually closing them.