

Commissioners' Court Minutes — Book 4 — December 12, 1892 through February 12, 1902

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	The Court accepted bonds for: Sheriff/Tax Collector I. W. Stevens, Inspector of Hides and Animals E. J. Humphreys, County Treasurer J. N. Hodges, JP 6 Kaspar Dugos, Constable J. W. Burdett, County Judge George T. Lincoln, County/District Clerk Charles Montague, Tax Assessor J. J. Bandy, JP W. L. Mayfield, Constable J. W. Moore, Constable M. Cravey, Constable J. F. Morris, County Surveyor Wilford Brown. (pages 1-2)				
George T. Lincoln, Cty. Judge; Charles Gersdorff (Pct. 1), Joel Townsend (Pct. 2), W. L. Mayfield (Pct. 3), George W. Lindsay (Pct. 4), Commissioners: V. P. Sanders, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The Court paid claims. (page 3) The Court ordered Sheriff Stevens to have the cut wood hauled from Miller's pasture and to determine if this was enough for the winter for both the courthouse and jail. (page 3) B. L. Rutland's butcher's report was "wholly insufficient in not being made out according to law" and was returned for correction. (page 3)				
	The Court examined ex-Sheriff/Tax Collector Sanders' accounts. (pages 3-4)	1892-12-12 1892-12-13	S	4	1 - 4
	The Court paid claims. (page 5) Previous County Attorney William Hudspeth was ordered to turn over a docket and blank complaint and information forms. (page 6) Former Tax Collector Sanders accounts were balanced. (pages 6-7) F. Gerodette and others petitioned the Court "to restrain J. a. Miller from fencing the Bandera and Privilege road and the Kerrville and Pipe Creek road." Miller says he is not fencing the Bandera and Privilege road and that he intends to have gates "along the line of the old trail travelled between Pipe Creek and Kerrville." The Court didn't act on the petition. (page 7) The County Treasurer submitted his quarterly report. (pages 8-9) The Court paid claims. (page 9) The Court appointed Managers of Election and denoted voting places. (page 9) The court appointed Managers of School Elections. (pages 9-10) Mrs. Dr. k. M. Hudspeth was retained as County Physician at \$125 per year. (page 10) The Court established new property valuations. (pages 10-11), including steers up to \$12, stock horses at \$10, mules up to \$25, unfenced mountain lands at \$1/acre, unfenced valley lands not less than \$1.75. (page 11) The Court paid claims. (page 11) The Court amended some of yesterday's valuations: the minimum price of mountain land at \$.75 and fenced, arable valley land at \$3 and upwards per acre. (pages 12-13) The Court levied taxes: \$.25/\$100 for general purposes; \$.25 for payment of courthouse bonds; \$.15 for roads and bridges; \$.02 ½ for repairs to courthouse and stationery; \$.02 ½ for the general sinking fund; and \$.03 for the road sinking fund; poll tax at \$.25; occupation tax. (page 12)				
George T. Lincoln, Cty. Judge; Charles Gersdorff (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), W. L. Mayfield (Pct. 3), George W. Lindsay (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	County salaries: County Judge - \$300; County Clerk - \$100; District Clerk - \$250; Sheriff - \$300. (page 12)	1893-02-13 1893-02-14 1893-02-15	R	4	5 -12

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George T. Lincoln, Cty. Judge; J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), W. L. Mayfield (Pct. 3), George W. Lindsay (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	<p>The Court paid claims. (page 18)</p> <p>The Court postponed a settlement with the Tax Collector. (page 18)</p>	1893-04-24	S	4	18
George T. Lincoln, Cty. Judge; Charles Gersdorff (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), W. L. Mayfield (Pct. 3), George W. Lindsay (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	<p>The Court rejected the claim of Geo. C. Vaughan & Co. for \$14 for a coffin, which was "never ordered by any County Physician or Officer." (page 19)</p> <p>The Court paid claims. (page 19, 20)</p> <p>The Court ordered that the County Treasurer pay off courthouse bonds whenever sufficient funds are in the courthouse sinking fund, "so far as such monies may reach." (page 20)</p> <p>County Treasurer Hodges submitted his quarterly statements. (pages 20-21)</p> <p>William S. Ross, H. S. Stanard and 59 others from Justice Precinct 3 petitioned for an election on the sale of intoxicating liquors. (page 21)</p> <p>The Court paid claims. (page 22)</p> <p>The Court levied a \$.20 school tax on property in School District 10. (page 22)</p> <p>W. M. Berinett was appointed Manager of Elections for Precinct 4. (page 22)</p> <p>Tax Collector Stevens presented lists of delinquent and insolvent taxpayers, land sold for taxes, and errors in assessment. (pages 22-35)</p> <p>The voting place in Precinct 4 was established at W. M. Bennett's ranch. (page 35)</p> <p>The Sheriff was ordered to collect rent from William Hudspeth and H. C. Duffy for the offices occupied by them; if they fail to pay he must give them notice to vacate. (page 35)</p>	1893-05-08 1893-05-09 1893-05-10 1893-05-11	R	4	19-35

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George T. Lincoln, Cty. Judge; Charles Gersdorff (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), W. L. Mayfield (Pct. 3), George W. Lindsay (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The Court tallied the votes and the sale of intoxicating liquors is prohibited in Commissioner's Precinct 3. (page 37) The Court paid claims. (pages 37-38) The Court set fees for the use of the courtrooms, including: for the District courtroom \$10 for balls or dances; \$10 for concerts, readings or theatrical performances when pay admissions is charged or contribution asked or taken up. (page 38) The Court raised valuations of property. (pages 39-46)	1893-06-19	S	4	37-46
George T. Lincoln, Cty. Judge; Charles Gersdorff (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), W. L. Mayfield (Pct. 3), George W. Lindsay (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	J. D. Harper and other citizens of Sabinol Cañon petitioned the Court to appoint W. J. O'Brian to fill the vacant JP position; approved. (page 47) The Court, sitting as a Board of Equalization, reduced some valuations. W. J. Wallace and N. M. C. Patterson protest their valuations and give notices of appeal. (pages 47-48) The Court ruled that the present bridge over the mill race on the Bandera and Quihi road is too narrow and dangerous; it authorizes Comm. Gersdorff to have a 24-ft. wide bridge built. (page 48) The Court paid claims. (pages 48-49)	1893-07-10 1893-07-11	S	4	47-49
George T. Lincoln, Cty. Judge; Charles Gersdorff (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), W. L. Mayfield (Pct. 3), George W. Lindsay (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	Treasurer J. N. Hodges submitted his quarterly report. (pages 50-51) The court paid claims. (page 51) The Court accepted the jury's report on the road petitioned by Leopold Haby (Book 3, page 639). They rejected the protests over a gate on their fence by Joe and John Spettle. (pages 51-52) The Court tabled a motion by Charles Montague to have guard at night at the courthouse to protect the records. (page 52) The Court denied a petition from D. A. Clupman and others to abolish the Bandera and Castroville road. (page 53) The Court tabled a petition of John Lebold and others to change the Elm and Bluff Creek road, because it would have to be reviewed and no notice was given. (page 53) J. E. Harvey and others petitioned for a change in the Medina City and Wallace Creek road to allow Harvey to cultivate a small, now cut-off piece. Three commissioners voted aye; because it was not unanimous, the petition was denied. (page 53) The court paid claims. (page 54) I. W. Stevens presented Errors in Assessment on tax rolls of 1892. (page 54) The Tax Collector failed to file his summary reports with the state and county. (page 54)	1893-08-14 1893-08-15	R	4	50-55

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	The Court approved the Tax Rolls for 1893 from Assessor John J. Bandy. (pages 56-57)	1893-09-04 1893-09-05	S	4	56-57
George T. Lincoln, Cty. Judge; Charles Gersdorff (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), George W. Lindsay (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	Treasurer presented his reports. (pages 58-59) The Court paid claims. (pages 59-60) The small room on the left of the stairs in the courthouse, known as the Treasurer's Office, was rented to C. Boss for an attorney's office for \$2 per month. (pages 60-61) William Hudspeth was ordered to pay for the lower right-hand room by the stairs in the courthouse which he rents, or vacate. (page 61) The Court revoked its order working county prisoners (Book 3, page 600). The Court now orders prisoners worked to pay fines and court costs in the precinct in which they were convicted. (page 61) John Lebold and other petitioned for changes in the Elm Creek and Bluff Creek road "so as to conform with the report of the jury of view made last in this matter" and that the order of this Court inscribed in Book 3, pages 635-636 be set aside and revoked. The Court appointed a jury: A. J. Woods, Ed Buck, J. H. Newcomer, W. L. Clark and John Lebold. (page 61) The Sheriff was ordered to buy 5 cords of wood for the jail and 3 for the courthouse from the lowest bidder. (page 62)				
	The Court paid claims. (page 62) The Court paid a reduced amount to Eugene "Frenchy" Labrouche and I. B. Langford for claims for repairing the courthouse gutters. (page 63)	1893-11-13 1893-11-14 1893-11-15	R	4	58-63
George T. Lincoln, Cty. Judge; Charles Gersdorff (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), W. L. Mayfield (Pct. 3), George W. Lindsay (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	County Treasurer Hodges submitted his quarterly report. (pages 64-65) The Clerk was ordered to balance the finance ledger of past Treasurer H. M. Ramsay, "there are many errors." (page 65) The Court paid claims. (page 66) Because of an error by the Assessor, the Court cancelled the sale of land owned by J. F. Haby and F. X. Haby to the state for back taxes; the taxes had been paid. (page 67) The Court memorialized late Comm. J. D. Powell, "one of our ablest and best citizens." "We have sustained a loss, impossible for us to estimate." (pages 67-68)				
	The Court filled three vacancies of officers for school elections. (page 68) Octaviano Herrera and others petitioned for a change in the Bandera and Privilege Creek road. The Court appointed a jury: F. Maldonado, Santiago Hill, J. E. D. Rodriguez, M. Cravey and Oct Treveries. (page 69)	1894-02-12 1894-02-13 1894-02-14	R	4	64-69

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	<p><i>(continued)</i> Comm. Gersdorff, Precinct 1, road report: Utopia, Uvalde, Quihi, part of Bottle Spring, Red Bluff, San Antonio, Centre Point, Kerrville, and Medina & Hick's Creek roads are in good condition. The Medina City, Castroville, Privilege, and Medina & Centre Point roads are in bad condition due to lack of money and not being worked. Most roads are missing mile posts and finger boards. He reported that Overseer Octaviano Herrera failed to work the Privilege road. (pages 69-70)</p> <p>Comm. Steinle, Precinct 2, road report: part of Bandera & San Antonio, Bear Spring, Bandera & Privilege, Bandera & Boerne, Bandera & Red Bluff, Bandera & Bottle Spring, Elm Creek & Bluff Creek and Bandera & Castroville roads are in good condition. "The scarcity of road hands calls for a subsidy from the County." Many roads had no mile posts nor finger boards. (pages 71-72)</p> <p>Comm. Mayfield, Precinct 3, road report: parts of Medina & Ranger Spring, Rocky Creek, Medina City & West Prong, Medina City to Winan's Creek roads are all in good condition. The upper crossing of the Medina & Ranger Spring road from Tom Buckner's had "large boulders in some of the crossings...make it difficult to get along with loaded wagons." (pages 72-73)</p> <p>Comm. Lindsay, Precinct 4, only identifies his roads by their numbers and overseers, rather than road name. (pages 73-74)</p> <p>The Court created the fifth-class fund in which "scrips issued to paupers shall be registered." (page 75)</p> <p>The Court allowed monthly payments to paupers. (page 75)</p> <p>The \$.20 school tax levied in School District 10 "has not been placed upon very much of the property situate in said District not having assessed and entered on the rolls against such property for many years, in many instances." The Court ordered the Assessor to prepare "complete lists of all such property that has escaped taxation..." and to add these properties to the Supplemental Tax Rolls for each year. (pages 75-76)</p> <p>The Court levied taxes: \$.25/\$100 for general purposes; \$.25 for payment of courthouse bonds; \$.15 for roads and bridges; \$.02 ½ for courthouse repairs and stationery; \$.03 for the general sinking fund; \$.03 for the road sinking fund; poll tax of \$.25; occupation tax. Also, a \$.25 school tax is levied on School District 10. (page 76)</p> <p>J. B. Johnson and others petition for a new first-class road from Leakey "to a point South." The Court appointed a jury: J. F. Morris, F. M. York, A. K. Auld, J. L. Kittenger and W. J. Hobbs. (page 77)</p> <p>The Court tabled the jury report on the Elm and Bluff Creek road; C. Backhaus had refused \$100 in damages and claimed \$500. The Court considered the jury's supplemental report which relocated the road over F. Groos & Co. land</p>	<p>1894-02-14</p> <p>1894-02-15</p>		4	69-77
<p>George T. Lincoln, Cty. Judge; Charles Gersdorff (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), W. L. Mayfield (Pct. 3), George W. Lindsay (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk</p>					

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George T. Lincoln, Cty. Judge; J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), W. L. Mayfield (Pct. 3), George W. Lindsay (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The Court paid claims. (pages 80-81) Tax Collector I. W. Stevens presented his Errors in Assessment for 1893. (page 81)	1894-03-12	S	4	80-81
George T. Lincoln, Cty. Judge; Charles Gersdorff (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), W. L. Mayfield (Pct. 3), George W. Lindsay (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The Court tried to correct errors of assessment and sale of some property for back taxes. (pages 82-83) The Court paid claims, including \$1 for "paper fasteners" for the County Assessor. (page 83) The Court ordered the County Surveyor to map School Dist. 10 for the Tax Collector. (page 84)	1894-04-16	S	4	82-84
George T. Lincoln, Cty. Judge; Charles Gersdorff (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), W. L. Mayfield (Pct. 3), George W. Lindsay (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The County Treasurer submitted his quarterly reports. (pages 85-86) John Penland and others petitioned for a change in the Bandera and West Prong road. The Court appointed a jury: R. E. Love, R. P. Calhoun, John Anderson, Sol Weed and Ben Rutledge. (pages 86-87) County Surveyor W. Brown resigned; A. L. Scott was appointed to fill the post, and he was ordered to complete a map of School District 10 as soon as he could. (page 87) Tax Collector Stevens presented report of commissions due him for taxes assessed and collected. (page 87) The Court cancelled some sales of property for 1892 taxes. (page 88) The Court ordered a settlement with the Tax Collector. (page 88) List of Delinquent or Insolvent Taxpayers. (pages 89-92) On petition of R. F. Hines and 21 others, the Court ordered School District 11 ½ to hold an election about a \$.10 tax. (page 93) The Court took up the report of the architects Murphy & Haydon on the dimensions of the courthouse roof. The report conflicted with I. B. Langford's "calculation and estimate as made out and charged for in the bill presented by him for painting said roof." Langford said he wanted to remeasure the roof. (page 93) The Court rejected the report of the jury of view for a change in the Leakey and Uvalde road; the jury had awarded damages of \$192, which the County was unable to pay, "and that such damages if they could be paid, are excessive." (page 94) Clerk Montague was authorized to buy felony and misdemeanor subpoena forms and "1 dozen bottles of Ink." (page 95)	1894-05-14 1894-05-15	R	4	85-95

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	<p><i>(continued)</i> The Court considered the Sheriff's claim of \$135 for a jail guard and "it is considered by the majority of the Court that the Jail cells are safe and sufficient to hold such prisoners and that it is an useless expense to employ a guard for the Jail." The Court was split three to two. (page 95)</p> <p>The Sheriff reported that he was unable to buy provisions for the jail with third-class County scrip, and that he "has not the means pecuniarily to board prisoners—and must therefore ask for money to be paid to him therefor, or the Commissioners' Court of the County must take upon themselves the feeding and board of prisoners. That he will gladly let them have the board of prisoners if they will take the matter off his hands—and see to it themselves." Court authorized \$.25 per day per prisoner be paid in cash to the Sheriff. (page 96)</p> <p>The Court apportioned road money to the Commissioners: \$75 to Precincts 1, 2 and 3, and \$150 to Precinct 4. (page 96)</p> <p>County Judge Lincoln presented his protest of the settlement with the Tax Collector in writing in the minutes. (page 97)</p> <p>The Commissioners' Court responded to the Judge's protest. "Said protest is misleading in its statements and if permitted to go on record without any explanation by this Court, places the County Commissioners in the light of having colluded with the Collector to defraud the Court or of being so ignorant that they do not understand their duties and can not make a proper settlement." Further entries regarding what is owed and procedures, and the Judge said that he was accusing the Collector of blunders, not fraud. (pages 97-99)</p> <p>The Court paid claims, and refused to pay \$2 for services as an interpreter in a felony case in District Court. "The Court is of the opinion that there is no requirement on the part of the County to pay the claim." (pages 99-100)</p> <p>The County Judge was ordered to contact contractors and manufacturers re the cost of putting in steel lattice work for the side of the "run around" in the Jail "and also for a steel or iron floor for the corridor." (page 100)</p> <p>The Court orders "that business be conducted in this Court according to parliamentary rules – and that the County Judge do keep order in Court when in session." (page 100)</p> <p>The Court refused the application of P. W. Thompson to be allowed to pay off the note held by the County for the unpaid purchase money due on the County School lands. (pages 100-101)</p> <p>Lands sold to the State for taxes of 1893 (pages 102-107)</p>				
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	The Court rented the old courtroom in the old Courthouse to the Knights of Honor for \$1.50 per month. (page 109)	1894-06-11			
	If the County Physician is not available and another physician treats a pauper, the Court ordered that fee be taken from the County Physician's salary. (page 110)	1894-06-12 1894-06-14	S	4	108-110
George T. Lincoln, Cty. Judge; Charles Gersdorff (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), W. L. Mayfield (Pct. 3), George W. Lindsay (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The Court granted the petition of L. L. Carmichael and others members of the "Bandera Base Ball Club to be allowed the use of the District Courtroom free on the night of July 4 th next in order that they might give a ball in commemoration of the day." (page 111) The Court granted Octabiano Herrera's petition for a change in the Bandera and Privilege Creek road. (pages 111-112) The Court contracted with Alamo Iron Works for \$275 for iron work for the jail. (page 112) The Court paid claims. (page 112) The Court determined that they had overpaid I. B. Langford for painting the courthouse roof. (page 113) The Court approved payment for a jail guard until the iron work was finished. (page 113) The Court approved the division of School District 10 into two (10 and 10 ½) and the metes and bounds described. (pages 113-114)	1894-07-02	S	4	111-114
	The Court ordered A. L. Scott to survey the Bandera—Edwards dividing line: "the line heretofore run and established between the Counties of Bandera and Edwards has never been approved by the Commissioner of the General Land Office and that the question as to its exact location is still unsettled and is continually becoming more and more vexatious." (page 115) The Court order A. L. Scott to survey and map the "outlots," or "farm lots" of the town of Bandera, because the original map is in a very dilapidated condition. (pages 115-116) The County Treasurer submitted his quarterly report. (page 117) More concern with Tax Collector Stevens' accounts and County scrips. (pages 117-118) The County paid claims, including \$50 to Rufus Click for removing rock from a Medina River crossing. (pages 118-119) S. H. Goodman and others petitioned for a change in the Wallace Creek road. The Court appointed a jury: I. H. Benton, G. W. Parker, S. H. Goodman, J. A. Chamberlain and G. W. Beinta. (page 119)	1894-08-13 1894-08-14	R	4	115-119

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<p>George T. Lincoln, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), W. L. Mayfield (Pct. 3), George W. Lindsay (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk</p>	<p>The Court rescinded "the order of this Court heretofore entered in regard to working County Convicts." (page 123) The Court paid claims. (pages 123-124) County Assessor John J. Bandy submitted the tax rolls for 1894. (pages 124-125) After discussions with the District Attorney regarding working County convicts, the Court "set aside and held for naught" the order rescinding, "and the matter of working out County convicts remain as before said order was passed." (page 125)</p>	<p>1894-09-10</p>	<p>S</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>123-125</p>
<p>George T. Lincoln, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), W. L. Mayfield (Pct. 3), George W. Lindsay (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk</p>	<p>Treasurer Hodges presented his quarterly report. (pages 126-127) County Surveyor A. L. Scott "lays before the Court a communication from the General Land Office relative to resurveying the County lines and the same is ordered tabled." (page 127) The Court paid claims. (pages 127-130) The Court approved Surveyor Scott's map of the town of Bandera's "farm lots" and ordered it framed. (pages 130-131) Tax Collector's Stevens monthly reports were "compared with the Tax receipt stubs and the tax rolls—are not approved." (page 131) The Court determined that Tax Collector Stevens owed the State \$4.56 and ordered him "do pay the same forthwith and the statement is postponed for approval until the next term of this Court. (page 131) J. D. Evans and other petitioned for a third-class road from J. D. Evans's ranch on Verde Creek to the established road at the Kerr County line. The Court appointed a fury: John Davenport, c. C. Auld, J. C. Helm, J. D. Evans and John Walker. (pages 131-132)</p>	<p>1894-11-12</p>	<p>R</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>126-132</p>

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	Noah Boyles was accepted for aid as a pauper. (page 135) The Court rejected Alamo Iron Works' claim for \$275 "until Alamo Iron Works do perform the said work in all respects as specified and agreed upon in said letter." (page 135)	1894-12-10	S	4	133-136
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), T. H. Phillips (Pct. 3), W. J. O'Brien (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The County Treasurer submitted his quarterly reports. (pages 137-138) County Physician Mrs. Dr. K. M. Hudspeth moved from the County and her salary was terminated. (page 138) The County paid claims. (page 139) Milton Reed protested a County road possibly running over his land and said he would claim damages. The Court "indefinitely postponed as the subject matter is not before the Court." (page 140)	1895-02-11			
	The Court accepted the jury's report and established a third-class road from J. D. Evans' ranch to the Kerr County line, thence to the ranch of W. B. New. (page 140) W. A. Harris and 18 others petitioned for a school tax election for District 9. Election set. (pages 140-141) M. Hand and 22 others petition for a school tax election for District 3. Election set. (page 141) Comm. Miller moved for large reductions in per diems and officials' salaries. Vote: Miller and Steinle voted for; Phillips and O'Brien voted against. Judge Lincoln voted against, "because the said motion is illegal." Salaries and per diems remain as they were. (pages 141-142) The Court approved the report of County Surveyor Scott and the Edwards County Surveyor. (page 142) The Court paid claims. (page 143) Comm. Steinle produced a letter from the Attorney General's office stating that counties do not have to pay for the Clerk's recording of officials' bonds. County/District Clerks Charles Montague's claim was tabled. (page 143)	1895-02-12	R	4	137-143

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	<p>(continued) C. N. Wentworth and 22 others petitioned for an election on taxes for School District 11. (pages 143-144)</p> <p>Comm. Miller's (Precinct 1) road report: most roads in fair or good condition. The Quihi road isn't wide enough in places. Come finger boards defaced and torn down. "Need some culverts on all roads but need ditching a good deal more." (pages 144-145)</p> <p>Comm. Steinle's (Precinct 2) road report: "Boerne & Bandera road is in a right good road, with the exception of a few rocky places within about a mile west of Bluff creek, and the hills on both sides of Bluff Creek are steep and heavy to pull." Most roads are in fair to good condition. "Bottle Spring road for the greatest portion of its distance, as well as the Elm & Bluff Creek road, and the Schaefer road in an out of way and isolated country and have almost become extinct at various places for the want of travel, but are yet passable along the entire route. Bandera and Castroville road might be in better fix, but to a traveler it feels like a macadamized road to the road just across the county line in Medina County." (pages 145-146)</p> <p>Comm. Phillips' (Precinct 3) road report: Most roads in good to fair condition, however, "The road from Medina to Bandera Pass is very rough and has several bad hills." (pages 146-147)</p> <p>Comm. O'Brien's (Precinct 4) road report: Most roads are in good condition; some are in bad. The eight culverts on the Hondo and Sabinal road have been in bad condition so long "they are of no service at present." (pages 147-148)</p> <p>The Sheriff was ordered to charge \$5 for use of the District courtroom "for any entertainment, dance, concert or any other public meeting, where an admission fee is charged. (page 148)</p> <p>District Attorney J. R. Storms charged the County \$10 for representing the State in a lunacy trial. Comm. Miller moved that the County limit such a fee to \$5. Since it appeared that "the law does not fix the fee to be paid in such cases," the motion carried. (pages 148-149)</p> <p>The Court levied taxes: \$.25/\$100 for general purposes; \$.25 for payment of courthouse bonds; \$.15 for roads and bridges; \$.02 ½ for repairs to the courthouse and stationery; \$.03 for the general sinking fund; \$.03 for the road sinking fund; \$.25 for poll tax, occupation tax. (page 149)</p> <p>School tax of \$.20/\$100 in School Districts 10 and 10 ½ . (page 149)</p> <p>Each commissioners' precinct received \$75 for roads for 1894. (page 150)</p> <p>One of Tax Collector Stevens' sureties (John A. Jones) had died; the Court issued a show-cause order to "why he shall not be required to give a new bond." (page 150)</p> <p>The Court appointed Presiding Officers of Election for nine election precincts. (page 150)</p> <p>I. B. Langford and 26 others petitioned for a School District tax election. (pages 150-151)</p>	<p>1895-02-12</p> <p>1895-02-13</p> <p>1895-02-14</p> <p>1895-02-15</p>			143-151
<p>I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge;</p> <p>J. A. Miller (Pct.1),</p> <p>J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2),</p> <p>T. H. Phillips (Pct. 3),</p> <p>W. J. O'Brien (Pct. 4),</p> <p>Commissioners:</p> <p>I. W. Stevens, Sheriff;</p> <p>Charles Montague, Clerk</p>					

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	<i>(continued)</i> The Court ordered Alamo Iron Works notified to complete their contract work on the court-house or remove their materials. (page 151)				
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I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The Court paid claims. (page 154) I. W. Stevens' bond as Tax Collector for the State and County was ordered taken up at a March 9 special session. (page 154)	1895-03-02	S	4	154-155
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; W. J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	Tax Collector Stevens' bonds for State and County taxes were approved. (page 156)	1895-03-09	S	4	156-157
	The Court paid claims. (pages 158-159) County Treasurer Hodges submitted his quarterly statement. (page 159) Kaspar Dugos resigned as JP; B. F. Langford was appointed JP for Precinct 1. (page 160) School Districts 1, 5 and 11 rejected the school tax levy in recent elections. (page 160) The Court appointed Managers of Elections for School Districts. (page 160) The Court paid additional claims. (page 161) W. J. O'Brien and 14 others petitioned for a change in the third-class Little Creek road. The Court appointed a jury: Joe Haby, R. W. Richter, F. H. Haby, C. H. Wentworth and G. B. Ryan. (pages 161-162) James Boultinghouse and others petitioned for a third-class road from the Jerry McNew survey to the Jose Franco survey to the Bandera and Uvalde county line, west to intersection with Utopia road. The Court appointed a jury: L. D. Bounds, W. O'Bryant, J. H. Reavis, J. E. Crain and W. T. Meadows. (pages 162-163) B. B. Harper and others petitioned for a change in the Sabinal and Leahey road. The Court appointed a jury: W. B. Burditt, R. P. Orzell, Ben Jones, W. B. Patterson and J. N. [name unclear]. (page 163) The County Treasurer had refused to pay scripts from the Tax Collector for payments to bailiffs who were also Sheriff's deputies at the time. The Treasurer was ordered to pay these scripts. "aye" – Steinle, O'Brien, Langford; "no" – Phillips, Miller. (pages 163-164)				
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), T. H. Phillips (Pct. 3), W. J. O'Brien (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The Sheriff was ordered not to hire deputy sheriffs as bailiffs. (page 164) Ben Jerrigan and 20 others petitioned for a school tax election in School District 11 ½. (page 164) Mrs. J. W. Sier was placed on the pauper list: allowance of \$2.50 per month. (pages 164-165)	1895-05-13 1895-05-14	R	4	158-165

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	<p><i>(continued)</i> The Court ordered "that no physician be employed for paupers hereafter." Comm. Miller voted "no" on this order; the others voted "aye." (page 165)</p> <p>The Tax Collector presented his lists of delinquent and insolvent taxpayers, lands sold for taxes, and errors in assessment. The Court ordered the names stricken from the reports, but that the lists of names be recorded immediately after the proceedings of the term are entered. (pages 165-166)</p> <p>The Court paid claims. (page 166)</p> <p>Sheriff was ordered to notify William Hudspeth to pay his rent due for room in the courthouse or to "forthwith vacate said room." (page 166)</p> <p>The Court eliminated the jail guard position; "the work performed by the Alamo Iron Works being considered to have rendered said Jail sufficiently secure." (page 167)</p> <p>Tax Collector Stevens kept \$19.50 in occupation tax he collected to reimburse himself for feeding jurors in felony cases. "And it further appearing that such action is illegal," the Court ordered him to repay the \$19.50, plus another \$40 he kept from fines he collected. (page 167)</p> <p>The Court reimbursed Sheriff Stevens for the \$59.50 he spent feeding empanelled jurors. (page 167)</p> <p>C. W. Harris was appointed JP, District 1, because Langford (page 160) declined. W. L. Mayfield was appointed JP, Precinct 3, because Phillips resigned. (page 168)</p> <p>Delinquent or Insolvent Taxpayers List (pages 169-173)</p>				
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), T. H. Phillips (Pct. 3), W. J. O'Brien (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	Lands and town lots sold for back taxes (pages 173-183)	1895-05-14 1895-05-15 1895-05-16		4	165-183
	<p>The Court sat as a Board of Equalization for three and one-half days to examine the tax lists rendered by the Assessor. (pages 184-185)</p> <p>The Court ordered the Clerk to buy 500 "postal cards" (\$5) to send notices to property owners. (page 185)</p> <p>The Court paid claims. (page 185)</p> <p>"The Sheriff has no Jail guard – nor Jailer because this Court has refused to allow him pay for such – and it is therefore necessary that the Sheriff do attend to such Jail in person – and the said old Court House is adjacent to the Jail – and the Sheriff desiring the use of the same for himself and his family in order that he may be near to and convenient to this Jail it is therefore ordered by the Court that Sheriff I. W. Stevens be and he is now granted the free use of said old Court House as a dwelling for himself and family and such others as he may wish – and he is hereby fully authorized to repair said old Court House as may be needed for said purpose – provided the County incur no expense thereby. And the said Sheriff is now instructed to forthwith notify all persons now using said old Court House to remove therefrom forthwith." (pages 185-186)</p>				
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	The Court sat as a Board of Equalization "to consider the protest both verbal and written now presented to their raising values – the same being duly entered of the Court and such errors may have been made by the Court and now pointed out to them, are corrected upon said docket and also upon the Tax lists which are herewith returned to the Assessor." (page 187) The Court paid claims. (page 187) Because John T. Lytle & Co. has not paid the interest due on the purchase of school lands, the public schools will have to shorten their terms. The Court ordered that P. W. Thomson be notified to "forthwith pay the balance due as interest immediately." (page 188) J. P. Foster (name unclear) petitioned the Court to have a gate reopened that he used to use "going to church, etc." This gate was on the fence dividing the pastures of Henry Taylor and G. Thompson. The gate is not part of a public road, and Taylor and Thompson had put it there "as a matter of convenience to the public, and that it is now closed by them because the same is repeatedly left open by parties using it." The Court rejected the petition, and appointed Comm. O'Brien "to see all the parties interested and if possible to settle the matter amicably between them." (page 188)	1895-07-08 1895-07-09	S	4	187-188
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), T. H. Phillips (Pct. 3), W. J. O'Brien (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	County Treasurer Hodges presented his quarterly report. (pages 189-190) The jury of view for the proposed change in the Bandera and Little Creek road petitioned by W. J. O'Brien and others reported "adversely to changing the said road." The Court accepted the report and refused the petition. (page 190) The jury of view reported on the proposed new road petitioned for by James Boultinghouse and others from Jerry McNew's ranch to the Bandera and Utopia County line. They assessed damages at \$100 to L. D. Bounds and to the Kincheloe estate, but no damages from Jerry McNew's. They asked the Court to grant the road from Jerry McNew's to the County line running south, "that much if not all." The Court rejected any damages, but established the new road from McNew's ranch to the Uvalde County line. "All damages to landowners along said road being now waived – and said road shall be opened so soon as Uvalde County opens the said connecting road." (page 191) J. W. Walker and others petitioned to divide School District 3. The Court approved and the new district is School District 4. (pages 191-192)	1895-08-12	R	4	189-192

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	<i>(continued)</i> The Court corrected an error in the laying out of School District 17 Little Creek District. (page 192)				
	The Court rejected Yoakum's application for an allowance and discontinued payments to Mrs. Stringer. (page 192)				
	J. B. Kidd's claim for \$24 for nursing A. J. Click for 24 days was rejected, and the Court increased Click's monthly allowance to \$7. Comm. Steinle voted "no." (page 192)				
	The Court paid claims. (page 193)				
	P. W. Thomson offered to reconvey the Maverick County School Lands to the County. Concerns of the Court were that if they received the land back the County would lose the interest due, also that there may be squatters on the land. The Court decided to investigate the situation in Maverick County further; they appointed Charles Montague as agent and sent him to Eagle Pass. He was told to try to get full or partial payment of interest from Thomson. He also needed to "receive proper deed. He was not to lease the land for less than \$.05/acre, nor for more than five years. "But said Montague shall not settle with said Thompson nor lease said lands until all squatters that may be on said lands have removed therefrom or acknowledged tenancy under the County." He was advanced \$30 for the trip. (pages 193-194)				
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), T. H. Phillips (Pct. 3), W. J. O'Brien (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The Court rejected the \$3.65 claim of George L. Lincoln for medicine furnished to Mrs. Taylor on order of Comm. Miller				
	The Court paid claims. (pages 194-195)	1895-08-12			
	The Court rescinded their rejection of George Lincoln's \$3.65 claim and paid it. (page 195)	1895-08-13			
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	County Treasurer Hodges submitted his quarterly report and school fund report(pages 196-197)				
	The Court paid claims. (page 198)				
	The report of the Jury of View for a change to the Sabinal and Leakey road was "spread upon the minutes." They laid out a road from Leakey to intersect Mill Creek road between the headwaters of the Sabinal and Little Dry Frio, crossing 160 acres each of W. B. Burditt and F. P. Rawlings. "The owners of other lands crossed by said road are unknown to your Committee and as there has been no damages asked for and no complaint made, we would recommend the opening up of said road." The Court approved the report of this third-class road. (pages 198-199)				
	The Court ordered the Treasurer to received \$18 in rent due from Bandera Lodge K of H. (page 200)				
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), T. H. Phillips (Pct. 3), W. J. O'Brien (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The Court ordered the County Judge to obtain an attorney to bring suit for debt recovery from P. W. Thomson for school lands. (page 200)				
	The Court did not approved the Tax Collector's quarterly reports, because there was a \$1.43 discrepancy in taxes collected. (pages 200-201)				
	The Court also ordered the Collector to pay "a small balance due." (page 201)	1895-11-11			
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I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The Court hired Attorney John R. Storms to represent the County against P. W. Thompson regarding the school lands in Maverick County. (pages 202-204) The Court paid claims. (page 204)	1895-12-16	S	4	202-204
	County Treasurer J. N. Hodges submitted his quarterly statement. (pages 205-206) Since Miss Lou Taylor hadn't drawn her monthly allowance since her mother's death, the Court ordered that it be stopped. The Court gave a monthly allowance of \$4 per month to Mrs. Mary B. Arnold, "one of the early settlers of this County is bedridden and in very indigent circumstances requiring instant aid." Also, Fannie Mazurek was granted \$3 per month. (page 206) The Court paid claims. (page 207) J. F. Tom and 22 others from Justice Precinct 5 petitioned for a local option election (sale of intoxicating liquors). Election to be held March 7, 1896, at the schoolhouse in Leakey, and R. P. Orrell was appointed Presiding Officer. (page 208) George Gibbons and other petitions to change the Bandera and Ranger Spring road. Petitioned tabled because proper notice had not been given. (page 208) The petition of J. B. Rutledge to change the Medina City and Vanderpool road was tabled for lack of legal notice. (page 209) Comm. Miller's Precinct 1 road report: all roads in fair/passable condition—San Antonio and Bandera, Bandera Pass, Castroville, Hondo City, Medina City, Utopia. (page 209) Comm. Steinle's Precinct 2 road report: San Antonio road "from Privilege Creek to the 6 mile hill smooth and fair. Thence rough and rocky across the hill from thence in an easy passable condition to about the 13 mile point very rocky and very bad between Mrs. Kelly's field and Bluff Creek. Bandera and Boerne road in good condition to the hills west of Bluff creek; they are rugged and dilapidated. The Bandera and Privilege road "pretty badly washed on the West bank of Privilege Creek." The Privilege and San Antonio road is in bad shape and "shows neglect from beginning to end." Bear Spring road just newly opened "is rather bad as the hill on both sides is precipitous and dangerous." Castroville and Bandera road: the river bank at Mormon crossing is steep; the hill at John B. Spettel's is rough and rocky; the rest in good condition.	1896-02-10 1896-02-11 1896-02-12			
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), T. H. Phillips (Pct. 3), W. J. O'Brien (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	Schaeffer road, Elm and Bluff Creek road, and	1896-02-12	R	4	205-213

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	<p>Comm. Phillips' Precinct 3 road report: All his roads “are in better condition than they ever have been since I have been Supervisor.” The exception is the road from Ranger Spring to Haby's ponds, which is almost impassible. “I don't think it has been worked in six or seven years.” (pages 211-212)</p>	1896-02-12			
	<p>Comm. O'Brien's Precinct 4 road report: Most roads in good condition, with some bad parts. Roads include Leakey from Indian Creek pass to Hondo Pass, Little Creek, West Sabinal river. “From Baptist Church to top of divide, all of valley part is good, but the mountain part is very rough and rocky.” (pages 212-213)</p>	1896-02-13	R	4	213-215
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), T. H. Phillips (Pct. 3), W. J. O'Brien (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	<p>The Court ordered that all letterhead stationery shall have printed the names of I. B. Langford, County Judge;— Charles Montague, County & District Clerk; I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; J. N. Hodges, Treasurer; and J. J. Bandy, Assessor. (page 213)</p>				
	<p>The Court paid claims. (pages 213-214) The Court levied taxes: \$.25/\$100 for general purposes; \$.25 for courthouse bonds; \$.15 for roads and bridges; \$.02 ½ courthouse and stationery; \$.03 for the general sinking fund; \$.25 poll tax; occupation tax. (page 214)</p>	1896-02-12			
	<p>The Court paid claims. (page 215)</p>	1896-02-13	R	4	213-215
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), T. H. Phillips (Pct. 3), W. J. O'Brien (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	<p>No local option election was held in Justice Precinct 5, because the Court had failed to appoint an election officer for Election Pct. 9 which is in that justice precinct. Another election was scheduled for May 16. (pages 216-217)</p>	1896-04-20	S	4	216-226
	<p>The Court appointed managers of elections for the 21 school districts. (pages 217-218)</p>				
	<p>The Court instructed Attorney John R. Storms to sue P. W. Thomson for interest due for the school land purchase. (page 218)</p>				
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), T. H. Phillips (Pct. 3), W. J. O'Brien (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	<p>The Court paid claims. (pages 218-219)</p>	1896-04-20	S	4	216-226
	<p>Tax Collector Stevens' lists of delinquent accounts. (pages 219-226)</p>				
	<p>The County Treasurer submitted his quarterly statement. (pages 227-228) Precincts 1-3 each received \$75 from the road and bridge fund; Precinct 4 got \$125. (page 228) The Court voted to immediately disallow any money for a jail guard. Vote 3-2. (page 228)</p>	1896-05-11	R	4	227-230
<p>G. White and others petitioned for a change in the Bandera and Elm Pass road. The Court appointed a jury: J. A. Brown, J. N. Mickle, John F. Davenport, Thomas M. Stevens and John Dugocz. (page 229)</p>					
<p>The Court accepted the bid of F. F. Collins & Co. to provide two cast iron columns for the front of the courthouse (page 230)</p>					
<p>The Court paid claims. (page 230)</p>	1896-05-11	R	4	227-230	

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I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	Results of the local option election for Justice Precinct 5: 6 votes for prohibition; 4 votes against prohibition. (page 234)	1896-5-25	S	4	234
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), T. H. Phillips (Pct. 3), W. J. O'Brien (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The Court sat as a Board of Equalization. (page 235) The Court tabulated the results of school district trustee elections. (pages 235-236) The Court paid claims. (page 236) More settling of accounts with the tax collector, (pages 236-237)	1896-06-08 1896-06-09 1896-06-10	S	4	235-237
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), T. H. Phillips (Pct. 3), W. J. O'Brien (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The property valuation raise for W. S. Ross was rescinded. (page 238) The Court paid claims. (page 238)	1896-07-08	S	4	238- 239
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), T. H. Phillips (Pct. 3), W. J. O'Brien (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	County Treasurer Hodges submitted his quarterly reports. (pages 240-241) The Court paid claims. (page 241) The sheriff was ordered to have sufficient bunks or cots made for the use jail. (page 241) The Court rejected J. F. Weldon's application to buy County-owned right-of-way. (page 241) Court approved the 1896 tax rolls. (page 242) J. H. Newcomer and 20 others petitioned to subdivide School District 21; it is "very large and irregular and consequently necessitates running 2 Schools and believing it is always best for each School to be governed and controlled by its own set or board of Trustees." School District 24 was created. (pages 242-243) The jury of review recommended the change to the Bandera and Elm Pass road as petitioned by G. W. White. The Court approved the change. (pages 243-244) Jesus Obiedo and others petitioned for a change in the Privilege Creek and San Antonio road. The Court appointed a jury: M. Cravey, Camillo Gerodetti, Garry Davis, O. Herrera and G. L. Vawter. (pages 244-245) S. D. Smith and 32 others petitioned for a third-class road up the Brushy Prong of the Sabinal intersecting the Medina City road near Bear Springs. The Court appointed a jury: N. L. Mayes, Ben Jernigan, G. F. Cook, J. N. Petty and W. P. Felts. (page 245)	1896-08-10 1896-08-10	R	4	240-245

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	<p>The Court ordered Judge Langford buy "lumber sufficient to make several coffins for paupers – and keep the same on hand – because the same will be cheaper than to purchase coffins as has heretofore been done." (page 246)</p>								
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), T. H. Phillips (Pct. 3), W. J. O'Brien (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	<p>Votes were counted from the Nov. 3 elections. County Judge – I. B. Langford; Sheriff/Tax Collector – I. W. Stevens; Tax Assessor – J. J. Bandy; Treasurer – J. N. Hodges; County Surveyor – A. L. Scott; Hide and Animal Inspector – J. W. Moore; Comm. Pct. 1 – Kaspar Dugos; Comm. Pct. 2 – J. A. Steinle; Comm. Pct. 3 – R. P. Reeves; Comm. Pct. 4 – C. N. Wentworth; JP Pct. 1 – G. W. Moore; JP Pct. 3 – W. L. Mayfield; JP Pct. 4 – W. J. O'Brien; JP Pct. 5 – F. M. York. (page 247)</p>	1896-11-09							
	<p>The County Judge declared that since each of the candidates for District/County Clerk received the same number of votes, a new election would be held. (pages 247-248)</p>								
	<p>Treasurer Hodges submitted his quarterly report. (page 248)</p>								
	<p>Comm. Miller did not attend court on Nov. 10, and newly elected commissioner Dugos took his seat as a member of the court. (page 248)</p>								
	<p>The Court examined the school fund records. (pages 248-249)</p>								
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), T. H. Phillips (Pct. 3), W. J. O'Brien (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	<p>The Court paid claims. (pages 249-251)</p>	1896-11-10							
	<p>The Court granted permission to the Rocky Creek school district (6th) trustees to sell the school house, because they had built another school on Wallace Creek "better suited to their wants." (page 251)</p>								
	<p>W. E. Loyd and 13 others petitioned for a change in the Medina and Ranger Springs road (the road running from Medina to the middle of Haby's ponds. The Court appointed a jury: W. E. Loyd, J. S. Lowrance, Alf Jones, Tom Allsup and S. B. S. Slaughter. (page 252)</p>								
	<p>The Court ordered \$5/month to Mrs. Mazurek for the support of Fannie Mazurek. (page 252)</p>								
	<p>George Hay's erroneous property valuation was corrected (reduced). (page 253)</p>								
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; J. A. Miller (Pct.1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), T. H. Phillips (Pct. 3), W. J. O'Brien (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	<p>The Court granted a petition for a new justice precinct for Hondo Cañon (Precinct 6); M. C. Click was appointed JP and George B. Brown was appointed Constable. (page 253)</p>	1896-11-11							
	<p>The Court rejected Sheriff Stevens' claims for services performed in the arresting of a lunatic and summoning witnesses. (page 255)</p>					1896-11-12	R	4	247-255

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I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), R. P. Reeves (Pct. 3), C. N. Wentworth (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	<p>"It appearing to the Court that there is some doubt as to whether or not the County has a legally qualified County Surveyor or not, therefore in order to obviate any difficulty, it is ordered by the Court that A. L. Scott Esq. be and is now duly appointed County Surveyor." (page 261)</p>	1896-12-16	S	4	261
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), R. P. Reeves (Pct. 3), C. N. Wentworth (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	<p>Treasurer Hodges submitted his quarterly statement and turned over his scrip/County warrants. (pages 262-263)</p> <p>The Court paid claims. (page 264)</p> <p>The Court approved the jury of view's report of a new road up Brushy Creek from the point below S. D. Smith's house to the Medina City road near Bear Springs. (pages 264-265)</p> <p>Comm. Wentworth's road report (Pct. 4): the road from Indian Creek Pass to Seco Pass. "G. Hicks was appointed Overseer, but his Commission having been sent by mail, he did not accept service, and this mistake not being rectified by the Court, this road has not been worked for twelve months and is therefore in bad condition." On the road from the top of the divide to intercept Utopia road at Taylor's ranch: "The Court caused a new route up the Mountain to be viewed out and the road has been changed in accordance with said view at considerable cost to the County and the work of making a good road over the mountain is scarcely begun. Nearly all the money allotted to this entire Commissioner's District for the last two years has been used on this road and it is now almost impassible for loaded wagons." Most other roads are in fair to good condition. "I also find that the law requiring Overseers to put up mile posts and index boards is not complied with as it should be." (pages 265-266)</p> <p>The Court paid claims. (pages 266-267)</p>	1897-02-08	R	4	262-267

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	<i>(continued)</i> The Court granted J. W. Moore, JP and ex-officio coroner, \$5 for "holding an inquest on the body of A. B. Gates...and his expenses incurred in conveying the stomach to San Antonio for analysis." \$5 is the fee fixed by law. (page 267)				
	George Williams was paid for two days' work exhuming A. B. Gates' body. He claimed \$35, then revised the bill to \$10 (\$5 per day). The Court allowed him \$5, "because the Court considers the same ample pay for his services. This amt...is to be credited by the Sheriff upon the bond given by said Geo Williams for a fine imposed upon him in the District Court of Bandera County and which is now due and uncollected." (page 267)				
	A. E. Rodgers was paid \$35 (he claimed \$70) for exhuming A. B. Gates' body "under the direction and orders of Coroner J. W. Moore – for taking the stomach from said remains and for his expenses incurred in conveying same to San Antonio in company with said coroner." (page 267)				
	Comm. Reeves' road report (Pct. 3): Most roads in fair to good condition, some bad. Tools and money are needed to put the road "up the mountain" in good condition, from bad. (pages 267-268)				
	Comm. Dugos' road report (Pct. 1): most roads in fair to good condition. (page 269)				
	Comm. Steinle's road report (Pct. 3): Most of the roads are in fair to good condition with smaller areas needing more work. Bear Springs road was described as neglected; "The hill at Jess Edward's field is rocky & steep between the 4 & 5 mile posts considerable work has been done, but as it is the roughest territory in the prect. and the worst natural road, it is far from what the traveler would desire." Bandera and Privilege road "is the best road in the prect. and I must call it extra good." "Bottle Spring road has not had a lick of work done on it for 12 months and is in a bad condition all the way through." (pages 270-271)				
	The Court authorized Attorney John R. Storms to continue with his suit against P. W. Thomson for Bandera County's school lands and money due the County. (page 272)				
	The Court rejected a petition from P. H. Miller to create a new school district from districts 3, 4 & 16, because it lacked enough signatures. (page 273)				
	The Court levied taxes for 1897: \$.25/\$100 for general purposes; \$.25 for payment of courthouse bonds; \$.15 for road and bridge; \$.02 ½ for courthouse and stationery; \$.03 for the General Sinking Fund; \$.25 poll tax; occupation tax; school taxes. (pages 273-274)				
	The Court named election managers. (page 274)				
	The Court set new values for livestock. (page 274)				
	The Court rejected J. W. Moore's \$22.35 claim for exhuming A. B. Gates body and taking the stomach to San Antonio for analysis. (page 275)	1897-02-08			
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I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), R. P. Reeves (Pct. 3), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The Court ordered I. W. Stevens, Sheriff and Tax Collector, to get new bonds, because his surety A. Mansfield had died. (page 277) The Court officially appointed Judge Langford to act for the County in filing a list of delinquent taxes. (page 277)	1897-03-01	S	4	277
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), R. P. Reeves (Pct. 3), C. N. Wentworth (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The Court approved the Sheriff/Tax Collector's bonds. (page 278) The Court paid claims. (pages 278-279) The annual settlement with the Tax Collector was postponed until the May term, because a special term in April will involve many citizens' being at the courthouse and many will pay their 1896 taxes then. (page 279)	1897-03-22	S	4	278-279
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), R. P. Reeves (Pct. 3), C. N. Wentworth (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	Treasurer Hodges submitted his quarterly reports. (pages 280-281) The Court rejected J. B. Kidd's claim of \$32 for taking care of and nursing A. J. Click, because Click receives \$7/month to cover his expenses. (page 281) The Court paid claims. (page 282) The Court appointed managers of school elections for the 24 districts. (pages 282-283) The Court granted the petition of P. H. Miller and others for the creation of a new school district out of districts 3, 4 and 16; this will be district 16. (pages 283-284) Capt. W. E. Jones and others petitioned for a new school district to be created out of districts 13 and 14. The Court approved. (pages 284-285) Report of Attorney John R. Storms: he obtained a deed to the land from P. W. Thomson and releases for T. C. Frost and New York and Texas Land Co. Limited. A judgment was entered against Thomson in Maverick County for \$4,728 in interest due and rent collected. "I also desire to mention to you that lease of Coleman & Shaw on the lands will expire on July 10 th , 1897, and it would be well for you to see that some one goes into possession at that time...so that no squatters may settle on the lands." The Clerk was ordered to record the deeds and releases with Maverick County. (pages 285-287) The Court refused an offer to rent part of the school lands; "the County is willing to lease all the four leagues – but not a part of the same." (page 287) The Court approved the change in the Bandera–Medina and Ranger Spring road recommended by the jury: to run the road up the North Prong. (pages 287-288)	1897-05-10 1897-05-11			
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), R. P. Reeves (Pct. 3), C. N. Wentworth (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The Court paid claims. (pages 287, 288, 289)	1897-05-12	R	4	280-288

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	<i>(continued)</i> The Court ordered that the "Telephone Co" (proper name unknown) may set up telephone poles on the Center Point and Bandera road, as long as the poles don't obstruct the road. (page 288) The Court cancelled erroneous sales of land for delinquent taxes, (pages 288-289) The Court raised A. J. Click's allowance to \$7.50 per month. (page 289) The Tax Collector submitted his totals for errors in assessment and delinquent taxes. The Court ordered the Clerk to open an insolvent and delinquent tax account in the finance ledger and charge the Collector with the amounts. (page 290) The Court found that the prices asked for election blanks were "extortionate" and ordered the Judge to send election managers legal cap paper instead. (page 291) Sheriff Stevens reported that Walter Mansfield had paid his fine and jury fee and that I. W. Stevens had paid his fine. (page 291) The Court allowed the Sheriff to hire a jail guard whenever he had a prisoner. Comms. Wentworth and Steinle voted "no." (page 292) List of Delinquent or Insolvent Tax Payers: (pages 298)	1897-05-12 1897-05-13 1897-05-14	R	4	288-298
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), R. P. Reeves (Pct. 3), C. N. Wentworth (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The Court sat as a Board of Equalization. (page 299) The Court allowed \$10 for a coffin for he pauper Mrs. Mary B. Arnold. (page 299) School District 12 received permission to sell their current school building to pay for erecting a better building. (page 300) The Court paid claims. (page 300) The Court recorded the winners in school trustee elections. (page 300) The Court determined that an election for a special school tax was defeated after results of 12 for and 12 against. (pages 300-301)	1897-06-14 1897-06-16	S	4	299-301
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), R. P. Reeves (Pct. 3), C. N. Wentworth (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The Court appointed Comm. Steinle as agent for the County to go to Eagle Pass to rent the school lands; the rent is to be paid in advance as it accrues. (page 302)	1897-07-12	S	4	302
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), R. P. Reeves (Pct. 3), C. N. Wentworth (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	County Treasurer Hodges presented his quarterly reports. (pages 303-304) The Court paid claims. (pages 304-306) The Court approved the lease of school lands to J. K. Burr for \$.05 per acre, payable every six months in advance. The Court thanked Comm. Steinle "for the prompt, able and economical manner in which he has discharged the duty intrusted to him." (page 307) The Court appointed W. J. O'Brien as JP, Precinct 5. (page 307) J. J. North and others petitioned to change the Bandera and Hondo road, so as to not interfere with North's farm. The Court appointed a jury: J. W. Holt, C. Schmidtke, C. A. Taylor, Ed Clark and Jim Walker. (pages 307-308)	1897-08-09 1897-08-10	R	4	303-308

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I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	Assessor Bandy's tax rolls for 1897 were approved. (page 310) The Court paid claims. (page 310) J. W. Evans and C. A. Taylor, trustees, petitioned to sell the "Taylor School House" because it "is insufficient to accommodate the children or Scholastic population and is not located in a desirable place." The Court approved. (page 311) Clerk Montague: "In issuing my Quarterly Scrip a few days ago-I entirely overlooked the reduction made by the Court in my salary as District Clerk and issued the Scrip for \$62.50 when it should have been for \$50.00. I have since lost or mislaid it together with the other Scrip issued to me at the same time hence can not correct it, as I would like to do- and being desirous of correcting the same as soon as possible, I now turn over to you another Scrip issued to me on the same fund for \$12.50 and ask that it be accepted in satisfaction for the same mistake." The Court approved. (page 311)	1897-08-23	S	4	310-311
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), R. P. Reeves (Pct. 3), C. N. Wentworth (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The Treasurer submitted his reports and the Court acknowledged its examination, in accordance with Article 867, Chapter 1, Title XXV or the Revised Civil Statutes as amended March 20, 1895. (pages 312-314) The Court paid claims. (page 315) The Court approved the jury's report of the change in the Bandera and Hondo road. "The old road is 2015 steps the new road is 1926 steps." (page 316) Re "enclosing the County Court House:" the Court ordered a fence 60 yards wide and 75 yards long be put around the courthouse. "The same is to be a net wire [two words unclear] cedar posts 6 ft apart – 7 ft long – not less than 4" in dia. at top except the corner posts which are to be not less than 8" dia. at top. Post to be set in the ground from 2 to 3 feet." (page 317) The Court Judge, as ex officio school superintendent, was ordered to receive \$140 pay annually. Steinle voted "no." (page 317) J. J. North was ordered to put the part of the Bandera and Hondo road which was changed at this term "in good condition." (page 317)	1897-11-08 1897-11-09	R	4	312-317
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), R. P. Reeves (Pct. 3), C. N. Wentworth (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The Treasurer presented his quarter reports. (pages 318-320) J. E. Keese and 13 others petitioned for an election regarding a special tax for School District 6. The Court rejected the petition, because it "is signed by only 14 voters where there are more than 50 voters residing in said precinct." (page 321)	1898-02-14	R	4	318-321

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	<i>(continued)</i> The Court rejected pauper Joe Irvin's request for more money. (page 321)				
	The Court paid claims. (page 322)				
	Comm. Dugos' road report (Precinct 1): the Bandera and San Antonio, the Bandera and Quihi, Hondo Cañon, Medina City, Upper Medina City, Center Point and Castroville roads are in good condition. The Uvalde road is good for 5 or 6 miles, then bad. Bottle Spring is fair. (page 323)				
	Comm. Steinle's road report (Precinct 2): Bandera and Privilege road from the precinct line to Privilege Creek is "somewhat neglected," from there to the terminus it is good. "Privilege and San Antonio road from the North end it is good to Privilege Creek both banks on said creek are hard to pull, it being very sandy and the East bank is steep. From thence to the corner of the Rice pasture it is in good condition. From thence to the San Antonio road the travel leaves the review and is never worked." Bear Spring road to Jess Edwards' field gate is very good. "From thence to the terminus it is bad, steep and rugged. There is no travel by wagon at all. The road serves as a bridle path more than anything else." Boerne road and part of English road are good. Bottle Spring is mostly bad; from the Fitch place to the county line "it is never worked and never traveled." Elm and Bluff Creek road hasn't been worked. There was only one hand and he moved before he could be summoned. The Bandera and San Antonio road "is in a better condition than I have ever known it to be." (pages 324-325)				
	Comm. Reeves' road report (Precinct 3): Bandera to Medina City, from Medina City up Wallace Creek to the Kerr County line and up the West Prong to the foot of the mountain, and Rocky Creek roads in good condition. Medina City intersecting the Bandera and Kerrville road (11 miles from Medina) not in good condition and could be "worked to better advantage if the road precinct was divided." (pages 325-326)				
	Comm. Wentworth's road report (Precinct 4): "All roads in said Commissioner's precinct are in fairly good condition." (page 327)				
	E. A. Chipman and 7 others petitioned for a third-class road from a point on the Bandera and Quihi road to the Bandera and Castroville road near the Dug Spring schoolhouse, then through the lands of R. A. Chipman and F. D. Barnes to the Bottle Springs road. The Court appointed a jury: A. Adamietz, Frank Pyka, L. N. Coffey, John Adamietz and John Anderwald. (pages 327-328)				
	The Court granted the petition of W. J. Hobbs and 25 others to create an election precinct out of School District 10 ½. (page 328)				
	The Court paid claims. (page 329)				
	The Court canceled various scrips. (page 329)				
	Court named election managers. (page 330)				
	The Court ordered the Sheriff to pay \$5 per month rent for the old courthouse where he's living with his family. (page 330)	1898-02-14			
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		1898-02-16	R	4	321-330
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), R. P. Reeves (Pct. 3), C. N. Wentworth (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk					

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I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), R. P. Reeves (Pct. 3), C. N. Wentworth (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The Court paid claims. (page 333) The Court appointed school district election managers. (page 334) The Court ordered an election about a special school tax for School District 8 petitioned for by A. E. Jones and six others (a majority of the property owning taxpayers who are also voters). (pages 334-335) School District 6 passed a special school tax of \$.15 by a margin of 18 to 5. (page 335) J. B. Allen was appointed County Attorney. (page 335) Tax Collector I. W. Stevens reported financial totals of errors in assessment, delinquents and insolvent taxpayers, land not redeemed, land and lots delinquent, and a supplemental assessment roll. (pages 336-337) An erroneous sale of land to the state for taxes in 1892 (because of double-billed taxed) was cancelled. (page 337) List of Delinquent or Insolvent Tax Payers (pages 338-343))	1898-04-11 1898-04-12 1898-04-13 1898-04-14	R	4	333-343
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), R. P. Reeves (Pct. 3), C. N. Wentworth (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	Treasurer J. N. Hodges presented his quarterly statements. (pages 344-346) The County settled annual accounts with Tax Collector Stevens. (page 346) The Court paid claims. (page 347) The Court continued the review of a road through Ross' pasture from Quihi road to Castroville road at Dug Springs and to Bottle Spring road, because it appeared that the parties "are about to settle." (page 348) The Court granted the petition of J. A. Legart and 38 others to reestablish School District 14. (page 348) T. H. Phillips and nine others petitioned for a new road from the mouth of Rocky Creek to the Kerrville and Medina City road near the Chamberlain place on Wallace's Creek, about six miles. The Court appointed a jury: W. L. Means, James Chamberlain, J. R. Fellows, W. S. Hinds, Sr., and W. J. Taylor. (pages 348-349)	1898-05-09 1898-05-10	R	4	344-349
I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), R. P. Reeves (Pct. 3), C. N. Wentworth (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The Court paid claims. (pages 350-351) The Court allowed \$5 permonth to J. W. Adair, a cripple, and his family. (page 350) Court recessed until June 30. (pages 350-351) Court heard assessment protests. (page 351)	1898-06-13 1898-06-30	S	4	350-351

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I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), R. P. Reeves (Pct. 3), C. N. Wentworth (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	<p>The Treasurer submitted his quarterly statements. (pages 352-354)</p> <p>The Court paid claims. (page 354)</p> <p>J. A. Whitaker and 14 others petitioned for a change in the Bandera and Ranger Spring road. The Court appointed a jury: John Hillman, John Walker, John Criswell, Oscar Coose and Thomas Johnson. (page 355)</p> <p>The jury was ready to report on the new road T. H. Phillips and others petitioned for from Rocky Creek to Wallace Creek. George Williams, a landowner through whose lands the road would run, protested that he had not been legally notified. The Court rejected the report and told the jury to notify Williams. (page 355)</p> <p>The Court delayed approving JP J. W. Moore's quarterly report, because he had charged commissions to the County Attorney and the Court was not certain this was legal. (page 356)</p> <p>The Court granted the petition of A. E. Jones and 17 others for a new election district (ED 11), because the petitioners live "from ten to twenty miles from the nearest voting box." (page 356)</p> <p>The Court granted the petition of L. B. Adams and 29 others for a new election district (ED 12), because the petitioners live "from eleven to fifteen miles from the nearest voting box." (pages 356-357)</p> <p>The Court granted the petition of G. S. Harper and 27 others from School District 11 to create a new district (SD 23). (pages 357-358)</p> <p>The Court postponed action on Geo. Barnard & Co.'s claim for roller shelves and file cases for the vault in the courthouse, because they "do not fit the space allotted for them and do not correspond with the measurements taken by the agent." (page 358)</p> <p>The Court declared the JP position open which had been filled by W. J. O'Brien, because he had left the county and the state. J. B. Allen, Court Attorney, had also left the county "several months past," so that office was also declared vacant. (page 359)</p> <p>The Court insured the courthouse for \$15,000 for five years for \$445.50. (page 359)</p> <p>The Court ordered the Sheriff to buy five dozen chairs for the courthouse "and that he had a sloping platform erected for the chairs used for Juries, so that the rear rank may be elevated slightly above the front rank and that he also have said chars properly wired. (page 360)</p>	1898-08-08	R	4	352-361
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	<p>The Court set aside the courthouse insurance previously purchased; "it appearing...that a less rate of Insurance or premium can be obtained." This matter was postponed "until it can be further investigated." (page 362)</p>	1898-08-18	S	4	362

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I. B. Langford, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), R. P. Reeves (Pct. 3), C. N. Wentworth (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague, Clerk	The County Treasurer presented his quarterly report. (pages 363-366) The Court paid claims. (pages 366-370) The Court approved a petition from Rollie D. Harper and other for a change in the Sabinal and Leakey road and appointed a jury: Henry Taylor, H. T. Kennedy, L. D. Bounds, Charles Harper and Tom Jones. (pages 370-371) The Court set bond amounts. (page 371) The Court rejected the jury report for the petition of T. H. Phillips for a third-class road from Rocky Creek to the Medina and Kerrville road; the jury had connected the roads on the west side of the Medina River about 300 yards from the mouth of Wallace Creek. (page 372) The jury rejected the change petitioned by J. A. Whitaker for the Bandera and Ranger Spring road. They recommended "that if any change be granted – it be below the bluff – and running alongside the river." The Court rejected the jury's report and discharged the jury. The Court also rejected Whitaker's petition. (page 372) R. P. Reeves resigned as JP for Precinct 3. (page 372) T. J. Miller and 59 others petitioned for a local option election (sale of intoxicating liquors) for Precinct 3; an election date was set for December 10, 1898. (page 373)	1898-11-14			
	The Court bought three \$5,000, 5-year insurance policies for the courthouse for \$300. (page 373) Comms. Steinle and Wentworth voted in favor of the jury's report for a new road from Rocky Creek to the Medina & Kerrville road. (page 374)	1898-11-16	R	4	363-374
I. B. Langford / J. L. Harper, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), T. H. Keese (Pct. 3), W. S. Harlan (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; Charles Montague / J. A. Currie, Jr., Clerk	Officials presented bonds. J. L. Harper took his place as County Judge and I. B. Langford retired. (page 375) The school funds report was approved. (pages 375-382) Officials presented bonds: Tax Assessor – J. J. Bandy; Constable Precinct 3 – E. J. Humphreys; County Surveyor – A. L. Scott; JP Precinct 3 – W. E. Jones; Constable Precinct 5 – T. M. York; JP Precinct 5 – W. J. Hobbs; JP Precinct 1 – T. A. Buckner; County Treasurer – V. P. Sanders; Sheriff/Tax collector – I. W. Stevens. (page 383)	1898-12-15			
	The Court paid claims. (page 383) The Court granted the petition of Henry Burton and 50 others for a local option (intoxicating liquors) election for Justice Precinct 5, "it being more than two years since Local option was voted on in said precinct." (page 384) The Court granted the petition of W. J. Prickett and 20 others for a third-class road from Hondo Cañon Post Office down Williams Creek to the Medina County line. The Court appointed a jury: J. H. Asher, J. W. Dean, C. Hicks, Glerner Hicks and W. J. Prickett. (pages 384-385) The local option election for Commissioner's Precinct 3: for prohibition – 79; against prohibition – 17. (pages 385-386)	1898-12-21	S	4	375-386

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J. L. Harper, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), T. H. Keese (Pct. 3), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Jr., Clerk	<p>The local option election for Commissioner's Precinct : for prohibition – 49; against prohibition – 21. (page 387)</p> <p>The Court appointed W. L. Langford as Constable Precinct 1, at his request. (page 387)</p> <p>The Court paid claims. (pages 387-388)</p>	1899-01-17	S	4	387-388
	<p>County Treasurer N. P. Sanders' books agreed with the finance ledger. (page 389)</p> <p>The Court paid claims. (page 389)</p> <p>County Treasurer submitted amount on hand. (pages 389-390)</p> <p>The Court ordered the Treasurer and the Clerk to reconcile their differences in county indebtedness. (page 390)</p> <p>The Court levied taxes: \$.25/\$100 for general purposes; \$.25 for payment of bonds and indebtedness; \$.15 for roads and bridges; \$.02 ½ for courthouse expenses; \$.03 for the general sinking fund; \$.25 poll tax; occupation tax. (page 391)</p> <p>Comm. Steinle's road report (Precinct 2): San Antonio and Bandera road from Privilege Creek to the county line in mostly good to fair condition. Bear Spring road is sometimes rough and sometimes fair for 3 miles from the San Antonio road. (pages 392-393)</p> <p>Comm. Keese's road report (Precinct 3): most roads in passable to good condition, with funds needed for "the mountain & on the divide" and for "a hill about 5 miles above Medina City." (page 394)</p> <p>Comm. Harlan's road report (Precinct 4): (most territory covered is no longer in Bandera County) Vanderpool and Medina City good; Utopia and Vanderpool good. (pages 395-396)</p> <p>Comm. Dugos' road report (Precinct 1): Bandera and San Antonio road very good, but between "the five and six miles the hill on this side needs work to widen the road so two wagons can pass by each other." Bandera and Castroville "is what I call a rough country road because it had been put on the worst piece of ground that it could have been put when the change was made a good many years ago." Bandera and Quihi is smooth; Bandera and Uvalde is "pretty good." Bandera and Hondo Pass is good; Bandera and Medina City is pretty good; Bandera and Bandera Pass and Bandera and Elm Pass both in very good condition. (pages 396-397)</p> <p>The Court approved a petition by J. W. Evans and 19 others of Justice Precinct 6 for a JP and constable; the Court appointed J. W. Prickett as JP and R. T. Asher as Constable. (page 398)</p> <p>Court appointed election managers. (page 398)</p> <p>J. A. Anglin and 21 others petitioned for a new third-class road from B. F. Highsmith's place on East Blanket south to the county line. The Court named a jury: Charley Harper, H. T. Kennedy, W. G. Andrews, J. A. Anglin and J. D. Harper. (page 398)</p>	1899-02-13 1899-02-15 1899-02-16 1899-02-17	R	4	389-398
J. L. Harper, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), Thomas H. Keese (Pct. 3), W. S. Harlan (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Jr., Clerk					

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	<p><i>(continued)</i> The Court tabled, "for want of evidence," H. A. Stanard's petition "to establish that part of the Bandera and Medina road as reviewed by the order of the Court several years back." (page 399)</p> <p>The Court fixed salaries: \$250 – County Judge; \$250 – Sheriff; \$200 – District Clerk; \$100 – County Clerk; \$140 – County Judge for supervising schools, (pages 399-400)</p> <p>Apportioning of road money: \$100 – Precincts 1 and 2; \$140 – Precinct 3; \$200 – Precinct 4. (page 400)</p> <p>The Court rented "the right hand upper room" of the courthouse to the Knights of Honor for \$2 per month for one year. (page 400)</p> <p>The Court established a third-class road as laid out by the jury from the Hondo Cañon Post Office, running south to Williams Creek, then down the Hondo River [sic] to the county line. Road is to be known as Evans Road. (page 401)</p> <p>The Court valued stock for assessments. (pages 401-402)</p>	1899-02-17	R	4	399-402
J. L. Harper, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), Thomas H. Keese (Pct. 3), W. S. Harlan (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Jr., Clerk	<p>The Court appointed school election managers and trustees. (pages 403-404)</p>	1899-03-20	S	4	403-404
J. L. Harper, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Jr., Clerk	<p>The Court approved a petition by C. H. Taylor and 20 others in School District 6 for an election over a \$.10 special tax. (page 405)</p> <p>County Judge Harper resigned. The Court appointed F. W. Dorow to his unexpired term; Dugos voted against him. (page 405)</p> <p>J. W. Evans was appointed Sheep Inspector. (page 405)</p> <p>W. J. Prickett and 22 others petitioned for a change to the Bandera and Utopia road. The Court approved and appointed a jury: W. C. Simpson, J. S. Caddell, F. H. Prather and W. J. Prickett. (pages 405-406)</p> <p>Thomas A. Buckner resigned as JP Precinct 1; the Court appointed Virgil Storms to fill the position. (page 406)</p> <p>The County Clerk was ordered "to take charge of the Delinquent Tax Record, and strictly prohibit the public from marking or signing the same in any manner." (page 407)</p> <p>The Court rescinded the renting of a room to the Knights of Honor, at the request of I. B. Langford, a representative, who said they weren't using it. (page 407)</p> <p>The Court rented a room at the courthouse to Charles Montague for \$1 per month. (page 407)</p> <p>Tax Collector Stevens submitted his annual reports of land redeemed, land sold for taxes, delinquent or insolvent taxpayers and errors in assessment. (pages 407-411)</p> <p>The Court approves paying road jury members \$1/day for their services. (page 411)</p> <p>The Court rejected Eureka Telephone Company's petition that their assessment be reduced to \$20 per mile of line. (page 411)</p> <p>List of Delinquent Taxpayers. (pages 412-416)</p>	1899-04-17 1899-04-18	R	4	405-416

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	<p>The Court authorized the Clerk to balance the registered indebtedness in the Finance Ledger with the Treasurer's books; "as variance has for sometime existed." (page 417)</p> <p>The Treasurer submitted his reports. (pages 418-420)</p> <p>The Court rejected the jury's report on a change in the Bandera and Utopia road, because the Court had mistakenly appointed John Cadell, who was not a freeholder. The Court appointed another jury: W. L. Bridges, W. C. Simpson, F. H. Prather, P. H. Mazurek and Emmit Buckner. (page 420)</p> <p>The Court established School District 25 and named Rocky Creek based on the petition of J. M. Benton and 24 others in SD 6. (pages 420-421)</p> <p>Upon the petition of Mrs. Mazurek, the Court raised the allowance from \$5 to \$7 per month for Fanny Mazurek. (page 421)</p> <p>Court considered various over- and under-payments from the Tax Collector. (page 422)</p> <p>The Court granted H. W. Banta's petition for a change in the road from Medina City through Pecan Valley to Horse Valley. The change was asked in order to put tillable land in cultivation, it having been "grubbed." (page 423)</p> <p>The Court granted the petition of O. L. Adams and seven others in Road Precinct 27 for a new road extending up Jackson Creek from the West Prong, across the divide, down the Seco, and terminating at the Bandera and Utopia road. The Court appointed a jury: R. E. Love, Ben Adams, William Smallwood, Joe Haby and Frank Haby. (page 424)</p>	1899-05-08 1899-05-09	R	4	417-424
F. W. Dorow, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), Thomas H. Keese (Pct. 3), W. S. Harlan (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Jr., Clerk	<p>The Court allowed the change to the Bandera and Utopia road. Comm. Dugos voted no, because it was not a regular term when they were voting. (pages 425-426)</p> <p>Sitting as a Board of Equalization, the Court raised property valuations. (pages 426-431)</p> <p>The school tax was upheld in Medina City SD 5 by a vote of 11 to 3. (page 431)</p> <p>The Court accepted the jury's report on the Blanket Creek road. (pages 431-433)</p> <p>W. D. Robinson was allowed by the Court to straighten the bed of the road up the West Prong and to construct a stone culvert across a ditch he will cut. (pages 432, 433).</p> <p>Sitting as a Board of Equalization, the Court lowered some assessments. (pages 433-434)</p>	1899-06-12 1899-06-13 1899-06-30	S	4	425-434
F. W. Dorow, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), Thomas H. Keese (Pct. 3), W. S. Harlan (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Jr., Clerk	<p>The Treasurer presented his quarterly reports. (pages 435-438)</p> <p>The Court reduced the assessment of A. B. Harper's land, because he had bought it for \$3,500 and it was valued at \$6,130. (page 438)</p> <p>The Court approved an agreement between William Smallwood and S. T. Gooch et al. Gooch was to petition the Court for a new road extending to Widow Blunt's Ranch," but Smallwood offered to put gates in his fences in order to stop the new road being built. (pages 438-439)</p>	1899-08-14	R	4	435-439

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	<p>G. W. Moore resigned as JP Precinct 1, "claiming it to be for the benefit of Bandera County." The Court appointed J. W. Moore as JP Precinct 1. (pages 444-445)</p> <p>The County Treasurer presented his reports. (pages 445-446).</p> <p>The Treasurer and County Clerk were ordered to resolve the discrepancies in the reports of the 1st- and 3rd-class funds. (page 446)</p> <p>B. M. Mansfield and 18 others petitioned for a new road from George Freeman's fence by B. M. and B. H. Mayfield's. The Court appointed a jury: William Baker, J. A. Tegart, H. Johnson, C. M. Richards and J. A. W. Coleman. (page 446)</p> <p>Pension claims were approved. (page 446)</p> <p>The Court approved the petition of Thomas H. Phillips and others to change the name of School No. 7 from "Horse Valley" to "Lima." (page 447)</p>	1899-11-13	R	4	444-449
F. W. Dorow, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), Thomas H. Keese (Pct. 3), W. S. Harlan (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Jr., Clerk	<p>T. M. York and J. W. Dulaney were allowed claims for supplies for "Detention Camp when Small Pox was Prevalent near Frio." (page 450)</p> <p>The Court ordered a change in the Medina and Kerrville road. (page 450)</p> <p>The Court ordered a change in the Horse Valley road. (pages 450-451)</p> <p>The Court and the Geo. D. Barnard & Co. agent compromised on a claim due for steel furniture for the Clerk's vault. (pages 451-452)</p> <p>V. P. Sanders, Treasurer of the school Funds, submitted his yearly accounts. (page 452)</p> <p>Comm. Dugos's road report (Precinct 1): most roads are in variable states, part good, part bad. "The hill near Privilege Creek needs wider [sic] so as two wagons could pass it would cost about \$20.00 to fix the same." (pages 453-454)</p> <p>Comm. Harlan's report (Precinct 4): most roads in fair to good condition. "Vanderpool & Medina No. 33 – Rough, it will take about \$50.00 to fix it any ways like good." (pages 455-456)</p> <p>Comm. Keese's road report (Precinct 3): from two miles below Medina to Winan's Creek not good as a hill needs more work. Most road are suffering from a lack of hands. (pages 456-457)</p>	1900-02-12 1900-02-14 1900-02-15	R	4	449-457

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	<p>(continued) Court appointed election managers and school election managers. (pages 458-459)</p> <p>Comm. Steinle's road report (Precinct 2): Bandera and San Antonio road is in good condition and neglected condition. "The divide between Bear Spring & Privilege are miniature Alps. Although a great deal of work has been done, it is so steep & rugged that it might as well be called no wagon road." "Castroville & Bandera Road has not had a lick of work done on it in twelve months." Many new culverts are needed. (pages 460-463)</p> <p>The Court rejected a jury report because they were not sworn in and two road petitions for lack of notice being given. (page 463)</p> <p>R. L. Mayfield and 14 others petitioned for a new third-class road from the West Prong schoolhouse extending up Coal Kiln. The Court appointed a jury: O. W. McBride, T. M. Knatcher, L. J. Keese, W. L. Mayfield and Sam Oats. (pages 463-464)</p> <p>S. J. Guajardo and seven others petitioned for a new road "beginning at the Mexican Church House on Privilege and running about a N. W. direction..." to the Kerrville road. The Court appointed a jury: J. F. Davenport, Jim Scott, S. J. Guajardo, Polly Rodriguez and O. Herrera. (pages 464-465)</p> <p>W. L. Mayfield and others petitioned for an election to levy a \$.15 for School District 14. Approved. (page 465)</p> <p>The Court ordered all County officers to state their need for blanks to the Commissioners' Court of the County Judge when the Court is not in session and have their approved before purchasing. Comms. Dugos and Keese voted no "for the reason that Art. 2475 R.S. regulates said matter and gives each officer a right to order what he needs." (pages 465-466)</p> <p>The Court granted on its own motion a change in the Hondo road three miles from Bandera, as asked for by J. N. Hodges. (page 466)</p> <p>The Court levied taxes: \$.25/\$100 for general purposes; \$.25 for County indebtedness; \$.15 for roads and bridges; \$.02 ½ for courthouse expenses; \$.03 for the general sinking fund; \$.25 capitation/poll tax; occupation tax. (pages 466-467)</p> <p>Reconsideration of the Jackson Creek road: the jury wasn't sworn and landowners were not give notice. The August term order granting the road was "rescinded, set aside, and held for naught." (page 467)</p> <p>Precincts 1 and 2 received \$100 each for road work; Precincts 3 and 4 each received \$150. (page 467)</p>				
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F. W. Dorow, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), Thomas H. Keese (Pct. 3), W. S. Harlan (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Clerk	At a call term, the Court appointed J. P. Akin JP of Precinct 3. (page 472)	1900-03-08	S	4	472

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F. W. Dorow, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), Thomas H. Keese (Pct. 3), W. S. Harlan (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Clerk	<p>The Court posted winners of school district trustee elections. (pages 473-474)</p> <p>Tax Collector Stevens submitted a "List of Lands erased from Collectors List as corrected by Commissioners' Court on Delinquent Tax Record." (pages 474-478)</p> <p>Stevens presented his reports, which the Court accepted. (pages 478-480)</p> <p>The Court rescinded the appointment of J. P. Akin as JP of Precinct 3. Comm. Dugos voted no and Comms. Steinle, Keese and Harlan voted aye. The decree states that "the proceedings so had and business so transacted were illegal and void because there was no call by the County Judge nor any one else for a special term of the County Commissioners' Court as the law directs." The position was declared vacant (pages 480-481)</p> <p>The Tax Collector and the County Clerk were ordered to "Balance their Books by the next Regular term of this Court." (page 481)</p> <p>List of Delinquent and Insolvent Taxpayers: (pages 482-488)</p>	1900-04-16	S	4	473-488
	<p>The Court accepted J. P. Akins' resignation as JP Precinct 3. (page 489)</p> <p>J. P. Akins applied to be appointed JP of Precinct 3. The Court approved. (page 490)</p> <p>Eleven voted against a \$.15 school tax in School District 14; four voted for. (page 491)</p> <p>The Court accepted the jury's report on a road from the "catholic Church on Privilege and running to Kerr County road." (pages 491-492)</p> <p>Irwin Jones and 18 others petitioned for a school tax election in School District 11. Approved. (pages 492-493)</p> <p>The Court accepted the petition of W. C. Freeman and others for a new third-class road on Wallace Creek. The Court appointed a jury: Frank Moffett, William Taylor, J. A. Chamberlain, J. Hathaway and W. A. Walker. (pages 493-494)</p> <p>J. R. Price was allowed to use a 2-ft. by 30-ft. strip of the Bandera and Medina road for six months. (page 494)</p> <p>The Coal Kiln Creek road report was rejected "because it is not made according to law," and the jury was ordered to again review the road. (page 495)</p> <p>R. W. Masters was approved to build a culvert on the Bandera and Medina City road so his livestock can get to water. (pages 495-496)</p> <p>I. I. Duke was approved to build a culvert on the same road near Masters' property. (pages 496-497)</p> <p>Comm. Harlan accepted the change in the Hondo and Utopia road, so the Court ordered the road received. The Court rejected "the remonstrance against said road by J. N. Conn et al." (page 497)</p> <p>The Court paid \$25 to repair the courthouse roof. (page 497)</p> <p>The Court accepted J. K Burr's offer to re-lease the school lands for five years at the same terms. (page 498)</p>	1900-05-14	R	4	489-498

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	(continued) County Judge Dorow was absent because of high water. (page 498) Treasurer Sanders submitted his quarterly report. (pages 498-501)	1900-05-15 1900-05-16	R	4	498-502
F. W. Dorow, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), Thomas H. Keese (Pct. 3), W. S. Harlan (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Clerk	The Court sat as a Board of Equalization and raised some valuations. (pages 502-504) The County Judge was allowed to draw from the General Sinking Fund for courthouse roof repairs. (page 504) "J. E. Gardner's claim of \$50.00 for Post Mortem Examination of John Hartley's dead Body be and the same is allowed." (page 504)	1900-06-11	S	4	502-504
F. W. Dorow, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), Thomas H. Keese (Pct. 3), W. S. Harlan (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Clerk	Court sat as a Board of Equalization and examined valuation protests. (page 505) The Court accepted a proposal from P. W. Thomson to settle with Bandera County (about purchase of school lands): \$4500 to the County and \$500 to John R. Storms, the attorney who brought the case for the County. Thompson was given two months to comply. (page 505)	1900-06-29	S	4	505-506
	Treasurer Sanders presented his quarterly report. (pages 506-509) The Court allowed A. L. Mansfield to change the Bandera and Hick's Creek road so as to make his field square. (page 510) Dr. J. E. Gardiner was reimbursed \$150 for traveling and incidental expenses for making a chemical analysis of the stomach of John Hartley, deceased. (page 510) The Court ordered County Surveyor A. L. Scott to survey and locate the Wallace Creek road; the jury reviewers' report was tabled. (page 511) W. J. Montgomery and ten others from Precinct 3 petitioned for a new road third-class road beginning at B. M. Mayfield's "and running the most direct and practical route to the Post office at Medina." The Court appointed a jury: C. Richards, W. B. Baker, Herbert Smith, Albert Briggs and J. K. Blount. (pages 511-512) J. P. Akins and 35 others petitioned for a new third-class road beginning near the river crossing above Medina on L. O. Bauerlein's land, up Benton's Creek through Bauerlein land, W. D. Smith's land, J. P. Akin's land "on up the said Benton Creek to Marion Chapman's." (page 512) The Court appointed a jury: W. J. Taylor, J. A. Chamberlain, S. L. Humphreys, C. Rader and T. J. Oates. (page 512) The Court accepted the Coal Kiln Creek road as laid out by the jury. (pages 512-514) Tax Collector Stevens presented his quarterly statement and the tax rolls. Accepted. (pages 515-516)	1900-08-13 1900-08-15	R	4	506-516
F. W. Dorow, Cty. Judge; Kaspar Dugos (Pct. 1), J. A. Steinle (Pct. 2), Thomas H. Keese (Pct. 3), W. S. Harlan (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Clerk	V. P. Sanders presented his annual school fund statement, which was approved. (page 517) County Treasurer Sanders submitted his quarterly report. (pages 518-521) Sheriff I. W. Stevens was ordered to pay the County \$111.75 balance due on rent of the old courthouse. (page 522) C. Montague was ordered to pay \$18, which was due in October, for rent of a courthouse room. (page 522)	1900-11-12	R	4	516-522

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F. W. Dorow, Cty. Judge; A. L. Mansfield (Pct. 1), H. E. Rambie (Pct. 2), T. H. Keese (Pct. 3), Smith Coffey (Pct. 4), Commissioners: I. W. Stevens, Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Clerk	County officials' bond were approved: Comm. Precinct 1 – A. L. Mansfield; Comm. Precinct 2 – H. E. Rambie; Comm. Precinct 3 – T. H. Keese; Comm. Precinct 4 – Smith Coffey; Constable Precinct 5 – W. H. Rawlings; Hide & Animal Inspector – Dominec Dugos; Surveyor – J. L. Jernigan; Assessor – C. R. Rugh; Treasurer – V. P. Sanders; District/County Clerk – J. A. Currie; JP Precinct 5 – W. J. Hobbs; Constable Precinct 3 – J. P. Hinds; Sheriff/Tax Collector – T. M. York. (page 528) M. C. Click, election manager at Leakey, asked the Court for more than \$2 for the election: "they were till after midnight finishing their work." The Court approved. The Court also passed an order "that in all Election precincts... polling less than fifty votes, the Managers shall be allowed only one day for holding elections. It is further ordered by the Court that Rio Frio Election Managers be allowed \$2.00 more, each, as that box polls 50 votes." (page 529) W. A. McDonald was appointed JP Precinct 3. (page 529)	1900-12-10	S	4	528-529
F. W. Dorow, Cty. Judge; A. L. Mansfield (Pct. 1), H. E. Rambie (Pct. 2), Smith Coffey (Pct. 4), Commissioners: T. M. York, Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Clerk	S. B. Austin presented bond as County Judge and ex-officio School Superintendent. J. B. Raney presented bond as JP Precinct 4. (page 530) The Court paid the Sheriff's expenses for transporting a lunatic to the asylum in Austin: railroad fare, board, buggy and horse hire, guard, and three days' time - \$24.25. (page 531) W. J. Prickett was appointed JP Precinct 6. (page 531) Charles Montague was employed to assist District Attorney Baker with delinquent tax suits, receiving "one half of all the County Taxes he may collect." (page 531)	1900-12-29	S	4	530-531
S. B. Austin, Cty. Judge; A. L. Mansfield (Pct. 1), Smith Coffey (Pct. 4), T. M. York, Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Clerk	The Court declared a quarantine "against the small pox at Hondo Cañon." (page 532) "It is ordered...that Commissioner Smith Coffey attend to forming detention camps in the Hondo Cañon, establishing as many camps as he thinks best, hire guards, etc. And conduct the matter as best he can until the health officer arrives to take General Charge of same." (page 532)	1901-01-07	S	4	532
S. B. Austin, Cty. Judge; A. L. Mansfield (Pct. 1), Smith Coffey (Pct. 4), J. A. Currie, Clerk	Dr. S. H. Haigler presented his bill for acting as health officer over the small pox outbreak: six days' work – \$60.00; railroad fare down and back – \$10.85. Because there was not enough money in the 5 th class fund, the claim was paid from the 2 nd class fund. (page 533)	1901-01-16	S	4	533

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	<p>“Judge Austin being absent sent in his resignation which was accepted by the Court.”</p> <p>T. H. Keese was chosen to sit as chairman pro-tem. (page 534)</p> <p>There were four applicants for the position of judge: F. W. Dorow, William Hudspeth, M. C. Click and J. W. Currie. F. W. Dorow was elected judge. (page 534)</p> <p>Accounts were settled with ex-sheriff/tax collector I. W. Stevens. (pages 534-535)</p> <p>The Court approved the jury’s report of the Medina City and Utopia road running up the West Prong. Damages were allowed. (page 535)</p> <p>Court ordered J. D. Baker to work the Medina City and Utopia road for \$100. (page 536)</p> <p>The jury’s report on the Medina City and Utopia road was entered in the minutes. (pages 536-538)</p> <p>W. A. Harryman was appointed JP Precinct 3. (page 539)</p> <p>Comm. Mansfield’s road report (Precinct 1): the Bandera and San Antonio, Bottle Springs, Quihi, Hondo Cañon, Uvalde, Medina City, Hick’s Creek, Kerrville, and Elm Pass roads “are in reasonably good shape.” The Castroville road needs a great deal of work. The Bandera Pass and Hick’s Creek road “is in an almost impassible condition.” “I find there are through the negligence of the overseer, a great many miles posts, finger boards, style blocks & hitching posts lacking on most of the roads in my precinct.” Ranger Crossing is impassable, “the water being 6 or 8 feet deep. The public crossing below the established crossing on the land of Mr. Jas Cox who says he will sell the county the crossing for \$50.00 which is cheaper than the old crossing can be fixed for.” (pages 539-541)</p> <p>Comm. Rambie’s road report (Precinct 2): Bandera and San Antonio road in variable condition. “Bear Spring Road has been worked considerable while the most of it is very hilly and rough the road will answer the travel.” Privilege road is in fair condition to Bandera and to San Antonio. The east Privilege bank is “rough steep & narrow.” Castroville road needs work badly. Boerne road in good condition. (pages 542-544)</p> <p>Comm. Keese’s road report (Precinct 3): Most roads in fair to good condition. (pages 544-546)</p> <p>Comm. Smith’s road report (Precinct 4): The roads are in good condition with the exception of the Seco Mountain on the Bandera and Leahey road. The parts of roads which are at the heads of rivers and/or creeks are in bad condition. (pages 546-548)</p> <p>Treasurer Sanders submitted his quarterly report. (pages 548-550)</p> <p>Joseph W. Moore resigned as JP Precinct 1. (page 550)</p> <p>Court appointed J. W. Moore as JP Precinct 1. (page 550)</p> <p>The Court rejected JP Precinct 1 J. W. Moore’s bonds as insufficient. (page 550)</p>					
S. B. Austin, Cty. Judge; A. L. Mansfield (Pct. 1), H. E. Rambie (Pct. 2), T. H. Keese (Pct. 3), Smith Coffey (Pct. 4), Commissioners: T. M. York, Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Clerk		1901-02-11 1901-02-12 1901-02-13		R	4	534-550

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	<p><i>(continued)</i> The Mason Creek School District 27 was established on the county line of Bandera and Kerr counties, servicing those who "are so situated that it is impossible to send our children to any school in either County." (pages 551-553)</p> <p>The Court accepted J. W. Moore's bond as JP Precinct 1. (page 553)</p> <p>The Court accepted road overseers' reports. (pages 553-554)</p> <p>The Court accepted the resignation of John P. Hinds, Constable Precinct 1. (page 554)</p> <p>W. J. Hobbs petitioned for the Frio Cañon road to be designated third-class. The Court established the road. (pages 554-555)</p> <p>The Court agreed to accept \$4500 from P. W. Thomson, who is insolvent) as long as he pays the County and \$500 to John R. Storms within 60 days. (page 555)</p> <p>The Court clarified pauper allowances: \$2.50 – Mrs. M. A. Siers; \$3.00 – Willy Benton; \$3.00 – E. Phelps; \$2.50 – Teofilo Bolles; \$6.50 – Polly Ann Stringer; \$5.00 – J. M. Adair; \$3.50 – J. A. Irvin. (page 556)</p> <p>The jury of view of the proposed Benton Creek road recommended the road is not needed; the Court accepted the jury's report. (page 557)</p> <p>The Court rejected the jury's report of establishing a road from B. M. Mayfield's residence to the Bandera & Medina City road. (page 557)</p> <p>Maverick-Clark Litho Co. of San Antonio was paid \$35 for binding three tax rolls. (page 557)</p> <p>The Court heard officer's quarterly reports. (page 558)</p> <p>Edward Mansfield was allowed to change the Medina City and Bandera road in order to square his field. (pages 558-559)</p> <p>The Court ordered a quarantine established at Quihi Pass and "that Robert Stevens Deputy Sheriff be dispatched to said Pass at once and Guard the same; this order is effective for only one night and is made to protect Bandera from Small Pox which might be brought over by some who are expected to pass through said pass tonight." (page 559)</p> <p>W. J. Prickett was appointed JP Precinct 6 and his bond was approved. (page 559)</p> <p>The Court levied taxes: \$.25/\$100 for general purposes; \$.25 for payment of courthouse bonds; \$.15 for roads and bridges; \$.02 ½ for repairs to courthouse and stationery; \$.02 ½ for the general sinking fund; and \$.03 for the road sinking fund; poll tax at \$.25; occupation tax.(pages 559-560)</p> <p>The Court granted W. J. Prickett's request that part of public road on his property be discontinued. (page 561)</p> <p>The Court sets salaries for their current amounts. (page 561)</p> <p>The Court appointed school election managers. (pages 562-565)</p>	<p>1901-02-13</p> <p>1901-02-16</p>	<p></p> <p>R</p>	<p></p> <p>4</p>	<p></p> <p>551-565</p>
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F. W. Dorow, Cty. Judge; A. L. Mansfield (Pct. 1), H. E. Rambie (Pct. 2), T. H. Keese (Pct. 3), Smith Coffey (Pct. 4), Commissioners: T. M. York, Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Clerk	"It is ordered by the Court that entertainments shall not be allowed in the Court house after this date." (page 571) School trustee election results were listed. (page 572) Tom Colbath was appointed Constable of Precinct 3. (page 572) Comm. Coffey was ordered to "burn the tent used at Small Pox Camp." (page 573) The Court ordered that all convicts shall work out their fines and costs, if they can't pay, by working on public works. The Judge was ordered to hire guards and to "supervise the work generally." (page 573)	1901-04-15	S	4	571-573
F. W. Dorow, Cty. Judge; A. L. Mansfield (Pct. 1), H. E. Rambie (Pct. 2), T. H. Keese (Pct. 3), Smith Coffey (Pct. 4), Commissioners: T. M. York, Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Clerk	The Court paid claims and pauper allowances. (pages 574-575) E. A. Briggs was allowed to change the Elm Creek and Medina City road. (page 575) J. H. Asher and others petitioned for a new road from Widow Brown's house, running east and ending at the Bandera and Utopia road opposite the Brewer ranch. The Court appointed a jury: W. A. Koonce, Mr. Cosort, B. C. Shelton, Emmitt Buckner and Glema Hicks. (pages 575)	1901-05-13	R	4	574-575

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	<p>(continued) The County Surveyor was ordered to lay out the Bandera and Ranger Springs road on Banta's and Thraikill's land near the Lima (Horse Valley) schoolhouse and Shorts Hill. (page 576)</p> <p>P. H. Miller and 13 others from Pct. 1 petitioned for a new second-class road from the east bank of Winan's Creek, across the Medina river to the Center Point and Medina City road. Court appointed a jury: W. J. Maas, Joe Postert, Henry Harmus, R. J. McCurdy and J. A. V. Pue. (pages 576-577)</p> <p>The Court rejected O. L. Adams' petition for a road up Jackson Creek, because there were not enough signatures and "it is impracticable [sic] to establish said road according to said petition." (page 577)</p> <p>The Court rejected J. P. Wheeler's petition for a road intersecting the Medina City and Utopia road, because it would almost duplicate another road. (page 577)</p> <p>The Court rejected J. D. Evans' petition for a new road intersecting the Kerr and Bandera road. (page 577)</p> <p>The Court rejected Sheriff York's petition for a jail guard at \$25 per month, because the county cannot afford it. (page 578)</p> <p>The Court rescinded its order appointing the County Judge to order book, blanks, etc. (page 578)</p> <p>L. S. Fitch claimed road damages of \$100 on the same land claimed by D. B. Irvin for damages of \$25. The Court decided that \$25 in damages would be paid to whoever showed clear title to the land and deeded the roadbed to Bandera County. (page 578)</p> <p>The Court granted J. A. Thalman's petition to consolidate School Districts 15 and 18, creating the East Verde School Dist. 18. (pages 578-579)</p> <p>County Treasurer Sanders submitted his quarterly report. (pages 579-581)</p> <p>On the petition of Bryce Mayfield, Sr., and Bryce Mayfield, Jr., the Court agreed to reconsider the Jury of View's report on a road from the Mayfield property to the Medina and Bandera road; they rejected it again. A new Jury of View was appointed: Harvey Wilson, C. Baker, Jas. Walker, Alex Lightfoot and L. M. Sexton. (pages 581-582)</p> <p>The Sheriff's quarterly reported was accepted. (page 582)</p> <p>W. J. Prickett resigned as JP for Precinct 6. (page 582)</p> <p>The Court allowed the Woodmen of the World to rent a room in the courthouse for \$1 per month. (page 583)</p> <p>Tax Collector York presented his annual report. (pages 583-584)</p> <p>Dr. S. H. Haigler presented formal reports from his care of small pox victims in Tarpley earlier in the year. The Court approved payments to him for his services. (pages 584-586)</p> <p>List of Delinquent or Insolvent Taxpayers for 1901. (pages 588-590)</p>	<p>1901-05-13</p> <p>1901-05-14</p> <p>1901-05-17</p>			576-590
<p>F. W. Dorow, Cty. Judge;</p> <p>A. L. Mansfield (Pct. 1),</p> <p>H. E. Rambie (Pct. 2),</p> <p>T. H. Keese (Pct. 3),</p> <p>Smith Coffey (Pct. 4),</p> <p>Commissioners:</p> <p>T. M. York, Sheriff;</p> <p>J. A. Currie, Clerk</p>			R	4	

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<p>F. W. Dorow, Cty. Judge; A. L. Mansfield (Pct. 1), H. E. Rambie (Pct. 2), T. H. Keese (Pct. 3), Smith Coffey (Pct. 4), Commissioners: J. A. Hay, Deputy Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Clerk</p>	<p>The Court heard protests against increased property valuations and made some changes. (pages 596-598) The Court gave school trustees from Districts 15 and 18 permission to sell the old school house and build a new, centralized one. (page 598) In response to the petition of W. L. Mayfield and others, the Court appointed E. J. Darden as County Attorney. (page 598) The Court accepted J. W. Moore's resignation as JP for Precinct 1. (page 599) The Court rejected the jury's minority report on the B. M. Mayfield road, because only two jurors had actually been to the road and the law required at least three. The Court accepted the majority report and established and opened the road. (pages 599-601)</p>	1901-06-28	S	4	596-601	
<p>F. W. Dorow, Cty. Judge; A. L. Mansfield (Pct. 1), H. E. Rambie (Pct. 2), T. H. Keese (Pct. 3), Smith Coffey (Pct. 4), Commissioners: T. M. York, Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Clerk</p>	<p>The Court appointed William Hudspeth JP of Precinct 1. (page 602) The Court rejected the jury's report on a new road from Winan's Creek to the Medina City and Center Point road, because the county couldn't afford to pay the damages claimed. (page 602) The Court rejected the jury's report on the road asked for by J. H. Asher. (page 603) The Court rejected W. L. Mayfield's petition for a road through J. D. Sutherland's field, because the Court felt the matter was settled in June by the opening of a road. (page 603) The Treasurer submitted his quarterly report. (pages 603-607) The Court granted A. R. Auld's petition for an addition to School District 26 of property from Edwards County; the Edwards County Judge agreed. (pages 608-609) W. L. Thraikill and seven others from Precinct 3 petitioned for a change in the Bandera and Ranger Springs road. The Court appointed a jury: John Walker, O. Coose, John Hillman, Robert Miller and W. S. Hinds. (pages 610-611) The Court accepted the tax rolls from Charles Rugh, County Assessor. (page 611) Sheriff York was ordered to have the courthouse banisters repaired and bars installed across jail windows. (pages 611-612)</p>	1901-08-12	1901-08-14	R	4	602-612

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	S. G. Gooch petitioned for a change in the Little Creek road to put his lands and those of Mr. Reavis outside the road. The Court approved. (pages 614-615)				
	The Court allowed the Ladies Cemetery Association the use of the courthouse "on Thanksgiving for the purpose of giving a Supper." (page 615)				
	The County Treasurer submitted his report. (pages 615-618)				
	T. S. Fitch deeded roadbed to Bandera County and received \$25 in damages. (pages 618-619)				
	The Court formally entered into a contract with E. J. Darden as County Attorney for \$12 per month. (pages 619-620)				
	J. B. Raney resigned as JP Precinct 4. (page 621)				
	Everyone with an office in the courthouse who is not a county officer was ordered to pay \$1 per month rent. (page 621)				
	W. F. Pate and 60 others from Justice Pct. 3 petitioned for a local option election. An election was set in December. (page 622)				
	The Court ordered that Koostan Dugosh be paid for repairing the courthouse chimney. (page 622)	1901-11-11 1901-11-12	R	4	613-623
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	C. Foster and 66 others petitioned the Court to reopen the old Medina City and Utopia road up the West Prong. The petitioned was rejected; the road was never discontinued by the Court and is recognized as a public road. (page 625)				
	The results of the local option election of Precinct 3: 115 votes for, 15 against. (page 625)	1901-12-18	S	4	623-626
F. W. Dorow, Cty. Judge; A. L. Mansfield (Pct. 1), H. E. Rambie (Pct. 2), T. H. Keese (Pct. 3), Smith Coffey (Pct. 4), Commissioners: T. M. York, Sheriff; J. A. Currie, Clerk	Louis Tampke and seven others petitioned the Court to rescind the order approving a change to the Little Creek road requested by S. G. Gooch. The Court agreed to rescind because proper procedures had not been followed prior to its allowing the change. (pages 627-628)				
	F. Haby and 21 others petitioned for an election to determine if hogs, sheep and goats could run at large. (page 628)				
	The Treasurer submitted his quarterly report. (pages 629-631)				
	The Court accepted R. J. McCurdy's petition to change the Bandera and Medina City road to run through his property, which he deeded to the County. (pages 631-632)				
	A. L. Mansfield, Pct. 1, road report: most roads fairly good, some culverts need repairing, some mile post and fingerboards missing. (page 632)				
	H. E. Rambie, Pct. 2, road report: the Castroville and Bandera road is in "very dilapidated condition and no hands subject to road duty near it." The Bandera and San Antonio road, despite being worked, is in "rather a bad shape."	1902-02-10 1902-02-12	R	4	627-633

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