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The Inventory of the County Archives of Texas is one of a number of bibliographies of historical materials prepared throughout the United States by workers on the Historical Records Survey Program of the Work Projects Administration. The publication herewith presented, an inventory of the archives of Hood County, is number 111 of the Texas series of counties.

The Historical Records Survey Program was undertaken in the winter of 1935-36 for the purpose of providing useful employment to needy unemployed historians, lawyers, teachers, and research and clerical workers. In carrying out this objective, the project was organized to compile inventories of historical materials, particularly the unpublished government documents and records which are basic in the administration of local government, and which provide invaluable data for students of political, economic, and social history. The archival guide herewith presented is intended to meet the requirements of day-to-day administration by the officials of the county, and also the needs of lawyers, business men and other citizens who require facts from the public records for the proper conduct of their affairs. The volume is so designed that it can be used by the historian in his research in the unprinted sources in the same way he uses the library card catalog for printed sources.

The inventories produced by the Historical Records Survey Program attempt to do more than give merely a list of records--they attempt further to sketch in the historical background of the county or other unit of government, and to describe precisely and in detail the organization and functions of the government agencies whose records they list. The county, town, and other local inventories of the entire state will, when completed, constitute an encyclopedia for local government as well as a bibliography of local archives.

The successful conclusion of the work of the Historical Records Survey Program, even in a single county, would not be possible without the support of public officials, historical and legal specialists, and many other groups in the community. Their cooperation is gratefully acknowledged.

The Survey Program was organized and has been directed by Luther H. Evans, and operates as a nation-wide series of locally sponsored projects in the Division of Professional and Service Projects, of which Mrs. Florence Kerr, Assistant Commissioner, is in charge.

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PREFACE

The Texas Historical Records Survey is a unit of the Texas State-wide Records Project which is sponsored by the Bureau of Research in the Social Sciences of The University of Texas, and operates under the Research and Records Section of the Division of Professional and Service Projects of the Work Projects Administration.

The objective of the Survey in Texas is the preparation of complete inventories of the archives of each county, municipality, and other local governmental unit. This publication, an inventory of the archives of Hood County, includes, in addition to descriptive entries for each extant records series, an historical sketch of the county and a map of its past and present boundaries; a discussion of the conditions under which the records are preserved; and abstracts of laws specifically applicable to the county. This inventory varies from certain other inventories of county archives being published in that the descriptive entries for each extant records series are presented in a condensed form; an essay on the governmental organization and records system of the county accompanied by charts of government, floor plans of the courthouse, and essays on the legal status and functions of each county official and agency are omitted.

The Inventory of the County Archives of Texas will, when completed, consist of a separate volume for each county of the state. Each unit of the series is numbered according to the particular county's respective position in the alphabetical list of the 254 counties. Thus, the volume for Hood County, herewith presented, is No. 111. Units of the Inventory are issued in mimeographed form for free distribution to state and local public officials, public libraries in Texas, and to a limited number of libraries and governmental agencies outside the state.

The records of Hood County were listed in the summer and fall of 1936, and a verification check was made in January 1940. The volume was compiled and edited in the state office of the Texas Historical Survey of the Work Projects Administration.

The courteous cooperation of the Hood County officials for whom this work was done is acknowledged.

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1. HISTORICAL SKETCH

Hood County, with Granbury the county seat, is in north central Texas. Of it, in the early 1890's, Thomas T. Ewell wrote:

Situated on the Brazos river in that favored part of Texas just north of the 32nd parallel of north latitude, where the Cross Timbers seem to struggle between mountain and valley for room; her surface is, therefore, well diversified with timber, prairie, rock-crested cliffs and silvery-winding streams; and long before the white man in his unremitting march toward the west, had found a resting place here, the Indian and the wild game, upon which he fed, basked on the banks of her limpid streams, rested from the summer suns beneath gloriously spreading Live Oaks, fed on the Mesquite beans and the nutritious native grasses, and sought shelter from the winter storms beneath the boulders of limestone, which tower up in massive cliffs to precipitate heights, lending shade to the picturesque landscape which nature seems to have laid out and planned as the most healthful and appropriate home of a race of men seeking a life of cultured happiness, amid which to build those institutions of learning which are the pride of the county.

With soils as variegated as the surface, and, consisting of the chocolate lands common to the Brazos valley, black waxy, black and light sandy lands, the fruits, grasses and farm crops are of that abundance and variety common to this climate. These diversified conditions seem to favorably invite men who rather prefer to escape from "the madding crowds ignoble strife," to find peace and happiness in pastoral and agricultural pursuits. And such seems to have been the character and the motive which actuated the most stable of these earliest settlers, who first planted their habitations here along the fertile valleys of the Brazos, the Paluxy, Kickapoo and other streams, and whilst they valiantly fought away the murderous and pilfering forays of the savages and planted their little vine and tree, perhaps little thought of the civilization, whose foundation they were building as an heritage to their posterity, more to be desired than gold or silver. It is of these scenes and these people I propose to write.¹

1. Thomas T. Ewell, A History of Hood County, Texas, From Its Earliest Settlement to the Present, Together with Biographical Sketches of Many Leading Men and Women Among the Early Settlers, as Well as Many Incidents in the Adjoining Territory, Also a Sketch of the History of Somervell County (Granbury, 1895), 1, 2, cited hereafter as Ewell, History.

(First entry, p. 15)

Until the middle of the last century, what is now Hood County was the undisputed possession of the Indians. In the eastern portion, the peaceful Caddoes tilled their small farms, and were visited occasionally by Tonkawa hunting parties. In the wooded sections, and farther to the west, Lipans and Comanches held sway, leaving their regular hunting grounds only for raids on the settlements to the east.²

No one seems to know just when the first white man entered what is now Hood County, though legend has it that Philip Nolan visited the Indians of the region and traded horses. In all probability, however, the first white men to see the area were members of the Texan Santa Fe Expedition, en route to New Mexico to open a new commercial route and to discover New Mexico's attitude toward Texas. This expedition traveled from Austin, Texas, to Comanche Peak, then on to the Red River, and along its course to New Mexico.³

Between 1843 and 1846 Hood County territory was again visited by Anglo-Americans. Major George B. Erath and a man named Green surveyed along the watershed of the Brazos River. These men must have studied the scenery carefully, for they rode or followed horses hobbled to step a vara at a time.⁴

In 1848 Charles and George Barnard, who were operating a trading post west of present Waco on Trading House Creek, established an auxiliary post on Paluxy Creek in territory once a part of Hood County. This post was operated in the winter only, and was not a permanent settlement.⁵

In 1851, a government expedition under Colonel Samuel Cooper was sent out to study the peaceful Indian tribes of Texas. The route traveled was as follows: From Fort Graham, near the present town of Whitney in Hill County, to the Caddo and Kichai Indian villages on the Brazos River about fifteen miles below the Clear Fork. Colonel Cooper, accompanied by a small military escort under Major Henry Hopkins Sibley, proceeded up the Brazos past Barnard's trading house to Comanche Peak, in the center of present Hood County. From this point they traveled on by way of Bald Head Peak and Fish Eating Creek. On its return, the ex-

2. Ewell, History, 3, 4, 57, 58; statements of Mrs. Wilson Baker, Somervell County, Dr. A. Carmichel, Granbury, Texas, and A. M. Cavassos, of George's Creek, Somervell County. See also Frederick W. Hodge, Handbook of American Indians, 2 parts (Washington, 1907), entries under Caddo, Lipan, Comanche, and Tonkawa.
3. George W. Kendall, Narrative of the Texan Santa Fe Expedition, 2 vols. (New York, 1844), I, 14-16, 68, 108. See also Bailey Carroll, The Route of the Texan Santa Fe Expedition, Doctor's Dissertation, The University of Texas, Austin, Texas.
4. Ewell, History, 3. See also Memoirs of George B. Erath (Austin, 1923).
5. Ewell, History, 2. See also George Barnard's Day Book, in the Texas Collection, Baylor University Library, Waco, Texas

pedition followed the east bank of the Brazos and struck its old route again at Comanche Peak. It was the recommendation of Colonel Cooper that a fort be established in this region to protect the peaceful tribes from the hostile Comanches.⁶

In the early 1850's present Hood County, then a part of Johnson County, was still the possession of various Indian tribes. Many white men had passed through the region, but none had settled there to profit from the swift streams and fertile soil. But in 1853-54 settlers began to push into the valleys along the Brazos. Comanche Peak became the center of the earliest settlement, and boasted the first post office in that part of the country. This settlement later became the town of Acton. W. J. W. Powell, one of early Hood County's best-loved citizens, settled on Squaw Creek, near present Tolar, in 1853. A short time afterwards, W. J. Richardson and William Robinson settled on the branches of Paluxy Creek, and Gideon Mills settled on the main Paluxy. The valleys of Fall, Walnut, Rucker, and Long Creeks were also occupied during the early fifties. Among these early settlers were the widow and son of David Crockett, Kentucky bear hunter and Texas hero.⁷

As these pioneer families settled in the region, they found some of the Indians friendly, especially the Caddoes. This tribe allied itself with the settlers against the Comanches. Other tribes were peaceful, but seldom active as allies. The fifties were hectic years in Hood County territory. Though the stories of the old-timers vary in detail, they all tell the same general story of the pre-Civil War days: Lands to be cleared; cabins to be built, with puncheon floors and clapboard roofs; larger cabins, always near a creek or spring, to be built for school and church use; Indian raids, with their aftermath of death and burning homes; posses quickly organized for pursuit, never returning with all of their members safe; difficulty in getting supplies; drouth one year and flood the next. And then the war.⁸

When the Civil War broke out, J. A. Formwalt and J. A. Willingham raised a company of infantry to join Colonel Nelson's Texas Infantry. Other men from the Brazos River settlements joined Captain Puckett's company, recruited in Hill County. In the absence of adequate government protection, and with most of their able-bodied men gone, the remaining citizens of upper Johnson County organized themselves into local militia units. They served for ten-day periods, and at least one group patrolled the settlements at all times. When Indian attacks were feared,

6. A. B. Bondar, "The Texas Frontier, 1848-1861," in Southwestern Historical Quarterly (Austin, 1897--), XXXVIII (1934-35), 135-136.

7. Ewell, History, 2-7.

8. Ibid., 4-28, passim. Ewell acknowledges the fact that his information came from stories told him by the early settlers of the county.

the women sometimes dressed in men's clothing and stood their turn at guarding the lookouts. Many of the worst Indian raids in the history of the county are said to have occurred during the Civil War.⁹

Just after the close of the war, on November 2, 1866, Hood County was created from Johnson County, and named for General John B. Hood, commander of the Fourth Texas Regiment of Infantry, C.S.A.¹⁰ Hood was born in Bath County, Kentucky, on June 29, 1831. After graduating from West Point in 1853, he served in the United States Army until April 16, 1861, at which time he resigned his commission and gave his services to the Confederacy. Beginning as a captain, he received successive promotion until he was made Colonel in September 1861. He was placed in charge of the Texas regiment. On March 3, 1862 he became a Brigadier General in Longstreet's Corps, and served in this capacity throughout the war. He died of yellow fever in New Orleans in 1879.¹¹

The act creating Hood County named Claibourn Arrington, William Manley, and C. C. Alexander commissioners to organize the county. The county seat was to be within six miles of the center of the county, and was to be called Granberry, in honor of General H. B. Granberry, C.S.A.¹² Both the organization of the county and the location of the county seat were to be far more difficult than the legislators seemed to imagine.

The first corps of officers elected was as follows: Abe Landers, county judge; A. J. Wright, sheriff; Alex. S. McCamant, clerk of the county court; John Morris, clerk of the district court; Peter Garland, treasurer; Gideon Mills, assessor and collector of taxes; C. C. Alexander, Wilks Barker, John Meek, and Joe Robertson, county commissioners. Several of these men had served in the Confederate Army, however, and were not allowed to hold their offices. Wright and McCamant were replaced immediately by Democrats who had remained at home. Tradition has it that no carpetbaggers were brave enough to risk frontier life and take their jobs.¹³

When it came to the location of the county seat, four places were serious contestants: Thorp Springs, Lambert's Branch, the center of the county, and Stockton. At least three or four elections were held, and finally a committee of three men from adjoining counties was chosen to make the final selection. Much pressure was brought to bear in favor

9. Ewell, History, 27, 28.
10. H. P. N. Gammel, Laws of Texas, 10 vols. (Austin, 1898), V, 1001.
11. Z. T. Fulmore, History and Geography of Texas as Told in County Names (Austin, 1935). See also, for full biographical studies, Thomas R. Hay, Hood's Tennessee Campaign, New York, Walter Neale, 1929; Jacob D. Cox, The Battle of Franklin, New York, Charles Scribner's Sons, 1897; J. B. Hood, Advance and Retreat, Personal Experiences, New Orleans, Hood Orphan Memorial Fund, 1880.
12. See footnote no. 10.
13. Ewell, History, 87.

of Lambert's Branch, which was the final choice. This place was renamed Granberry, a name which usage or phonetic spelling has since changed to Granbury.¹⁴

Court was held in Stockton until Granbury was finally laid off in about 1871. The court usually met in some private home and is said to have frequently found it necessary to adjourn to a nearby grocery store for liquid refreshments.¹⁵

During the early seventies, Granbury was a wide-open little frontier town, with four or five saloons, and many more tenpin alleys. At least one saloon overflowed into the back yard, where games were played on steer hides spread on the ground. Most of the tenpin alleys used hides for backstops, and old-timers remember that the booming of pins against backstops continued until far into the night. It was a favorite sport of the cowboys, when they had tired of poker and tenpins, to ride about the town and shoot things up a bit. The town folk paid little attention to their antics, as they seldom did more than crack a few windows. Two sheriffs, at least, became discouraged after a try or two at stopping them, for even the men of the town joined with the boys on one occasion to outwit "the law" and protect their right to a little innocent diversion.¹⁶

While Granbury was in the throes of her growing pains, however, real progress was being made in other parts of the county. Sam Millikin and P. Thorp established a school at Thorp Springs and had it chartered as a college. In 1873 J. A. Clark purchased the building and equipment and called the school Add-Ran College, for his two sons, Addison and Randolph. In 1876 a new three-story building was added, and a few years later, two dormitories. Thorp Springs soon became one of the most important towns in the county. In addition to being the site of the county's largest school, it was also a relay station for mail coaches on the Texas and Fort Uma route.¹⁷

In 1873, just after Clark had purchased the school at Thorp Springs, the Granbury High School was opened in Granbury. By 1875 it also had a new three-story stone building, and considered itself Add-Ran's rival. Granbury was determined not to fall behind Thorp Springs, for fear of losing the county seat to her if the question ever came to a vote. In March 1875, the courthouse had burned, and the citizens themselves had quickly rebuilt it to keep the county seat from being moved to Thorp Springs.¹⁸

Besides being an era of saloons and tenpin alleys, as well as a period of educational progress, the seventies saw Hood County's

14. Ewell, History, 84.

15. Ibid., 86.

16. Ibid., 131.

17. Ibid., 114-120.

18. Ibid., 121, 122.

bloodiest feuds and strangest legal cases. The Mitchells and Truitts shot at each other for months before the feud was finally ended with the public hanging of one of the Mitchells. In one case, two colts grew up and died of old age before litigation, started over them in Hood County in the seventies, had been settled. Old Bet, a sow of questionable ownership, appeared in court time and again that her earmarks might be examined. What finally became of old Bet and her nine pigs has long since been forgotten in the maze of stories any mention of the case brings up.¹⁹

Taken as a whole, the decade from 1870 to 1880 was, perhaps, more important than any other in the history of Hood County. Granbury was located. The first three courthouses were built there. The third one burned, and was rebuilt. The county's first newspaper, the Vidette, began publication. Lipan was laid off and settled. Center Mills became an important post office, and so did Bald Knob, and later Neri.²⁰

Many ex-soldiers and their families drifted out to the frontier after the war, and during the seventies all of the valleys in Hood County were settled. From the middle seventies on, the scene changed swiftly from large ranches to small farms, except in the extreme western portion of the county. In the late eighties, when the railroads entered Hood County, even the long cattle drives to Kansas ceased. Cattle were loaded on cars at Granbury, and shipped to Kansas City and Chicago. By 1888 there were three weekly newspapers published in the county, and fourteen schools served a school population of 1,731.²¹

In 1890 the old courthouse, built in 1875, was demolished and a new one was erected at a cost of \$40,000.²² At about the same time, Add-Ran College was moved to Waco, and only Jarvis Hall, originally a part of Add-Ran, continued to operate in Thorp Springs. This school, later known as Jarvis Institute, served as a junior college until the 1920's.²³

At present, agriculture is the chief industry of Hood County, with some ranching in the western portions. Granbury is the largest town, with a population of 415. It has electric power, a city water system, and gas.

19. Ewell, History, 126, 131, 132.

20. Ibid., 127-143.

21. Agricultural and Statistical Report 1888 (Austin, 1889), 107. Frank W. Johnson and Eugene C. Barker, A History of Texas and Texans, 5 vols. (Chicago, 1914), II, 775, cited hereafter as Johnson and Barker, History.

22. Ewell, History, 135.

23. Johnson and Barker, History, II, 775; Bob B. Covey, An Administrative Study of the Schools of Hood County, Texas, Master's Thesis The University of Texas, Austin, Texas, 1937, p. 2, cited hereafter as Covey, An Administrative Study.

Tolar, the next important town, has power and gas. Neither Lipan nor Thorp Springs has any of these conveniences. Granbury has an oil mill and a flour mill. The other towns have no industries, but serve only as market places for the surrounding farms.²⁴

Boundaries

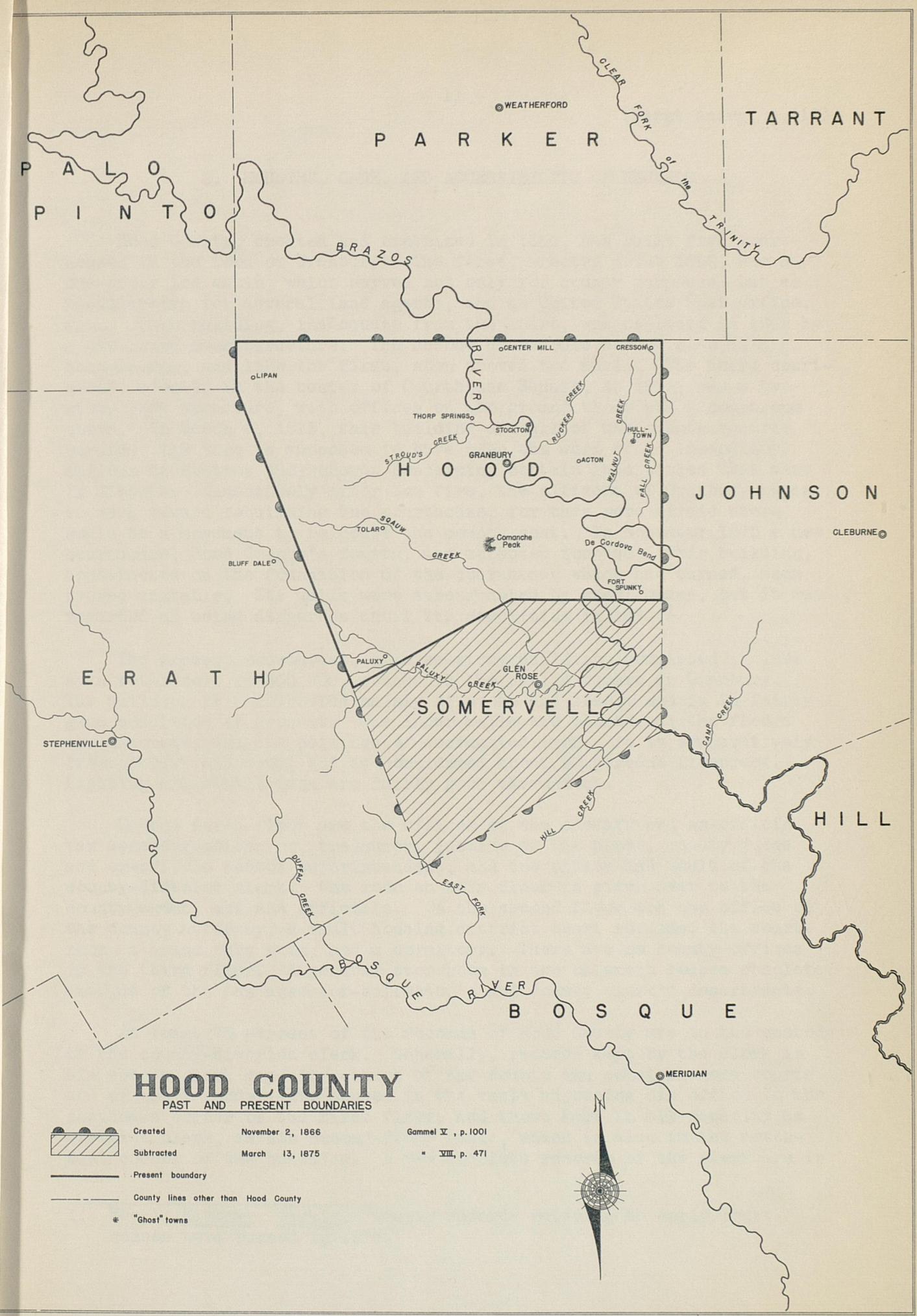
The boundaries of Hood County by the act of creation, on November 2, 1866, were as follows:

Beginning at the north corner of Bosque county, on the bank of Brazos river, thence with the north line of Bosque county southwestward to its crossing of the East Bosque; thence northwestward in a direct line, to the southeast corner of Palo Pinto county, as now established; thence north, to the southwest corner of Parker county; thence east, with the south line of Parker county, to the northwest corner of Johnson county, as now established; thence south with the west line of Johnson county, to Brazos river, at the upper corner of the J. Lyon 320 acre survey; thence with Brazos river, and across the same to the beginning. . . ²⁵

These boundaries remained unchanged until March 13, 1875, when the county of Somervell was created out of Hood County territory. The northern boundary of the new county has since been the southern boundary of Hood, the parent county. That line is described as follows:

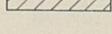
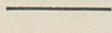
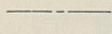
Beginning at a point on the west boundary line, of Johnson county, where a line due west would strike the northeast corner of the W. B. Smith survey on Squaw creek; thence south sixty degrees west to the Erath county line. . . ²⁶

24. Covey, *An Administrative Study*, 3.
25. Gammel, *Laws*, V, 1001.
26. *Ibid.*, VIII, 471.



HOOD COUNTY

PAST AND PRESENT BOUNDARIES

-  Created November 2, 1866
-  Subtracted March 13, 1875
-  Present boundary
-  County lines other than Hood County
-  * "Ghost" towns

Gammel V, p. 1001
 " VIII, p. 471



2. HOUSING, CARE, AND ACCESSIBILITY OF RECORDS

Hood County, created and organized in 1866, has built five courthouses in the town of Granbury. The first, erected about 1868, was a one-story log cabin, which served not only for county purposes, but as headquarters for several land agents, and as United States Post Office, also. This building, inadequate from the start, was replaced in 1869 by a one-story rock structure. The second courthouse served also as a schoolhouse, and like the first, soon proved too small. The third courthouse, erected in the center of Courthouse Square, in 1872, was a two-story rock structure, with offices on the ground floor and a courtroom above. On March 6, 1875, this building and all of the county records burned. The fire is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary, anxious to destroy the records concerning certain land titles that were in dispute. Immediately after the fire, the citizens of Granbury began to work toward rebuilding the courthouse, for they were afraid there would be a movement to relocate the county seat. In November 1875 a new courthouse, Hood County's fourth, was accepted for use. This building, constructed on the foundation of the courthouse which had burned, soon proved unstable. Its walls were strengthened by steel beams, but it was regarded as being dangerous until its demolition in 1890.¹

The present courthouse, a three-story building, completed in 1891 at a total cost of \$50,000, stands on the public square in Granbury. The building is constructed mainly of stone and steel, and is in fairly good condition at present. The inner walls are plastered; the floors are concrete; and the ceilings of corrugated iron. It is comparatively free of dust and soot, and is considered about 90 percent fireproof. Lighting and ventilation are fairly good throughout.

On the first floor are the offices of the sheriff and ex-officio tax assessor-collector, treasurer, justice of the peace, county judge and ex-officio school superintendent, and the office and vault of the county-district clerk. One room on this floor is given over to the county agent, and AAA officials. On the second floor are the office of the county attorney, a vault housing district court records, the courtroom, a grand jury room, and a dormitory. There are no county offices on the third floor. A general storeroom in the basement houses obsolete records of the tax assessor-collector's and county clerk's departments.

At least 75 percent of the records of Hood County are in the custody of the county-district clerk. Generally, records kept by the clerk in his county clerk capacity--those of the county and commissioners courts and of the recorder--are housed in the vault adjoining his office in the northeast corner of the first floor; and those kept in his capacity as district clerk, in his second-floor vault, which is also in the northeast corner of the building. A few obsolete records of the clerk are in

1. Ewell, History, passim. County records relating to early courthouses were burned in 1875.

(First entry, p. 15)

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the basement storeroom, which is entered from the first-floor vault. This storeroom is equipped with wooden shelves. Both the workroom and the two vaults are equipped with roller steel shelving. None of the rooms is crowded, and ample accommodations are furnished research workers.

The office of the sheriff, who serves the county as tax assessor-collector also, is in the northwest corner of the first floor. Current records of both departments of this office are in his office; a few obsolete ones are in the basement storeroom.

The treasurer's office is in the southwest corner of the first floor, directly across the corridor from that of the sheriff and tax assessor-collector. All of the records of this department are housed here. Since most of them are kept on tables and desks, they are accessible to the public. Tables and chairs are provided for the use of persons inquiring into the records.

The office of the justice of the peace is on the south side of the first floor. All of the justice's records are kept in this office.

The county judge's office is in the southeast corner of the first floor, adjoining the office of the justice of the peace. The county judge serves also as county school superintendent, and records which he keeps in this capacity are housed in his office; records of the county and commissioners courts over which the judge presides, are made and kept by the clerk.

The county attorney's office is on the second floor, in the southeast corner. His records are kept in the clerk's first floor vault.

3. ABBREVIATIONS, SYMBOLS, AND EXPLANATORY NOTES

Abbreviations and Symbols

AAA	.....	Agricultural Adjustment Administration
alph.	.....	alphabetical(ly)
Art(s).	.....	article(s)
arr.	.....	arranged, arrangement
bsmt. strm.	.....	basement storeroom
chron.	.....	chronological(ly)
Const.	.....	Constitution of Texas
C.S.	.....	Called Session
ed.	.....	editor
f.b.	.....	file box(es)
hdw.	.....	handwritten
<u>ibid.</u>	ibidem, reference work last cited
Legis.	Legislature of the State of Texas
no(s).	number(s)

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numer.	numerical(ly)
p(p).	page(s)
pr. fm.	printed form(s)
pr. hd.	printed heading(s)
sec(s).	section(s)
Sp. L.	.....	Special Laws
T.A.	.....	Acts of the Texas Legislature
va.	.....	vault
vol(s).	.....	volume(s)
x	.....	by
--	.....	placed after date means from that year on

Explanatory Notes

In the inventory proper, each records series is described in a separate entry. The records are shown under the office or agency or origin or of final destination and are grouped thereunder by subject matter; entries are numbered consecutively throughout the inventory in one series (1-169).

Entries are of two kinds: the master entry, describing the record indicated by the title; and the artificial entry, which cannot be located in the county by title, being included with other recordings or papers.

Entry titles shown in all capital letters are those appearing on volumes or file boxes, or, if enclosed in parentheses, the titles assigned to containers not titled. Parenthetical titles added to actual titles, and shown with initial capitals only, have been supplied to clarify titles or to correct misnomers. The current or most recent title is used as the title of the entry, with inclusive dates of the series; earlier variations of title are shown, with limiting dates.

First and last dates covered by a particular record are shown in the title-line of the entry. Continuous records are shown by a hyphen between the beginning and closing dates, as 1860-95, or by two dashes after a date, indicating that the record is current, as 1915--; lapses in the record are indicated by a comma between the inclusive dates, as 1901-6, 1912-14.

Numbers or letters in parentheses after the number of volumes or file boxes indicate labeling.

Title-line cross-references are used to complete a series kept separately for a period of years, or to trace location of an artificial entry, and are complemented by body-of-entry cross-references.

To correlate closely related records, such as original reports, shown under the office of destination, and copies of the reports, shown under office of origin, the third-paragraph cross-reference is used. The third-paragraph cross-reference is also used, in some instances, to

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show prior and subsequent records, where the purpose of the records is apparently the same, but the form is different:

"See also" cross-references placed after subject headings refer to records classified under a different grouping within the same office or under another office, but dealing with the same subject matter.

If no statement is made concerning the condition of records, it is assumed that they are in good condition.

Volume and file box dimensions are given in inches. Dimensions for volumes are given in the sequence of height, width, thickness; dimensions for file boxes, in the sequence of height, width, depth.

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I. COMMISSIONERS COURT

Records of the commissioners court are in the county-district clerk's vault on the first floor unless otherwise indicated.

Proceedings

General

1. MINUTES COMMISSIONERS COURT, May 8, 1876--. 7 vols. (A-G). Clerk's record of regular and special meetings of the commissioners court, showing date, place, and kind of meeting, names of members present, names of interested parties, business transacted, orders issued, signature of presiding officer, and clerk's attest. Arr. chron. by court term. 1876-1936 separate index, see entry 2; 1936-- no index. 1876-1919 hdw.; 1919-- typed. 600 pp. 16 x 18 x 3.

For transcription of prior minutes, Mar. term 1875-Mar. term 1876, see entry 105; for commissioners' minutes allowing claims, 1886--, see entry 5; tabulation of election returns, 1884--, see entry 8; road minutes, 1880-1932, see entries 9, 10; equalization minutes, 1908-16, see entry 159.

2. INDEX TO MINUTES COMMISSIONERS COURT, 1876-1936. 3 vols. (1-3). Index to Minutes Commissioners Court, entry 1; index volumes 1 and 2 index minutes volumes A-E and first part of F, 1876-1915, by names of interested parties and by subject matter of proceedings; index volume 3 indexes last part of volume F and part of volume G, 1916-36, by subject matter only; show date of proceedings, names of interested parties, nature of proceedings, and reference to book and page. 1876-1915 direct by name of party, reverse by subject matter, arr. alph. by first letter of surname or by first letter of subject, chron. thereunder; 1916-36 arr. alph. by first letter of subject, chron. thereunder, with printed key at top of each page showing alph. list of subjects with page of index on which each subject begins. Hdw. pr. hd. 450 pp. 18 x 14 x 4.

3. COMMISSIONERS' COURT DOCKET, 1882--. 5 vols. (1-5). Clerk's docket of claims and petitions filed for hearing with commissioners court, showing names of parties, date and subject of petition or kind of claim, and action of court. Arr. chron. by court term. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of party, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 456 pp. 16 x 12 x 3.

4. COMMISSIONERS COURT PAPERS, 1875--. 1 steel cabinet, 2 cardboard boxes. Miscellaneous papers presented to commissioners court, including petitions, canceled warrants, officers' reports, butchers' reports, election returns, and court orders. Arr. chron. No index. Cabinet 20 x 18 x 18; boxes 30 x 20 x 20. 1875-1900 bsmt. strm.

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Claims

5. MINUTES OF ACCOUNTS ALLOWED, 1886--. 4 vols. (1, 1-3). Title varies: Record of Claims Presented, 1886-1904, 1 vol. (1). Clerk's record of proceedings of commissioners court on claims presented and allowed, showing name of claimant, amount and nature of claim, date of action, amount allowed for payment, from what fund paid, warrant number, and remarks. Arr. chron. by date of court action. No index. 1886-1904 hdw.; 1904-- hdw. pr. hd. 450 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

For general proceedings of commissioners court, 1876--, see entry 1; for docket of claims, 1882--, see entry 3; for treasurer's claim register, 1880--, see entry 161.

Financial Reports (See also entry 4)

6. RECORD OF TREASURER'S REPORT, 1887-1919. 2 vols. (1, 2). Recorded copies of quarterly reports of county treasurer as to fund received and disbursed, showing name of treasurer, period covered by report, and, under each county fund, balance on hand from last report, amounts received during quarter and from what source received, amounts transferred from other funds, amounts paid out during quarter, amount of treasurer's commission, balance on hand, signature of treasurer, attest of county clerk, county judge's signed certification that report was examined and approved in open court, and clerk's certificate of date of recording. Arr. chron. by recording date. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 400 pp. 16 x 11 x 2.

For commissioners court affidavits to treasurer's quarterly reports, 1912-16, see entry 7.

7. AFFIDAVITS OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT, 1912-16. 1 vol. Clerk's record of affidavits of commissioners court to treasurer's quarterly reports, certifying that reports are correct, showing date of approval and signature of county judge. Arr. chron. by approval date. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 328 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

For recorded copies of treasurer's quarterly reports, 1887-1919, see entry 6.

Elections (See also entry 4)

8. RECORD OF ELECTION RETURNS, 1884--. 3 vols. Tabulation of results of general and special elections, made by commissioners court, showing kind and date of election, name and number of election precinct, office or issue, names of candidates, number of votes cast in each precinct, total number of votes cast, and name of candidate receiving majority vote for each office. Arr. chron. by election date. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 380 pp. 16 x 12 x 3.

For general proceedings of commissioners court, 1876--, see entry 1.

Roads

9. ROAD MINUTES, COMMISSIONERS' COURT, Feb. term 1880-Aug. 14, 1918. 3 vols. (1-3).

Clerk's record of regular road proceedings of commissioners court, May term 1880-August 14, 1918, including orders on road petitions and reports of road supervisors, showing term of court, subject of business, and action of the court. Volumes 1 and 2 also contain, on pages 1-208 and 1-163, respectively, Road Minutes, Commissioners Court (Appointments of Overseers), Feb. term 1880-Feb. term 1889, Apr. term 1889-Feb. term 1895, entry 10. Arr. chron. by court term. 1880-Feb. term 1895, vols. 1, 2, indexed alph. by first letter of surname of overseer, supervisor, principal petitioner, or by first letter of name of road, chron. thereunder; Nov. 11, 1889-Aug. 14, 1918, vol. 3, indexed by index to Index to Road Minutes (Abstracts), see entry 11. Hdw. 500 pp. 16 x 18 x 14.

For general proceedings of commissioners court, 1876-- , see entry 1.

10. ROAD MINUTES, COMMISSIONERS' COURT (Appointments of Overseers), Feb. term 1889-Jan. term 1932. 3 vols. (4-6). Feb. term 1880-Feb. term 1895 in Road Minutes Commissioners' Court, vol. 1, pp. 1-208, vol. 2, pp. 1-163, entry 9.

Clerk's record of proceedings of commissioners court in appointing road overseers, showing date of court term, name of person appointed overseer, name and number of road precinct, names of roads in each precinct, expiration date of appointment, and hands designated for road work. Arr. chron. by court term. 1899-1904, vol. 4, indexed alph. by first letter of surname of overseer, chron. thereunder; 1905-32, vols. 5, 6, no index. Hdw. pr. fm. 500 pp. 16 x 18 x 14.

For general proceedings of commissioners court, 1876-- , see entry 1.

11. INDEX TO ROAD MINUTES (Abstracts), 1886-1918. 1 vol. (1).

Abstracts of road minutes and orders recorded in volumes 2 and 3 of Road Minutes, Commissioners' Court, entry 9, showing subject of business or nature of order, and book and page reference, with headings at top of each page showing name and class of road and boundaries. Arr. alph. by first letter in name of road, chron. thereunder. Indexed alph. by first letter in name of road, showing page numbers where abstracts of minutes and orders are recorded; this index also serves as index to petitions and reports recorded in volume 3 of Road Minutes, Commissioners' Court, see entry 9. Hdw. pr. hd. 265 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

Miscellaneous

12. RECORD OF STATEMENT BY COMMISSIONERS COURT OF BOUNTIES PAID,

Dec. 14, 1915-Apr. 20, 1920. 1 vol. (1).

Recorded copies of certificates issued by commissioners court upon presentation of affidavits certifying to examination of scalps of wild animals and to payment of bounties by county, showing name of claimant for bounty, number and kind of animals, date killed, and order authorizing issuance of warrant by clerk, with name of payee and amount, signatures

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of judge and commissioners, and attest of county clerk. Arr. chron. by date of affidavit. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 159 (4 used) pp. 16 x 12 x 1.

13. SMALL-POX QUARANTINE LIST, 1901. 1 vol.

List of names of persons quarantined for smallpox, showing name of person, date of quarantine, name of quarantine station, names of guards and nurses, amount due for services, and signature of county physician. No arr. No index. Hdw. 30 pp. 12 x 5 x 1.

Accounting

14. FINANCE LEDGER, 1879--. 9 vols. (1-9).

Clerk's accounts of county finances by offices and funds, showing date of entry, department and fund charged, amount, date and credit, kind of receipt, voucher or credit, date of voucher, order of court, and amount of credit. Arr. by office subdivisions, chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 375 pp. 18 x 13 x 3.

For treasurer's account of county funds, 1887--, see entry 160.

II. COUNTY CLERK AS RECORDER

Records kept by the county-district clerk as recorder in his vault on the first floor, unless otherwise indicated.

Registration

File Register

15. REGISTER OF INSTRUMENTS FILED FOR RECORD, 1880--. 11 vols.

(1-11). Title varies: Record of Instruments Filed For Record, 1880-88, 1 vol. (1).

Register of instruments and papers filed for record with county clerk, showing names of grantor and grantee, file number, date and kind of instrument, by whom filed, to whom delivered, amount of fees, and filing date. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of grantor, chron. thereunder by filing date. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 500 pp. 16 x 12 x 3.

Conveyances

16. DEED RECORD, Apr. 20, 1875--. 79 vols. (A-Z, 27-54, 56-80; series complete, see entry 26 for vol. 55).

Recorded copies of grants, deeds, and transfers of land, showing names of grantor and grantee, description of land, price paid, and date filed for record. Also contains: Record of Oil Leases, 1919--, entry 26. Arr. chron. by recording date. For index, see entries 17, 18, 19. 1875-1909 hdw.; 1901-05 hdw. pr. fm.; 1909-- typed. 640 pp. 18 x 13 x 3.

For original deeds filed for record, 1875--, see entry 20.

17. GENERAL INDEX TO DEEDS, 1875-1900. 2 vols. (1, 2). Discontinued; for subsequent indexes, see entries 18, 19.
Index by names of grantor and grantee to volumes A-Z, of Deed Record, entry 16, each showing name of opposite party, kind and date of instrument, filing date, and reference to book and page. Grantor entries on left pages, grantee entries on right, arr. alph. by first letter of surname, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.
18. DIRECT INDEX TO DEEDS, 1901--. 3 vols. (4-6). For prior direct index, see entry 17.
Index by name of grantor to volumes 27-54, 56-80, of Deed Record, entry 16, Record of Oil Leases, entry 26, showing names of grantor and grantee, kind and date of instrument, filing date, name of survey, number of acres, and book and page reference. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of grantor, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.
19. REVERSE INDEX TO DEEDS, 1901--. 3 vols. (4-6). For prior reverse index, see entry 17.
Index by name of grantee to volumes 27-54, 56-80, of Deed Record, entry 16, Record of Oil Leases, entry 26, showing names of grantee and grantor, kind and date of instrument, filing date, name of survey, number of acres, and book and page reference. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of grantee, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.
20. DEEDS, 1875--. 48 f.b.
Original deeds left with clerk for recording, showing names of grantor and grantee, number of acres, location and description of land, price paid, filing date, and recording date. Arr. chron. by filing date. No index. 11 x 5 x 14.
For recorded copies of deeds, 1875--, see entry 16.
21. PRE-EMPTION AND HOMESTEAD, 1883-1909. 1 vol.
Field notes of preemption and homestead surveys, showing name of applicant, description of property, and signature of surveyor. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of applicant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. 250 pp. 14 x 12 x 3.
22. PATENT RECORD, May 31, 1919--. 1 vol. (1).
Recorded certified copies of land patents granted by the state, showing names of grantor and grantee, number of acres, location of land, signatures of governor and commissioner of general land office, commissioner's certificate that instrument is a true copy of the original, filing date, recording date, and signature of county clerk. Arr. chron. by recording date. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 400 pp. 18 x 12 x 3.
23. RECORD OF CONTRACTS AND BILL OF SALE, 1890--. 2 vols. (1, 2).
Recorded copies of contracts, agreements, and bills of sale of personal property, showing names of parties, description of property, conditions of agreement, signature of grantor, filing date, recording date, and signature of county clerk. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph.

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by first letter of surname of grantor, chron. thereunder. 1890-1933 hdw.; 1933-- typed sheets pasted in vol. 324 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

24. POWER OF ATTORNEY RECORD, Feb. 1, 1887--. 2 vols. (1, 2). Recorded copies of affidavits authorizing persons to transact business as legal representatives, showing date of instrument, names of grantor and grantee, and nature of business. Arr. chron. by recording date. For index, see entry 25. 1887-1931 hdw.; 1932-- typed. 640 pp. 18 x 18 x 2.

25. GENERAL INDEX TO POWER OF ATTORNEY RECORD, Feb. 1, 1887--. 1 vol. (1). Index by names of grantor and grantee to Power of Attorney Record, entry 24, each showing name of opposite party, and book and page reference. Grantor entries on left pages, grantee entries on right, arr. alph. by first letter of surname, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 300 pp. 18 x 14 x 2.

26. RECORD OF OIL LEASES; Dec. 18, 1918-June 17, 1919. 1 vol. (55). 1919-- in Deed Record, entry 16. Recorded copies of oil leases and releases of same, showing names of grantor and grantee, amount of consideration, terms of contracts, description of land leased, signature of grantor, filing date, recording date, and signature of county clerk. Arr. chron. by recording date. For index, see entries 18, 19. Typed. 640 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

Maps and Plats

27. PLAT RECORD, 1920-23. 1 vol. Blue prints and sketches of lands; showing name of owner, description and location of land, number of acres and boundaries, filing date, and recording date. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of landowner, chron. thereunder. Blue prints and hand-drawn sketches. 148 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

Tax Receipts

28. TAX RECEIPT RECORD, 1915--. 1 vol. Recorded copies of property tax receipts, showing receipt number, amount, year or years, tax valuation, state, county and road taxes, number of lot and block, date paid, signature of tax assessor-collector, filing date, and recording date. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of taxpayer, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 640 pp. 18 x 13 x 3.

For duplicates of property tax receipts, 1887-- , see entry 155.

Livestock (See also entry 169)

29. RECORD OF MARKS AND BRANDS, Aug. 6, 1875--. 4 vols. (1 unmarked, B, 3, 4). Register of livestock marks and brands registered by owners, showing registration number, facsimiles of marks and brands, location on animal,

registration date, and name and residence of owner. 1875-87, unmarked vol., arr. chron. by registration date; 1883-97, vol. B, arr. in three sections: alph. by first letter of surname of owner; numer. numbered 0-8, and brands beginning with characters, chron. within each section by registration date; 1886-- , vols. 3, 4, arr. in three sections: alph. by first letter in brand, numer. numbered 0-9, and one-character brands, chron. thereunder by registration date. 1875-- , 3 vols. (1 unmarked, 3, 4), indexed alph. by first letter of surname of owner, chron. thereunder; 1883-97, vol. B, no index. Hdw. pr. hd. 350 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

30. REPORT OF ESTRAYS BY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, 1877-1918. 2 vols. Copies of reports made by commissioners to county clerk as to animals found running loose, showing kind and description of animal, where found, disposition, date notices posted, and signature of commissioner. Arr. chron. by date of report. No index. Hdw. 320 pp. 14 x 10 x 2. 1 vol., 1877-99, bsmt. strm.

Liens

31. ABSTRACT OF JUDGMENT RECORD, 1879-- . 4 vols. (1 unmarked, 2-4). Title varies: Judgment Record, 1879-- , 3 vols. (1 unmarked, 2, 3).

Recorded copies of abstracts of judgments rendered in the several courts of the county, or upon certification by any court in Texas, showing names of plaintiff and defendant, case number, court in which judgment rendered, amounts of judgment and costs, rate of interest, amount of credits since judgment rendered, amount due, filing date, and recording date. Arr. chron. by recording date. 1879-- separate index, see entry 32; 1922-- , vol. 3, also indexed with plaintiff entries on left pages, defendant on right, alph. by first letter of surname, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 374 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

32. INDEX TO ABSTRACT OF JUDGMENT, 1879-- . 1 vol. (1).

Index by names of plaintiff and defendant to Abstract of Judgment Record, entry 31, each entry showing name of opposite party, and reference to book and page. Plaintiff entries on left pages, defendant on right, arr. alph. by first letter of surname, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 300 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

33. LIS PENDENS RECORD, 1905-- . 1 vol.

Recorded copies of notices filed to prevent sale or disposal of property during litigation, showing names of plaintiff, defendant, and court, cause of action, number and style of case, location and description of property, filing date, and recording date. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph., direct by first letter of surname of plaintiff, reverse by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 592 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

34. ATTACHMENT LIEN RECORD, 1890-- . 1 vol.

Clerk's record of execution of writs issued for attachment of property, showing names of plaintiff, defendant, and court, date of issuance, case

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number, and description of property; with officers return, showing date and manner of execution. Arr. chron. by date issued. For index, see entry 35. Hdw. pr. hd. 318 pp. 16 x 11 x 3.

35. INDEX TO ATTACHMENT LIEN RECORD, 1890--. 1 vol.
Index by names of plaintiff and defendant to Attachment Lien Record, entry 34, each showing name of opposite party and reference to book and page. Plaintiff entries on left pages, defendant on right; arr. alph. by first letter of surname, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 175 pp. 14 x 12 x 2.

36. RECORD OF MECHANIC'S LIENS, 1887--. 1 vol.
Recorded copies of contracts to establish mechanics' liens against property, showing amount of lien on property and in whose favor, description of property, date executed, and date filed for record. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of mechanic, chron. thereunder. 1887-1930 hdw.; 1931-- typed sheets pasted in vol. 456 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

37. RECORD OF LABORERS' LIENS, 1898--. 1 vol.
Recorded copies of contractors' or laborers' contracts filed to establish liens against property for labor or material, showing date of contract, names of lienor and lienee, terms of contract, description of property, filing date, and recording date. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surnames of lienor and lienee, chron. thereunder, each entry showing name of opposite party. 1898-1921 hdw.; 1922-- typed. 296 pp. 16 x 11 x 2.

38. RECORD OF LIEN ON PROGENY, 1890-1907. 1 vol.
Recorded copies of liens, secured by expected progeny, in favor of stock-breeders against owners of foaled animals, showing names of parties, date of contract, date of lien, description of animal foaled, and service charge. Arr. chron. by recording date. No index. Hdw. 210 pp. 16 x 14 x 2. Bsmt. strm.

39. DEED OF TRUST RECORD, June 7, 1883--. 17 vols. (1-12, 14-18; series complete, see entry 40 for vol. 13). Title varies: Deed of Trust & Mortgage Record, June 7, 1883-Nov. 28, 1888, 1 vol. (1).
Recorded copies of mortgages, liens, and trust deeds given by owners of real estate, showing names of mortgagor and mortgagee, description of property, amount involved, date of instrument, and recording date. Arr. chron. by recording date. For index, see entry 41. 1883-1919 hdw.; 1920-- typed pr. fm. 640 pp. 18 x 13 x 3.

40. FEDERAL LAND BANK DEED TRUST RECORD, Jan. 1, 1918-Apr. 1, 1924. 1 vol. (13).
Recorded copies of mortgages, liens, and trust deeds given by owners of real estate, showing names of mortgagor and mortgagee (Federal Land Bank), description of property, amount involved, filing date, and recording date. Arr. chron. by recording date. For index, see entry 41. 640 pp. 18 x 13 x 3.

41. INDEX TO DEED OF TRUST RECORD, 1883--. 2 vols. (1, 2).
Index by names of mortgagor and mortgagee to Deed of Trust Record, entry 39, and to Federal Land Bank Deed Trust Record, entry 40, each showing name of opposite party, kind and date of instrument, and reference to book and page. 1883-1935, vol. 1, mortgagor entries on left pages, mortgagee on right, arr. alph. by first letter of surname, chron. thereunder; 1935-- , vol. 2, arr. alph. by first letters of surnames, chron. thereunder, with alph. key table in front showing beginning page numbers of surnames. Hdw. pr. hd. 600 pp. 18 x 16 x 3.

42. INDEX AND REGISTER OF CHATTEL MORTGAGES, Dec. 15, 1880--. 27 vols. (1-27). Title varies: Chattel Mortgage Register, Dec. 15, 1880-1932, 25 vols. (1-25).
Register of chattel mortgages filed for record, showing mortgage number, names of mortgagor and mortgagee or trustee, amount secured, date of instrument, date due, description and location of property, filing date, and recording date. Dec. 15, 1880-1932, arr. chron. by recording date; 1932-- arr. alph. by first letter of surname of mortgagor in first half of each book, of mortgagee in second half, chron. thereunder by recording date. 1880-1932, separate index, see entry 43; 1932-- no index. Hdw. pr. fm. 319 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. 25 vols., 1880-1932, bsmt. strm.

For original chattel mortgages, 1875-- , see entry 44; for register of chattel mortgages on machinery attached to real estate 1917-22, see entry 45.

43. INDEX TO CHATTEL MORTGAGE REGISTER, 1880-1932. 13 vols. (1-13).
Index by names of mortgagor and mortgagee to volumes 1-25 of Index and Register of Chattel Mortgages, entry 42, each entry showing name of opposite party and reference to book and page. Arr. alph., direct by first letter of surname of mortgagor, reverse by first letter of surname of mortgagee, chron. thereunder. Hdw. 400 pp. 18 x 16 x 3. Bsmt. strm.

44. CHATTEL MORTGAGES, 1875--. 37 f.b.
Original chattel mortgages filed for record, showing mortgage number, names of mortgagor and mortgagee or trustee, amount secured, date due, description of property, and filing date. Arr. chron. by filing date. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.

For registers of chattel mortgages, 1880-- , see entries 42, 45.

45. CHATTEL MORTGAGE RECORD ON REALTY, 1917-22. 1 vol.
Register of chattel mortgages on machinery and other manufactured articles attached to real estate, showing names of mortgagor and mortgagee, amount secured, date due, description of property, filing date, and recording date. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph., direct by first letter of surname of mortgagor, reverse by first letter of surname of mortgagee, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 268 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

For register of chattel mortgages, 1880-- , see entry 42; for original chattel mortgages, 1875-- , see entry 44.

Public Policy Records

Vital Statistics

46. MARRIAGE RECORD, June 3, 1875--. 10 vols. (A-J).
Recorded copies of marriage licenses returned for record, showing date and number of license, names, addresses, and ages of contracting parties, date and place of marriage ceremony, signature of person performing ceremony, filing date, and recording date. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 300 pp. 16 x 12 x 1.
47. DOCTORS CERTIFICATE TO MARRIAGE LICENSE, 1929--. 3 f.b.
Original health certificates for men requisite to the issuance of marriage licenses, showing name, age, and address of applicant, certificate number, date of examination, statement as to result of examination, and signature of physician. Arr. chron. by date issued. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.
48. NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MARRY, 1929-33. 1 vol. Discontinued; law requiring notices repealed in 1933.
Recorded copies of notices filed three days before issuance of marriage licenses, showing names and addresses of contracting parties, date and number of notice, date license issued, certification as to ages of contracting parties by parent or guardian, and number of physician's certificate. Arr. chron. by date of notice. Indexed alph. by first letters of surnames of male and female, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 320 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.
49. BIRTH RECORD, May 6, 1903--. 9 vols. (1, 2, 2A, 3, 2 unmarked, 5-7). Title varies: Record of Births, May 6, 1903-1910, 2 vols. (1, 2); Record of Certificate of Births, July 26, 1916-June 17, 1917, 1 vol. (unmarked); Register of Births, 1917-Nov. 17, 1931, 2 vols. (1 unmarked, 5).
Register of birth certificates filed, 1903-10, 1917-31, and recorded copies of birth certificates filed, 1911-17, 1931--, showing name of child, sex, race, stillborn or alive, whether legitimate, date and place of birth, certificate number, filing date, and name, occupation, address, and nationality of father and mother. 1903-07, 1911--, 8 vols. (1, 2A, 3, 2 unmarked, 5-7), arr. chron.; 1907-10, 1 vol. (2), arr. alph. by first letter of surname of child, chron. thereunder. 1903-10 no index; 1911-- indexed alph. by first letter of surname of child, chron. thereunder. 1903-10, 1917-31, registers, hdw. pr. hd.; 1911-17, 1931--, certificates, hdw. pr. fm. 350 pp. 18 x 14 x 3.
50. DEATH RECORD, May 15, 1903--. 6 vols. (1, 2, 4, 2 unmarked, 6). Title varies: Record of Deaths, May 15, 1903-Apr. 29, 1908, 1 vol. (1); Register of Deaths, July 1, 1917-Apr. 7, 1930, 1 unmarked vol.
Register of death certificates, 1903-10, 1917-30, and recorded copies of death certificates, 1911-16, 1931--, showing certificate number, sex,

race, age, marital status, and residence of deceased, date and cause of death, date and place of interment, name of undertaker, names and birth-places of father and mother, certificate and address of physician, and date reported. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of deceased, chron. thereunder. 1903-10, 1917-30, hdw. pr. hd.; 1911-16, 1931-- , hdw. pr. fm. 150 pp. 16 x 11 x 1.

Old Age Security

51. OLD AGE PENSION LIST, 1936-- . 1 vol.

Shows names of and amounts paid to old age pensioners, case number, county number, name and address of recipient, amount paid, voucher number, total, and date of issuance. Arr. chron. by month date of report. No index. Typed. 150 pp. 14 x 12 x 1.

Military

52. SOLDIER'S AND SAILOR'S DISCHARGE RECORD, 1919-- . 1 vol.

Recorded copies of discharges from military service, showing name of person discharged, date, and cause of discharge, enlistment record, length of service, signature of commanding officer, filing date, recording date, and signature of county clerk. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of soldier or sailor, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 296 pp. 18 x 12 x 1.

Professional and Business

53. OPTOMETRY REGISTER, 1922-- . 1 vol.

Recorded copies of licenses issued by the state board of examiners in optometry, showing name and address of optometrist, date license issued, statement authorizing practice of optometry, signatures of board members, filing date, recording date, and signature of county clerk. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of optometrist, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 80 pp. 16 x 11 x 1.

54. (DENTISTS' CERTIFICATES), 1907-29. In Medical Register, entry 99.

Typed copies, pasted in book, of certificates issued by state board of dental examiners authorizing applicants to practice their profession in the state, showing license number, date issued, name, age, and address of applicant, school of graduation, certification with signatures of members of state board, filing date, recording date, and signature of county clerk.

55. (EMBALMERS' CERTIFICATES), 1907-29. In Medical Register, entry 99.

Typed copies, pasted in book, of certificates issued by state board of embalmers' examiners authorizing applicants to practice their profession in the state, showing license number, date issued, name, age, and address of applicant, school of graduation, certification with signatures of members of state board, filing date, recording date, and signature of county clerk.

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Deputations; Acknowledgments

56. RECORD OF ASSUMED BUSINESS NAMES, 1921--. 1 vol.
Register of business firms operating under assumed names, showing name and address of firm, names and addresses of owners, filing date, recording date, fees due, and remarks. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter in assumed name, chron. thereunder. Typed. 160 pp. 16 x 11 x 1.

57. RECORD OF ANIMALS KILLED, 1915--. 1 vol.
Record of livestock killed on railroad rights-of-way, showing kind and description of animal, date found, date reported, and name of employee making report. Arr. chron. by date of report. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 160 pp. 16 x 11 x 1.

58. RECCRD (Indemnity Insurance), 1917-20. 1 vol.
Recorded copies of notices that employers have complied with employees' compensation laws, showing names of insurance company and employer, amount of insurance, number of employees, filing date, and recording date. Arr. chron. by recording date. No index. Hdw. 300 pp. 16 x 12 x 3.

59. GINNERS AFFIDAVIT, 1907-11. 1 envelope.
Ginners affidavits, certifying that they will forward to commissioner of agriculture a correct report as to number of bales of cotton ginned, showing name of ginner and date of affidavit. Arr. chron. by date of affidavit. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 10 x 4 x 1.

Official Bonds and Deputations

60. OFFICIAL BOND RECORD, 1881--. 5 vols. (1 unmarked, B-E).
Recorded copies of bonds made by county and precinct officials and their deputies, showing names of official and sureties, title of office, date and amount of bond, to whom bound, signature of county clerk, and recording date; also recorded copies of appointments of deputies and their oaths of office. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of official, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 500 pp. 16 x 18 x 2. 2 vols., 1881-1903, bsmt. strm.

For original official bonds, 1901--, see entry 61.

61. BONDS AND OFFICIAL BONDS, 1901--. 1 locker cabinet.
Original bonds made by county officials to insure faithful performance of their duties, showing name of official, date and amount of bond, names of sureties, and filing date. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 20 x 16 x 16.

For recorded copies of official bonds, 1881--, see entry 60.

Acknowledgments

62. ACKNOWLEDGMENT RECORD, 1875--. 3 vols. Title varies: Acknowledgment of Deeds, 1875-87, 1 vol.
Record of acknowledgment of deeds and other instruments by county clerk as notary public, showing names of grantor and grantee, number and date

of acknowledgment, kind of instrument, and amount of fee. Arr. chron. by date of acknowledgment. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 350 pp. 16 x 14 x 3. 1 vol., 1875-87, bsmt. strm.

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Records kept by the county-district clerk as district clerk are in his vault on the second floor unless otherwise indicated.

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Case Papers

63. CIVIL PAPERS RETIRED, 1875--. 55 f.b.

Original case papers filed in civil cases disposed of in district court. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of plaintiff, chron. thereunder by filing date. No index. Hdw.; hdw. and typed. 11 x 5 x 14.

For original papers in pending civil cases, 1923-- , see entry 64.

64. CIVIL PAPERS PENDING, 1923--. 26 f.b.

Original case papers in civil cases filed in district court and not yet disposed of. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of plaintiff, chron. thereunder by filing date. No index. Hdw.; hdw. and typed. 11 x 5 x 14.

For original papers in disposed of civil cases, 1875-- , see entry 63.

65. TRANSCRIPTS, 1916--. 2 desk drawers.

Duplicate transcripts of orders of the court, testimony heard, and statements made in district court cases appealed to higher courts, showing number and style of case, charge to jury, court orders, and date transcript filed. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. and typed. 20 x 8 x 12.

66. ATTORNEY'S RECEIPT BOOK, 1877-88. 1 vol. Discontinued.

Register of receipts for case papers withdrawn from and returned to custody of district clerk by attorneys in civil cases, showing number and style of case, name of attorney, number and kind of papers, date withdrawn, and date returned. Arr. chron. by date withdrawn. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of attorney, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 250 pp. 16 x 14 x 2.

67. STATE PAPERS, RETIRED, 1875--. 52 f.b.

Original case papers in criminal cases disposed of in district court. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. 11 x 5 x 14.

For original papers in criminal cases pending, 1923-- , see ontry 68

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68. STATE PAPERS PENDING, 1923--. 12 f.b.
Original case papers in criminal cases pending in district court. Arr.
alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder by filing
date. No index. Hdw. 11 x 5 x 14.
For original papers in criminal cases disposed of, 1875--, see entry
67.

Dockets

69. CLERK'S FILE DOCKET AND FEE BOOK, 1879--. 8 vols. (1-8).
Clerk's docket of filed cases to be called in district court, and fees
due thereon, showing number and style of case, names of attorneys,
amount of fees, and filing date. Arr. chron. by filing date. No index.
Hdw. pr. hd. 320 pp. 16 x 14 x 3.

70. CIVIL DOCKET, Nov. term 1876-Sept. term 1906. 2 vols. (1 un-
marked, 2).
Clerk's docket of civil cases filed in district court, showing number of
suit, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, date and kind of ac-
tion, and proceedings of court. Arr. chron. by court term. No index.
Hdw. pr. hd. 350 pp. 16 x 14 x 3.

71. APPEARANCE DOCKET, 1876-94. 1 vol.
Clerk's docket of cases filed to be heard on regular appearance day of
each term of court, showing term of court, case number, names of plain-
tiff, defendant, and attorneys, cause of action, filing date, and orders
issued. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 330 pp. 18
x 16 x 3.

72. CIVIL TAX DOCKET, 1928-33. 1 vol.
Clerk's docket of delinquent tax suits filed in district court, showing
term of court, number and style of case, names of attorneys, kind of ac-
tion, and filing date. Arr. chron. by court term. Indexed alph. by
first letter of surname of plaintiff, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd.
250 pp. 16 x 14 x 2.

73. DOCKET (Civil and Criminal Pending Cases), 1937--. 1 vol.
Clerk's docket of civil and criminal cases pending in district court
under following tabular subdivisions: criminal, appealed cases, suspend-
ed sentence, civil, jury docket, appearance, and divorce, each showing
number and style of case, cause of action or offense charged, filing date,
and notations of court orders at prior terms. Arr. in tabular subdivi-
sions, chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 500 (looseleaf) pp.
9 x 16 x 2. County-district clerk's 1st floor va.

74. DELINQUENT TAX SUITS (Pending Cases), 1937--. 1 vol.
Clerk's docket of tax suits pending settlement in district court, showing
number and style of case, filing date, and notations, with dates, of or-
ders issued at prior terms of court. No arr. No index. Hdw. pr. hd.
200 (looseleaf) pp. 9 x 16 x 2. County-district clerk's 1st floor va.

75. STATE DOCKET, 1876-1907. 2 vols.

Docket of criminal cases to be heard in district court, showing term of court, number and style of case, names of witnesses and attorneys, offense charged, notations of court orders, and filing date. Arr. chron. by court term. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 250 pp. 16 x 14 x 3.

Minutes

76. MINUTES DISTRICT COURT TRANSCRIBED, Apr. 5, 1875-June 24, 1876 (dates of proceedings; no transcription date shown). 1 vol.

Certified transcription of civil and criminal proceedings of district court, showing date of proceedings, number and style of case, cause of action or offense charged, and disposition of case; certified by clerk as a transcription of original minute book B. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. 400 (50 used) pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

For general proceedings in civil trials, 1876-- , see entry 77; in criminal trials, 1876-1932, 1935-- , see entry 82.

77. CIVIL MINUTES DISTRICT COURT, Nov. 27, 1876-- . 6 vols. (1 unmarked, D, F, H, K, L). Title varies: Minutes District Court, Nov. 27, 1876-Mar. term 1890, 2 vols. (1 unmarked, D).

Clerk's record of proceedings in civil trials in district court, including divorce minutes through 1907, showing date of proceedings, number and style of case, cause of action, and disposition of case. Also contains: Criminal Minutes District Court, 1876-86, entry 82. Arr. chron. by court term. For index, see entry 78. 1876-1911 hdw.; 1912-- typed. 550 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. County-district clerk's 1st floor va.

For transcription of general proceedings in civil trials, 1875-76, see entry 76; for divorce minutes, 1908-- , see entry 80; for delinquent tax judgments, 1916-28, see entry 79; for scire facias minutes, 1886-1934, see entry 86; for minutes allowing court officers' fees, 1892-- , see entries 90-93.

78. GENERAL INDEX TO MINUTES DISTRICT COURT, 1876-- . 2 vols. (A, B).

Index by names of plaintiff and defendant to Civil Minutes District Court, entry 77, and to Divorce Record (Minutes), entry 80, each entry showing case number, names of opposite party, and reference to book and page. Plaintiff entries on left pages, defendant on right, arr. alph. by first letter of surname, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. County-district clerk's 1st floor va.

79. MINUTES DELINQUENT TAX, 1916-28. 2 vols. (1, 2).

Clerk's record of proceedings of district court in delinquent tax cases, in which the state takes judgment against defendants for non-payment of taxes, showing date of proceedings, number and style of case, years delinquent, amount due state, description of property, and signature of district judge; also, in volume 1, recorded copies, 1916-28, of court orders dismissing tax suits. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. In-

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dexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder.
650 pp. 18 x 16 x 3. County-district clerk's 1st floor va.
For general proceedings in civil trials, 1876-- , see entry 77.

80. DIVORCE RECORD (Minutes), 1908-- . 1 vol. (1).
Clerk's record of proceedings in divorce cases, subdivided as follows:
decree of divorce, decree of divorce with custody of children, decree
of divorce with division of property, and decree refusing divorce;
each shows number and style of case, cause of action, and orders of
court. Arr. under tabular subdivisions, chron. thereunder by date of
proceedings. For index, see entry 78. Hdw. pr. fm. 350 pp. 16 x 14
x 3. County-district clerk's 1st floor va.
For divorce minutes, 1876-1907, see entry 77.

81. GRAND JURY MINUTES, 1911-- . 2 vols.
Record of investigations made by grand jury and reported to district
court, showing names of defendant, officer, and witnesses, offense
charged, date of offense, disposition of case, and remarks. Arr. chron.
No index. Hdw. 250 pp. 16 x 14 x 2.

82. CRIMINAL MINUTES DISTRICT COURT, Mar. term 1887-May 9, 1932,
1935-- . 3 vols. (E, H, I). Title varies: Minutes District
Court, Mar. term 1887-Oct. 25, 1909, 1 vol. (E). 1876-86 in
Civil Minutes District Court, entry 77.
Clerk's record of proceedings in criminal cases in district court, in-
cluding orders issued, and motions made, showing number and style of
case, names of attorneys, offense charged, date of trial, and disposi-
tion of case. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. 1887-1932 hdw.;
1935-- typed. 450 pp. 18 x 16 x 3. 1 vol. (I), 1935-- , county-district
clerk's 1st floor va.

For transcription of proceedings in criminal trials, 1875-76, see
entry 76; for final judgments in criminal cases, 1895-- , see entry 83;
for transfer of misdemeanor cases, 1896-- , see entry 84; for plea of
guilty minutes, 1907-37, see entry 85.

83. CRIMINAL MINUTES DISTRICT COURT (Final Judgments), 1895-- .
2 vols. (I, J).
Clerk's record of final judgments of district court in criminal cases
in which judgments are rendered, under the following tabular subdivi-
sions: plea not guilty, plea guilty, dismissing, and sentence; shows
date of proceedings, number and style of case, offense charged, kind of
plea, and judgment of the court. Arr. in tabular subdivisions, chron.
thereunder by date of proceedings. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 500 pp. 18
x 12 x 2. County-district clerk's 1st floor va.

For general proceedings in criminal cases, 1876-1932, 1935-- , see
entry 82; for pleas of guilty and jury verdicts rendered, 1907-37, see
entry 85.

84. CRIMINAL MINUTES DISTRICT COURT (Transfer), 1896--. 1 vol. (J).

Clerk's record of criminal proceedings in district court in which the court holds that jurisdiction belongs to the county court, showing date of proceedings, number and style of case, offense charged, statement of transfer to county court by reason of case being determined a misdemeanor, and signature of district judge. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. County-district clerk's 1st floor va.

For general proceedings in criminal trials, 1876-1932, 1935--, see entry 82.

85. CRIMINAL MINUTES PLEA OF GUILTY, Apr. term 1907-Apr. term 1937. 1 vol. (G).

Clerk's record of proceedings in criminal cases filed in district court in which defendants enter pleas of guilty and jury verdicts are rendered, showing term of court, number and style of case, offense charged, recital of plea of guilty, and jury verdict. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. County-district clerk's 1st floor va.

For general proceedings in criminal trials, 1876-1932, 1935--, see entry 82; for final judgments on pleas of guilty, 1895--, see entry 83.

86. SCIRE FACIAS MINUTES, Sept. term 1886-Apr. term 1934. 1 vol.

Clerk's record of proceedings in cases in district court, in which defendants, witnesses, and sureties on bond acknowledge indebtedness to the state on condition of future appearance for criminal trials, and court orders ordering forfeiture of bonds. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 400 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

For general proceedings in civil cases, 1876--, see entry 77.

Process

87. EXECUTION DOCKET, 1876--. 2 vols.

Clerk's record of executions issued by district court to satisfy judgments rendered in civil cases, showing number and style of case, cause of action; date and amount of judgment, rate of interest, amount of costs, date issued, and officer's return with time and manner of execution. Arr. chron. by date issued. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 360 pp. 18 x 14 x 3.

88. SUBPOENA CIVIL, 1905-29. 4 vols.

Stubs of subpoenas issued to summon witnesses in civil cases, showing name and address of witness, number and style of case, date of appearance, date issued, and to whom delivered. Arr. chron. by date issued. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 250 pp. 18 x 16 x 2.

89. ATTORNEY'S ORDER BOOK, 1884-94. 1 vol.

Clerk's record of witness subpoenas issued in civil cases upon request of attorneys, showing number and style of case, name of witness, name

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of attorney ordering subpoena issued, to whom delivered, and officer's fee for serving. Arr. chron. by date of order. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of witness, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 350 pp. 16 x 14 x 3.

Fees and Costs

90. MINUTES OF DISTRICT CLERK'S AND SHERIFF'S FEES FELONY, 1892--.
5 vols.

Clerk's record of proceedings of district court approving fees of district clerk and sheriff for services rendered in felony cases in district court, showing case number, name of defendant, offense charged, verdict, items of fees, total amount due, and approval of district judge. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 300 pp. 16 x 14 x 3.

For general civil proceedings, 1876-- , see entry 77.

91. CLERK'S CERTIFICATE, SHERIFF'S PAY, 1911-- . 5 vols.

Clerk's record of district court proceedings allowing out-county sheriff's pay for summoning, and advancing money to witnesses in felony cases, consisting of duplicates of certificates issued, showing number and style of case, offense charged, certificate number, names and addresses of witness and sheriff, amount due sheriff, and approval of district judge. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 300 pp. 18 x 16 x 3.

For general civil proceedings, 1876-- , see entry 77.

92. MINUTES OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S ACCOUNTS PER DIEM, 1907-24. 2 vols. Title varies: Minutes of District Attorneys Account, 1907-18, 1 vol.

Clerk's record of district court proceedings approving district attorney's expense accounts and per diem fee bills, showing name of officer, date of service, term of court, mileage, per diem allowance, and total amount due. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 350 pp. 18 x 16 x 3.

For general civil proceedings, 1876-- , see entry 77.

93. MINUTES OF WITNESS ACCOUNTS, 1894-- . 6 vols.

Clerk's record of district court proceedings allowing fees due witnesses summoned before grand jury and district court, showing date and term of court, name of witness, days served, and amount due. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 350 pp. 18 x 16 x 3.

For general civil proceedings, 1876-- , see entry 77.

94. BAILIFFS' CERTIFICATES, 1912-- . 1 vol.

Stubs of certificates issued to bailiffs for service on grand jury cases, showing name of bailiff, date of service, number of days served, and total amount paid. Arr. numer. by certificate no. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 200 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

95. JUROR'S TIME BOOK, 1901--. 2 vols.

Clerk's record of money due jurors for service in district court cases, showing court term, name and style of juror, dates of service and amounts paid for same in cash and scrip, amount paid for meals, and total amount due juror. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. 18 x 16 x 3.

96. JURY CERTIFICATE, 1906--. 3 vols.

Stubs of certificates issued to pay jurors for service in district court, showing name and style of juror, number of certificate, time served and fees due, date paid, and signature of district clerk. Arr. chron. by date issued. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 350 pp. 18 x 16 x 3.

97. SPECIAL VENIRE CERTIFICATE, 1907--. 3 vols.

Stubs of certificates issued to pay special veniremen, showing certificate number, date, names of veniremen, days served, total amount for special venire service, fees due, date paid, and signature of district clerk. Arr. numer. by certificate no. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of juror; chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 300 pp. 18 x 16 x 3.

98. WITNESS AFFIDAVIT, 1897--. 1 vol.

Copies of affidavits made by witnesses as to attendance in district court, showing number and style of case, date of affidavit, name of witness, amount of fees, number of days served, and signature of district clerk. Arr. chron. by date of affidavit. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 500 pp. 16 x 14 x 3.

Ex-officio Records of District Clerk

99. MEDICAL REGISTER, Feb. 26, 1887-Nov. 19, 1906, Nov. 17, 1907-

Mar. 12, 1929. 2 vols. (1, 1). Title varies: Record of Physicians & Surgeons, Feb. 26, 1887-Nov. 19, 1906, 1 vol. (1).

Recorded copies of certificates issued by state board of medical examiners, authorizing applicants to practice their profession in the state, showing certificate number, date issued, name, age, and address of physician, school of graduation, certification with signatures of members of state board, filing date, recording date, and signature of clerk, also in first volume, recorded copies of medical diplomas; 1887-1906, showing date and place issued, names of physician and school, certification of graduation by reason of completion of required courses, signature of president, filing date, recording date, and signature of clerk. Second volume also contains: (Dentists' Certificates), 1907-29, entry 54; (Embalmers' Certificates); 1907-29, entry 55. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of certificate holder, chron. thereunder. 1887-1906 hdw.; 1907-29, medical certificates, hdw. pr. fm., dentists' and embalmers' certificates, typed copies pasted in book. 250 pp. 14 x 9 x 2.

100. RECORD OF VETERINARY CERTIFICATES, 1916--. 1 vol.

Recorded copies of certificates issued by state board of examiners of veterinarians, showing name, age, and birthplace of applicant, name of

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school attended, date issued, signatures of members of board, filing date, and recording date. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of veterinarian, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 160 pp. 18 x 12 x 1. County-district clerk's 1st floor va.

IV. COUNTY COURT

Records of the county court are kept in the county-district clerk's first floor vault unless otherwise indicated.

Probate

Case Papers

101. PROBATE CASES (Papers), 1875--. 32 f.b. and 1 cabinet. Original papers filed in probate cases. Arr. alph. by first letter of name of estate, chron. thereunder. No index. F.b., 11 x 5 x 14; cabinet, 20 x 18 x 18.

102. WILL RECORD, 1879-1904. 1 vol. Recorded copies of wills filed for record by testators or heirs, showing name of testator, provisions of will, signature of testator, filing date, recording date, and clerk's attest. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of testator, chron. thereunder. Hdw. 296 pp. 18 x 12 x 1.

For recorded copies of wills, 1873-77, see entry 105.

Dockets

103. JUDGES PROBATE DOCKET, July term 1876--. 5 vols. (A, 2-5). Title varies: Probate Docket, July term 1876-July term 1883, 1 vol. (A).

Docket of probate cases filed, showing case number, names of estate, minor or ward, executors, administrators, and attorneys, date will filed for probate, date executed, date filed and date recorded. Arr. chron. 1876-1883, 1898--., 4 vols. (A, 3-5), no index; 1883-1898, vol. 2, indexed alph. by first letter of name of estate, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 390 pp. 16 x 11 x 2.

104. CLAIM DOCKET, PROBATE, 1876--. 3 vols. Clerk's register of claims filed by creditors against estates of deceased persons, showing name of estate and claimant, kind and amount of claim, filing date, and date of approval or rejection. Arr. chron. by filing date. Indexed alph. by first letter of name of estate, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 280 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

Minutes

105. OLD MINUTE BOOK (Probate Record and Transcribed Minutes Police Court), Mar. 28, 1873-July 13, 1877, July 10, 1883. 1 vol. Recorded copies, 1873-77, on pages 1-85, of applications for probate of wills, wills, notices of application, court orders admitting wills to probate and granting letters, and bonds made by guardians, administrators, and executors. On pages 86-145 is certified transcription of clerk's record of proceedings, March term 1875-March term 1876, of the police court (the county administrative body, forerunner of the present commissioners court; for commissioners court minutes, 1876-- , see entry 1), certified as true and correct copy as appears of record on the original folios, by clerk on July 10, 1883. 1873-77, recorded copies, arr. chron. by recording date; 1875-76, minutes, arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. 310 (145 used) pp. 12 x 8 x 1.

106. MINUTES PROBATE COURT, July term 1876-- . 13 vols. (A-M). Clerk's record of proceedings in probate cases in disposition of estates, showing names of administrator and deceased, description of real estate, inventory of property, statement of administrator, filing date, and disposition of case by court. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. For index, see entries 107, 108. 1876-1918 hdw.; 1919-- typed. 500 pp. 18 x 15 x 3.

107. GENERAL INDEX PROBATE RECORDS, 1876-1935. 1 vol. (1). Discontinued; for subsequent index, see entry 108. Index to Minutes Probate Court, entry 106, direct by name of deceased or minor, reverse by name of executor, or guardian, each entry showing case number, names of parties, and reference to book and page. Direct entries on left pages, reverse on right, arr. alph. by first letter of surname, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 500 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

108. INDEX TO PROBATE MINUTES, Mar. 31, 1935-- . 1 vol. (2). For prior index, see entry 107. Index by name of estate to Minutes Probate Court, entry 106, showing case number, name of estate, names of executor, administrator or guardian, abstract of proceedings or papers showing dates, kind of proceedings, and reference to book and page. Arr. in alph. sections by first letter of name of estate, chron. thereunder, with alph. key in front of book indicating beginning page numbers for each section. Hdw. pr. hd. 700 pp. 18 x 15 x 2.

109. GUARDIAN RECORD, 1883-91. 1 vol. Clerk's record of guardianship of minors, showing names of guardian and estate, date of appointment, settlement, and citation of disposition. Arr. chron. by date of appointment. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of minor, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 230 pp. 14 x 12 x 2. For general proceedings in probate cases, 1876-- , see entry 106.

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Fees

110. PROBATE FEE BOOK, 1886--. 3 vols.

Clerk's account of fees due and payable in administration and settlement of estates, showing date and amount of fee earned, case number, name of estate, amount of costs, items of fees for clerk, sheriff, out-county sheriff, and county judge, and total fees. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of name of estate, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 267 pp. 16 x 11 x 1.

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Case Papers

111. (CIVIL CASE PAPERS, DISPOSED), 1876--. 41 f.b.

Original papers in civil cases disposed of in county court. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of plaintiff, chron. thereunder by filing date. No index. 11 x 5 x 14.

112. CIVIL PAPERS PENDING, 1934--. 1 f.b.

Original papers in civil cases pending in county court. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of plaintiff, chron. thereunder by filing date. No index. 11 x 5 x 14.

113. RECORD OF DECLARATION, Aug. 3, 1887-July 10, 1889. 1 vol.

Recorded copies of five declarations of intention to become citizens filed in county court, showing name of declarant, name of country to which allegiance is renounced, country of birth, age, place and date of arrival in U. S., recital of intention to become a citizen and renunciation of foreign allegiance, signature of declarant, attest of county clerk, filing date, and recording date. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of declarant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 160 (2 used) pp. 16 x 10 x 1.

114. STATE CASES, RETIRED (Papers), 1876--. 26 f.b., 1 cabinet.

Original papers in criminal cases filed in county court, and disposed of. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder by filing date. No index. F.b., 11 x 5 x 14; cabinet, 20 x 18 x 18.

115. CRIMINAL CASES PENDING (Papers), 1938--. 1 f.b.

Original papers in criminal cases pending in county court. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder by filing date. No index. 11 x 5 x 14.

Dockets

116. CLERK'S FILE DOCKET, 1884-1912. 2 vols.

Clerk's original entry docket of civil cases filed in county court, showing number and style of case, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, cause of action, and proceedings of court. Arr. chron. by filing date. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 400 pp. 16 x 12 x 3.

117. JUDGE'S CIVIL DOCKET, July term 1876-Mar. term 1917. 1 vol.
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Court docket of civil cases filed in county court, showing court term, case number, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, kind of action, filing date, and orders of previous and present terms. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 350 pp. 18 x 16 x 3.

118. CIVIL APPEARANCE DOCKET, 1886-1917. 1 vol.

Docket of civil cases to be called on appearance day at each term of county court, showing names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, number and style of case, cause of action, date set for appearance, and notations of court orders. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 318 pp. 16 x 11 x 1.

119. JURY DOCKET (Civil), 1883-1916. 1 vol.

Clerk's file docket of civil cases filed in county court in which jury trial is ordered, showing names of plaintiff and defendant, number and style of case, and orders of previous and present terms. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. 298 pp. 14 x 9 x 1.

120. MOTION DOCKET (Civil), 1876-1918. 2 vols.

Docket of motions filed in civil cases pending in county court, showing number and style of case, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, kind of motion, date, and disposition. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 298 pp. 16 x 11 x 3.

121. SCIRE FACIAS DOCKET, 1876-1902. 3 vols.

Clerk's docket of bond forfeiture cases to be tried in county court, showing names of defendant, witness, and attorney, number and style of case, number of original suit, date and amount of bond, and orders of court. Arr. chron. by recording date. No index. Hdw. 300 pp. 16 x 14 x 3.

122. (CIVIL DOCKET, DISPOSED OF CASES), 1917-25. In Retired & Disposed Cases Criminal Docket County Court, entry 124.

Docket of civil cases disposed of in county court, showing number and style of case, names of attorneys, cause of action, orders issued, and filing date.

123. JUDGE'S STATE DOCKET, Oct. term 1899-June term 1903. 1 vol.

Docket of criminal cases to be heard in county court, showing term of court, case number, style of case, names of attorneys, offense charged, orders of previous and present terms of court, and filing date. Arr. chron. by court term. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 450 pp. 16 x 14 x 3.

124. RETIRED & DISPOSED CASES CRIMINAL DOCKET COUNTY COURT, 1907-25. 3 vols. Title varies: Criminal Docket Disposed of Cases, 1907-11, 1 vol. No title: 1917-25, 1 vol.

Docket of criminal cases disposed of in county court, showing number and style of case, offense charged, filing date, notations of prior court

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orders, kind of order, and date passed. Also contains: (Civil Docket, Disposed of Cases), 1917-25, entry 122. No arr. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 600 pp. 9 x 16 x 3.

125. CRIMINAL DOCKET COUNTY COURT (Pending Civil and Criminal), 1933--. 1 vol.

Docket of civil and criminal cases pending in county court, showing number and style of case, cause of action or offense charged, filing date, notations of court orders, kind of order, and date of proceedings. No arr. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 400 pp. 9 x 16 x 2.

Minutes

126. MINUTES COUNTY COURT, July term 1876--. 5 vols. (A-D, G). Clerk's record of proceedings, in civil and criminal cases in county court, showing term of court, case number, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, cause of action or offense charged, date of trial, and disposition of case. Arr. chron. by court term. For index, see entry 127. 1876-1935 hdw.; 1936-- typed. 600 pp. 18 x 16 x 3.

For scire facias minutes, 1891-1919, see entry 128; for judgments in criminal cases, 1893--, see entries 129-131.

127. INDEX TO MINUTES OF COUNTY COURT, 1876--. 2 vols.

Index by names of plaintiff and defendant to Minutes County Court, entry 126; Criminal Minutes, entry 129; Criminal Minutes of County Court Judgment of Dismissal, entry 130; and Minutes County Court Plea Guilty, entry 131; each entry shows name of opposite party, case number, and reference to book and page. Plaintiff entries on left pages, defendant on right, arr. alph. by first letter of surname, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 300 pp. 16 x 14 x 3.

128. SCIRE FACIAS MINUTES, 1891-1919. 3 vols.

Clerk's record of proceedings in cases of bond forfeiture in county court, showing number of case, names of defendant, witnesses, and attorneys, date and amount of bond, names of sureties, date of forfeiture, and orders of court. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 200 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

For general proceedings in county court, 1876--, see entry 126.

129. CRIMINAL MINUTES, 1897-1938. 1 vol. (F).

Clerk's record of final judgments in criminal cases in county court, under following tabular subdivisions: dismissing motion state attorney, 1897-1912; guilty on plea not guilty, 1897-1938; verdict not guilty, 1897-1919; motion new trial, 1898; shows date of proceedings, number and style of case, offense charged, recital of plea, copy of court order, and final judgment. Arr. in subdivisions, chron. by date of proceedings thereunder. For index, see entry 127. Hdw. pr. fm. 400 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

For general criminal minutes, 1876--, see entry 126.

130. CRIMINAL MINUTES OF COUNTY COURT JUDGMENT OF DISMISSAL, 1912-35. 1 vol. (H).

Clerk's record of judgments dismissing charges in criminal cases in county court, showing date of proceedings, number and style of case, offense charged, recital of dismissal, and copy of court order dismissing case. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. For index, see entry 127. Hdw. pr. fm. 400 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

For general criminal minutes, 1876-- , see entry 126.

131. MINUTES COUNTY COURT PLEA GUILTY, 1893-- . 2 vols. (E, I).

Title varies: Minutes County Court, 1893-1920, 1 vol. (E).

Clerk's record of judgments in convictions on pleas of guilty, jury waived, showing number and style of case, names of defendant and attorneys, offense charged, date of trial, and disposition of case. Arr. chron. by date of trial. For index, see entry 127. Hdw. pr. fm. 400 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

For general criminal minutes, 1876-- , see entry 126.

Process

132. EXECUTION DOCKET, 1876-- . 2 vols.

Clerk's record of executions issued by county court to satisfy judgments rendered, showing number and style of case, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, date and amount of judgment, amount of costs, and officer's return. Arr. chron. by date execution issued. For index, see entry 133. Hdw. pr. hd. 350 pp. 16 x 14 x 3.

133. INDEX TO EXECUTION DOCKET, 1876-- . 1 vol.

Index by names of plaintiff and defendant to Execution Docket, entry 132, each entry showing name of opposite party and reference to book and page. Plaintiff entries on left pages, defendant on right, arr. alph. by first letter of surname, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 600 pp. 16 x 14 x 3.

134. GENERAL PROCESS DOCKET, 1837-88. 1 vol. Discontinued.

Clerk's record of process in civil cases in county court, showing number and style of case, kind of process, name of officer, date delivered, date returned, items and amount of costs, remarks, and receipts. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. 158 pp. 16 x 11 x 1.

135. SUBPOENA DOCKET, 1883-88. 1 vol. Discontinued.

Clerk's record of subpoenas issued, showing names of plaintiff, defendant, and witnesses, kind of writ, and officer's return. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. 430 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

Fees and Costs

136. CIVIL FEE BOOK, 1881-- . 5 vols. (2-6).

Clerk's accounts of fees and costs due in civil cases filed in county court, showing case number, items of fees due clerk, witnesses, and county attorney, total fees, and receipts. Arr. chron. by date of accrual of fee. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of plaintiff, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 428 pp. 16 x 11 x 1.

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137. CRIMINAL FEE BOOK, 1880--. 9 vols. (1 unmarked, 1-8). Clerk's account of fees and costs due in criminal cases filed in county court, showing date, number and style of case, name of defendant, offense charged, items of fees due clerk, witnesses, and county attorney, total receipts, and record of payment. Arr. chron. by date of accrual of fee. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 510 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

138. JURORS CERTIFICATE FOR PAY, 1917--. 3 vols. Stubs of certificates issued for jurors' pay in county court, showing name of juror, date and number of certificate, date issued, number of days served, and amount paid. Arr. chron. by date of certificate. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 125 pp. 12 x 18 x 1.

Juvenile Delinquency

139. JUVENILE RECORD, 1907--. 1 vol. Clerk's record of proceedings in juvenile delinquency cases in county court, showing name of defendant, case number, date of proceedings, offense charged, and orders of court. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. 280 pp. 18 x 14 x 3.

Ex-officio Records of County Judge

140. PROBATE RECORD, LUNACY CASES, 1889--. 3 vols. Clerk's record of proceedings in cases involving sanity of persons brought before court, showing case number, names of respondent, jury foreman, judge, and physician who made examination, findings, and judgment of court. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of respondent, chron. thereunder. 1889-1917 hdw.; 1918-- typed pr. fm. 286 pp. 14 x 9 x 2.

141. TUBERCULOSIS RECORD, 1916--. 1 vol. Clerk's record of applications made by tuberculosis victims for admission to state hospital, showing name of applicant, date and place of application, sex and age of patient, statement and recommendation of physician, and filing date. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of patient, chron. thereunder. Hdw. 200 pp. 14 x 12 x 2.

V. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE COURT

Records of the justice of the peace are kept in his office.

Civil

142. JUSTICE CIVIL CASE PAPERS, 1916--. 1 cardboard box, 1 desk drawer. Original papers in civil cases tried in justice court. Arr. chron. No index. Box, 30 x 20 x 20; drawer, 20 x 12 x 16.

143. JUSTICE CIVIL DOCKET, 1886--. 8 vols.
 Docket of civil cases filed and tried in justice court, showing names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, date, number and style of case, amount of fees, total fees, and court judgment. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 300 pp. 18 x 12 x 4.

144. EXECUTION DOCKET, 1886--. 3 vols.
 Docket of executions issued to satisfy judgments in justice court, showing names of plaintiff and defendant, amount of judgment and costs, rate of interest, date execution issued, and officer's return. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 185 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

Criminal

145. JUSTICE CRIMINAL CASE PAPERS, 1908--. 1 cardboard box, 1 desk drawer.
 Original papers in criminal cases filed in justice court. Arr. chron. No index. Box, 30 x 20 x 20; drawer, 20 x 12 x 6.

146. JUSTICE CRIMINAL DOCKET, 1886--. 5 vols.
 Docket of criminal cases filed in justice court, showing name of defendant, number and style of case, offense charged, date of trial, disposition, and justice's costs. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 310 pp. 18 x 12 x 3.

Inquests

147. INQUEST RECORD, 1889--. 1 vol.
 Justice's record of inquest proceedings, including testimony, findings, and judgments, showing name of deceased person, names of witnesses, circumstances concerning demise, date of death, and date and place of inquest. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 185 pp. 18 x 12 x 1.

VI. COUNTY ATTORNEY

148. COUNTY ATTORNEY'S CRIMINAL DOCKET, 1893-1905. 1 vol.
 County attorney's record of criminal cases, showing docket number, style of case, offense charged, date of arrest, names of state witnesses, orders taken, and memoranda of case. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. 350 pp. 16 x 14 x 3. County-district clerk's 1st floor va.

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VII. SHERIFF

Records of the sheriff are kept in his office unless otherwise indicated.

149. SHERIFF'S CRIMINAL FEE BOOK, 1923--. 2 vols.
Sheriff's accounts of fees earned in criminal cases, showing names of witness, parties, and officers, number and style of case, kind of process with date received, date executed, date returned, and date and amount of fees. Arr. chron. by date process received. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 300 pp. 18 x 16 x 3. 1 vol., 1923-30, county-district clerk's 2d floor va.

150. REGISTERS OF PRISONERS, 1932--. 1 vol.
Register of prisoners confined in county jail, showing name of prisoner, offense charged, sentence, date committed, and date released. Arr. chron. by commitment date. No index. Hdw. 400 pp. 16 x 14 x 4.

VIII. TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR

Records of the tax assessor-collector, unless otherwise indicated, are kept in the office of the sheriff, who is ex-officio assessor-collector.

Assessments

151. ASSESSOR'S ABSTRACT OF LAND, 1880--. 18 vols. (1-18).
Assessor's abstracts of land, showing certificate number, name of survey, name of original grantee, number of acres, appraised value, list of town lots with appraisals, lot and block numbers, name of owner, and town. Arr. numer. by abstract no. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 550 pp. 18 x 12 x 3.

152. ASSESSOR'S ABSTRACT OF CITY AND TOWN LOTS, 1899--. 5 vols. (2-6).
Assessor's abstracts of town lots, showing page of map section, addition, date, name of owner, lot number, size, valuation, and remarks. For index, see entry 153. Hdw. 500 pp. 16 x 18 x 3.

153. INDEX TO ASSESSOR'S ABSTRACTS-TOWN LOTS, 1899--. 2 vols.
Index by name of owner to Assessor's Abstract of City and Town Lots, entry 152, showing name of owner, lot and block numbers, and reference to book and page. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of owner, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 200 pp. 14 x 12 x 2. County-district clerk's 1st floor va.

154. TAX ROLLS, 1887--. 40 vols.
Rolls of property assessed for taxes, showing name and address of owner, location of property, abstract number, value of real and personal property,

total value, and year assessed. Arr. chron. No index. 200 pp. 30 x 22 x 2. 10 vols., 1887-1914, bsmt. strm.

Collections

155. PROPERTY TAX RECEIPTS, 1887--. 230 vols.

Duplicates of receipts for property taxes paid, showing receipt and abstract numbers, names of original grantee and present owner, amount of school, county, and state taxes, total, and date paid. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. 300 pp. 14 x 10 x 4. 90 vols., 1887-1914, bsmt. strm.

For recorded copies of property tax receipts, 1915-- , see entry 28.

156. POLL TAX RECEIPTS, 1908--. 250 vols.

Duplicates of poll tax receipts issued by tax collector, showing name, race, sex, address, and occupation of taxpayer, receipt and precinct numbers, and date issued. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 150 pp. 18 x 12 x 1. 50 vols., 1908-31, bsmt. strm.

157. DELINQUENT TAX RECORD, 1892--. 5 vols.

Record of delinquent taxes, showing years and amount delinquent, names of owner and original grantee, abstract, certificate, lot, and block numbers, and amount of state and county taxes. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. 300 pp. 28 x 20 x 2.

Licenses

158. DRIVERS LICENSE, 1936--. 2 f.b.

Duplicates of licenses issued to automobile drivers, showing name and description of driver, license number, date of issuance, and date of expiration. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.

IX. BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

159. BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MINUTES, 1908-16. 1 vol.

Clerk's record of proceedings of commissioners court sitting as board of equalization to determine value of property assessed for taxes, showing name and address of property owner, abstract and certificate numbers, number of acres, name of original grantee, town, assessor's value, value to which raised or reduced, final value, date of notification, and names of members not concurring. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 530 pp. 16 x 18 x 3. County-district clerk's 1st floor va.

For general proceedings of commissioners court, 1876-- , see entry 1.

X. COUNTY TREASURER

Records of the county treasurer are kept in his office.

160. TREASURER'S ACCOUNT BOOK, 1887--. 30 vols. (1, 2, 28 unmarked).

Treasurer's accounts of receipts and disbursements of county funds, show-

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ing debits and credits, names of accounts and funds, amount received, from what source, date and amount disbursed, and date and number of warrant issued. Arr. in subdivisions by name of fund, chron. thereunder by date of debit or credit entry. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 350 pp. 16 x 14 x 4.

For clerk's record of county finances, 1879-- , see entry 14.

161. TREASURER'S CLAIM REGISTER, 1880-- . 7 vols. (1-7).

Treasurer's register of claims against county, showing claim number, classification, date of registration, name of payee, by whom presented, date of presentation, amount and issue of claim, by what authority issued and for what service, and date of payment. Arr. chron. by registration date. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 250 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

For commissioners court action on claims, 1886-- , see entry 5.

162. BOND REGISTER, 1902-- . 3 vols.

Treasurer's register of bonds issued by county and by subdivisions thereof, showing number and amount of bond, date of issue, for what purpose issued, rate of interest, where payable, date due, date registered, date canceled, and to whom sold. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of owner, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 325 pp. 16 x 12 x 3.

XI. COUNTY BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Records of the county board of school trustees are kept in the office of the county judge, who is ex-officio county school superintendent and secretary of the board.

163. MINUTES OF COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD, 1913-- . 4 vols.

Minutes of meetings of county board of school trustees, showing date of meeting, names of trustees present, and business transacted. Arr. chron. by date of meeting. No index. Typed. 160 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

XII. COUNTY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

Records of the county judge as ex-officio county school superintendent are kept in his office unless otherwise indicated.

164. RECORD OF TEACHERS' CERTIFICATES, 1906-- . 2 vols.

Registration of teachers' certificates, showing name, address, sex, age, and experience of teacher, grade and kind of certificate, date of issuance, date of renewal, and date registered. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of teacher, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 230 pp. 18 x 14 x 2.

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Inspector of Hides and Animals (Defunct)

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165. TEACHER'S REGISTERS AND REPORTS, 1913--. 1 bundle, 3 f.b.
Teachers' reports, showing name of teacher, number of district, name of
school, number of pupils, and date of report. Arr. chron. No index.
F.b., 11 x 5 x 14. 1 bundle, 1913-34, bsmt. strm.

166. SCHOOL CENSUS ROLLS, 1935--. 1 file drawer.
Census rolls of scholastics, showing name, address, age, and sex of child,
district number, and name of person rendering. Arr. alph. by first letter
of surname of child, chron. thereunder. No index. 14 x 12 x 20.

167. TRANSFER RECORD, 1925--. 1 vol.
Record of transfers of pupils between school districts, showing name of
pupil, district transferred from and to, and date of transfer. Arr.
chron. No index. Hdw. 200 pp. 18 x 14 x 2.

XIII. COUNTY SURVEYOR

168. RECORD OF SURVEYS, 1883-1920. 2 vols. Title varies: Loca-
tion Record, 1883-1909, 1 vol.
Recorded copies of field notes of surveys, showing location and descrip-
tion of land, locational map of lands surveyed, date surveyed, signatures
of chain-carriers, flagmen, and surveyor, filing date, recording date,
and signature of county clerk. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed
alph. by first letter of surname of owner, chron. thereunder. 1883-1919
hdw.; 1920 typed. 430 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. County-district clerk's 1st
floor va.

XIV. INSPECTOR OF HIDES AND ANIMALS (Defunct)

169. RECORD OF HIDES AND ANIMALS AS SOLD OR LEAVING COUNTY, 1875-
90. 1 vol.
Record of inspection of livestock shipped to market, showing names of
vendor and vendee, description of stock, marks and brands, date of sale,
amount paid, and date inspected. Arr. chron. by date inspected. Indexed
alph. by first letter of surname of vendor, chron. thereunder. Hdw. 390
pp. 18 x 14 x 4. Bsmt. strm.

LAWS SPECIFICALLY APPLICABLE TO HOOD COUNTY

Organization

County created, boundaries defined (see p. 9), named Hood in honor of General J. B. Hood, "of the late Confederate Army"; county site to be located within 6 miles of geographical center of county and to be called "Granberry"; Claibourn Arrington, William Manley, and C. C. Alexander appointed commissioners to organize county, to take oath of office before a justice of the peace of Johnson or Erath County, to hold election for and qualify first county officers, to receive donations of land for county use, to employ a suitable person to survey and define county boundaries, to report their actions to county commissioners court to become record of the court; county attached for judicial purposes to 16th district. T.A., Nov. 2, 1866, Gammel, Laws, V, 1001.

Judicial Districts

County placed in 5th judicial district; district court thereof directed to meet in county on 9th Mondays after 2d Mondays in February and August and permitted to continue in session there 1 week. T.A., Nov. 12, 1866, ibid., V, 1095.

County placed in 13th judicial district. T.A., July 2, 1870, ibid., VI, 195. District court thereof directed to meet in county on 4th Mondays in November, March, and July, and permitted to continue in session there 2 weeks. T.A., Aug. 10, 1870, ibid., VI, 225; May 1, 1874, ibid., VIII, 185. By repeal, district court to meet in county on 1st Mondays in December, April, and August, and permitted to continue in session there 3 weeks. T.A., Feb. 25, 1875, ibid., VIII, 426. Permitted to continue in session 2 weeks. T.A., Mar. 15, 1875, ibid., VIII, 546.

County placed in 12th judicial district; district court thereof directed to meet in county on 3d Mondays in June and December, and permitted to continue in session there 2 weeks. Ordinances in constitutional convention, convened Sept. 6, 1875, ibid., VIII, 761, 763. Directed to meet in county on 12th Mondays after 1st Mondays in March and September, and permitted to continue in session there 1 week. T.A., July 29, 1876, ibid., 908; Aug. 15, 1876, ibid., VIII, 969.

County placed in 30th judicial district; district court thereof directed to meet in county on 2d Mondays after 1st Mondays in March, July, and November, and permitted to continue in session there 2 weeks. T.A., Feb. 22, 1879, ibid., VIII, 1312. Directed to meet in county on 3d Mondays in March and September, and permitted to continue in session there 2 weeks. T.A., Mar. 30, 1881, ibid., IX, 169.

County placed in 29th judicial district; district court thereof directed to meet in county on 3d Mondays in March and September, and permitted to continue in session there 2 weeks. T.A., Apr. 9, 1883, ibid., IX, 362;

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Mar. 30, 1887, ibid., IX, 871. By amendment, district court permitted to continue in session 3 weeks. T.A., Feb. 15, 1889, ibid., IX, 1187; Mar. 5, 1889, ibid., IX, 1188; Apr. 26, 1893, ibid., X, 506. By amendment, district court directed to meet in county on 4th Mondays in March and September, and permitted to continue in session there 3 weeks. T.A., Apr. 29, 1895, ibid., X, 834. Directed to meet in county on 6th Mondays after 1st Mondays in March and September, and permitted to continue in session there 2 weeks. T.A., Apr. 24, 1909, 31st Legis., 2d C.S., 390. Directed to meet in county on 1st Mondays in March and September, and permitted to continue in session there 5 weeks. T.A., June 8, 1920, 36th Legis., 3d C.S., 5. Directed to meet in county on 8th Mondays after 1st Mondays in March and September, and permitted to continue in session there 5 weeks. T.A., Feb. 21, 1927, 40th Legis., 70. Directed to meet in county on 1st Monday after 3d Saturday in April and permitted to continue in session until and including 3d Saturday in May; 1st Monday after 4th Saturday in July, and continue until and including 4th Saturday in August; 1st Monday after 2d Saturday in December and continue until and including Saturday before 1st Monday in January. No grand jury to be drawn for the term beginning 1st Monday after 4th Saturday in July, provided that judge of court may, in his discretion, from time to time, order grand juries drawn for said terms. T.A., Apr. 27, 1931, 42d Legis., 807.

Appeals

Appeals and writs of error from county made returnable to supreme court holding sessions at Austin. T.A., Nov. 12, 1866, Gammel, Laws, V, 1116; Apr. 2, 1874, ibid., VIII, 185.

Appeals and writs of error from county made returnable to supreme court and court of appeals holding sessions at Austin. T.A., Apr. 9, 1883, ibid., IX, 359; Mar. 26, 1885, ibid., IX, 670; Mar. 25, 1887, ibid., IX, 843; Feb. 21, 1889, ibid., IX, 1034; Apr. 13, 1891, ibid., X, 82.

County placed in 2d supreme judicial district of state, established for purpose of organizing court of civil appeals therein; court to hold sessions at Fort Worth, beginning on 1st Monday in October each year, and permitted to continue in session until 1st Monday in July of succeeding year. T.A., Apr. 13, 1892, ibid., X, 409. Court to meet on 1st Monday of September of each year and permitted to continue in session until 1st Monday in July of succeeding year. T.A., May 13, 1893, ibid., X, 601. County named in 2d supreme judicial district. T.A., Mar. 13, 1923, 38th Legis., 152; Mar. 17, 1925, 39th Legis., 253.

County placed in 10th supreme judicial district. T.A., Mar. 31, 1927, 40th Legis., 378. (10th district created in 1923, with court of civil appeals meeting in Waco. T.A., Mar. 13, 1923, 38th Legis., 152.)

County placed in 2d supreme judicial district, with provision that all appeals perfected from the county prior to September 1, 1929, be taken to court of civil appeals of 10th district, thereafter to the court of

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the 2d. T.A., Feb. 19, 1929, 41st Legis., 106. Court of civil appeals of 2d district meeting in Fort Worth. T.A., Apr. 13, 1892, Gammel, Laws, X, 409. County named in 2d supreme judicial district. T.A., Sept. 22, 1932, 42d Legis., 3d C.S., 103; Apr. 6, 1939, 46th Legis., 3d C.S., 148.

Election Districts

County placed in 23d state senatorial and representative district for election of one senator, and three representatives, chief justice of Bosque County returning officer. Const., 1869, Art. III, secs. 39-41, Gammel, Laws, VII, 403. Presiding justice of Parker County returning officer. T.A., May 1873, ibid., VII, 475.

County placed in 24th state senatorial district for election of one senator, Comanche returning county; and in the 69th state representative district for election of one representative, Bosque returning county. Ordinance in constitutional convention, convened Sept. 6, 1875, ibid., VIII, 754.

County placed in 30th state senatorial district for election of one senator, county judge of Erath County returning officer, and in the 40th state representative district for election of two representatives, county judge of Hood County returning officer. T.A., May 3, 1882, ibid., IX, 269.

County placed in 80th state representative district for election of one representative, county judge of Parker County returning officer. T.A., Apr. 12, 1892, ibid., X, 414.

County named in 30th state senatorial district for election of one senator, county judge of Tarrant County returning officer. T.A., Apr. 19, 1892, ibid., X, 412; Sept. 6, 1901, 27th Legis., 1st C.S., 9.

County placed in 12th senatorial district for election of one senator, county judge of Ellis County returning officer. T.A., Apr. 1, 1924, 37th Legis. 1st C.S., 231.

County placed in 105th state representative district for election of one representative; county judge of Erath County returning officer. T.A., Nov. 24, 1921, 2d C.S., 37th Legis., 264.

County placed in 2d Congressional district. Declaration in constitutional convention, convened June 1, 1868, Gammel, Laws, VII, 428. Placed in 3d Congressional district for election of one Representative to United States Congress. T.A., May 2, 1874, ibid., VIII, 219. In 11th Congressional district. T.A., Apr. 29, 1882, ibid., IX, 298. In 8th district. T.A., Apr. 19, 1892, ibid., X, 411. In 12th district. T.A. Sept. 6, 1901, 27th Legis., 1st C.S., 7; Mar. 20, 1909, 31st Legis., 156; May 16, 1933, 43d Legis., 344.

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Livestock

County made subject to provisions of act constituting each organized county an inspection district, and authorizing an inspector of hides and animals therein, and exempted from regulations for inspection and sale of hides. T.A., May 22, 1871, Gammel, Laws, VI, 1014. County exempted from all laws regulating inspection of hides. T.A., Apr. 4, 1881, ibid., IX, 197; Apr. 12, 1883, ibid., IX, 385; Mar. 4, 1885, ibid., IX, 646; Mar. 31, 1885, ibid., IX, 712; Mar. 21, 1887, ibid., IX, 832; Mar. 29, 1889, ibid., IX, 1074; Mar. 23, 1891, ibid., X, 42; May 11, 1893, ibid., X, 592; Apr. 2, 1895, ibid., X, 784; May 7, 1897, ibid., X, 1225. County exempted from all laws regulating inspection of hides and animals. Apr. 1, 1903, 28th Legis., 186; Apr. 15, 1907, 30th Legis., 190; Mar. 3, 1921, 37th Legis., 43; Mar. 6, 1931, 42d Legis., Sp. L., 104; Aug. 17, 1931, 42d Legis., 1st C.S., 73; and office of inspector of hides and animals abolished, Feb. 9, 1933, 43d Legis., 14.

County exempted from acts authorizing appointment of inspector of sheep. T.A., Mar. 25, 1879, Gammel, Laws, VIII, 1363; Apr. 8, 1891, ibid., X, 142. Mar. 31, 1903, 28th Legis., 116.

County brand for horses and cattle officially designated as H. O. T.A., Apr. 11, 1883, Gammel, Laws, IX, 382.

County exempted from requirement that butchers file bond with county clerk before setting up in business, and keep record of cattle bought and butchered open to public inspection; that inspector or magistrate making inspection of animals slaughtered keep record of inspections, and return copy to county clerk. T.A., Mar. 6, 1889, ibid., IX, 1113; Mar. 10, 1891, ibid., X, 33; Mar. 24, 1893, ibid., X, 469; Mar. 5, 1909, 31st Legis., 74.

Freeholders of county or any subdivision thereof authorized to petition commissioners court for election to decide whether certain animals should be allowed to run at large. T.A., Mar. 9, 1905, 29th Legis., 27; Apr. 3, 1907, 30th Legis., 123; Mar. 19, 1909, 31st Legis., 121; Mar. 20, 1911, 32d Legis., 172; Mar. 31, 1913, 33d Legis., 131; Mar. 1, 1915, 34th Legis., 45; Mar. 29, 1917, 35th Legis., 334; Mar. 6, 1919, 36th Legis., 58; June 18, 1920, 36th Legis., 3d C.S., 91; Mar. 11, 1921, 37th Legis., 77; Nov. 15, 1921, 37th Legis., 1st C.S., 18; Mar. 12, 1923, 38th Legis., 194; Oct. 14, 1926, 39th Legis., 1st C.S., 17; Mar. 31, 1927, 40th Legis., 363; May 22, 1929, 41st Legis., 1st C.S., 185; July 18, 1929, 41st Legis., 3d C.S., 240; Feb. 17, 1930, 41st Legis., 4th C.S., 25; Mar. 22, 1939, 46th Legis., Worth S. Ray, Ray's Advance Laws of Texas (Oklahoma City, 1940), 46th Legis., 107, cited hereafter as Ray's Laws.

Laws Specifically Applicable to Hood County

Fish and Game

County exempted from certain provisions of the Penal Code making it finable offense to kill certain game animals and birds in certain seasons. T.A., Mar. 26, 1879, Gammel, Laws, VIII, 1365; Mar. 15, 1881, ibid., IX, 120; Apr. 18, 1883, ibid., IX, 421; Apr. 2, 1887, ibid., IX, 915; Apr. 4, 1889, ibid., IX, 1062.

County exempted from provisions of act making it unlawful for any person to sell or ship any game fish taken from fresh waters, and setting fine for violation. T.A., May 21, 1897, ibid., X, 1273.

County exempted from provisions of acts prohibiting taking of fish (except minnows for bait) from fresh waters by any means other than ordinary hook and line and trot line. T.A., Apr. 4, 1905, 29th Legis., 85; Apr. 5, 1907, 30th Legis., 154; Apr. 6, 1907, 30th Legis., 161; Mar. 16, 1909, 31st Legis., 95; Mar. 27, 1913, 33d Legis., 181. County exempted along waters of Brazos River. T.A., Mar. 25, 1911, 32d Legis., 226.

Open season for the waters of Brazos River and Paluxy Creek in county, from July 1 to January 1; gigging and grabbing prohibited, at all times. T.A., Apr. 2, 1917, 35th Legis., 410.

Open season for killing wild mourning doves in county, from December 1, to January 16. T.A., May 22, 1929, 41st Legis., 1st C.S., 284.

Killing squirrels at any time lawful in county; for protection of pecan crop. T.A., Mar. 20, 1930, 41st Legis., 5th C.S., 230.

County exempted from act setting limit for number of certain fish taken from fresh waters in any one day, and providing penalties for violations. T.A., May 28, 1931, 42d Legis., Sp. L., 451; May 28, 1931, 42d Legis., 857.

Act to annihilate wild fox in county, because of great damage being done by these predatory animals; lawful to catch or kill any species of fox at any time. T.A.; June 1, 1939, Ray's Laws, 46th Legis., 597.

County subject to provisions making it unlawful to hunt or kill wild turkey or deer for 5 years, and providing penalties for violations. T.A., June 5, 1939, 46th Legis., ibid., 595.

County subject to provisions requiring persons hunting quail outside county of their residence upon the private lands of another to have in possession a written permit, unless hunting with owner or agent, and providing penalty for violations. T.A., June 1, 1939, 46th Legis., ibid., 668.

County residents permitted to fish without license in public waters of county when fishing with ordinary pole, hook and line, or trot line, and seine of not more than 20 feet for taking minnows for bait; license required for fishing with artificial bait, and penalties provided for violations. T.A., Mar. 3, 1939, 46th Legis., ibid., 65; June 1, 1939, ibid., 501.

Laws Specifically Applicable to Hood County

Milam School Land Adjustments

Since Milam County had on December 23, 1849 surveyed as part of her school land, two leagues of land lying together on the west bank of the Brazos River, about 5 miles north of Comanche Peak, in what is now Hood County, and had failed to return field notes to the commissioner of the general land office until June 16, 1858, and in the interim settlers had settled on and claimed the land, and suits have been pending between Milam County and the settlers, in order to quiet titles to the settlers' homes, commissioner of general land office directed to issue patents for 160 acres each to the settlers who had settled before June 16, 1858, provided the settlers pay the commissioner the usual patent fees and 50 cents per acre within 12 months. T.A., July 21, 1870, Gammel, Laws, VI, 208. This act declared unconstitutional and patents void by supreme court, Milam County v. Bateman (1880), 54 Texas Reports (St. Louis, 1881--), 153. Legislature appropriates \$1,500 or so much thereof as necessary, out of the general revenue, to reimburse the settlers who bought their preemption claims from the state at the rate of 50 cents per acre and received patents but subsequently lost the lands at the suit of Milam County; state comptroller authorized to draw warrant on state treasurer in favor of the settlers or their assigns, upon proper proof that they paid for the preemptions and lost them through the courts. T.A., Mar. 6, 1889, Gammel, Laws, IX, 1136.

T. C. Jordan authorized to purchase from the state for \$480, 160 acres of land situated in county which he had purchased, together with rights to mills thereon, from Charles E. Burnard, who located the land "at a very early period," believing it vacant, filed a certificate, and built thereon a large grist mill, "which conduced much to enhance the value of the lands in the vicinity; and, after the construction of said mills, said land was found to be a part of the land surveyed for the county of Milam for educational purposes; and after the discovery of his mistake, the county of Milam, by its chief justice, and by other means, assented to said Burnard's continuing in possession, and agreed that his right to the land should be always recognized"; commissioner of general land office required to issue patent to Jordan; state treasurer directed to hold the \$480 as part of the public school fund. T.A., June 2, 1873, ibid., VII, 1362.

School Districts

Tolar Independent School District created; boundaries defined; powers of board of trustees defined. T.A., Mar. 31, 1913, 33d Legis., Sp. L., 416.

Granbury Independent School District created; boundaries defined; powers of board of trustees defined. T.A., Mar. 1, 1923, 38th Legis., Sp. L., 150.

Herring Hightower County Line Independent School District created in Parker and Hood Counties; boundaries defined; powers of board of trustees defined. T.A., May 14, 1923, 38th Legis., 2d C.S., Sp. L., 481.

Laws Specifically Applicable to Hood County

Roads

Road law for county, providing a more efficient county road system; each member of commissioners court ex-officio road commissioner in his district, and under direction of commissioners court, to have charge of all teams, tools, and machinery belonging to county; commissioners court to adopt system it deems best for working, laying out, drainage, and repair of public roads. T.A., Mar. 29, 1901, 27th Legis., 49; amended Apr. 3, 1907, 30th Legis., Sp. L., 449; Mar. 16, 1909, 31st Legis., Sp. L., 419.

County exempt from provisions of act requiring a systematic method of road maintenance in counties. T.A., Nov. 15, 1921, 37th Legis., 1st C.S., 129; Mar. 10, 1923, 38th Legis., 354.

Road district No. 1 of county created; all orders of commissioners court in respect to organization of district, issuance of bonds, and levy of assessments approved and validated. T.A., Oct. 18, 1926, 39th Legis., 1st C.S., 948.

County road tax law providing for levy and collection of annual \$3 road tax from all able-bodied male citizens between ages of 21 and 45 years. T.A., May 22, 1929, 41st Legis., 1st C.S., 182. Repealed, Mar. 14, 1931, 42d Legis., Sp. L., 128.

Miscellaneous

A. P. Kirk delegate to constitutional convention, representing counties of Erath, Johnson, and Hood. Election declaration of constitutional convention convened June 1, 1868, Gammel, Laws, VII, 428.

McKinney Messenger authorized to publish, in form of "Extras," as much of state constitution as had been adopted by the convention, for distribution in county. Declaration in constitutional convention, passed Aug. 26, 1868, ibid., VI, 55.

Distance from Stockton, county seat of Hood County, to Austin and return scheduled as 430 miles; distance to be used by comptroller in allowing legislators' mileage accounts. Concurrent resolution, May 13, 1870, ibid., VI, 409.

Sale of intoxicating or spirituous liquors, except for sacramental or medicinal purposes, prohibited within 2 miles of Thorpe Springs Male and Female Seminary, an institution of learning located some 8 miles from county seat; \$10 to \$50 fine for violation. T.A., Dec. 2, 1871, ibid., VII, 348.

Sale or barter of intoxicating liquors by any person or firm, either with or without a license, except for medicinal or sacramental purposes, prohibited within 2 miles of Acton Masonic Institute, an institution of learning located $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles from county seat; \$25 to \$100 fine for violation. T.A., Apr. 3, 1873, ibid., VII, 905.

Laws Specifically Applicable to Hood County

Residents of county west of fixed line released from state ad valorem and poll taxes, except those assessed prior to 1873, because county "continually subject to incursions of hostile Indians, and the residents thereof are often taken from their accustomed employment and labors to repel invasions . . . the government of the United States will not sanction or permit the keeping of a regular force of armed troops by the State for the purpose of protecting the frontier from such invasions; and it has become evident unless some means be provided to enable residents . . . to protect themselves," that the county "will be abandoned; and, further, that for want of adequate protection, which the State is unable to give the residents . . . are subjected to a great loss of property annually"; act to remain in force 2 years. T.A., May 2, 1873, ibid., VII, 511. Repealed, Feb. 2, 1875, ibid., VIII, 383.

Town of Granberry incorporated; town limits defined; qualified voters to elect mayor, four aldermen, town marshal, and recorder; recorder to act as assessor and collector of taxes; mayor and aldermen to appoint one of their body treasurer. T.A., May 30, 1873, ibid., VII, 1348.

Somervell County created from territory of Hood (see p. 9, and map following) upon petition of the residents of the southern portion of Hood County and northern portion of Bosque County. T.A., Mar. 13, 1875, ibid., VIII, 471.

County exempted from provisions of act providing for the destruction of wolves and other wild animals and requiring county commissioners courts to pay scalp bounties for such animals. T.A., Mar. 31, 1903, 28th Legis., 113.

Commissioners court of county authorized, on petition of 200 resident freeholders, to provide for destruction of predatory animals, and to pay bounties by warrant drawn by county judge upon the general fund. T.A., Mar. 9, 1929, 41st Legis., 208; July 3, 1929, 41st Legis., 2d C.S., 43; Feb. 18, 1930, 41st Legis., 4th C.S., 46.

County placed in State Soil Conservation District No. 5. T.A., Apr. 20, 1939, 46th Legis., 7.

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