



We'll Leave the Candle On.

or maybe the kerosene lantern.

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Hotel: an establishment that provides paid lodging on a short term basis.

Hotels have always been important establishments in any community. Weary travelers whether by foot, horseback, wagon, train or by automobile are always looking for a clean bed, a hot meal and possibility a cold beverage.

Hallettsville was no exception. Early such establishments included the well known Louis Turner House, an inn and stagecoach stop, and the Hicks Hotels and Tavern.

These establishments were followed by a number of houses, hotels and inns to serve the traveling public. Some were well run businesses that stayed opened for years. Some were here today gone tomorrow.

Over the next several newsletters, I will be opening the doors to several such establishments and introduce you to some of the local citizens, and at times, outsiders, who kept the candle, the kerosene lantern and eventually the light on in Hallettsville.

You will be a guest at the following establishments over the next several months so pack your bags, and let us hope that the beds are clean, the food is hot and the beverages of choice are cold!

Hallettsville Brick Hotel Co.	City Hotel
Hotel Eckels	Sparks Hotel
Manhattan Hotel	New Park Hotel
East Hotel	Fink Hotel
Hanna House	Harrell House
Hawkins House	Hicks Hotel
Lyon Hotel	Latting House
Lindenburg Hotel	Planters Hotel
Sokol Hotel	Turner Stagecoach Inn

*Next Month: The Hicks Hotel & Tavern

“Great minds are related to the brief span of time during which they live as great buildings are to a little square in which they stand...”

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