

## February Special Term 1918

Be it remembered that on this the 22nd day of February A.D. 1918 there was begun and holden a Special Term of the County Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas with the following officers present to wit: J. W. Fable, County Judge, A. C. Smart, W. M. King, J. S. Cameron and E. C. Bryant Commissioners, C. F. Neidgut, County Clerk, and W. W. Smith Sheriff, when the following proceedings were had to wit:

On the matter of allowing 3  
 Election mngs for Holding Road; 3 Feb. 22, 1918.  
 Election Road Dist # 5. 3

On this day it is ordered by the Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas; that the election managers and clerks who held the Road Bond election in Road District no. 5 be allowed the legal fees for holding said election. Said fees to be paid out of the General County Fund of Titus Co.

Ed Horton Resigned 3 Feb. 23, 1918  
 as Const. of Precinct # 1. 3

On this day came on to be considered by the Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas, the resignation of Ed Horton as Constable of Precinct # 1 Titus Co. Texas and after considering same, the court makes the following order:

It is ordered by the Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas that said resignation of Ed Horton be accepted and that Ed Horton be relieved of any further liability as Constable of Precinct # 1, Titus County Texas.

D. C. Gaddis appointed 3 Feb. 23, 1918  
 Constable of Precinct # 1. 3

On this day came on to be considered by the Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas the application of D. C. Gaddis asking to be appointed Constable of Precinct # 1 of Titus County Texas and after considering same it is ordered by the Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas

That D. C. Gaddis be in all things appointed  
 Constable of Precinct 1, Titus County, Texas

Whereas, heretofore, on to wit; the 22 day of Dec.  
 A. D. 1917, J. M. Copeland and 125 others filed their  
 petition in writing with the Commissioners' Court  
 of Titus County, Texas, praying and petitioning said  
 Court to order an election to be held in said  
 Titus County for the purpose of enabling the  
 qualified voters of said County to determine whether  
 or not the County of Titus shall take up the work  
 of tick eradication in said County; and

Whereas, on the 23 day of Feb. A. D. 1918, the Commission-  
 ers' Court of Titus County, Texas, in open Court and at a  
 special term thereof, at which all members were  
 present, passed its order ordering an election to  
 be held in said Titus County, Texas, for the purposes  
 aforesaid, which order is in words and figures  
 substantially as follows, to wit:

Upon this the 23 day of February A. D. 1918, Cause was  
 to be heard in open Court at a special term  
 thereof of the Commissioners' Court of Titus County, Texas,  
 the petition of J. M. Copeland and 125 others, resident  
 land owners of Titus County, Texas, petitioning the  
 Commissioners' Court of Titus County, Texas, to order  
 an election throughout the entire County of Titus to  
 ascertain whether or not said County of Titus  
 shall take up the work of tick eradication in  
 said County.

And it appearing to the Court that said petition  
 is in due form and properly signed by  
 more than seventy five resident land owners  
 of Titus County, Texas, who are also qualified  
 voters in said Titus County, Texas, being more  
 than the required number necessary for  
 the lawful petitioning for said election.

It is therefore considered by the Commissioners'  
 Court of Titus County, Texas, and so ordered, adjudged  
 and decreed that the prayer of said petitioners  
 be and the same is hereby granted, and that  
 an election be held for the purposes aforesaid.

on the 13th day of April, A.D. 1918 at each and all of the various voting precincts throughout said County of Titus.

It is further ordered by the Court that said election as herein ordered shall be held for the purposes of enabling the qualified voters of Titus County, Texas, to determine whether or not the county of Titus shall take up the work of tick eradication in said County, and said election shall be held and conducted, and the returns thereof made, in accordance with the laws regulating general and special elections in so far as all applicable, and the County Judge of Titus County, Texas shall issue an order for such election and cause public notice thereof to be given for at least thirty days before date of said election in the manner prescribed by law.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, I, J. N. Tule, County Judge of Titus County, Texas do hereby issue this order of election, and do hereby order that an election shall be held as directed by the aforesaid order of the Commissioners Court of Titus County, Texas, on the 13th day of April, 1918, throughout the entire limits of Titus County, Texas, as set forth in said order, and that the polls of said election be open in all of the various and respective voting precincts within said Titus County, as heretofore designated by the Commissioners Court of Titus County, Texas, for the purpose of enabling the qualified voters of Titus County, to determine whether or not the County of Titus shall take up the work of tick eradication in said County.

Said election shall be governed in all respects by the laws governing elections in this State, and the returns shall be made to the County.

Judge of Titus County, and canvassed ~~with full~~ compliance with each and all of the provisions of law, and that the results of said election shall be declared in accordance with law.

Only qualified voters of Titus County, shall be allowed to vote at said election. The votes at said election shall be by ballot, and the voters desiring the County of Titus to take up the work of tick eradication in said County shall have written or permitted on their ticket the words: "For tick eradication in Titus County."

And those desiring to vote against the resolution shall have written or printed on their ticket the words "against tick eradication in Titus County, Texas."

Said election shall be held at the usual voting places in each of the several voting precincts in said County, and the following named persons are hereby appointed managers of said election at the following voting places, respectively:

Precinct 1 J. A. Davis, L. C. Libby, C. M. Coker, Clifton Raper, Mt. Pleasant, Texas

Precinct 2 B. C. Branch, Rush Gilpin, Bob Cargile, John Bennett, Green Hill

Precinct 3 W. A. Martin, Chas. Blackburn, Robert McClellan, Alfred Thomas, Marshall, A.

Precinct 4 J. W. Thompson, J. W. Burnett, Porter Jones, Will Taylor, Matthews

Precinct 5 Frank Blacklock, Canby Fay, Chas. Staff, Maple Springs

Precinct 6 J. W. Conroy, Fred Holt, M. G. Haygood, Claude Smith, Rockwell

Precinct 7 L. H. Old, W. H. Flinn, John McHenry, Ernest Taylor, Hickory Hill

Precinct 8 W. M. Henderson, A. Clements, Joe Hays, Ed. Mann, Mt. Pleasant

Precinct 9 A. W. McLesey, J. W. Kelly, A. J. Hays

Precinct 10 A. J. Cameron, J. Johnson, C. P. Roney - Ogo

Precinct 11 W. M. Taliaferro, Walter Holmes, Ed. Smith, L. A. Justice, Springfield

Precinct 12 J. D. Early, Hubert Dale, Oscar Wright, Tenaha

A copy of this order, signed by the County Judge of Titus County, shall serve as a proper notice of said election, and the County Judge of said County is hereby directed to cause said notice to be posted as provided by law, at the respective places designated for holding said elections, at least 30 days prior to the date of said elections.

Herein I do not, but make due return herein

showing how you have executed same  
J. W. Fable County Judge,  
Titus County Texas.

Came to hand this the 27<sup>th</sup> day of Feb. 1918 and  
was executed the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March 1918 by tacking  
up at every voting box in Titus County Texas a true  
copy of this writ.

W. W. Smith  
Sheriff Titus Co. Texas.