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	<p>F. L. Hicks and others petitioned to change the line dividing Precinct 1 and Precinct 3, because of convenience to the public schools for their children. The Court ordered the line changed: Beginning on the north bank of the Medina River at the west corner of Survey No. 63, W. I. Lewis, thence due north to the Kerr County line, and all that part of Precinct 1 lying between this line and the former line of Hicks is now attached to Pct. 3. (pages 1-2)</p> <p>Unknown person(s) have been stealing lumber from Bandera County's school lands in [unnamed] county. Bladen Mitchell was appointed Agent to care for the lands and empowered to demand damages should he discover who is at fault. (page 2)</p> <p>H. D. Bonnett, Bexar County Sheriff, claimed \$1/day for confinement of J. W. Lee, Bandera County prisoner. Court disallowed claim for excess fees, citing Articles 254, 960 and 964 of the Code of Criminal Procedures. (pages 2-3)</p> <p>The Court paid claims, including: Sheriff C. H. Frick \$52.10 for care of Prisoner J. W. Lee; C. Gersdorf \$4 for making two pair of shackles for prisoners; Albert Adamietz \$8.64 in unpaid wages as County Treasurer (page 3)</p> <p>Taxes for 1875: \$.25 per \$100 for building the jail; \$.25 per \$100 for County indebtedness; \$.05 per \$100 for Roads and Bridges; poll tax of \$.50 per capita; special poll tax of \$.50 per capita for County indebtedness. Occupation tax of the maximum allowed by law and an additional occupation tax of 1/10 of the tax levied by the State for the County indebtedness. (page 4)</p> <p>The Court considered the Board of School Directors's Assessment Roll for 1874-1875 and levied a tax in each precinct to make up deficiencies in revenue. Precinct 1 = 3/10 of 1%; Precinct 2 = 8/10 of 1%; Precinct 3 = 9/10 of 1%; Precinct 4 = 1%; Precinct 5 = 1/2 of 1%. (pages 4-5)</p> <p>The Court paid for the assessment of taxes: B. F. Langford, J. H. Alexander, William Hudspeth. (pages 5-6)</p> <p>District Court Clerk Charles Montague, Jr., was paid \$100 for revising the brands and marks in accordance with the act of the 14<sup>th</sup> Legislature known as "An Act to Encourage Stock Raising and for the Protection of Stock Raisers," approved March 23, 1874. (page 6)</p> <p>Charles Montague, Sr., was paid \$6 "in specie or its equivalent in currency" for a desk "in which the surveyor's records are kept." (page 6)</p> <p>Sheriff Frick presented insolvent taxpayer lists for 1873 and 1874; approved.(pages 6-7)</p> <p>The Court fixed the sheriff's salary at the maximum allowed by law: \$200/ year. (page 7)</p> <p>Bonds were presented and approved for assessment of taxes: William Weatherby, Pct 4; M. C. Click, Precinct 3. (page 7)</p> <p>Sheriff Frick paid \$1,789.21 into the treasury for taxes collected in 1873 and 1874. (pages 7-8)</p> <p>William Hudspeth was ordered to be paid for the occupation tax assessment in Precinct 1, 1873-1874. (page 8)</p>				
<p>William Hudspeth (Pct. 1) presiding, S. H. Davenport (Pct. 2), M. C. Click (Pct. 3), W. A. Weatherby (Pct. 4), JPs; C. H. Frick, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk</p>		<p>1875-01-25 1875-01-26 1875-01-27</p>		R B	1 – 8

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William Hudspeth (Pct. 1) presiding, M. C. Click (Pct. 3), W. A. Weatherby (Pct. 4), JPs; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	School tax was amended to: Precinct 1 = ¼ of 1%, Precinct 2 – 8/10 of 1%, Precinct 3 = ¾ of 1%, Precinct 4 = ¾ of 1%. (page 9) The Court paid Kerr County \$213.75 for keeping Bandera County prisoners. (pages 9-10)	1875-02-27	S	B	9 - 10
William Hudspeth (Pct. 1) presiding, S. H. Davenport (Pct. 2), M. C. Click (Pct. 3), W. A. Weatherby (Pct. 4), JPs; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	Grand jurors selected. (page 11) Petit jurors selected. (pages 11-12) J. B. Davenport proposed to sell his building and lot for a Courthouse and Clerk's office. Decision postponed. (page 12) Re: a second-class road from the town of Bandera to the county line near Downs Ranch and running through Quihi Pass. The Court considered petitions for and against and decided to go forward with the road. "...the old road running down the Medina River, heretofore known as the Bandera and Castroville road be and the same is hereby discontinued as a Public road from and after this date." J. B. Davenport, A. J. Reitzer, G. J. Cullen, Joseph Dial and E. M. Ross were appointed a jury of review for the new road [to Castroville]. (page 12) The Court reimbursed Arthur Pue \$10 for his inspector's seal. (page 13) Bexar County Sheriff Bonnett's \$27 claim for keeping a prisoner for 27 days was disallowed because of an excess fee. (page 13)	1875-03-29 1875-03-30	R	B	11 - 14
William Hudspeth (Pct. 1) presiding, S. H. Davenport (Pct. 2), M. C. Click (Pct. 3), W. A. Weatherby (Pct. 4), JPs; C. H. Frick, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	Vacancies filled in Presiding Officer of Elections: George Hay, Precinct 1 and Joseph Dial, Pct 2. (page 15) "It appearing to the Court that there is due to the County of Bandera back taxes upon unrendered lands, situated in said County, and that such taxes have been due for many years, and amount in the aggregate to a large sum of money, the exact amount of which it is impossible for this Court to correctly ascertain, ad it further appearing that a small part of said taxes are paid at the Comptroller's Office in Austin, and in Counties other than Bandera County, and that this Court has no means of ascertaining the exact amount of such taxes so paid, nor on what lands such taxes are so paid." The Court, therefore, requested from S. H. Darden, Comptroller of Public Accounts in Austin, a list of Bandera County lands upon which taxes have been paid from 1870–1874. They also requested Governor Coke address the legislature about the problem of non-residents owning land but failing to pay taxes. "That the laws now in existence in regard to the assessment and collection of taxes upon lands are a positive injury to the State at large and more particularly to the Frontier Counties..." (pages 15-16) B. F. Langford reported that the Jail was completed. The Court inspected the Jail, accepted it and released the sureties. (page 17) The Court accepted the Consolidated Tax Rolls for 1875. (page 17) Court declared the road from Bandera to San Antonio was a first-class road, and the roads from Bandera to Kerrville and Castroville are second-class roads. (page 17)	1875-05-31 1875-06-01	R	B	15 – 17

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	<i>(continued)</i> The jury of review for the Castroville road must present its report at the next term. (page 17) Bexar County was paid \$68 for guarding and boarding prisoner J. W. Lee. (page 18) Sheriff C. H. Frick \$12.10 for a table and three benches; he also was paid \$45.75 for expenses with prisoner J. W. Lee. (pages 18-19) The County Treasurer submitted his statements for various funds: current, jail, road and bridge, jury, estray, and indebtedness. (pages 19-23) Also lists of persons the County paid for various services and indebtedness. (pages 23-26) William Hudspeth (JP Pct. 1) and William A. Weatherby (JP Pct. 4) reported the San Antonio Road in bad condition and in need of work. They are ordered to post notices in their precincts requesting bids. Specifications: "To be made forty-feet wide, clear of all obstructions...all stones, trees, stumps, and other obstructions to be removed, or to be cut or battered down so as not to exceed 3 inches in height, and all washes, gullies, etc., to be filled up in good and substantial manner, and all proper drainage to be made wherever needed." (page 27) The four Justices of the Peace were paid for assessing taxes in 1875 and for serving as members of the Court. Charles Montague, Jr., was paid \$56 for being Clerk of the Court from September 1874. (pages 27-28) James A. Hudspeth, treasurer of the Public School Funds, presented his bond. (page 28) Sheriff Frick presented a statement of all tax money he collected; approved. (page 28)	1875-06-02	R	B	17-29
William Hudspeth (Pct. 1) presiding, S. H. Davenport (Pct. 2), M. C. Click (Pct. 3), W. A. Weatherby (Pct. 4), JPs; C. H. Frick, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	Grand jurors selected. (page 30) Petit jurors selected. (pages 30-31) Dr. G. A. Peacock succeeded George Hay as Presiding Officer of Elections in Precinct 1, Hay having given up his post. (page 31) The voting place in Precinct 3 was changed to the schoolhouse on Montel's or Laxson's Creek. (page 31) E. Buck, the contractor to repair the San Antonio Road, requested an extension to August 16, 1875; granted. (page 31) C. H. Frick paid for the care of prisoners H. H. Crain and W. A. Haught. He was also paid a commission as allowed by law on fines collected. (pages 31-32) Charles Montague, Jr., was appointed an agent for Bandera County to lease Bandera school lands in Maverick County for not less than \$75 per year. (page 32) The claim of V. Vollmer, Sheriff of Medina County, for \$70.25 was rejected and returned to him. (page 32) The four JPs and the Clerk each were paid \$4 for their services on this date. (pages 32-33)	1875-07-26	R	B	30 - 33
William Hudspeth (Pct. 1) presiding, M. C. Click (Pct. 3), W. A. Weatherby (Pct. 4), JPs; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	William A. Weatherby and M. C. Click reported that the work done by E. Buck on the San Antonio Road was acceptable; E. Buck was paid \$204.75. The two JPs were paid \$6 for their three days' service as road supervisor. (pages 34-35)	1875-08-16	S	B	34 - 35

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William Hudspeth (Pct. 1) presiding, M. C. Click (Pct. 3), W. A. Weatherby (Pct. 4), JPs; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	The State Comptroller of Public Accounts, Stephen H. Darden, refused to pay the JPs for assessing the special county taxes for 1875. "...the State is not liable for any part of the fees due the Justices for assessing Special County Taxes...all such fees must be paid by the County." The Court ordered them paid out of County Indebtedness and Jail funds. (pages 36-37)	1875-08-28	S	B	36 - 37
William Hudspeth (Pct. 1) presiding, M. C. Click (Pct. 3), W. A. Weatherby (Pct. 4), JPs; C. H. Frick, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	Mrs. Mary Owen Dean petitioned for a reduction of the assessment of her league of land (Sur. 497, Antonio Gomez); disallowed. (page 38) William Hudspeth reported the San Antonio Road to be in bad condition in Precinct 1. The Court ordered repairs for the road running through Precinct 4 with the addition: "The banks of all creeks, branches, ravines, etc., to be cut down to such a grade as that heavily laden wagons may easily and safely pass through." Special conditions were listed for "a certain wash or gully in the town of Bandera near Schmidtke & Hay's mill." (pages 38-39) The Court adopted the tabular statement of assets, indebtedness and expenditures. 9pages 40-46)	1875-09-27 1875-09-28	R	B	38 - 46
William Hudspeth (Pct. 1) presiding, M. C. Click (Pct. 3), W. A. Weatherby (Pct. 4), JPs; C. H. Frick, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	W. C. Haile, contractor, completed work on the road to San Antonio; paid \$48.48. William Hudspeth, M. C. Click, and William A. Weatherby were paid for reviewing the road. (page 47) William Hudspeth was paid \$10.45 for services in the case of James McDougal and four others "charged with illegally driving cattle out of Bandera County." (page 48)	1875-11-06	S	B	47 - 48
William Hudspeth (Pct. 1) presiding, JP; C. H. Frick, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	No quorum. Adjourned.	1875-11-29	R	B	49
William Hudspeth (Pct. 1) presiding, M. C. Click (Pct. 3), W. A. Weatherby (Pct. 4), JPs; C. H. Frick, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	"Justice M. C. Click declaring to the Court that he is unable to remain in attendance at this term owing to the fact that one of his children is lying dangerously ill with diphtheria," Court adjourned until December 20, 1875.	1875-11-30	R	B	49 - 50
William Hudspeth (Pct. 1) presiding, S. H. Davenport (Pct. 2), W. A. Weatherby (Pct. 4), JPs; C. H. Frick, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	Grand jurors were selected. (page 51) Petit jurors were selected. (pages 51-52) In accordance with the ordinance of the Constitutional Convention, Bandera County was divided into four Commissioners' precincts. Description of the boundaries of Precinct 1, Precinct 2, Precinct 3 and Precinct 4. (pages 52-53) Boundaries of seven Justice precincts were detailed. (pages 53-54) Each Justice precinct constituted an Election precinct. Presiding Officers of Elections and voting places: Pct. 1 – Courthouse in Bandera, Thomas A. Peacock; Pct. 2 – Pipe Creek Post Office, William A. Weatherby; Pct. 3 – schoolhouse on Pipe Creek, F. G. Newcomer; Pct. 4 – schoolhouse on Laxson's Creek, George F. Smith; Pct. 5 – Joel Casey's ranch on Rio Hondo, J. B. Hudspeth; Pct. 6 – Gideon Thompson's ranch in Sabinal Valley, Gideon Thompson; Pct. 7 – John Leakey's ranch in Rio Frio Valley, John Watkins. (pages 54-55)	1875-12-20	S	B	51 - 55

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S. H. Davenport (Pct. 2), presiding, M. C. Click (Pct. 3), W. A. Weatherby (Pct. 4), JPs; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	Poll tax on all male inhabitants between the ages of 21 and 60: \$.50 for Indebtedness; \$.50 for current fund. (page 67)	1876-01-31 1876-02-01	R	B	64 – 67
William Hudspeth (Pct. 1) presiding, S. H. Davenport (Pct. 2), M. C. Click (Pct. 3), W. A. Weatherby (Pct. 4), JPs; C. H. Frick, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	Grand jurors were selected. (page 68) Petit jurors selected. (pages 68-69) Sheriff Frick was paid \$1 for board of Charles Luck for two days. (page 69) The application of William Hudspeth and others for a second-class road between Bandera and the settlement in Hondo Valley via Indian Creek. The Court ordered the road established. J. B. Hudspeth, M. V. Jeffers, T. W. Lewis, William Hester and Joe Kalka were appointed a jury of review. (page 69) William Hudspeth, JP Precinct 1, was appointed to assess taxes for 1876 in Precinct 5. (page 69) The County Treasurer submitted tabular statements. (pages 70-71) County scrip was presented, redeemed and destroyed. (page 72) The Sheriff presented his tax rolls for 1873, 1874 and 1875; approved. (pages 72-73) The Court approved the \$22.50 claim of G. W. M. Duck, sheriff of Atascosa County, for board of prisoner Mogon Torres. (page 73) Court revised amounts paid for inquest jurors for Sam Shields and A. Tweehouse held in November and December 1875. (page 73) William Hudspeth was paid \$6 for holding a Coroner's inquest over the body of Charles Luck; inquest jurors also were paid. (pages 73-74) The Court paid various claims of William Hudspeth, including for a test of the sanity of A. C. Edwards (\$12.28) and \$2 for making shirts and drawers "for said lunatic"; Mrs. V. Hay received	1876-03-27 1876-03-28	R	B	68-74

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William Hudspeth (Pct. 1) presiding, S. H. Davenport (Pct. 2), W. A. Weatherby (Pct. 4), JPs; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	County Treasurer James A. Hudspeth was ordered to receive \$115.59 from the State Comptroller. (page 76) The order regarding the road from Bandera to the Hondo Settlement is amended: "said road shall run through said Hondo Settlement and thence via the old Patrol trail to the county line on or about the Rio Sabinal." (page 77)	1876-04-08	S	B	76 - 77
J. A. V. Pue, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), George F. Smith (Pct. 3), Commissioners; H. Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	C. Fagan and 26 others petitioned the Court for the establishment of a public road from Bandera to Ranger Spring on the head of the Medina River. L. L. Wight, C. Fagan, G. W. Benton, J. E. Keese and Joseph Manier were appointed as a jury of review. (page 78) The Court accepted the resignation of T. W. Swilling, the County Attorney. (page 79) A \$65.10 claim filed by the Superintendent of the Insane Asylum against Bandera County on behalf of A. C. Edwards; approved. (page 79) Bonds approved for officers elected in February 1876: Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk of the County and District Courts; H. Hamilton, Sheriff and Collector of State and County Taxes; James Tafolla, JP Precinct 2; Octabiano Herrera, Constable Precinct 3; S. Stephens, County Surveyor; J. B. Davenport, JP Precinct 1; James A. Hudspeth, County Treasurer; J. D. Harper, JP Precinct 6; F. L. Hicks, Inspector of Hides and Animals; George Hay, Assessor; George F. Smith, JP Precinct 4. (pages 80-81) The bonds of W. L. Clark, JP Precinct 3, and J. B. Hudspeth, JP Precinct 5, were disapproved, because their sureties were insufficient. (page 81) H. Hamilton was paid for jail-related expenses: board for Mogon Torres, Felis Martines, Roman Sanchez, Casido Sanchez; \$5.35 for blankets, a bucket, cups and repairing the jail door; \$1.50 for two padlocks and chairs. (page 81)	1876-05-29	R	B	78 - 81
J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), F. G. Newcomer (Pct. 2), George F. Smith (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff	J. D. Harper resigned as JP Precinct 6 and Commissioner Precinct 4; resignation accepted. (page 82) The County Treasurer submitted statements for the various County funds. (pages 83-86) J. B. Hudspeth was appointed JP for Precinct 6. His bond was approved. (page 86) M. C. Click, ex-JP, was paid for assessing taxes in Precinct 3. The money came from the current, jail, debt and lunatic funds. (page 86) jury of review postponed their report on the "mail" road from Bandera by way of the old patrol trail to the line of Uvalde and Bandera counties. (page 86) Also postponed was the report on the road from Ranger Spring to Bandera. (page 86) Judge J. A. V. Pue resigned his office. (page 86) JP court schedules were assigned. (page 87)	1876-07-31	R	B	82 - 87

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J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), F. G. Newcomer (Pct. 2), George F. Smith (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	<p>Joseph Sutherland's bond as Constable, Justice Precinct 4, was approved. (page 92) Charles Schmidtke, representing property owner Edward Steves of San Antonio, declines the rent offer from the previous session for the building used as the courthouse and clerk's office. Steves proposes a rent of \$6 per month for six months; accepted. (pages 92-93) William Hudspeth was appointed County Attorney. (page 93) Thomas A. Peacock was appointed County Judge. (page 93)</p>	1876-08-19	R	B	92 - 93
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; F. G. Newcomer (Pct. 2), George F. Smith (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	<p>The Court created Election Precinct 8 "in order that many citizens residing therein (Justice Precinct 4) may have ample facilities for the exercise of the elective franchise." The precinct comprises "that part of Justice Precinct 4 lying northwest of Wallace's Creek and of Hicks Hill." Elections shall be held at the schoolhouse in Horse Valley and L. Hillman was appointed Presiding Officer of Elections. (page 94) S. C. Mott and others petitioned the Court for a road from Bandera via Winan's Creek and the West Prong of the Medina River to the County line between Edwards and Bandera counties; approved. S. C. Mott, J. R. Preston, J. B. Miller, Arthur Pue and G. W. Davis were appointed the jury of review. (pages 94-95) J. A. Hudspeth, County Treasurer, was ordered to collect \$122.68 from the State Treasury for taxes paid outside Bandera County. (page 95) Money was appropriated for books for the County and District Clerks' offices. (page 95)</p>	1876-09-23	S	B	94 - 96
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), George F. Smith (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	<p>jury report on a road from Bandera via Winan's Creek and the West Prong of the Medina River to the county line near the Frio waterhole: beginning in Bandera "and run thence in a westerly direction following the old road now in use to the Ranger Camp crossing of Medina River thence across said river and following said old road to the crossing of Winan's Creek near the northeast corner of Mott's field thence following the general direction of said old road via Bandy's Ranch to the crossing of the Medina River at the upper end of the valley above Bandy's Ranch and</p>	1876-11-13	R	B	97 - 98

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	<p><i>(continued)</i> the lower end of the Monod Valley thence through Monod Valley still following said old road to the crossing of Medina River just above the mouth of the West Prong thence across said river and on via what is called the Salt March and up the valley of the West Prong to what is known as the upper three-forks thence up the mountain by way of a point between the lower three-forks and said upper three-forks and out on the divide thence following the general course of the divide with the line blazed out by the reviewers to the line of Bandera County in about two miles of the Frio water-hole." The Court approved. (pages 97-98)</p> <p>Report of jury of review for road from Bandera via Indian Creek and old Patrol Trail to the county line in Sabinal Valley: beginning at the town of Bandera "thence in a westerly direction crossing the Rio Medina at Taylor's Crossing thence west crossing Indian Creek about ¾ mile below Joseph Kalka's Ranch, thence up the divide of Indian Creek to Hondo Pass then down Commissioners' Creek to the old Patrol Trail crossing Williams Creek at or near Thomas Creek thence to the main Hondo crossing the same a little below the old Patrol crossing thence up through Pigeon Roost Valley crossing Pigeon Roost Creek near the southwest corner of the Shackleford Survey thence across the divide of the Rio Hondo and Seco at what is known as the Seco Pass thence through said pass crossing the Rio Seco at Cox's Ranch thence across the divide of Rio Seco and Sabinal down Bravo Creek to Turkey Creek and on to the line of Bandera and Uvalde County." The Court approved. (pages 98-99)</p> <p>jury report for a road from Bandera to Ranger Spring near the head of the Medina River: "Beginning at Ranger Spring near the head of the Medina River thence down said river following the road now travelled to Cocke's Mill thence following said old road around Hicks' Hill and via the Chamberlain Ranch to the crossing of the river below W. D. Benton's Ranch thence through Sheppard's Valley, Hood Valley and Monod Valley to the lane dividing Mrs. Oborski's Ranch from that of Mr. Curtis, thence through said lane to the road known as the upper road which crosses Laxson's Creek near the schoolhouse and crossing Hicks' Creek at the ranch formerly occupied by B. C Rose and on following said old road as now travelled to the town of Bandera." Approved. (pages 99-100)</p> <p>The Court postponed numbering, classifying and appointing overseers of these roads until next regular term. (page 100)</p> <p>L. O. Bauerlein was released from paying the 1876 poll tax; he was not 21 at the time. (page 100)</p> <p>A. Anglin and G. Thompson petitioned for a reduction in their property valuations. A. Anglin was denied; among other reasons, he had omitted 729 acres he owned. Since G. Thompson had already paid his 1876 taxes (even though based on an incorrectly reduced valuation),</p>				
<p>Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge;                  J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1),                  George F. Smith (Pct. 3),                  Commissioners;                  Henry Hamilton, Sheriff                  Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk</p>		1876-11-13	R	B	97 – 100

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Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), F. G. Newcomer (Pct. 2), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	<p>William Hudspeth was appointed County Attorney. (page 106)</p> <p>James Tafolla resigned as JP Precinct 2; T. F. Randolph was appointed JP to succeed him. (page 106)</p>	1876-12-04	S	B	106-107
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), Commissioner; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	No quorum present. Adjourned until Feb. 13.	1877-02-12	R	B	108
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), F. G. Newcomer (Pct. 2), M. C. Click (Pct. 4), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	<p>The Court paid claims to: Sheriff Henry Hamilton; schoolteacher A. McNeil for \$52 for teaching five residents of Bandera County in the public school of Uvalde County; Constable Precinct 2 Octabiano Herrera. (page 109)</p> <p>J. W. Bryant and others had filed a petition for the Court to order a local option election on the "Liquor Law" now in force in Texas. The Court responded that it had examined the petition and "it appearing to the Court that there is no such law in existence and that there are other informalities in said petition, it is ordered that the same be dismissed." (page 109)</p> <p>Treasurer James A. Hudspeth submitted quarterly statements. (pages 110-114)</p> <p>C. H. Frick was paid for boarding prisoners, conveying A. C. Edwards to Austin, and his unpaid salary. (page 115)</p> <p>Frick also presented his accounts taxes collected; approved. Monies collected were apportioned to various funds. (pages 115-116)</p> <p>County taxes were levied: ¼ of 1% for general purposes; 1/10 of 1% for "support and care of Lunatics"; ¼ of 1% for indebtedness; 1/3 of 1% for erecting or purchasing a courthouse; poll tax of \$.50 from each male between 21 and 60 years; occupation tax for purposes. Comm. Smith voted against the tax for the Courthouse. (pages 117-118)</p> <p>Statement by Charles Montague, Clerk of District and County Courts: all the papers generated by the various courts and all other County papers "are kept in one little desk that is scarcely large enough to contain the records of one Court alone." That the room in which the records are kept "can be entered by means of a pocketknife, that one window of said room has tumbled down and petitioner believes that the old house will come down sooner or later unless</p>	1877-02-13 1877-02-14	R	B	109-119

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<p>Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), F. G. Newcomer (Pct. 2), George F. Smith (Pct. 3), M. C. Click (Pct. 4), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk</p>	<p><i>(continued)</i> repairs are placed thereupon." Montague prays that the Court "do provide a suitable office in which said records can be kept as well as a Court House in which Court can be held without requiring the Court, Clerk, jury, Attorneys and Spectators to sit upon one another." (pages 118-119)</p>				
	<p>J. B. Davenport offered to sell his house and lot, which currently houses H. H. Carmichael's store and the Masonic Fraternity's lodge upstairs, for \$2100; the Court accepted this proposal. The Court gave H. H. Carmichael permission to rent the lower floor for \$10 and to vacate the premises by June 1<sup>st</sup>. (pages 120-121)</p>				
	<p>Road and bridge funds were appropriated to build a judge's stand and purchase chairs and other necessary furniture. Judge T. A. Peacock, Commissioner Davenport and County Attorney Hudspeth are appointed to make these purchases and to ask the Masons if they need to lease the upper story (until the end of 1877). (page 121)</p>				
	<p>The County Judge's salary was set at \$300 per year. (pages 121-122)</p>				
	<p>J. P. Rodriguez was allowed to withdraw as a surety for Sheriff Hamilton; even though one surety had died (S. H. Jones), the remaining sureties (A. Mansfield, F. L. Hicks and John Leakey) were deemed sufficient. (page 122)</p>				
	<p>F. W. Dorow was appointed overseer of the first-class <b>Bandera to San Antonio Road</b> in Precinct 1: "Beginning at the line of Bandera and Bexar Counties below the Cedar Mountain and running thence to and on top of the hill on the west side of Privilege Creek, including within said boundary Commissioner's Precinct 2." Seventy-one men were listed as hands and he also was given "authority to summon any and all other persons not designated herein and known to him to be liable to work on the public roads within said precinct." (pages 122-123)</p>				
	<p>George Hay was appointed overseer of the first-class <b>Bandera to San Antonio Road</b> in Precinct 2: "Beginning at the Public Square in the town of Bandera and runs thence to the top of the hill on the west side or bank of Privilege Creek, being the road now traveled." Thirty men were listed as hands. (pages 123-124)</p>				
	<p>William Hester was appointed overseer of the third-class road from <b>Bandera to the Rio Sabinal</b>: "Beginning at the intersection of said road with the river near the ranch of Jacob Postert thence to the lower or east line of F. L. Hicks' pasture on Shaw's Creek." Twenty-nine men were listed as hands. (pages 124-125)</p>				
	<p>James H. Biggs was appointed overseer of the third-class road from <b>Bandera to the Rio Sabinal</b>: "Beginning at the County line of Bandera and Uvalde counties in the Sabinal Cañon where said line crosses the Rio Sabinal, thence with said road as reviewed via the old Patrol Trail to the lower or east line of F. L. Hicks' pasture on Shaw's or Pigeon Roost Creek." Twenty-seven hands were listed. (page 125)</p>				

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	<i>(continued)</i> Andrew Mansfield was appointed overseer of the third-class road from <b>Bandera to Ranger Spring</b> : beginning in Bandera “to the crossing of Hicks’ Creek at the ranch formerly occupied by B. C. Rose.” Fourteen men were listed as hands. (pages 125-126)				
	Christopher Fagan was appointed overseer of the third-class road from <b>Bandera to Ranger Spring</b> : “Beginning at the crossing of Hicks’ Creek near the ranch formerly occupied by B. C. Rose, thence via the School House on Laxson’s Creek through the lane between M. Curtis’ and Miss Oborski’s places, thence through the Monod Valley, the Hood Valley and the Sheppard Valley to the crossing of the Medina River below W. D. Benton’s ranch. Thence via the old Chamberlain ranch, the Pecan Valley, Cook’s mill and in following the old road up the South Prong of the Medina River to Ranger Spring. ” Forty-two hands were named. (pages 126-127)				
	George Shirley was appointed overseer of the third-class road from <b>Bandera to Monod Valley</b> . From Bandera “thence to the Ranger Camp crossing of the River, thence via Winan’s Creek to the intersection of Ranger Spring road in the Monod Valley.” Thirty-six hands were named. (page 127)				
	John R. Preston was appointed overseer of the third-class road from the <b>Monod Valley</b> via the West Prong of the Medina River <b>to the County line</b> near the Frio waterhole. Twelve hands were listed. (pages 127-128)				
	August Pingenot was named overseer of the [third-class] Public Road No. 9 from <b>Bandera</b> via San Julian Creek to Mormon Camp on the Medina River <b>to Castroville</b> . Thirty-seven hands were listed. (page 128)				
	August Reitzer was appointed overseer of the third-class Public Road No. 10 from <b>Bandera and Quihi Road</b> through Quihi Pass to the county line. Twelve hands were listed. (pages 128-129)				
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), F. G. Newcomer (Pct. 2), George F. Smith (Pct. 3), M. C. Click (Pct. 4), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	The Court appropriated \$25 to buy a <i>Paschal Digest</i> , an unofficial compilation of Texas laws. (page 129)				
	Sheriff Hamilton presented his quarterly report of taxes collected. He was ordered to pay \$640.06 to the credit of the various funds owed money. (pages 129-130)	1877-02-15			
		1877-02-16	R	B	125-130
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), M. C. Click (Pct. 4), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	Henry Hamilton’s bond for sheriff was approved.	1877-03-26	S	B	131
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), F. G. Newcomer (Pct. 2), M. C. Click (Pct.), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	F. L. Hicks protested the opening of the Bandera to Sabinal road through his pasture on the Hondo. A. Mansfield, W. A. Weatherby, H. C. McKay, S. C. Mott and August Pingenot were appointed to review the road and evaluate any damages. (page 132)				
	The Court approved various claims, including one from County Judge T. A. Peacock for holding inquisitions regarding lunatics. (pages 132-134)				
	The County Treasurer submitted statements of accounts. (pages 134-138)	1877-05-14	R	B	132-138

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	<i>(continued)</i> H. H. Carmichael asked for an extension of his lease of the lower floor of the Courthouse. The Court approved a one month extension. (page 138)				
	Sheriff Hamilton presented a list of delinquent taxpayers; approved. (pages 138-139)	1877-05-14	R	B	132-139
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), F. G. Newcomer (Pct. 2), George F. Smith (Pct. 3), M. C. Click (Pct. 4), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	The Tax Rolls for 1877 "were taken up and the Court proceeded to equalize the valuations of the property situated in said [Bandera] County." Court adjourned until July 16, 1877.	1877-06-25 1877-06-26 1877-06-27	S	B	140-141
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; F. G. Newcomer (Pct. 2), George F. Smith (Pct. 3), Commissioner; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	No quorum. Court adjourned until July 17, 1877 "After reducing the valuation of certain properties because the same appears to have been overvalued the rolls were signed in open Court." (page 142)	1877-07-16 1877-07-17	S	B	142-143
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), F. G. Newcomer (Pct. 2), George F. Smith (Pct. 3), M. C. Click (Pct. 4), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	No quorums on August 13 <sup>th</sup> and 14 <sup>th</sup> . (page 144) The Court paid various claims. (pages 145-146) The County Treasurer presented his statement of accounts. (pages 146-148) J. B. Davenport, T. A. Peacock and William Hudspeth were appointed to "fix up and put in order the lower room of the Courthouse." (page 148) Gideon Thompson, S. D. Harper and others petitioned for a discontinuance of the Sabinal Road to the Hondo; dismissed, because "it does not appear that legal notice...had been given according to law." (page 148)	1877-08-13 1877-08-14 1877-08-17	R	B	144-149
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), F. G. Newcomer (Pct. 2), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	The revised and corrected Tax Rolls for 1877 were approved. (page 149) The Court ordered payments to: Assessor, Sheriff H. Hamilton, Judge T. A. Peacock, and Charles Montague. (pages 149-150)	1877-08-31	S	B	149-151
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; F. G. Newcomer (Pct. 2), George F. Smith (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	\$283.65 was ordered to be collected from the State Treasury and applied to the general fund. (page 152) In its last session, the Grand jury condemned the County Jail. The Court ordered the Clerk to post notices for people to submit plans "by which said Jail can be rendered secure." (page 152) Claims paid to: Charles Montague and Henry Hamilton. (page 153)	1877-10-03	S	B	152-154
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; Comm. George F. Smith (Pct 3); Henry Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	No quorum. Court adjourned.	1877-11-12	R	B	155
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), George F. Smith (Pct. 3), Commissioner; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	The County Treasurer presented statements of accounts. (pages 156-160) Charles Montague, Jr., as agent for James W. Ward, rendered 13 labors of land for taxation; however, only half of this land was in Bandera County. Error corrected. (pages 160-161) Supplemental tax rolls for 1877 were approved. (page 161) The Court dismissed the report on damages assessed for F. L. Hicks' pasture, because it was not sworn to as required by law. (page 161)	1877-11-20	S	B	156-161

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<p>Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge;                      J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1),                      George F. Smith (Pct. 3),                      Commissioner;                      Henry Hamilton, Sheriff;                      Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk</p>	<p><i>(continued)</i>. The Sheriff/Collector of Taxes filed his list of delinquent taxpayers for 1876; the list was approved. (page 161)                      J. B. Hudspeth was paid \$8 for two days' service as "riding bailiff." (page 162)                      County Attorney William Hudspeth was paid \$33.70 "being his commission...on the fines recovered by him." (page 162)                      The Court declared that its action regarding Sheriff Hamilton's bond was not according to law; it ordered the Sheriff to present a \$3,500 bond for the collection of taxes, including a short description of the unencumbered real estate pledged by his sureties. (page 162)                      The Sheriff was ordered to have the County Jail repaired and that "he keep a guard at said Jail whenever there are prisoners...therein." (pages 162-163)                      Charles Montague, Jr., and William Hudspeth were ordered to "ascertain and place on the rolls the amount of the County taxes due on the several tracts of land assessed upon the delinquent lists furnished this Court by the Comptroller for the years 1873, 1874 and 1875." (page 163)                      Medina County claimed \$149.10 for the board and safekeeping of J. W. Brock: "it appearing fully to the Court that the said J. W. Brock had been kept by said County of Medina for Bandera County for only one day, and that from and after that time he was a prisoner held under powers from the District Court of Medina County. It is therefore ordered that said claim be approved for the sum of seventy-five cents only." (page 163)</p>	1877-11-20	S	B	161-163
<p>Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge;                      F. G. Newcomer (Pct. 2),                      George F. Smith (Pct. 3),                      Commissioner;                      Henry Hamilton, Sheriff;                      Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk</p>	<p>The Medina County Commissioners' Court complained about the closing of the Quihi and Bandera Road near the San Julian Pass. The appointed jury of review failed to report. The Court then appointed T. J. Cullen, August Reitzer, John Anderwald, J. F. Morris and T. A. Laxson as a jury of review for this road. (page 164)                      Charles Montague, Jr., and William Hudspeth presented delinquent taxpayers lists for 1873-1875; lists were approved and delivered to the Sheriff for collection. The Sheriff was ordered to pay Montague and Hudspeth out of first monies collected. (page 165)                      The Court approved Sheriff Henry Hamilton's bond; A. Mansfield, F. L. Hicks and J. B. Davenport were his sureties. (page 165)                      Sheriff Hamilton presented accounts of taxes collected and disbursements for 1876; approved. (pages 165-167)</p>	1877-12-10	S	B	164-168
<p>Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge;                      J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1),                      F. G. Newcomer (Pct. 2),                      George F. Smith (Pct. 3),                      M. C. Click (Pct. 4),                      Commissioners;                      Henry Hamilton, Sheriff                      Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk</p>	<p>John P. Heinen was appointed to replace George Hay as overseer of the first-class San Antonio road in Precinct 2. Precinct 2 road boundaries were from east of 8<sup>th</sup> Street and southwest of Cedar Street in Bandera to the top of the hill west of Privilege Creek. List of 34 hands. (pages 169-170)                      Wyatt Dickerson was appointed to replace F. W. Dorow as overseer of the San Antonio road in Precinct 1. The boundaries are: from "the hill on</p>	1878-02-11	R	B	169-170

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	<p>(continued) the west side of Privilege Creek thence to the County line of Bandera and Medina Counties near Cedar Mountain." List of 78 hands. (pages 170-172)</p> <p>F. W. Ellis was appointed to replace William Hester as overseer of the road from Bandera to the Sabinal Cañon, Precinct 3: boundaries from the intersection of the road with the "River road near the ranch of Jacob Postert, thence via Indian Creek, Commissioners Creek and the Rio Hondo to the east line of F. L. Hicks' pasture on Shaw's, or Pigeon Roost Creek." 24 hands listed. (pages 172-173)</p> <p>J. A. V. Pue was appointed overseer of the Bandera and Ranger Spring road, Precinct 5. The boundaries are: from northwest of Cedar Street and north of 8<sup>th</sup> Street in Bandera to Hicks' Creek near the ranch formerly occupied by B. C. Rose. List of 13 hands. (page 173)</p> <p>The Court determined that Precinct 6 "is larger than one overseer could well supervise; it is ordered that it be subdivided..." L. O. Bauerlein was appointed to replace C. Fagan as overseer of the road in Precinct 6. All that part of the road "lying between the crossing of Hicks' Creek at the ranch formerly occupied by B. C. Rose and Hicks' Hill including said hill shall constitute Road Precinct 6". List of 22 hands. (pages 173-174)</p> <p>"All of said original precinct lying above Hicks' Hill and below Ranger Spring the terminus of said road,...be made Road Precinct 6 ½ ." George B. Taylor was appointed overseer. 34 hands were listed. (pages 174-175)</p> <p>George Strickland was appointed to replace overseer George Shirley of the road from Bandera to Monod Valley via Winans Creek, Precinct 7: List of 24 hands. (pages 175-176)</p> <p>C. T. Bauerlein was appointed to replace John R. Preston as overseer of the Monod Valley, West Prong and Frio Waterhole road, Precinct 8: report approved and Preston discharged. overseer of this road. 18 hands listed. (pages 176-177)</p> <p>David A. Chipman was appointed to replace August Pingenot as overseer of the road from Bandera to Castroville, Precinct 9. List of 35 hands. (pages 177-178)</p> <p>A jury of review assessed \$50 in damages to F. L. Hicks' pasture because of the road running through it. The Court issued a warrant for the sum; the warrant "shall be receivable for all County taxes." (page 178)</p> <p>Henry Taylor was appointed overseer of the third-class road from Bandera to the Rio Sabinal, Precinct 4. 29 hands listed. (pages 178-179)</p> <p>W. P. Cooksey, J. W. Beekman and 16 others petitioned for the laying out of a road "from a point on the San Antonio and Bandera road at A. Prather's ranch to intersect and connect with a road from Boerne in Kendall County to the line between Kendall and Bandera Counties." The Court appointed C. Anderson, W. P. Cooksey, William Young, J. M. Scott and J. B. Edwards to "lay out and make the road so ordered to the</p>				
<p>Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge;                      J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1),                      F. G. Newcomer (Pct. 2),                      George F. Smith (Pct. 3),                      M. C. Click (Pct. 4),                      Commissioners;                      Henry Hamilton, Sheriff                      Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk</p>		1878-02-11	R	B	170-179

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	<p>H. H. Carmichael was allowed “to work the South East part of the Court House lot...so as to make a road from the street below to the hill above, near or in front of his store house.” (page 180)</p>				
	<p>C. H. Frick was paid \$25 for making furniture for the Clerk’s office; he was to be paid “as soon as he shall have put two locks on the book and paper case.” (page 180)</p>				
	<p>Sheriff Hamilton was reimbursed \$148.45 for expenses in boarding and guarding prisoner G. W. Bell, providing repairs to the jail, a blanket and “necessaries” for the jail, wood for the courthouse (for heating), and repairs to the courthouse. (page 180)</p>				
	<p>Regarding “the lease of the upper rooms of the Court House to Bandera Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons No. 324”: the rooms were rented for 12 months at \$4.25 per month. The Sheriff and County Surveyor have offices upstairs, so the County will pay the Masons \$2.50 per month rent. (page 181)</p>				
	<p>The County Surveyor is ordered to get “certain record books” which are in a dilapidated condition rebound at the least possible cost. (pages 181-182)</p>				
	<p>M. E. Binner was appointed Constable of Precinct 5. (page 182)</p>				
	<p>County taxes for 1878 were levied: ¼ of 1% on all taxable property; \$.02 ½ /\$100 for “Lunatics’ clothing &amp; expenses”; \$.47 ½ to pay for the courthouse; poll tax of \$1; occupation tax. (pages 182-183)</p>				
	<p>S. W. Dunning, O. H. P. Keese and 12 others petitioned to be allowed to change the Bandera and Ranger Spring Road Precinct 6 ½ around S. W. Dunning’s field; petition granted. (page 183)</p>	1878-02-11			
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Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), F. G. Newcomer (Pct. 2), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	<p>“It appearing to the Court from the written statement of the Commissioner of the General Land Office that the Patents had never been issued on Two Leagues of the County School Lands situated in Maverick County because no evidence had been furnished his Office that the field notes for said land were recorded in Bandera County as required by Law, and it further appearing to the Court that the Patents already issued for two Leagues were not in possession of the County Officers and the Court having no knowledge of what person or persons had obtained said patents.” The Court ordered the County and District Clerk to forward to the Commissioner certified copies of the field notes on these four leagues and “that application be made for the two Patents not yet issued and for duplicates or certified copies of the two Patents issued.” The Clerk should also request information “as to whom the two said original Patents were issued.” (pages 184-185)</p>	1878-05-13	R	B	184-185

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	E. A. Chipman and others petitioned for a review of the road from Bandera via the Mormon Camp to Castroville. D. A. Chipman, August Pingenot, C. D. Johnson, D. S. Chaney and John Pyka, Jr., were appointed as a jury. (pages 185-186)				
	Report of a review of the Quihi and Bandera Road: "from the town of Bandera through Quihi Pass to the Bandera County line on the East Verde Creek" and "it being proven to the satisfaction of the Court that the same interferes with certain farm lots and is objected to by the owners thereof," the Court rejected the report and ordered that the road be again reviewed. The Court appointed a new jury: B. F. Bellows, S. H. Davenport, John Anderwald, George W. Lewis and C. Eckhart. (pages 186-187)				
	The Court authorized \$15 to buy a surveyor's record book. H. Hamilton was reimbursed \$14.50 for Clerk's stationery. (page 187)				
	The County Treasurer refused to accept money from the Sheriff to settle his accounts; the Court ordered the County Treasurer to prorate the total amount among each cash fund. (page 187)				
County Attorney William Hudspeth was paid \$6 as his commissions on fines collected. (page 188)	1878-05-13	R	B	185-196	
Review report of a road from the San Antonio and Bandera Road at A. Prather's ranch to intersect at the County line with the road from Boerne; report approved. W. P. Cooksey was appointed overseer of this third-class public road Precinct 11: "Beginning at the crossing of the San Antonio Road in Pipe Creek, thence up said creek to the forks, thence up the right-hand fork of said creek to its head. Thence with general course to the County line. Thence with said line to the corner of the County on the Balcones Creek. Thence with the dividing line between Bexar, Medina and Bandera Counties to the San Antonio Road..." 16 hands listed. (pages 188-189)					
The County Treasurer submitted his quarterly reports and scrips redeemed. (pages 189-196)					
Reviewers' report on the road from Bandera to the Medina County line through Quihi Pass, Precinct 10: approved. Road marked out: Beginning in Bandera at Heinen's corner "and running thence with the road as now traveled across the race and river and up the hill by the West line of Davenport's fence to the forks of the road on top of the hill. Thence across the William Kelly to the N.E. line of the Anderwald's land, thence with that line to his S.E. corner. Thence with his S.E. line to N.W. corner of John Anderwald's N.E. line to corner of Out lot No. 63 in name of Dugos, thence to the old crossing or ford of the San Julian Creek. Thence by mature trees through Quihi Pass along the N.E. lines of Sam Davenport's and Joseph Dial's farms and...to the County line." B. F. Bellows was appointed overseer. 11 hands listed. (pages 197-198)					
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	<p><i>(continued)</i> H. H. Carmichael was reimbursed \$16.74 for expenses in "building a bridge across the mill race on Main Street"; claim approved. (page 198)</p> <p>The Court heard from the Commissioner of the General Land Office that the Patents for the four leagues of school land were in his office, and "would not be forwarded until the fees due therein had been paid." \$60 was appropriated. (page 199)</p> <p>Samuel Lytle was notified that his school lands lease would expire on August 31, 1878; the land will then be leased to the highest bidder. (page 199)</p> <p>Tax Rolls for 1878 were approved; George Hay, Assessor, was paid \$90.55 for his services. (page 199)</p> <p>The Court was told that some residents of Sabinal Cañon were compelled to pay tax to Uvalde County "in order to avoid a long, expensive and vexatious law suit." These citizens were actually residents of Bandera County and had paid Bandera County taxes in previous years. (pages 199-200)</p> <p>The Court respectfully asked the Commissioners' Court of Uvalde County to refund the taxes paid by these citizens. The Court also brought it to the Uvalde Court that the boundary line was surveyed in 1871. The Uvalde County Surveyor was ordered to survey with the Bandera County Surveyor but failed to appear. Uvalde County got a copy of the survey and they accepted it (along with a bill for one-half the expense of the survey "which debt Uvalde County owes Bandera County to this day"). Six articles of Paschal's Digest were referenced. "And the Commissioners' Court of Bandera County would here say that they have no wish whatever to acquire either territory or taxpayers from Uvalde County that they are not legally entitled to, and their only object in forwarding this protest is to protect, as far as they can, the taxpayers of their County from paying double taxes to save themselves from lawsuits and here they would call attention to the fact that the people are suffering beneath a heavy burden of taxation legitimately imposed and they ask that such burden be not increased. And the Commissioners Court of Bandera County now respectfully asks of the Commissioners Court of Uvalde County a careful consideration of this protest and they further ask their Sister Frontier County of Uvalde to do Justice in the matter." (pages 200-202)</p> <p>The County Treasurer presented his quarterly reports of accounts. (pages 202-205)</p> <p>County Judge T. A. Peacock was granted a 20-day leave of absence. (page 205)</p> <p>A previously overlooked report of the Sheriff's sale for back taxes on April 2, 1878, was entered into the record. Thirteen Bandera town lots were sold. Over 72 parcels of land were offered, most of which sold. (pages 205-217</p>				
<p>Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge;                      J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1),                      George F. Smith (Pct. 3),                      Commissioners;                      Henry Hamilton, Sheriff                      Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk</p>		<p>1878-08-12                      1878-08-13</p>	R	B	198-217

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Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), F. G. Newcomer (Pct. 2), George F. Smith (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	Re: lease of school lands; "...this Court having been enjoined by the District Court of Bandera County from further proceedings in regard to the lease of said lands, and the Court after due consideration of all the matters and things..." the Court proposed to compromise with Samuel Lytle by leasing him the school lands in controversy for the space of three years for \$200 per year. Commissioner J. B. Davenport was appointed to present this compromise to Lytle. "If the said compromise is effected that the said Lytle is to withdraw the suit which he has entered into against this Court." (pages 220-221)	1878-10-01	S	B	220-221
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; F. G. Newcomer (Pct. 2), George F. Smith (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	The jury report for the road from Bandera to the Medina County line leading to Castroville was accepted. "Beginning at the Public Square in the town of Bandera, thence down by the 'mill crossing' of the Medina River, keeping the line between John Pyka, Jr., and B. F. Langford's places, thence on by Anderwald's line to his S.E. corner. Thence to N.E. corner of E. A. Chipman's land, thence through the lane between said Chipman's land and E. M. Ross's and on some course to Dugout Spring Schoolhouse, thence down R. A. Chipman's line to his S.W. corner, thence down Pingenet's East line to a corner made for Taylor, thence in a S.E.. direction to a corner made for A. Pingenet and J. Pyka and on in same course until it intersects the old Castroville road. Thence following said road to the line of Medina County and following throughout the line blazed out and marked by said jury." (pages 222-223) Sheriff H. Hamilton was paid for various expenditures. For prisoners held for DeWitt and Wilson counties, he was told to get reimbursement from these respective counties. (page 223) Sheriff Hamilton reported taxes collected in 1877. He then presented the delinquent taxpayer lists for 1877 and 1875, which was from supplemental rolls forwarded from the Comptroller. List approved. (pages 223-225) County Treasurer J. A. Hudspeth submitted his statement of accounts and a list of scrip registered and destroyed. (pages 225-227) Sheriff Hamilton presented warrants issued to him in pay for his salary and services, which the Court said the warrants had been paid into the Treasury in lieu of taxes. The Court ordered that "said warrants be not received in settlement of his accounts." Commissioner Smith voted not to	1878-11-11	R	B	222-227

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Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; F. G. Newcomer (Pct. 2), George F. Smith (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	<i>(continued)</i> receive them and Commissioner Newcomer voted to receive them. Judge Peacock voted against receiving them. Sheriff Hamilton again protested the matter and "the County Judge recalled his vote and moved for a reconsideration of the same and have expressed himself as doubtful of the law, the whole matter was ordered to be postponed until the next term." (pages 227-228)	1878-11-11	R	B	227-228
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), Lewis Buell (Pct. 2), E. Moffett (Pct. 3), J. C. Mitchell (Pct. 4), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	Bonds presented and accepted: Charles Montague, Jr. – Clerk of the County Court and District Court; Lewis Buell – JP Precinct 2; P. C. Clark – Constable Precinct 1; E. Moffett – JP Precinct 4; H. A. Stanard – Inspector of Hides and Animals ; H. Hamilton – Sheriff, and Collector of State Taxes and County Taxes; J. C. Mitchell – JP Precinct 6; Samuel Stephens – County Surveyor; J. B. Davenport – JP Precinct 1; J. a. Hudspeth – County Treasurer; George Hay – Assessor of Taxes for the State and the County; Louis Polk – JP Precinct 3. (pages 229-230) Supplemental Tax Rolls for 1878 were approved. George Hay, Assessor, was paid for the Supplemental Rolls. (pages 230-231)	1878-12-09	S	B	229-231
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), Lewis Buell (Pct. 2), E. Moffett (Pct. 3), J. C. Mitchell (Pct. 4), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	Lease of State Lands: a compromise was accepted by all parties. The Bandera County School Lands in Maverick County were leased by Samuel Lytle, John T. Lytle and Thomas McDaniel for ten years from September 1, 1878, for the following provisions: to remove any persons residing on the land; to prevent any persons from squatting on the land; to use no timber growing, or mineral production except for their own use for fuel, fences or other improvements; rent for first three years is \$200/year, for the second three years \$250/year, for the last four years \$300/year. At the end of the 10 years, the property shall "peaceably, quietly and in good faith" be returned to the County together with any improvements, provided, however, they shall not be liable if they were unable to remove squatters who are now on the land. The minutes detail the reasons the Court decided to compromise. (pages 232-237) The petition of Lynn B. Ladd and eight others to change Public Road 6 was granted. "Running as now from the town of Bandera to the Monod Valley and near the log house in George Smith's pasture to leave the former road and run in a Westerly course crossing the creek (above said house) at or near its mouth, thence along the bank of the river to the corner of Messrs. Parker & Ladd's field thence on between said field and the river to the South corner of said field, thence on between said field and Messrs. Parker & Ladd's house connecting with the Bandera and Ranger Spring Road – at or near its intersection with the West Prong road." The Court decided that no review was needed and ordered the overseer to work the road. (pages 237-238) George B. Taylor and others petitioned to change the Bandera and Ranger Spring Road (divided into precincts 6, 6 ½ and 7) to a first-class from a third-class road. This proposal was	1879-02-10	R	B	232-238

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<p>Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge;                      J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1),                      Lewis Buell (Pct. 2),                      E. Moffett (Pct. 3),                      J. C. Mitchell (Pct. 4),                      Commissioners;                      Henry Hamilton, Sheriff                      Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk</p>	<p><i>(continued)</i> objected to by Ladd, because he would be compelled to put a lane in his pasture instead of gates. "...the Court being of the opinion that the road can be changed so as to cross the river near Mr. Ladd's and thus avoid his land. It is therefore ordered that said petition be laid over until the next regular term." (page 238)                      Richard Duval and eleven others petitioned to change the Bandera and Castroville Road Precinct 9 "so as to not to interfere with his tillable land." Petition granted; road to run in front of Duval's "dwelling house." (page 239)                      B. B. Rose was appointed County Attorney, after the County Attorney-elect had refused to qualify. Rose's bond was accepted. (page 239)                      R. T. Carver and 27 others petitioned to establish a road from the County line near Bandera Pass "and running through said Pass over the old San Antonio and Camp Verde road to its intersection with the Stage road from San Antonio to Bandera" near Pipe Creek. The Court appointed J. A. Jones, J. Strickland, William Gibson, F. J. McCarthy and W. C. Southwood as a jury of review. (pages 239-240)                      W. H. Davenport and eight others petitioned for a third-class road from the town of Bandera via the head of San Julian Creek across the Middle Verde to the Medina County line between the West Verde and the Rio Hondo; petition granted. The Court appointed B. F. Bellows, G. W. Lewis, O. Thalman, W. H. Davenport and E. Oelze as a jury of review. (page 240)                      John R. Preston and eleven others petitioned to establish two precincts out of one road precinct, from Monod Valley to Frio Waterhole via the West Prong of the Medina River; petition not granted, because it appeared to the Court that there is a greater necessity of working the "entire length than there was when the same was originally granted and that there are no other hands that the Court could apportion to the upper end of said road were the petition to be granted." (page 241)                      Reports of overseers were approved: Harry Johnson, San Antonio and Bandera Road, Precinct 1; John P. Heinen - Precinct 2; F. W. Ellis - Precinct 3; Henry Taylor - Precinct 4; J. A. V. Pue - Precinct 5; L. O. Bauerlein - Precinct 6; George B. Taylor - Precinct 6 ½ ; George Strickland - Precinct 7; C. F. Bauerlein - Precinct 8; D. A. Chipman - Precinct 9; B. F. Bellows - Pct 10. Overseers discharged. (page 241)                      New overseers and hands were appointed` and precinct boundaries were detailed: Gay Buell - San Antonio Road, Precinct 1; William Hudspeth - San Antonio Road, Precinct 2; R. M. Taylor - Bandera and Sabinal, Precinct 3; John Adamietz - Bandera, Winan's Creek, Monod Valley Road, Precinct 7; John R. Preston - Monod Valley, West Prong and Frio Waterhole Road, Precinct 8; and John Walker - Quihi and Bandera Road, Precinct 10; A. Riede - Boerne and Bandera Road, Precinct 11. Henry Taylor, J. A. V. Pue, L. O. Bauerlein, George B. Taylor and D. A. Chipman</p>	1879-02-10	R	B	238-240

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	<p>(continued) were reappointed to their respective road precincts. (pages 242-252)</p> <p>Payments approved by the Court: \$2.60 to William Hudspeth for convictions obtained by him as County Attorney; \$2 to R. C. Dollins to fix the posts in the ground that hold up the stairs and gallery to the courthouse. (pages 252-253)</p> <p>L. Hillman and others petitioned to create a Justice precinct out of Election Precinct 8; granted. Louis Hillman was appointed JP and W. Y. Patterson appointed Constable. (page 253)</p> <p>Times for holding regular sessions of the Justice Courts were set out. (pages 253-254)</p> <p>William Hudspeth was appointed Presiding Officer of Election Precinct 1. (page 254)</p> <p>Election Precinct 2 described and is the same territory for Justice Precinct 2. The voting place is Dickerson's schoolhouse and J.M. Kendall is the Presiding Officer. (page 254)</p> <p>Justice Precinct 3 is all that part of Commissioners Precinct 2 that is not contained in Justice Precinct 2. Election Precinct 3 is described. The voting place is the Red Bluff schoolhouse and W. A. Weatherby was appointed Presiding Officer. (page 254)</p> <p>The part of Justice Precinct 3 not contained in Election Precinct 3 shall constitute Election Precinct 9. The voting place is William Callahan's ranch and William Callahan is Presiding Officer. (page 255)</p> <p>The remaining Justice and Election Precincts shall be as established and the voting places remain the same. Presiding Officers were appointed: W. M. Smith – Precinct 4; J. B. Hudspeth – Precinct 5; G. Thompson – Precinct 6; S. B. Dampier – Precinct 7. Voting place in Precinct 5 is W. M. Taylor's ranch. (page 255)</p> <p>The Court appointed William Hudspeth, Commissioner J. B. Davenport and Sheriff Hamilton to superintend and put in order the upper room of the Courthouse, "that is, to take the partition out, to canvass the ceiling and to fix the stairs. And...have erected a water closet on the Court House lot adjacent or near the Court House." (page 255)</p> <p>Sheriff Hamilton was ordered to rent the lower unoccupied rooms if he is able. (page 255)</p> <p>The <i>Union Land Register</i>, a newspaper published in Boerne, was adopted as the official newspaper for Bandera County, "in so far as this Court can adopt any paper as an Official organ for the County." (page 256)</p> <p>Annual salaries were fixed: County Judge - \$150, District Clerk - \$150, County Clerk - \$50, Sheriff - \$100. (page 256)</p> <p>The County Treasurer reported "his books in precisely the same condition as at last report – he having neither received nor paid out anything." (page 257)</p> <p>Sheriff Hamilton presented reports of taxes collected, including a "Dog Tax." (page 257)</p>				
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	<p>The Court rejected a majority and a minority report from the jury reviewing a road from Bandera via San Julian Creek and Middle Verde to the County line between the West Verde and the Rio Hondo [Uvalde road]; the jury was ordered to re-review. (page 259)</p>				
	<p>J. B. Stidham, John Leakey and eleven others, all freeholders of Frio Cañon, petitioned for a second-class road from the County line of Bandera and Uvalde Counties in Frio Cañon. J. B. Stidham, John L. Avant, Aaron Saunders, James A. Chamberlain and John Hanson were appointed as a jury of review. (pages 259-260)</p>				
	<p>The jury of review for the proposed road from near Bandera Pass to intersect the Bandera and San Antonio road between Pipe and Privilege Creeks unanimously recommended that the road not be established; the Court agreed. (page 262)</p>				
	<p>Moses Johnson, W. D. Smith and eleven others petitioned for a second-class road from the County line on Wallace’s Creek “thence down said stream near William Benton’s place, thence crossing the Medina River near Floyd Benton’s and intersecting the Bandera and Ranger Spring road near where John Means lives above William Baker’s place. The Court appointed W. D. Smith, Floyd Benton, William Hudson, W. G. Robinson and William Benton as a jury of review (pages 260-261)</p>				
	<p>Rita A. San Miguel petitioned to buy 160 acres of the Bandera County school lands in Maverick County. Petition denied and the Court in turn demanded \$1200 from Ms. San Miguel for rent for the 12 years she says she has been living on the land. (pages 261-262)</p>				
	<p>Sheriff Hamilton’s bond for tax collection was approved. (page 263)</p>				
	<p>The Bandera branch of the United Friends of Temperance was allowed the free use of the Courtroom every Thursday night. (page 263)</p>				
	<p>A Literary Club organized in the town of Bandera held meetings every Saturday night in the Courtroom. The Court granted them free use of the room, believing that “Literary Clubs, Debating Societies etc. are pretty good things in their way and should be encouraged and trusting and hoping that this Society may succeed in</p>				

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	<p>Salaries for the County Judge, County Clerk, District Clerk and Sheriff were ordered to be paid quarterly. (page 271)                      The Court approved the jury's report for the second-class road from the Kerr County line on Wallace's Creek, down the creek and intersecting with the Bandera and Ranger Spring Road. W. D. Benton, Jr., was appointed the overseer. The road's boundaries [Precinct 12]: Beginning at a point on the line of Kerr and Bandera Counties, on the middle of the dividing ridge or watershed between Wallace's Creek and Cedar Creek, thence down the dividing ridge to the Medina River. Thence across the river to the Ranger Spring road at Hicks' Hill, thence down the road in a line to the upper corner of the field on the Tanner Survey 143, now worked by John Means. Thence with the line of Tanner Survey to the river, thence across the river to the point of a mountain above the W. D. Benton ranch. Then or with the dividing ridge between Wallace's Creek and Benton Creek to the Kerr County line. Ten hands were assigned. (pages 271-272)                      The jury of review for the Bandera to Uvalde Road are still unable to agree. The Court discharged them and appointed a new jury: F. W. Ellis, J. F. Morris, Gabe Anderwald, E. Oelze and James Siers. (page 272)                      The Court approved several claims for Sheriff Hamilton, including \$59.20 to I. H. White for work on the courthouse and \$38.90 for the burial of David Carter and for material to repair the courthouse. (page 273)</p>	1879-08-11	R	B	271-273

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	<i>(continued)</i> Sheriff Hamilton submitted his tax collection reports. (pages 273-274)				
	The County Treasurer presented his accounts, including a list of properties sold May 6, 1879, for back taxes from 1878. (pages 274-279)				
	The Legislature passed a new Civil Code and the law of 1879 requiring the District and County Courts to have several specific books; the County has no money with which to buy these books and others it is required to have by law. The County Judge and Commissioners Buell and Moffett proposed a small specific tax be levied just for these purchases. Comm. Davenport voted against. Comm. Moffett said that he wouldn't vote for the tax unless the entire court voted for it. A vote was taken and it was defeated. Comm. Buell protested "the failure of the Court to provide means to purchase said books and asks that his protest be entered." (pages 280-281)				
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), Lewis Buell (Pct. 2), E. Moffett (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	The Assessor submitted the Tax Rolls for 1879 and the supplemental roll for 1878; approved. (page 281)	1879-08-11 1879-08-16	R	B	273-281 blank 282
	A. Housefield and 23 other sheep owners petitioned the Court to appoint an Inspector of Sheep; the Court appointed F. L. Hicks as Inspector; Hicks' bond was accepted. (page 283)				
	Thomas Haus and nine others petitioned the Court for a separate road precinct to be created from the part of the Bandera and Castroville road lying between the Haus or Mitchell crossing of the Medina River and the Mormon Camp crossing; petition granted for Road Precinct 13. Boundaries listed. Overseer appointment postponed until 1880. (pages 283-284)				
	Reviewers of the Bandera and Uvalde road and the Frio Cañon and Post Oak Waterhole road are reappointed because they have not provided reports. (page 284)				
	Charles Montague, Jr., was reimbursed \$4.25 for stationery. Bailiffs were paid. Three claims from Sheriff Hamilton were approved. (pages 284-285)				
	Sheriff Hamilton submitted his delinquent and insolvent taxpayers lists for 1878; names are listed. (pages 285-286)				
	The Court approved County Surveyor Samuel Stephens' valuation of the Public Free School lands. (page 286)				
	The Assessor submitted Supplemental Tax Rolls for 1878 and 1879; approved. Assessor's fees of \$39.50 were approved. (page 287)				
	The County Treasurer submitted his statements. (pages 287-288)				
	H. C. McKay and others petitioned for a first-class road from Bandera to Center Point; approved. The Court appointed J. B. Gobble, Jerome Strickland, I. M. Stevens, H. C. McKay and Robert Tedford as jury of review. (page 288)				
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	<p>William Hudspeth, overseer of Road Precinct 2 [San Antonio Road], report was approved. Emil Huffmeyer was appointed the new overseer. Hands listed. (page 292)</p>				
	<p>R. M. Taylor, overseer of the Bandera and Sabinal Road Precinct 3, report was approved. W. M. Taylor was appointed the new overseer. Hands listed. (pages 292-293)</p>				
	<p>Henry Taylor, overseer of Road Precinct 4, Bandera and Sabinal road, report was approved. Houston Kennedy was appointed overseer. Hands listed. (page 293-294)</p>				
	<p>The report of J. A. V. Pue, overseer of the Bandera and Ranger Spring Road Precinct 5 was accepted. Pue was reappointed. Hands listed. (page 294)</p>				
	<p>The report of L. O. Bauerlein, overseer of the Bandera and Ranger Spring Road Precinct 6, was approved. W. B. Baker was appointed as overseer. Hands listed. (pages 294-295)</p>				
	<p>The report of George B. Taylor, overseer of the Bandera and Ranger Spring Road Precinct 6 ½, was approved. L. L. Wight was appointed overseer. Hands listed. (page 295)</p>				
	<p>John Adamietz, overseer of Bandera, Winan's Creek and West Prong Road Precinct 7; report approved. D. I. Weaver appointed overseer. Hands listed. (pages 295-296)</p>				
	<p>No report was received from Precinct 8. (page 296)</p>				
	<p>The report of D. A. Chipman, overseer of the Bandera and Castroville Road Precinct 9, was accepted. Chipman was reappointed. Hands listed. (pages 296-297)</p>				
	<p>No report was received from Precinct 10. (page 297)</p>				
	<p>The report of A. Riede, overseer of the Bandera and Boerne Road Precinct 11, was approved. T. Beekman was appointed overseer. Hands listed. (page 297)</p>				
	<p>W. D. Benton, Jr., overseer of Road Precinct 12 for Wallace Creek road; report approved. Benton reappointed. Hands listed. (page 297)</p>				
	<p>E. Pennington was appointed overseer of Road Precinct 13, Bandera and Castroville road. No hands listed. (page 298)</p>				
<p>The Court approved the jury report establishing the third-class Bandera and Uvalde road as Road Precinct 14. Boundaries were detailed: Beginning at the intersection with the Quihi Road, thence in a southerly line between the farms of John and Gabriel Anderwald, across the San Julian to the top of the Pass at the head of East Verde Creek. Thence with the chain of hills on the southwest side of the East Verde to the Medina County line near the head of Cow Creek. Thence with said County line to the dividing ridge between Town Creek and Barnes Creek. Thence with the dividing ridge around the heads of the</p>					

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	<p>(continued) West and Middle Verde Creeks to a point on the ridge directly opposite the town of Bandera. Then in a northeast course to the mill dam at Bandera. Then down the Medina River to the crossing of the Quihi road. F. W. Ellis was appointed overseer. Hands listed. (pages 298-299)</p> <p>The Court levied taxes: ¼ of 1% for the general fund; ½ of 1% for building and furnishing a new jail, and repairing and furnishing the Courthouse. A poll tax of \$1 on males from 21-60 years old and an occupation tax levied. (pages 299-300)</p> <p>The Court ordered the County Treasurer to establish two new funds: Courthouse and Stationery, and Jail. (page 300)</p> <p>The Court approved the claim of George D. Barnard &amp; Co. for \$253.60 for books as prescribed by law for District and County Clerk, the Assessor and the Treasurer. (pages 300-301)</p> <p>The Temperance Society, represented by B. B. Rose, was allowed to change their meeting date at the courthouse from Thursday to Friday night, provided they don't interfere with County business and keep the place clean. (page 301)</p> <p>County Judge Peacock and Commissioner Lewis Buell were elected as a finance committee to examine the books of the several County Officers and to prepare a tabular statement of the financial condition of the County. (page 301)</p> <p>"It is ordered by the Court that notice issue to each Justice precinct in the County requiring the holders of any scrip or other claim against Bandera County to register the same in accordance with Articles 961 &amp; 962 Revised Civil Statutes. (page 301)</p> <p>George Hay, H. Hamilton and A. Mansfield, Trustees of School Community 1, petitioned to contract for the sale of the schoolhouse located in the town of Bandera. Funds from the sale are to be used to build a larger school; approved. (pages 301-302)</p> <p>Commissioner Moffett moved that the United Friends of Temperance be charged \$2 rent per month for courthouse use. (page 302)</p> <p>The Court approved the \$5.00 claim of B. F. Fellows for making a coffin and burying pauper Thomas Jones. (pages 302-303)</p> <p>Sheriff Henry Hamilton's claims were approved for attending the County Court and for a Courthouse desk, freight paid on books shipped from San Antonio to Bandera and a load of wood for the Courthouse. (page 303)</p> <p>County Treasurer J. A. Hudspeth submitted his report, which was approved, and he was paid his \$42.04 and \$27.80 commissions due. (page 303)</p> <p>Charles Montague, Jr., County Court Clerk, showed the Court a warrant he had filled out for his quarterly salary with the mistaken amount of \$25 ("the amount that would have been due him prior to the action of the Court reducing his pay"). This was cancelled and he was ordered to create a warrant for \$12.50. (page 304)</p>				
<p>Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge;                      J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1),                      Lewis Buell (Pct. 2),                      E. Moffett (Pct. 3),                      Enoch Moffett,                      Commissioners;                      Henry Hamilton, Sheriff                      Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk</p>	<p>The Court ordered the County Clerk to buy a ledger, blanks and stamps. (page 304)</p>	<p>1880-02-09                      1880-02-10</p>		<p>R B</p>	<p>299-305</p>

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	<p>Frank Kalka petitioned the court for \$75 damages due to the opening of the Bandera and Uvalde road across his land. The Court stated that there had been no objections voiced about the road when the jury of review presented its report, that the road crosses unenclosed land which is almost worthless "being a rocky ridge of only about one acre"; petition denied. (page 306)</p> <p>The jury of review's report on the Frio Cañon and Post Oak Waterhole road was approved. O.A. Knight was appointed overseer and "he have all hands living therein to work said road." Road boundaries are detailed. (pages 306-307)</p> <p>W. L. Clark and others petitioned the Court for a road from Bandera down the river the old San Antonio road by way of Gallagher's ranch. Court determined that notice needed to be given before consideration. (page 307)</p> <p>The Court heard a petition from C. Montague, Sr., W. H. Davenport, E. Huffmeyer, H. Hamilton and others wanting a local option election held "to determine whether or not intoxicating liquors and medicated bitters producing intoxication shall be prohibited from being sold." The Court ordered an election to be held June 14, 1880. The Court will hold a special session on June 25, 1880, to determine the election results and "also to act as a board of Equalization for said County." (pages 307-308)</p> <p>Sheriff Hamilton was paid for various claims. (page 308)</p> <p>The report of James B. Gobble, butcher, of all cattle slaughtered by him since his last report was approved. (page 308)</p> <p>County Treasurer J. A. Hudspeth's reports were approved and scrip was cancelled. (page 309)</p> <p>Finance Committee report was examined and it was determined that Sheriff Hamilton was owed \$401.54. (page 309)</p>	1880-05-10	R	B	306-309 page 310 blank
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	The Vote was FOR or AGAINST PROHIBITION				
	Precinct	For	Against		
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Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), Lewis Buell (Pct. 2), E. Moffett (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	<p>Sale of intoxicating liquors is permitted in Bandera County. Local option. (pages 311-312)</p> <p>Court then, with the tax lists and rolls, equalized assessments. Each person affected is detailed. Court set July 15, 1880, as the date for valuation protests. (pages 312-313)</p>	1880-06-25	S	B	311-313 page 314 blank
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), Lewis Buell (Pct. 2), John Anglin (Pct. 4), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	<p>Continuation of the revaluation process. (pages 315-316)</p> <p>Judge Peacock reimbursed \$.51 for furnishing "postal cards" for notification of this meeting. (pages 316-317)</p>	1880-07-15	S	B	315-317 page 314 blank

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	School Commission 1 Trustees reported that they had sold the Bandera schoolhouse to A. Huffmeyer for \$135. The Court approved the sale at the highest bid; the school building will be moved by Huffmeyer at his own expense. (page 318)				
	A. Maverick petitioned the Court to be able to change the Bandera, Winan's Creek and West Prong road; petition approved. Maverick to make changes at his own expense. (pages 318-319)				
	Albert Maverick petitioned the Court to be allowed to place two gates on the Bandera, Hondo and Sabinal road; petition granted. (page 319)				
	The County Assessor presented tax rolls for 1880 and supplemental rolls for 1879; approved. (pages 319-320)				
	Charles T. Parker and 36 others petitioned the Court that the Bandera and Ranger Spring road be classed as second-class; petition granted. (page 320)				
	M. York, W. E. Callahan and nine others petitioned for a third-class road from the town of Bandera via the Polander fields, Wallace's ranch, Bottle Spring to the County line near Gallagher's ranch in Medina County. The Court appointed a jury of review: Dave Chaney, George T. Lincoln, W. E. Callahan, L. D. Wallace and John H. Newcomer. The Court determined that this road "was established many years ago as a first-class public road and that it was used for a short time, and then virtually if not absolutely discontinued, and has not been used or considered as a County road for many years," and asked that it be officially discontinued as a first-class road. (pages 320-321)				
	C. Dugos petitioned the Court to change the Bandera and Quihi road so that it will run outside his lots; petition granted. (page 321)				
	The County Treasurer's report was approved. \$244.75 was submitted in scrip, which was then cancelled. (pages 321-322)	1880-08-09	R	B	317-322
	Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), E. Moffett (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	Sheriff Hamilton presented reports of taxes collected for 1879, 1880, and supplemental taxes for 1878. (pages 323-324)			
Occupation taxes were submitted. Legislative changes to the collection of occupation taxes were noted. (page 324)					
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; E. Moffett (Pct. 3), J. A. Anglin (Pct. 4) Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	Delinquent taxpayer list for 1879 was detailed. (pages 325-326)	1880-10-11	R	B	323-326
	Re the Bandera, Polander field, Wallace's ranch and Bottle Spring road to the Medina County line near Gallagher's ranch: jury of review appointed didn't follow the direction of the Court, but rather reported that "there is no necessity for said road and suggest that the same be not established." Protests from landowners in proposed road's vicinity: George T. Lincoln, W. York, Wilson Clark and others. The Court ordered the road reviewers "to lay out said road in accordance with the original order." (page 327)	1880-11-08	R	B	327

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	Sheriff Hamilton's claims were paid, including for a coffin for burial of "the boy James Henry." (pages 327-328)				
	Sheriff Hamilton reported \$16 rent collected from the United Friends of Temperance: approved. (page 328)				
	Louis Polk, Sr., F. M. Hodges, T. Beekman and others applied to the Court to change the Bandera and Boerne road so that it runs over better ground; "...running down the East prong of Red Bluff Creek." Application granted. (page 329)				
	George B. Taylor and 16 others petitioned the Court that the Ranger Spring and Bandera road in Road Precinct 6 ½ be changed so as to leave the Medina River at the mouth of Honey Creek and proceed NW up Honey Creek to its forks to the County line of Kerr County; petition approved. (page 329)				
	B. F. Bellows applied for a jury to assess damages occasioned by changing the Ranger Spring and Bandera road from a third-class to a second-class road. A. Maverick, George F. Smith, W. B. Baker, C. Fagan and Frank Johnson were appointed as a jury to determine any damages. (pages 329-330)				
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; E. Moffett (Pct. 3), J. A. Anglin (Pct. 4) Commissioners;	Butcher James B. Gobble's report of animals slaughtered by him was approved. (page 330)				
Henry Hamilton, Sheriff	The Tabular Statement was ordered to be posted in the County Clerk's office. (page 331)				
Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	School trustees were ordered to report about the sale of the school building. (page 331)	1880-11-08 1880-11-09	R	B	327-331
	The Justice-elect of the Peace for Precinct 1 failed to qualify; B. F. Langford was unanimously elected JP by the Court. (page 332)				
	Bonds were approved for: Samuel Stephens, County Surveyor; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk of the County and District Courts; James A. Hudspeth, County Treasurer; T. F. Randolph, JP Precinct 2; H. Hamilton, Sheriff and Tax Collected for the State and County; F. G. Newcomer, Assessor for the State and County; F. W. Dorow, JP Precinct 3; William M. Taylor, JP Precinct 5. (pages 332-333)				
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; J. B. Davenport (Pct. 1), Lewis Buell (Pct. 2), J. A. Anglin (Pct. 4), Commissioners;	The Trustees of Public Free School Community No. 1 reported that they sold the public building to Samuel Stephens for \$85; sale approved. (pages 333-334)	1880-12-04	S	B	332-334
Henry Hamilton, Sheriff	W. M. Taylor, Commissioner of Precinct 4 and JP of Justice Precinct 5, resigned both offices because he had moved his family to the town of Bandera to send his children to school. Joseph B. Hudspeth was appointed JP of Justice Precinct 5 and Henry Taylor was appointed Commissioner of Precinct 4. (page 335)				
Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	The Court accepted the report of D. A. Chipman, overseer of the Bandera and Castroville road, Precinct 9, and he was reappointed. Road crew named. (page 336)				
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; John Adamietz (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), Albert Maverick (Pct. 3), W. M. Taylor (Pct. 4), Commissioners;	J. B. Reed, P. C. Clark and nine others petitioned for a review of the Castroville road, and to change it to run by way of the Polander fields, across San Julian Creek along the division line between L. D. Wallace's and R. A. Chipman's	1881-02-14	R	B	335-336
Henry Hamilton, Sheriff					
Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk					

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	<p>The Court approved the jury's report of the third-class road from Bandera to the County line near Gallagher's ranch: "Beginning at the town of Bandera, following the line of the old San Antonio road, to San Julian Creek. Thence to the corner of L. D. Wallace's Survey on line between said Wallace and Robert Chipman. Thence to SE corner of Wallace's land and across David Chaney's land to William Wallace's. Thence on in a direct line a little north of five-mile hill to line of old San Antonio road. Continuing on to near the old chimney on what was the Cunningham ranch. Thence across the River at the mouth of Red Bluff Creek. Thence across the land of Wilson Clark, across the land of George T. Lincoln. Thence across Bottle Creek near the corner of Lincoln's and Callahan's land. Thence near the house of T. Fitch. Thence across the land of William Callahan to the head of Spier's Hollow. Thence to the trail known as "Rigg's Trail" which is followed across lands of S. A. Hickock and George T. Lincoln to the old San Antonio road to the County line." This road was located in the newly created Road Precinct 15, which is detailed. John H. Newcomer was appointed overseer of the Bandera and Bottle Spring road. Road crew named. (pages 337-339)</p> <p>Albert Maverick reported that he had complied with the order authorizing him to change the Bandera, Winan's Creek and West Prong road, Precinct 7. In lieu of a bridge over Winan's Creek, he made a "good rock ford" at the advice of his neighbors who thought "that a ford would be more preferable than a bridge inasmuch as it would not be so liable to destruction by overflows as the bridge would, and that the ford erected had cost him considerably more money than he had estimated the bridge would cost." The Court approved and the road was established as the Bandera, Winan's Creek and Monod Valley road. (page 339)</p>				
	<p>The Court approved the report of D. I. Weaver, overseer of the Bandera, Winan's Creek and West Prong or Monod Valley road, Road Pct. 7. J. D. Hayhurst was appointed overseer and crew named. (pages 339-340)</p> <p>The United Friends of Temperance petitioned to use the Courtroom one night each week, free of any charge. Granted. (pages 340-341)</p>	1881-02-14	R	B	336-341

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	<i>(continued)</i> The Court approved the report of L. L. Wight, overseer of the Bandera and Ranger Spring road, Road Precinct 6 ½ . S. A. Knight was appointed overseer and a crew named. (page 341)				
	The Court approved the report of F. W. Ellis, overseer of the Bandera and Uvalde Road, Road Precinct 14. Gabriel Anderwald was appointed overseer and a crew was named. (pages 341-342)				
	W. F. Weatherby, overseer of Road Precinct 1, Bandera and San Antonio road. Report approved. W. H. Norton was appointed overseer. Crew named. (pages 342-343)				
	"It is ordered that the San Antonio and Bandera Road, Precincts 1 and 2, and the Bandera and Castroville Road, Precinct 7, be so changed as to conform to the precinct laid off and known as the Bandera and Bottle Springs Road, Pct. 15." (page 343)				
	W. G. Wallis was appointed overseer of the Bandera and Boerne Road, Road Precinct 11. Crew named. (page 343)				
	W. B. Baker, overseer of the Bandera and Ranger Spring road, Road Precinct 6, presented his report. Approved. John T. Stevens appointed overseer. Crew named. (pages 343-344)				
	The Court approved the report of E. Pennington, overseer of the Bandera and Castroville road, Road Precinct 13. John Lebold was appointed overseer. Boundaries of Precinct 13 listed. (pages 344-345)				
	The Court approved the report of John Walker, overseer of the Bandera and Quihi road, Road Precinct 10. John Anderwald was appointed overseer and crew named. (page 345)				
	J. A. V. Pue, overseer of Road Precinct 5, Bandera and Ranger Spring road, was reappointed to act as overseer. Crew named. (pages 345-346)				
	E. Huffmeyer, overseer of the Bandera and San Antonio road, Road Precinct 2, reported. Approved. H. H. Carmichael was appointed overseer. Crew names. (page 346)				
	The Court approved the report of W. W. McKinzie, overseer of Road Precinct 8, Bandera, Winan's Creek and West Prong road. I. N. Chisom was appointed overseer. Crew named. (pages 346-347)				
	The Court approved the report of Houston Kennedy, overseer of the Bandera and Sabinal road, Road Precinct 4. R. H. Thompson was appointed overseer. Crew named. (pages 347-348)				
	The Court approved the report of W. D. Benton, overseer of the Wallace Creek road, Road Precinct 12. W. G. Robinson was appointed overseer. Crew named. (page 348)				
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	F. L. Hicks' term as Inspector of Sheep had expired. The Court appointed A. Mansfield ("as	1881-02-14	R	B	341-349

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	<p>James A. Hudspeth, County Treasurer, presented his quarterly report. Approved. County scrips cancelled. (page 350)</p>				
	<p>The Court levied taxes: ¼ of 1% for the general fund; ½ of 1% special tax for building and furnishing a new jail, and repairing and furnishing the Courthouse; a poll tax of \$1 on all males 21 to 60 years old; occupation tax. (pages 350-351)</p>				
	<p>The Court ordered the Sheriff to sell at public auction at the Courthouse “the building known and used heretofore as the County Jail, the same being worthless” and the purchaser must remove the building at his own cost. (page 351)</p>				
	<p>The Court ordered a notice for sealed proposals be published once a week for two months in the <i>Bandera Bugle</i> and the <i>San Antonio Daily Express</i>: for building in Bandera a “hard rock Jail House, two stories high, with iron cages in the upper story, Jailers’ room below. Tin roof or other metallic substance, water closets, and to cost about \$5,000...” “The attention of bidders is called to the fact that good rock can be obtained within one mile of the town of Bandera.” (pages 351-352)</p>				
	<p>Butcher James Gobble’s report was approved. (page 352)</p>				
	<p>County Officers’ yearly salaries: Judge - \$150; District Clerk - \$150; Sheriff - \$100; County Clerk - \$100. (pages 352-353)</p>				
	<p>The Sheriff was paid \$2.25 for feeding prisoner Wright Taylor for five days. (page 353)</p>				
	<p>The Court ordered Sheriff Hamilton “to have the District Courtroom put in good order forthwith.” (page 353)</p>				
	<p>George Hay, Assessor, was paid his fees from three funds. (pages 353-354)</p>				
<p>The jury appointed to assess the damages to B. F. Bellows’ property by changing the Bandera and Ranger Spring road from a third-class to a second-class were unable to serve; discharged. C. Fagan, Frank Johnson, W. B. Baker, George W. Benton and F. L. Hicks were appointed as the new jury. (page 354)</p>					
<p>Medina County sent a certified order to Bandera County directing a survey to be made of the county line on March 7, 1881. Court rejected because of insufficient notice. (page 354)</p>					
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; John Adamietz (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), Albert Maverick (Pct. 3), Henry Taylor (Pct. 4), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	<p>The bond of L. Polk as Deputy Surveyor was approved. (page 356)</p>	1881-05-09	R	B	356-357
	<p>Sheriff Henry Hamilton’s claims were paid, including: \$10.85 for courthouse repairs, for “Buckets dippers candles etc for use of Courthouse”; \$99.25 for “feeding &amp; guarding Prisoners purchasing Blankets for use of Jail &amp; for shackles”. (pages 356-357)</p>				
<p>The jury of review appointed to assess damages to B. F. Bellow’s pasture “will be held in contempt of court and fined each in the sum of \$25.00” unless they report at the next regular session. (page 357)</p>					

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Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; John Adamietz (Pct. 1), Albert Maverick (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	<p>The Court postponed a decision on the new jail's plans and specifications until May 16, 1881. County Clerk Montague was given permission to act as surety for James A. Courtney, Contractor. (page 360)</p> <p>Modifications to the specifications were enumerated: responsibility for injuries or property damages, and the cesspool. A contract was signed. (page 361)</p> <p>Courtney's bond was approved and the Court. (page 362)</p>	1881-05-14 1881-05-16	S	B	360-362
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; John Adamietz (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), Henry Taylor (Pct. 4), Commissioners; H. F. Gibbons, Deputy Sheriff Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	<p>On the recommendation of Alfred Giles, Architect, the Court ordered two iron cages from P. J. Pauly &amp; Bro. of St. Louis, Mo., "to be made of their saw and file proof material," similar to the ones furnished to the Bexar County Jail. Other specifications were listed. (page 363)</p> <p>William Hudspeth's claim for acting as County Attorney was approved. (pages 363-364)</p> <p>The claim of P. J. Stephenson, of the <i>Bandera Bugle</i>, "...for publishing the Governor's Proclamation prohibiting the carrying of arms in Bandera County" was approved. (page 364)</p> <p>The Court proceeded to act as a Board of Equalization to examine the tax lists. (page 364)</p>	1881-06-27	S	B	363-364
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; John Adamietz (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), Albert Maverick (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	<p>Architect Alfred Giles reported that the P. J. Pauly &amp; Bro. company refused to supply the cages, corridors, etc., mentioned at last session for the sum of \$2,755 with 8% interest. They offered to do the work specified for \$2,855. "...it appears to the Court that it is of greater importance to the County to obtain the cages for which P. J. Pauly &amp; Bro. have a patent than to</p>	1881-07-05	S	B	365-366
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; John Adamietz (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), Albert Maverick (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	<p><i>(continued)</i> erect cages of inferior material." Court agreed to new price. (pages 365-366)</p> <p>I. H. Chisom, overseer of Road Precinct 8, "has departed this life since his appointment." George W. Elam was appointed overseer. (page 366)</p>	1881-07-05	S	B	365-366

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	<p>Sheriff Hamilton filed the lists of Delinquent and Insolvent Taxpayers; lists approved and detailed. (pages 368-370)                      List of lands sold for back taxes. (page 370)                      Court struck the poll tax assessed on J. P. Akin for 1880, because he was over 60 years old. (page 371)</p>				
<p>Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; John Adamietz (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), Albert Maverick (Pct. 3), Henry Taylor (Pct. 4), Commissioners; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk</p>	<p>Tax Assessor F. G. Newcomer, submitted the Tax Rolls for 1881; Court approved. P. C. Clark was appointed Constable, Precinct 1. (page 372)                      G. W. Moore was appointed JP for Precinct 1. (page 373)</p>	1881-08-08	R	B	372-375
	<p>The Court paid various claims and ordered several books for the County and District Clerk and for the County Surveyor. (page 373)                      John M. Tanquary and eight others petitioned the Court to open a road leading from "Main Street in...Bandera to San Julian Creek and running between the farms now occupied by J. B. Davenport and B. F. Langford to its intersection with the road now used and which road petitioners aver was donated to the County by the owners of the land at the time when the town of Bandera was first laid off." The Court ordered the County Surveyor to survey and make a plat of the road from its junction with Main Street to its intersection with the road now used at the petitioners' expense. (page 374)                      The Court granted the petition of Thomas Mazourick asking that the Bandera and Winan's Creek Road be changed back to how it had originally been run at his 40-acre tract rather than running diagonally through it. "The petitioner will be enabled to put said forty acres under one fence and will also be enabled to place in cultivation the best land that is on said forty acres." Mazourick had to leave 20 feet for the road. (page 375)                      George Hay and others petitioned the Court for a first-class road from the town of Bandera, through Bandera Pass to connect with the road to Kerrville and for a first-class road from the town of Bandera to Elm Pass to intersect with the road to Comfort. The petitions were dismissed for lack of 20-days' notice. (page 375)                      The jury of review to assess damages to B. F. Bellows' pasture awarded damages of \$250. "Because the Court knows that the County has no money which they can use to pay said award and there is not authority given by law to raise said money by taxation or otherwise and also because the Court considers said award to be</p>				

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Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; John Adamietz (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), Albert Maverick (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	<p>The Court accepted the resignation of P. C. Clark, Constable of Precinct 1. The Court appointed J. A. Brown as Constable. (page 378)</p> <p>County Surveyor Samuel Stephens, submitted additional lists and appraisements of public school lands. (page 378)</p> <p>The Court inspected the new County Jail and the steel and iron work by E. Northcraft, agent for Pauly &amp; Bro., and accepted the work. (pages 378-379)</p> <p>The Court then inspected the woodwork for the Jail erected by Contractor James A. Courtney and found that the tank "is insufficient and not suitable for the purposes for which it was built." The Court ordered it removed and replaced by a wooden cistern "with pipes leading to the water closet, to the bath tub and to the basin with stop cocks to each." The Court then examined the remainder of the woodwork, stone work and iron work done by Courtney and found it superior to that which was contracted for. Courtney was therefore paid \$1,083 and the Jail was received. (pages 379-381)</p>	1881-10-22	S	B	378-381
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; John Adamietz (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	<p>The Court paid claims for: Architect Alfred Giles; Medina County Sheriff for prisoners' care; Dr. William Boll for prisoner visits to Medina County; E. B. Wetzstein, druggist; Sheriff Henry Hamilton, various claims. (pages 382-383)</p> <p>Claims based upon the Act of the Legislature of April 9, 1881, granting land to citizens of Texas who enlisted in her service or in the service of the Confederate States of America during the late civil war and who were maimed and to the widows of those who were killed or died in service: H. T. Sherwood, a Confederate soldier who was wounded and permanently disabled, for 1280 acres; Mrs. Sarah Campbell, widow of John Campbell, who enlisted in DeWitt County, Texas, in 1861, in Captain Wood's Company of the 24<sup>th</sup> Texas Cavalry, who died in 1862, for 1280 acres. (pages 383-384)</p> <p>The Court approved various claims. (pages 384-385)</p> <p>County Treasurer J. A. Hudspeth presented his quarterly report; approved. (pages 385-386)</p>	1881-11-14	R	B	382-386

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	<p>County Surveyor Sam Stephens reported on his survey and plat of the old road from Bandera through San Julian Creek (metes and bounds are given); the Court approved the survey and plat and ordered that the road be opened. (page 387)</p> <p>Andrew Mansfield resigned as Inspector of Sheep. R. P. Kibbe was appointed Inspector. (pages 387-388)</p> <p>The Court paid various claims, including: Sheriff Hamilton for feeding prisoners and for \$20 for his purchase of one-half of the lot the new Jail sits on; F. W. Ellis paid \$16 for "four benches or settees made by him for use of Grand jury." (page 388)</p> <p>The Court accepted one-third of amount owed from the forfeited bond of William Davis from 1878 from one surety, N. B. Means. (pages 388-389)</p> <p>The Court ordered the Sheriff to have a strip of iron ¼-inch thick and 4-inches wide placed on each of the stone steps leading into the Jail House "to arrest the rapid wear of said steps." (page 389)</p> <p>The Court examined and approved the new Jail. (page 389)</p> <p>The Court levied taxes: 1/5 of 1% "of the cash value thereof on all real property situated in and on all movable property owned in Bandera County" to the general fund; ½ of 1% to special tax for payment of notes or bonds for the jail and for upkeep of the courthouse; poll tax of \$1 from each mail from 21 to 60 years old; occupation tax. (pages 390-391)</p> <p>The Court granted the petition of S. A. Knight and others asking that the Bandera and Ranger Spring road be changed: crossing the Medina River at the mouth of Cedar Creek, by William Hinds' ranch, thence up the valley re-crossing the river at Chamberlain Crossing and intersecting the present road at White Bluff Creek. (pages 390-391)</p>				
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; John Adamietz (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), Albert Maverick (Pct. 3), Henry Taylor (Pct. 4), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	County Treasurer's report approved. (page 391)	1882-02-13	R	B	387-391
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; John Adamietz (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	R. P. Kibbe's bond as Sheep Inspector was approved. (page 392)	1882-03-23	S	B	392
	<p>Gabriel Anderwald was exempted from working on public roads "on accounts of having broken his arm." (page 394)</p> <p>The Court dealt with the situation of having no money to pay for feeding prisoners. (page 394)</p> <p>Claims of Sheriff Hamilton paid for feeding prisoners (names listed) and repairs to the jail. (pages 394-394)</p> <p>County Treasurer J. A. Hudspeth presented his quarterly report; approved. (page 395)</p> <p>The Court, responding to Medina County Commissioners, appointed Louis Polk, Jr., to survey the line between Bandera and Medina Counties and ordered him to "be particular in seeing that the same runs from the beginning corner of Bandera County on the Medina River to the East corner of said County on the Balcones,</p>				
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; John Adamietz (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), Henry Taylor (Pct. 4), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk		1882-05-08 1882-05-09	R	B	393-398

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	<i>(continued)</i> F.Gayton survey, and that said true line be ascertained before said County line be marked and the monuments prescribed by law erected." (page 396) Responding to the Kerr County Commissioners, the Court appointed Louis Polk, Jr., to survey the Bandera County-Kerr County line. (pages 396-397, 397-398) Court paid claims: John Guthrie, publisher of the <i>Bandera Bugle</i> , for publishing notices, against rent owed for use of room in the Courthouse by the paper; San Antonio Express Printing Company for publishing notices of proposals; County Judge and Commissioners for per diem expenses. (page 397) The petition of J. P. Lewis and others asking that Road Precinct 3 be divided was denied. (page 397)	1882-05-08 1882-05-09	R	B	393-398
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; John Adamietz (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), Henry Taylor (Pct. 4), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	Sheriff Hamilton presented his list of Delinquent or Insolvent Taxpayers from 1881; names and amounts listed. He also submitted his list of errors and his list of lands sold to the State for taxes. (pages 399-402)	1882-06-26	S	B	399-402
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; John Adamietz (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), A. Maverick (Pct. 3), Henry Taylor (Pct. 4), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	The Court sat as a Board of Equalization. Property re-appraisals are listed. Cattle value was raised to \$10 per head, goats to \$1 per head.	1882-06-26	S	B	403-409
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; John Adamietz (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), A. Maverick (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	The Board of Equalization reduced the value of some property (listed). A. Maverick and F. W. Dorow were appointed to hire an expert accountant to examine and adjust the books of all the officers of Bandera County.	1882-07-17	S	B	410
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; John Adamietz (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), A. Maverick (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	The Court approved the Tax Rolls for 1882. (page 411) J. A. Anglin and 58 others petitioned the Court to order a local option election on the sale of intoxicating liquors; an election was set for September 11, 1882. (pages 411-412) A. McNeill and 23 others petitioned the Court to amend the Bandera and Uvalde Road: that the road run with 11 <sup>th</sup> Street in Bandera across the mill race, by means of a bridge, thence to the ford that crosses the river just below the "Big Rock." Thence up to the corner of Judge Davenport's field, intersecting the road now travelled about said field. The Court granted the petition because "there is now but one wagon bridge across the mill race in the town of Bandera and that there is now a great necessity existing for at least another — that the people residing on the South West side of the Medina River from Bandera as well as those residing South of said town may have easy access to and from the same to the Post Office, to the various churches, stores, etc." The bridge must be erected without County expense. (page 412)	1882-08-14	R	B	411-412

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	The Court ordered County Surveyor S. Stephens to make a certified copy of the original map of the town of Bandera, now on file in the County Clerk's Office; when approved by the Court, "this map is to be filed with the Clerk and securely kept as an archive of said office." (page 413)				
	The Court approved the County Treasurer's report. (page 413)				
	The survey and plat of the County line between Bandera and Kerr Counties was approved. (page 413)				
	The survey and plat of the County line between Bandera and Medina Counties was submitted only by Louis Polk, Jr., because the Medina County surveyor failed to appear. The line was run "from the Medina River to the northeast corner of Medina County near the Rio San Geronimo." Field notes and plat to be recorded. (page 414)				
	Louis Polk, Jr., was paid for both surveys, including the cost of building stone monuments. Medina County was billed for half the cost of that survey. (pages 414-416)				
	E. P. Clandon was employed by the Court to audit County offices since "there is a great necessity existing for an experienced accountant to examine the books and accounts of the several county Office...and audit the same." (page 416)				
	H. H. Carmichael and Charles Schmidtke through their counsel, William Hudspeth, asked the Court to reopen and reconsider the order granting the petition of A. McNeill and others to attach 11 <sup>th</sup> Street to the Uvalde road and authorizing a bridge to be built across the mill race "when said street crosses the same." Attorney William Hudspeth declared that "said Race was private property of said H. H. Carmichael and that no authority was in the Court to order said Street opened across the same." Carmichael produced his deed to the mill race and the Court then examined the map of the town of Bandera and was of the opinion that "said street as well as the other streets platted upon said map were dedicated to public uses by the owners of said streets and the land whereon is situated the town of Bandera in the year 1854 as appears from the endorsements and certificates upon said map made by the Civil Engineer who platted the same — that such dedication was made long anterior to the sale of the mill race — and in fact was anterior to the construction of said mill race itself as was proven by the testimony of John Adamietz Esq. who was present when the town of Bandera was surveyed and laid off — And it fully appearing from the said map that said Eleventh Street — as well as				

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	<p>Accountant/Auditor Clandon submitted his report on Bandera County finances along with thirteen exhibits. The Court approved the report, which follows. (pages 419-420)</p> <p>County Treasurer Adamitz: funds on hand - \$293.36; claims against County - \$13,835.63. Many unregistered claims (\$1766.79) may have been paid and cancelled but "the failure of keeping a register of the numbers of all claims so cancelled prevented me from making an accurate report." (page 420)</p> <p>Tax Collector: amounts due the County—\$5010.88. The accountant had to calculate several reports. (pages 420-421)</p> <p>District and County Clerk: the books were found to be "correct and systematically kept. I cannot help here to remark that his systematic manner of keeping his accounts has greatly facilitated my labors. (page 421)</p> <p>Justices of the Peace: "which are about correct." (page 421)</p> <p>Clandon: "I beg to state that in the account of fines and forfeitures delivered to Sheriff Hamilton for collection, I accepted his verbal statement as to whom had failed to pay, or served the fine in jail and also the kind of fund in which the fines were paid there being no official report from which I could obtain the needed information." (pages 421-422)</p> <p>Clandon was paid \$165 for his audit and report and \$8 for travel to and from San Antonio. (page 422)</p> <p>To adhere to the legal requirements, the Court appointed a jury of review for the bridge from 11<sup>th</sup> Street across the mill race to the road to Uvalde granted in the last session: E. Huffmeyer, C. Gersdorff, J. B. Langford, W. M. Taylor and F. W. Ellis. H. H. Carmichael submitted a written protest against the opening of this road. (pages 422-423)</p> <p>County Treasurer James A. Hudspeth presented funds and vouchers for monies expended; approved. (page 423)</p> <p>Charles Montague, Jr., paid \$27.50 owed to the County. (page 423)</p> <p>Judge Peacock was paid for past service as a member of the Court. (page 423)</p>				
Thomas A. Peacock, County Judge; John Adamietz (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), A. Maverick (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk		1882-09-19	S	B	419-423
John Adamietz (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), A. Maverick (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	<p>Tax Collector Hamilton was ordered to present bond of \$6000, instead of \$3500. (page 424)</p> <p>The Clerk was ordered to write to E. Northcraft at San Marcos "to ascertain at what price he will place the full [unclear] Patent Lever attachment to the cell doors in the County Jail." (page 424)</p> <p>Tax Collector Hamilton presented the Court receipts from the County Treasurer for \$2583.34, paid this day. The Court rescinded the order for the new bond amount. (pages 424-425)</p>	1882-10-18	S	B	424-425

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	<i>(continued)</i> The Court appointed Charles Montague, Jr., and William Hudspeth to re-examine and restate Tax Collector Henry Hamilton's accounts for 1879-1881. "It being understood and agreed that his accounts of taxes collected during the years 1876, 1877 & 1878 are not to be inquired into by said Committee. The Court claiming the balance as found and reported by the expert Mr. Clandon for those years and Mr. Hamilton denying the same."(page 425)	1882-10-18	S	B	424-425
John Adamietz (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), A. Maverick (Pct. 3), Henry Taylor (Pct. 4), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	The Court approved Montague and Hamilton's report on Tax Collector Hamilton which found \$718.69 owed the County. (pages 426-427) Henry Hamilton submitted claims against the County for a total of \$491. (pages 427-428) The Court ordered Commissioners Maverick and Dorow appointed to "confer on behalf of the County with a good lawyer in San Antonio in regard to the prospect of the County being able to collect the amount found and claimed to be due from Henry Hamilton...for the years 1876 to 1878." "And should he advise a suit to recover the amount claimed \$1806, the said Committee are authorized to employ counsel to bring said suit immediately." (page 428)	1882-10-24	S	B	426-428
T. A. Peacock, County Judge; John Adamietz (Pct. 1), A. Maverick (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	The Court accepted the proposal of E. Northcraft to place on cell doors of the Jail "P. J. Pauly's Patent Lever Locks and Box with combination and also two padlocks. All to be of same materiel as cells are" for \$434. (page 429) The Court accepted the report of the jury of review for the addition to the Bandera and Uvalde road. The boundaries were laid out in the report. (pages 429-430) Report of the committee seeking legal advice on suing Sheriff and Tax Collector Henry Hamilton: They obtained a written opinion from Judge Jacob Waelder of San Antonio, who stated that "he has no hesitation in saying that he believes the County can recover the said amount in full." The Court hired the firm of Tarleton & Boone of San Antonio to bring suit. (pages 430-432) The Court paid various claims. (pages 432-433) The Court rejected the claim of G. W. T. Wooten for service as a Special Peace Officer at the Local Option Election held in Precinct 3 on Sept. 11, 1882; no law authorizing such pay. (page 433) County Treasurer J. a. Hudspeth presented his quarterly report, which was accepted. (pages 433-434) F. L. Hicks and other petitioned the Court to change the Bandera and Ranger Spring Road, Road Precinct 5. The Court appointed J. A. V. Pue, F. L. Hicks, F. U. Stevens, J. W. Miner and H. A. Stanard to act as a jury of review. (page 435)	1882-11-13 1882-11-15	R	B	429-435

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	The Court paid various claims, including: the Managers of Elections, Charles Montague, Jr., Sheriff Hamilton. (pages 438-440)				
	The Court filled a County Attorney vacancy with H. W. Story, and attorney at law, "lately removed to this state from Kentucky and now settled in Bandera." (page 440)				
L. G. Harmon, County Judge; L. D. Wallace (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), B. F. Bellows (Pct. 3), G. P. Hodges (Pct. 4), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	The court ordered the Bandera and Ranger Spring road be divided into five road precincts, which were detailed. (page 442)	1883-02-12	R	B	442-445
	J. B. Johnson and others petitioned the Court for a third-class road from Patterson's mill in the Frio Cañon, up the valley of the Frio River to the north line of Bandera County. The Court appointed D. D. Thompson, Frank Payne, John Leakey, Jeff Godbold and John Avant as a jury of review. (page 443)				
	G. W. Rhymes and others petitioned the Court to change the Bandera, Winan's Creek and West Prong road to begin at or near the mouth of the West Prong of the Medina River. Thence to extend up the south side of the river on or near the present road now commonly used, and to intersect the old road near the house of C. M. Richard. The Court appointed O. W. McBryde, S. J. Thom, W. A. Sheppard, Jr., E. A. Von Amini and G. W. Rhymes as a jury of review. (pages 443-444)				
	George Hay and others petitioned the Court for a first-class public road from the town of Bandera so as to connect with the public road running from Center Point, Kerr County, by way of Elm Pass south to Bandera County line. The Court appointed John F. Davenport, Jerome Strickland, J. F. Weldon, J. B. Gobble and Andrew Mansfield as a jury of review. (page 444)				
George Hay and others petitioned the Court for a first-class road to be established between Bandera town and Bandera Pass so as to connect with the Kerr County road to Kerrville. "It appearing to the Court that there is now in existence a public road between said points, which though not worked in many years has not been discontinued, nor any petitions ever filed asking that the same be discontinued, it is therefore ordered that said petition be not granted." Commissioners Bellows and Hodges voted "aye," and Commissioners Wallace and Dorow and the County Judge voted "no." (pages 444-445)	1883-02-12	R	B	442-445	

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	<p>(continued) James B. Davenport and other petitioned the Court for a discontinuance of "all that part of the Bandera and Uvalde road (Precinct 14) lying West of the East line of J. B. Davenport's pasture, because at the County line said road ends. As it connects with no other public road leaving from any place whatever," the Court granted the petition. (page 445)</p> <p>The Court decided to postpone the appointment of an overseer for the Old Bandera and Camp Verde Road via Bandera Pass, "in order that the persons interested may first have an opportunity for petitioning for the discontinuance of said road and the review of another." (page 445)</p> <p>The Court paid various claims. (page 446)</p> <p>The Court heard and approved reports and claims from E. Northcraft for jail cell locks, ad valorem and occupation taxes, Clerk of District and County Courts. (page 447)</p> <p>County Treasurer J. A. Hudspeth presented detailed reports. (pages 447-448)</p> <p>John Guthrie was allowed to rent the lower front room of the Courthouse for 12 months at \$4 per month. (page 449)</p> <p><b>Justice precincts:</b> Precinct 1 remains the same. Precinct 2, Precinct 3 and Precinct 9 were consolidated into Precinct 2. Precinct 5 (Hondo Cañon) and Precinct 8 (Horse Valley) were abolished and consolidated into Justice Precinct 3 (also Commissioner Precinct 3). Justice Precinct 4 to consist of the Sabinal and Frio Cañons, previously Precinct 6 and Precinct 7, "which are hereby abolished." (pages 449-450)</p> <p><b>Election precincts:</b> Given in much (frequently confusing) detail. (pages 450-453)</p> <p>The Court levied taxes: The poll tax dropped from \$1 to \$.25; \$.15 per \$100 assessed value to the current fund; ½ of 1% on cash value of real and personal property as a special tax to pay for jail construction bonds and courthouse expenses. (page 453)</p> <p>The County Judge's and Sheriff's salaries were raised to \$250 per year. The District Clerk's salary stayed at \$150, while the County Clerk's salary was raised to \$150. Commissioner Dorow was the only Court member to vote "no" to the salary increases and protests the increased indebtedness. (page 454)</p> <p>Comm. Dorow moved to require Tax Collector Hamilton to submit separate reports for the occupation tax collected during the June 30 and September 30 quarters, "no reports for said quarters having been made." (page 454)</p> <p>Road Overseers filed reports of monies on hand. (page 455)</p> <p>A Tabular Statement of Assets, Expenditures and Indebtedness for 1882 was put into the record. (pages 455-456)</p> <p>H. W. Story's bond for County Attorney was accepted.</p> <p>Road number were changed. (page 456)</p>				
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	<p>County Attorney H. W. Story resigned. The Court appointed J. A. Lipscomb as County Attorney. (page 459)</p>					
	<p>Captain J. W. Steorns petitioned the Court to change the Bandera and Uvalde road: "...on the top of the hill in South Bandera by Davenport's field. Thence to follow the street in said South Bandera between J. A. Hudspeth's lot and F. W. Ellis' residence and along West side of Capt. Steorns' and Mrs. Eell's residences intersecting the road at Mrs. Eell's corner." The Court granted the petition because "said change will be advantageous to the residents and property owners of South Bandera and that said change will place said road on better ground than it now runs." (page 459)</p>					
	<p>Road reviewers reported their proposed changes to the West Prong road: "Beginning at Medina and following the old road to the Medina River, crossing...a few yards below the old crossing. Thence in a south-westerly direction following the line of F. Layton's pasture fence until intersecting the old settlement road. Thence...to a crossing on the West Prong below O. W. McBryde's field. Thence crossing the river still following said old road to the School house. Thence crossing the river, following the North side to a crossing near the upper NW corner of W. A. Sheppard's field. Thence crossing the river following the South side and crossing the river at the lower end of the Sycamore waterhole. Thence in a Westerly course and intersecting the old West Prong road about one half mile from Rhymes' creek and thence continuing as heretofore established." (page 460)</p>					
	<p>The Court approved and stated "the road to follow as nearly as possible the line of the Blair Survey, which Mr. Layton is fencing." (page 460)</p>					
	<p>The Court allowed the United Friends of Temperance to use the Courthouse each Friday night instead of Saturday night. (page 460)</p>					
	<p>The Court ordered that Road Precinct 8 includes all of Rocky or Cedar Creek: "this order being made in consequence of there being some doubt as to which precinct said creek is in." (page 461)</p>					
	<p>The Court appointed a jury of review for the road petitioned by George Hay to run from Bandera through Bandera Pass to the Kerr County line: A. Mansfield, John A. Jones, J. W. Stevens, Jerome Strickland and Henry Stevens. (page 461)</p>					
	<p>Road reviewers' report on the <b>Frio Cañon road</b>. "Beginning at the South line of Bandera Co. Tx. and North of Patterson's mill at a place where the line crosses the old road. Thence North up the Frio Valley on the East side, on the old road and designating the same as the new road and continuing...until within a short distance of the North end of the Watkins' prairie. Thence up the river distant 100 yards on West of the ridge, continuing on the same course to the crossing of Frio known as the "Jeff Sonsom crossing" crosses</p>		1883-05-14	R	B	458-461

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<p>L. G. Harmon, County Judge;                      L. D. Wallace (Pct. 1),                      F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2),                      B. F. Bellows (Pct. 3),                      Commissioners;                      F. J. McCarthy, Deputy Sheriff;                      Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk</p>	<p><i>(continued)</i> Frio and continues on the old road to a point distant South of the old School house some 200 yards. Thence North a little West and through a slight opening in the timber and down a sway to the West side of [unclear] Cemetery." Thence north passing on the west side of... the N. A. Leakey, the John Leakey and the John Kittinger surveys and west of Kittinger's house. "Thence North to a place where large cattle trails crosses Leakey's and Watkins' irrigation ditch crosses ditch. Thence North East to the Frio River and crosses same about due South of Batten's and Workburn's Southwest corner and intercepts the old road at this point. Thence on the old road to a point distant north of D. D. Thompson's ranch about one mile to the place of designation." The Court established this as a third-class public road, Road Precinct 19 and D. D. Thompson was appointed as overseer. (pages 461-463)</p> <p>County Attorney J. A. Lipscomb presented his bond, which was approved. (page 463)</p> <p>Jury of review report on change to <b>Bandera and Ranger Spring road</b>: "Beginning at the point of said road where the old road to J. A. V Pue's ranch leaves the same. Thence down the Pue road about 600 or 700 yards. Thence West with the line of the Tally Survey to land of F. L. Hicks. Thence with the division line between lands of Hicks and J. T. Stevens across Hicks' Creek about 800 yards below Steven's house. Thence across Stanard's lands at the upper end of the Post Oak's crossing Laxson's Creek at the Sheppard ranch, and thence to the first hollow below Merchants Cow Pen, intersecting a timber road. Thence with the timber road to the old road." Court approved. (pages 463-464)</p> <p>Report on the <b>Bandera and Elm Pass road</b>: "Beginning at the Public Square in the town of Bandera. Thence by way of the road now travelled by the graveyard and on across Mud Creek and Doe Creek at the present crossing. Thence along the SE side of Knapick's and Gobble's field crossing Bandera Creek just above Gobble's house. Thence with the present travelled road to a point where a road leaves the same for the Jack Ranch about ¼ mile South of the Jack farm. Thence in a straight line across the Jack ranch to intersect the old Elm Pass road near or at its junction with the old Camp Verde and San Antonio road. Thence with or near the line dividing Perry's and Davenport's land and Mrs. Worner's and Davenport's lands to the Worner Hollow. Thence straight to the County line near S. H. Jones' lands. The Court established this as a first class road and John F. Davenport was appointed overseer. (pages 464-465)</p> <p>James Collins was appointed as Inspector of Sheep. (page 465)</p> <p>Claims were paid for managing elections in September and November 1882 at Horse Valley. (page 465)</p>	1883-05-14	R	B	461-464

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	<p>(continued) W. S. Brown and H. H. Carmichael were paid \$10 for a coffin for R. W. Lee, a pauper. (page 465)</p> <p>The Court also paid claims of W. N. Fielder, M.D., B. F. Bellows, Charles Montague, Jr., John Guthrie, Sheriff H. Hamilton (\$6.75 for clock for Courtroom and other claims). (page 466)</p> <p>Another claim by Sheriff Hamilton for \$354.15 for feeding prisoners was returned by the Court "for correction — the same having been... compared with the Register of prisoners kept by the Sheriff, and ascertained to be incorrect." (page</p> <p>W. J. McLaurin and fifteen other citizens of Frio Cañon petitioned the Court to appoint J. B. Johnson as JP and J. E. Allen as Constable; the Court approved. (page 467)</p> <p>The Clerk was ordered to purchased a seal for the Inspector of Hides and Animals. (page 467)</p> <p>Taxes collected report was approved. (9page 468)</p> <p>H. F. Gibbons and George Hay reported on Animals Slaughtered; the Court returned the report and asked that "certain inaccuracies" be corrected. (page 468)</p> <p>Jailer F. J. McCarthy was ordered to repair "the Jail privies — and to this end he is instructed to change the pipes so that they will carry off all matter from said privies to the sink." (page 468)</p>				
L. G. Harmon, County Judge; L. D. Wallace (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), B. F. Bellows (Pct. 3), Commissioners; F. J. McCarthy, Deputy Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	<p>The Sheriff was ordered to procure two good locks and place them on the doors of the cells. (page 468)</p> <p>Officers were ordered to present their "books, reports and vouchers and dockets" for the examination of the Court. (page 468)</p>	1883-05-14	R	B	465-469
L. G. Harmon, County Judge; L. D. Wallace (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), B. F. Bellows (Pct. 3), Commissioners; Henry Hamilton, Sheriff; George Hay, Deputy Clerk	<p>Sheriff Hamilton presented a revised claim for \$471.40 for feeding prisoners and guarding the jail. (pages 470-471)</p> <p>The Court met as a Board of Equalization. W. L. Hayfield, Bandera County Assessor, presented his lists of changes in valuation. Both horses and cattle were valued at \$15 per head. (pages 471-475)</p>	1883-06-11	R	B	470-476
	<p>The Court examined the tax lists exhibited by the Assessor "and to hear the reasons why the same should not be increased in valuation, now advanced by the taxpayers." Assessor's valuations of land and livestock stand. (page 477)</p> <p>The Court examined the reports and books of the County Officers. "It appearing to the Court that the Collector of Taxes has never made a report as required by law" for certain quarters for the Occupation tax. He was ordered to comply. (pages 477-478)</p>				
L. G. Harmon, County Judge; L. D. Wallace (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), George P. Hodges (Pct. 4), Commissioners; F. J. McCarthy, Deputy Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	<p>Henry Hamilton, through his attorneys Hudspeth &amp; Story, offers to pay the county \$1100 in county scrip, in full for all claims, "and for which said County had employed Tarleton &amp; Boone to bring suit. ...and it is hereby distinctly understood that this proposition is in the nature of a compromise." (pages 478-479)</p>	1883-06-26 1883-06-27	S	B	477-479

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L. G. Harmon, County Judge; L. D. Wallace (Pct. 1), B. F. Bellows (Pct. 3), Commissioners; H. Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	Tax Collector Henry Hamilton presented his list of Delinquent or Insolvent Taxpayers for 1882; all delinquent taxpayers are listed, along with their debt. (pages 480-483)	1883-07-09	S	B	480-483
	Assessor W. L. Mayfield presented the 1883 assessment rolls. (page 484) Charles Montague, Jr., petitioned the Court to change the Bandera and Ranger Spring road where it crosses his land. The Court appointed E. Huffmeyer, J. W. Jump, H. S. Duffy, S. Stephens and B. Mitchell as reviewers. (pages 484-485) The Court approved bonds: J. B. Johnson, JP, and J. E. Allen, Constable, of Frio Cañon precinct. (page 485) The Court paid various claims, including \$6 to F. J. McCarthy for jail repairs. A claim from Geo. D. Barnard & Co. for Criminal and Civil Docket books for JPs, was rejected, because various county offices declared they had not received these. (page 486) A petition for a first class road from Bandera via Medina to Blue Water, "coming to be considered, and whilst under consideration is withdrawn." (page 486) The County Treasurer submitted his quarterly report. (pages 486-487) Henry Hamilton was given until August 20, 1883, to settle the \$1100 owed to the County. (page 487) The jury of review for a change to Bandera and Ranger Spring road petitioned by Charles Montague, Jr., reported as follows to make the change: Beginning at a point where the upper line of Montague's land crosses said road. Thence via the old road northeast of the round mountain above his ranch to a point just below the mountain. Thence straight along the line of his pasture fence to his lower line. Thence with this line S45 W to the present; the Court approved. (page 488)	1883-08-13 1883-08-14		R B	484-488
L. G. Harmon, County Judge; L. D. Wallace (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), B. F. Bellows (Pct. 3), Commissioners; B. Mitchell, Deputy Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk	The Court paid various claims and salaries from past elections. (pages 489-490) The compromise offer of H. Hamilton, Sheriff, on his debt case was accepted and approved and Hamilton paid the Court. (page 491)	1883-08-20	S	B	489-491
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	<p>F. Layton petitioned the Court to change the Bandera, Winan's Creek and West Prong road where it crosses his land, to run along the upper line of the Blair Survey and along a wire fence which he has built. Court approved on the condition that Layton make the change at his own expense. (page 493)</p>				
	<p>W. G. Todd petitioned the Court to change the Bandera, Winan's Creek and West Prong road as follows: "Beginning at a point about 200 yards above the upper or North corner of Maverick's pasture. Thence up the river to a point about opposite or North East of Strickland's house. Thence on the North side of the house between it and the river and on intersecting the present road about the corner of Bandy's field. Your Petitioner says that said change will cross a gully which he will bridge with a good wooden bridge erected on stone abutments." The Court approved and authorized changes. (pages 493-494)</p>				
	<p>W. J. Wallace and F. D. Barnes petitioned the Court to change the Bandera, Bottle Springs and San Antonio Road: the change "will put the road on better ground and be far more direct than it is now. That it will run with the division lines of lands owned by different persons and hence will not interfere with the enclosing...by the owners and will be on ground left by the owners on each side thereby obviating any further changes." The Court granted the petition. (pages 494-495)</p>				
	<p>J. B. Closson, A. Moody and 27 citizens of the upper Medina River subject to working on the road and others interested in the same petitioned the Court to: have the road worked up from the 26 mile post to the Ranger Springs where it has heretofore been reviewed and worked, making a small change at the mouth of Little Sheppard Creek. A. Moody and W. Slaughter would make the change and the road as good as the old route. There is now quite a travel to and from the Frio River and would be more if this road was worked to the Ranger Spring. There would then be two roads running from the Ranger Spring: one to Frio Water Hole and the other leading to the settlement lower down the Frio River. The Court considered that "the order of this Court heretofore made discontinuing the said road from the mouth of Honey Creek to Ranger Spring be rescinded and said road is a third-class road." (pages 495-496)</p>				
	<p>June Coopender and others petitioned the Court for a second class road from the Medina River crossing of the county road from Medina to Frio Water Hole at or near the mouth of Rocky Creek. Thence up said creek by the best and most practicable route. The Court appointed F. B. Means, G. W. Benton, A. McNeill, F. M. Buckalew and R. P. O'Neil as reviewers for this road. (page 496)</p>				
<p>L. G. Harmon, County Judge; L. D. Wallace (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), B. F. Bellows (Pct. 3), Commissioners; F. J. McCarthy, Deputy Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk</p>	<p>The Court allowed a petition to divide the West Prong road precinct into two precincts to "lie on the table." (page 496)</p>	1883-11-12	R	B	493-496

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	<p>(continued) W. L. Mayfield and others petitioned the Court to change the West Prong road at the 19 mile post, turning to the right near J. W. Rankin's place; petition rejected. (pages 496-497)</p> <p>Quarterly reports from the District Clerk and two JPs were approved. (page 497)</p> <p>L. G. Harmon's bond as County Judge was approved. (page 497)</p> <p>The jury of review reported on the Bandera, Bandera Pass road to the Kerr County line. The jury was unable to agree on the line of the road and they were discharged. The Court then appointed J. F. Weldon, B. F. Oatman, R. M. Taylor, W. M. Taylor and J. B. Gobble as a new jury. (page 497)</p> <p>The Assessor was paid and the Court paid various claims, including for shutters for the jail's windows. (pages 497-500)</p> <p>Re F. Layton's petition to change the West Prong road: any change made by Layton must be approved by the overseer. In the event they cannot agree, the Court laid out procedures to deal with that event. The old road stands until the changes are approved. Layton filed a written protest. (page 500)</p> <p>The report of Schladoer and Taylor, butchers in the town of Bandera, was approved; also that of H. F. Gibbons. (page 501)</p> <p>County Surveyor Samuel Stephens gave the Court a copy of the original map of the town of Bandera. The Court ordered the Clerk to frame the map and hang it in his office. (page 501)</p> <p>The Court ordered the jailer, F. J. McCarthy to buy two shirts and two pairs of pants for prisoners to wear when their clothes are being laundered. (page 502)</p> <p>The County Treasurer submitted his quarterly report. (pages 502-503)</p> <p>The Court formally accepted the scrip and warrants paid by Henry Hamilton in his compromise with what he owed the County for 1875, 1876, 1877 and 1878. (pages 503-504)</p> <p>The jailer was authorized to buy eight cots "constructed in lattice fashion of sheet iron." The official per diem charge for boarding prisoners from other counties was fixed at \$.75. (page 504)</p>				
<p>L. G. Harmon, County Judge; L. D. Wallace (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), B. F. Bellows (Pct. 3), Commissioners; F. J. McCarthy, Deputy Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk</p>	<p>The Sheriff was ordered to employ one jail guard. (page 504)</p> <p>The County Judge was ordered to receive bids for building a staircase leading from the lower front room of the Courthouse to the upper room. (pages 504-505)</p>	<p>1883-11-12 1883-11-13 1883-11-14 1883-11-15</p>	<p>R</p>	<p>B</p>	<p>496-505</p>
	<p>George Hay was sworn in as County Commissioner Precinct 1. (page 506)</p> <p>The Court received bids for "building a stair to the Court House" of \$175 and \$77; both bids were rejected. George Hay was authorized to have the old stair repaired "so that it will not cost over \$12." (pages 506, 508)</p> <p>John Guthrie was ordered to pay \$10 for jail windows. (pages 506, 508)</p> <p>Various scrip was listed and paid. (pages 506-507)</p>				
<p>L. G. Harmon, County Judge; George Hay (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), G. P. Hodges (Pct. 4), Commissioners; H. Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk</p>	<p>Various scrip was listed and paid. (pages 506-507)</p>	<p>1884-01-02</p>	<p>S</p>	<p>B</p>	<p>506-507</p>

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	<p><i>(continued)</i> Sheriff Hamilton was reimbursed \$16.50 for locks for the jail. (pages 508-509)</p> <p>Also, scrip as a claim against Bandera County which had been barred by the Statute of Limitation was considered and warrants were issued for the amounts. (page 509)</p> <p>John H. James, executor of the estate of John James, presented a claim for \$352 against the County for "surveying school lands many years ago." Approved. (page 510)</p> <p>More claims against the County barred by the Statute of Limitation were issued warrants. (pages 510-511)</p> <p>The County Judge and the Architect A. Giles argued over paying the expense of travel to Bandera from San Antonio. The architect drew up plans for a courthouse at the County Judge's written request, he said. The County Judge said that he informed Mr. Giles that he would be paid for his services only in case his plan was accepted. "It is ordered that said plan be rejected the matter being new to the Court and no plan having been asked for by the Court." Application denied. (page 511)</p> <p>The United Friends of Temperance were charged \$5 per month for their use of the Courtroom. (page 511)</p> <p>The Court appointed Louis Polk represent Bandera County in running the county line between Edwards and Bandera counties. Polk was also appointed to run the line between Bandera and Uvalde counties on March 1, 1884. (pages 512-513)</p> <p>A \$44.25 claim was paid to H. H. Carmichael &amp; Co. for meat, bacon, etc., furnished at the request of the County Judge to three widows and their families. (page 513)</p> <p>The Court created a Pauper Fund, "which shall be used solely for assistance to those so unfortunate as to require the same from the County." (page 513)</p> <p>"Said widows are hard working industrious women who have in the past and are now diligently laboring and striving to earn a living for themselves and their helpless children and have been and are now partly unable to do so and have in the past been compelled to ask for assistance from the charitable." Funds are appropriated for the widows: Mrs. Wingfield and seven children, \$9 per month; Mrs. Patterson, two children and an aged mother, \$5 per month; Mrs. Cooley and four children, \$7 per month. (pages 513-514)</p> <p>W. H. Norton, Constable Precinct 3, was paid \$1.25 for guarding and feeding Robert Stitz, "a prisoner on trial for a felony before F. W. Dorow, a Justice of the Peace." (pages 514-515)</p> <p>The Court spoke of the need for a fireproof safe to protect the County's records. The Clerk said "a second hand safe will do equally as well as a new one for the present." (page 515)</p> <p>Jailer McCarthy was authorized to purchase four steel cots from St. Louis for \$10 each. (page 515)</p>	1884-01-02 1884-01-03	S	B	508-515
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	<p>No quorum on February 11, 1884. Precinct 2 and Precinct 4 Commissioners were absent. (page 518)</p> <p>On Feb. 12, Precinct 4 Commissioner Hodges was still absent, preventing taxes being levied. The Court ordered the clerk to issue a subpoena requiring him to appear "forthwith." (page 518)</p> <p>Concerning George Hay's petition for a road from Bandera to Bandera Pass to the Kerr County line: "it appearing to the Court that a majority of the Reviewers heretofore appointed by the Court were men over age, and could not be forced to serve, It is therefore ordered by the Court that R. M. Taylor, W. M Taylor, Charles Gersdorff, A. G. Jones and Louis Polk are appointed a jury." (page 519)</p> <p>County Attorney J. A. Lipscomb was paid \$94.93 as his 10% commission on the amount repaid to the County by Tax Collector Hamilton. (page 519)</p> <p>District and County Clerk Montague was paid \$47.46 as his 5% commission on the amount repaid to the County by Tax Collector Hamilton. (pages 519-520)</p> <p>Charles Montague, Jr., was reimbursed \$4 for wood for the courthouse and the clerk's office purchased from Capt. J. W. Stearns. (page 520)</p> <p>Henry Hamilton petitioned the Court to change the Bandera and Castroville road, so as to run around a corner of his land that he desires to fence; approved. (pages 520-521)</p> <p>The County Treasurer was ordered to collect rent and other sums due from John Guthrie, for use of a room in the Courthouse and for jail windows. (page 521)</p> <p>The Court paid various claims. (pages 521-522)</p> <p>Henry Hamilton was reimbursed \$10.25 for food purchased for J. N. Joiner, a pauper. (page 522)</p> <p>People who aid paupers can turn in their claims to the County, but the amount cannot exceed the amount appropriated to such paupers. (page 522)</p> <p>County Treasurer James A. Hudspeth submitted his Quarterly Report. (pages 522-523)</p> <p>Louis Polk's bond for surveying the dividing lines between Bandera and Edward and Uvalde Counties was approved. (page 523)</p> <p>Sheriff Hamilton was appointed to superintend the purchase of all provisions for paupers and "all orders heretofore made contrary to this order or conflicting therewith are hereby revoked." (pages 523-524)</p>				
L. G. Harmon, County Judge; George Hay (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), B. F. Bellows (Pct. 3), Commissioners; H. Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk		1884-02-11 1884-02-12	R	B	518-524

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	<p><i>(continued)</i> <b>Election Precincts: Precinct 1</b> the same as Commissioner's Precinct 1 with the voting place at the Courthouse and B. F. Langford is Presiding Officer. <b>Precinct 2</b> the same as Commissioner's Precinct 2 with the voting place at W. J. Hamilton's house in Pipe Creek and W. A. Weatherby is Presiding Officer. <b>Precinct 3's</b> boundaries are listed in great detail with the voting place at the Justice Courtroom in Medina and Waldo Reed as Presiding Officer. <b>Precinct 4</b> has detailed boundaries with voting place at N. B. Mean's house and Mr. Means as Presiding Officer. <b>Precinct 5</b> shall comprise the Hondo Cañon and all the vallies of creeks etc. tributary to the Rio Hondo with the voting place at the schoolhouse and M. C. Click as Presiding Officer. <b>Precinct 6</b> is the Seco and Sabinal Cañons and all the vallies of creeks with the voting place at the schoolhouse in Sabinal Cañon and J. A. Anglin as Presiding Officer. <b>Precinct 7</b> shall comprise the Frio Cañon and all tributaries with the voting place at W. B. Burdett's house and W. B. Burdett as presiding officer. (pages 524-526)</p> <p><b>Justice Precincts: Precinct 1</b> and <b>Precinct 2</b> are the same as their respective Commissioner Precincts. <b>Precinct 3</b> is comprised of Election Precincts 3, 4 and 5. <b>Precinct 4</b> is comprised of Election Precincts 6 and 7. (page 526)</p> <p>The road overseers presented reports of monies remaining. (page 527)</p> <p>The Court determined that the Sheriff is legally responsible for courthouse, and, therefore, ordered him, rather than the Treasurer, to collect rents due for the Courthouse. (pages 527-528)</p> <p>The Court found Sheriff Hamilton in contempt of court for failing to return the notice re the application for a public road up Cedar and Rock creeks and fined him \$10. (page 528)</p> <p>The Court determined seven school districts and appointed certain citizens responsible for conducting elections. The County Judge said he would prepare sketches of each district and field notes of surveys.</p> <p>The Court decided to advertise school lands for sale in the <i>San Antonio Weekly Express</i>, the <i>Fort Worth Live Stock Journal</i> and the <i>Bandera Enterprise</i> and that it will take sealed proposals for four leagues of land; terms include \$4,000 cash with the balance in 10-20 years. (pages 529-530)</p> <p>The Judge and Clerk were appointed to consult with an "able" attorney regarding the legality of the County's claim for rent from Rita A. San Miguel for use of the school lands. (page 530)</p> <p>The County Judge, the County Treasurer and the County Clerk were ordered to prepare a quarterly statement as required by law, rather than the annual one. (page 530)</p>				
	Hudspeth & Coe's was the lowest bid received for printing for the Court for one year ("agree..to do and perform the public printing of the Court for one year for one dollar") and the <i>Bandera</i>	1884-02-11			
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	<i>(continued)</i> <i>Enterprise</i> , the newspaper published by them, is declared to be the official paper. (page 531) The Court overruled a motion requiring the County Surveyor to report every enclosure of school land. (page 532) Commissioner Hay moved the move the jailer and his family into the courthouse rooms occupied by the County Clerk and the <i>Bugle</i> and to move the Clerk's office to the room occupied by the Sheriff and the Surveyor, and to move their offices to the jail; this was proposed in order "to better and more safely secure the records." The Court let the motion lie until the next term. (page 532)	1884-02-14	R	B	531-533
L. G. Harmon, County Judge; George Hay (Pct. 1), F. W. Dorow (Pct. 2), B. F. Bellows (Pct. 3), Commissioners; H. Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk					
	<b>Plat map and field notes of a survey of the boundary line between Bandera and Medina Counties.</b> Surveyed by Louis Polk, May 22-23-24 and July 25 & 26, 1882.	1884-02-28		B	534-538
	<b>Plat map and field notes of a survey of the boundary line between Bandera and Bandera Counties.</b> Surveyed by B. C. Richards (Kerr County) and Louis Polk on May 29 to June 21, 1882.	1884-02-29		B	539-544
	The itemized Tabular Statement for the quarter ending December 31, 1883, was approved and ordered to be printed in the <i>Bandera Enterprise</i> . The Court determined that the bill from Geo. D. Barnard & Co. for a Commissioner's Court Minute book and Judge's Probate Docket was "extortionate." The Clerk was ordered to notify the company and "the matter of accepting said books be postponed until the next regular term."	1884-04-14	S	B	545
L. G. Harmon, County Judge; George Hay (Pct. 1), B. F. Bellows (Pct. 3), Commissioners; H. Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk					
	C. W. Harris resigned as JP for Precinct 1. The Court appointed A. L. Scott as the new JP.	1884-05-01	S	B	546
L. G. Harmon, County Judge; J. W. Jump (Pct. 1), B. F. Bellows (Pct. 3), G. P. Hodges (Pct. 4), Commissioners; H. Hamilton, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Jr., Clerk					
	George Hay resigned as Commissioner for Precinct 1. The County Judge appointed J. W. Jump to fill the vacancy. <i>Minutes continue in Book 3, page 1.</i>	1884-05-12	R	B	547
	<b>Plat map and field notes of a survey of the boundary line between Bandera and Edwards Counties.</b> Surveyed by F. B. Reeves (Edwards County) and Louis Polk on March 17 - 22, 1884.	1884-05-15		B	548-551
	<b>Plat map and field notes of a survey of the boundary line between Bandera and Uvalde Counties.</b> Surveyed by J. M. McCormick (Uvalde County) and Louis Polk on March 3 - 8, 1884.	1884-05-16		B	552-557
	<b>Field notes of a survey of the Bandera and San Antonio Road, from the town of Bandera to the County line between Bandera and Medina Counties;</b> made by Louis Polk and accepted by the Commissioners Court at their August term, 1885. Surveyed August 5, 6 & 7, 1885.	1885-08		B	557-560

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	<b>Field notes of the survey of the boundary line between Bandera and Edwards Counties.</b> Surveyed by Joseph Buswell (Edwards County) and A. L. Scott on Nov. 19 to Dec. 8, 1894.	1895-02-14			560-564