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## FOREWORD

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 Hays County, is number 105 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carrying out this objective, the project was organized to compile inventories of historical materials, particularly the unpublished government documents and records which are basic in the administration of local government, and which provide invaluable data for students of political,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 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 for the entire state will, when completed, constitute an encyclopedia of 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 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. It was organized on November 1, 1939, to carry on the work of the Texas unit of the Historical Records Survey, which operated as part of a Federal Project through August 31, 1939, and as a separate state-wide project from September 1 through October 31.

Early in 1936, following the establishment of the Survey in November 1935 by executive letter of President Roosevelt, Luther H. Evans, National Director, organized the Survey and extended it to every state in the Union. In Texas, it was initiated on March 14, 1936, with J. Frank Davis, State Supervisor of the Federal Writers' Project, as State Supervisor, and Ike Moore as assistant. The Survey became an independent part of Federal Project No. 1 in November, and Mr. Moore was made State Supervisor, with Charles W. Hodges as assistant; Mr. Davis continued as State Supervisor of the Writers' Project. When Mr. Moore resigned on February 1, 1939, to accept the directorship of the San Jacinto Museum of History, Mr. Hodges became State Supervisor. Mr. Hodges resigned on October 31, 1939, to become State Field Supervisor of the Texas State-wide Records Project. Paul E. Fidler has been State Supervisor of the Texas State-wide Records Project since its organization on October 16, 1939, and John W. B. Foringer became Assistant State Supervisor in charge of the Texas Historical Records Survey editorial unit on November 1, 1939.

The objective of the Survey in Texas has been the preparation of complete inventories of each county, municipality, and other local governmental unit. A complete county inventory includes, in addition to descriptive entries for each extant county records series, a historical sketch of the county and a map of its past and present boundaries; an essay on the governmental organization and records system, with structural charts; a discussion of the conditions under which the records are preserved, accompanied by floorplans of the courthouse; and essays detailing the legal status and functions of each county official and agency, accompanied by lists of records required by law. Three such inventories have been published--Denton, Sabine, and Guadalupe. Preparation of additional complete county inventories is in progress.

The present publication, an inventory of the records of Hays County, like the Wilson County Inventory, published in November 1939, contains a historical sketch and map of the county, entries describing each extant series of records and a discussion of their housing, and a list of laws specifically applicable to the county. Separate sections are devoted to the various officials and agencies of county government. Within sections, records are arranged by subject. A condensed form of entry is used, giving information as to titles, limiting dates, labeling, and location of the records. Brief descriptions of contents have also been included; no attempt has been made to give a full report on contents. Other county inventories of this type will be published as the listing of the archives of the particular county is completed, in



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order to make bibliographies of these important source materials available. Using these entry draft publications as a basis, the Survey plans to publish full studies as soon as possible.

The records of Hays County were inventoried by Omar Crabill, of San Marcos, and A. I. Arneson, Howard Junge, H. C. Von Rosenberg, T. F. Ragsdale, and Perry Davis, of San Antonio, during November and December 1936. A recheck of the workers' forms was made by Mr. Ragsdale, A. E. Lindstrom, Moses Fiske, and Thomas E. Willis, all of San Antonio, on February 16 and 17, 1937. A verification check of the typed entry draft was made by Carlene Rice and Theron Beckwith, under the direction of Perry Davis, State Technical Supervisor, during August 1939.

Under the supervision of Virginia Blair Newton, Supervising Editor, the entries were compiled and edited by Stanley H. Holm, Frank L. Murphy, and Reva Tobias, and the list of laws was verified and edited by Charles Anderson and William R. Toth. Mary Lewis Jones wrote the historical sketch and the essay on housing of the records. The map of past and present county boundaries was prepared by John M. Steinfeldt, Jr. The indexes were compiled under the supervision of Louisa Aja. Blanche B. La Dura was in charge of stencil-cutting. Virginia Huff, Supervising Editor, and Aartje Van Beekun, Fred M. Herndon, and Harry W. Miller are responsible for final editing, checking, and proofreading of the volume.

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 Hays County, herewith presented, is No. 105. 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. Requests for information concerning particular units should be addressed to the State Supervisor of the Texas State-wide Records Project.

The Survey appreciates the cordial support of WPA officials in all of its undertakings. Editorial criticism of Dr. Luther H. Evans, Director of the WPA Historical Records Survey Program, his assistant, Edythe Weiner, and John C. L. Andreassen, Regional Supervisor, has been of real assistance. The courteous cooperation of Hays County officials is gratefully acknowledged.

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# 1. HISTORICAL SKETCH

Hays County, with its seat of government at San Marcos, is in south central Texas. It is rectangular in shape, and is bounded by Travis County on the north, Caldwell on the east, Guadalupe on the south, Comal on the southwest, and Blanco on the northwest. The elevation ranges from 400 feet in the southern part of the county to some 1,200 feet in the extreme northern portion. This marked variation is due to the transition from a fertile prairie region to the Edwards Plateau along the Balcones fault line. At the edge of the escarpment, ground waters come to the surface along the rivers. The San Marcos River, principal stream of the county, has its source in great springs near the town of San Marcos. An unusually mild climate, abundant pure water, and deep alluvial soils in the valleys have contributed to the development of Hays County as an important farming center.

Prior to the coming of the first Anglo-American settlers, the region of present Hays County was part of the hunting grounds of at least three tribes of Indians. The Tonkawas, the Lipans, and the Comanches were constantly at war among themselves for possession of these hunting grounds. The resulting enmity among the three tribes has become a proverb in Texas Indian lore.<sup>1</sup> The Tonkawas immediately allied themselves with the first Anglo-American settlers, and often helped them defend their settlements against the raids of the Comanches.<sup>2</sup> The Lipans, who hated the Comanches, but loved the white settlers little more, also found it to their advantage occasionally to join with the settlers against their common enemy. The friendship of the Lipans, however, was never as dependable as that of the Tonkawas.<sup>3</sup>

Perhaps the first white man who ever visited what is now Hays County was the lost Cabeza de Vaca. Shipwrecked on the Texas coast in 1535, he wandered inland, held captive by first one tribe of Indians and then another, his fame as a medicine man securing for him the friendship of them all. But until he reached the Balcones fault line, he was carefully watched. Each tribe, fearing the loss of his valuable services, held him

1. Herbert E. Bolton (ed.), Athanaso de Mezicres and the Louisiana-Texas Frontier, 1768-1780, 2 vols. (Cleveland, 1914), I, 24; Fredrick W. Hodge, Handbook of American Indians, 2 parts (Washington, 1907), II, 779, 780, 948, 949, cited hereafter as Hodge, Handbook; Rupert N. Richardson, The Comanche Barrier to South Plains Settlement (Glendale, 1933), 47, 51, 52, cited hereafter as Richardson, Comanche Barrier.
2. Hodge, Handbook, II, 780; Richardson, Comanche Barrier, 37; A. J. Sowell, Early Settlers and Indian Fighters of Southwest Texas (Austin, 1900), 18, 19, cited hereafter as Sowell, Early Settlers; Texas Almanac for 1869 (Galveston, 1868), 157, 158; J. W. Wilbarger, Indian Depredations in Texas (Austin, 1890), 31, 58, 59, cited hereafter as Wilbarger, Indian Depredations.
3. Hodge, Handbook, I, 768; Richardson, Comanche Barrier, 52; Sowell, Early Settlers, 425.



virtually a prisoner until it passed him on to another. In the region of the escarpment, however, he found the Indians very trusting, and managed to escape from them, wandering to the south until he finally reached Culiacan.<sup>4</sup> Over a century later, in 1691, Domingo Teran de los Rios, a Spaniard sent to find a shorter route from Mexico to East Texas, crossed the southwestern corner of present Hays County.<sup>5</sup> A few years later the Espinosa-Olivares-Aguirre expedition came to the region of the San Marcos, expecting to find the Tejas Indians, a tribe from East Texas, camped there. Failing to find these Indians, the members of the expedition returned to Mexico and reported that the Indians camped where they had expected to find the Tejas had treated them very kindly, and had received gifts of tobacco gratefully. They also declared themselves pleased and surprised with the beautifully shaded banks of the San Marcos River.<sup>6</sup>

A study of the reports of the early explorers who passed through what is now Hays County indicates that in some strange manner, they all failed to meet the Comanche Indians of that region. The reports either mention friendly Indians, or no Indians. There can be no doubt that the journalists would have mentioned the Comanches had any of the expeditions encountered them. Hence, it can be assumed that when early explorers suggested the establishment of a mission on the banks of the San Marcos, they were thinking of the Tonkawas and other peaceable tribes, and that they were definitely planning without the savage Comanches.

Despite the enthusiasm of some of the explorers, however, almost a century elapsed between the period of exploration and the first attempt to establish a settlement along the banks of the San Marcos. In December 1807, under the leadership of Felipe Roque de Portilla, several families began the journey from Refugio, below the Rio Grande, to the San Marcos River. Arriving at the point where the Camino Real crossed the river, they established the villa of San Marcos de Neve. Government of the colony became effective with the appointment of Juan Ignacio Arrambide as justicia. From the first, the Comanches harassed the settlers with frequent raids, and floods destroyed their crops. Consequently, when news of American filibusters reached San Marcos de Neve in 1812, just after the Comanches had raided the settlement, the village was abandoned. The settlers quickly retired to the comparative safety and peace of San Antonio de Bexar.<sup>7</sup>

4. Carlos E. Castaneda, Our Catholic Heritage in Texas, 3 vols. (Austin, 1936, 1938), I, 70-73, cited hereafter as Castaneda, Our Catholic; Texas Almanac for 1939-40 (Dallas, 1939), 54, citing conclusions of Dr. Robert T. Hill.

5. Castaneda, Our Catholic, I, end map.

6. Gabriel Tous, "The Espinosa-Olivares-Aguirre Expedition of 1709: Espinosa's Diary," in Preliminary Studies of the Catholic Historical Society, Vol. I, no. 4 (Austin, 1930), 6-9.

7. Mattie A. Hatcher, The Opening of Texas to Foreign Settlement, 1801-1821 (Austin, 1927), 124-126.



The Spaniards made no further attempt to settle the region. During the Mexican regime, in August 1821, Stephen F. Austin, who established the first Anglo-American colony in Texas, passed through the valley of the San Marcos on his way to San Antonio to secure an empresario contract. He wrote in his journal that the territory between the San Marcos and Guadalupe Rivers was the most beautiful he had ever seen. The waters of the San Marcos, he thought, could be harnessed to furnish power for mills, and diverted into canals to irrigate nearby lands.<sup>8</sup> Following Austin's success in securing a colonization contract, Anglo-Americans began to immigrate to Texas in large numbers. In the meantime, before the wave of immigration could reach the San Marcos, the Mexican Government had granted several titles to land in the region of present Hays County. The Juan Veramendi grant, dated November 10, 1831, and the T. J. Chambers grant of September 23, 1834, are the bases of some present day land titles in Hays County.<sup>9</sup>

In 1836 when the Anglo-Americans in Texas declared their independence of the Mexican Government, the region under consideration was still Indian territory. Although the battle of Gonzales and the fall of the Alamo occurred within fifty miles of the San Marcos River, and the battle of Goliad within a hundred miles, perhaps not a single shot of the entire Revolution was fired within the present boundaries of Hays County. Certainly there was no major conflict in that vicinity.<sup>10</sup>

Although the valley of the San Marcos was undoubtedly the scene of many minor Indian skirmishes, the only important one that ever occurred there was the battle of Plum Creek, in 1840. This engagement, fought by the Tonkawas and white settlers against the Comanches, started near the present site of Lockhart in Caldwell County. But during the course of the fight, the settlers and their Indian allies chased the Comanches over fifteen miles. The battle ended in present Hays County.<sup>11</sup>

The Anglo-American settlement of San Marcos and surrounding territory began with the arrival of the McGehee, Moon, and Merriman families. In 1846, Thomas G. McGehee moved from Bastrop and settled his family on a headright league along the banks of the San Marcos River, near where it joins the Blanco. W.W. Moon built the first log cabin on the present site of San Marcos, on what is now the corner of East Hutchinson and Union Streets. In 1846, Eli T. Merriman also settled within the present limits of San Marcos.<sup>12</sup>

8. "Journal of Stephen F. Austin on His First Trip to Texas, 1821," in Southwestern Historical Quarterly (Austin, 1897--), VII (1903-4), 296.
9. Hays County, Deed Record (see entry no. 21), vol. 37, p. 161, cited hereafter as Deed Record; San Marcos Record, Sept. 25, 1936, sec. 3, p. 4, cited hereafter as Record.
10. Eugene C. Barker (ed.), Readings in Texas History (Dallas, 1929), 235-339; Dudley R. Dobie, The History of Hays County, Master's Thesis, The University of Texas (Austin, 1932), 23, 25, cited hereafter as Dobie, History.
11. Sowell, Early Settlers, 18, 19; Wilbarger, Indian Depredations, 28-33.
12. Dobie, History, 23, 25.



About this time, Ferdinand Roemer, nineteenth century botanist, passed through the region. He was favorably impressed with the beauty of the San Marcos River and surrounding country. He expressed the belief, however, that the land, in spite of its fertility, could never be used successfully for agricultural purposes because it was subject to inundation. Debris, he said, could be seen in the treetops as much as twenty feet above the ground. Since Roemer did not mention a village along the San Marcos, it is assumed that if the three American families had built their homes, the houses were so scattered that the new settlement bore no resemblance to a village.<sup>13</sup>

In 1847, General Edward Burleson, commander of the Texas Army at the capture of the Alamo in 1835, built his home near San Marcos. The house was located on a stony hillside overlooking the gushing springs at the head of the San Marcos. General Burleson continued to make his home in San Marcos, playing an important role in community and state affairs, until his death in 1851.<sup>14</sup>

By 1847 many other families were moving into the territory around the San Marcos settlement. John D. Pitts, adjutant general under Governor G. T. Wood, bought from General Burleson a strip of land in the southern portion of the county. Immediately upon completing the purchase, Pitts went to Georgia to encourage friends and relatives to come to Texas and settle on his land. Old-timers say that he succeeded to the extent of a wagon train two miles long. At any rate, the Georgians arrived and settled on the land Pitts had purchased, stringing their little homes along both sides of the road from the San Marcos River to the Guadalupe. The houses in the settlement were built so close together that the road began to resemble the main street of a small town. Hence the name Stringtown, one of the most interesting and descriptive of Texas place names, came to be applied to Pitt's settlement.<sup>15</sup>

Early in 1848, General Burleson, as senator from Bastrop, acceded to the wishes of the San Marcos people and introduced into the Texas legislature a bill to create Hays County.<sup>16</sup> The bill, naming the county Hays and designating San Marcos as county seat, was approved March 1, 1848.<sup>17</sup>

The new county was called Hays in commemoration of John Coffee Hays, familiarly known to Texans as Jack Hays, the first great Texas Ranger. Hays was born on February 23, 1817, in Wilson County, Tennessee, and died

13. Ferdinand Roemer, Texas (San Antonio, 1935), 175, 176.

14. Dobie, History, 26; Record, sec. 1, p. 4.

15. J. De Cordova, Texas: Her Resources and her Public Men (Philadelphia, 1858), 297, cited hereafter as De Cordova, Texas; Dobie, History, 27; Record, sec. 6, p. 2.

16. Kyle News, Apr. 20, 1928, cited hereafter as News.

17. H. P. N. Gammel, Laws of Texas, 10 vols. (Austin, 1898), III, 48, cited hereafter as Gammel, Laws.



in Alameda County, California, on April 25, 1883; but he is known as a Texan because it was his career as a Ranger that made him famous.<sup>18</sup>

Five months after the creation of the county, the first election was held on August 7, 1848, and the following persons were elected or appointed: Henry Cheatham, chief justice; John Kerby, sheriff; Caton Erhard, county clerk; W. E. Owen, district clerk; H. S. Harvey, coroner; W. W. Moon, constable; Winthrop Colbath, justice of the peace; Nelson F. Owen, assessor and collector of taxes; C. R. Johns, U. A. Young, Shepherd Colbath, A. B. McDonald, commissioners; and Michael D. Taylor, county treasurer.<sup>19</sup>

In 1850, San Marcos was a typical sprawling frontier village. Two stores, a tavern, and some half dozen rude log cabins were scattered along the banks of the river. Caton Erhard, the county clerk, owned the main store, which he had opened with the following stock: one sack of coffee, one barrel of whiskey, one barrel of flour, a few pounds of tobacco, some shingles and nails, a few bolts of domestic, and some ten or fifteen pieces of calico, containing sixteen yards each. The whiskey he sold at a special price to "outside" customers, and at double that price to those served inside. The calico was sold in dress lengths only. This particular store was also the county clerk's office, the post office, the stage office, and general lounging headquarters.<sup>20</sup>

The town of San Marcos had grown up slowly, by a process of accretion rather than by careful planning and promotion. Nor did it take on a sudden burst of growth in 1851 when three of its most progressive citizens, William Lindsey, Edward Burleson, and Eli Merriman, laid it off in the most approved geometric fashion, and donated to it land for a public square.<sup>21</sup> When 6 more years had passed, a traveler described San Marcos as being "a town of about three shabby houses."<sup>22</sup> Obviously an understatement made by a disgruntled early-day tourist, the description is interesting because it fails to mention a courthouse or other public buildings. In all probability there were no such buildings, at least none recognizable as such.

As late as 1854 there was no church building in San Marcos.<sup>23</sup> The Methodists and Presbyterians were organized congregations, but held their meetings either in private homes or in the combination church-school-court house situated on the river near where the Government fish hatchery stands today. This building, originally situated on a high bluff overlooking the

18. De Cordova, Texas, 297; Texas Agricultural and Statistical Report 1888 (Austin, 1889), 100, cited hereafter as Statistical Report.

19. Deed Record, A, 1-9.

20. Dobie, History, 37, 38; Bella French Swisher, "Historical Sketch of Hays County Texas," in The American Sketch Book, 8 vols. (Austin, 1874-83), IV (1878), 133-135, cited hereafter as Swisher, "Hays County."

21. Record, sec. 1, p. 4; sec. 3, p. 4.

22. Frederick Law Olmsted, A Journey Through Texas (New York, 1857), 137.

23. Record, sec. 1, p. 4.



village, had been moved down the hill to make it safer and more convenient for the school children.<sup>24</sup> In 1855 the Methodists erected a church building, which they allowed the other denominations to use.<sup>25</sup> The old building by the river continued to be used as a school and courthouse until the erection of the first courthouse in 1860.<sup>26</sup>

Contention over the location of the county seat arose in 1858, but the attempt to remove it to a point nearer the center of the county failed when put to a vote. San Marcos was favored by a large majority.<sup>27</sup>

In the latter part of 1858, a murder case was transferred from Travis County to Hays. The defendant, released on a \$2,000 bond, failed to appear for trial, and the money thus forfeited was appropriated to finance the construction of the first building ever to serve Hays County solely as a courthouse.<sup>28</sup>

A few months after the forfeit of the murder bond, but before the courthouse contract was let, a legal petition was presented to the commissioners court of Hays County, asking an election to remove the county seat from San Marcos to Cannonville. The new site proposed had been plotted by William Cannon on his land east of Onion Creek, near the road from San Marcos to Dripping Springs. When the election was held, Cannonville received the majority. Accordingly, the next session of court met there, under a group of oak trees near the spot which had been selected as the site of the Cannonville courthouse.<sup>29</sup>

Meanwhile the determined residents of San Marcos filed a suit of contest. The case came to trial in the district court of Comal County, and the minutes of the commissioners court of Hays County show that attorneys' fees were paid on two occasions to prosecute the case. The fact

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24. Swisher, "Hays County," 137.

25. Record, sec. 2, p. 4.

26. Ibid., sec. 1, p. 4, 2 articles; sec. 2, p. 4; sec. 3, p. 1; sec. 6, p. 7.

27. Swisher, "Hays County," 137.

28. Dobie, History, 35; D. P. Hopkins Scrapbook; Frank W. Johnson and Eugene C. Barker, A History of Texas and Texans, 5 vols. (Chicago, 1914), II, 802; Record, Sept. 27, 1931; Swisher, "Hays County," 137; Texas Almanac for 1861 (Austin, 1860), 172. The D. P. Hopkins Scrapbook, kept in the Archives of The University of Texas, consists of photostats of manuscripts and of newspaper clippings by and about Hopkins. Hopkins served as notary public in San Marcos during the early years of the Civil War; Hays County, Minutes Commissioners Court (see entry no. 1), A (title, Records), 157 (Hays County, Minutes Commissioners Court cited hereafter as Min. Com. Ct.), and was still living there when he wrote the articles for the San Marcos Record which are in the Scrapbook. These clippings are undated, but are no earlier than 1912, which is the year the Record began publication.

29. Dobie, History, 36; News.



that the case was referred to as an attempt "to stop the removal of the county seat to Cannonville" would indicate, perhaps, that the county records were never moved from San Marcos.<sup>30</sup>

The story goes that: 1) the case was never tried on its merits since both lawyers went away to the Civil War while the case was in progress; 2) when the war was over, it was discovered that the addition of a strip of territory to Hays County from Guadalupe County had placed Cannonville outside the 5-mile radius from the geographical center of the county; and 3) the county seat was thus retained in San Marcos.<sup>31</sup>

Actually, a consideration of several pieces of evidence would indicate that the story ought to be slightly different. Blanco County was created in February 1858, before the murder case was transferred to Hays County, and before the petition to remove the county seat.<sup>32</sup> When Blanco County was created, a large strip of territory was removed from the west side of Hays County and included in the newly created county; and at the same time, a small wedge of territory was removed from Guadalupe County and added to Hays County on the southeast corner.<sup>33</sup> By the removal, as well as by the addition of territory, the geographical center of Hays County was placed at a point more than 5 miles from Cannonville. Therefore, when the election to remove the county seat was held, Cannonville was already outside the 5-mile limit. At that time, a simple majority was, by statute, sufficient to remove a Texas county seat from a point outside the 5-mile limit to a point within that limit, but a two-thirds majority was necessary in all other propositions to remove.<sup>34</sup> Thus, Cannonville, being at the time of the election outside the limit, could have legally won the election only by a two-thirds majority. Reports say that Cannonville received "a majority." In any case, citizens of San Marcos instituted a suit of contest, and won the case.<sup>35</sup> By November 21, 1860, another election had apparently been held, and a contract had been granted for the construction of a new courthouse in San Marcos.<sup>36</sup> Thus, before the Civil War was even declared, this particular dispute over the location of the county seat of Hays County had been settled.

Certain aspects of the case will remain clouded until all of the papers relating to it can be gathered for study, but the following explanation of what might have happened seems logical. At the time of the election, the boundary lines of Hays County as established by the act of the legislature creating Blanco, and by a later act increasing the size of that county at the expense of Hays County, were not perfectly clear to the people. Cases hinging on these boundaries were unsettled, and surveyors were being hired by the county to run these lines, as late as

30. Min. Com. Ct., A, 97, 103.

31. Dobie, History, 35, quoting Judge Ed. R. Kono, San Marcos, in an interview with Dobie, Dec. 11, 1931.

32. Gammel, Laws, IV, 1070.

33. See our map, p. 16.

34. Gammel, Laws, I, 1474, 1475.

35. Min. Com. Ct., A, 97, 103.

36. Ibid., 124, 128, 130.



November 1860.<sup>37</sup> This doubt may have caused the citizens of San Marcos to file the suit of contest. The minutes of the commissioners court mention the case for the first time as follows:

It is ordered and decreed by the Court that the Sum of fifty Dollars be appropriated or so much there of, and will defray the expense of employing an attorney to defend the County in a Suit in the Dist. Court of Comal County Where in A. W. Lindsey and authorized the County of Hays defdt and stop the removal of the County seat to Cannonville the Chief Justace is authorized to employ an Attorney to defend the County in Said Suit.<sup>38</sup>

The case is mentioned for the second time as follows:

It is hereby Ordered and decreed by the Court that W. O. Hutchson receive thirty dollars from the County Treasurer for attending to Suit in Comal County District Court and One dollar & 50 Cents the porton of the Jury fee advanced by him in Said Case and the Said Hutchson is further Authorized to receive from the County Treasurer twenty dollars or so much there of, as is Nessery to defray the Costs adjudged. aganst Hays County in Said Case and that the Clerk Issue Scrip there for.<sup>39</sup>

New evidence to prove that Cannonville was outside the 5-mile limit at the time of the election, and had therefore won the election by an illegal majority may have entered the case. At any rate, the San Marcos citizens won the case, as is obvious from the notation to pay costs just quoted from the minutes of the commissioners court. No order appears in the minutes authorizing a new election to be held. But on November 21, 1860, the following notation is recorded:

the question of Locating the County Seat having been placed before the people of Hays County and a vote having been taken Locating the County Seat at San Marcos . . .<sup>40</sup>

Hence, it may have been that the decision of the district court of Comal County enjoined the removal of the county seat to Cannonville and ordered a new election. Or it may have been that the notation referred to the first election, which, following the decision on the case, the people of San Marcos believed they had won in the first place.

Shortly after the election retaining the county seat at San Marcos, the commissioners court acknowledged its duty to proceed with the erection of a "suitable public building." It offered \$25 for the best set of plans

37. Min. Com. Ct., A, 96, 107, 122, 123. See Gammel, Laws, IV, 1070 and V, 477 for acts relating to boundaries of Hays County.

38. Min. Com. Ct., A, 97.

39. Ibid.; 103.

40. Ibid., 124.



submitted. On March 18, 1861, the contract was awarded to C. F. Millett. The building, paid for with the forfeited bond, was 40 by 36 feet and 2 stories high. It was accepted by the court on October 29, 1861.<sup>41</sup>

On the eve of the Civil War, Hays County was largely an agricultural region, in spite of Roemer's early prophecies. San Marcos was the main village, but Mountain City was a progressive little community. There were buildings used as combination school-church houses in Stringtown, San Marcos, Mountain City, and near the present site of Kyle. Methodists, Baptists, and Presbyterians had organized congregations in San Marcos. As to business enterprises, Hays County was about as far advanced as most central Texas counties. There were gristmills at San Marcos and in the Kyle community, a sawmill in the Wimberly community, and a gin on Ezekiel Nance's property near Kyle. The mill at San Marcos belonged to General Burleson and was run by water power provided by a dam on the San Marcos River.<sup>42</sup>

During the Civil War, the commissioners court of Hays County was faced with many new problems. On September 9, 1861, a committee was appointed to "enroll all fire Arms" in the county. On February 2, 1862, the court appropriated money to clothe a company of infantry organized by Henry I. Davis. Funds for ammunition and supplies were also raised. During the entire period of the war, care of indigent families of soldiers was an urgent problem. Cotton cards were brought in so that raw cotton could more quickly be prepared for the spinning wheel and rough loom. Cloth was purchased from the state penitentiary at various times. Patrol units, charged with the duty of guarding the settlement against Indian attacks and with preventing Negro uprisings, were increased. Change notes of 25 and 50 cent denomination were printed. The courthouse was closed to theatrical groups, and to sleight of hand and circus performers.<sup>43</sup>

While the war was in progress, the arrival of the stage coach was more than ever a matter of general interest. Groups of people regularly gathered around the Moon Hotel in San Marcos, and around Haupt's store in Mountain City, to meet the stage and hear the latest news.<sup>44</sup>

When the war was over, San Marcos and Hays County were confronted by the same important problems of Reconstruction that faced most Texas communities. But, as one writer put it, "Finally, things became normal. The Negroes were freed, and the Carpet baggers gone, and sanity again reigned . . . "<sup>45</sup>

Once the feeling of war hysteria had cleared, however, the governmental machinery moved back into its old routine with little trouble.

41. Min. Com. Ct., A, 153-155, 150.

42. Record, sec. 1, pp. 3, 4, 7, 9; sec. 3, p. 1; sec. 4, p. 5; sec. 6, pp. 2, 7.

43. Min. Com. Ct., A, 149-221, passim.

44. Record, sec. 1, p. 7; sec. 2, p. 4; sec. 5, p. 6.

45. Ibid., sec. 1, p. 7.



Forms for oaths of amnesty were ordered printed;<sup>46</sup> the change notes were called in and destroyed;<sup>47</sup> vagrants were put to work digging a well in the courthouse grounds;<sup>48</sup> and new roads were planned.<sup>49</sup>

The establishment of Coronal Institute, in 1866, was another proof of the fact that Hays County was anxious to recover as quickly as possible from the effects of the war. Beginning with a rather small membership, the school soon had 50 students. It showed an annual increase in membership for almost every year of its existence.<sup>50</sup>

Sometime in 1868, the Hays County courthouse burned, destroying some of the records of the county.<sup>51</sup> On June 28, 1869, the commissioners court ordered that a new courthouse be built, and awarded a contract to John M. Campbell, Sr., for the sum of \$13,500 in currency. Bonds were sold and a new tax levied to finance construction of the building. The completed portion was accepted by the county on December 15, 1871.<sup>52</sup>

Although the county had by 1872 reached a population of almost 5,000, it was still a frontier county and not entirely safe from Indian attacks. The following resolution was ordered spread upon the minutes of the commissioners court in July 1872:

Whereas it has been made known to us, that our esteemed brother, Lorenzo Moore (a member of the Commissioners Court), was brutally murdered near his home in this county on the 19th day of May 1872, by a band of savages. Be it resolved that by his sudden death, it forcibly reminds us of the uncertainty of life, and that we too will soon be called away, and that his loss calls forth our warmest sympathies for his family in their deep distress. And while we regret the loss of his wisdom, and sound judgment in the administration of the duties of the court, yet we humbly bow to Him who rules over the destiny of us all. Resolved that by the death of our brother, this county has lost an efficient officer, an honest and upright citizen. . .<sup>53</sup>

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46. Min. Com. Ct., A, 236.

47. Ibid., 205.

48. Ibid., 234.

49. Ibid., 240, ff.

50. R. S. Morgan, The Development of San Marcos as an Educational Center, Master's Thesis, The University of Texas (Austin, 1936), 20-36, cited hereafter as Morgan, Development; Record, sec. 3, p. 2.

51. Gammel, Laws, VII, 635.

52. Min. Com. Ct., B (back title, Records; cover title, Police Court Records), 33-36; 106.

53. Ibid., 130.



Two years after this Indian raid, which was the last in the history of the county,<sup>54</sup> San Marcos became an incorporated town, and A. B. Kerr its first mayor.<sup>55</sup>

On August 5, 1876, an attempt was made to destroy the records of Hays County. Desks were broken open and the records removed and stacked for burning. Before the flames were checked, many valuable documents were destroyed, and others damaged greatly. One volume of mortgage records was burned, and volumes E and J of the Deed Record were badly mutilated.<sup>56</sup> Apparently this fire warned the county officials of their need for a fireproof vault, for plans were prepared<sup>57</sup> and a contract was awarded for the construction of the vault less than a month after the burning of the records.<sup>58</sup>

Until 1880, the principal means of transportation in Hays County was the stage coach. Tarbox and Brown had opened their line from San Antonio to Austin, through San Marcos, as early as 1848. Each coach carried passengers and mail, and required 3 days to make the trip one way. There was a coach from one of the terminal points each day except Sunday.<sup>59</sup> But on September 1, 1880, the International and Great Northern Railroad reached the town of Buda. By September 10, it had reached Kyle, and by October 2, San Marcos. On February 16, 1881, the road was opened from Austin to San Antonio, a distance of 80 miles.<sup>60</sup>

On August 10, 1881, the commissioners court of Hays County opened negotiations for the county's third courthouse, condemning the old one and ordering it sold "for cash." Pending completion of the new building, the business of the county was carried on in a storehouse belonging to W. O. Hutchinson.<sup>61</sup>

Before construction of the courthouse was well under way, another movement to relocate the county seat arose. In the resulting election, held December 31, 1881, San Marcos received 816 votes; Hays received 164; and other villages less important votes.<sup>62</sup>

The new courthouse was accepted on recommendation of F. E. Ruffini, the architect, on February 12, 1883.<sup>63</sup>

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54. Record, sec. 1, p. 6.

55. Ibid., sec. 1, p. 1.

56. San Marcos Free Press, Aug. 5, 1876.

57. Min. Com. Ct., B, 311.

58. Ibid., 324.

59. Dolle's History, 39.

60. Ibid., 95.

61. Min. Com. Ct., C (title, Commissioners Court Minutes), 172-174.

62. Ibid., 197, 202; D. P. Hopkins Scrapbook.

63. Min. Com. Ct., C, 289.



While this courthouse was under construction in San Marcos, the Kyle Seminary was built in the town of Kyle.<sup>64</sup> Six years later, in 1887, the Prairie Business College began functioning as an adjunct to the Seminary.<sup>65</sup>

A description of Hays County in 1888 shows that much progress was made in the 22 years following the Civil War. In the late eighties there were two railroads in the county; none before the war. There were 13 schools and 7 churches, each occupying its own building. Before the war, schools and churches occupied the same buildings in most cases, often sharing the courthouse with the county officials. San Marcos, with a population of 5,000 as shown in the 1880 census, had grown from a village of 300. Four new towns had come into existence since the war: Kyle, Buda, Dripping Springs, Wimberly.<sup>66</sup>

But the town of San Marcos, though it had grown rapidly, was still in need of many civic improvements. It was the home of Coronal Institute, one of the best schools of central Texas, and it was the county seat of Hays County, but its lighting system still consisted of four kerosene lamps, two of which were cared for by the city marshal, and two by the commissioners court.<sup>67</sup> The streets were little more than dusty trails winding about through the town, and the school buildings were in need of repair.<sup>68</sup> In 1889, San Marcos took its first step toward making an attractive town of itself. In that year the Electric Light and Power Company received a right-of-way.<sup>69</sup>

In 1890, Coronal Institute's main building burned. This loss at first seemed a tragedy beyond remedy, but proved itself actually a blessing. Funds for a new building were secured within a week. Shortly afterward the city appropriated \$15,000 for street improvements, and \$8,000 for a new public school. The old schoolhouse was repaired and moved to a new location for the Negroes. In accord with the new spirit of improvement, many families built new homes, and several business men ordered new quarters or had their old ones renovated.<sup>70</sup> In the same year, the people of San Marcos erected the Grand Opera House, to provide a meeting place for those interested in music and the theater.<sup>71</sup> Thus, in a single year, San Marcos was transformed from a dusty pioneer village to a well built, progressive, agricultural town.

A few years later, in 1896, the United States Government selected a site on the San Marcos River for the construction of a fish hatchery. This event was important to community and state alike, for there was at that time no other such establishment in the entire South.<sup>72</sup>

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64. Record, sec. 5, p. 6.

65. Ibid., sec. 1, p. 5.

66. Statistical Report, 100, 101.

67. Record, sec. 1, p. 10.

68. Ibid., sec. 3, p. 2.

69. Ibid., sec. 1, p. 10.

70. Ibid., sec. 3, p. 2.

71. Ibid., sec. 1, p. 3.

72. Ibid., sec. 6, p. 7.



In 1903 the Southwest Texas State Teachers College was established in San Marcos, on a hill overlooking the town.<sup>73</sup> Four years later the San Marcos Baptist Academy was opened, and 300 students registered the first day.<sup>74</sup> The Lone Star Business College was already well established in San Marcos, having moved there in 1889 from Kyle, where it had been known as the Prairie Business College.<sup>75</sup> Coronal Institute was still in operation. With the establishment of the Teachers College and the Baptist Academy, San Marcos took its place among the important educational centers of Texas.

In 1908, when the construction of another courthouse came up for consideration, agitation arose to have the county seat removed to some point nearer the geographical center of the county.<sup>76</sup> This movement, however, never gained enough strength to cause an election to be held,<sup>77</sup> and the county seat has remained in San Marcos since that time. The present courthouse was constructed in 1908, and accepted for the county in 1909.<sup>78</sup>

In 1914, the old city hall, a wooden structure, was completely destroyed by fire. The present city hall was built the following year.<sup>79</sup>

When the United States entered the World War in 1917, Hays County immediately prepared to face its share of the problems involved. The citizens of San Marcos held a loyalty meeting and sent a telegram to President Wilson declaring their loyalty to the Government of the United States.<sup>80</sup> A company of infantry organized in the county later became an integral part of the 36th Division. A total of 635 men from Hays County fought overseas,<sup>81</sup> at least 20 of whom lost their lives.<sup>82</sup> The Red Cross Chapter of San Marcos and various women's clubs kept themselves busy raising funds to be sent to France, preparing bandages, and planning methods of economizing on food consumption.<sup>83</sup>

Soon after the Armistice was signed, San Marcos citizens began working toward the establishment of a memorial hospital, to be dedicated

73. Morgan, Development, 69; Record, sec. 5, p. 6.

74. Morgan, Development, 112; Record, sec. 2, p. 1.

75. Ibid., sec. 1, p. 5.

76. "San Marcos Must Fight," clipping dated 1908, in Hays County Scrapbook, Archives, The University of Texas.

77. D. P. Hopkins Scrapbook.

78. Min. Com. Ct., F, 92.

79. Record, sec. 1, p. 1.

80. Edith Cox, War Activities of Hays County, 1917-1919, Master's Thesis, The University of Texas (Austin, 1932), 6, cited hereafter as Cox, War Activities.

81. Ibid., 8; Record, sec. 6, p. 1.

82. Record, sec. 6, p. 1 says 28; News, 30; Cox, War Activities, 22. Cox lists others who died in camps, documenting her thesis from War Records in Archives, The University of Texas.

83. Record, sec. 6, p. 1.



to the World War dead of Hays County. This hospital was finally dedicated on June 1, 1923.<sup>84</sup> Two private hospitals in San Marcos transferred their patients, their equipment, and their staff to the new Soldiers' and Sailors' Memorial Hospital.<sup>85</sup>

San Marcos today, with the progressive Teachers College and Baptist Academy, and many beautiful parks and successful business enterprises, is the most important town of Hays County, which is still largely a farming and ranching county.

#### Explanation of Map

The act of the legislature creating Hays County from Travis and Bexar Counties described the boundaries of Hays, counterclockwise, as follows:

Beginning on the San Antonio road, at the south corner of Musgrove's survey, being a corner of Guadalupe County; thence with the San Antonio road North eastwardly to the W. corner of Bastrop county; thence N. 50 deg. W. 46 miles to a corner; thence with a line parallel to the San Antonio road, in a southwestwardly direction to a point being N. 50 deg. W. from the beginning; thence S. 50 deg. E. to the beginning.<sup>86</sup>

Thus, by the act of creation, Hays County was a huge trapezoid, tilted at a northwest-to-southeast angle, and resting on its southern corner. Since the passage of this act, the Hays-Travis and the Hays-Caldwell lines have remained unchanged.

Two acts of the legislature have altered the other boundaries of Hays County. In February 1858 the County of Blanco was created from Hays and other counties, and the following boundaries were designated:

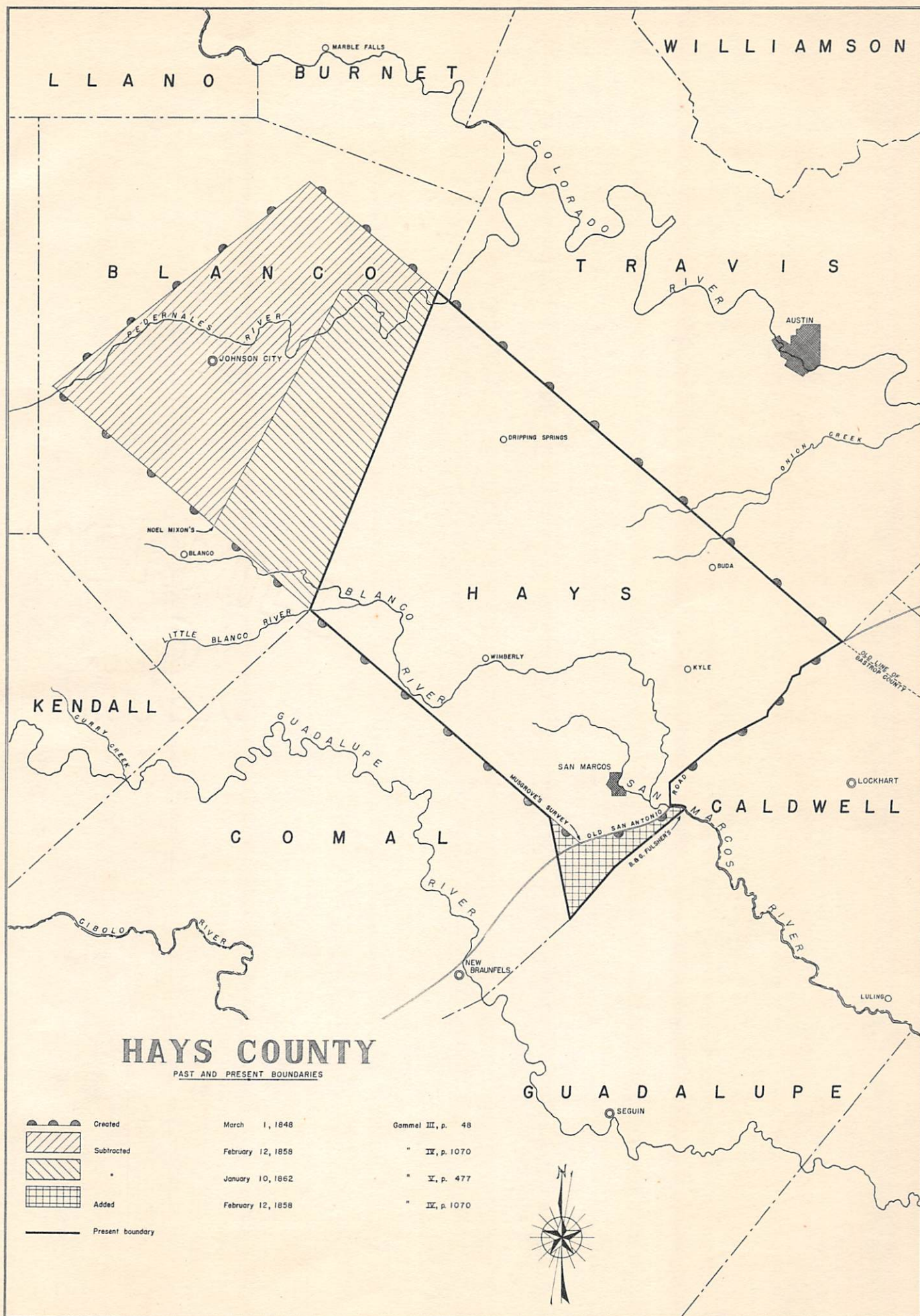
. . . beginning at the south-west corner of a league of land granted to George Sutherland assignee of J. F. Sanchez, on the Guadalupe river; thence due north to the south line of Gillespie county; thence due east to the south-east corner of Gillespie county; thence due north to the south line of Llano county; thence east with said line to its south-east corner; thence in a direct line to a point on the south-east line of Burnett county four miles south of the Colorado river; thence down said line to the line of Hays county; thence due west to a point north 28½ degrees east of the north-west corner of Noel

84. Morgan, Development, 45 says boys' dormitory of old Coronal Institute, which closed just before the war, was purchased to be used as the main building for the hospital.

85. Record, sec. 3, p. 6.

86. Gammel, Laws, III, 48. The location of the Musgrove survey was determined from field notes of the survey made by James R. Pace, District Surveyor of the Travis Land District, June 28, 1847, on file in Travis 2nd Class, File 49, General Land Office, Austin.







Mixon's league; thence in a direct line to said corner of said league; thence in a direct line to where the line of Hay's county crosses the Little Blanco; thence in a direct line to the mouth of Curry's Creek; thence in a direct line to the mouth of Balcones Creek; thence up said Creek and with the line of Kerr County, to a point due south of the beginning; thence due north to the beginning.

By this same act, the boundaries of Comal and Hays Counties were redefined, the boundaries of Comal as follows:

. . . beginning at the mouth of Balcones creek, on the Cibolo creek; thence down the Cibolo, with its meanders to the lower line of the N. Micheles league No. 114, being the present corner of said Comal county; thence in a direct line as now existing to the south-west corner of survey No. 21, in the name of John Thompson; thence with the south line of said league north  $65^{\circ}$  east, to its lower corner on the Guadalupe river; thence north  $50^{\circ}$  east seven miles; thence north  $14^{\circ}$  west to the Hays county line; thence with said line to the corner of Blanco county, on the little Blanco Creek; thence with the line of Blanco county to the beginning.

The boundaries of Hays County were described as follows:

. . . beginning at the upper corner of league No. 19, in the name of B. and G. Fulsher, on the San Marcos river; thence with the north-west boundary of said survey, and survey No. 62, in the name of Andrew Mitchell, to said Mitchell's western corner; thence in a straight line to the south-east corner of Comal county as heretofore defined in this act; thence with the line of Comal county north  $14^{\circ}$  west to the former boundary of Hays county; thence with said boundary north  $50^{\circ}$  west to the line of Blanco county; thence with said line in a north-easterly direction to the north-east corner of Hays, and the south-east corner of Blanco; thence with the eastern boundary of Hays south  $50^{\circ}$  east, to the old San Antonio and Bastrop road; thence with the old boundary line of Hays county to the San Marcos river; thence down the main stream of said river to the beginning.<sup>87</sup>

By this act a strip of territory from the northwest side of Hays County was removed and added to the newly-created Blanco County. At the same time, a small V-shaped piece of land was added to Hays on its southern corner. The net result of this first boundary change, however, was a decrease in the area of Hays County.

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87. Gammel, Laws, IV, 1070.



The second act affecting the Hays boundaries came 4 years after the first. This act, approved January 10, 1862, removed another strip of land from the northwest side of Hays County and added it to Blanco. That portion of the act affecting Hays County was as follows:

Beginning at the South-east corner of Gillespie county, thence 27° East to the West line of Comal county; thence following the West line of Comal county to the south line of Hays county; thence in a direct course across the Perdinalles to the South-west corner of Travis county; thence following the West line of Travis to the South East corner of Burnett county; thence with the South boundary line of Burnett county to the South-east corner of Llano county; thence with the South boundary line of Llano county to the North-east corner of Gillespie county; thence with the East boundary line of Gillespie county, to the place of beginning.<sup>88</sup>

Since 1862 the boundaries of Hays County have remained unchanged. Today the county has much the same shape that it had by the act of creation in 1848, though its length has been considerably shortened. Most of the boundaries are straight lines, but a portion of the Hays-Guadalupe line follows the San Marcos River, and the entire Hays-Caldwell boundary follows the curving route of the San Antonio-Bastrop highway.

88. Gammel, Laws, V, 477.



## 2. HOUSING, CARE, AND ACCESSIBILITY OF RECORDS

Hays County, created<sup>1</sup> and organized<sup>2</sup> in 1848, has built four courthouses in the town of San Marcos. The first, accepted on October 29, 1861,<sup>3</sup> was a two-story building, 40 by 36 feet, constructed of "choice pine" with a stone foundation and a roof of juniper shingles.<sup>4</sup> This courthouse must have burned in 1868, for the legislature passed a law on June 2, 1873, ordering the commissioner of the general land office to furnish the county surveyor's office of Hays County with transcripts of surveys in the county up to 1869, to replace records "destroyed by the fire that consumed the courthouse . . . in 1868."<sup>5</sup>

From the time of the fire until 1871, private houses were rented for courthouse purposes.<sup>6</sup> On June 28, 1869, the commissioners court awarded a contract for a new courthouse in the sum of \$13,500 in currency. The completed portion of this building, a soft stone structure 53 by 45 feet, was accepted by the county on December 15, 1871.<sup>7</sup>

In 1876 an attempt to burn the records warned the commissioners court of Hays County of the need for a fireproof vault to house the records. A contract for the construction of a vault was awarded within a month of the fire.<sup>8</sup>

Apparently, the soft stone courthouse settled unevenly on its foundation, or was damaged by earth tremors. At any rate, on August 10, 1881, the commissioners court condemned the building as "unsafe and unfit for further use," and ordered it sold. At the same time the court opened negotiations for the county's third courthouse.<sup>9</sup> This building accepted on February 12, 1883, was 60 by 50 feet, two stories high, and was constructed of hard stone.<sup>10</sup>

Plans and specifications for Hays County's present courthouse were called for, and bonds issued for financing its construction, on April 6, 1908.<sup>11</sup> The contract was let for \$57,000. The building was accepted on December 13, 1909.<sup>12</sup> The three-story rock building faces south, but may be entered at the first floor level on any of its four sides.

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1. Gammel, Laws, III, 48.

2. Deed Record, A, 1-9.

3. Min. Com. Ct., A, 150. Before this courthouse was built, county business was carried on in a combination church-school-court house situated on the river near the present site of the fish hatchery. See p. 7.

4. Min. Com. Ct., A, 133. The county paid for this structure with money from a forfeited murder bond. See p. 8.

5. Gammel, Laws, VII, 635.

6. Min. Com. Ct., B, 11, 99, 104.

7. Ibid., 106.

8. Ibid., 311, 324, and see p. 13.

9. Ibid., C, 172-174, and see p. 13.

10. Ibid., 289.

11. Ibid., E, 149, and see p. 15.

12. Ibid., F, 92, and see p. 15.



All of the offices, vaults, and storerooms in the courthouse have plastered walls and ceilings. The offices all have wooden floors; the vaults, tile; and the basement storerooms, cement. In all of the offices and vaults the ceilings are 15 feet high, and in the basement storerooms, 8 feet. Good lighting is provided for all offices by means of electric drop lights. The building is well constructed, and is comparatively free of dust and dampness. All of the county records are kept in fireproof vaults, and few of them are in a crowded condition. There is ample room for additional records without crowding and without expansion of shelving, except in the office of the justice of the peace, where the records are very crowded.

Commissioners Court. The commissioners court meets in the office of the county judge, on the first floor. Records of the court are kept in the county clerk's department.

County Clerk. The county clerk has charge of the records of the county and commissioners courts, and of all those which he makes and keeps as recorder for the county. These records are housed in one large office and two vaults, on the first floor. The office, 21 by 21 feet, contains a steel locker in which are kept approximately 2 percent of the clerk's records. Two large desks, five chairs, two tables, and one long counter are available to persons inquiring into the records. The smaller vault, 13 by 6 feet, houses about 8 percent of the records of the department. In this vault are 140 file boxes, each 11 by 5 x 14 inches, along the south wall, and 26 file boxes of the same size along the north wall. The large vault, 31 by 17 feet, has 336 linear feet of steel roller shelving against the south wall, and 50 linear feet of shelving along the north wall, housing 386 linear feet of bound volumes. Unbound records are kept in 155 file boxes, each 11 by 5 x 14 inches. Two counter shelves contain about 90 linear feet of shelving. In addition to approximately 90 percent of the county clerk's records, this vault contains 1 volume of sheriff's records, 24 volumes of treasurer's records, 1 volume of school board records, 5 volumes of county school superintendent's records, and 2 volumes of surveyor's records. There are two tables, four chairs, and two counter shelves, for the use of those inquiring into the records housed there.

District Court. The district courtroom, a large room on the east side of the second floor, joins the office of the district clerk, to the north, by means of a narrow passageway. Records of the district court, district attorney, and district judge are kept in the office and vault of the district clerk. The office, 21 by 21 feet, houses only about 14 percent of the clerk's records. The vault, 7 by 5½ feet, houses the remainder of the district clerk's records. One volume of county court records and two file boxes of commissioners court records are also housed here. There are 56 linear feet of steel roller shelving along the east wall, and 35 linear feet along the west wall. One hundred and fifty file boxes, 11 by 5 by 14, house the papers of the department.

County Court. The county court meets in the district courtroom on the second floor. All of its records are kept by the county clerk in his department.



Justice of the Peace. The office of the justice of the peace is 14 by 12 feet, on the first floor. It houses 44 file boxes, 24 by 13 by 12 inches, and 8 steel boxes of the same dimensions. The records of this office are crowded, and there is no room for additional records. Proper facilities for housing the records are badly needed. There are seven chairs, two tables, two desks, one steel case, and two wooden bookcases for the use of persons consulting the justice's records.

Sheriff. The sheriff has two rooms on the second floor. His private office is 21 by 11 feet. One case of steel roller shelving and one steel locker in this office house approximately 50 percent of the sheriff's records. Seven chairs, one desk, and a small wooden locker are accommodations provided for the use of the public. The main office, 21 by 21 feet, houses the other 50 percent of the sheriff's records. In this office the records are kept on desks and tables. There are seven chairs, one large deks, one roller top desk, and one case in the office.

Tax Assessor-Collector. The tax assessor-collector has an office and vault on the first floor. The office, 19 by 18 feet, houses about 2 percent of the records of this department. Six chairs, one table, one desk, and one long counter are available for the use of those inquiring into the records. In the vault, 16 by 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  feet, bound volumes are kept on 48 linear feet of wooden shelving against the east wall, and on 30 linear feet against the south wall. Records are also housed in 4 file boxes, 16 by 11 by 26 inches.

Treasurer. The treasurer has an office on the second floor. Most of his current records are kept in the county clerk's office; obsolete ones, in the storeroom.

Auditor. The auditor's office, a room 19 by 18 feet, is on the first floor. All of the records of his department are kept in this office.

County Board of School Trustees. This board meets in the county school superintendent's office. The records of the board are kept by the superintendent, who is its secretary.

County School Superintendent. The county school superintendent has a suite of three rooms, on the third floor. His main office, 17 by 18 feet, houses approximately 25 percent of his records. There are 15 linear feet of wooden shelves along the east wall, a steel bookcase 4 feet 4 inches by 1 foot 9 inches, and a set of four file boxes, 21 by 52 inches. This office has six chairs, one table, one desk, and one bench to accommodate users of the records. The superintendent's storeroom, 21 by 11 feet, has 46 linear feet of wooden shelves against the north wall, housing 40 percent of the records. This storeroom has four chairs, five desks, and one table to accommodate the public. The superintendent's book room, 17 by 14 feet, has 100 linear feet of wooden shelving constructed along the north and south walls. Two chairs, a desk, and a table are kept in this room for the use of the public.



Surveyor. The surveyor has no office space in the courthouse. All of his records are kept in the county clerk's vault.

Storerooms. There are two general storerooms in the basement. The east room, 16 by 16 feet, has 26 linear feet of wooden shelves along the north wall, and 8 file boxes 11 by 5 by 14 inches. No records are housed in this room at present. The west room, 16 by 15 feet, has 40 linear feet of wooden shelving along the north and south walls, and 80 linear feet of steel roller shelving along the west wall. Obsolete records from the various offices are housed in this room. At present these storage rooms have no accommodations for the use of persons inquiring into the records.

### 3. ABBREVIATIONS, SYMBOLS, AND EXPLANATORY NOTES

alph.	alphabetical(ly)
arr.	arranged, arrangement
Art.	article
aver.	average
C.C.	county clerk
chron.	chronological(ly)
Const.	Constitution of the State of Texas
C.S.	called session
D.C.	district clerk
ed.	editor
f.b.	file box(es)
ff.	and pages following
fm.	form(s)
hd.	head(s)
hdw.	handwritten
ibid.	reference work just cited
Legis.	Legislature of the State of Texas
Min. Com. Ct.	Minutes Commissioners Court
no.	number
numer.	numerical(ly)
off.	office
p(p).	page(s)
pr.	printed
sec(s).	sections
S.S.	county school superintendent
strm.	storeroom
T.A.	Act of the Texas Legislature, in regular session unless otherwise noted
T.A.C.	tax assessor-collector
Tr.	county treasurer
va.	vault
vol(s).	volume(s)
WPA	Work Projects Administration
x	by
--	placed after date means from that year on



### Explanatory Notes

In the inventory proper, each record series is described in a separate entry. The records are shown under the office or agency of origin or final destination and are grouped by subject matter; entries are numbered consecutively throughout the inventory in one series (1-267).

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.

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 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.

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 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

The records of the commissioners court are kept in the county clerk's vault unless otherwise indicated.

### General Proceedings

1. MINUTES COMMISSIONERS COURT, Aug. term 1855--. 9 vols. (A-I). Title varies: Records, Aug. term 1855-Nov. 16, 1868, 1 vol. (A); Records (cover title, Police Court Records), Feb. term 1869-Dec. 2, 1878, 1 vol. (B); Commissioners Court Minutes, Jan. 14, 1879-Dec. 3, 1884, Nov. 13, 1893-July 31, 1908, 2 vols. (C,E); Commissioner Minutes, Feb. term 1885-Sept. 11, 1893, 1 vol. (D).

Clerk's record of proceedings of the county administrative body in regular and special meetings, showing date, place, and kind of meeting, names of members present, subject of business transacted, names of interested parties, signature of presiding officer to approval of minutes, and clerk's attest to recording; also, 1876--, proceedings of the court sitting as a board of equalization. Arr. chron. by court term, by order of hearing thereunder. 1855-68 no index; Feb. 2, 1869-Aug. 10, 1904 no index except to certain business (for separate index, see entry 3); Sept. 1904-Nov. 1906 no index; Nov. 30, 1906-- separate index, see entry 2. 1855-1919 hdw.; 1919-- typed. Aver. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 3.

For additional court orders establishing boundaries, 1903, 1910, 1924, see entry 4; proceedings on treasurer's reports, 1898-1905, see entry 8; action on claims, 1896--, see entry 11; appointments of road overseers, 1886-1934, see entry 14; appointments of juries of view, 1887-1909, see entry 15; tabulation of election returns, 1884--, see entry 16.

2. INDEX TO COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES (Subject), Nov. 30, 1906--.  
1 vol.

Index by subject of business to volume E, from page 569, and to volumes F-I, of Minutes Commissioners Court, entry 1, showing month, day, and year of proceedings, names of interested parties (if any), subject of business, and reference to book and page, with printed key at top of each page giving subject reference page numbers. Arr. alph. by first letter of subject of business, chron. thereunder by date of proceedings. Hdw. pr. hd. 638 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

3. INDEX TO COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES (Chronological), Feb. 2, 1869-Aug. 10, 1904. 1 vol. (1).

Index by date of hearing to road business, February 2, 1869-August 10, 1904; to petitions and court orders on establishing or changing commissioners, justice of the peace, and election precincts, April 26, 1869-September 25, 1902 and to appointments of justices of the peace and presiding officers of elections, April 26, 1869-September 25, 1902; in volumes B-E of Minutes Commissioners Court, entry 1. Shows subject of business, name of principal petitioner (road business only), date of hearing, and reference to book and page. Arr. chron. by date of hearing within each section. Hdw. pr. hd. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.



4. COMMISSIONER'S COURT MINUTES - CO. SUBDIVISIONS, May term Aug. 17, 1903, Apr. 25, 1910, Aug. 12, 1924. 1 vol. (A). Clerk's record of county boundary line survey; description of boundaries of voting precincts, with amendments to commissioners court orders establishing boundaries added; description of boundaries of justice of the peace precincts; field notes of road districts; also, on page 5, map of Hays-Caldwell county line survey. Notations in the volume refer to Minutes Commissioners Court, entry 1, for field notes. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. 275' (56 used) pp. 17 x 12 x 2.
5. COMMISSIONERS COURT DOCKET, Sept. term 1885--. 5 vols. (1-5). Record of applications, petitions, and claims presented to commissioners court for action, showing file number, court term, kind of business, by whom presented, action taken, and date of order. Arr. numer. by file no. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 425 pp. 16 x 11 x 2.
6. MISCELLANEOUS COMMISSIONERS COURT PAPERS, 1904--. 21 f.b., 95 cardboard packets, 25 cardboard boxes. No title: 1904-25, 1935-36, 120 cardboard packets. Title varies: Wimberly and Dripping Springs Road, Pike Davis, Contractor, 1928-30, 1 f.b.; Tick Eradication Papers, Apr. 16, 1929-Jan. 13, 1930, 1 f.b. Miscellaneous papers presented to the commissioners court for action, such as original and duplicate copies of invoices and itemized statements for labor, supplies, and materials; original claims for labor and materials; original petitions, and miscellaneous correspondence. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw.; typed; hdw. and typed pr. fm. Packets, 9 x 4 x 2; boxes, 10 x 4 x 1; f.b., 11 x 5 x 14. 95 packets, 25 boxes, 1904-25, 1935-36, strn.
- For commissioners court action on claims against county, 1896-- , see entry 11. For treasurer's claim register, 1880-89, see entry 250.

Finances

- (See also entries 5, 6, 17, 18, 27-31, 39, 74, 91, 96-98, 100, 116, 122, 153-173, 176-178, 181, 189, 191, 211, 212, 214, 222-224, 230-241, 243-245, 247, 248, 251-254, 256, 257, 259-261)
7. FINANCE LEDGER, Sept. 21, 1886-Oct. 1, 1938. 4 vols. (A, 2-4). Title varies: County Ledger, Sept. 21, 1886-Sept. 3, 1906, 1 vol. (A). Discontinued; auditor appointed May 30, 1939. County clerk's accounts of county finances by funds, and by departments authorized or required by law to receive or collect money belonging to the county, showing dates and amounts of receipts and disbursements, and nature of collection and disbursement. Arr. under subdivisions by funds and departments designated by marginal tabs, entries chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 640 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. 2 vols. (A, 2), Sept. 21, 1886-Dec. 1, 1906, strn.
- For auditor's finance ledger, 1939-- , see entry 252. For treasurer's accounts of county funds, 1886-- , see entry 246.



8. MINUTES TREAS. REPORT, Aug. term 1898-Aug. 5, 1905. 2 vols. (1, 1 unmarked). Title varies: Minutes Commissioners Court, Treas. Dept., Aug. term 1898-May term 1902, 1 vol. (1).

Clerk's record of proceedings of the commissioners court in hearing and approving treasurer's quarterly reports, showing court term, itemized statements of receipts and disbursements of each county fund, amounts transferred from one fund to another, balances on hand for each fund, total, name of treasurer, and commissioners court order approving report, with signatures of county judge and commissioners. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 150 pp. 15 x 10 x 1. Unmarked vol., 1902-5, strm.

For general minutes of commissioners court; 1855--, see entry 1. For original officers' reports, 1890-1902, 1924, 1928, 1932--, see entry 9.

9. REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICERS OF FUNDS COLLECTED, 1890-1902, 1924, 1928, 1932--. 7 f.b. Title varies: Officers Quarterly Reports, 1890-1902, 1924, 1928, 1932--, 5 f.b.; Officer's Annual Reports, Jan. 1934--, 1 f.b.

Original monthly, quarterly, and annual reports to commissioners court by county officers required or permitted to receive or disburse money belonging to the county; also, original election returns, 1924, 1928. Arr. chron. by date of report. No index. Hdw. and typed pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14. 1 f.b., 1890-1902, 1924, 1928, strm.; 2 f.b., 1934--, d.c. va.

For commissioners court approval of treasurer's reports, 1898-1905, see entry 8.

10. ANNUAL STATEMENT HAYS COUNTY SCHOOL FUND, 1890-1906, Nov. 30, 1915--. 5 f.b. Title varies: Treas. Annual Statement of School Funds, 1890-1906, 1 f.b.

Original papers relating to county school finances, including treasurer's annual statement of condition of school funds made to commissioners court, vouchers, and canceled checks. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. and hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14. 1 f.b., 1890-1906, strm.

11. MINUTES OF ACCOUNTS ALLOWED, Feb. term 1896--. 7 vols. (3-9). Clerk's record of final action of commissioners court on claims presented for payment, showing claim number, name of claimant, nature and amount of claim, date acted on, amount allowed, fund charged, serial number of scrip issued in payment, reference to page number of Minutes Commissioners Court, entry 1, on which approval of claim is recorded, and remarks. Arr. numer. by claim no. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 300 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. 1 vol. (3), Feb. term 1896-1902, strm.

For original claims against the county, 1904--, see entry 6. For treasurer's claim register, 1880-89, see entry 250.

12. ANIMAL SCALP BOUNTY REGISTER, Oct. 16, 1912-Apr. 16, 1916. 1 vol.

Record of bounties paid for scalps of predatory animals, showing name of payee, location and date animal killed, kind and number killed, amount paid for each, and total amount. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 150 pp. 14 x 10 x 2.



13. WARRANTS GENERAL FUND, 1908-Dec. 28, 1938. 20 vols. Title varies: Warrants, 1908-June 15, 1938, 18 vols.

Stubs of warrants issued by county clerk, showing amount, number, and date of warrant, to whom issued, from what fund, for what purpose, and at what term of court allowed. Arr. numer. by warrant no. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 200 stubs. 16 x 14 x 1. 15 vols., 1908-34, strm.

For auditor's copies of warrants, 1939--, see entry 255.

Roads

(See also entry 245)

14. ROAD MINUTES, Feb. term 1886-Feb. term 1934. 4 vols. (1-4). Title varies: Road Minute Overseers Commissions, Feb. term 1912-Feb. term 1923, 1 vol. (3).

Clerk's record of proceedings of the commissioners court in appointing road overseers for county road precincts, showing term of court, names of road overseers appointed, date appointment expires, description of section of road assigned, nature of work to be performed on road, and names of persons authorized to help. Arr. chron. by court term, numer. thereunder by road precinct no. No index. 1886-1923 hdw. pr. fm.; 1924-34 typed pr. fm. 400 pp. 16 x 11 x 2.

For general minutes of commissioners court, 1855--, see entry 1.

15. JURY OF VIEW RECORD, May 10, 1887-May 12, 1909. 1 vol.

Clerk's record of proceedings of the commissioners court in improving roads and laying out new roads: on pages 1-200, appointment of juries of view to lay out roads, May 10, 1887-May 12, 1909, showing court term, date of meeting, names of petitioners, description of road, order appointing five freeholders a jury of view; on pages 201-282, reports of juries of view, August 10, 1887-July 31, 1906, showing court term, date of meeting, date of report, recommendations, and order approving report with signature of county judge. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. 1887-1909 hdw. pr. fm.; 1887-1906 hdw. 282 pp. 16 x 11 x 2.

For general minutes of commissioners court, 1855--, see entry 1.

Elections

(See also entries 9, 238)

16. RECORD OF ELECTION RETURNS, Nov. 4, 1884--. 3 vols. (2-4). Title varies: Record of Elections; Nov. 4, 1884-June 1907, 1 vol. (2); Election Record, Nov. 6, 1906-Apr. 4, 1931, 1 vol. (3).

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 for each candidate and for and against each issue, total number of votes cast, and name of candidate for each office receiving majority vote. Arr. chron. by date of election. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 340 pp. 16 x 11 x 1.

For general minutes of commissioners court, 1855--, see entry 1.

For original election returns, 1924, 1928, see entry 9.



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Miscellaneous

17. OLD AGE PENSION LIST, 1937. 2 lists in 1 folder.  
Lists of residents in the county who have received pensions from the state old age assistance commission, showing names and addresses of pensioners, and monthly amount paid to each. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 12 x 8. C.C. off.

18. RECORD COUNTY CONVICTS, Feb. 2-Oct. 1891. 1 vol. (1).  
Record of hire of convicts, showing name, sex, race, age, and description of convict, nature of employment, name of employer, period of time hired, rate of pay, amount collected, and date of payment. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 149 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. Strm.

II. COUNTY CLERK AS RECORDER

The county clerk's records are in his vault unless otherwise indicated.

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Registration of Ownership

19. FILE REGISTER, May 15, 1905--. 8 vols. (1, 2, 2, 3-7). Title varies: File Record, Apr. 23, 1909-Oct. 10, 1911, 1 vol. (2).  
Register of instruments filed for record with county clerk, showing date and file number of instrument, names of grantor and grantee, by whom filed, date of filing, kind of instrument, and reference to volume and page of book in which instrument is recorded. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of grantor, chron. thereunder by filing date. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 320 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

20. DEEDS, 1879--. 21 f.b.  
Miscellaneous instruments left with clerk for recording and unclaimed by owners, including deeds, deeds of trust, warranty deeds, releases, vendors' liens, mechanics' liens, transfers and extensions of liens, agreements, oil and gas leases, and assignments. Arr. chron. No index. Typed; hdw. and typed pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.

For deed record, 1848--, see entry 21.

21. DEED RECORD, Sept. 19, 1848--. 119 vols. (A-Z, 27-119).  
Recorded copies of conveyances and transfers of land, with related instruments, and other miscellaneous instruments, including deeds, tax deeds, sheriff's deeds, grants, land certificates, deeds of partition, certificates of redemption, copies of judgments, removal of disabilities of minors, assignments of oil and gas leases, copies of civil and probate court orders, powers of attorney, gift deeds, maps, and plats. Arr. chron. by recording date. For indexes to instruments, see entries 22-25; for index to maps and plats, see entry 26. 1848-1907 hdw.; 1907-- typed. 640 pp. 18 x 12 x 3.

For original instruments filed for record, 1879--, see entry 20.



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22. GENERAL INDEX TO DEEDS (Direct and Reverse), Sept. 19, 1843-Jan. 27, 1911. 4 vols. (A-D). Discontinued; for subsequent indexes, see entries 23, 24.

Index by names of grantor and grantee to Deed Record, entry 21, each entry showing name of opposite party, kind and date of instrument, filing date, and book and page. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of principal party, chron. thereunder by filing date. Hdw. pr. hd. 600 pp. 18 x 14 x 3.

23. GENERAL INDEX TO DEEDS (Direct), 1911--. 3 vols. (E-G). For prior direct index, see entry 22.

Index by name of grantor to Deed Record, entry 21, showing names of grantor and grantee, kind and date of instrument, filing date, and reference to book and page. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of grantor, chron. thereunder by filing date. Hdw. pr. hd. 640 pp. 18 x 14 x 3.

24. GENERAL INDEX TO DEEDS (Reverse), 1911--. 3 vols. (E-G). For prior reverse index, see entry 22.

Index by name of grantee to Deed Record, entry 21, showing names of grantee and grantor, kind and date of instrument, filing date, and reference to book and page. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of grantee, chron. thereunder by filing date. Hdw. pr. hd. 640 pp. 18 x 14 x 3.

25. (DIRECT CARD INDEX TO DEEDS), Jan. 1, 1936--. 2,000 cards in 1 f.b.

Card index by name of grantor to Deed Record, entry 21, showing names of parties, a brief description and location of property, number of acres, kind of instrument, filing date, recording date, and reference to book and page. Arr. alph. by name of grantor. Hdw. pr. fm. 3 x 5 x 15. C.C. off.

26. INDEX TO MAPS AND PLATS, Jan. 17, 1852--. 1 vol. (1).

Index by name of addition or plat to maps and plats recorded in Deed Record, entry 21, showing name of addition or plat, name of town, reference to book and page, and remarks. Arr. alph. by first letter of principal name, chron. thereunder. Hdw. and typed pr. hd. 160 pp. 17 x 12 x 1.

27. TAX RECEIPT RECORD, Dec. 23, 1915--. 1 vol.

Recorded copies of tax receipts, showing name of taxpayer, tax receipt number, amount paid, description, location, and value of property, filing date, and recording date. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of taxpayer, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 176 pp. 18 x 13 x 2.

For tax assessor-collector's stubs of tax receipts, 1905--, see entry 231.

28. RECORD OF CERTIFICATES OF REDEMPTION, July 8, 1897-Dec. 6, 1901, Nov. 26, 1915--. 2 vols. (1, 1 unmarked). Last entry, 1936.

Recorded copies of certificates of redemption issued by the state comptroller upon receipt of payment of delinquent taxes, showing to whom issued, against whom assessed, years delinquent, amounts of state and county taxes, amounts of interest and penalty, description of land or property, name of



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original grantee, and total costs. Arr. chron. by filing date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of redeemer, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 1 vol. (1), 1897-1901, strm.

For tax assessor-collector's duplicates of redemption receipts, 1927--, see entry 236.

29. CLASSIFICATION OF LANDS, Apr. 13, 1893-Feb. 24, 1913. 1 vol. Record of classification of state school land situated in Hays County made by the commissioner of the general land office, showing section and certificate numbers, name of original grantee, classification of land (watered or dry, agricultural, grazing, or timber), number of acres, valuation set by commissioner, name of purchaser, and purchase date. Arr. chron. by date of purchase. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 80 double pp. 18 x 12 x 1. Strm.

30. RECORD OF LANDS LEASED, Mar. 12, 1898-Aug. 6, 1904. 1 vol. (1).

Clerk's record of public school lands leased and of applications to purchase additional school lands: on pages 1, 2, leases of public school lands, March 12, 1898-1901, showing survey and certificate numbers, name of original grantee, amount of land leased, name of lessee, date of lease, section number or name of township, years leased, and filing date; on pages 3-5, applications to purchase additional school lands by bona fide settlers, August 13, 1902-August 6, 1904, showing place and date of application, section and certificate numbers, number of acres, price per acre, classification of land, and applicant's affidavit. No arr. No index. Mar. 12, 1898-1901 hdw. pr. hd.; Aug. 13, 1902-Aug. 6, 1904 hdw. 85 (5 used) pp. 16 x 12 x 1. Strm.

31. CLASSIFICATION STATE LAND RECORD, 1927--. 1 vol.

Copies of awards of state land made by state land commissioner upon receipt of payment, showing name and address of applicant, section and block numbers, name of township or number of acres, certificate number, name of original grantee, price paid, date of sale, amount of note, interest rate, date due, class of land, and recording date. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of applicant, chron. thereunder. Typed. 240 pp. 14 x 9 x 2.

32. RECORD OF ALIEN OWNERSHIP, June 8, 1927--. 1 vol. (1).

Registration of land owned by aliens, showing name of alien, address, age, occupation, place of birth, last foreign residence, date and place of arrival in United States, length of residence in United States, physical description of alien, description of land, and date land registered. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname, chron. thereunder. Typed pr. fm. 400 pp. 14 x 9 x 2.

33. IRRIGATION RECORD, Sept. 6, 1895--. 2 vols. (A, 2). Last entry. Feb. 27, 1934.

Recorded copies of permits to appropriate public water for irrigation and other purposes issued by the state board of water engineers, showing date of application, a recital of the proceedings of the board on hearing the application, grant of the permit with description and plat of land, amount



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of water, date, and to whom issued. Arr. chron. by recording date. No index. Sept. 6, 1895-June 26, 1914 hdw.; June 27, 1914-- typed. 255 pp. 15 x 10 x 1.

34. BILL OF SALE RECORD, Feb. 15, 1884--. 3 vols. (C-E). Recorded copies of bills of sale, showing description of personal property, date of sale, names of vendor and vendee, and amount of consideration. Arr. chron. by recording date. Feb. 15, 1884-Feb. 19, 1913 indexed alph. by first letter of surname of vendor, chron. thereunder; May 1, 1915--, separate index, see entry 35. Feb. 15, 1884-Jan. 7, 1907 hdw.; May 22, 1907-- typed. 300 pp. 16 x 11 x 2.

For bills of sale for livestock, 1871-83, see entry 36; for bills of sale on automobiles, 1934--, see entry 242.

35. INDEX TO BILL OF SALE RECORD, May 1, 1915--. 1 vol. Index by names of vendor and vendee to volumes D and E of Bill of Sale Record, entry 34, each entry showing the name of the opposite party, and reference to book and page. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 250 pp. 16 x 11 x 2.

36. JOURNAL (cover title, Stock Book), Apr. 10, 1871-Nov. 29, 1883. 1 vol. (B). Recorded copies of bills of sale for livestock, showing names of vendor and vendee, amount of consideration, description of livestock, legal affidavit of sale, and acknowledgment of clerk. Arr. chron. by recording date. No index. Hdw. 424 pp. 15 x 10 x 1. Strm. For bill of sale record, 1884--, see entry 34; for bills of sale on automobiles, 1934--, see entry 242.

37. RECORD OF MARKS AND BRANDS, Sept. 1, 1848-Mar. 21, 1876, Jan. 1888--. 2 vols. (1 unmarked, B). Title varies: Mark and Brand Record, Sept. 1, 1848-Mar. 21, 1876, 1 unmarked vol. Register of marks and brands of livestock registered by owners, showing registration number, facsimile of brand, description of earmarks, name and residence of owner, location of brand on animal, date registered, to whom sold, and remarks. Arr. chron. by date registered. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of owner, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 550 pp. 17 x 11 x 2. 1 vol. (B), Jan. 1888--, C.C. off. For register of marks and brands, 1848-92, see entry 38.

38. RECORDS (Marks and Brands), Sept. 1, 1848-1892. 1 vol. (A). Register of marks and brands registered by owners, Sept. 1, 1848-1872, recorded from brands registered in Record of Marks and Brands, entry 37; and original registrations, 1872-92, showing name and address of owner, facsimile of brand, description of earmarks, recording date, and signature of county clerk. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of owner, chron. thereunder by recording date. No index. Hdw. 500 pp. 18 x 12 x 3.

For current register of marks and brands, see entry 37.



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39. ESTRAY RECORDS, May 1872-Mar. 20, 1908, Mar. 28, 1935--. 5 vols.: (4 unmarked, E). Title varies: Journal, May 1872-July 11, 1876, 1 unmarked vol. Last entry, Mar. 28, 1935.

Recorded copies of affidavits made by takers-up, affidavits by appraisers, and bonds made by takers-up of estrayed livestock. Printer's receipts for payment of published notices are pasted in front part of volume titled Journal, May 1872-July 11, 1876. Arr. chron. by recording date. 1872-76 no index; 1876-1908, 1935-- indexed alph. by first letter of surname of person concerned, chron. thereunder. May 1872-Mar. 20, 1908 hdw.; Apr. 18, 1877-1902, 1935-- hdw. pr. fm. 400 pp. 15 x 10 x 2. 3 unmarked vols., 1872-1908, strn.

40. AUTOMOBILE REGISTER; 1908-17. 1 vol. (1). Discontinued. Register of automobile owners, showing name and address of owner, make of automobile, and date and number of registration. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of owner, chron. thereunder by date registered. No index. Hdw. 62 pp. 16 x 10 x 1.

Mortgages and Liens

41. DEED OF TRUST RECORD, Nov. 25, 1874--. 42 vols. (B-Z, 27-43). Vol. A believed destroyed by courthouse fire of 1876.

Recorded copies of mortgages and deeds of trust, showing register number, names of mortgagor and mortgagee or trustee, terms and consideration, description of property involved, and acknowledgment of clerk showing filing date and recording date. Arr. chron. by filing date. For index, see entries 42-44. 1874-1909 hdw.; 1909-- typed. 640 pp. 18 x 12 x 3.

42. GENERAL INDEX DEEDS OF TRUST, Apr. 16, 1870-June 28, 1911. 2 vols. (A, 2). Title varies: General Index to Mortgages, Liens, Etc., Apr. 16, 1870-Jan. 8, 1905, 1 vol. (A).

Index by name of mortgagor to volumes A-P of Deed of Trust Record, entry 41, showing name of opposite party, filing date, description of property, and reference to volume and page. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname, chron. thereunder by filing date. Hdw. pr. hd. 550 pp. 15 x 14 x 3.

43. DIRECT GENERAL INDEX DEEDS TRUST, July 1, 1911--. 1 vol. (3).

Index by name of mortgagor to volumes P-Z, 27-43 of Deed of Trust Record, entry 41; showing name of opposite party, filing date, description of property, and reference to volume and page. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname, chron. thereunder by filing date. Hdw. pr. hd. 560 pp. 18 x 14 x 3.

44. REVERSE GENERAL INDEX DEEDS TRUST, July 1, 1911--. 1 vol. (3).

Index by name of mortgagee to volumes P-Z, 27-43 of Deed of Trust Record, entry 41, showing name of opposite party, filing date, description of property, and reference to volume and page. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname, chron. thereunder by filing date. Hdw. pr. hd. 560 pp. 18 x 14 x 3.



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45. CHATTEL MORTGAGES, 1900, 1902, Jan. 1, 1904-Oct. 9, 1925, Oct. 6, 1936--. 22 f.b. and 68 bundles.

Original chattel mortgages and releases filed, showing chattel mortgage number, names of mortgagor and mortgagee, date of mortgage, amount secured, date due, and description of property. Hdw. pr. fm. Bundles, 2 x 5 x 12; f.b., 11 x 5 x 14. 5 f.b., 1900, 1902, 1908, and 68 bundles, 1904-25, strm.

For chattel mortgage registers, 1879-- , see entries 46, 47. For original chattel mortgages on machinery on realty, 1932-- , see entry 49; for register, 1932-- , see entry 50.

46. INDEXED REGISTER OF CHATTEL MORTGAGES, July 11, 1879-1891, Nov. 30, 1932--. 7 vols. (A, B, B-D, Y, Z). Title varies: Chattel Mortgage Register, 1879-91, 5 vols. (A, B, B-D).

Register, by name of mortgagor, of chattel mortgages filed for record, showing mortgage number, time and date of reception, date of instrument, names of mortgagor and mortgagee, amount secured, date due, brief description of property mortgaged, and by whom released. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of mortgagor, chron. thereunder by filing date. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. Aver. 450 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. 5 vols. (A, B, B-D), 1879-91, strm.

For chronological register of chattel mortgages, 1891-Mar. 31, 1932, see entry 47. For register of mortgages on chattels situated on realty, 1932-- , see entry 50. For original chattel mortgages, 1900, 1902, 1904-25, 1936-- , see entry 45; for those on realty, 1932-- , see entry 49.

47. CHATTEL MORTGAGE REGISTER, 1891-Mar. 31, 1932. 20 vols. (E-X). Chronological register of chattel mortgages filed for record, showing mortgage number, date received, names of mortgagor and mortgagee or trustee, date of instrument, amount secured, date due, description of property mortgaged, and remarks. Arr. chron. by filing date. 1891-1907, 9 vols. (E-M), indexed alph. by first letter of surname of mortgagor, chron. thereunder by filing date; 1907-32, 11 vols. (N-X), separate index, see entry 48. Hdw. pr. hd. 500 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. 9 vols. (E-L, N), 1891-Nov. 14, 1907, July 5, 1911-Oct. 6, 1915, strm.

For register of chattel mortgages by name of mortgagor, 1879-91, Nov. 30, 1932-- , see entry 46. For register of mortgages on chattels situated on realty, 1932-- , see entry 50. For original chattel mortgages, 1900, 1902, 1904-25, 1936-- , see entry 45; for those on realty, 1932-- , see entry 49.

48. INDEX TO CHATTEL MORTGAGES, Nov. 29, 1907-Mar. 31, 1932, Aug. 11, 1932--. 6 vols. (1-6).

Index to volumes N-X, Nov. 29, 1907-Mar. 31, 1932 of Chattel Mortgage Register, entry 47, and to Record of Chattel Mortgages on Real Estate, entry 50, direct by name of mortgagor, reverse by name of mortgagee, each showing name of opposite party, mortgage number, and reference to volume and page. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 640 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.



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49. MORTGAGES ON PROPERTY SITUATED ON REALTY, 1932--. 1 f.b.  
Original chattel mortgages on machinery and other equipment situated on real estate, showing mortgage number, names of mortgagor and mortgagee, date of mortgage, amount secured, date due, description of machinery or equipment. Arr. chron. by filing date. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.

For register of chattel mortgages on machinery on realty, 1932--, see entry 50. For original chattel mortgages, 1900, 1902, 1904-25, 1936--, see entry 45; for registers, 1879--, see entries 46, 47.

50. RECORD OF CHATTEL MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE, Aug. 11, 1932--.  
1 vol. (1).

Register of chattel mortgages on machinery situated on real estate filed for record, showing mortgage number, date received, names of mortgagor and mortgagee, date of instrument, amount secured, date due, description and location of property mortgaged, and remarks. Arr. chron. by date received. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of mortgagor, chron. thereunder; also separate index, entry 48. Hdw. pr. hd. 500 (81 used) pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

For original chattel mortgages on machinery on realty, 1932--, see entry 49. For original chattel mortgages, 1900, 1902, 1904-25, 1936--, see entry 45; for registers, 1879--, see entries 46, 47.

51. ABSTRACT OF JUDGMENT RECORD, Nov. 5, 1879--. 4 vols. (1-4).  
Title varies: Judgment Record, Nov. 5, 1879-Feb. 11, 1929,  
2 vols. (1, 2).

Recorded copies of abstracts of judgment rendered in the several courts of the county and in other counties, filed for record by owners, showing names of plaintiff and defendant, date and amount of judgment, amounts of court costs, amount of interest, amount of credits, and balance due. Arr. chron. by filing date. For index, see entry 52. Hdw. pr. fm. 480 pp. 18 x 12 x 3.

52. INDEX TO JUDGMENT RECORD, Nov. 5, 1879--. 1 vol.

Index to Abstract of Judgment Record, entry 51, direct by name of plaintiff, reverse by name of defendant, each showing the name of the opposite party, and reference to volume and page. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of plaintiff or defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 500 pp. 16 x 12 x 3.

53. LIS PENDENS RECORD, Mar. 10, 1909--. 2 vols. (1, 2).

Recorded copies of lis pendens notices filed by plaintiffs in suits involving real estate to prevent transfer of title pending settlement of suit, showing number and style of case, names of plaintiff and defendant, name of court where suit is pending, and description of real estate involved. Arr. chron. by recording date. For index, see entry 54. 1909-35 hdw. pr. fm.; 1936-- typed. 324 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

54. INDEX TO LIS PENDENS RECORD, Mar. 10, 1909--. 1 vol.

Index by name of plaintiff to Lis Pendens Record, entry 53, showing names of plaintiff and defendant, case number, and reference to volume and page. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of plaintiff, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 350 pp. 18 x 14 x 2.



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55. RECORD OF ATTACHMENTS, May 21, 1889--. 1 vol. (A). Last entry, Apr. 16, 1937.

Clerk's record of attachment liens against real and personal property, showing names of plaintiff and defendant, amount of debt, from what court issued, date of attachment, and sheriff's return. Arr. chron. by filing date. For index, see entry 56. Hdw. pr. fm. 320 pp. 16 x 11 x 2.

56. INDEX TO ATTACHMENT RECORD, May 21, 1889--. 1 vol. (A). Last entry, Apr. 16, 1937.

Index to Record of Attachments, entry 55, direct by name of plaintiff, reverse by name of defendant, each showing the name of the opposite party, sheriff's return on attachment, court orders, and reference to volume and page. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of plaintiff or defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 175 pp. 14 x 8 x 1.

57. FEDERAL TAX LIEN RECORD, Mar. 25, 1925-May 4, 1933, June 22, 1939--. 2 vols. (1 unmarked, 1). No title: Mar. 25, 1925-May 4, 1933, unmarked vol.

Recorded copies of notices of Federal tax liens filed by the Collector of Internal Revenue, showing name and address of taxpayer, nature of tax, taxable period, amount of penalty, date assessed, date and amount of tax collected, filing date, and recording date. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of taxpayer, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 100 pp. 17 x 12 x 1. 1925-33, 1 vol., strm.

58. MECHANICS LIEN, June 4, 1907--. 4 vols. (1-4). Title varies: Material Men's Lien Record, June 4, 1907-Apr. 7, 1914, 1 vol. (1); Material Mechanics Lien Record, Apr. 25, 1914-Apr. 28, 1927, 1 vol. (2); Mechanics & Materialman's Lien Record, Apr. 15, 1927-Dec. 26, 1935, 1 vol. (3).

Recorded copies of liens drawn in favor of mechanics, materialmen, and laborers, to insure payment for labor performed and material furnished, showing lien number, names of lienor and lienee, description of material or labor performed, amount of lien, terms of contract, recording date, and acknowledgment of county clerk. Arr. chron. by recording date. For index, see entry 59. Typed. 640 pp. 15 x 11 x 2.

59. INDEX TO MECHANICS' AND MATERIALMEN'S LIEN RECORD, June 4, 1907--. 1 vol. (1).

Index to Mechanics Lien, entry 58, direct by name of lienor, reverse by name of lienee, each showing the name of the opposite party, type of instrument, filing date, and reference to volume and page. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of lienor or lienee, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 400 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

60. LANDLORD'S LIEN RECORD, July 28, 1927--. 1 vol. (1).

Recorded copies of landlords' affidavits of rent due, filed to establish a lien against tenants' fixtures or chattels in the building, showing name of landlord, name and address of tenant, statement of rent due, description and location of premises, filing date, and recording date. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of tenant, chron. thereunder. Typed. 250 pp. 15 x 9 x 2.



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61. EMPLOYEES LIEN RECORD, Sept. 24, 1898-Mar. 21, 1907. 1 vol. (1).

Recorded copies of accounts filed with county clerk by employees, thereby constituting a lien against employers for services performed, showing names of employee and employer, itemized account, amount of account, and employee's affidavit. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph., direct by first letter of surname of employer, reverse by first letter of surname of employee, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 398 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. Strm.

62. HOSPITAL LIEN DOCKET, Jan. 3, 1939--. 1 vol. (1).

Register of liens filed by hospitals to insure payment for treatment of patients accidentally injured, showing name and address of injured person, date of injury, name and address of person or firm liable, name and address of hospital, amount of claim, date of claim, and date claim released. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of person injured, chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 150 pp. 18 x 13 x 1.

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63. DENTISTS LICENSE, Sept. 18, 1889--. 1 vol.

Recorded copies of licenses issued to dentists by authorized boards of dental examiners, showing name of applicant, date of application, date of certification by board, signatures of board members, filing date, and recording date. Arr. chron. by recording date. No index. Hdw. 234 pp. 12 x 8 x 1.

64. EMBALMERS REGISTER, July 21, 1903--. 1 vol.

Recorded copies of licenses issued to embalmers by the state board of embalmers' examiners, showing name of applicant, date of application, date of certification, and names of board members. Arr. chron. by recording date. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 100 pp. 10 x 8 x 1.

65. RECORD (Optometry), Feb. 17, 1922--. 1 vol. (1).

Recorded copies of certificates and licenses issued to optometrists by state board of examiners (pasted over printed forms of a book intended for record of liens on progeny), showing name and address of applicant, and names of board members. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of applicant, chron. thereunder. Typed. 140 pp. 16 x 11 x 1.

66. NURSES REGISTER, May 30, 1923--. 1 vol. (1).

Recorded copies of licenses issued to nurses by the state board of examiners, certifying that applicant has been examined and declared qualified to practice, showing name of applicant, date of application, filing date, and recording date. Arr. chron. by recording date. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 320 pp. 16 x 11 x 2.

67. ASSUMED NAME CERTIFICATES, June 11, 1921--. 1 f.b.

Original certificates filed by owners of unincorporated business firms operating under assumed names, to designate real names of owners who may be held responsible for operation, showing date and number of certificate,



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firm name and address, and names and addresses of persons operating business. Arr. alph. by first letter of name of firm, chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.

For register of assumed names, 1921-- , see entry 68.

68. ASSUMED NAME RECORD, July 2, 1921-- . 1 vol. (1).

Register of business firms operating under assumed names, showing certificate number, filing date, business name and address, names of persons owning or conducting, and names of persons withdrawing from business. Arr. alph. by first letter of name of firm, chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 340 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

For certificates to assumed names, 1921-- , see entry 67.

69. WAREHOUSE BONDS, Feb. 9, 1922-- . 2 f.b.

Original bonds made by owners of public warehouses, gins, and compresses, to insure the public against loss or damage, showing names of principal and sureties, amount and date of bond, name and location of warehouse, gin, or compress. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.

For recorded copies of warehousemen's bonds, 1920-- , see entry 70.

70. WAREHOUSE BOND, Nov. 20, 1920-- . 1 vol. (1).

Recorded copies of bonds made by owners of public warehouses, showing class of warehouse, names of principal and sureties, amount and date of bond, condition of obligation, and affidavits of signers. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of name of warehouse, chron. thereunder. Hdw. 188 pp. 12 x 8 x 3.

For original warehousemen's bonds, 1922-- , see entry 69.

71. RECORD OF CORPORATION REPORTS, Feb. 26, 1926-- . 1 vol. (1).

Recorded copies of annual reports made by public service corporations to secretary of state, showing amount of authorized capital stock, amount and analysis of bonded indebtedness, value of visible tangible property, annual operating cost, annual gross earnings, rate charged public, rate charged city or town, name of corporation, and affidavit of corporation officials. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of name of corporation, chron. thereunder. Typed. 320 (23 used) pp. 18 x 15 x 2.

72. LIQUOR DEALERS BOND RECORD, Sept. 11, 1893-Mar. 4, 1896.

1 vol. (1).

Recorded copies of bonds made by liquor dealers, showing names of dealer and sureties, date and amount of bond, and signatures of dealer and sureties. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of dealer, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 296 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. Strm.

73. HEADLIGHT TESTING STATION BONDS, Aug. 10, 1925-Jan. 16, 1932.

50 instruments in 1 f.b. Discontinued; law repealed 1932.

Original bonds made by persons or firms designated to operate stations for testing headlights of motor vehicles, showing names of principal and sureties, date and amount of bond, and conditions of obligation. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.



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74. OCCUPATION TAX RECEIPTS, 1917-24. 1 f.b.

Copies of reports of county occupation tax licenses made by tax assessor-collector to state comptroller and filed with county clerk, showing summary of occupation tax receipts used and receipts returned unused to state comptroller, statement of occupation tax receipts forwarded to tax collector by state comptroller, date of report, and quantity and value of receipts. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.

For tax assessor-collector's record of occupation taxes collected, 1887-90, see entry 237.

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Marriages

75. MARRIAGE LICENSE (Stubs), 1908--. 16 vols.

Stubs of marriage licenses issued, showing number and date of license, names of contracting parties and witnesses, affidavits to ages of contracting parties, and date returned for recording; also, 1930--, a few doctors' certificates attached to stubs. Arr. numer. by license no. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. Aver. 300 stubs. 15 x 12 x 2. 11 vols., 1908-30, 1932-34, strm.

For original returned marriage licenses, 1869-93, 1900-1904, Dec. 10, 1906--; see entry 76. For recorded copies of returned marriage licenses, 1848--; see entry 77.

76. MARRIAGE LICENSES, 1869-93, 1900-1904, Dec. 10, 1906--. 22 f.b.

Original marriage licenses returned for filing and recording after ceremony has been performed, showing license number, names of contracting parties, date issued, and date returned. Arr. numer. by license no. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14. 2 f.b., 1869-93, 1900-1904, strm.

For recorded copies of returned marriage licenses, 1848--; see entry 77.

77. For stubs of marriage licenses issued, 1908--; see entry 75.

77. MARRIAGE RECORD, Dec. 23, 1848--. 15 vols. (A-O). Title varies: Marriage, Dec. 23, 1848-Aug. 30, 1870, 1 vol. (A); Day Book, Sept. 10, 1870-Dec. 23, 1875, 1 vol. (B).

Recorded copies of marriage licenses returned after ceremony has been performed, showing clerk's authorization to perform marriage rites, license number, names of contracting parties, and official's return. Arr. chron. by recording date. 1848-86, 4 vols. (A-D), separate index, see entry 78; 1886-1910, 5 vols. (E-I), indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male, chron. thereunder; 1910--; 6 vols. (J-O), separate index, see entry 79. 1848-75 hdw.; 1875-- hdw. pr. fm. 475 pp. 15 x 12 x 2.

For original returned marriage licenses, 1869-93, 1900-1904, 1906--; see entry 76. For stubs of marriage licenses issued, 1908--; see entry 75.

78. INDEX TO MARRIAGE LICENSE RECORD, Dec. 23, 1848-1886. 1 vol.

Index by name of male to volumes A-D of Marriage Record, entry 77, showing names of contracting parties, and reference to volume and page. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname, chron. thereunder. Hdw. 150 pp. 16 x 10 x 1.



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79. GENERAL INDEX TO MARRIAGE RECORD, Oct. 11, 1910--. 2 vols. Index to volumes J-O of Marriage Record, entry 77, direct by name of male, reverse by name of female, each showing the name of the other party, and reference to volume and page. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of male or female, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 550 pp. 16 x 11 x 2.

80. INTENTION OF MARRYING RECORD, June 15, 1929-Aug. 26, 1933. 2 vols. Title varies: Notice of Intention to Marry, June 15, 1929-Dec. 31, 1931, 1 vol. Discontinued; law requiring notices repealed 1933.

Recorded copies of applications for marriage licenses, giving three days' notice of intention to marry, showing filing date, and names, ages and residence of applicants. Arr. numer. by file no. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 560 pp. 16 x 12 x 3.

Births and Deaths

81. BIRTH AND DEATH CERTIFICATE, Sept. 4, 1929--. 5 f.b. Original birth and death certificates. Death certificates show date and place of death, name, residence, personal and medical particulars concerning deceased, and place of burial, with signature of attending physician. Birth certificates show place and date of birth, name and sex of child, and personal and medical statistics concerning parents. Arr. numer. by certificate no. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.

For recorded copies of birth certificates, 1903--, see entry 82; of death certificates, see entries 84, 85. For register of births of persons born 1873-79, see entry 83. For recorded copies of death certificates, 1910--, see entry 84; for register of deaths, 1903-10, see entry 85.

82. BIRTH REGISTER, 1903--. 2 vols. (1, 1 unmarked). Title varies: Birth Record, 1903-17, 1 vol. (1). Recorded copies of birth certificates, showing certificate number, date reported and recording date, name of child, legitimate or otherwise, date and place of birth, stillborn or alive, name, nationality and residence of father and mother, and name and address of persons reporting. 1903-17 arr. alph. by first letter of surname of child, chron. thereunder by recording date; 1917-- arr. numer. by certificate no. and chron. by filing date. 1903-17 no index; 1917-- indexed alph. by first letter of surname of child, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 230 pp. 17 x 13 x 2.

For original birth certificates, 1929--, see entry 81. For register of births of persons born 1873-79, see entry 83.

83. REGISTRY OF BIRTHS, no filing or recording date (birth dates, Jan. 24, 1873-Sept. 2, 1879). 1 vol. Register of births, showing name of child, names of parents, date of birth, color of parents, and sex of child. Arr. by order of registration. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 320 (5 used) pp. 17 x 13 x 2.

84. DEATH RECORD (Certificates), Feb. 28, 1910--. 4 vols. (2-5). Recorded copies of state bureau of vital statistics standard death certificates, showing certificate number, place of death, full name of and personal particulars concerning deceased, and medical certificate of attending



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physician. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of deceased, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 315 pp. 15 x 10 x 1.

For original death certificates, 1929-- , see entry 81. For register of death certificates, 1903-10, see entry 85.

85. DEATH RECORD (Register), Apr. 13, 1903-Jan. 14, 1910. 1 vol. Register of death certificates, showing certificate number, place of death, sex, race, marital status, date of birth, age, occupation, birthplace, and date and cause of death, place and date of interment, name of undertaker, and names of birthplaces of father and mother of deceased. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of deceased, chron. thereunder by recording date. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 300 pp. 15 x 10 x 1.

For original death certificates, 1929-- , see entry 81. For recorded copies of death certificates, 1910-- , see entry 84.

Military Service

86. RECORD OF SOLDIERS' (and Sailors') DISCHARGE, 1919-- . 1 vol. (1).

Recorded copies of soldiers' and sailors' discharge certificates from the United States Army and Navy, showing name, age, rank, personal description, and occupation of soldier or sailor, enlistment record, filing date, and recording date. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 450 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

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87. OFFICIAL BONDS, 1888-1902, Nov. 27, 1906-- . 6 f.b. Original official bonds of county officials and notaries public; and bonds of county depositories, showing names of principal and sureties, amount and date of bond, condition of obligation, and affidavits of signers. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14. 1 f.b., 1888-1902, strm.

For original bonds of county clerk, 1921-- , see entry 181. For recorded copies of officers' bonds, 1874-- , see entry 88; of bonds of notaries' public, 1874-1937, see entries 88, 92; of bonds of official depositories, 1919-29, see entry 91.

88. BONDS AND DEPUTATIONS, May 25, 1874-- . 6 vols. (2-7). Title varies: Record of Official Bonds, May 25, 1874-Dec. 2, 1918, 3 vols. (2-4); Official Bond Record, Nov. 25, 1892-May 13, 1938, 2 vols. (5,6).

Recorded copies of bonds made by county officials, showing names of principal and sureties, date and amount of bond, conditions of obligation, and affidavit of signers; also, June 15, 1915-- , volumes 6, 7, copies of oaths of officers and approval of commissioners court. Also contains: Notary Public Bond Record, 1874-1914, Jan. 1, 1939-- , entry 92; Deputation Record, Nov. 22, 1888-Dec. 2, 1918, Jan. 1, 1939-- , entry 90. 1874-1938 arr. chron. by date of bond; Jan. 1, 1939-- , vol. 7, arr. under subdivisions for officials' bonds, notaries' bonds, and deputies' appointments, chron. thereunder by date of bond or appointment. 1874-1918 no index; Nov. 25, 1892-May 13, 1938 indexed alph. by first letter of surname of principal, chron. thereunder; Jan. 1, 1939-- indexed alph. by first letter of surname



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of principal, chron. thereunder; Jan. 1, 1939-- indexed alph. by first letter of surname of principal or deputy, chron. thereunder. 1874-84, 1888-1918 hdw.; 1884-92 hdw. and hdw. pr. fm.; 1892-- hdw. pr. fm. Aver. 600 pp. 17 x 12 x 2. 4 vols. (2-5), 1874-1918, strn.

For original bonds of officials and notaries public, 1888-1902, 1906-- , see entry 87. For original bonds of county clerk, 1921-- , see entry 181. For original appointments of deputies, 1910-- , see entry 89.

89. DEPUTATIONS, Dec. 9, 1910-- . 75 instruments in 2 f.b. Original appointments of deputy county officials, showing date appointed, names of appointee and deputizing official, office to which appointed, certificate of deputation, and signature of deputizing officer. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.

For recorded copies of appointments, 1888-1918, see entry 88; 1912-38, entry 90.

90. DEPUTATION RECORD, Dec. 7, 1912-Sept. 1, 1938. 1 vol. (1). Nov. 22, 1888-Dec. 2, 1918, Jan. 1, 1939-- in Bonds and Deputations, entry 88.

Recorded copies of appointments and oaths of deputy county officials, showing name of deputizing official, name of person appointed, date appointed and to what office, and acknowledgment of county clerk. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of deputy, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 590 pp. 18 x 13 x 3.

For original appointments, 1910-- , see entry 89.

91. DEPOSITORY AND OFFICIAL BONDS, Mar. 18, 1919-Feb. 14, 1929. 1 vol. (5).

Recorded copies of bonds made by depositories of county funds, showing names of principal and sureties, amount and date of bond, and affidavits of signers. Arr. chron. by date of bond. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 136 pp. 14 x 9 x 1.

For original bonds of county depositories, 1888-1902, 1906-- , see entry 87.

92. NOTARY PUBLIC BOND RECORD, June 15, 1915-Oct. 24, 1937. 2 vols. (1 unmarked, 2). Title varies: Bond Record Notaries Public, June 15, 1915-June 29, 1927, unmarked vol. 1874-1914, 1939-- in Bonds and Deputations, entry 88.

Recorded copies of bonds made by notaries public, showing names of notary and sureties, amount of bond, conditions of obligation, date of bond, and affidavits of signers. Arr. chron. by date of bond. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of notary, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 438 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

For original bonds of notaries, 1888-1902, 1906-- , see entry 87.

93. OATH OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES, Dec. 21, 1910-Oct. 6, 1933. 1 f.b. Original oaths of office taken by district school trustees on assuming office, showing school district number, name of county, name of trustee, and filing date. No arr. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.



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94. RECORD OF ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, Feb. 28, 1880-Sept. 23; 1891, Feb. 23, 1895-Nov. 30, 1906, Jan. 3, 1912-Aug. 4, 1935, Dec. 10-July 3, 1937. 8 vols. (B, C, 6 unmarked). Title varies: Acknowledgment, Apr. 10, 1884-Mar. 19, 1888, 2 vols. (B, C); Acknowledgment Record, Jan. 3, 1912-June 19, 1924, 1 vol.

Register of instruments sworn to before county clerk, showing number and date of acknowledgment, kind of instrument, location of property, name of original grantee if land involved, name and identification of grantor, name, residence, and identification of grantee, identification of witness, and amount of fee. Arr. chron. by date of acknowledgment. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 150 pp. 16 x 10 x 1. 6 vols. (B, C, 4 unmarked), 1880-91, 1895-1906, 1937, strm.

For acknowledgments taken by notaries public, 1880-1937, see entry 95; by district clerk, 1874-80, 1903-35, see entry 179; by justice of the peace, 1875--, entry 221.

95. RECORD OF ACKNOWLEDGMENTS (Notary Public), May 29; 1880-Mar. 8, 1937. 16 vols. No title: June 21, 1885-Dec. 30, 1887, June 17, 1893-June 30, 1902, 2 vols. Title varies: Record, Aug. 5, 1891-Apr. 6, 1895, Mar. 28, 1910-May 31, 1915, 2 vols.

Register of instruments sworn to before notaries public, showing kind and date of instrument, location of property if property is involved, name of original grantee, name and identification of grantor, name, residence, and identification of grantee, identification of witness, amount of fee, and date of acknowledgment. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 100 pp. 8 x 10 x 1. Strm.

For acknowledgments taken by county clerk, 1880-91, 1895-1906, 1912-35, 1937, see entry 94; by district clerk, 1874-80, 1903-35, see entry 179; by justice of the peace, 1875--, see entry 221.

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96. COUNTY JURY SCRIP, 1908-34. 2 vols.

Record of scrip issued to jurors, showing scrip number, date issued, value of scrip, and to whom issued. Arr. chron. by date issued. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 200 pp. 14 x 16 x 1. Strm.

97. (JURY CERTIFICATES), 1926--. 24 vols.

Stubs of certificates for pay issued by county clerk to regularly empaneled jurors and special veniremen, showing date of certificate, length of time served, name of court, and amount due juror. Arr. chron. by date of certificate. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 100 pp. 8 x 12 x 1.

98. JUSTICE COURT WARRANTS, Aug. 4, 1904-July 30, 1923. 1 vol.

Stubs of warrants issued by county clerk for jury service in justice courts, showing name of payee, date and amount of warrant, for what purpose issued, signature of payee. Arr. chron. by date of warrant. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 150 pp. 12 x 5 x 1. Strm.



99. REPORT OF GAME, FISH, AND OYSTER COMMISSIONER, Aug. 30, 1926--.  
2 f.b.  
Copies of reports on sale of artificial lure, and hunting and trapping licenses, with stubs of licenses issued, showing license number, name of licensee, date of license, and amount collected. Arr. chron. by date of report. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.

100. COUNTY TREASURERS RECEIPTS, May 3, 1912-July 6, 1926. 100  
receipts in 1 f.b.  
Original receipts issued by county treasurer to county clerk for money paid into treasury, showing date and amount of receipt, name of payee, and name or class of fund credited. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 16 x 10 x 1. Strm.

### III. DISTRICT COURT

The records of the district court and the district clerk Ex officio are kept in his vault, unless otherwise indicated.

#### Civil

##### Case Papers

101. CIVIL CASES (Papers), 1878--. 65 f.b.  
Original case papers in civil cases, filed in district court, including petitions, answers, exceptions, motions, bonds, processes, writs, cost bills, briefs, and mandates. Also contains Divorce (Papers), 1930--,  
entry 106. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Hdw.; typed; hdw. and typed pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.

102. CIVIL CASES PENDING (Papers), 1923--. 2 f.b.  
Original case papers in civil cases filed in district court and not yet disposed of. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Hdw.; typed; hdw. and typed pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.

103. COST BONDS, 1935-37. 1 f.b.  
Bonds for cost in civil cases, showing number and style of case, name of principal and sureties, amount, date and conditions of bond. Arr. chron. by date of bond. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.

104. TAX SUITS PENDING (Papers), 1911-22, 1935--. 16 f.b. Title  
varies: Delinquent Tax Suits, 1911-22, 1935, 15 f.b.  
Original case papers in delinquent tax suits filed in district court, including state's petition for judgment against delinquent taxpayers, answers, motions, bills of cost, decrees, and other related papers. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Typed; hdw. and typed pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.

105. CITY TAX SUITS (Papers), 1915-16. 1 f.b.  
Original case papers in delinquent tax suits filed by the city of San Marcos; including petitions of city for judgment against delinquent taxpayers, answers, motions, orders of sale, and other related papers. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Typed; hdw. and typed pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.



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106. DIVORCE (Papers), 1881-1929. 14 f.b. 1930-- , in Civil Cases (Papers), entry 101.

Original papers in divorce suits filed in district court. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Typed. 11 x 5 x 14.

107. EX PARTE (Naturalization Papers), 1906. 1 f.b.

Original naturalization papers. No arr. No index. Typed. 11 x 5 x 14.

108. OLD DEPOSITIONS, 1891-1932. 4 f.b.

Original depositions of non-resident witnesses in district court, showing name of witness, transcript of testimony, signature of witness, and certification of notary. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Hdw. and typed. 11 x 5 x 14.

109. (TRANSCRIPTS), 1899, 1905-30. 75 papers in 1 bundle.

Transcripts of evidence presented in civil and criminal cases, and filed with district clerk. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. and typed. 10 x 19 x 1.

#### Dockets

110. CIVIL FILE DOCKET, Feb. 12, 1889-- . 4 vols. (1 unmarked, 4-6). Title varies: Clerk's File Docket, Feb. 12, 1889-Oct. 6, 1911, unmarked vol.; File Docket, Nov. 4, 1911-July 23, 1920, 1 vol. (4).

Clerk's original entry docket of civil cases filed in district court, showing case number, names of attorneys, plaintiff, and defendant, filing date, nature of suit, and court action. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 400 pp. 16 x 11 x 2.

111. CIVIL DOCKET DISTRICT COURT (Pending), Oct. 1, 1928-- . 1 vol.

Docket of civil cases pending in district court, used by the judge in calling cases for the action of the court and for the notation of orders, showing case number, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, kind of action, filing date, and notation of orders. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 100 loose-leaf pp. 10 x 16 x 2.

112. CIVIL DOCKET DIST. COURT, Nov. term 1870-fall term 1911. 6 vols. (4 unmarked, 3, 4). Title varies: Civil Docket, Nov. term 1870-Mar. 8, 1880, 2 unmarked vols.

Term docket of civil cases filed in district court for use by the judge in calling cases for the action of the court and for the notation of orders, showing case number, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, kind of action, filing date, and notation of orders. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 200 pp. 17 x 12 x 3. 1 unmarked vol., Nov. term 1870-Mar. 1874, strm.

113. CIVIL (Appearance) DOCKET, July 27, 1874-Mar. term 1880. 1 vol.

Docket of civil cases to be called on appearance day, showing case number, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, nature of suit, and processes issued. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. Pages torn. 200 pp. 17 x 12 x 2.



114. TRANSFER CIVIL DOCKET DISTRICT COURT (Disposed), Aug. 30, 1902, Aug. 20, 1906, Aug. 8, 1908-Oct. 1936. 2 vols.  
Docket of civil cases disposed of in district court, showing case number, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, kind of action, filing date, and notation of orders. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 800 loose-leaf pp. 10 x 16 x 6.

115. MOTION DOCKET, Sept. 1876--. 1 vol.  
Docket of motions filed in civil cases, showing case number, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, nature of motion, filing date, and determinative order. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 320 pp. 16 x 11 x 1.

116. FILE DOCKET & FEE BOOK FOR DELINQUENT TAX SUITS, Oct. 8, 1935--. 1 vol.  
Clerk's original entry docket of delinquent tax suits filed in district court and account of fees and costs earned in each case, showing number and style of case, filing date, and itemized lists of officers' fees and costs. Arr. chron. by filing date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 250 pp. 15 x 10 x 1. D.C. off.

117. CIVIL DOCKET DELINQUENT TAXES, Aug. 10, 1910--. 4 vols. (2-5).  
Docket of delinquent tax suits filed in district court, showing number and style of case, names of attorneys, nature of action, filing date, and orders at previous and present terms. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 160 pp. 16 x 11 x 1. D.C. off.

118. CIVIL DOCKET CITY TAX SUITS, Sept. 6, 1913-Jan. 22, 1929. 1 vol.  
Docket of delinquent tax suits filed by the city of San Marcos, showing number and style of case, nature of action, filing date, court orders at previous and present terms. Arr. chron. by filing date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 120 pp. 15 x 10 x 1. D.C. off.

#### Minutes

119. MINUTES DISTRICT COURT (Civil and Criminal), Nov. 4, 1850-Dec. 1, 1864, July 27, 1874-Sept. 16, 1876, Mar. term 1881-Sept. 17, 1886. 3 vols. (1 unmarked, C, E).  
Clerk's record of proceedings in civil and criminal cases, and general proceedings, showing court, term, date of proceedings, names of court personnel attending, nature of matter before the court and proceedings therein, and signature of judge to approval of minutes at end of each term. Arr. chron. by court term, chron. thereunder by date of proceedings. For index to civil proceedings, see entry 121; for index to criminal proceedings, entry 145. Hdw. 600 pp. 17 x 12 x 2.

For general civil minutes, 1886-- , see entry 120. For general criminal minutes, 1884-- , see entry 140.



120. CIVIL MINUTES (District Court), Sept. term 1886--. 8 vols. (F-M). Title varies: Minute Book District Court, Sept. term 1886-Sept. term 1894, 1 vol. (F).

Clerk's record of proceedings in civil cases and general proceedings, showing court, term, date of proceedings, court personnel attending, nature of matters before the court and proceedings therein, and signature of judge to approval of minutes at end of each term. Arr. chron. by court term, chron. thereunder by date of proceedings. For index, see entry 121. 1886-1916, 4 vols. (F-I), hdw.; 1917--, 4 vols. (J-M), typed. 640 pp. 17 x 12 x 3.

For general civil minutes, 1850-64, 1874-76, 1881-86, see entry 119. For separate recordings of certain civil proceedings: bond forfeiture cases, 1886-1920, see entry 122; delinquent tax judgments, 1898-1919, 1926--, see entry 123; divorce suits, 1897--, see entry 125. For separate recordings of proceedings allowing costs payable by state: district clerk's Sept. term 1911-Sept. 1920, see entry 159-i, Feb. term 1921--, see entry 158; district attorney's, Sept. term 1911-Nov. term 1935, see entry 159-ii; sheriff's, 1883-89, 1892-97, 1911-27, see entry 162; witnesses', 1886-96, see entry 167.

121. INDEX TO CIVIL MINUTES, 1854--. 2 vols. Title varies: Direct Index to Minutes, 1854-1904, 1 vol.

Index, direct by name of plaintiff, reverse by name of defendant, to civil cases in Minutes District Court (Civil and Criminal), entry 119, and to Civil Minutes (District Court), entry 120, each showing the name of the opposite party, case number, and reference to volume and page. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of plaintiff or defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 640 pp. 17 x 11 x 2. D.C. off.

122. SCIRE FACIAS MINUTES, Mar. 1, 1886-Mar. 13, 1920. 1 vol.

Clerk's record of district court proceedings in civil cases where a forfeiture has been declared upon a recognizance or bail bond, showing case number, names of defendant and sureties, date of proceedings, amount of bond, and amount of judgment rendered, under the following subdivisions: witness recognizance, judgment nisi, and final judgment. Arr. chron. by court term, by date of proceedings thereunder within each subdivision. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 640 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

For general civil minutes, 1850-64, 1874-76, 1881--, see entries 119, 120.

123. DELINQUENT TAX JUDGMENT RECORD, Mar. 15, 1898-Mar. 5, 1919, Jan. 13, 1926--. 3 vols. (1 unmarked, 1, 3). Title varies: Minutes District Court, Tax Judgments, Mar. 15, 1898-Mar. 5; 1919, 1 vol.; Judgment Records for Tax Suits, Jan. 13 1926-Oct. 7, 1935, 1 vol. (1).

Clerk's record of district court proceedings in tax suits resulting in judgments, showing number and style of case, date of proceedings, amount of delinquent tax, judgment, description of real estate, and court orders. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. For index, see entry 124. Hdw. pr. fm. 320 double pp. 17 x 11 x 2.

For general civil minutes, 1850-64, 1874-76, 1881--, see entries 119, 120.



124. INDEX TO TAX SUITS, Mar. 15, 1898-Mar. 5, 1919, Jan. 13, 1936--.  
1 vol.

Index to Delinquent Tax Judgment Record, entry 123, showing name of defendant, state as plaintiff, and reference to volume and page. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 75 pp. 15 x 10 x 1. D.C. off.

125. DIVORCE MINUTES, Sept. 13, 1897--. 2 vols. (1, 2). Title varies: Decree of Divorce, Sept. 26, 1927--. 1 vol. (1).

Clerk's journal record of proceedings of the district court in divorce cases resulting in final decree, showing court term, date of proceedings, names of court personnel attending, number and style of case, a recital of prior proceedings, and the decree granting divorce, and awarding custody of children, with signature of district judge in approving minutes and attested by district clerk. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings under each subdivision. For index, see entry 126. Hdw. pr. fm. 400 pp. 17 x 12 x 2.

For general civil minutes, 1850-64, 1874-76, 1881--. see entries 119, 120.

126. INDEX TO DIVORCE RECORDS, 1854--. 2 vols. (1 unmarked, 1). Index to divorce proceedings recorded in Minutes District Court (Civil and Criminal), entry 119, and Civil Minutes (District Court), entry 120, and to Divorce Minutes, entry 125, showing number and style of case and reference to volume and page. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 240 pp. 18 x 11 x 1. D.C. off.

### Process

127. SUBPOENAS CIVIL, Sept. 2, 1908--. 1 vol.

Stubs of subpoenas for witnesses in civil cases, showing number and style of case, name of witness, and date issued. Arr. chron. by date issued. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 500 stubs 14 x 13 x 2. D.C. off.

128. DISTRICT COURT (Execution Docket), Nov. 16, 1910--. 1 vol.  
(2).

Clerk's record of district court executions issued to enforce the collection of judgments rendered in district court, showing case number, names of plaintiff and defendant, amount of judgment, date issued, amount due, rate of interest, amount of costs; sheriff's return, showing date executed, name of officer to whom delivered, and date returned. Arr. chron. by date issued. Indexed alph. direct by first letter of surname of plaintiff, reverse by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 180 double pp. 15 x 10 x 1.

### Criminal

### Case Papers

129. CRIMINAL CASES (Papers), 1876--. 9 f.b. and 1 cardboard box. Original papers in criminal cases filed in district court, including papers from justice court examining trials, warrants, witness attachments, mandates, recognizance bonds, jury verdicts, transcripts, motions, indict-



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ments, and other related papers. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Hdw.; typed; hdw. and typed pr. fm. Cardboard box, 28 x 20 x 14; f.b., 11 x 5 x 14. Cardboard box, 1876-1920, D.C. off.

For examining trial papers, 1913-25, see entry 131.

130. CRIMINAL CASES PENDING, 1929--. 2 f.b.

Original case papers in criminal cases filed in district court and still pending, including indictments, capiases, warrants, subpoenas, transcripts of testimony, and other related papers. No arr. No index. Typed; hdw. and typed pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.

131. EXAMINING TRIALS JUSTICE COURT, 1913-25. 1 f.b.

Original case papers from justice court examining trials, including warrants, transcripts of testimony, subpoenas, affidavits, information, bail bonds, appeal bonds, and indictments. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Typed; hdw. and typed pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.

For examining trial papers, 1876-- , see entry 129.

132. DISTRICT CLERK'S RECEIPTS FOR TESTIMONY IN EXAMINING TRIAL, Feb. 27, 1935. 1 vol.

Duplicate receipts issued by district clerk to grand jury foreman upon return of written testimony in examining trial, showing court term, name of foreman from whom papers received, name of person whose testimony is received, name of defendant in case, number of precinct in which examining trial was held, and signature of district clerk. Arr. chron. by date of receipt. No index. 50 pp. 8 x 8 x  $\frac{1}{2}$ . D.C. off.

133. GRAND JURY FOREMAN'S RECEIPTS FOR TESTIMONY IN EXAMINING TRIALS, Feb. 25, 1935-Feb. 22, 1937. 1 vol.

Duplicate receipts issued by grand jury foreman to district clerk for written testimony, showing court term, name of foreman receiving papers, name of person whose testimony is received, name of defendant in case, number of precinct in which examining trial was held, and signature of grand jury foreman. Arr. chron. by date of receipt. No index. 50 pp. 8 x 8 x  $\frac{1}{2}$ . D.C. off.

Dockets

134. CRIMINAL DOCKET DISTRICT COURT, fall term 1852-fall term 1867, July term 1874-Sept. term 1911. 7 vols. (5 unmarked, 2, 3).  
Title varies: Journal, fall term 1852-fall term 1867; 1 vol.;  
Criminal Docket Court, July term 1874-Sept. term 1876, 1 vol.;  
Criminal Docket, Mar. term 1877-Sept. term 1880, 1 vol.

Term docket of criminal cases in district court, used by the judge for the calling of cases for the action of the court and for notation of orders, showing number and style of case, name of attorney, nature of charge or offense, filing date, and notations of court orders and with date. Arr. chron. by court term, chron. thereunder by filing date. No index. Fall term 1852-fall term 1867 hdw.; July term 1874-Sept. term 1911 hdw. pr. hd. 215 double pp. 16 x 11 x 2. 2 vols., fall term 1852-fall term 1867, Mar. term 1877-Sept. term 1880, strn.



135. TRANSFER CRIMINAL DOCKET DISTRICT COURT (Disposed), Mar. 8, 1894-Sept. 7, 1895, Feb. 26, 1903, Sept. 25, 1906, Feb. 28, 1907-Oct. 1936. 2 vols.

Docket of criminal cases disposed of in district court, showing number and style of case, name of attorney, nature of charge or offense, filing date, and notations of court orders. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 600 loose-leaf pp. 10 x 16 x 5.

136. CRIMINAL DOCKET DISTRICT COURT (Pending), Sept. 27, 1924--. 1 vol.

Docket of criminal cases pending in district court, used by the judge in calling cases for the action of the court and for the notation of orders, showing number and style of case, name of attorney, nature of charge or offense, and notations of court orders. Arr. chron. by filing date. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 215 loose-leaf pp. 10 x 16 x 2.

137. CRIMINAL DOCKET CLERK, July term 1874-Sept. 1890. 1 vol.

Copy of criminal docket for clerk's use, showing court term, number and style of case, names of attorneys, filing date, and processes issued. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 600 pp. 18 x 11 x 1.

138. BAR CRIMINAL DOCKET DISTRICT COURT, Mar. term 1881-Sept. term 1889. 1 vol.

Copy of criminal docket for use of the bar, showing number and style of case, names of attorneys, nature of charge or offense, filing date, date and nature of orders. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. 300 pp. 17 x 12 x 2. Strm.

#### Minutes

139. MINUTES OF GRAND JURY, Oct. 5, 1901-Mar. 16, 1936. 2 vols. (1 unmarked, 2).

Grand jury's record of felony cases presented for investigation, showing grand jury case number, name of accused, time, place, circumstances, and nature of crime, names of witnesses, date of proceedings, and findings of grand jury. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 160 double pp. 16 x 11 x 2.

140. CRIMINAL MINUTES (General), Sept. term 1884--. 3 vols. (F-H). Title varies: Criminal Minutes District Court, Sept. term 1884-Sept. 15, 1902, 1 vol. (F).

Clerk's journal record of proceedings in criminal cases in district court, showing court, term, date of meeting, court personnel present, number and style of case, charge or offense, proceedings of the court, with orders and judgments. Arr. chron. by court term, chron. thereunder by date of proceedings. For index, see entry 145. Sept. term 1884-Oct. 3, 1920 hdw.; Feb. 28, 1921-- typed. 640 pp. 18 x 11 x 2.

For general criminal minutes, 1850-64, 1874-76, 1881-86, see entry 119. For separate recordings of judgments and sentences, 1894-- , see entries 141-144.



141. CRIMINAL MINUTES (Special), Mar. 12, 1894-Mar. 20, 1926. 1 vol. (G) Clerk's record of district court proceedings in criminal cases in which judgments are rendered, under the following subdivisions: Plea Not Guilty, Mar. 12, 1894-Mar. 20, 1926, pp. 1-320; Plea Guilty, Mar. 12, 1894-Oct. 6, 1916, pp. 325-478; and Sentence, Mar. term 1894-Mar. 24, 1923, pp. 485-634, each showing court, term, names of court officers attending, number and style of case, offense, recital of prior proceedings, and confirmatory judgment. Arr. chron. by court term within each subdivision. For index, see entry 145. Hdw. pr. fm. 640 pp. 18 x 12 x 3.

For general criminal minutes, 1884--, see entry 140. For plea of guilty, jury waived, 1916--, see entry 142; for plea of not guilty, 1925--, see entry 143; for sentences, 1923--, see entry 144.

142. CRIMINAL MINUTES PLEA OF GUILTY (Jury Waived), Feb. 28, 1916--. 3 vols. (G-I).

Clerk's record of district court proceedings in criminal cases in which defendant enters a plea of guilty and waives trial by jury and a judgment of conviction is rendered, showing court, term, date of proceedings, number and style of case, offense, and judgment of the court, with amount of fine and costs. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. For index, see entry 145. Hdw. pr. fm. 320 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. D.C. off.

For general criminal minutes, 1884--, see entry 140. For plea of guilty, 1894-1916, see entry 141.

143. CRIMINAL MINUTES, PLEA OF NOT GUILTY, July 13, 1925--. 1 vol. (7).

Clerk's record of district court proceedings in criminal cases in which defendant enters a plea of not guilty and a judgment is rendered, showing court, term, date of proceedings, number and style of case, offense, a recital of prior proceedings, and judgment of the court. Arr. chron. by date of judgment. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder; also separate index, see entry 145. Hdw. pr. fm. 320 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

For general criminal minutes, 1884--, see entry 140; for plea of not guilty, 1894-1926, see entry 141.

144. CRIMINAL MINUTES OF SENTENCE, Mar. 24, 1923--. 1 vol. (1).

Clerk's record of district court proceedings in which sentences are passed in criminal cases, showing number and style of case, recital of prior proceedings, including verdict, judgment, and sentence of the court, with date. Arr. chron. by date of sentence. For index, see entry 145. Hdw. pr. fm. 360 pp. 17 x 12 x 1.

For general criminal minutes, 1884--, see entry 140; for sentences, 1894-1923, see entry 141.

145. INDEX TO CRIMINAL CASES, 1850--. 1 vol. (1).

Index, by name of defendant, to criminal cases only in Minutes District Court (Civil and Criminal), entry 119; to Criminal Minutes (General), entry 140; Criminal Minutes (Special), entry 141; Criminal Minutes, Plea of Guilty, entry 142; Criminal Minutes, Plea of Not Guilty, entry 143; Criminal Minutes of Sentence, entry 144. Shows name of defendant, case number, and reference to volume and page. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 150 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. D.C. off.



Process

146. SUBPOENAS HONOLULU COUNTY FELONY, Mar. 1, 1926--. 4 vols.  
Title varies: Subpoena Felony, Mar. 1, 1926-Oct. 11, 1932,  
2 vols.; Criminal Subpoenas, Mar. 5, 1927-Sept. 30, 1933, 1  
vol.

Stubs of writs issued to sheriff or constable to summon in-county witnesses for criminal trials, showing number and style of case, date issued, name of witness, and date returnable. Arr. chron. by date issued. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 250 stubs 8 x 11 x 1. 1 vol., Oct. 12, 1932--, D.C. off.

147. ATTACHMENTS, Mar. 17, 1910--. 2 vols. Title varies: Witness Attachments Instant, Mar. 17, 1910-Sept. 28, 1936, 1 vol.

Stubs of writs issued to sheriff or constable for attachment of witnesses failing to answer felony subpoenas, showing name of witness, date to bring witness before court, number and style of case, amount of bond required to release witness, date issued, and date returnable. Arr. chron. by date issued. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 250 pp. 8 x 11 x 1.

148. GRAND JURY SUBPOENAS OUT COUNTY FELONY, Feb. 28, 1927--.  
1 vol.

Stubs of writs issued to sheriff or constable to summon out-county witnesses in felony cases before grand jury, showing number and style of case, date issued, name of witness, date mailed, name of county to which mailed, and date returnable. Arr. chron. by date issued. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 250 stubs. 8 x 14 x 1. D.C. off.

149. CRIMINAL SUBPOENAS OUT COUNTY, July 10, 1926--. 4 vols. No title: July 10, 1926-Mar. 6, 1930, 1 vol. Title varies: Subpoena Out County Felony, Mar. 6, 1930-Mar. 1, 1934, 2 vols.

Stubs of writs issued to sheriff or constable to summon out-county witnesses in felony cases, showing number and style of case, date issued, name of witness, name of county to which subpoena mailed, and date returned. Arr. chron. by date issued. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 250 pp. 8 x 13 x 1. 1 vol., Mar. 1, 1934--, D.C. off.

150. (CAPIAS), May 15, 1928--. 8 vols.

Stubs of writs issued to sheriff to arrest persons indicted for criminal offenses, showing number and style of case, name of party for whom issued, and date delivered. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 150 pp. 7 x 12 x 1.

151. BENCH WARRANTS, Mar. 1, 1937--. 1 vol.

Duplicates of bench warrants issued by district judge upon application of district attorney, directing sheriff of Hays County to bring defendant in case from state penitentiary or county jail in some other county to jail in Hays County, showing date of warrant, name of defendant to suit pending in court, charges against defendant, name of sheriff, date return on writ is made, and district judge's signature. Arr. chron. by date warrant issued. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 200 pp. 16 x 10 x 1. D.C. off.



152. RECORD OF SHERIFF'S RETURNS, Sept. 1932--. 1 vol.  
Clerk's record of sheriff's returns on processes served and of fees earned, showing number and style of case, kind of process, date returned, and amount due. Arr. chron. by date returned. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 320 pp. 15 x 12 x 1.

Accounts

Costs Payable by Parties or County

153. CIVIL FEE BOOK, July 30, 1897--. 10 vols. (1-7, 7-9). Title varies: File Docket and Fee Book, District Court (Fees Only); July 30, 1897-1907, 1 vol. (1); Civil Fee Book District Court, 1905-12, 1 vol. (2).  
Clerk's accounts of fees and costs in civil suits, showing number and style of case, itemized list of fees with date and amount of each, names of witnesses, amounts of witness fees, and total costs of suit. Arr. numer. by case no. 1897-1917, 3 vols. (1-3), no index; 1917-- , 7 vols. (4-7, 7-9), indexed alph. by first letter of surname of plaintiff, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 640 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

154. CIVIL FEE BOOK DELINQUENT TAX, Sept. 12, 1910-Sept. 25, 1917, Jan. 29, 1920-Sept. 17, 1927. 4 vols. (2, 1 unmarked, 3, 1 unmarked).  
Clerk's account of fees accruing in delinquent tax suits in district court, showing number and style of case, and an itemized list of fees earned, with date. Arr. numer. by case no. Sept. 12, 1910-Sept. 25, 1917, Jan. 29, 1920-Sept. 17, 1927, 3 vols. (2, 1 unmarked, 3), no index; July 21, 1922-Feb. 14, 1927, 1 unmarked vol., indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 250 pp. 15 x 10 x 1. 1 unmarked vol., Aug. 22, 1916-Sept. 25, 1917, strm.

155. CIVIL FEE BOOK CITY TAX SUITS, Sept. 6, 1912-Jan. 22, 1930. 1 vol.  
Clerk's account of fees earned by district clerk and district attorney in tax suits filed by city of San Marcos, showing number and style of case, filing date, items of fees, and total amount. Arr. chron. by date of first fee. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 220 pp. 15 x 10 x 1. D.C. off.

156. (BILL OF COST DELINQUENT TAX SUITS), Jan. 15-July term 1929. 2 vols.  
Duplicates of bills of cost in delinquent tax suits, showing case number, names of plaintiff and defendant, term of court, and itemized list of fees due district clerk, county clerk, tax assessor-collector, sheriff, printer, and county attorney. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 100 pp. 9 x 14 x 1.

157. AFFIDAVIT & CERTIFICATE WITNESS ATTENDANCE, Mar. 3, 1919--. 2 vols. Title varies: Certificate Witness Attendance, Apr. 2, 1928--. 1 vol.  
Stubs of affidavits by witnesses to their attendance in trial of civil cases in district court, showing name of parties to case, case number,



court number, court term, name of witness, in whose behalf attended, number days attendance, number miles traveled, date of affidavit, and total amount due witness. Arr. chron. by date of affidavit. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 200 pp. 10 x 10 x 2. D.C. off.

Costs Payable by State

158. MINUTES OF DISTRICT CLERK'S ACCOUNTS, Feb. term 1921--. 1 vol. (2).

Minutes of proceedings of district court in approving district clerk's fee accounts in criminal cases, showing term of court, names of court officers present, case number, name of defendant, an itemized account of fees earned in each case, clerk's certificate to account, and approval by district judge. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 150 pp. 17 x 12 x 2.

For general proceedings, 1850-64, 1874-76, 1881--, see entries 119, 120; for clerk's accounts, 1911-20, see entry 159-i.

159. MINUTES OF DISTRICT CLERK'S & DISTRICT ATTORNEYS ACCOUNTS, Sept. term 1911-Nov. term 1935. 1 vol. (1).

Clerk's record of proceedings of district court in approving district clerk's and district attorney's fee accounts in criminal cases, subdivided as follows:

- i. (Minutes of District Clerk's Accounts), Sept. term 1911-Sept. 1920, pp. 1-64.
- ii. (Minutes of District Attorney's Accounts), Sept. term 1911-Nov. term 1935, pp. 69-134.

Shows term of court, names of court officers present, case number, name of defendant, an itemized account of fees earned in each case, clerk's certificate to account, and approval by district judge.

Arr. chron. by court term within each subdivision. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 129 pp. 17 x 12 x 2.

For general proceedings, 1850-64, 1874-76, 1881--, see entry 119, 120; for clerk's accounts, 1921--, see entry 158.

160. DISTRICT CLERK'S FEE BILL, Fall term 1928--. 4 vols. (3 unmarked, 5). Title varies: Dist. Clerk's Fee Bill Felony, fall term 1928-fall term 1930, 1 vol.; Fee Bill Against State Dist. Clerk, fall term 1930-July term 1933, 1 vol.

Duplicates of bills to state comptroller for fees earned by district clerk in felony cases disposed of in district court, showing for each case, number and style, term of court at which case was disposed of, offense, verdict, amount claimed for final disposition by trial where no appeal is taken or amount claimed for final disposition without trial, amount claimed for recording each sheriff's account, with name and county of sheriff and date account was received, amount claimed for making transcript on change of venue or appeal, and total fee bill; and on each fee bill, clerk's affidavit of correctness, signed approval of district judge, and clerk's certificate that the account is a correct copy of the original as it appears upon the minutes. Arr. chron. by date of report. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 100 pp. 14 x 10 x 1.



161. DISTRICT ATTORNEY FEE BOOK, Feb. 28, 1910-Feb. 25, 1929. 1 vol. (2).

Shows date of court term, names of presiding judge, district attorney, district clerk, and sheriff, number of days' service in felony cases, term of court, amount per day, and amount due; number of days attendance upon habeas corpus proceedings and upon examining trials in felony cases in vacation, with dates of service, amount per day, and total; grand total for term; district attorney's certificate to account; and district judge's signed approval. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 160 (12 used) pp. 16 x 9 x 1.

162. MINUTES SHERIFF'S FEE BILL FELONY CASES, Sept. 10, 1883-Sept. 4, 1889, Mar. 1892-Oct. 1897; Sept. term 1911-Apr. 17, 1927. 6 vols. (1, 2, 1 unmarked, 1, 2, 2). Title varies: Sheriff's Minutes, Sept. 10, 1883-Sept. 4, 1889, 1 vol. (1); Minutes Sheriff's Foreign Accounts, Mar. 1892-Mar. 1895, 1 vol. (2); Sheriff's Accounts Conveying Witnesses, Mar. 8, 1895-Oct. 1897, 1 unmarked vol.; Minutes of Sheriff's Accounts, Sept. term 1911-1923, 2 vols. (1, 2).

Clerk's record of district court proceedings incident to allowance of sheriff's accounts for services in felony cases, showing date of court term, names of court officers attending, name of sheriff, number and style of case, charge, and an itemized list of fees. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. Aver. 115 pp. 17 x 12 x 2. 1883-89, 1892-97, 1911-23, 5 vols., strm.

For general proceedings, 1850-64, 1874-76, 1881--, see entries 119, 120.

163. CLERK'S CERTIFICATE SHERIFF'S PAY, Sept. 26, 1911-Mar. 19, 1924, Oct. 6, 1926--. 8 vols. (2 unmarked, 2, 3 unmarked, 6, 7). No title: Oct. 14, 1911-Mar. 1919, 1 unmarked vol. Title varies: Record of Clerk's Cert. Sheriff's Pay, Feb. 27, 1918-Mar. 19, 1924, 1 vol. (2); Clerk's Certificates Sheriff's Pay Advances & Summoning Witnesses, Oct. 6, 1926-Oct. 8, 1930, 1 unmarked vol.; Clerk's Certificate Sheriff's Pay Summoning Non-Resident Witness Dist. Court, May 26, 1928-Feb. 23, 1935, 3 vols. (2 unmarked, 6).

Duplicates of clerk's certificates to the state comptroller for sheriff's pay for summoning, advances to, and attaching witnesses for service in felony cases in district court, showing date of certificate, name and address of witness, name of sheriff, number and style of case, offense charged, amounts due sheriff for mileage and per diem, and amount of certificate, with signature of district clerk. Arr. chron. by date of certificate. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 200 pp. 9 x 14 x 1. Sept. 26, 1911-Mar. 19, 1924, 3 vols. (2 unmarked, 2), strm.

164. SHERIFF'S FEE BILL FELONY CASES UNDER COUNTIES, Sept. term 1927--. 4 vols. (3, 2 unmarked, 3). Title varies: Sheriff's Fee Bill, Sept. term 1927-Feb. term 1929, 1 vol. (3).

Duplicates of district clerk's reports to state comptroller of fees earned by Hays County sheriff in felony cases in district court, showing name of sheriff, court term, case number, name of defendant, offense, date of examining trial, disposition of case, date of indictment; place and date of



arrest, itemized statement of mileage due; and, with respect to witnesses summoned, date summoned, name and address of witness, by whom summons served, direction and number of miles traveled, amount of mileage, and fee for serving summons; with respect to witnesses attached, date attached, name and address of witness, by whom attached, and amount of fees. Recapitulation of fees for each court term in last part of volume shows court term, names of defendants, nature of charge, amount of fees in each case, and total fee bill for the term, with clerk's certificate of correctness. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 200 pp. 16 x 12 x 3.

165. CLERK'S CERTIFICATE FOR SHERIFF'S PAY SUMMONING WITNESS GRAND JURY, Sept. 30, 1931--. 1 vol.

Duplicates of clerk's certificates for out-county sheriffs' pay for advances to and for summoning witnesses before grand jury, showing certificate number, date issued, name of sheriff, county of his residence, names of witnesses summoned, amounts advanced to witnesses, items of mileage and per diem, and total amount certified. Arr. numer. by certificate no. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 400 pp. 14 x 11 x 2. D.C. off.

166. SHERIFF'S ACCOUNTS IN EXAMINING TRIALS, 1934--. 1 vol.

Duplicates of sheriff's accounts of fees earned in examining trials of felony cases upon which indictments have been found by the grand jury, showing examining court number, district court number, style of case, date of examining trial, charge or offense, items and amounts of fees; recapitulation by terms in last part of volume lists case numbers, with name of defendant, charge, and amount of fees in each. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 120 (47 used) pp. 14 x 8 x 1.

167. MINUTES OF WITNESS ACCOUNTS, Mar. 3, 1886-Oct. 23, 1896. 2 vols.

Minutes of proceedings of district court allowing witnesses' accounts in criminal cases, showing term of court, number and style of case, name of witness, number of miles traveled, number of days in attendance, amount due, affidavit by witness, clerk's certificate to correctness, and approval of district judge. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 292 pp. 17 x 12 x 2. Strm.

For general proceedings, 1850-64, 1874-76, 1881--, see entries 119, 120.

168. WITNESS ACCOUNTS & CERTIFICATES GRAND JURY, Feb. 3, 1909--. 6 vols. (4 unmarked, 3, 4). No title: Feb. 3, 1909-Sept. 25, 1919, 1 unmarked vol. Title varies: Witness Fee Bill Before Grand Jury, Feb. 24-26, 1931, 1 unmarked vol.

Duplicate witness accounts and certificates for attendance upon grand jury, showing number and style of case, date of certificate, name of witness, itemized account of mileage and per diem, and total amount due witness. Arr. chron. by date of certificate. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 200 pp. 14 x 9 x 1. Feb. 3, 1909-Sept. 27, 1923, 2 unmarked vols., strm.



169. SUBPOENAED OUT COUNTY WITNESS ACCOUNT AND CERTIFICATE, Sept. term 1911--. 9 vols. (1, 4 unmarked, 5-8). Title varies: Subpoenaed Witness Account and Certificates, Sept. term 1911-Mar. 13, 1919, July 6, 1923-Oct. 12, 1927, 3 vols. (1, 2 unmarked); Minutes Witness Accts., Mar. 13, 1919-Mar. 26, 1923, 1 unmarked vol.; Out County Witness Account and Certificate, Mar. 14, 1930-Mar. 12, 1931, Mar. 20, 1934-Mar. 22, 1938, 2 vols. (5, 7); Witness Account and Certificate Before Court, Oct. 5, 1931-Mar. 20, 1934, 1 vol. (6).

Duplicate witness accounts and certificates for attendance at felony cases in district court, showing name of witness, number and style of case, offense, itemized account of mileage and per diem, signature of witness, signed certificate of district clerk, and signed approval of district judge. Arr. chron. by date issued. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 255 pp. 15 x 10 x 1. Sept. term 1911-Mar. 25, 1925, 3 vols. (1, 2 unmarked), strm.

170. REPORT OF WITNESS FEES, Feb. 27, 1937--. 1 vol.

Duplicates of reports made to the state comptroller by the district clerk of witness fees and grand jury accounts, showing inclusive dates reported, name of witness, from what county summoned, date summoned, grand jury or case number, amount due witness, and certification of district clerk. Arr. chron. by date of report. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 200 pp. 15 x 11 x 1.

#### Trust Funds

171. RECORD OF TRUST FUNDS, Dec. 1, 1904--. 1 vol. (1).

Clerk's record of receipt and disposition of funds held in trust by the district court pending outcome of legal proceedings, showing date, from whom received, description of item of trust, on what account received, amount or value of trust, and final disposition. Arr. chron. by date of first entry in each account. Indexed alph. by first letter of name of account, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 67 double pp. 15 x 10 x 1.

#### Cash Books

172. FELONY FEE BOOK, Oct. 7, 1931--. 1 vol. (2).

Clerk's accounts of fees earned in felony cases tried in district court, showing case number, name of defendant, offense, items of fees, with date, amount, and by whom earned. Arr. numer. by case no. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 423 pp. 16 x 11 x 2.

173. FEE RECORD, 1927-35. 1 vol.

Clerk's accounts of fees, fines, and commissions earned in criminal cases in district court, showing number and style of case, date of judgment, amount and date paid, amounts due treasurer, stenographer, jury, district attorney, sheriff, and district clerk. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 520 pp. 11 x 14 x 2. D.C. off.



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Records of District Clerk

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Jury Service

174. (JURY LISTS), 1898-1906, 1927--. 2 f.b.

Lists of names of persons selected by jury commissioners to serve on grand and petit juries, showing kind of jury, week and term of court, names and addresses of jurors. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. 11 x 5 x 14. 1 f.b., 1898-1906, strm.

175. JURY RECORD, Sept. 23, 1907--. 2 vols. (1 unmarked, 2).

Listing of names of jurors chosen for service in civil and criminal cases in district court, showing court term, number and style of case, names of plaintiff and defendant, and names of jurors. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 300 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. District courtroom.

176. JUROR'S TIME BOOK, fall term 1922--. 1 vol. (3).

Clerk's record of time served by jurors in district court; showing court term, jury number, names of jurors, number of jury script, days of week served, whole number days service, total amount earned, amount paid for meals, and amount due jurors. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 238 pp. 15 x 11 x 1.

177. JUROR'S CERTIFICATES, Mar. 5, 1925--. 5 vols.

Stubs of certificates issued by clerk authorizing treasurer to pay jurors and bailiffs for service in district court, showing certificate number, amount due, to whom issued, and kind of service. Arr. numer. by certificate no. and chron. by date issued. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 150 pp. 16 x 15 x 1.

178. GRAND JURY WARRANTS, Sept. 5, 1915--. 2 vols. Title varies:

Grand Jury Corts., Sept. 5, 1915-Sept. 24, 1930, 1 vol.

Stubs of certificates issued by clerk authorizing treasurer to pay grand jurors, showing certificate number, amount, date, to whom issued, and number of days service. Arr. numer. by certificate no. and chron. by date issued. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 150 pp. 16 x 15 x 1.

Ex-officio Records of District Clerk

179. ACKNOWLEDGMENT RECORD, June 27, 1874-Feb. 28, 1880, Mar. 4, 1903-Dec. 2, 1935. 2 vols. (1, 1 unmarked). Title varies: Statement of Acknowledgments, June 27, 1874-Feb. 28, 1880, 1 vol. (1).

Register of acknowledgments taken by district clerk, showing number and date of acknowledgment, date and kind of instrument, names of grantor and grantee, names and residences of witnesses, name of original grantee, name of county where land or property is located. Arr. chron. by date of acknowledgment. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 300 pp. 18 x 12 x 1. 1874-80, 1 vol. (1), strm.

For acknowledgments taken by county clerk, 1880-91, 1895-1906, 1912-35, 1937, see entry 94; by notaries public, 1880-1937, see entry 95; by justice of the peace, 1875--, see entry 221.



180. MEDICAL REGISTER, Oct. 24, 1873--. 2 vols. (2, 1). Title varies: Physician's Record, Oct. 24, 1873-Sept. 20, 1907, 1 vol. (2). Recorded copies of licenses issued Feb. 22, 1906--, by the state board of medical examiners authorizing licensee to engage in the practice of medicine and surgery; of physician's diplomas, first recording Oct. 24, 1873; of certificates issued by district medical boards of examiners, first recording Feb. 26, 1901; and, 1919--, of veterinary licenses. Arr. chron. by recording date. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of principal party, chron. thereunder. Oct. 24, 1873-Sept. 20, 1907 hdw.; Nov. 21, 1907-- hdw. pr. fm. 296 pp. 15 x 10 x 1. D.C. off.

181. (MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS), 1921--. 1 f.b. Miscellaneous papers, including county clerks' official bonds, oath of court reporter, mandates, statements of condition of trust fund by depositor, and supersedeas, appeal, and sequestration bonds. No arr. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.

For recorded copies of county clerk's bonds, 1874--, see entry 88.

#### IV. COUNTY COURT

The records of the county court are kept in the county clerk's vault unless otherwise indicated.

##### Probate

182. PROBATE CASES (Papers), 1877--. 70 f.b. Original papers in cases filed in probate court, including applications, orders appointing guardians, letters of administration, bonds and oaths of administrators, guardians, and executors, administrators' and executors' inventories of property, appraisals for inheritance tax, and judgments of heirship. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Hdw.; typed; hdw. and typed pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.

For recorded copies of probate case papers, 1848--, see entries 183, 187.

183. PROBATE RECORD (Final Record), Feb. 28, 1859-Apr. 27, 1887. 4 vols. (B-E). Recorded copies of all case papers filed in probate cases, including wills, writs, inventories, accounts, and final accounts. No arr. For index, see entry 188. Hdw. 520 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

For original probate case papers, 1877--, see entry 182; for recorded copies, 1848--, see entry 187.

184. CURRENT DOCKET PROBATE (Pending), Oct. 17, 1918--. 2 vols. (1, 1 unmarked). Title varies: Probate Docket, Oct. 17, 1918--, 1 vol. (1). Docket of pending probate cases, showing case number, names of estate, administrator, executor, or guardian, filing date, and date and notation of orders. Arr. loosely chron. by filing date. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. Aver. 300 pp. 9 x 16 x 2. C.C. off.



185. PROBATE TRANSFER DOCKET COUNTY COURT (Disposed), 1887--.  
3 vols. Title varies: Probate Docket, 1887-1903, 1 vol.;  
Judges Probate Docket, Sept. 29, 1903-May 9, 1908, 1 vol.  
Last entry Jan. 18, 1938.

Docket of cases filed in probate court and now disposed of, showing case number, names of estate, administrator, executor, or guardian, nature of application, filing date, date process issued, officer's return, and notations of court orders. 1887-1908 arr. numer. by case no.; June 15, 1908-- arr. chron. by date of final order. 1887-1908 indexed alph. by first letter of name of estate, chron. thereunder; 1908-- no index. Hdw. pr. hd. Aver. 600 pp. 12 x 13 x 3. 2 vols., 1887-1908, strm.

186. PROBATE CLAIM DOCKET, 1873--. 2 vols.

Record of claims filed against estates by creditors, showing name of estate, names of executor, claimant, administrator, and attorneys, filing date, and nature and amount of claim. Arr. chron. by date of first claim. Index. alph. by first letter of name of estate, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 450 pp. 15 x 10 x 2. 1 vol., 1873-1907, strm.

187. PROBATE RECORD (Minutes); 1848--. 22 vols. (A-V). Title varies: Probate Minutes, Jan. term 1851-Jan. term 1928, 14 vols. (B-O).

Record of proceedings of probate court, showing date of proceedings, names of court officers attending, nature of business, and recorded copies of certain papers in probate cases, including executors' and administrators' lists of claims, applications for letters of guardianship and administration, administrators', guardians', and executors' bonds and inventories of property, appraisal for inheritance tax, and judgment of heirship. Arr. chron. by court term. For index, see entry 188. 1848-1907 hdw.; 1907-- typed. 540 pp. 16 x 10 x 2.

For original probate case papers, 1877-- , see entry 182; for recorded copies, 1859-87, see entry 183.

188. INDEX PROBATE MINUTES, 1848--. 2 vols. (1,2).

Chronological listing by filing date or date of instrument, of probate cases recorded in Probate Record (Final Record), entry 183, and Probate Record (Minutes), entry 187, showing name of estate, case number, date and nature of proceedings or instrument, and reference to book and page. No arr. of cases; arr. chron. by date of proceedings or date of instrument under each case. Indexed alph. by first letter of name of estate, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 640 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

189. PROBATE FEE BOOK, Feb. 12, 1889-Oct. 14, 1908, 1915--. 5 vols. (1 unmarked, 2, 3 unmarked). No title: 1915-- , 3 unmarked vols.

Record of fees charged in probate cases, showing amounts of fees due clerk, county judge, and sheriff, and total amount of costs. Arr. chron. by date of first fee. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of estate, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 500 pp. 18 x 13 x 2.



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County Court - Lunacy; Civil and Criminal

Lunacy

190. LUNACY CASES (Papers), 1890-1906. 2 f.b.  
Original case papers filed in lunacy cases. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Hdw. and typed pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14. Strm.

191. PROBATE LUNACY DOCKET AND FEE BOOK, July 21, 1913--. 3 vols. (1-3).  
Record of proceedings in lunacy cases and accounts of fees and costs therein, showing name of complainant, filing date, number and style of case, names of jurors, verdict, list of fees due judge, county clerk, attorneys, and sheriff. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 156 pp. 16 x 12 x 1.

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Case Papers

192. CIVIL CASES (Papers), Sept. 12, 1883--. 52 f.b. 1875-98 also in Commissioners (County Court) Court Cases Disposed Of, entry 195.  
Original case papers in civil cases filed in county court, including petitions, answers, writs, bonds, affidavits of inability, bills of cost, transcripts, and depositions. Arr. numer. by case no. Hdw.; typed; hdw. and typed pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14. 5 f.b., Sept. 12, 1883-Apr. 5, 1897, strm.

193. CRIMINAL CASES DISPOSED OF (Papers), Jan. 1, 1891-Jan. 14, 1895, Sept. 1906--. 22 f.b. 1877-81 in Commissioners (County Court) Court Cases Disposed Of, entry 195.  
Original case papers in criminal cases filed in county court, including witness attachments, bail bonds, recognizance bonds, examining trial papers, jury verdicts, and mandates. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Hdw.; typed; hdw. and typed pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14. 4 f.b., Jan. 1, 1891-Jan. 14, 1895, 1906-8, strm.

194. CONVICT BONDS, May 3, 1907-Apr. 24, 1922. 1 f.b.  
Original bonds made by persons convicted of criminal offenses in county court, showing date and amount of bond, names of principal and sureties, and condition of obligation. Arr. chron. by date of bond. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.

195. COMMISSIONERS (County Court) COURT CASES DISPOSED OF, 1875-98. 1 f.b.  
Contains: Civil Cases (Papers), 1875-98, entry 192; and Criminal Cases Disposed Of (Papers), 1877-81, entry 193. No arr. No index. Hdw.; hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14. Strm.

196. ATTORNEYS RECEIPT BOOK, June 7, 1873-June 4, 1915. 1 vol. (1).  
Record of attorneys' receipts for case papers withdrawn from custody of clerk, showing number and style of case, quantity and kind of papers, name of attorney, date withdrawn, and date returned. Arr. chron. by date withdrawn. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 160 pp. 16 x 12 x 1. Strm.



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Dockets

197. CURRENT DOCKET CRIMINAL--CIVIL--PROBATE COUNTY COURT (Civil Pending), June 5, 1915--. 1 vol.

Docket of civil cases pending in county court, showing case number, cause of action, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, filing date, and court orders. Arr. chron. by filing date. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 300 pp. 8 x 14 x 2. C.C. off.

198. TRANSFER DOCKET COUNTY COURT (Civil Disposed), July term 1876--. 4 vols. Title varies: Civil Docket County Court, July term 1876-Apr. term 1908, 3 vols. Last entry Aug. 5, 1938.

Docket of civil cases disposed of in county court, showing case number, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, cause of action, filing date, and court orders. 1876-1908 arr. numer. by case no.; 1908-- arr. chron. by date of final order. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 250 pp. 3 vols.; 1876-1908, 17 x 11 x 2; 1 vol., 1909-- , 9 x 16 x 3. 3 vols., 1876-1908, strm.

199. CURRENT DOCKET CIVIL--CRIMINAL COUNTY COURT (Criminal Pending), Oct. 14, 1933--. 1 vol.

Docket of criminal cases pending in county court, showing case number, charge or offense, names of defendant and attorneys, filing date, and court orders. Arr. chron. by filing date. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 300 pp. 8 x 14 x 2. C.C. off.

200. CRIMINAL TRANSFER DOCKET (Disposed), June term 1881-Apr. 1908, July 25, 1910-Apr. 25, 1938. 6 vols. Title varies: Criminal Docket, Jan. term 1889-Apr. 1908, 3 vols.; Transfer Docket County Court, July 25, 1910-Oct. 14, 1930, 1 vol.; Criminal Docket Co. Court, Oct. 26, 1920-Nov. 10, 1931, 1 vol.

Docket of criminal cases disposed of in county court, showing number and style of case, names of attorneys, charge or offense, and court orders. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. Aver. 600 pp. 7 vols., 1881-1908, 18 x 12 x 2; 3 vols., 1910-38, 9 x 16 x 3. 1 vol., 1881-88, D.C. va.; 3 vols., 1889-1908, strm.

201. MOTION DOCKET, Nov. term 1880-Aug. 15, 1900. 1 vol.

Record of motions filed in civil and criminal cases, showing case number, names of attorneys, defendant, and plaintiff, nature of motion, and date filed. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 50 pp. 17 x 12 x 1. Strm.

202. BAR CRIMINAL DOCKET, June term 1881-Oct. term 1890. 1 vol.

Copy of criminal docket made for use of the bar, showing number and style of case, names of attorneys, charge or offense, and court orders. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 400 pp. 17 x 12 x 2. Strm.



Minutes

203. MINUTES COUNTY COURT, July 3, 1876--. 6 vols. (A-F). Title varies: Minute Book County Court, Dec. term 1881-July term 1888, 1 vol. (B); Minute Book, Oct. 22, 1888-Mar. 28, 1895, 1 vol. (C).

Record of proceedings in civil and criminal cases in county court not recorded in separate volumes showing, term of court, date of proceedings, number and style of case, cause of action, names of jurors, and court orders. Arr. chron. by court term. For index, see entry 204. 1876-1930 hdw.; 1930-- typed. 640 pp. 17 x 12 x 2.

For separate recordings of judgments and sentences in criminal cases, 1911-24, 1938-- , see entries 205, 206.

204. INDEX MINUTES COUNTY COURT, July 3, 1876--. 1 vol.

Index by names of plaintiff and defendant in civil cases, and by name of defendant in criminal cases, to Minutes County Court, entry 203, each entry showing name of opposite party, and reference to volume and page. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of plaintiff or defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 400 pp. 16 x 12 x 2.

205. RECORD PLEAS OF GUILTY, Feb. term 1911-special term 1924, Sept. and Oct. terms 1938. 1 vol.

Record of judgments in criminal cases in which defendant enters plea of guilty and waives trial by jury; showing court term, charge or offense, number and style of case, amounts of fines and costs. Arr. chron. by court term. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 640 (443 used) pp. 18 x 13 x 3.

For general criminal minutes, 1876-- , see entry 203; for pleas of guilty, 1938-- see entry 206.

206. CRIMINAL MINUTES COUNTY COURT, Oct. term 1938--. 1 vol. (I).

Record of proceedings in criminal cases in county court in which judgments are rendered under the following subdivisions: Plea of Guilty, Oct. term 1938--; Non Prosequi and Dismissal, Jan. 23, 1939--; and Judgment Nisi, July term 1938--. Arr. chron. by court term under each subdivision. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 600 pp. 17 x 12 x 2.

For general criminal minutes, 1876-- , see entry 203; for separate recording of pleas of guilty, 1911-24, 1938, see entry 205.

Process

207. EXECUTION DOCKET, Oct. 20, 1876--. 2 vols. (1,2).

Record of executions issued to enforce judgments rendered by courts of the county and judgments transferred from other counties, showing number and style of case, date of judgment, amount of interest, total costs, date execution issued, to whom delivered, and sheriff's return. Arr. chron. by date of execution. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of plaintiff, chron. thereunder. Hdw. and typed pr. fm. 200 pp. 16 x 10 x 1.



208. EXECUTIONS, July 25, 1888-July 13, 1898, Sept. 28, 1905--.  
2 f.b.

Original executions issued to enforce judgments, showing number and style of case, date and amount of judgment, date execution issued, to whom issued, and sheriff's return. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Hdw.; typed; hdw. and typed pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14. 1 f.b. 1888-1898, strm.

209. CAPIAS (Stubs), May 31, 1939--. 1 vol.

Stubs of writs ordering sheriff to arrest persons charged with a criminal offense, showing number and style of case, name of party for whom capias issued, names of witnesses, and date issued. Arr. chron. by date issued. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 250 pp. 12 x 8 x 1.

210. CAPIAS PRO FINE, Mar. 27, 1913-Apr. 23, 1931. 1 f.b.

Original writs ordering sheriff to confine prisoners in jail for non-payment of fines, showing date of writ, name of person fined, case number, charge or offense, and itemized bill of court costs. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14.

#### Fees and Costs

211. CIVIL FEE BOOK, Apr. 9, 1881--. 4 vols. (3 unmarked, 2).

Title varies: Fee Book, Apr. 9, 1881-Mar. 23, 1887, 1 unmarked vol.; Civil Fee Book County Court, Jan. term 1889-Jan. term 1909, 1 unmarked vol.

Record of fees in civil cases in county court, showing number and style of case, filing date, items and amounts of clerk's and sheriff's fees, recapitulation, and signed receipts by officers. Also contains: Criminal Fee Book, Apr. 9, 1881-Mar. 23, 1887, entry 212. Arr. chron. by date of first fee. 1881-1935 indexed alph. by first letter of surname of plaintiff or defendant, chron. thereunder; 1934-- no index. Hdw. pr. hd. 450 pp. 16 x 12 x 3. 2 vols., 1881-1909, strm.

212. CRIMINAL FEE BOOK, Feb. 5, 1889--. 6 vols. (3 unmarked, 2, 1 unmarked, 3). Apr. 9, 1881-Mar. 23, 1887 in Civil Fee Book, entry 211.

Record of fees in criminal cases in county court, showing term of court, date of entry, amounts of sheriff's, clerk's, judge's, and out-county officers' fees, names of witnesses with amounts of fees, total fees in case, and signatures of officers and witnesses to receipt. Arr. chron. by date of first fee. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. hd. 545 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. 3 vols., 1889-1917, strm.

#### Jury Service

213. JURY LISTS, Dec. 29, 1919--. 2 f.b.

Copies of lists of names of persons chosen to serve as petit jurors and special veniremen, showing court term, and names and addresses of jurors. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. 11 x 5 x 14.



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223. CRIMINAL FEE BOOK, Jan. 1, 1921--. 2 vols.  
Record of fees earned by sheriff for serving processes in criminal cases, showing number and style of case, kind of process, name of officer serving process, date process received, date executed, date returned, and amount of fees. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 200 pp. 16 x 11 x 2.

224. PROBATE DOCKET AND FEE BOOK, Jan. 5, 1933--. 1 vol.  
Record of sheriff's fees for serving papers in probate cases, showing case number, name of deceased or minor, kind of process, name of officer serving, date received, date executed, date returned, and total amount of fees. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 400 pp. 15 x 10 x 2.

225. SHERIFF'S FOREIGN DOCKET, Apr. 3, 1917-July 4, 1939. 2 vols.  
(1,2).  
Sheriff's record of out-county citations served and fees due for service. No arr. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 150 pp. 15 x 12 x 2.

226. JAIL REGISTER, May 8, 1908--. 3 vols.  
Record of prisoners committed to county jail, showing name, color, nationality, and description of prisoner, charge or offense, date committed, and date discharged. Arr. chron. by date committed. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 150 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. 1 vol., May 8, 1908-Apr. 30, 1925, C.C. va.

VII. TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR

Real and Personal Property Taxes  
(See also entry 57)

227. ABSTRACT OF LANDS, 1914--. 3 vols.  
Assessor's abstracts of surveys of land in the county furnished by the state land commissioner and used as a check and balance against the assessment rolls, showing abstract number, number, class, and character of certificate, and to whom issued, patent number, number of volume of patent, month, day, and year of patent, and to whom issued, and number of acres; also, assessor's list of all assessed parcels of land within the abstracted survey, showing year assessed, by whom rendered, number of acres, and value. Arr. numer. by abstract no. and chron. by year rendered. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of land owner, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 630 pp. 15 x 17 x 3. T.A.C. va.

228. ASSESSOR'S ABSTRACT OF CITY LOTS, 1914--. 4 vols.  
Assessor's abstracts of lots in the blocks or subdivisions of the cities, towns, and villages within the county, showing block number, name of town, and a diagram or plat of the block, with the number of each lot; also, assessor's record of assessments by years, showing year assessed, owner's name, lot number, and value. Arr. by name of town, numer. by block no. thereunder. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of owner, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 640 pp. 12 x 18 x 3. T.A.C. va.

229. INVENTORY OF PROPERTY, 1895, 1908-9, 1914-15, 1929--. 54 vols.  
and 14 bundles.  
Inventories of property for tax assessment, showing name of owner, description of property, abstract, certificate, and survey numbers, number of acres



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in tract, name of original grantee, and value. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of owner, chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 200 pp. 13 x 8 x 1. 30 vols. and 14 bundles, 1895, 1908-9, 1914-15, 1929-35, strm.; 24 vols., 1936--., T.A.C. va.

230. TAX ROLL, 1915--. 37 vols.  
Compiled assessment rolls of property for taxation, showing name and address of owner, description and value of real estate and personal property, and distribution and amounts of state and county taxes. Arr. alph. by name of owner. No index. 150 pp. 25 x 19 x 1. 19 vols., 1915-28, strm.; 18 vols., 1919--., T.A.C. va.

231. TAX RECEIPTS (Stubs), 1905--. 244 vols.  
Stubs of tax receipts issued to property owners upon payment of state and county taxes, showing tax roll reference, date and number of receipt, name of payer, description and value of real property, value of personal property, date and amount paid. Arr. numer. by receipt no. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 250 pp. 12 x 19 x 2. 220 vols., 1905-36, strm.; 24 vols., 1937--., T.A.C. va.

For county clerk's recorded copies of tax receipts, 1915--., see entry 27.

232. INHERITANCE TAX RECEIPT BOOK (Stubs), 1933--. 1 vol.  
Stubs of receipts issued upon payment of inheritance taxes, showing receipt number, name of county, name of payer, name of estate, amount of inheritance, amount of tax, amounts of fees, amount due state, and date paid. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 150 pp. 15 x 5 x 1. T.A.C. off.

Delinquent Taxes and Redemption

(See also entries 28, 104, 105, 116-118, 123, 154-156)

233. DELINQUENT TAX RECORD, 1885--. 9 vols.  
Record of lands and town lots returned delinquent or reported sold to state, and not redeemed for designated years, showing years delinquent, name of owner, abstract, certificate, and survey numbers; name of original grantee, number of acres, amounts of taxes and penalties, total amount, and date of redemption. Arr. numer. by abstract no. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of owner, chron. thereunder. Hdw. pr. fm. 320 pp. 24 x 17 x 2. T.A.C. va.

234. (REPORT OF DELINQUENTS AND INSOLVENTS), 1925--. 600 papers in 12 bundles.  
Duplicates of reports made to comptroller and commissioners court of delinquent and insolvent taxpayers, showing name and address of taxpayer, year delinquent or insolvent, amounts of taxes due state and county, penalty, and total amount. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of taxpayer, chron. thereunder. No index. Typed pr. fm. 14 x 12 x 1. 10 bundles, 1925-37, strm.; 2 bundles, 1937--., T.A.C. off.



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Poll Taxes; Reports of Collections

235. REGISTER OF LANDS AND TOWN LOTS SOLD FOR TAXES, June 7, 1887-1892. 1 vol. (1).

Record of sales of lands and town lots for delinquent taxes, showing by whom rendered, years delinquent, year sold, date of sale, by whom sold, description of land or town lots, distribution of state and county taxes, amount of delinquent tax, to whom sold, and date and by whom redeemed. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of owner, chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 250 pp. 15 x 16 x 2. Strm.

236. REDEMPTION RECEIPTS (Duplicates), 1927--. 37 vols.

Duplicates of receipts issued upon payment of delinquent taxes, showing receipt number, name of party assessed, date and amount of payment, amount of costs, amounts of state and county taxes, and description and value of property. Arr. numer. by receipt no. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 50 pp. 11 x 14 x 1. T.A.C. va.

For recorded copies of redemption certificates, 1897-1901, 1915--, see entry 28.

Occupation Taxes

237. REGISTER OF OCCUPATION TAXES COLLECTED, Jan. 7, 1887-Mar. 31, 1890. 1 vol. (1).

Record of payments of occupation taxes, showing receipt number, name and occupation of payer, date and amount paid, period of time covered by payment, and remarks. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of payer, chron. thereunder by date of payment. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 250 pp. 9 x 14 x 2. Strm.

For tax assessor-collector's reports to state comptroller of occupation taxes collected, 1917-24, see entry 74.

Poll Taxes

(See also entry 240)

238. POLL TAX RECEIPTS (Stubs), 1903--. 546 vols.

Stubs of poll tax receipts issued, showing date, receipt and precinct numbers, name, address, occupation, age, race, sex, and birthplace of taxpayer, and length of residence in state, county, and city. Arr. numer. by receipt no. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 250 pp. 12 x 18 x 2. 510 vols., 1903-37, strm.; 36 vols., 1938--, T.A.C. va.

Reports of Collections

239. TAX COLLECTOR'S RECORD OF REPORTS, Oct. 1901-Nov. 1903, Apr. 5, 1913-1925. 6 vols. (2, 3, 5-8).

Recorded copies of reports of taxes assessed and collected. Arr. chron. by date of report. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 400 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. Strm.

240. TAX COLLECTOR'S MONTHLY REPORT, 1901-5, 1909-13, 1915--. 8 vols.

Copies of tax assessor-collector's monthly reports to state comptroller of poll tax collections and exemptions, collections on the assessment and supplemental rolls, collections on the insolvent list, redemptions, col-



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lections of occupation taxes, and total state and county taxes collected with distribution and disposition of each. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 620 pp. 13 x 17 x 3. 6 vols., 1901-5, 1909-13, 1915-33, strm.; 2 vols., 1934-- , T.A.C. off.

Vehicle Licenses

241. MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE RECEIPTS (Duplicates), 1930-- . 9 vols. Duplicates of receipts issued upon payment of motor vehicle licenses, showing kind of vehicle, receipt number, new and old license numbers, motor number, make, model, year, and weight of vehicle, from whom purchased, amount of license fee, penalty, if any, total fee, date of receipt, and name and address of owner. Arr. numer. by receipt no. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 200 pp. 15 x 7 x 5. 6 vols., 1930-35, strm.; 3 vols., 1935-- , T.A.C. off.

242. (BILL OF SALE AND APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER), 1934-- . 8,000 papers in 6 bundles. Carbon copies of bills of sale and applications for transfer of automobiles, showing name of county, date and to whom transferred, old and new license numbers, engine number, model, year, and make of vehicle, full name and address of transferee, signature and address of vendor, date sworn to, and signature of notary. Arr. chron. by date of transfer. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 20 x 8 x 6. 3 bundles, 1934-36, strm.; 3 bundles, 1937-- , T.A.C. va.

For bill of sale record, 1884-- , see entry 34.

243. (RECEIPTS), 1929. 85 vols. Carbon copies of receipts for fees in motor vehicle transfers, showing date, number, and amount of receipt, license number, make, model, and year of automobile, engine number, names of vendor and transferee, and signature of tax assessor-collector. Arr. numer. by receipt no. and chron. by date issued. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 700 pp. 6 x 8 x 1. Strm.

244. (DUPLICATE CHAUFFEUR LICENSES), 1935-36. 1 bundle. Discontinued; issued by state highway department. Duplicates of licenses issued to chauffeurs, showing license number, name and address of chauffeur, date and amount of license. Arr. numer. by license no. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 8 x 5 x 1. Strm.

245. WEEKLY REPORT ON MOTOR VEHICLES (Duplicates), 1937-- . 2 bundles. Duplicates of tax assessor-collector's weekly reports to state highway department of motor vehicle license tax collections, showing name of collector, week covered by report, receipt number, symbol, number and kind of vehicles, and amount of collections, additions and deductions, and net amounts credited to county road and bridge fund and to the state highway department respectively. Arr. chron. by date of report. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 14 x 10 x 2. T.A.C. va.



## VIII. COUNTY TREASURER

246. CASH BOOK COUNTY TREASURER, Nov. 8, 1886--. 19 vols. (1-17, 2 unmarked). Title varies: Treasurers Account Book, Nov. 8, 1886-1931, 13 vols. (1-13); Treasurer's Cash Book, Jan. 1, 1938-Dec. 31, 1938, 1 unmarked vol.

Treasurer's account of receipts and disbursements of county funds, showing name of fund, amounts received or disbursed, date and purpose of receipt or payment, warrant or check number, monthly totals of receipts and disbursements, and balances on hand. Arr. by funds indicated by marginal tabs, chron. thereunder by date of entry. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. Avor. 350 pp. 16 x 13 x 3. 1 vol. (1), 1886-93, strm.; 18 vols. (2-17, 2 unmarked), Feb. 1893--, C.C. va.

For county clerk's finance ledger, 1886-1938, see entry 7; for auditor's, 1939--, see entry 252.

247. DEPOSIT WARRANT REGISTER, June 23, 1939--. 1 vol.

Original warrants issued by county clerk authorizing deposit of funds by county officials, showing number and amount of warrant, to whom issued, nature of payment (check), date issued, signature of county clerk; also, treasurer's receipts, showing amounts and names of funds in which money deposited, total amount of deposit, and signature of treasurer. Arr. numer. by deposit warrant no. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 100 pp. 8 x 10 x 1. C.C. va.

For auditor's duplicates of deposit warrants, 1939--, see entry 254.

248. (COUNTY TREASURER'S RECEIPT BOOK, STUBS), 1935--. 1 vol.

Stubs of receipts for county funds collected by the various county officials and turned over to the treasurer, showing number and date of receipt, to whom issued, amount received, and to what fund credited. Arr. chron. by date issued. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 200 stubs. 7 x 12 x 1. Tr. off.

249. TREASURER'S RECEIPT BOOK, Dec. 31, 1874-Sept. 31, 1876. 1 vol.

Treasurer's account of all money belonging to the county turned over to him by the various county officials authorized to collect it, showing name of official from whom received, from what source collected, date and amount received. Arr. chron. by date received. No index. Hdw. 276 pp. 13 x 10 x 1. Strm.

250. TREASURERS CLAIM REGISTER, Feb. 10, 1880-1889. 2 vols. (1, 2).

Register of claims allowed by commissioners court, and charged to various funds, showing number and amount of claim, name of claimant, date filed, class of claim, and fund charged. Arr. chron. by registration date. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 500 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. Strm.

For original claims against the county, 1904--, see entry 6. For commissioners court action on claims, 1896--, see entry 11.

251. BOND REGISTER, Dec. 1, 1883-June 12, 1930. 5 vols. (1-5).

Title varies: Register of Bonds, Dec. 1, 1883-Feb. 1, 1909, 1 vol. (1); Treasurers Bond Record, Sept. 24, 1914-Feb. 15, 1924, 2 vols. (3,4).

Treasurer's register of county bond issues, showing name, amount, and purpose of bond issue, bond serial number and denomination, by whom purchased,



maturity date, rate of interest, and date canceled; number of coupon, denomination, maturity date, to whom paid, and date canceled. Arr. by name of bond issue, chron. thereunder by cancellation date. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 280 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. C.C. va.

For auditor's account of bonded indebtedness of county, 1936-- , see entry 256.

#### IX. COUNTY AUDITOR

The records of the county auditor are kept in the auditor's office.

##### 252. FINANCE LEDGER, 1939-- . 1 vol.

Record of receipts and disbursements of county funds, showing name of fund or official or class of receipt, date, description and amount of receipt, amount of credit (when paid to treasurer), balance due county, balance on hand in various funds. Arr. chron. by date of receipt under tabular fund subdivisions. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 300 pp. 12 x 12 x 1.

For county clerk's accounts of county funds, 1886-1938, see entry 7; for treasurer's, 1886-- , see entry 246.

##### 253. DISTRIBUTION LEDGER, Jan. 1, 1939-- . 1 vol.

Detailed analysis of receipts and disbursements of county funds by individual items, showing name of fund, date and amount of receipt or disbursement, purpose of payment, total receipts, total payments. Arr. under tabular fund subdivisions, chron. thereunder by date of receipt or disbursement. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 600 pp. 18 x 24 x 2.

##### 254. DEPOSIT WARRANT REGISTER (Duplicates), Jan. 7, 1939-- . 1 vol.

Auditor's duplicates of deposit warrants issued by county clerk, showing number and amount of warrant, name of paying official, nature of payment (check), date issued, signature of county clerk; also treasurer's receipt, showing name of county fund to which funds are deposited, amounts deposited for each, total amount, and signature of treasurer. Arr. numer. by warrant no. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 100 warrants. 8 x 10 x 1.

For original deposit warrants, 1939-- , see entry 247.

##### 255. (PAID WARRANTS), Jan. 1, 1939-- . 1,200 warrants on 11 arch files.

Copies of paid warrants for material or labor furnished county, showing name of payee, purpose and amount of payment, number, date and amount of warrant, date allowed by commissioners court. Arr. chron. by date of warrant. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 8 x 11 x 2.

For stubs of warrants issued, 1908-38, see entry 13.

##### 256. RECORD OF BONDS, June 30, 1936-- . 1 vol.

Record of bonded indebtedness of county, showing kind of bond and series, date, denomination, numbering, interest rate, date and place payable, total amount of coupons due each year, dates due, and dates paid. Arr. under subdivisions by type of bond, chron. thereunder by date due and date payable. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 400 pp. 18 x 10 x 2.

For treasurer's bond register, 1883-1930, see entry 251.



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## X. COUNTY BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

257. MINUTES OF COUNTY BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES, Feb. 15, 1916--.  
2 vols. (1 unmarked, 2). No title: Feb. 15, 1916-Nov. 5, 1934,  
1 vol.

Record of proceedings of county board of school trustees, showing date of meeting, names of trustees present, business handled, signature of president of board, and attest of county school superintendent as secretary. Arr. chron. by date of meeting. No index. Typed. 210 pp. 9 x 14 x 2. S.S. off.

258. (RECORD OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS), Feb. 15, 1916--. 1 vol. Last entry July 1, 1935.

Minutes of proceedings county board of school trustees in defining boundaries of school districts and classifying schools; showing number of acres and description of boundaries of school districts, accompanied by a plat of the district. Arr. chron. No index. Typed. 200 pp. 14 x 9 x 2. C.C. va.

## XI. COUNTY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

259. LEDGER (Accounts With School Districts), 1886-Sept. 4, 1916, Sept. 1, 1928-Sept. 1, 1933, Sept. 1, 1934-Aug. 31, 1935. 14 vols. No title: 1895-98, 1 vol. Title varies: School Book, 1886-94, 8 vols.; County Treasurers School Account Register, May 27, 1890-Sept. 4, 1916, 1 vol.; School Fund Register, 1897-1901, 1 vol.; County Treasurers Record Book School Funds, May 17, 1904-Apr. 10, 1907, 1 vol.; Account Records, Sept. 1, 1928-Sept. 1, 1933, 1 vol.

Record of accounts with the available school fund and with the several school districts in the county, showing date, source, and amount of receipts, amount apportioned to each school district, and amount and purpose of disbursements. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. hd. 400 pp. 12 x 15 x 1. 10 vols., 1886-1901, strm.; 4 vols., 1890-1916, 1928-35, S.S. off.

260. COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS SCHOOL REGISTER, Sept. 25, 1893-1894, Aug. 31, 1917-Aug. 31, 1928. 2 vols.

Record of vouchers issued for maintenance expenses of county schools, showing voucher number, date of payment, name of payee, and amount paid. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 50 pp. 8 x 11 x 1. 1 vol., 1893-94, strm.; 1 vol., 1917-28, S.S. off.

261. SCHOOL VOUCHERS, Jan. 1908-May 7, 1909. 1 f.b.  
Canceled vouchers for teachers' salaries. Arr. chron. by date paid. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 11 x 5 x 14. Strm.

262. FAMILY CENSUS BLANKS, 1928--. 24,000 blanks in 8 cardboard boxes and 60 bundles.

Original census forms filled out for each family having children of scholastic age, showing name, age, sex, color, and race of child, and length of residence in school district. Arr. chron. by years. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. Boxes, 18 x 10 x 6; bundles, 6 x 8 x 4. 4 boxes, 1928-32, strm.; 4 boxes and 60 bundles, 1933--, S.S. off.



263. CONSOLIDATED SCHOLASTIC CENSUS, 1907--. 25 vols.  
Census rolls of school children, by school districts, showing name, age, sex, color, and race of each pupil, nationality of parents, and length of residence in school district. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of child, chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 300 pp. 10 x 8 x 1. 7 vols., 1910-22, strm.; 18 vols., 1907--, S.S. off.

264. TEACHERS DAILY REGISTER, Sept. 21, 1923--. 183 vols.  
Teachers' daily record of class work, attendance, and grades and examination percentages made by pupils, with names and occupations of parents, and a general summary of work accomplished during school term. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 50 pp. 6 x 9 x  $\frac{1}{2}$ . S.S. off.

265. (REPORTS TO STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION), 1923-28. 5 vols.  
Summaries of reports made by the county school superintendent to the state superintendent of public instruction, showing number of children on school rolls, and age, sex, and color of each. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. pr. fm. 100 pp. 8 x 14 x 1. C.C. va.

## XII. COUNTY SURVEYOR

266. APPLICATION FOR AND TRANSCRIBED RECORD OF ORIGINAL SURVEYS, 1873-June 20, 1938. 1 vol.  
Recorded copies of field notes of original surveys in Hays County, dated from February 2, 1838, accompanied by plats of the surveyed area. No arr. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of original grantee, chron. thereunder. Hdw. 320 pp. 18 x 14 x 3. C.C. va.

267. RECORD OF PRIVATE SURVEYS, Feb. 6, 1909-Oct. 3, 1938. 1 vol. (10).  
Recorded copies of field notes of private surveys, with plats of the surveyed areas. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of applicant, chron. thereunder. Hdw. 250 pp. 18 x 14 x 2. C.C. va.



CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISIONS, LEGISLATIVE ACTS, AND DECLARATIONS  
AND ORDINANCES OF CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTIONS  
SPECIFICALLY APPLICABLE TO HAYS COUNTY

County created; boundaries established; San Marcos designated county seat. T.A., Mar. 1, 1848, Gammel, Laws, III, 48, 49.

Williamson Academy incorporated; Henry Cheatham, John D. Pitts, U. A. Young, E. T. Merriman, C. R. Johns, and Wm. L. Massy, trustees; for promotion "of useful knowledge to the young, and the advancement of the sciences; and the said institution shall be accessible alike to all without regard to opinions in religion or politics"; to be located at or near San Marcos. T.A., Mar. 14, 1848, ibid., III, 387, 388.

County placed in 2d judicial district; district court thereof directed to meet in county on 7th Monday after 1st Monday in March and 7th Monday after 3d Monday in September of each year, and permitted to continue in session there 1 week. T.A., Mar. 18, 1848, ibid., III, 136.

County placed in 16th state senatorial and representative district, for election of one senator and one representative. T.A., Mar. 1848, ibid., III, 312-316.

County placed in 21st state senatorial district, for election of one senator, chief justice of Travis County returning officer; and in 46th state representative district for election of one representative, chief justice of Guadalupe County returning officer. T.A., Jan. 16, 1850, ibid., III, 478-481.

County placed in 2d Congressional district of state, for election of one United States Congressman. T.A., Feb. 11, 1850, ibid., III, 599.

Legislature resolves to instruct Texas Senators and to request Texas Representatives to request United States Postmaster General to instruct New Orleans postmaster to route mail for Hays County through Houston. Joint resolution, Feb. 11, 1850, ibid., III, 616.

District court of 2d judicial district directed to meet in county on 6th Mondays after 1st Mondays in March and September of each year, and permitted to continue in session there 1 week. T.A., Jan. 28, 1852, ibid., III, 915.

County placed in 27th state senatorial district, for election of one senator, chief justice of Guadalupe County returning officer; and in 64th state representative district, for election of one representative, chief justice of Caldwell County returning officer. T.A., Feb. 2, 1853, ibid., III, 1290-1293.

District court of 2d judicial district directed to meet in county on 4th Mondays after 1st Mondays in March and September of each year, and permitted to continue in session there 1 week. T.A., Feb. 7, 1853, ibid., III, 1333.



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and Declarations and Ordinances of Constitutional  
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District court of 2d judicial district directed to meet in county on 6th Mondays after 1st Mondays in April and October of each year, and permitted to continue in session there 1 week. T.A., Feb. 2, 1856, ibid., IV, 242, 243; Sept. 1, 1856, ibid., 524.

District court of 2d judicial district directed to meet in county on 8th Mondays after 1st Mondays of April and October of each year, and permitted to continue in session there 1 week. T.A., Jan. 15, 1858, ibid., IV, 911.

County boundaries redefined. T.A., Feb. 12, 1858, ibid., IV, 1071, 1072, (See our map, p. 16)

County placed in 26th state senatorial district, for election of one senator, chief justice of Travis County returning officer; and in 58th state representative district, for election of one representative, chief justice of Caldwell County returning officer. T.A., Feb. 6, 1860, ibid., IV, 1403-1406.

County placed in 1st Congressional district of state, for election of one United States Congressman. T.A., Apr. 6, 1861, ibid., V, 372.

County court authorized to regulate amount of, and allow sheriff's pay for certain services, total per year not to exceed \$200. T.A., Apr. 8, 1861, ibid., V, 383, 384.

All public sales required to be made at courthouse door on public square in San Marcos. T.A., Apr. 8, 1861, ibid., V, 427.

One company, the tenth part of a regiment of Rangers for protection of the northern and western frontiers of Texas, required to be raised from the frontier Counties Hays, Gillespie, and Kerr. T.A., Dec. 21, 1861, ibid., V, 453.

County placed in 26th military brigade district of state. T.A., Dec. 25, 1861, ibid., V, 455.

County boundaries redefined. T.A., Jan. 10, 1862, ibid., V, 477. (See our map, p. 16)

County numbered 36; citizens authorized to use the number as official county brand on livestock. T.A., Jan. 11, 1862, ibid., V, 480.

San Marcos Cotton and Woolen Manufacturing Company incorporated; allowed to build on San Marcos River. T.A., May 28, 1864, ibid., V, 793.

District court of 2d judicial district directed to meet in county on 8th Mondays after 1st Mondays of March and September of each year, and permitted to continue in session there 2 weeks. T.A., Nov. 12, 1864, ibid., V, 810.

County placed in 3d Congressional district of state, for election of one United States Congressman. T.A., Sept. 8, 1866, ibid., V, 926.



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and Declarations and Ordinances of Constitutional  
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County placed in 2d judicial district. T.A., Oct. 11, 1866, ibid., V, 944, 946.

The San Marcos Irrigation Manufacturing and Navigation Company incorporated. T.A., Oct. 20, 1866, ibid., V, 1360-1365.

District court of 2d judicial district directed to meet in county on 8th Mondays after 1st Mondays in March and September of each year, and permitted to continue in session there 1 week. T.A., Nov. 12, 1866, ibid., V, 1093, 1094.

H. W. Davis authorized to erect a dam across the San Marcos River at Cheatham's Ford, to divert water for mill purposes. T.A., Nov. 12, 1866, ibid., V, 1605.

County placed in 4th military district and 8th brigade district of state. T.A., Nov. 13, 1866, ibid., V, 1155, 1156.

County placed in 4th Congressional district, for election of one United States Congressman. Declaration in constitutional convention, convened June 1, 1868, ibid., VII; 428.

Austin Republican authorized to publish, in the 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.

County police court authorized to levy a sufficient special ad valorem tax to build a courthouse at San Marcos. Declaration in constitutional convention, passed Jan. 13, 1869, ibid., VI, 85.

County placed in 28th state senatorial and representative district, for election of one senator and four representatives, chief justice of Travis County returning officer. Const., 1869, adopted Nov. 30, 1869, Art. III, secs. 39, 40, 41, ibid., VII, 404, 405.

Distance from San Marcos, county seat, to Austin and return scheduled as 60 miles; distance to be used by comptroller in allowing legislators' mileage accounts. Concurrent resolution, May 13, 1870, ibid., VI, 409, 411.

County placed in 27th judicial district; district court thereof directed to meet in county on 2d Mondays in November, March, and July of each year, and permitted to continue in session there 2 weeks. T.A., July 2, 1870, ibid., VI, 197; Aug. 10, 1870, ibid., 231.

County court authorized to levy a special tax for year 1871 not to exceed 80 cents on \$100 valuation to complete the courthouse. T.A., Mar. 15, 1871, ibid., VI, 915.

San Antonio and Sherman Bridge Company incorporated; authorized to build bridges over streams on the main public stage route from San Antonio via



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Austin and Waco to Sherman; over Blanco River in Hays County. T.A., May 2, 1871, ibid., VI, 1381.

County court authorized to levy and collect a special property tax for year 1873, not to exceed 50 cents on \$100 valuation, and a poll tax of \$1, to build a good and substantial jail at county seat. T.A., Apr. 14, 1873, ibid., VII, 954, 955.

County placed in 27th state senatorial and representative district, for election of one senator and three representatives, presiding justice of Gonzales County returning officer. T.A., Apr. 24, 1873, ibid., VII, 498.

The Western Narrow Gauge Railway Company to build road by San Marcos, and erect depot within one-half mile of courthouse. T.A., May 2, 1873, ibid., VII, 1027.

County court authorized to issue funding bonds for county indebtedness, and to levy an ad valorem tax not over one-eighth of one percent for payment of interest and sinking fund. T.A., May 30, 1873, ibid., VII, 1361, 1362.

Transcript of surveys in county up to 1869 to be furnished surveyor's office by commissioner of general land office, to replace records destroyed by the fire that consumed the courthouse in 1868; to have same force and effect as originals for testimony in courts. T.A., June 2, 1873, ibid., VII, 635, 636.

Appeals and writs of error from county to be returnable to supreme court at terms in Austin. T.A., Apr. 2, 1874, ibid., VIII, 52; Apr. 9, 1885, ibid., IX, 360; Mar. 26, 1885, ibid., 671; Mar. 25, 1887, ibid., 843; Feb. 21 1889, ibid., 1035; Apr. 15, 1891, ibid., X, 83.

County placed in 22d judicial district; district court thereof directed to meet in county on 4th Mondays in March and July and 1st Monday in November of each year, and permitted to continue in session there 2 weeks. T.A., May 1, 1874, ibid., VIII, 186.

County placed in 6th Congressional district of state, for election of one United States Congressman. T.A., May 2, 1874, ibid., VIII, 220.

Sale of intoxicating or spirituous liquors prohibited within 2 miles of Live Oak Academy and Blanco Chapel. T.A., Mar. 9, 1875, ibid., VIII, 637.

The International and Great Northern Railroad Company directed to establish a depot within  $1\frac{1}{4}$  miles of courthouse. T.A., Mar. 10, 1875, ibid., VIII, 662.

Any company under private corporation act of April 23, 1874, that constructed a macadamized or turnpike road 3 miles long from eastern limits of San Marcos "in general direction of Austin, Texas," allowed a grant of eight 640-acre sections of land per mile. T.A., Mar. 13, 1875, ibid., VIII, 482, 483.



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County placed in 31st state senatorial district, for election of one senator; and in 64th state representative district, for election of two representatives; Hays the returning county for both districts. Ordinance in constitutional convention, convened Sept. 6, 1875, ibid., VIII, 756, 759.

County placed in 15th judicial district; district court thereof directed to meet in county on 1st Mondays after 1st Mondays in March and September of each year, and permitted to continue in session there 2 weeks. Ordinance in constitutional convention, convened Sept. 6, 1875, ibid., VIII, 762, 769.

The Texas Western Narrow Gauge Railway Company allowed to construct a branch commencing on its main line in Caldwell or Hays County, and thence northwest to connect with Denver and Rio Grande Railway, or one of similar gauge. T.A., Feb. 6, 1875, ibid., VIII, 619, 620.

County placed in 8th Congressional district, for election of one United States Congressman. T.A., Apr. 29, 1882, ibid., IX, 298.

County placed in 25th state senatorial district, for election of one senator, county judge of Hays County returning officer; and in 91st state representative district, for election of two representatives, county judge of Caldwell County returning officer. T.A., May 3, 1882, ibid., IX, 269-275.

District court of 22d judicial district directed to meet in county on 1st Mondays in March and September of each year, and permitted to continue in session there 3 weeks. T.A., Apr. 9, 1883, ibid., IX, 366.

County brand for horses and cattle officially designated as H. Y. T.A., Apr. 11, 1883, ibid., IX, 383.

Deficiency appropriation made to pay James H. Wren, ex-sheriff, for services in felony cases, as approved by L. W. Moore, judge 15th judicial district, on September 22, 1880, after state comptroller's audit. T.A., Apr. 13, 1883, ibid., IX, 401.

County exempted from requirement of establishing district system of public schools. T.A., Mar. 12, 1885, ibid., IX, 649; Apr. 2, 1887, ibid., 923; May 14, 1888, ibid., 1003; Apr. 3, 1889, ibid., 1087.

County exempted from all laws regulating inspection of hides and animals. T.A., Mar. 29, 1889, ibid., IX, 1074, 1075; Mar. 23, 1891, ibid., X, 43; May 11, 1893, ibid., 593; Apr. 2, 1895, ibid., 784, 785; May 7, 1897, ibid., 1225; Apr. 1, 1903, 28th Legis., 186; Apr. 15, 1907, 30th Legis., 190; Mar. 28, 1917, 35th Legis., 303; Mar. 3, 1921, 37th Legis., 43; June 6, 1933, 43d Legis., 636.

County exempted from provisions of act requiring butchers and slaughterers of cattle to give bond. T.A., Apr. 6, 1889, Gammel, Laws, IX, 1113; Mar. 10, 1891, ibid., X, 34.



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County transferred from community school system to district school system. T. A., Mar. 27, 1891, ibid., X, 79.

County exempted from act requiring the appointment of an inspector of sheep. T.A., Apr. 8, 1891, ibid., X, 144; May 26, 1897, ibid., 1137.

Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway Company authorized to sell line from San Marcos to Lockhart in Caldwell County. T.A., Apr. 16, 1891, ibid., X, 351.

County placed in 98th state representative district, for election of two representatives, county judge of Hays County returning officer. T.A., Apr. 12, 1892, ibid., X, 418-420.

County placed in 3d supreme judicial district of state, established for purpose of organizing court of civil appeals therein; court to be held at Austin; terms to begin on 1st Mondays of October of each year and permitted to continue in session until 1st Monday of July succeeding year. T.A., Apr. 13, 1892, ibid., X, 410.

County placed in 21st state senatorial district, for election of one senator, county judge of Hays County returning officer. T.A., Apr. 19, 1892, ibid., X, 413, 414.

County placed in 9th Congressional district, for election of one United States Congressman. T.A., Apr. 19, 1892, ibid., X, 411.

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. 24, 1893, ibid., X, 469.

County placed in 3d supreme judicial district, established for purpose of organizing court of civil appeals therein; court to be held in Austin; terms to begin on 1st Monday of September of each year, and permitted to continue in session until 1st Monday in July the succeeding year. T.A., May 13, 1893, ibid., X, 602.

Teachers holding a diploma from Coronal Institute at San Marcos permitted to teach in Texas public schools without examination by any board of examiners; diploma to rank as permanent state certificate. T.A., May 20, 1893, ibid., X, 634.

District court of 22d judicial district directed to meet in county on 1st Mondays in March and September of each year, and permitted to continue in session there 4 weeks. T.A., Apr. 20, 1895, ibid., X, 813.



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County exempted from all provisions regulating control of infectious diseases in animals. Art. 822; Penal Code, adopted 1895, John P. White; The Penal Code of Texas (Austin, 1897); T.A., Mar. 31, 1903, 28th Legis., 116.

County exempted from provision making it a misdemeanor to sell or ship any game fish from fresh waters. T.A., May 21, 1897, ibid., X, 1274.

District court of 22d judicial district directed to meet in county on 7th Monday after 1st Monday in January, and on 6th Monday after 1st Monday in August, and permitted to continue in session there 4 weeks. T.A., May 22, 1897, ibid., X, 1256.

County exempted from act providing that commissioners courts pay bounties for scalps of predatory animals. T.A., Mar. 31, 1903, 28th Legis., 113; Apr. 10, 1905, 29th Legis., 98.

Freeholders of county or any subdivision thereof authorized to petition commissioners court for election to determine whether or not livestock be permitted to run at large. T.A., Apr. 3, 1907, 30th Legis., 123; Mar. 20, 1911, 32d Legis., 172; Mar. 31, 1913, 33d Legis., 131; Mar. 15, 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. 21, 1923, 38th Legis., 194.

Buda Independent School District created from territory comprising common school district No. 10; boundaries defined; organization provided for; seven trustees. T.A., Aug. 31, 1911, 32d Legis., 1st C.S., 164. Subsequent amendment redefined boundaries to include 225 acres more. Apr. 1, 1913, 32d Legis., 550.

Kyle Independent School District created. T.A., Apr. 1, 1913, 33d Legis., 572. Subsequent amendment redefined boundaries. July 19, 1919, 36th Legis., 2d C.S., 91.

County exempted from certain provisions of an act regulating the handling and butchering of animals. T.A., June 3, 1915, 34th Legis., 1st C.S., 35; Mar. 30, 1917, 35th Legis., 358.

Open season for killing wild turkey set for months of November and December; kill limited to not more than three gobblers per season, on penalty of misdemeanor. T.A., Oct. 4, 1920, 36th Legis., 4th C.S., 16.

County exempted from all provisions for 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. 3 of county created; all orders of county commissioners court in respect to the organization of the district, and issuance of bonds, and levy of assessments in the district approved and validated. T.A., Oct. 18, 1926, 39th Legis., 1st C.S., 888.



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Road law for county: county commissioners constituted ex-officio road commissioners of their respective precincts, to have charge of road teams, tools, and machinery of county; commissioners court directed to cooperate with the state highway department in establishment, construction, and maintenance of roads, bridges, and culverts paid for partly by county and partly by state or Federal Government; court authorized to issue county road funding and refunding bonds and levy tax for payment. T.A., Mar. 1, 1929, 41st Legis., 254.

County included in Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority, a conservation and reclamation district created by act. T.A., Oct. 17, 1935, 44th Legis., 1st C.S., 1615.

District court of 22d judicial district directed to meet in county on 1st Mondays in March and September of each year, and permitted to continue in session there 26 weeks. T.A., May 21, 1937, 45th Legis., 790.



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