

Be it remembered that on this the ninth day of February A.D. 1903. there was begun and holden a regular term of the honorable Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas at the Court house thereof in the town of McPleasant Texas. Present and presiding The Hon. P.H. Rogers County Judge of Titus County Texas. Mes J. Hays, H. M. Scott, W. M. King, and J. S. Sauterburg, County Commissioners in and for said County and in attendance Sam Porter Sheriff and Ontabbe County Clerk. whereupon the following proceedings were had to-wit:

In the matter of Petition of L.C. Branch et al for a Public Highway February 9, 1903

This day came on to be examined the petition of L.C. Branch and others for a public highway, and it appearing to the court that said petition is in due form and properly verified by affidavits of 10 of the freeholders of Titus County, on January 28, 1903. It is therefore ordered by the Court that said petition be and the same is hereby granted and the road as described in said petition is hereby declared a public highway as follows to-wit: Beginning at a point on the McPleasant & Clarksville public road about 6 1/2 miles North from McPleasant Texas. Thence West, on the land line between Thos. M. Peters and E. Spencer, same being Original Survey, now owned by L.C. Branch & W. A. Barley, a distance of 300 yds. to the land line between L.C. Branch and Luther Allen. Thence due West on said line about 200 yards.

It is further ordered that said road be opened up by the owners of the land for a space of 15 feet on each side of said line and left open for the several public.

Flaminio Walter

In the matter of the 3 February 9. 1903
 Act of J. M. Tammion 3 This day it is ordered
 by the Court that
 Tammion Bros. he and they are hereby allowed
 one and 50c Dollars to cover account filed
 herein and Clerk will issue warrant on
 Road Bridge fund to cover same

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In the matter of the report of 3 February 9. 1903
 R. B. Lewellen et al. Jury of View 3 This day came out to
 be heard the report of
 R. B. Lewellen, W. J. White, A. E. Barrett, J. B. Hearne and
 J. B. Roberts, a Jury of View appointed by this Court
 as the November Term of this Court to lay out
 the road herein ^{and give in permission to the jury of view.} described. And it
 appearing to the Court that said Jury of View
 has complied with the law in giving the
 notices and assessing the damages, and
 taking the oath; and that said report
 is in due form. It is therefore ordered
 by the Court that said report be and
 the same is in all things approved and
 ordered recorded upon the minutes of
 this Court. And it further appearing
 to the Court that said Jury of View has
 assessed the damages as required by law
 and that all the freeholders affected by
 said road have waived damages except
 H. T. Kirkcrist and they assess his damages
 at Fifty Dollars. It is therefore ordered
 by the Court that all the freeholders
 affected by said road, take nothing
 by this action, except H. T. Kirkcrist,
 and that he the said H. T. Kirkcrist have
 and recover of and from this County
 the said sum of Fifty Dollars as
 assessed by said Jury of View. And
 said amount is hereby set aside out
 of the Road and Bridge fund of said County
 to the credit of said H. T. Kirkcrist. And the
 Clerk will issue warrant to cover same

In the Matter of the report of E. J. Kelly, 9. 9. 1903
 At St. Louis, Mo., on July 9th 1903 He heard further the

report of Ad. Sweeney 11-11-03; a July 9th view of printer
 at the Workman team of this case, and is
 appearing to the court after due consideration of
 said report that the road as described in
 said report is of sufficient public importance
 to authorize the opening thereof, and the
 appointment of an engineer and the appor-
 tionment of funds. It is therefore ordered by
 the court that the following streets
 knowns be and they are hereby declared
 a public road of the second class.

to-wit: Beginning 400 yards beyond the bridge
 on Bankers by West from Workman as a
 point where the neighborhood road here
 the Workman and Mortons road there
 up by the residence of G. F. Kirkcrist, and
 on up to the corner of a 25 acre tract now
 owned by G. F. Kirkcrist a distance of 223 ft
 thence on West with the land line
 between A. F. Kirkcrist and A. H. Swetten-
 ham the residence of Ad. Sweeney and on to
 the land line of Ad. Roberts and on thence
 the land of Ad. Roberts past his residence
 to the land line of W. W. and John Roberts
 thence north to Wilsons corner thence
 West on the land line of said Roberts,
 and John Sweeney to the land of W. J. White.

Thence on West to a tenement thence N
 of the said White, thence north East to the
 land line of John Sweeney and Sam Bennett thence
 on to the corner of John Sweeney and on down
 the land line of Geo. Rappaman and Sam
 Bennett crossing the St Louis R.R. as a
 new crossing, and on West to, and thence
 packing at Sweenys academy.

It is further ordered by the court that E. J.
 Kelly be and he is hereby appointed appraiser
 whereas of said road to some extent; the following
 term 1904 of said court said he is hereby com-
 mitted, with the maps bearing most authentic

to open up said road for a space of 20 feet on each side of the lines therein mentioned and clear out the right of way as required by law. It is further ordered that he have the following named hands to work said road to-wit: Jesse Barrett, Dave Roper, Jesse Roberts, Silas Roberts, Albert Roberts, J. Hobbs, J. W. Dubose, John Heame and Bud Roper with authority to summon any and all other persons not designated herein and known to him to be liable to work on the public roads in said precinct. It is further ordered that this road shall be road precinct No. 81.

to

WMPleasant Texas, January 14, 1903
To the Honorable Commissioners Court of Titus
Titus County Texas.

We the undersigned a jury of view appointed at the November Term of your Honorable Court to lay out a road in pursuance with the Commission issued herein, after taking the oath prescribed by law did lay out said road and beg beg leave to make the following report:

We have laid out the said road as follows: Beginning 400 yards beyond the bridge on Tanderley creek from WMPleasant at the point where the neighborhood road leaves the WMPleasant and Monticello road thence up by the residence of T. F. Kirknick and on up to the corner of a 25 acre tract now owned by A. F. Kirknick a distance of 722 yards thence on west with the land lines between A. F. Kirknick and R. B. Lewellen past the residence of R. B. Lewellen and on to the land line of J. B. Roberts and on through the land of J. B. Roberts past his residence to the land line of W. W. & John Dubose. Thence North to Dubose's corner thence West on the land line of the said Dubose and John Heame to the land of W. White

Thence on West to a tenants house of the said White. Then North East to the land lines of John Hearne and Tom Barrett, then on East to the corner of John Hearne's and on down the land line of Ad Redfeam and Tom Barrett crossing the St Louis av. Ry as a new crossing and on North to, and terminating at Farmers Academy.

We also beg leave to report that we notified the owners of the land affected by this road and all save one have waived any damages incident to the opening thereof the said waiver is in writing and attached hereto. As to the other Mr. H.F. Kirknick after giving him five day notice written notice, that the damages incident to said road would be assessed on the 13th day of January, 1903. We met and assessed his damages at \$50⁰⁰. At the same time the said H.F. Kirknick also appeared and filed a written statement which we also hereto attach, asking for \$100⁰⁰ damages. This item being the only one incident to the opening up of said road. We therefore recommend that this honorable Court allow the said H.F. Kirknick the said sum of \$50⁰⁰ that it be set apart to him by special order, that the said road be ordered opened up, that an overseer be appointed over the same, and that hands be appointed to work the said road.

Jury of View.

- R. B. Lewellen
- M. J. White.
- A. E. Barrett
- J. B. Hearne
- J. B. Roberts.

Messrs. R. B. Lewellen J. B. Roberts, John Hearne Tom Barrett and J. White; Jury of View: pursuant to your request I herewith hand you bill of costs and damages to my property by proposed road being located through parcel. 1 3/4 acres of land to be condemned \$75⁰⁰
Damages to property 75⁰⁰
Respectfully submitted Jan'y. 15. 1903. H.F. Kirknick. 150⁰⁰

Whereas at the November Term of the Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas, an order was passed opening up a public road of the second class beginning at the point where the neighborhood road leaves the Mt Pleasant and Monticello road 400 yards West of the bridge on Tankersley creek and running thence to and terminating at Farmers Academy and touching the land belonging to the following named persons: H.T. Kercheval, R.B. Lewellen, J.B. Roberts, W.H. Dubose, John Dubon, John Hearne, W.J. White, Lou Barrett, and Ad Redfearn; Now therefore we, the undersigned believing that the said road is to the interest and best service of the said community, we waive any notice and agree that the said road may be opened up by and through our said land, without any cost to the said County and we hereby waive any damage incident to the opening up of the said road.

Witness our hands this day, 7th 1913.
 C.E. Barrett } W.H. Dubose
 S.A. Redfearn } J.W. Dubose
 W.J. White } R.B. Lewellen
 J.B. Roberts } J.B. Hearne

Endorsed.
 Report of Jury of View.
 R.B. Lewellen, J.B. Roberts, W.J. White, Lou Barrett, J. Hearne

Filed Feb. 2, 1913
 Ouitabh Co. Clerk
 Titus County Texas

In the matter of Petition of February, 9, 1903
 W. J. Hamilton et al for this day came on
 a Public Road. to be heard the
petition of W. J. Hamilton
 and 19 other for a public Road. And it appearing
 to the Court that said petition is in due
 form of law, and that there is a public neces-
 sity for said road. It is therefore ordered
 by the Court, A. H. Holmes, W. J. Hamilton
 W. C. Killipworth, A. J. Barrett and W. S. Swope
 be and they are hereby appointed, a Jury
 of seven a majority of whom may after taking
 the prescribed oath, proceed to assess
 damages if any are claimed and without
 the County Surveyor lay out survey, and
 describe such road to the greatest advan-
 tage to the public so that the same can be
 traced with a certainty, and the description
 of which, with the damages assessed
 if any, shall be included in report of
 the Jury, and if adopted shall be recorded
 in the minutes of this Court. It is further
 ordered that they the said Jury, make a report
 in this cause at the next regular term
 of this Court. Said road is described as
 follows to-wit: Beginning at the
 Winfield School house. Thence North with
 the Calvin Reed survey, to his N. W. Corner.
 Thence East with said survey, to the four
 Cody West line Thence North with said
 Cody West line Thence East with Cody
 North line. Thence to W. J. Hamiltons survey
 to his S. E. Corner Thence N. E. Crossing the
 Calvin Barrett survey. Thence due North
 to and through the De Luna land to
 the North pipe bridge Road

In the Matter of Petition of
J.M. Arnold & 22 others for
Public Road.

February, 10, 1903
This day came on to
be heard the petition
of J.M. Arnold and 22

others for an extension of the Snow Hill public
road. Beginning at the termination of
said road where it intersects the old Clarksville
Road Thence West on the land lines of
Mr. Cobe same being his N.B. line, and
C.C. Blacks S.B. line, to G.H. Huggards East
line Thence North on Huggards E.B. line
and A.W. Slaughter N.B. line Thence West
on Huggards East B. and Mrs. Sumner's
S.B. lines to the S.W. corner of Stacy Newman
farm. Thence South to Dr. Johnson's residence
Thence West to Stacy Newman's E.B. line.
Thence North about 200 yards to the Salmon
S.B. line Thence West with Mrs. M. Williams
S.B. line, and W.B. Gussom N.B. line to the
New Clarksville road, south of N.V. Musson's
residence, length being about 2 1/2 miles.

And it appearing to the court that notice of said
application has been given as required by law.

It is therefore ordered by the court that
J.M. Arnold, Dr. Johnson, Stacy Newman, Lou
Hall and Claud Salmon, five freeholders
of said County, be and are hereby appointed
a jury of view, a majority of whom may, after
taking the prescribed oath proceed, to assess
damages if any are claimed and without the
County Surveyor, layout, survey and describe
such road to the greater advantage to the
public so that the same can be traced with
certainty and the field notes of such survey
and description of the road together with a statement
of the damages assessed if any, shall be included
in the report of the jury, and if adopted shall be
recorded in the Minutes of the Commission Court
It is further ordered that the jury make a
report in this cause at the next regular
term of this Court.

In the Matter of the Petition of
H.T. Rhea and 18 others for
Public Highway

February 11th 1903.
This day came on to
be heard the petition
of H.T. Rhea and 18 others

for a public highway: Beginning at the S.W.
corner of a tract of land now owned and
occupied by H.T. Rhea thence West with the
N.E. line of J.W. Vancey and the S.E. line of John
Senny continuing West with the N.E. line
of W.W. Mooten and the S.E. line of R.P. Wilks
and N.E. line of E.R. Nelson thence North
with the E.D. line of Ross Kirby and N.E. line
of R.P. Wilks thence West with the N.E. line
of R. J.C. Kirby and the S.E. line of H. Rhea
continuing West with the N.E. lines of
J.C. Kirby Mrs. S.F. Green T.L. Bennett, Albert
Tabb Jas. A. Tabb and the S.E. line of H. Rhea
and H.T. Rhea to the S.W. corner of said
H.T. Rhea tract of land (known as the
Hill land), in the E.D. line of Jas. A. Tabb's
home place.

And it appearing to the Court that all the free-
holders affected by said proposed road have
signed the petition and waived citation
service and notice, and jury of view and
damages and agree that said road may
be opened up without further procedure
or cost to Titus County, and that they
will open up same at their own expense
It is therefore ordered by the Court that
said petition be granted and that the
above described bounds be and they
are hereby declared a public highway
and the freeholders affected thereby
shall open the same for a space of
15 feet on each side of said line and
keep open for the public.

In the Matter of Petition of J. W. Vaughn & 14 others for Change in Road. February, 11th 1903

This day came on to be heard the Application of J. W. Vaughn and 14 others for a change in the Mt Pleasant & Tellis Bridge road as follows: Beginning at the S.E. Corner of a field owned by Mrs. May Barrin Thence West with the land line of the said Barrin and Mr. Vanhook to said Vanhook's N.W. Corner Thence South with Vanhook's, and Mrs. Puss Smith to the old road. And it appearing to the Court that said change will put the road on better ground and not materially lengthen the distance it is therefore ordered by the Court that said petition be and the same is hereby granted and said change is authorized.

In the Matter of Petition of Wm Long & 8 others for Change in Road Pre. No. 57. Feb. 11, 1903

This day came on to be heard the petition of Wm Long and 8 others for change in Road Pre. No. 57, as follows. Beginning at W Long's N.B. line South 45 yards of said line Thence East 150 yards on line between said Long and W. Barford. And it appearing to the Court that said change is necessary and will put the road on as good ground. It is therefore ordered by the Court that said change be and the same is hereby authorized.

In the Matter of Petition of A Smelser et al for Change in Clarksville Road Feb. 11th 1903

This day came on to be heard the petition of A Smelser and 14 others for change in Clarksville and Jefferson Road as follows: Beginning on the line between Smelters and Clay Parkhouse

Near A. Smelton residence Thence south to the S.W. Corner of a Smelton land Thence East on the line between A. Smelton and E. G. Parkman to the old road.

And it appearing to the Court that said Change is necessary.

It is therefore ordered by the Court that said change be and the same is hereby authorized and directed to be made.

In the Matter of Petition of T. W. Roney et al for a Bridge on Hart's Creek } Feb. 11th 1903
and others for a new Bridge on Hart's Creek } This day came on an
an Clarksville Road. And it being made } petition of T. W. Roney
to appear to the satisfaction of the } and others for a new Bridge on Hart's
Court that there is a great public } an Clarksville Road. And it being made
Necessity for said Bridge. It is therefore } to appear to the satisfaction of the
ordered by the Court that said } Court that there is a great public
petition be and the same is hereby } Necessity for said Bridge. It is therefore
granted and a bridge is hereby } ordered by the Court that said
ordered to be built on said road in } petition be and the same is hereby
accordance with said petition. } granted and a bridge is hereby
ordered to be built on said road in
accordance with said petition.

In the Matter of the Various } February 10, 1903
Accounts against Titus County } This day came
an to be examined } the accounts of various parties against
the accounts of various parties } Titus County, and after examining same
against Titus County, and after } the Court is of the opinion that the
examining same the Court is of } following named accounts are
the opinion that the following } correct. to-wit:

125	To Titus County To J. D. Dualling, 4 th Q. D. M. Term 20 th	
126	To J. B. Fry, 20 th R. B. Cargile 2 nd + W. H. Crawford 20 th for	
127	holding stock Leds Election at Groveton.	\$12.00
128	To M. M. Luskans Elected To P. Co. For Jail Lights	6.00
129	To J. W. Bacht & Co. Md. Ct.	70.00
130	To M. J. Wallace Dr. To Md. Ct.	4.00
131	To W. B. Blythe Dr To Reclaiming Jail	37.65
132	To Wallace Blythe Dr To Brick Work on Jail	6.50

129	✓ Titus Co. To Rob Smith Dr To Markon Road	2.50	✓
130	✓ To SA Redman To Lumber for Road Redwood To	3.00	✓
131	✓ " A.H. Evans To Road Work	1.50	✓
132	✓ " R.H. Fuller To Lumber For Road & Bridge	3.00	✓
133	✓ " H.W. Cheney To Coffins etc	13.60	✓
134	✓ " L.E. Keeny To Atty fee in Local Ophan Center	25.00	✓
135	✓ " W.D. Sanders To Burying Gladden & Horse	5.00	✓
136	✓ " C.H. Dietrich To Keeping City Clock (quarters)	6.00	✓
137	✓ " B.T. McLeod, J.M. Duke Ad. Sweet. Gladden Stock Commute	8.00	✓
138	✓ " Tolark Courts To Stationary Bk Books etc	90.00	✓
139	✓ " A.D. Aldridge To assessors Guide Book	4.50	✓
140	✓ " J.S. Cooper To Wood for Court house	22.50	✓
141	✓ " J.W. Ellis To Holding 2 Inquests	10.00	✓
142	✓ " Geo W. Justice To Cleaning Pub. Closets & Tans	5.00	✓
143	✓ " B.T. McLeod R.B. White - Ad. Sweet. 45 Stock Com.	8.00	✓
144	✓ " A.B. White To Rebate on Tax papers	2.40	✓
145	✓ " D. Warner To Mdee, Nails R.T.B.	10.00	✓
146	✓ " Ad Smith To Medical Aid for Pauper	5.00	✓
151	✓ " H.M. Roberts To Stationary etc for Co. Offices	60.00	✓
152	✓ " W.H. Byrke M.D. To Medical Aid to Jail Conduct	19.00	✓
154	✓ " P.H. Rogers To Disposing of Crim. Cases etc	47.50	✓
155	✓ " Sam Porter Shy To Jail Board Acct. & Court Session	329.60	✓
156	✓ " J.P. Bass To Rebate on Taxes	3.00	✓
157	✓ " W.M. King To Road Work	18.00	✓
158	✓ " J. Smith To Notary fee on Mrs. Report	1.50	✓
162	✓ " Perkins & Sillard To Sheriff acct etc for Pauper	3.00	✓
163	✓ " W.J. Delapfield To Pulling Tooth for County Com.	.50	✓
164	✓ " Whippoorwill Lumber Co To Lumber for R.T.B.	35.27	✓
165	✓ " G.F. Hays To Road Work	32.00	✓
166	✓ " J.S. Sauterland To Road Work	16.00	✓
167	✓ " Willson Bros. To Account for Mdee R.T.B.	15.31	✓
168	✓ " M.M. Scott To Road Work	30.00	✓
169	✓ " B.T. McLeod Ad. Sweet Sam Porter Gladden Stock Com	11.00	✓
170	✓ " Oustabb To Keeping Ledger Stamp acct etc	40.80	✓

and it is therefore ordered by the Court
 that they be and are hereby allowed and
 warrants will issue on the several
 funds of the County to which they belong
 to come same.

Petition of J.C. Gregory and 17 others for Change in Road Sec 2404 Feb. 10 - 1903
This day came on to be heard
 the petition of J.C. Gregory and 17 other freeholders of Teton County asking that the following change be made in Hopewell public road beginning at foot of hill on west side of Smiths creek and running S.E. into the quitman road a distance of about 100 yards. And it appearing to the Court that said change is necessary and will place the road on better ground and shorten the distance, it is therefore ordered by the Court that said change be and the same is hereby authorized and directed to be made.

Petition of J.T. Anderson and others for Change in Mt. Ellis Road Feb. 10, 1903
This day came on to be heard
 and examined the petition of J.T. Anderson and 20 others for a change in the Mt. Pleasant and Ellis Bridge road as follows:
 Beginning at Coopers Chapple Thence West with Wm. Kimberlins and J.T. Andersons land lines to the S.E. corner of H.B. Erwins land thence South West to the Crags and Coopers Chapple road thence with said road to the E.H. line of H.A. Burkheads land thence thence south to the original Mt. Pleasant and Ellis bridge road.
 And it appearing to the Court that said change will place the road on better ground and will not materially increase the distance and that there is no objection to said change. It is therefore ordered by the Court that said change be and the same is hereby authorized and ordered to be made.

Petition of Will Rogers et al
for change in the
McMurray Ellis Bridge Road

July 11-1903
This day came
on to be heard
the petition of

Will Rogers and 14 others in the McMurray
and Ellis Bridge road. Beginning where
said road intersects the N. B. line of
W. H. Rogers. Thence West with said land
line to W. H. Rogers residence. Thence
south to the old road. And it
appearing to the Court that said change
will put the road on better ground
It is therefore ordered by the Court
that said change be and the same
is hereby authorized and ordered to
be made.

In the Matter of the Petition
of W. C. Pitland et al for
Change in Cookville Town Road

July 11-1903
This day came
on to be heard
the petition of

W. C. Pitland and others for a change in
the Cookville and Cadan Road as follows
Beginning where it intersects the old
Linden Road Thence south with
R. C. Gilpin and J. J. Godsey land lines
Thence east with R. C. Gilpin & J. Justice
land lines Thence south with R. C. Gilpin
Tom Alms & J. A. Justice land lines Thence
east with R. C. Gilpin Tom Alms & Jane
Hamilton and Earnest Traylor's land lines
intersecting said road at the corner of
Earnest Traylor & Joe Hamilton's land
And it appearing to the Court that
said change will put the road on
good ground and that there is no
objection to said change
It is therefore ordered by the Court
that said change be and the same
is hereby authorized and ordered to
be made.

In the Matter of Petition of J. T. Hay for change in New Clarksville Road
 July 11-1903
 This day came on to be heard the petition of J. T. Hay for a change in the New Clarksville and Mottlow Road as follows:
 Beginning about 150 yards north of the eleven mile post and ending about 400 yards north of the place of beginning. And it appearing to the court that said change will shorten the distance it is therefore ordered by the court that said change be and the same is hereby authorized and ordered to be made.

In the Matter of levying Taxes for year 1903
 July 11th 1903
 This day all the members of the court being present in open court when came on to be considered the matter of Taxation and it appearing to the court that the reduction of 50% on the taxation of year 1902. Created a deficit in the Treasury. It is therefore considered and ordered by the court. That the following tax be levied and collected for year A.D. 1903 on all property subject to an ad valorem tax in Tarrant County, Texas except that which is exempted under the Constitution and laws of Texas.
 To-wit:

For General County purposes there shall be levied and collected twenty five (25) cents on the one hundred dollar worth of property;
 For Court house and jail purposes there shall be levied and collected twelve (12) cents on the one hundred dollar worth of property, and to create a sinking fund to pay of Court house bonds and the interest thereon there shall

be levied and collected Thirteen (13) cents on the One hundred dollars worth of property.

For Road and Bridge purposes there shall be levied and collected Eleven (11) cents on the One hundred dollars worth of property; and to create a sinking fund to pay off the Road and Bridge bonds and the interest thereon, there shall be levied and collected Four (4) cents on the One hundred dollars worth of property.

There shall be levied and collected an occupation tax of One half the state occupation tax, on all occupations subject to occupation tax under the laws of Texas, and a poll tax of twenty five cents per capita on all persons subject to pay poll tax under the laws of Texas.

There shall be levied and collected in School District No. one, Twenty cents on the One hundred dollars worth of property.

There shall be levied and collected in School District No. 2, Fifteen cents on the One hundred dollars worth of property.

There shall be levied and collected in School District No. Three, Twenty cents on the One hundred dollars worth of property.

There shall be levied and collected in School District No. Six, Twenty cents on the One hundred dollars worth of property.

There shall be levied and collected in School District No. Seven, Twenty cents on the One hundred dollars worth of property.

There shall be levied and collected in School District No. 8, Twenty cents on the one hundred dollars worth of property.

There shall be levied and collected in School District No. Thirty Three, Twenty cents on the one hundred dollars worth of property.

In the Matter of ~~the~~ February 11th 1903
 Election Managers This day came on
 for year 1903 to be considered the
 appointment of Election
 Managers for the different voting places
 or precincts in this county. And it
 appearing to the Court that the following
 named persons are qualified It is
 therefore ordered by the Court that they
 be and are hereby appointed election
 managers for their respective precincts
 as follows to-wit:

- For Precinct No. One. Mt Pleasant. S. H. Roper Manager
- For Precinct No. Two. Gladewater. R. S. Parsons Manager
- For Precinct No. 3. Marshall Spring. J. H. Hood Manager
- For Precinct No. 4. Mountzelle. J. H. Hays Manager
- For Precinct No. 5. Maple Spring. W. M. Hasting Manager
- For Precinct No. 6. Cookville. S. T. Johnson Manager
- For Precinct No. 7. Hickory Hill. L. H. Old. Manager
- For Precinct No. 8. Mt Pleasant. W. W. Cheney Manager
- For Precinct No. 9. Goodrich. J. D. Swalling Manager
- For Precinct No. 10. Cooper Chappel. Ed Smith Manager.

Said persons to serve until the
 first regular Meeting of this Court in 1904.

In the Matter of School 3 Febry. 11th 1903
 Election Managers This day It
 for year 1903. is ordered by the
 Court that the

following named persons be and they
 are hereby appointed election Managers
 for their respective school Districts as
 follows to-wit:

- Collectors No. 1 { C. A. Brown
 Wesley Kelley
 N. B. Davis
- Maple Springs School Dist No. 2 { T. J. Drew
 F. B. Black
 M. C. Hasting
- Stonewall School Dist No. 3 { T. H. Black
 W. V. Mason
 Will Fleming
- Liberty School Dist No. 4 { F. B. Black, J. B. Bass, & Sam Miller

Pleasant Hill School Dist. No. 5. Albert King,
 George Blackburn and W.A. Chapman.
 Farmers Academy School Dist No. 6. R.D. Jewell
 Al Evans, and John Hearne.
 Monticello School Dist No. 7. T.B. Scott, F. Ward
 and John Burnett.
 Jones Chapple School Dist No. 8. R.T. Murphy,
 Bill Kemp, and J.W. Hicks.
 Union Hill School Dist No. 9. H.S. Taylor
 W.H. Justice, and E.M. Russell.
 Oak Grove School Dist. No. 10. J.M. Covey, Ruben
 Huckeba, and Jim Porter.
 Gladewater School Dist. No. 11. R.S. Parsons
 O.B. Franklin and R. Harrison
 Union School Dist No. 12. George Mill Miller
 J.R. Stephens, and J.A. Hayden
 Yancy School Dist No. 13. S.H. Price
 R. Smelser & Will Gilpin
 Chapple Hill School Dist No. 14. Amos Cook
 Harvey Wooten, & J.B. Roach.
 Cookville School Dist No. 15. E.V. Broadstreet
 J.H. Ford & W.W. Burford.
 Oberland School Dist No. 16. W.M. Harvey,
 J.R. Wallis & Will Kimberlain
 Ripley School Dist. No. 17. O.J. Oliver,
 J.H. Maples, D.J. Summerton.
 Marshall Spruce School Dist No. 18. J.A. Harper
 Alfred Thomas, & Hughes Brown.
 Panther Chapple School Dist. No. 19. Geo Panther
 C.H. Chittan, and J.E. Adams.
 Hickory Hill School Dist. No. 20. J.F. Coley,
 W.G. Davis and Henry Ricks.
 Mount Sylvia School Dist No. 21. F. Roney
 Mir Reid, and Joe Powell.
 Liberty Hill School Dist No. 22. Joseph Duncan
 T.J. How, and Jasper Johnson.
 Center Point School Dist No. 23. H.T. Rhea
 W.M. Parker and W.J. Landrum.
 Green Hill School Dist No. 24. A.M. Slaughter
 L.O. Wallace & L.C. Branch.
 Cypress School Dist. No. 25. Jeff Barber,
 J.H. Stephens, & Lee French.
 Spring Hill School Dist. No. 26. Ed Russell J.M.
 W.C. Chintock & Cary Smith

County Line School Dist No. 27. John Lee
Edgar Lawrence, and Jim Gandy.

Hickory Ridge School Dist No. 28. B. L. Tignor,
Temp Smith and Reuss Smith.

Lone Star School Dist No. 29. Lee Reeves
J. B. Brown, and W. W. Myers.

Neville Chapple School Dist No. 30 W. Allen
E. H. Gregory, J. H. Leombs.

White Oak Spring School Dist No. 31. J. C. Young,
R. J. Barber and, G. D. Scoggins.

Foresters School Dist No. 32 A. W. Priddy
J. H. Aubrey and John Colley.

New Hope School Dist No. 33. L. H. Amestrong
John Dillard and Chas Killigworth

Benton School Dist No. 34. W. B. Buntan
Tom Rountree and Marion Rogers.

It is ordered that said named persons
serve as election managers for the
respective School Districts set before
their names until the first regular
meeting of this Court in year 1904.

In the Matter of fixing
the time for holding the
several Justice Courts in
Titus County for year 1903.

Feb. 12, 1903
This day
Came on to
be considered
the time for

holding the several Justice Courts in
Titus County. And it appearing to the
Court that the times heretofore fixed
do not conflict, It is therefore ordered
by the Court that the Justice Courts
in and throughout the County shall
be held on the following dates at
the respective precincts to-wit:

At Precinct No. 1. Mt Pleasant, on last
Monday in each Month.

At Precinct No 2. Marshall Springs, on Fourth
Saturday in each Month.

Precinct No 3. At Golobors, on Second
Saturday in each Month.

At Precinct No 4. At Cokerille on first Monday
in each month.

At Hickory Hill Precinct No. 5. on first
Saturday in each month.
At Precinct No. 6. Monticello on the third
Saturday in each month.

In matter of Transferring $\frac{1}{2}$ Feb. 12 - 1902
funds in Treasury. $\frac{1}{3}$ This day it
is ordered by
the Court that the Treasurer transfer
from the Court house Jail fund to
the Jury fund.




In the Matter of Building $\frac{1}{2}$ Feb. 12. 1902
and repairing the Bridges $\frac{1}{3}$ This day it
in the County of Titus $\frac{1}{3}$ being made
to appear to the
Court that the different Commissioners
of the County, to enable them to repair
and build bridges in their respective
precincts, it is necessary that they
have the immediate money to defray
the expense of said improvements etc.
It is therefore ordered by the Court that
the Commissioners of the different Precincts
of the County be and they are hereby
authorized to issue certificate of the
work done and material furnished
in their respective precincts in the
way of rebuilding or repairing bridges
and the amount to be paid therefor
and such certificate shall be presented
to the County Clerk and upon receipt
of same the Clerk shall issue Warrant
on the Road and Bridge fund of said
County to cover the amount speci-
fied in such certificate.

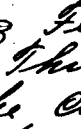
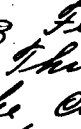
In the matter of **February 12. A.D. 1903**
 Road Overseers **This day came on to**
 Appointment for 1903 **be considered the appointments**
 of Road Overseers for year 1903
 and it appearing to the Court that the
 following named persons are not disquali-
 fied from acting as such overseers.
 It is therefore ordered by the Court that
 they be and are hereby appointed road
 overseers of the respective precincts set
 opposite their respective names, to-wit:

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| Road Precinct No. 2. | Ross Kirby |
| Road Precinct No. 3. | Smith Seay |
| Road Precinct No. 4 | Ed Hays |
| Road Precinct No. 5- | Judge Moore |
| Road Precinct No. 6 | Albert Combs |
| Road Precinct No. 7 | T. E. Hudspeth |
| Road Precinct No. 8 | B. F. Willson |
| Road Precinct No. 9. | Conner Caspey |
| Road Precinct No. 10. | Ed Adams |
| Road Precinct No. 11 | W. S. Haughton |
| Road Precinct No. 12 | J. B. Butler |
| Road Precinct No. 13 | Will Farrow |
| Road Precinct No. 14 | Tom Herrage |
| Road Precinct No. 15- | Sam Aughton |
| Road Precinct No. 16 | J. B. Gregory |
| Road Precinct No. 17 | Bud Redfern |
| Road Precinct No. 18 | Ed Bragg |
| Road Precinct No. 19 | O. B. Blackship |
| Road Precinct No. 20 | W. E. Fishback |
| Road Precinct No. 21 | Ed. Hays |
| Road Precinct No. 22 | W. G. Haygood |
| Road Precinct No. 23 | Reece Owen |
| Road Precinct No. 24 | J. G. Cochran |
| Road Precinct No. 25- | Georgia Will Willson |
| Road Precinct No. 26 | J. P. Senny |
| Road Precinct No. 27 | W. W. Thompson |
| Road Precinct No. 28 | John Vanhook |
| Road Precinct No. 29 | J. J. Smith |
| Road Precinct No. 30 | Henry Homer |
| Road Precinct No. 31 | Ernest Taylor |
| Road Precinct No. 32 | S. D. Nelson |
| Road Precinct No. 33 | A. W. Rakestraw |

Road	Precinct	No. 34	Wm. Blewins
Road	Precinct	No. 35	L. P. Pitts
Road	Precinct	No. 36	Rud. Barretton
Road	Precinct	No. 37	C. T. Pittman
Road	Precinct	No. 38	A. A. Bridges
Road	Precinct	No. 39	Tom Anderson
Road	Precinct	No. 40	William Stephens
Road	Precinct	No. 41	Elete Oliver
Road	Precinct	No. 42	Piers Allen
Road	Precinct	No. 43	W. V. Mason
Road	Precinct	No. 44	M. F. Johnson
Road	Precinct	No. 45	T. T. Masters
Road	Precinct	No. 46	J. M. Johnson
Road	Precinct	No. 47	L. G. French
Road	Precinct	No. 48	Tom Raney
Road	Precinct	No. 49	John Ray
Road	Precinct	No. 50	J. M. Sumate
Road	Precinct	No. 51	F. Benson
Road	Precinct	No. 52	J. A. Thompson
Road	Precinct	No. 53	Mill Taylor
Road	Precinct	No. 54	Adolphus Henson
Road	Precinct	No. 55	Ada Dean
Road	Precinct	No. 56	Jim Fowler
Road	Precinct	No. 57	D. C. Wyles
Road	Precinct	No. 58	J. P. Summerlin
Road	Precinct	No. 59	Art Brown
Road	Precinct	No. 60	James Cameron
Road	Precinct	No. 61	C. F. Keith
Road	Precinct	No. 62	Mat Weemes
Road	Precinct	No. 63	Rance Smith
Road	Precinct	No. 64	Sam Key
Road	Precinct	No. 65	R. B. Barrier
Road	Precinct	No. 66	James Murphy
Road	Precinct	No. 67	Mill Miles
Road	Precinct	No. 68	W. B. German
Road	Precinct	No. 69	W. F. Vauhorn
Road	Precinct	No. 70	Pat Davis
Road	Precinct	No. 71	S. A. Thomas
Road	Precinct	No. 72	J. H. Stephens
Road	Precinct	No. 73	A. B. Cooper
Road	Precinct	No. 74	D. A. Riddle
Road	Precinct	No. 75	Sim Smith
Road	Precinct	No. 76	Chris Hance

Road	Precinct	No. 77.	Bud Morris
Road	Precinct	No 78	Geo Fry.
Road	Precinct	No 79	Paul Sanford
Road	Precinct	No 80	T.B. Williams
Road	Precinct	No 81	Ed White
Road	Precinct	No 82	Mr. Blodger
Road	Precinct	No 83.	H. F. Struttan
Road	Precinct	No 84	F. D. Jones
Road	Precinct	No 85-	Same James.

In the matter of repairing  July 13, 1903
 Finial or Eagle on the  This day came
 Court house.  on to be considered
 the matter of repairing
 the finial or Eagle on top of court house
 And it appearing to the Court that
 W. E. Blythe proposes to straighten up and
 anchor the center post on which rest
 the Eagle, for twenty five dollars.
 And it further appearing to the Court that
 said sum is reasonable charge for said work
 It is therefore ordered by the Court that
 W. E. Blythe be and he is hereby author-
 ized to repair same and when comple-
 ted Clerk is authorized to issue Warrant
 on the Court house fund for
 \$25⁰⁰ to cover the contract for same.

In the matter of  February 13, 1903
 Pauper John Brown  This day came on to
 be considered the oral
 application of W. M. King, asking the Court
 to put John Brown on the Pauper list,
 and asking the Court to pay him 80c per
 month for support. And it being made
 to appear to the satisfaction of the Court
 that said Brown is not able to earn
 a living by his labor and that he
 is an invalid. The Court is of the opinion
 that he should be put upon the Pauper

list of the said County and is satisfied that \$5⁰⁰ per month will be sufficient to support said pauper.

It is therefore ordered by the Court that he the said Brown be and he is hereby placed on the pauper list of Tithu County Texas and Five Dollars per month is allowed him as for support and Clerk is authorized to issue warrant monthly on General County fund to cover same.

In the matter of Purchasing 24 Road scrapers for the Public Roads in County July 13. 1902
This day came on to be considered
The advisability of purchasing Road scrapers to be used on the public roads in and throughout Tithu County and it appearing to the Court that the public roads are becoming almost impassable for want of being graded and for the want of scrapers to work with. It is therefore ordered by the Court that Geo. F. Hoyt Commissioner for Precinct No. One Tithu Co. Texas be and he is hereby authorized and directed to purchase 24 road scrapers of medium size and place them on the public roads throughout Tithu County under the control and supervision of the different Commissioners of the County.

In the matter of July 13. 1903
Ex-officio services of County Officers This day it is ordered by the Court that
G. F. Hoyt be allowed \$225⁰⁰ per annum as Ex-officio services as County Judge and \$300⁰⁰ per annum as Ex-officio services as Superintendent of Public instruction

And that Sam Porter he and he is hereby allowed \$300⁰⁰ per annum as Ex-officio services as Sheriff of Titus Co. Tex. And that O. M. Stank he and he is hereby allowed \$225⁰⁰ per annum as Ex-officio services as county clerk of Titus Co. Tex. And that J. F. Wilkinson he and he is hereby allowed two hundred dollars per annum as Ex-officio services as District clerk of Titus County Texas; and said allowances shall be paid quarterly out of the General County funds and the clerk is hereby authorized to issue warrants for same at the end of each quarter.

In the matter of the 5 Feb. 13 1903
Bond of W. H. Crawford } This day came
as Deputy Surveyor. } on to be considered
the bond of W. H. Crawford -
fnd. who has been by S. C. Tubb the
regular elected County surveyor, appointed
as Deputy surveyor for said County,
and it appearing to the Court that
said bond is in due form of law
and that the sureties thereon are
good and sufficient sureties It
is therefore ordered by the Court that
said bond be and the same is in
all things approved.

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In the matter of Approving } Feb. 13. 1903
Officers Reports. } This day came
on to be exam-
ined the Reports of the different Officers
of Titus County and after examining
the same and comparing the vouchers
receipts etc. The Court is of the opinion
that they are correct and It is ordered

by the court that the reports of the following named officers be and they are in all things approved to-wit: Onitash County Clerk J. F. Williams District Clerk, P. H. Rogers County Judge, B. W. Ellis Justice of the Peace Prec. No. 1. John F. Cooley J. P. Prec. No. 2. H. Amersbach J. P. (2 Reports) J. S. Southland J. P. W. W. King Justice of the Peace, J. M. Benn Constable and J. H. Burnett Constable.

The State of Texas } I, George F. Hays Commissioner
County of Titus } Precinct No. 1. Act to make
the following report.

I have gone over the public roads in my precinct and found them in portions of them in a very bad condition other parts very good. I also found the bridges or some of them needing repairs and some in good repair. I also found 8 sign boards or post. defaced or down but I seen a part of the overseers and they promised to set up sign posts. I found no money in the hands of the overseers. It is hard for me to make a correct estimate of what it will take to keep the bridges in good repair for this year but I guess that \$600⁰⁰ six hundred dollars will be sufficient.

This February term of Commissioners Court
1903.

G. F. Hays.

Sworn to and subscribed before
me this Feby. 11th 1903

Onitash County Clerk

The State of Texas To the Honorable Commissioners
County of Titus Court Titus County Texas
February Term 1903.

Now Comes W. M. King Road Supervisor of Precinct No. 9. Titus County and reports as follows:
I have been over all the public roads of my precinct and find them in reasonably good condition except muddy by recent rains. All bridges are in fairly good condition some few mile posts are down but have instructed Overseers to replace them and I believe five hundred dollars will be ample money to keep bridges in good condition during year 1903. The number of days I have put in in renewing the roads is three days. The Road Overseer W. H. Stephenson turned over to me \$3⁰⁰ less his commission which amt. was collected on Road Precinct No. - Respectfully submitted this Feby. 11. 1903. W. M. King
Sworn to and subscribed before me this Feby. 11. 1903
Orntott Co. Clerk.

The State of Texas In Commissioners Court Titus Co. Texas
County of Titus Feby. Term 1903.

Now Comes J. D. Southland Road Supervisor of Precinct No. - and makes this his Annual report of the condition of Roads & Bridges of his precinct to-wit: I have been over all the roads of my precinct and find them in bad condition on account of heavy rains during the fall and winter. The Bridges are in ordinary condition some needing repairs and some new bridges will be required during the year the mile posts are most all down. I think it advisable that \$600⁰⁰ be set apart for repairs on bridges and new bridges in my 2 precincts for year 1903.

J. D. Southland
Sworn to and subscribed before me
this Feby. 11th 1903
Orntott County Clerk

The State of Texas
County of Titus

To The Honorable Commissioner
Court of Titus County Texas
Feby. Term 1903

Now Comes J.M. Scott Commissioner of Precincts
Nos. 2 and 6, Titus County Texas. And makes
this his Annual report of the Condition of
the Roads and Bridges in his precincts to wit:

I have been over most all the public roads
in my precincts and find them in ordinary
condition. On account of heavy rains there
are some places almost impassable but
cannot be bettered until roads dry out
The bridges I find in very good condition
and recommend that about \$400⁰⁰ be set
apart for the repairing of bridges in my
precincts during year 1903. I find compar-
atively no sign boards or mile posts on
my roads.

Respectfully submitted this Feby. 11, 1903
J.M. Scott

Sworn to and subscribed before me this
February, 11th 1903.
Ottobah County Clerk

There being no further business before
the court it is ordered that court do
now adjourn.

The foregoing minutes read in open
court and are in all things approved
this day of 1903.

attest

County Judge

County Clerk