

August Term 1898

The State of Texas - Be it remembered  
County of Titus, that a regular term of  
the Honorable County  
Commissioners Court of Titus County, Texas,  
was begun and held within and for said  
County at the Court House thereof in the town  
of Mount Pleasant on the 2nd Monday in  
August 1898 the same being the 9th day of  
said month preceding thereon. J. H. Rogers  
County Judge of said Titus County Present  
W. J. Gaffield, J. T. Harper, E. F. Brooks and  
J. W. Bell Commissioners, G. B. Dickson  
Sheriff and D. G. Williams County Clerk  
when held when the following proceedings  
were had to wit:

In the matter of the petition of August 8th 1898  
of R. B. Hale and others this day came on to be  
for New School District examined the petition  
of R. B. Hale and others  
for a County Line School District to be granted  
them. It appearing to the Court that said  
petition is in proper form that a necessity  
exist for said school District that said petition  
has been examined and approved by the  
County Judge of Morris County Texas -  
It is therefore ordered, adjudged and by  
decided the Court that said petition be  
granted and that said District be known  
as the County Lone Star School District No. 29  
and that it have the following boundaries  
Beginning at the N. corner of the Temple  
Smith Survey - thence E. with the S. B. line  
of said survey to the County line - thence  
to the J. L. Hall survey - thence N. with the  
B. L. Hall survey to the Jessie Hall survey  
thence E. with the S. B. line of the Jessie Hall  
Survey to the (E. & O.R.) Ellis Bridge Omaha  
Road - thence North with said Road -  
thence North with said road to Lick Creek

Thence North with said Creek to the Com.  
Rogers survey - Thence West with said  
Survey to the Mills survey - Thence North to  
the S.E. corner of the Mills Survey - Thence  
West to the E.B.O.R. - Thence with said  
road to the County line - Thence with the  
County line to White oak Creek. Thence  
up White oak Creek to Horse Creek  
Thence up Horse Creek to C. W. line of  
the Turkey Cr. Hopkins Survey - Thence  
W. to the N. or. corner of lot No. 6 of the  
Dean Survey - Thence S. to the S.E. corner  
of lot No. 45 Thence W. to the S.W. corner  
of lot No. 4 Thence South with W.S.  
line of the Dean Survey to the S.W.  
corner of said Survey to Horse Creek  
Thence up Horse Creek to the N.W. corner  
of the Isaac Gistel Survey - Thence E. with  
said line to the E. N.W. Big N.W. corner  
Thence E. with the E. N.W. Big N.W. line  
to A. E. corner - Thence S. to S.W. corner  
of John Beckinstaff Survey - Thence  
E. to the S.E. of the Buck Taylor sur-  
vey - Thence S. with the Beckinstaff survey  
to the N.W. corner of said survey -  
Thence E. to the N.E. corner of said survey  
Thence S. to the corner of beginning -

In the Matter of the petition of August 8<sup>th</sup> 1898  
of E. M. Cochran and others of this day come  
for a new school District on to examine  
and consider the petition  
of E. M. Cochran and others for a new  
School District - It appearing to the  
Court that said petition is in proper  
form that a majority voted for said  
School District and there being no  
objection filed - It is therefore or-  
dered by the Court that said petition  
be and the same is hereby granted

and that it be known as the Newell  
Chappel School District No. 30, and that  
it have the following boundaries to wit:  
Beginning at the S.W. corner of Oak Grove  
District No. 10. Thence North with W.B. line  
of said District to North West corner of  
said District East of the Mt Pleasant and  
Blanksville road - thence East with said  
line to the Mt Pleasant and Blanksville  
road - thence North with meanderings  
of said road to N.W. corner of A. F. Combs  
land - thence East to the N.W. corner of the  
Lem Hays farm - thence North with the  
meanderings of J. H. Combs W.B. line  
to N.W. corner of said J. H. Combs land  
thence East to the N.E. corner of the T. J.  
Langston land - thence South to the N.E.  
corner of the Frank Rogers land - thence  
West to the place of beginning ~

In the Matter of the petition August 8<sup>th</sup> 1898  
of Joseph Young and others Chieday came  
for School District on to be examined

the petition of  
Joseph Young and other legal voters of school  
District No. 6, to divide said school District  
and to make a new school District for them  
It appearing to the Court that said petition  
has the requisite number, that a necessity exist  
for said school District and there being no  
objection filed - It is therefore ordered by  
the Court that the division line as prayed for  
be granted and that said New New school  
District be known as White oak school District  
No. 31 - with the division line as follows -  
in the school District No. 6. Beginning on  
the south boundary line of M. L. Max-  
well and F. Scott's land - thence West  
with the S. W. line of W. J. Whittie's land -  
thence North with the West line of W. J.

White, P. B. Hutchings and W. J. Warren  
lives to the original north line of said  
District -

In the Matter of Cancelling <sup>3</sup> August 8<sup>th</sup> 1898  
the taxes paid on abstract <sup>3</sup> Whereas it appears  
Ma - 163 <sup>3</sup> to the Court  
that taxes have been

assessed and paid on abstract Ma 161  
when said taxes should have been assessed  
and paid on abstract Ma - 163 - It is  
therefore ordered by the Court that the taxes  
on Abstract Ma. 163 be and the same are  
hereby declared Cancelled - And that the  
Comptroller be notified of this order

In the Matter of Duties <sup>3</sup> August 8<sup>th</sup> 1898  
County School Lands <sup>3</sup> Whereas it ap-  
peared in Montague <sup>3</sup> pertaining to the  
County Texas <sup>3</sup> Court that there

are several of the  
purchasers of said ~~Ditus~~ County School  
land, in Montague County, Texas, who  
are owing the purchase money on  
said school land and are desirous  
of paying the same, or having the same  
paid. It is therefore ordered by the  
Commissioners Court of ~~Ditus~~ County,  
that <sup>and</sup> E. G. Brown the present agent of said  
County, Texas, be and he is hereby authorized  
to execute releases for the purchase  
money or to assign and transfer to  
any person or corporation the sum  
noted <sup>and</sup> held by said County on said lands  
situated in Montague County, Texas  
for the amount or amounts due or to  
become due and payable to said County  
on said notes, without recourse on said  
County. Said releases or transfers or  
assignments to be executed by the said

E. Y. Brown and the moneys to be derived  
from said sales or transfers or assignments  
is to be paid to the said E. Y. Brown

In the matter of proceeding - August 8<sup>th</sup> 1898  
Quit claim deed from D. Cherry to Titus County  
Court that quit  
school lands situated in  
Montague County, Texas on endorsement noted  
of Titus County school lands situated in Montague  
County, Texas - It further appearing to the Court  
that said Note sued upon over manual of  
Note given by purchaser to D. Cherry for said land  
and that it is necessary to get a quit claim from  
said D. Cherry to said Block of land to better per-  
fect Titus County title - It is therefore ordered  
by the Court that E. Y. Brown the present agent  
for said land be and he is hereby authorized  
and directed to notify Miss Sarah Walker  
attorney employed by said E. Y. Brown as agent for  
Titus County of said lands to proceed to get  
said quit claim deed from said D. Cherry  
and at as little costs to the County of Titus as  
possible -

It is ordered that Court adjourn until  
tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock -  
Tuesday August 9<sup>th</sup> 1898 -  
Court met pursuant to adjournment preceding  
and present as in yesterday -

In the matter of the petition of Jasper Cook and others - August 9<sup>th</sup> 1898  
of Jasper Cook and others - It is ordered by the  
Court that the petition  
filed by Jasper Cook and others for change of  
road be and the same is hereby rejected -  
and rejected -

In the matter of the petition <sup>of L. Thompson and others</sup> <sup>3</sup> August 9<sup>th</sup> 1898  
 for change in road <sup>3</sup> It is ordered by the Court that the  
 petition of L. Thompson and others to make the following changes in  
 the Clarksville road be granted upon said  
 Thompson opening up said change as required  
 by law - said change being as follows: About  
 30 yards from the old road bed commencing at  
 the north end of A. E. Bridge lane and intersects  
 the Clarksville Road about 30 yards north of  
 at the first bridge on said Road -

In the matter of the support <sup>of C. H. Richards</sup> <sup>3</sup> August 9<sup>th</sup> 1898  
 It is ordered by the  
 Court that the order  
 heretofore made by this Court allowing the  
 sum of \$5<sup>00</sup> per month to J. W. Wright for  
 the support of C. H. Richards a pauper  
 be under the same is hereby set aside -  
 and it is further ordered by the Court that  
 D. C. Oliver take charge of said C. H. Richards  
 and that he be allowed the sum of \$7<sup>50</sup>  
 per month from 16<sup>th</sup> day of July 1898 until  
 further orders of this Court for said support  
 and that drafts issue monthly to him  
 for same -

In the matter of the <sup>support of Mrs.</sup> <sup>3</sup> August 9<sup>th</sup> 1898  
 Rebecca Gray <sup>3</sup> It is ordered by the Court  
 that M. C. Lester be allowed  
 the sum of \$5<sup>00</sup> per month  
 from the 1<sup>st</sup> day of August until further  
 orders of this Court for the support of  
 Mrs. Rebecca Gray a pauper and that  
 drafts issue to him monthly for same

In the matter of the support of Jack Short a pauper August 9th 1898  
 of Jack Short a pauper It is ordered by  
 the Court that  
 Jack Short be allowed the sum of \$7<sup>00</sup> per  
 month from the 1st day of August 1898 until  
 further orders of this Court for his support  
 and that draft issue monthly to J. W. Ball  
 for same until further order of this Court

In the matter of the report of A. J. Moullon August 9th 1898  
 of A. J. Moullon It is ordered by the Court  
 that the report of A. J.  
 Moullon be and he is hereby appointed  
 also the report of D. C. Williams County Clerk -

In the matter of the report of County and Precinct Officers August 9th 1898  
 of County and Precinct Officers It is ordered by the  
 Court that the Reports  
 of the following named  
 County and Precinct officers be and the  
 same are hereby approved -  
 J. W. Bickford Sheriff O. G. Rogers Co. Judge  
 O. M. Tabb District Clerk - L. M. Brooke Justice of Peace  
 Sam Porter Constable - J. M. Brown Justice  
 L. C. Armstrong L. B. Rock "  
 G. C. Neagood " Mr. P. McLean Co. Atty

In the matter of transferring County funds August 9th 1898  
 County funds It is ordered by  
 the Court that A. J.  
 Moullon be and he is hereby authorized  
 to transfer \$400<sup>00</sup> from the Road & Bridge  
 funds to the General County funds -

Issued	In the Matter of the account of J. A. Griscom & Co for \$3 <sup>35</sup>	August 9 <sup>th</sup> 1898 It is ordered by the Court that Mess J. R. Griscom & Co be allowed the sum of \$3 <sup>35</sup> for Nails for bridges and that draft issue on the Road and Bridge Fund for same
Issued	In the Matter of the account of J. W. Ball for \$3 <sup>00</sup>	August 9 <sup>th</sup> 1898 It is ordered by the Court that J. W. Ball be allowed the sum of \$3 <sup>00</sup> for bridge and that draft issue on the Road & Bridge Fund for same
Issued	In the Matter of the account of J. S. Harpen for \$6 <sup>00</sup>	August 9 <sup>th</sup> 1898 It is ordered by the Court that J. S. Harpen be allowed the sum of \$6 <sup>00</sup> for two days service in letting and receiving bridge and that draft issue to him on the Road and Bridge Fund for same
Issued	In the Matter of the account of O. M. Taft for \$3 <sup>00</sup>	August 9 <sup>th</sup> 1898 It is ordered by the Court that O. M. Taft be allowed the sum of \$3 <sup>00</sup> for attending to the Court House Clock from May 9 <sup>th</sup> 1898 to August 9 <sup>th</sup> 1898 and that draft issue to him on the General County Fund for same
Issued	In the Matter of the account of G. B. Dickson for \$9 <sup>50</sup>	August 9 <sup>th</sup> 1898 It is ordered by the Court that G. B. Dickson Sheriff be allowed the sum of \$9 <sup>50</sup> for amount due on Examining Monthly reports and certificates on same and that draft issue to him on the General County Fund for same

Dined In the Matter of the account August 9<sup>th</sup> 1898  
of P. H. Rogers for \$9<sup>00</sup> It is ordered by the  
Court that P. H. Rogers  
be allowed the sum of \$9<sup>00</sup> for defending of  
three cases in the County Court and that  
draft issue to him on the General County  
Fund for same -

Dined In the Matter of the account August 9<sup>th</sup> 1898  
of Lichenstein Bros for \$49<sup>05</sup> It is ordered  
by the Court  
that Mess. Lichenstein Bros, be allowed the  
sum of \$49<sup>00</sup> for coffins &c and that  
draft issue to them on the General  
County Fund for same -

Dined In the Matter of the account August 9<sup>th</sup> 1898  
of A. Kinson for 75<sup>00</sup> It is ordered by the  
Court that A. Kinson  
be allowed the sum of twenty five cents for  
sheet to cover dead bodies and that draft  
issue to him on the General County Funds  
for same -

Dined In the Matter of the account August 9<sup>th</sup> 1898  
of Mr. J. B. Dickey for \$6<sup>00</sup> It is ordered by the  
Court that Mr. Dickey  
be allowed the sum of \$6<sup>00</sup> for two  
days service in setting out and removing bodies  
and that draft issue on the Road & Bridge  
Funds - for same -

Dined In the Matter of the account August 9<sup>th</sup> 1898  
of G. W. Bickson for \$78<sup>50</sup> It is ordered by  
the Court that G. W. Bickson Sheriff be allowed the sum of \$78<sup>50</sup>  
for board of prisoner in jail from May 9<sup>th</sup>  
1898 to Aug. 8<sup>th</sup> 1898 and that draft issue to  
him for said amount on the General County  
Funds -

- dated In the Matter of the account of Dr. J. H. Black & J. S. Miller for \$25<sup>00</sup> August 9th 1898 It is ordered by the Court that Dr. J. S. Black, J. S. Miller and J. P. Matthews be allowed the sum of \$25<sup>00</sup> for making Autopsy on body of unknown negro and that draft issue to them for same on the General County fund -
- dated In the Matter of the account of Dr. J. H. Black for \$2<sup>00</sup> August 9th 1898 It is ordered by the Court that Dr. J. S. Black be allowed the sum of \$0<sup>00</sup> for visit and prescription to unknown negro and that draft issue to him for same on the General County fund -
- dated In the Matter of the account of L. M. Lusk & J. Q. for \$10<sup>00</sup> August 9th 1898 It is ordered by the Court that L. M. Lusk Justice of the Peace be allowed the sum of \$10<sup>00</sup> for holding two negroes over the dead body of King Crowder and an unknown negro and that draft issue to him on the General County for same -
- dated In the Matter of the account of Randy Henry for \$1<sup>75</sup> August 9th 1898 It is ordered by the Court that Randy Henry be allowed the sum of \$1<sup>75</sup> for hauling said negro to M. L. Con office and from said office to grave yard and for one quick and short for said negro - And that draft issue to him for same on the General County fund -

Issued In the Matter of the account of August 9<sup>th</sup> 1898  
of Drew Williams, Tony Cobb & George Dobson for \$9<sup>00</sup> It is ordered by the  
Court that Drew Williams, Tony Cobb & George Dobson  
be allowed the sum of \$6<sup>00</sup> on their \$9<sup>00</sup> ac-  
count, for washing, dressing, and burial of  
Negro killed N.E. of Mt. Pleasant and that  
Draft issue to them for said sum of \$6<sup>00</sup>

Issued In the Matter of the account of August 9<sup>th</sup> 1898  
of W. A. Ragland for \$34<sup>90</sup> It is ordered by  
the Court that  
W. A. Ragland  
be allowed the sum of \$34<sup>90</sup> for Stationery  
etc, for Titus County, Texas and that Draft  
issue to him for said sum on the General  
County Fund

Issued In the Matter of the account of August 9<sup>th</sup> 1898  
of Lewis Kelly & Tom Petty It is ordered by  
the Court that  
Lewis Kelly & Petty  
Tom Petty be allowed the sum of \$2<sup>00</sup>  
for digging grave for Frances Williamson  
and that draft issue on the General  
County Fund for said sum.

Issued In the Matter of the account of July 9<sup>th</sup> 1898  
of J. B. Stafford Sheriff of Camp County Texas for \$84<sup>40</sup> It is ordered  
by the Court that J. B. Stafford  
Sheriff of Camp County Texas be allowed  
the sum of \$84<sup>40</sup> for board of 2 of Titus County  
prisoners confined in Camp County jail  
and that draft issue on the General  
County Fund for said sum.

- dated In the matter of the account of August 9th 1898  
Mess Willson Bros for \$2<sup>00</sup> It is ordered by  
the Court that Mess  
Willson Bros be allowed the sum of \$2<sup>00</sup> for  
nails, buckets &c and that draft issue thereon  
for same upon the General County fund -
- dated In the matter of the account of August 9th 1898  
of J. H. McElrath for \$7<sup>00</sup> It is ordered by  
the Court that J. H.  
McElrath be allowed the sum of \$7<sup>00</sup>  
for repairing bridge on Jackie Creek and  
that draft issue on the Road and Bridge  
fund for said sum -
- dated In the matter of the account of August 9th 1898  
of Mr. F. Jones for \$3<sup>00</sup> It is ordered  
by the Court that  
Mr. F. Jones be allowed the sum of \$3<sup>00</sup>  
for two days time in conveying Mr. Jones  
a lunatic to the Lunatic Asylum and  
that draft issue to him for said sum on  
the General County fund
- dated In the matter of the account of August 9th 1898  
of Mess A. D. Aldridge & Co. It is ordered  
for \$2<sup>00</sup> by the Court that  
Mess. A. D. Aldridge  
& Co - be allowed the sum of \$2<sup>00</sup> for one  
assessor Guide Book and that draft issue  
to him on the General County fund -
- dated In the matter of the account of August 9th 1898  
of Dr. P. M. Ladd Jr. for \$25<sup>00</sup> It is ordered  
by the Court that  
Dr. P. M. Ladd Jr be allowed on his \$25<sup>00</sup>  
account the sum of \$20<sup>00</sup> for services  
in Convict bond suits and that draft  
issue to him for said sum on the Gen-  
eral County fund -

I send to the matter of the account of W.C. McLean Jr. for \$15<sup>75</sup> August 9<sup>th</sup> 1898 It is ordered by the Court that W.C. McLean Jr. be allowed the sum of \$15<sup>75</sup> for services and board bill while attending to bonds at Austin Texas and that draft issue taken on the General County fund for same -

I send to the matter of the account of A.R. Smart for \$2<sup>00</sup> August 9<sup>th</sup> 1898 It is ordered by the Court that A.R. Smart be allowed the sum of \$2<sup>00</sup> for back him in conveying C.W. Richards a palper to J.B. Montgomery and that draft issue taken on the General County fund for same -

I send to the matter of the account of H.S. Williams County Clerk for \$26<sup>50</sup> August 9<sup>th</sup> 1898 It is ordered by the Court that H.S. Williams County Clerk be allowed the sum of \$26<sup>50</sup> for making report keeping Finances Ledger and 2 Lunacy Cases and that draft issue on the General County fund for same -

It is ordered that Court adjourn until to morrow morning at 9 o'clock -

Wednesday August 10<sup>th</sup> 1898 -  
Presiding and present as on yester day except E.J. Brown -

In the Matter of the account of G.W. Dickson Sheriff for \$2<sup>00</sup> August 20<sup>th</sup> 1898 It is ordered by the Court that G.W. Dickson Sheriff be

allowed the sum of \$2<sup>00</sup> for waiting on the County Court one day at the daily Term 1898 and that draft issue on the General County fund for said sum -

In the matter of the 3 August 10<sup>th</sup> 1898.  
 Tax Rolls for year 1898 3 It appearing to the Court  
 that the Tax Rolls for the  
 years 1897. Presented by V. Evans Tax Assessor  
 of Titus County, Texas have been completed  
 and have been found to be correct by the  
 Court. It is therefore ordered by the Court  
 that said Rolls be and the same are hereby  
 approved -

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In the matter of paying 3 August 10<sup>th</sup> 1898  
 V. Evans Tax Assessor 3 It is ordered by the  
 Court that V. Evans  
 for Assessing taxes for 3 Court that V. Evans  
 years 1898 3 Tax Assessor of Titus  
 County, Texas be allowed  
 the sum of \$247<sup>58</sup> for assessing the County  
 Taxes of Titus County, Texas for the year 1898  
 the same being one third ( $\frac{1}{3}$ ) of the state tax -  
 Total Tax being \$1,485.00  $\frac{1}{3} = \$4742.75 \cdot 75 = \$247.58$   
 and that draft issue to him for said sum  
 of \$247<sup>58</sup> on the General County Fund same  
 to be paid out of the first money collected  
 for taxes for the year 1898. & to further  
 ordered by the Court that said Assessor  
 be paid the sum of \$219 for assessing taxes  
 in School districts Nos. 1, 2 & 3 for year 1898  
 said sum, to be paid out of Taxes for  
 said districts Nos. 1, 2 & 3 collected for year  
 1898. and that Clerk issue draft for said  
 amount.

In the matter of the taxes 3 August 10<sup>th</sup> 1898  
 on the Agro Moss 320 acres 3 It is ordered by the  
 Surveyor in Titus Co. Texas 3 Court that the or-  
 der made at the  
 Febry term of this on page 211. Concerning  
 the taxes on the Agro Moss 320 acres be  
 Surveyed up to year 1898 - be and the same  
 is hereby worked - and declared void

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In the Matter of the  
Delinquent Taxes and Lands  
to the State and the  
delinquent taxes on lands  
from January 1<sup>st</sup> 1885 —

August 1, 1885

The Tax Collector  
of Titus County

Texas, acting under

and by virtue of

an order of the Court

Made at a previous meeting, has in his possession a list of all lands, lots, and parts of lots sold to the State for taxes and reported delinquent since the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January 1885 —  
and which have not been reduced as provided for in Chapter 103 section 3, of the General Laws of the State of Texas passed at the regular session of the 25<sup>th</sup> Legislature  
the same having been received by the County Clerk of Titus County and the County Clerk having certified the same to this Court  
for examination and correction the same has  
Corroborated the Court orders that the same be recorded as the law directs in Chapter 103 section 4. And upon completion of said Delinquent Tax Record above ordered. It is ordered that the County Clerk furnish the Delinquent of this County to T. B. R. England Editor of the Titus County Enterprise the said Newspaper being and is now published at Mexia in Titus County, Texas and that he publish the same in said Newspaper for three (3) consecutive weeks —  
It is further ordered by the Court that T. B. Rogers County Judge of said Titus County is hereby authorized to act for this Court in this matter in carrying out the suits and other matters that may hereafter come up concerning Delinquent taxes and lands sold for taxes as provided for in Chapter 103 of the General Laws of the State of Texas passed by the regular session of the 25<sup>th</sup> Legislature —

Issued In the Matter of the Ordinance August 10<sup>th</sup> 1898  
of Court of Sheriff It is ordered by the  
Court that P. B. Rogers  
County Judge, W. J. Beafield, J. A. Harper  
and J. H. Ball Commissioners be allowed the  
sum of \$9<sup>00</sup> each and that E. F. Brown Commissioner  
be allowed \$6<sup>00</sup> for holding Court at this  
town and that G. H. Dickson be allowed \$6<sup>00</sup>  
for waiting on the Court and that drafts issue  
on the General County Fund —

The business before the Court having been  
disposed of and the ongoing Committee made  
and approved. It is ordered that Court  
adjourn until next regular term  
D. H. Williams P. B. Rogers  
County Clerk County Judge