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FOREWORD

The Inventory of the County Archives of Arkansas is one of a number of bibliographies of historical materials prepared throughout the United States by workers on the Historical Records Survey Program of the Work Projects Administration. The publication herewith presented, an inventory of the Archives of Hot Spring County, is number 30 of the Arkansas series.

The Historical Records Survey Program was undertaken in the winter of 1935-36 for the purpose of providing useful employment for needy unemployed historians, lawyers, teachers, and research and clerical workers. In carrying out this objective, the project was organized to compile inventories of historical materials, particularly the unpublished government documents and records which are basic in the administration of local government, and which provide invaluable data for students of political, economic, and social history. The archival guide herewith presented is intended to meet the requirements of day-to-day administration by the officials of the county, and also the needs of lawyers, business men, and other citizens who require facts from the public records for the proper conduct of their affairs. The volume is so designated that it can be used by the historian in his research in unprinted sources in the same way he uses the library card catalog for printed sources.

The inventories produced by the Historical Records Survey Program attempt to do more than give merely a list of records -- they attempt further to sketch in the historical background of the county or other unit of government, and to describe precisely and in detail the organization and functions of the government agencies whose records they list. The county, town, and other local inventories for the entire country will, when completed, constitute an encyclopedia of local government as well as a bibliography of local archives.

The successful conclusion of the work of the Historical Records Survey Program, even in a single county, would not be possible without the support of public officials, historical and legal specialists, and many other groups in the community. Their cooperation is gratefully acknowledged.

The Survey Program was organized by Luther H. Evans, who served as National Director until his appointment as Director of the Legislative Reference Service of the Library of Congress. He was succeeded on March 1, 1940, by Sargent B. Child, who had served in the capacity of Field Supervisor since the inauguration of the Survey. The Survey Program operates as a Nation-wide series of locally sponsored projects in the Division of Professional and Service Projects, of which Mrs. Florence Kerr, Assistant Commissioner, is in charge.

F. C. Harrington
Commissioner

PREFACE

The Historical Records Survey was organized in Arkansas in March, 1936, as a part of the Federal Writers' Project. In November of the same year, it became an independent part of Federal Project No. 1, and Howard Reed was appointed State Director. Mr. Reed was succeeded on November 2, 1938, by Robert L. Baugh, who served until August 31, 1939, at which time, the Survey, as a Federally-sponsored project, passed out of existence. On September 1, 1939, the Arkansas unit re-opened as a locally-sponsored, state-wide project, with Howard H. Jacoway as State Supervisor.

The Arkansas Survey operates under the general provisions of the Research and Records section of the Division of Professional and Service Projects of the Work Projects Administration. The project is sponsored by the College of Arts and Sciences of the University of Arkansas. Sixty-six county judges act as co-sponsors.

This inventory is divided into two parts, the first part of the book contains an historical sketch of Hot Spring County, brief discussions of the governmental organization and records system, the housing, care and accessibility of the records and an explanation of the abbreviations and symbols used in the inventory.

The second part of the inventory gives a listing of the records of the county, which are segregated under subject headings, according to the office of origin or final deposit. Each group is preceded by a brief explanatory outline of the structural set-up of the office to which the records pertain. In the chronological index, record entry numbers are arranged chronologically by decades and in the subject index they are arranged alphabetically, with cross references.

The Survey is now engaged in preparing a comprehensive volume of the general laws regulating county government in Arkansas. It is expected that this volume will serve as a handbook on the organization, structure, and evolution of county government in Arkansas and will make it unnecessary to repeat certain items of general information in the various inventories. The office essays in this inventory are, therefore, limited to the creation of the office and its present status, the manner in which it is filled, and the term of office. Pending issuance of the volume on county government in Arkansas, it is suggested that the reader consult The Inventory of the County Archives of Arkansas, No. 23, Faulkner County, for more detailed essays than those found in the present inventory.

Records are described in entries whose style is formalized to give the following information: Title of record, dates for which available, quantity, labeling of volumes or containers, variant titles, description of record contents, manner of arrangement, indexing, nature of recording, size of volume or containers, and location.

The inventory of the records of Hot Spring County was begun in the courthouse at Malvern, August 16, 1938, and was completed in February, 1940. The research field workers were Mrs. Josephine Thompson and William F. Johnson. The recheck of the inventory was made under the direc-

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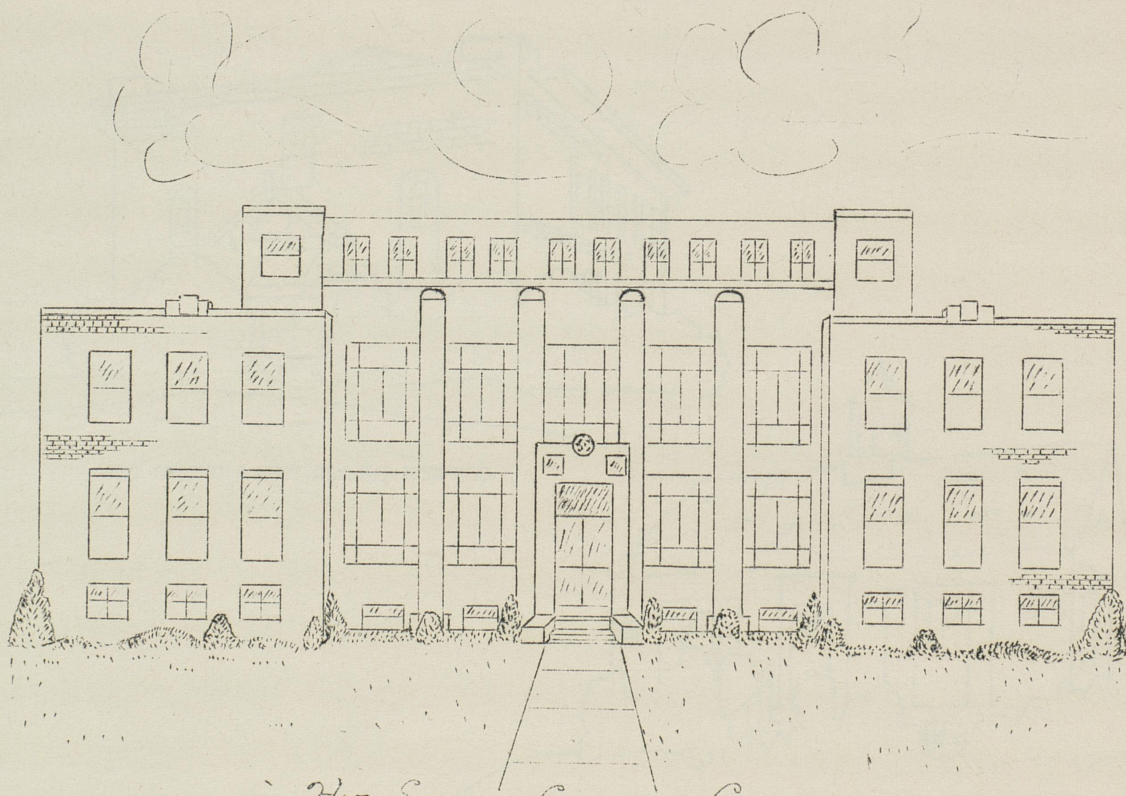
tion of Wilbur Jett, District Supervisor of the Historical Records Survey. Legal and historical research, other than that contributed by the field workers, the writing, editing, indexing and publication was done by the state office staff, under the supervision of Raymond Foster, State Editor.

The Survey is indebted to several organizations and individuals whose cooperation and technical advice have made possible the completion of this volume. Among these are: The Arkansas Historical Records Survey Advisory Committee, composed of Dallas T. Herndon, Little Rock, Secretary of the Arkansas History Commission, Dr. David Y. Thomas, Fayetteville, Senior Professor of History of the University of Arkansas, Mason E. Mitchell, Conway, H. M. Hosford, Fayetteville, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, University of Arkansas, and J. M. Malone, County Judge of Lonoke County; the Little Rock Public Library; the Arkansas Supreme Court Library; the Library of the Secretary of State; the Arkansas Library Commission, and Judge Jack Kight and other county officials of Hot Spring County.

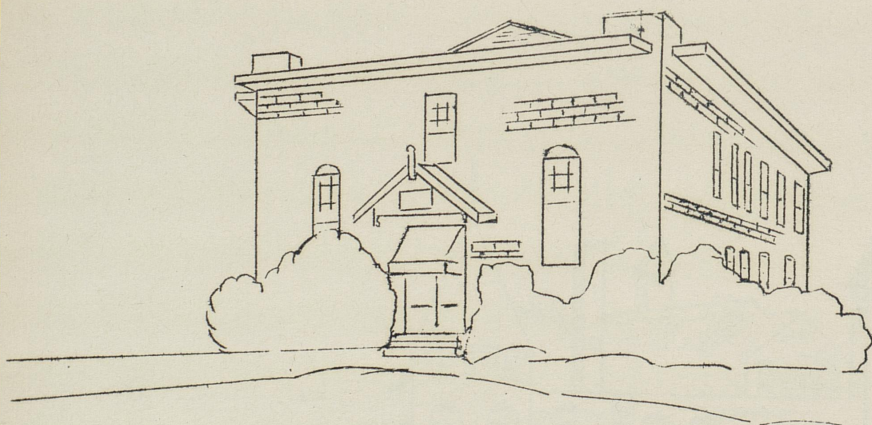
The Inventory of the County Archives of Arkansas, when completed will consist of 76 volumes, one volume for each of the 75 counties and the volume on county government. The volumes will be numbered according to their positions in an alphabetical list of the counties; thus, this volume, Hot Spring County, is No. 30. A list of earlier publications will be found on the last page of this volume. The volumes have been distributed to state and local libraries and to a limited number of libraries and agencies outside the state and to each county judge in the state. Requests for information concerning any of the inventories should be addressed to the State Supervisor or to Dean H. M. Hosford, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas.

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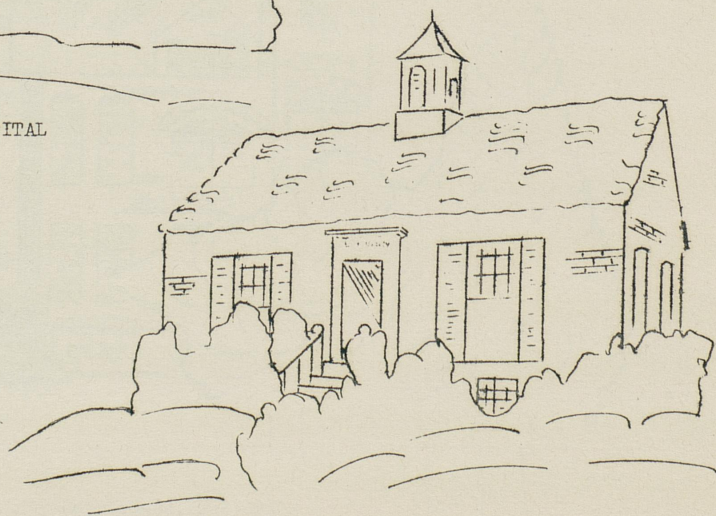
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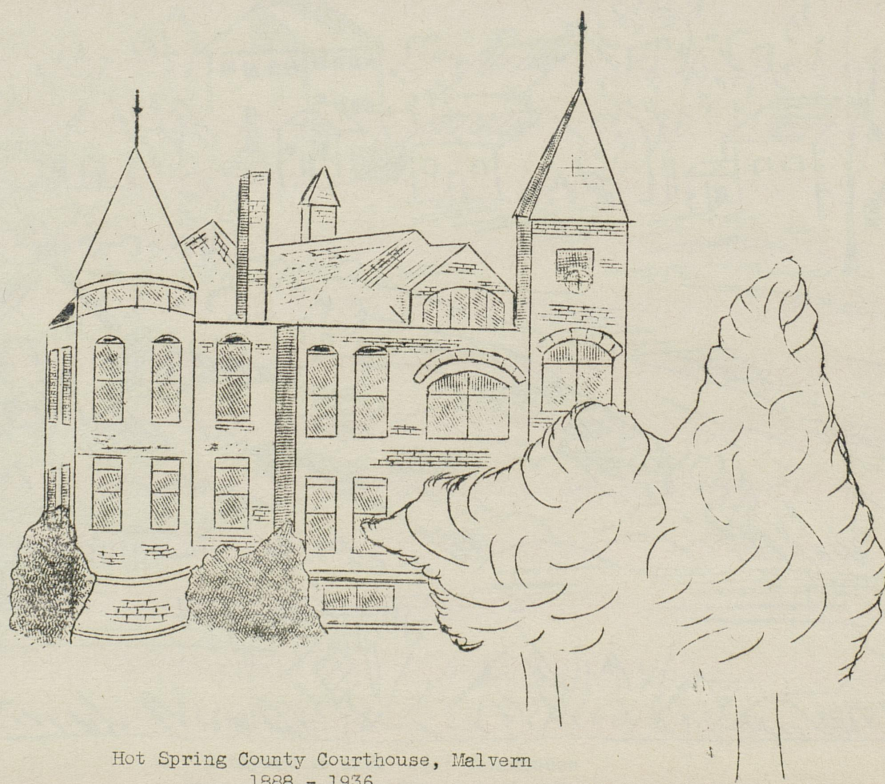
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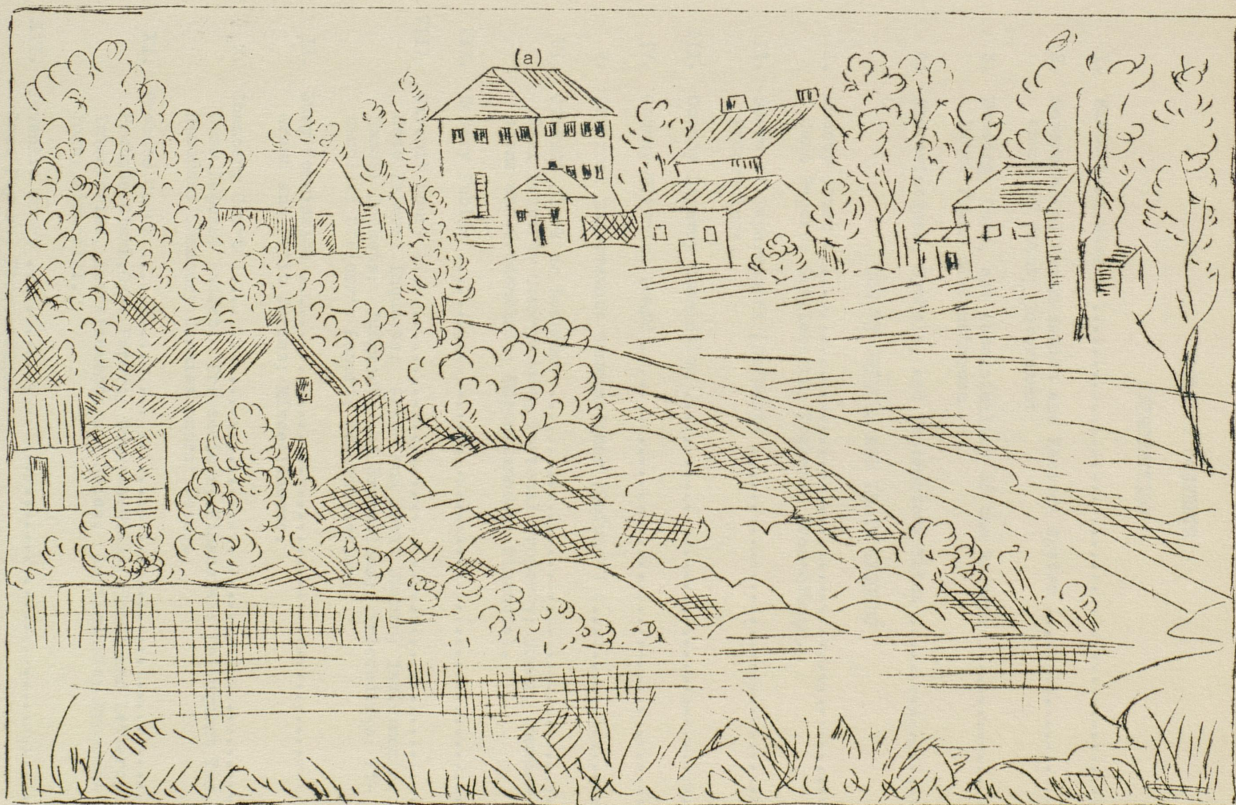
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Hot Spring County Courthouse, Malvern
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Rockport in 1860. (a) Courthouse
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1. HISTORICAL SKETCH

Hot Spring County, situated in the south central part of Arkansas (1), was the twentieth county formed before statehood (2). It was created by the territorial legislature on November 2, 1829, from a portion of Clark County and named "Hot Spring" because of the hot springs of Arkansas which then were within the county's boundaries (3).

The act creating Hot Spring County defined its boundary lines as follows: "Beginning on the Pulaski County line where the township line between township 6 and 7 intercepts the county line; thence west to the Ouachita; thence with the river to the Bayou DeRoache, and up the bayou to its source; thence west to the west fork of the Fourche Caddo; thence up the west fork to its head; thence due west to the Little Missouri River with the boundary line of Clark County, following the county line back to the place of beginning" (4). In 1838, the General Assembly added a portion of Saline County (5). Four years later, the western part of the county was taken to form the new county of Montgomery (6). The Saline River was made a part of the boundary of the county in 1846 (7), and the boundary next to Montgomery County was changed in 1848 (8). In 1859 (9) and again in 1861 (10), the line between Hot Spring and Saline counties was changed, and in 1869, part was added to Clark (11). In 1873, a large portion of the county, including the town of Hot Springs, was taken to form the new county of Garland. At the same time, the county lost part of its territory to Saline and gained a portion of Clark. (12)

At present, the county comprises 392,320 acres (13) situated between Garland and Saline counties on the north, Grant on the east, Dallas and Clark on the south, and Montgomery on the west (14).

Physiographically, the northern and western sections of the county lie in the divisions of the Ouachita Province known as the Novaculite Uplift and the Athens Piedmont Plateau, while the eastern and southern

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| (1) Arkansas State Highway Commission, <u>Official Highway Service Map</u> (hereafter cited as <u>Highway Service Map</u>), Little Rock, 1938. | Ark., with date of approval), 1829-31-33, 144. |
| (2) Arkansas State Planning Board, <u>Progress Report, 1936</u> (hereafter cited as <u>Planning Board, Progress Report</u>), Little Rock, 1936, 224. | (5) <u>Acts of Arkansas</u> (hereafter cited as <u>A. Ark.</u>), 1838, 132. |
| (3) <u>Laws of Arkansas, 1829, as contained in Laws of the Arkansas Territory</u> (hereafter cited as <u>L. A. T. Digest</u> , with date of approval), 1835 Digest, 144. | (6) <u>A. Ark.</u> , 1842, 14. |
| (4) <u>Territorial Acts of Arkansas</u> (hereafter cited as <u>Terr. A.</u> | (7) <u>A. Ark.</u> , 1846, 113. |
| | (8) <u>A. Ark.</u> , 1848, 40. |
| | (9) <u>A. Ark.</u> , 1859, 194. |
| | (10) <u>A. Ark.</u> , 1861, 299. |
| | (11) <u>A. Ark.</u> , 1869, 114. |
| | (12) <u>A. Ark.</u> , 1873, 68. |
| | (13) <u>Bureau of Mines, Manufacturers, and Agriculture, Nineteenth Biennial Report</u> (hereafter cited as <u>Bureau of Mines, Biennial Report</u>), Little Rock, 1930, 180. |
| | (14) <u>Highway Service Map</u> , 1938. |

sections slope into the West Gulf Coastal Plain (15). The soils of the county are composed of red, gravelly clay loam, sandy loam with a clay subsoil, and rich alluvial soils. The average elevation is 329 feet, ranging from 280 feet in the lowlands in the east to 540 feet in the rolling hills in the western section. (16)

The county is drained by the Ouachita River, one of the major streams of the state, which crosses the county diagonally, and the smaller streams, L'Eau Frais, Cove, and Stony (17). Lake Catherine in the northwestern part of Hot Spring County and the southern part of Garland County was formed in 1924 by the construction of Remmel Dam for the generation of hydroelectric power. The lake, which is 12 miles long and 80 miles in circumference, has become one of the pleasure resorts of the state because of the scenic attractions and the good fishing. (18)

Hot Spring County lies in a section that is described by the United States Weather Bureau as "mild, healthful, and favorable for agricultural and other pursuits". The winters are usually short and mild, but occasionally the temperature falls below zero as in 1917-18. The summers are long with temperatures frequently above 100 degrees, though the extremes in temperature are not comparable to those farther west. Usually the rainfall is abundant, but the county sometimes suffers from drought as in 1930 when the precipitation recorded at Malvern was .18 inches in April. During a period of 40 years, the average dates of the last killing frost in spring and the first killing frost in autumn, are March 30 and October 31, respectively. (19)

The forests of Hot Spring County are, for the most part, privately owned, but there is a section of 160 acres in the northwest part of the county that is included in the proposed expansion area of the Ouachita National Forest (20). Among the trees commonly found in this section of the state are the yellow pine, loblolly pine, black walnut, pecan, scaly-bark hickory, black willow, swamp cottonwood, osage orange, papaw, sassafras, and several species of oak, elm and maple (21).

A study of aboriginal Indian culture is now being conducted under the direction of the Arkansas State Archeological Survey, a WPA project. Excavations along the Ouachita River in the county reveal evidences of what was once "a continuous village stretching for nearly a mile along the river terrace". Laboratory analyses are being made of the exhumed

(15) Planning Board, Progress Report, 9.

(16) Bureau of Mines, Biennial Report, 180.

(17) Department of the Interior, U. S. Geological Survey, Map, State of Arkansas, 1928.

(18) Planning Board, Progress Report, 64.

(19) United States Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau,

Climatic Summary of the United States (hereafter cited as Climatic Summary), section 60, Washington, 1930, 1, 15, 22.

(20) Planning Board, Progress Report, 40.

(21) University of Arkansas, College of Agriculture, Extension Circular 180, Common Forest Trees of Arkansas, Fayetteville, 1924, 1, 84.

material, which includes dog burials, human burials in extended and flexed positions, stone and clay artifacts, and aboriginal houses. Culinary and funeral vessels, discovered in the upper levels, have been analyzed as belonging to the Caddoan wares, though materials obtained from lower levels "reveal a total absence of such types". (22)

Within historic times the territory that now comprises Hot Spring County has been occupied by the early Quapaw Indians of Siouan stock, known also as the Akansas, from which the name "Arkansas" was derived, and the Choctaw Indians, removed there by the United States Government in 1820. The Quapaw Indians, who claimed the land prior to 1818, tilled the soil, built log cabins, and manifested many characteristics of a superior people. (23) In that year, they ceded most of their land in Arkansas Territory to the United States, an area which included all of the section lying south of the Arkansas River within the present state with the exception of a small reservation in the eastern part of the territory. In 1820, only two years after the removal of the Quapaws, the United States ceded to the Choctaw Indians, in return for their lands east of the Mississippi, a tract lying south of the Arkansas and Canadian rivers, including what is now southwestern Arkansas. The eastern boundary of this tract extended from a point near the present site of Morrilton to a point on Red River, three miles below the mouth of Little River, thus including a large portion of the early county of Hot Spring and a small section in the western part of the present county. (24)

There was emphatic protest against having the Choctaw Indians brought into the territory as evidenced by the following editorial in the Arkansas Gazette of June 6, 1821: "If this treaty is ratified, nearly, if not all, the families which fall within the limits of the cession in this territory, will remove to the Spanish Province of Texas....It will include more than 3000 (some say six or seven thousand) of our inhabitants with their improvements, etc., many of whom will lose their all by being driven off" (25). In 1825, the matter was adjusted by another treaty which removed the Indians from the territory and fixed the eastern boundary of the Choctaw Reservation on a line extending from a point 100 paces east of Fort Smith to a point due south on the Red River. This treaty of 1825 was of added significance in that it fixed the western boundary of the future state of Arkansas south of the Arkansas River. (26)

The earliest reference to this section of the State was made by one

(22) Arkansas WPA State Archeological Survey, Quarterly Report, typed files in office of State Director of Professional and Service Projects, Little Rock, n. d., 1-6.

(23) Dallas T. Herndon, Centennial History of Arkansas (hereafter cited as Herndon, Centennial History), 3 vols., Chicago-Little Rock, 1922, I, 53.

(24) Richard Peters, Charles C. Little, James Brown (eds.), Treaties Between the United States and the Indian Tribes (hereafter cited as Treaties), Boston, 1846, 176, 211.

(25) Herndon, Centennial History, I, 67.

(26) Treaties, 234.

of De Soto's followers, the "Gentleman of Elvas", who mentioned in his diary a lake of hot and brackish water, and described the Indian process of making salt, presumably along the Ouachita River. De Soto and his men are supposed to have sailed down the Ouachita River on their way to the Mississippi. (27)

In territorial days, the south central section around Hot Springs and the Ouachita River developed slowly, due to difficulties in transportation. It was not until 1822, that the steamboat "Eagle" reached Little Rock, after a 17 day trip from New Orleans. In 1819, Hot Springs was a settlement consisting of not more than a dozen habitable houses, and as late as 1835, the mail was carried there by oxcart. However, the opening of a military road in 1831, following an old Indian trail from Little Rock to the southwestern part of the territory, gave an impetus to settlement. Geologists of note were attracted to this section by the unusual minerals found in the "Cove", as Magnet Cove was then called. Among others, George William Featherstonhaugh, the English geologist, came here in 1834 to make a study of geologic conditions. (28)

When Hot Spring County was created in 1829, Hot Springs was selected as the county seat by a commission, composed of John Willis, Thomas Holman and Christian Fenter (29). At that time, Hot Springs was an undeveloped settlement. The earliest census of the town, in 1860, gave it a population of only 201. (30) It was, however, already well known for the springs. The first census of the county in 1830 gave it a population of 458 persons. In 1846, the county seat was moved to Rockport, a town situated at the junction of the military road and the Ouachita River. (31)

For 33 years during the early development of this region, Rockport served as the county seat. The town, so named because of rocky environs, was founded in 1842 by Samuel Alexander Emerson, who had brought his family from North Carolina 10 years before and homesteaded there on an 80-acre farm. On his arrival in 1832, Emerson found a number of settlers already located in this new country. As early as 1820, Dr. P. S. Phisick of Philadelphia settled on a tract of land near this site and after the development of the military road, settlers arrived from time to time from Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, and North Carolina. (32)

(27) John Hugh Reynolds, Makers of Arkansas History (hereafter cited as Reynolds, Makers of Arkansas History), New York-Boston-Chicago-Atlanta-Dallas, 1905, 16.

(28) Herndon, Centennial History, I, 513, 860, 505, 201.

(29) Terr. A. Ark., 1829-31-33, app. 1829, 144.

(30) Fifteenth Census of the United States, Population (here-

after cited as Fifteenth Census, Population), 4 vols., Washington, 1931, I, 102.

(31) Herndon, Centennial History, I, 763; David Y. Thomas, Arkansas and Its People (hereafter cited as Thomas, Arkansas and Its People), 4 vols., New York, 1930, II, 714.

(32) Herndon, Centennial History, I, 763; Arkansas Gazette, June 7, 1936.

James Sevier Conway, then a young surveyor, was given the contract in 1831 to survey the military road from Little Rock to the southwest, and while engaged in the work, lived at Magnet Cove on land homesteaded by William Blaylock, the first settler at this place. While living there, he opened the campaign that made him the first governor of the state of Arkansas. (33)

At first a frame building served as the county courthouse. Near the courthouse, stood the jail, the first floor of which was used for a school. The main street of the town, running parallel to the military road, was intersected by the road from Hot Springs to Dallas County, which encircled the courthouse and ran past the Rockport cemetery. In the vicinity of the town were several saw mills. By the spring, west of the military road was the brick kiln, and tan yard, owned by Jimmy Taylor. About 1860 there came to Rockport, Henry Clay Ward, known later as the "drum maker" because he contracted to supply drums to both the Federal and Confederate forces. (33)

In 1860 construction was begun on a brick courthouse (34). Contract for the building was let to Milo Young, and the work was under the direct supervision of Moses R. Woods, who had been designated by the county court as building commissioner. A part payment for the construction work, the sum of \$12,000, was made to Young on February 6, 1863. (35) The invasion of Hot Spring County by Federal forces, under the command of General Frederick Steele, in the latter part of 1863 halted the construction work before its completion (36). The incomplete building was already in use, however, the county court record showing that portions of the building were rented during 1862 to private parties (37). Early occupancy of the building probably was necessitated by the sale of the old courthouse for \$322.42, a report of which was made to the court January 6, 1863 (38). Some construction work was done on the building as late as 1866. A county court order, made July 3, 1866, directed that the southwest and southeast rooms of the building be equipped with sashes, glass, blinds, and locks to the doors. The order also specified that the judge's stand be repaired and "15 good seats with backs 9 ft. long be set in front of (the) stairs". The order also specified that the cupola be repaired and that the windows be equipped with shutters "painted in good style". (39)

The invasion by the Federal forces halted the functions of county government in Hot Spring County, and the county records were removed to Texas for safekeeping. Records of the county court indicate that the court did not function between August 8, 1863 and July 22, 1865. (40)

(33) Arkansas Gazette, June 7, 1936.

(34) Arkansas Gazette, June 7, 1936.

(35) County Court Record, vol. E, 77.

(36) Arkansas Gazette, June 7, 1936;
David Y. Thomas, Arkansas in War and Reconstruction, Little Rock, 1926, 256.

(37) County Court Record, vol. E, 21.

(38) County Court Record, vol. E, 77.

(39) County Court Record, vol. E, 187.

(40) County Court Record, vol. E, 115, 129.

During the term of court for October 1865, a claim of \$150 was ordered paid to Joseph W. Miller for services in bringing the county records from Texas (41).

The courthouse at Rockport was destroyed by fire January 23, 1873. In a special session of the county court called four days later, it was ordered that temporary quarters for the county clerk and county court be established in the lower floor of the county jail building. (42) On February 10, 1873, J. H. Alexander, James E. Pritchard and Charles J. Pashall were appointed commissioners and instructed to contract for the construction of a courthouse at a cost not to exceed \$50,000 (43). Two days later the contract was made, and the county clerk and county judge were authorized by a court order, to issue bonds in the sum of \$50,000 to pay for the construction (44). Issuance of bonds in this manner was authorized by an act of the General Assembly of 1871 (45). On the same day, February 12, 1873, J. E. Miles and E. A. Nichols were appointed bridge commissioners and authorized to contract for the building of an iron bridge across the Ouachita River at Rockport. Contract for this bridge was let to the Kings Iron Bridge Company, the address of which was not given by the court record. (46) A contract, which had been made by the courthouse building commissioners with E. A. Nichols for the building of a courthouse, and the contract for the construction of the bridge were ordered cancelled on July 7, 1873 by the board of supervisors who had taken office May 5, 1873 (47). The supervisors ordered that the county would not pay any bonds or honor any scrip that had been issued in payment for construction work either on the courthouse or the bridge at Rockport (48). The supervisors were notified by H. C. Baker, acting in the interest of the Kings Iron Bridge Company, that he would attempt through mandamus proceedings to compel them to call an election on a proposal to issue \$65,000 in bonds to pay the cost of the bridge (49). In the meantime the supervisors contracted for the use of the store building owned by William N. Smith and another building owned by Andrew M. Floyd for use as temporary quarters for the circuit court and jury rooms (50).

During the years following the Civil War the citizens of Rockport fought a losing fight against interests which were continually striving to deprive it of the county seat. Hot Springs, the first county seat of the county, had developed into a community of considerable importance and influence. Evidence of this growth is shown in county court proceedings on January 6, 1862 when Robert S. Clayton was granted a license by the county for the operation of a tavern in Hot Spring Valley. The

(41) County Court Record, vol. E, 140.

(42) County Court Record, vol. F, 160.

(43) County Court Record, vol. F, 162.

(44) County Court Record, vol. F, 165.

(45) A. Ark., 1871, 328.

(46) County Court Record, vol. F, 163.

(47) County Court Record, vol. F, 171.

(48) County Court Record, vol. F, 183, 189.

(49) County Court Record, vol. F, 188.

(50) County Court Record, vol. F,

tavern provided accommodations for 375 boarders and twenty horses. (51) Another indication is a court order of April 5, 1869 in which it was decreed that the southwest quarter of section 33, township two south, range 19 west, be assessed for \$70,000. This property includes a portion of the present townsite of Hot Springs and was owned at that time by the Belding heirs. (52) Hot Springs made an attempt to regain the county seat, July 5, 1872, when a petition was presented to the county court asking that an election be called for submittal of the question of the removal of the county seat. The election was called for August 31, 1872 (53) but legal proceedings postponed the vote. (54) The prospect of losing the county seat to Hot Springs was definitely removed in 1873 when a large portion of Hot Spring County was taken away to become a part of the newly organized County of Garland, of which Hot Springs was made the county seat (55).

The promotion in 1870 of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad, which later became the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railway Company and exists today as a portion of the Missouri Pacific System (56), was destined to provide a change in the economic development in Hot Spring County that eventually struck the death blow to Rockport in its fight to hold the county seat. The county was invited to participate in this promotion and, on January 15, 1870, E. A. Nichols was designated by a county court order as a delegate to represent the county at a meeting of stockholders of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad Company, which was held in Little Rock, May 20, 1870. (57) On April 27, 1872 the county court ordered an election upon the question of the county subscribing to \$50,000 worth of stock of the Cairo and Fulton. A proviso was inserted that the road be built within one mile of the courthouse at Rockport. The election was held August 31, 1872 but apparently the question failed to carry. (58)

The railroad was built, however, and the town of Malvern, named after Malvern, Virginia, was created in 1873, as one of the townsites laid off along the right-of-way (59). Two attempts were made to incorporate the town of Malvern, one on January 4, 1875 (60), and another on October 26, 1875 (61), before a decree of incorporation was finally granted by the county court on July 5, 1876 (62). This was followed by the filing of a petition for calling an election to remove the county seat to Malvern. An election was held February 19, 1877 (63), however, this attempt

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| 184. | (57) County Court Record, vol. E, |
| (51) County Court Record, vol. E, | 486. |
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| (52) County Court Record, vol. E, | 83. |
| 358. | (59) <u>Arkansas Gazette</u> , June 7, 1936. |
| (53) County Court Record, vol. F, | (60) County Court Record, vol. F, |
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| (54) County Court Record, vol. F, | (61) County Court Record, vol. F, |
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| (55) <u>A. Ark.</u> , 1873, 70. | (62) County Court Record, vol. F, |
| (56) <u>Thomas, Arkansas and Its People</u> , II, 427. | 361. |
| | (63) County Court Record, vol. F, |

met with failure and a second petition was filed, July 2, 1878 (64). Immediately after the filing of this petition the county court ordered that the voting place of Fenter township be changed from Rockport to Malvern (65). At the subsequent election, held on September 2, 1878, Malvern won by a majority of 176 votes, and the county seat was moved on October 15, 1878 (66).

The old Methodist Church at Rockport, rebuilt into a frame structure in 1871, was one of the buildings that was moved to Malvern in the general exodus of citizens and business interests that preceded and followed the removal of the county seat. In 1888 the congregation voted to raze the old structure and build a brick church. Captain John W. Keith, one of the pioneer citizens at Rockport, bought the building and moved it back to the former site of the Baptist Church on the military road at Rockport. This structure and a few dwellings are all that remain at Rockport, which in recent years has become even more nearly isolated by the rerouting of U. S. Highway No. 67 which no longer follows the trail of the old military road. (67)

J. J. Robertson, M. C. Walker and R. T. Phelan, who were appointed by the county court as the courthouse building committee in 1879, first obtained temporary quarters for the county officers on the second floor of the O. D. Smith and Mary Sigaments grocery store at Malvern. Original plans for the first courthouse at Malvern called for a building 60' x 40', the lower floor was divided into four offices by two hallways, running at right angles through the center of the building. The main courtroom, 40' x 45' was to be on the second floor, with two private offices located at the rear of the judge's stand. (68)

Indebtedness incurred by the county during the Civil War and the reconstruction period was so heavy that the county did not have funds with which to build a courthouse. On April 26, 1879, A. A. Pennington was appointed agent for the county to confer with bondholders and judgment creditors to affect a compromise of the indebtedness of the county (69), however, it was not until 1881 that Hugh McCallum, as agent for the county, was able to work out a compromise whereby its old indebtedness was settled on the basis of twenty-five cents on the dollar. (70) A tax of five mills was levied in 1881 to discharge these obligations (71). In the meantime attempts were being made to proceed with the construction. The St. Louis, Iron Mountain Southern Railway Company was called upon to comply with its proposition to donate 70,000 feet of lumber to the county for the courthouse structure, an inducement offered

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| 392. | (68) County Court Record, vol. F, |
| (64) County Court Record, vol. F, | 502. |
| 472. | (69) County Court Record, vol. F, |
| (65) County Court Record, vol. F, | 520, 521. |
| 478. | (70) County Court Record, vol. G, |
| (66) County Court Record, vol. F, | 56. |
| 492. | (71) County Court Record, vol. G, |
| (67) <u>Arkansas Gazette</u> , June 7, 1936. | 101. |

providing the county seat was moved from Rockport to Malvern. (72) Attempts were made to raise money through public subscription. The commissioners were given a certificate for forty shares of stock of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad Company which had a par value of \$25 per share. This certificate was ordered sold and the proceeds applied to the construction fund. (73) Despite these attempts, it was not until 1887 that a successful move was commenced. On October 4 of that year the county court directed J. H. B. Adams, as building commissioner, to advertise for bids for the construction of the building in accordance with plans and specification prepared by T. Harding, architect. (74) A contract for the building was let for \$16,150 to Casey and McDowell Company and the building was completed and ready for occupancy on August 25, 1888 (75).

Another factor in the development of Malvern was the "Diamond Jo" railroad, built in 1875 from Malvern to Hot Springs. The railroad was constructed by Joseph Reynolds, a Chicago industrialist, who was accustomed to visit the springs for his health. The only route to Hot Springs at that time was by train to Malvern, and thence by stagecoach over 25 miles of rough mountainous roads. The story goes that, after an extremely rough trip by stage, Reynolds decided to provide a better method of transportation, and accordingly built a narrow gauge railroad, winding 22 miles through the mountains. The nickname "Diamond Jo", Reynolds' great wealth, and his reason for building the railroad so caught the fancy of the people that his name is a byword in the county. It is said that the first spike driven in the road was of gold, that the engine was trimmed with brass, kept brightly polished, and that Reynolds was reckless and garish. However, the name "Diamond Jo" was not derived from Reynolds' habits, for he was a quiet, temperate man, but from his trademark, a diamond-shaped figure in which the word "Jo" was inscribed. The fare on the "Diamond Jo" was \$2.50 for a one-way trip, much cheaper than the stagecoach fare of \$6.00. The round trip from Malvern to Hot Springs was made in one day. For 15 years this was the only railroad entering Hot Springs. (76)

The 1930 census gave Hot Spring County a population of 18,105, with a density per square mile of 29.5 persons, an increase of 1.8 per cent over the 1920 figures. There are 1,227 negroes in the county, a smaller proportion than in most of the counties in the southern part of the state. (77) The assessed valuation of real and personal property reported by the state comptroller for 1938 was \$5,084,877 (78).

The economic activities of the county are chiefly industrial. At the time of the biennial census of manufactures in 1935, there were 24

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| (72) County Court Record, vol. F, 508. | 248, 302. |
| (73) County Court Record, vol. F, 519, 521. | (76) <u>Arkansas Gazette</u> , Dec. 18, 1938; <u>ibid.</u> , Aug. 6, 1922. |
| (74) County Court Record, vol. H, 248, 302. | (77) <u>Fifteenth Census, Population</u> , I, 103, 191. |
| (75) County Court Record, vol. H, | (78) <u>J. O. Goff, State Comptroller's Report, 1936-1938, Lit-</u> |

manufacturing establishments, and the total value of products were \$2,760,701. There was a total of \$632,712 paid in yearly wages with an average of \$1,123 yearly wage for the individual workman, not including office workers. (79)

According to the agricultural census of 1935 the county produced 2,644 bales of cotton on 12,569 acres; and 103,229 bushels of corn, harvested for grain, on 21,006 acres. Of the total acreage of the county, 40 per cent is in farm land, valued at \$2,422,930, with the average size of the farm 65.5 acres. There are 2,420 farms, of which 88 are operated by negroes. The average value of a farm is \$1,001, with each acre valued at \$15.30. (80)

Hot Spring County is unusually rich in mineral resources. Seven miles north of Malvern on U. S. Highway 270 is Magnet Cove, known as "Geologist's Paradise" because of the great number of minerals found there. The presence of flint arrowheads, flints for scraping skins, and stone implements indicates that the place was well known to the Indians. Early travelers called it "The Cove" because of its basin-like form, and when magnetic iron ore was discovered there the name was changed to Magnet Cove. Beginning with the English geologist, George William Featherstonhaugh, in 1834, the area has been visited by geologists and mineralogists from all over the world. The cove, formed by a volcanic eruption, is an elliptical basin about 5.1 square miles in area. The rim is broken only where Cove Creek enters and leaves the cove. The sedimentary rock ridges outside the cove are covered with pine forests, while on the fertile soil of the cove are deciduous hardwoods. Igneous rocks crop out in a number of places, especially in the southern part, and are thought to underlie the soil in other sections of the cove. Large fragments of magnetite, about 5 per cent of which possess polarity, are scattered over the cultivated fields on both sides of the road. State Senator Joe Kimzey, considered the best local authority on the cove, has a valuable collection of Magnet Cove minerals in his residence at Magnet. (81) The report of the Bureau of Mines, Manufactures, and Agriculture for 1929-30 lists 41 minerals found in Magnet Cove and 22 other minerals that occur in the county outside of the cove (82). One of the few bedded deposits of barite in the United States is found near Magnet Cove. It has been estimated that the deposit contains more than 1,000,000 tons of barite in a 40-acre area at a depth of less than 100 feet, and is available for potters' work, fire and common brick. (83)

Malvern is the agricultural and industrial center of the county (84). It is in the eastern part of the county 45 miles southwest of Lit-

tle Rock, 1938 141.
(79) U. S. Department of Commerce,
United States Census of Agriculture, 1935, Arkansas (hereafter cited as Agriculture, Arkansas), 1937, 2.

(80) Agriculture, Arkansas, 24, 28.

(81) U. S. Geological Survey, De-

scription of Magnet Cove and Itinerary of Field Trip, Little Rock, April 20, 1935, 1-4.

(82) Bureau of Mines, Biennial Report, 37, 181.

(83) Planning Board, Progress Report, 75.

(84) Herndon, Centennial History,

the Rock and 20 miles east of Hot Springs National Park, on the intersection of U. S. Highways 67 and 270, and State Highways 9 and 84 (85). The town lies at the edge of the Gulf Coastal Plain at an elevation of 277 feet (86). Although Malvern leads the county industrially, there are active agricultural and timber interests at Butterfield, Donaldson, Social Hill, Reyburn, Gifford, and Perla (87).

In June, 1936, when Arkansas celebrated the state centennial, the old Methodist Church at Rockport was selected as the place of worship for President and Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt and their party during their visit to the state. At the conclusion of the outdoor service, the president spoke briefly, referring to Rockport's fame as a religious center and to the importance of the old military road in the history of Arkansas. (88)

I, 763, 901.
(85) Highway Service Map, 1938.
(86) Climatic Summary, sec. 60, 15.

(87) Thomas, Arkansas and Its People, II, 715.
(88) Arkansas Gazette, June 11, 1936

2. GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION AND RECORDS SYSTEM

The Arkansas Constitution of 1874, which makes general provisions for many of the functions of county government, and none of the prior constitutions of the state contain specific provision for the organization of the state into counties. The right to make this division has been taken for granted and has its foundation in the idea underlying all American constitutions that the county is an essential part of the state's governmental structure. The constitution presupposes the existence and necessity of counties and constructs the frame of government in such a manner that the county plays a major role. The General Assembly has the sole authority to create a county and invest it with those powers not specifically provided for by the constitution. It is through the counties that uniformity is attained in the administration of justice, the collection of revenues, and the enforcement of laws. The county exists as a political subdivision of the state and does not function exclusively for the common benefit of the citizens within its boundaries. (1)

The county does not exist as a corporate body, does not have the privilege of filing a suit in its own name, and cannot be sued. Suits, in its behalf, are filed in the name of the state for the use and benefit of the county. (2) The Arkansas Supreme Court in 1882 declared, in an opinion, that the county is not properly a corporation but a political subdivision of the state vested with the few rights of corporate existence merely to expedite the administration of justice and the administration of local self-government (3).

General Administration

The county court has exclusive original jurisdiction in all matters effecting the internal improvement and local concern of the county, including disbursement of county funds, the construction and maintenance of roads, bridges (4), and county eleemosynary and penal institutions (5).

Public Improvements

The county may purchase, own and sell real estate, and build improvements upon its property (6). These specific duties are assigned to

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| (1) Eagle et al v. Beard et al, (1878), 33, <u>Arkansas Reports</u> (hereafter cited as <u>Ark.</u>), 501. | (4) <u>Constitution of 1874</u> (hereafter cited as <u>Const. 1874</u>), art. VII, sec. 28; <u>A. Ark.</u> , 1874-1875, 144. |
| (2) <u>Acts of Arkansas</u> (hereafter cited as <u>A. Ark.</u>), 1879, 13. | (5) <u>A. Ark.</u> , 1851, 99; <u>ibid.</u> , 1868, 84. |
| (3) <u>Pulaski Co. v. Reese</u> , (1882), 42, <u>Ark.</u> , 54. | (6) <u>A. Ark.</u> , 1837, as contained in <u>Revised Statutes of Arkansas</u> , |

a board or a commissioner appointed by the county court, any action taken being subject to the final approval of the court (7). The county must provide itself with a courthouse and jail, may construct other buildings necessary to the discharge of its legally prescribed functions (8), and serves in the advisory capacity in the construction of buildings by the school districts within the county (9). The county is directly in charge of the roads and highways within its boundaries, excepting those roads that are designated as state or federal highways (10). The county supervises the formation of various improvement districts and collects the improvement district taxes (11).

Registration of Title to Property

In order that an accurate record may be kept of land titles and of the conveyances and encumbrances on personal property, the county maintains the office of recorder which is filled in an ex-officio capacity by the circuit clerk (12). It is the duty of the recorder to maintain public records that reflect the sequence of ownership of each tract of real property within the county, including deeds, mineral conveyances, easements, mortgages, liens, powers of attorney, notices of impending litigation, and releases of various liens, and chattel mortgages and bills of sale (13). The chancery clerk and county clerk also maintain records that pertain to land title. The county clerk is the custodian of records that show delinquent ad valorem taxes (14), and the chancery clerk is the custodian of records that reflect delinquent improvement district taxes (15).

Administration of Justice

The judiciary system in Hot Spring County consists of courts with clearly defined jurisdiction in civil and criminal cases (16). The circuit court has jurisdiction in civil matters in which the amount in controversy is valued at more than \$100 and jurisdiction in criminal proceedings in both misdemeanor and felony cases (17). The justice of the peace courts have exclusive original jurisdiction in civil matters where the amount in controversy is less than \$100 and concurrent jurisdiction in the circuit court if the amount in controversy does not exceed \$300. The justice court has jurisdiction also in the trial of criminal misdemeanor cases. (18) Jurisdiction in equity matters is held exclusively

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- 1838 (hereafter cited as Rev. Stat., with date of approval given), 207.
(7) A. Ark., 1873, 111; ibid., 1874-1875, 144.
(8) Rev. Stat., app. 1837, 209.
(9) A. Ark., 1935, 495.
(10) A. Ark., 1939, 1018.
(11) A. Ark., 1879, 117; ibid., 1907,

- 110; ibid., 1911, 123; ibid., 1921, 391.
(12) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 19.
(13) Rev. Stat., app. 1838, 655.
(14) A. Ark., 1887, 143.
(15) A. Ark., 1923, 395.
(16) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 1.
(17) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 11.
(18) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 40.

by the chancery court (19). Probate proceedings come under the jurisdiction of the probate court which is maintained as a separate tribunal although the chancery judge is its presiding officer (20). Problems of the delinquent and dependent child are under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court, of which the county judge is presiding officer (21). Both the circuit court and the chancery court have jurisdiction in naturalization proceedings (22). The circuit court holds appellate jurisdiction over the county court and justice of the peace courts (23). The supreme court of the state holds appellate jurisdiction over the circuit court, the chancery court (24), and the probate court (25). Appeals from the rulings of the board of equalization by an aggrieved taxpayer are carried to the county court (26).

The clerks of the respective courts are required to attend all sessions for the purpose of making a record of the proceedings (27). The sheriff attends the sessions of each court in his capacity as a ministerial officer (28).

Law Enforcement

The prosecuting attorney, sheriff, coroner, constable (29), and the grand jury are the agents of the county in the general function of law enforcement (30). These officials or any two justices of the peace may summons a unit of state militia which is regularly stationed within the county to aid in the suppression of riots or other unlawful assemblies (31), and may deputize private citizens to aid in emergencies of less serious nature (32).

Investigations to establish the cause of violent deaths are conducted by the coroner (33). The grand jury investigates all criminal cases that are placed before it and probes into the official conduct and records of public officials and institutions. The jury may return indictments based upon information obtained in its investigations (34) or may suggest reforms in the management of the offices or institutions, providing these recommendations are in compliance with existing laws.

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| (19) A. Ark., 1903, 321. | adopted 1938, effective Jan. 1, 1939; A. Ark., 1939, 6. |
| (20) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 28; <u>ibid.</u> , amendment XXIV, adopted 1938, effective Jan. 1, 1939; A. Ark., 1939, 6. | (26) A. Ark., 1929, II, 870. |
| (21) A. Ark., 1903, 321. | (27) Rev. Stat., app. 1838, 177, 186. |
| (22) <u>United States Statutes at Large</u> (hereafter cited as <u>U. S. Stat. L.</u>), vol. XXIV, 596, approved 1906. | (28) Rev. Stat., app. 1838, 193. |
| (23) Const. 1874, art. VII, secs. 33, 35. | (29) Rev. Stat., app. 1837, 728. |
| (24) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 52. | (30) Rev. Stat., app. 1838, 184. |
| (25) Const. 1874, amendment XXIV, | (31) Rev. Stat., app. 1838, 278. |
| | (32) <u>Arkansas Criminal Code</u> , 1869, sec. 362, hereafter cited as <u>Crim. Code</u> . |
| | (33) Rev. Stat., app. 1838, 195. |
| | (34) <u>Crim. Code</u> , sec. 103; A. Ark., |

(35) Preliminary examination of a person charged with a felony may be conducted in a justice of the peace court, and the defendant remanded to jail or released from custody, according to the findings (36). The sheriff (37), coroner (38), and constables (39) may arrest persons for alleged violations of the law. A person under arrest is placed in the custody of the sheriff who holds him in the county jail or releases him under bond, providing the offense charged is bailable (40). The prosecuting attorney represents the state in all courts exercising criminal jurisdiction (41). Trial by jury is the constitutional right of all persons charged with a criminal offense (42). After a defendant has been found guilty of a crime he is remanded to the custody of the sheriff who is responsible for the execution of the sentence.

Finance

Several county officers participate in financial affairs of the county. Properties are assessed by the assessor, taxes are collected by the collector, and the funds placed in the hands of the treasurer. The taxes are levied by the quorum court which also makes appropriations for county purposes. Claims against the county are paid under the direction of the county court on warrants which are issued by the county clerk.

All real property in the county, except that owned by the United States government, the state, the county, schools, cemeteries, and churches is subject to ad valorem tax, as well as all personal property, including investments and cash on hand (43). Homesteads are exempt from taxation in the amount of \$1000 (44). Both real and personal property are subject to sale by the collector for non-payment of taxes assessed against it (45). The county assesses and collects fees for the issuance of various licenses (46).

The county may issue bonds for the construction of a courthouse, jail or county hospital. The tax levy to retire these bonds must not exceed one half of one per cent of the assessed valuation of property in the county, and their issuance must be approved by a vote of the people. Bond issues for other purposes are prohibited. (48)

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| 1881, 92. | (44) A. Ark., 1937, 386. |
| (35) A. Ark., 1927, 1185. | (45) A. Ark., 1883, 264, 266. |
| (36) A. Ark., 1871, 358. | (46) A. Ark., 1883, 199; <u>ibid.</u> , 1885, |
| (37) Rev. Stat., app. 1838, 728. | 207; <u>ibid.</u> , 1905, 469; <u>ibid.</u> , |
| (38) Rev. Stat., app. 1838, 186. | 1919, 292; <u>ibid.</u> , 1874-1875, |
| (39) Rev. Stat., app. 1837, 193. | 260. |
| (40) Const. 1874, art. II, sec. 8. | (47) A. Ark., 1889, 155; <u>ibid.</u> , 1915, |
| (41) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 24. | 98. |
| (42) Const. 1874, art. II, sec. 7. | (48) Const. 1874, amendment XVIII, |
| (43) A. Ark., 1883, 208. | app. 1928; <u>ibid.</u> , amendment |

Elections

Any citizen of the United States who is 21 years old or older and has resided in the state twelve months, county six months, and the voting precinct one month, and who holds a poll tax receipt, is a qualified elector in Arkansas. Aliens are prohibited from voting and any person convicted of a felony may be deprived of the franchise. (49) The Constitution of 1874 provides that the previous registration of an elector is not a necessary requisite to exercise franchise (50). Candidates for public office must be qualified electors, and must not have fought a duel or participated in a duel for a period of ten years prior to the date of the election. An infidel is denied the right to hold office in Arkansas. (51) General elections are held on the Tuesday following the first Monday in November of the each even-numbered calendar year. Primary elections are held on the second Tuesday in August of the same years. (52) A special election is called by the governor to fill vacancies that occur in public office (53).

Education

The county exercises supervisory control over the public schools maintained in each school district throughout the county. It maintains a county library and carried on other phases of educational work through its agricultural extension agents.

Public Welfare

The county cooperates with the state in the maintenance of a uniform public health program. It participates in the maintenance of a district health unit which serves the contiguous counties of Hot Spring, Saline, and Grant. (54) The county acts as the agent of the state and federal government in the administration of old age assistance and in the distribution of other forms of direct relief (55).

Miscellaneous Functions

Property rights of citizens of the county are protected through

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| (49) XXV, app. 1938, art. XIV, sec. 1.
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1925; Brickhouse v. Hill,
(1925), 167, Ark., 513. | (53) The Arkansas Historical Records Survey, <u>Inventory of the County Archives of Arkansas</u> , Number 23, <u>Faulkner County</u> , 1939, 34. |
| (50) Const. 1874, art. III, sec. 2. | (54) Arkansas State Board of Health, Report, 1937, 2, 5; A. Ark., 1931, 725; <u>ibid.</u> , 1937, 14. |
| (51) Const. 1874, art. XIX, secs. 1, 3. | (55) <u>A. Ark.</u> , 1939, 673. |
| (52) A. Ark., 1915, 402; <u>ibid.</u> , 1927, 1187; <u>ibid.</u> , 1891, 32. | |

functions of county government. Owners of timber may establish their legal ownership through the registration of a timber mark with the county timber inspector (56). Owners of livestock may have this same protection through the registration of marks and brands with the county clerk (57). Property lines may be legally defined and established by the county surveyor (58), and the constable is authorized to inspect the scale for measures used for commercial purposes within his township (59).

Records System

The custodians of the records preserved by the county are the clerks of the various courts, the recorder and the treasurer. The county judge purchases all books and supplies for the record system (60). There are legal provisions for the restoration of any lost or destroyed record (61), and records contained in worn out volumes may be transcribed into new volumes (62).

Despite the fact that the record books for all branches of county government are purchased through one central agency, the county court, there is a lack of uniformity in the form of records, classification of instruments, and the indexing system. The average county in Arkansas does not provide a separate volume for the recording of each kind of instrument which comes into the hands of its various recording officers. Selection of the place of recording those instruments for which no separate volume has been provided is left entirely to the discretion of the incumbent official with the result that the record system has become, in some instances, confusing. Mortgages are recorded in deed records, deeds are found in the mortgage record, and instruments that are not definitely classified as a deed or mortgage are found recorded in both records. The record systems of the clerks of the courts are more uniform because they are more clearly defined by law.

The records in Hot Spring County are complete except for the volumes containing the record of the proceedings of the county court prior to 1862. These missing records are presumed to have been lost when all of the county records of Hot Spring County were transported to Texas during the Civil War. The construction of the present courthouse, which is practically a new building, affords fireproof volumes for the preservation of the existing records, and an opportunity for more clearly classification.

(56) A. Ark., 1901, 207.

(57) Rev. Stat., app. 1838, 219.

(58) Rev. Stat., app. 1837, 534.

(59) A. Ark., 1913, 1058.

(60) A. Ark., 1874-1875, 138.

(61) A. Ark., 1855, 113; ibid., 1857, 81.

(62) A. Ark., 1868, 199.

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Offices shown in circles created by Constitution.

Offices shown in rectangles created by statute.

- (a) Two-year term of office.
- (b) Four-year term of office.
- (c) Six-year term of office.
- (d) Ex-officio county clerk 1829-1910; county clerk became elective office in 1910.
- (e) Elected by and for all counties in 7th judicial circuit, consisting of Hot Spring, Grant and Saline Counties.
- (f) Elected by and for all counties in 3rd chancery circuit, consisting of Hot Spring, Montgomery, Garland, Saline and Grant Counties.
- (g) Elected by and for political townships.
- (h) Chancery judge presiding.
- (i) Sheriff is ex-officio tax collector.
- (j) Members are county judge, presiding, and justices of the peace.
- (k) State Comptroller is ex-officio director of county audits.
- (l) Appointed by quorum court.
- (m) Circuit clerk is ex-officio recorder and chancery clerk.
- (n) County clerk is ex-officio probate clerk.
- (o) Appointed by Arkansas State Board of Public Welfare.
- (p) Appointed by Arkansas State Board of Health.
- (q) Appointed by State Board of Election Commissioners.
- (r) Appointed by county judge.
- (s) Appointed by University of Arkansas, College of Agriculture.
- (t) Appointed by circuit judge.
- (u) Jury venires selected by jury commission.
- (v) Appointed by governor.
- (w) County judge is chairman, other members appointed by quorum court.
- (x) Surveyor is ex-officio timber inspector.
- (y) County judge is presiding magistrate.

HOUSING, CARE, AND ACCESSIBILITY OF THE RECORDS

The present courthouse of Hot Spring County, at Malvern, the fourth structure in the history of the county, was erected in 1936, at an approximate cost of \$165,000. Set in the center of a square block, the three-story and basement building makes an imposing picture. It is constructed of buff brick, with limestone trim and is of modern architectural design. The site is one block off the main thoroughfare of Malvern, faces east on Locust Street, extends to Third Street on the south, Olive Street on the west and Second Street on the north. The front or east entrance is a door of aluminum grille, over which a medallion of cast aluminum, set in stone, portrays the seal of the county. There are two other entrances, one on the south side and one on the north.

The entire building has plastered walls, reinforced concrete floors, steel window and door casings and fireproof tile walls in the vaults and is considered fully fireproof. It is heated throughout by steam and lighted by electricity. All corridor floors in the building are of mixed colored tile, stairs are of hard surface tile, and equipped with hand rails made of heavy polished pipe, set in concrete. All windows are screened and furnished with shades.

County Court. The county judge's quarters are located in the northeast corner of the first floor, and consist of a courtroom $24\frac{1}{2}'$ x $23'$, a private office $10'$ x $10'$ and a reception room $8'$ x $9'$.

Circuit Clerk and Recorder. The office and vault of the circuit clerk and recorder is in the southwest corner of the first floor. The office proper is $24\frac{1}{2}'$ x $14\frac{1}{2}'$, with a $12'$ ceiling, and the vault, or record room, which is accessible only through the office, is $15'$ x $22'$.

Circuit Court. The courtroom occupies the central portion of the second floor, and is accessible from either the south or the north stairs. It is $64'$ x $40'$, with a $14'$ $10''$ ceiling. Joining the courtroom, on the southeast is the judge's chamber, $10'$ x $10'$, and in the southwest corner of this floor the judge has a private office, $14'$ x $11'$. There are two witness rooms -- one on the north and one on the south side of the courtroom.

Jury Commission. Grand and Petit Juries. On the first floor of the courthouse, directly facing the main entrance, is a room, $15'$ x $30'$, which is used by the jury commission and the grand and petit juries.

Prosecuting Attorney. In the southeast corner of the second floor of the courthouse, across a hall from the courtroom are two offices which are used by the prosecuting attorney. One is $14'$ x $9'$ and the other $11'$ x $9'$.

Sheriff. To the left of the main entrance of the building, on the first floor, is a suite of offices used by the sheriff and collector. It comprises a reception room $8\frac{1}{2}'$ x $15'$, a private office, $10'$ x $10'$ and a small vault. In the sheriff's private office is the entrance to an enclosed stairway leading to the jail on the third floor. This, and a door into the courtroom on the second floor are the only outside entrances to these stairs.

County Clerk. On the first floor of the building, in the northwest corner is the office and vault of the county and probate clerk. The office is $24\frac{1}{2}'$ x $14\frac{1}{2}'$, and the vault is $15'$ x $22'$. There is no entrance to the vault, except through the office of the clerk.

Tax Assessor. In the southeast corner of the first floor, a room $24\frac{1}{2}'$ x $15'$ is the office of the tax assessor.

County Treasurer. To the right of the main entrance, on the first floor of the building is the county treasurer's office and vault. The office is $15'$ x $22'$ and the vault, $5'$ x $8'$.

County Examiner of Schools. The examiner of schools has his desk and files in the office of the county treasurer.

Health Unit. On the second floor of the building, in the northeast corner, are the offices of the county health unit. The suite comprises three offices, $10'$ x $10'$, $15'$ x $14'$, and $10'$ x $14'$.

County Department of Public Welfare. This office is located in the basement of the building, on the east side of the corridor. It is $25\frac{1}{2}'$ x $15'$ and the records of the unit are stored therein.

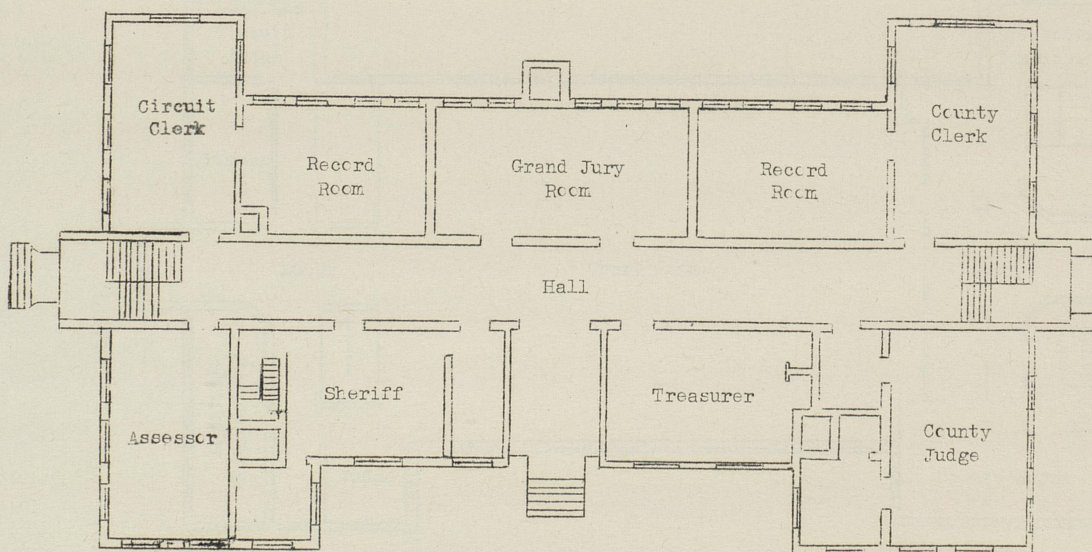
County Surveyor. The surveyor of Hot Spring County has his office in his residence, however, his records are kept in the office of the county clerk.

Agricultural Extension Service Agents. County Agent and Home Demonstration Agent. These agents occupy an office in the southwest corner of the basement. The office is $14'$ x $24'$, and houses the records of both agents.

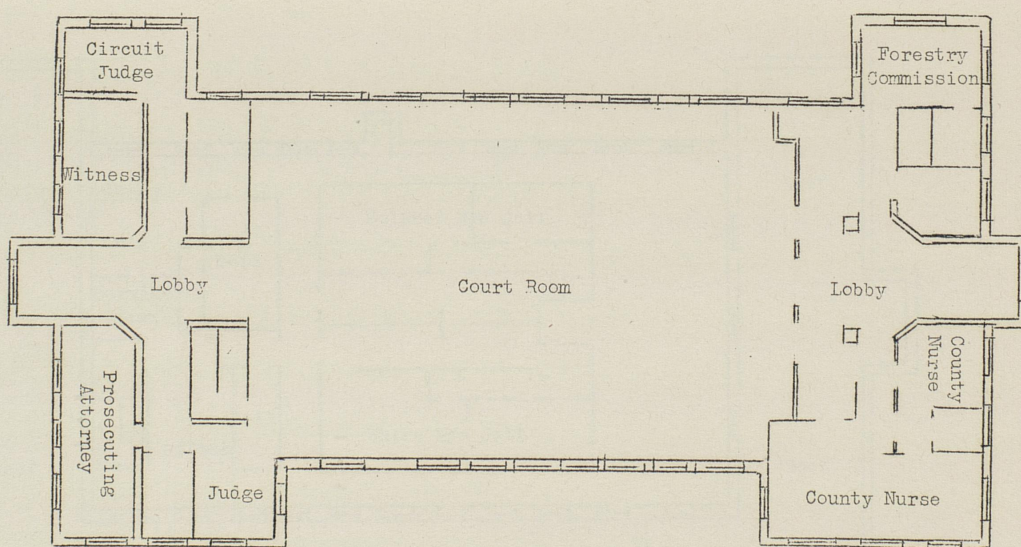
The basement floor also contains a record room, where a great portion of the older records of the county offices are stored, and offices used by the AAA, the county mineral survey and the resettlement office, as well as a boiler room, a general storage room and restrooms.

The space directly over the courtroom, on the third floor of the building is the Hot Spring County Jail and is accessible only by a stairway from the sheriff's office. The jail floor contains an office for the jailer, a service room and separate quarters for white and negro prisoners. A passageway runs completely around the cells proper, in order that patrols may be made. The windows on this floor are equipped with heavy detention spring frames, with sashes of hot rolled billet steel. Partitions between units of the jail are of fireproof tile, filled with concrete.

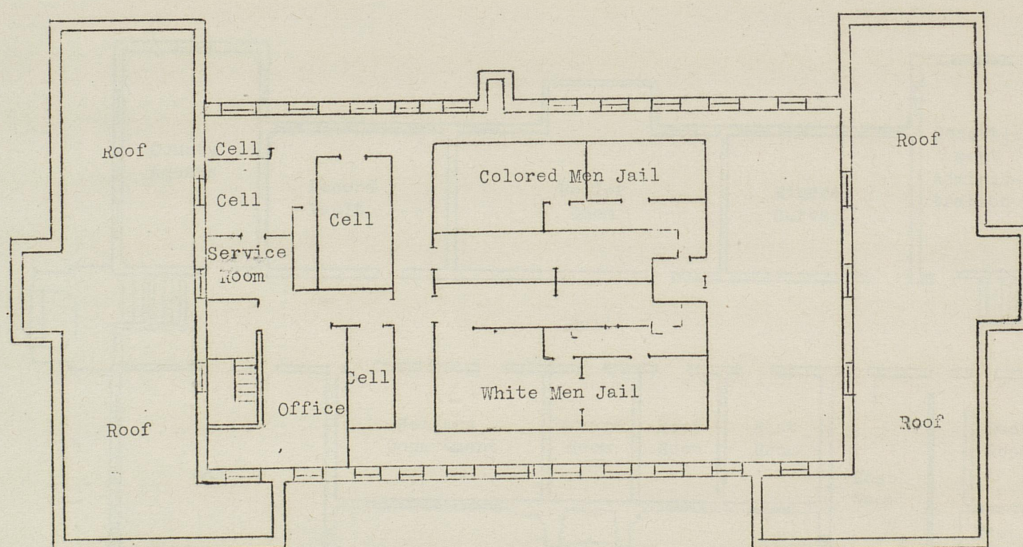
The records of the county offices are, as a general rule, bound in leather, and some have a protecting cover of canvas. Steel roller shelves are furnished for the bound records and most of the unbound records are in fireproof steel file boxes.



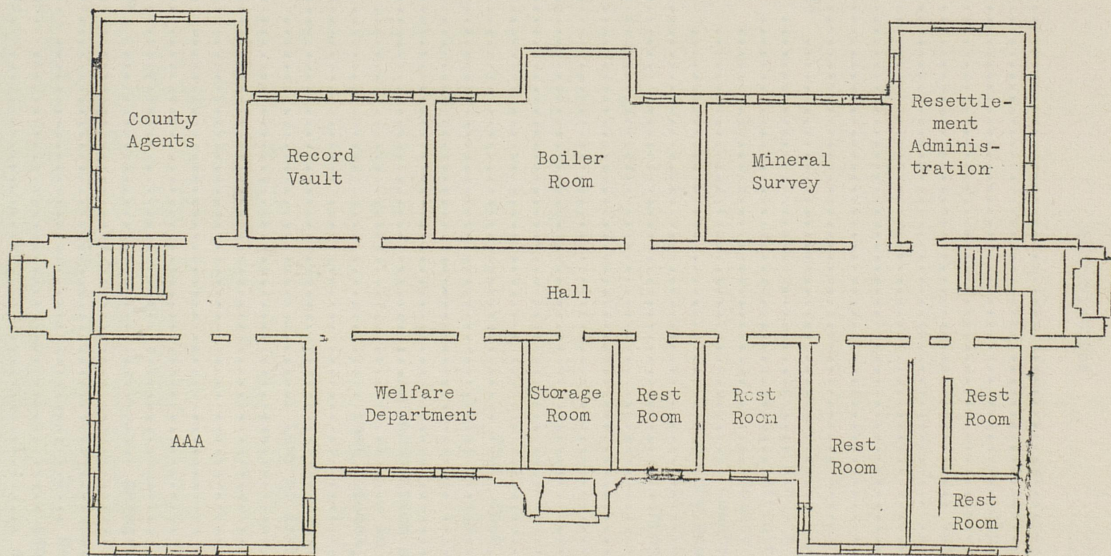
Hot Spring County Courthouse
First Floor Plan
Scale 1/16"=1'



Hot Spring County Courthouse
 Second Floor Plan
 Scale 1/16"=1'



Hot Spring County Courthouse
Third Floor Plan
Scale 1/16"=1'



Hot Spring County Courthouse
Basement Floor Plan
Scale 1/13"=1'

ABBREVIATIONS, SYMBOLS, AND EXPLANATORY NOTES

Abbreviations

A	Acts
admr.	administrator
alph.	alphabetical, (ly)
app.	approved
approx.	approximate, (ly)
Ark.	Arkansas
arr.	arrange, (d)
art.	article
aver.	average
ba. v.	basement vault
Crim. Code	Criminal Code
C. C. O.	Circuit Clerk's Office
C. C. V.	Circuit Clerk's Vault
Co. C. O.	County Clerk's Office
Co. C. V.	County Clerk's Vault
Co. E. O.	County Examiner's Office
ch.	chapter
chron.	chronological, (ly)
Const.	Constitution
deft.	defendant
dept.	department
dist.	district
ed.	editor
f.	form
ft.	foot, feet, (see symbols)
gen.	general
gdn.	guardian
h.	handwritten
hpf.	handwritten on printed form
ibid.	in the same place
in.	inch, inches, (see symbols)
incl.	inclusive
L.	Laws
L. A. T.	Laws of Arkansas Territory
La.	Louisiana
Mo.	Missouri
n. d.	no date
no., nos.	number, numbers
numer.	numerical, (ly)
P., pp.	page, pages
par., pars.	paragraph, paragraphs
pf.	printed form
pltf.	plaintiff
Rev. Stat.	Revised Statutes
sec., secs.	section, sections
spec. sess.	special session
t.	typed
T. L. M.	Territorial Laws of Missouri
tpf.	typed on printed form

Abbreviations, Symbols, and
Explanatory Notes

twp., twps.	township, townships
U. S.	United States
U. S. Stat. L.	United States Statutes at Large
v.	versus
vol., vols.	volume, volumes

Symbols

--	current
'	foot, feet, (see ft.)
"	inch, inches, (see in.)
%	per cent

Explanatory Notes

Entries

If no statement is made regarding the condition of the records, it may be assumed they are in good condition.

Volume and file box dimensions are given in inches in the order of the length, width and thickness. Map dimensions are given in inches.

Exact titles of records are in capitals; an explanatory title, following the exact title is given in parentheses; assigned titles and titles of artificial entries are in capitals but enclosed in parentheses.

The records, unless otherwise indicated, are located in the county courthouse and in the office under which they are listed.

Citations

A citation to an act of the legislature of the Territory of Arkansas, or the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas, or an act of a legislative body of another territory or state, refer to the page number of the official publication of the laws.

A citation to a decision of the Arkansas Supreme Court gives the style of the case, the volume and page numbers, and year of decision.

A citation to any other published volume is shown in full the first time used, and in short title form subsequently throughout the inventory.

Cross Reference

A title line cross reference in an entry is intended to show that the record completes a series, and such a cross reference is complemented by a reference in the body of another entry. The entry containing the title line reference usually is an artificial entry designed to distin-

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guish a record which, though different in character, has been kept and recorded with another. For example in the title line of entry 12, "Board of Supervisors' Record", there is a cross reference to entry 10, "County Court Record". From 1873 to 1874 the record of the proceedings of the Board of Supervisors was kept in the record entitled "County Court Record". A cross reference to the entry on the "Board of Supervisors' Record".

Where entries are closely related, as, for example, an original instrument, such as a mortgage, and its recorded copy, the third paragraph cross reference is used. These references are intended to demonstrate the record system of offices and the relation between records of different offices.

See pages 22 and 23 for a description of the records system in Hot Spring County.

I. COUNTY COURT

The county court, as the business administrative agency of the county, was created in Hot Spring County in 1829 in accordance with the provisions of an act of the Arkansas territorial legislature (1). The county court, continuing to function in its administrative capacity, exists today by virtue of provisions of the Constitution of 1874 (2). Its presiding officer, the county judge, is elected for a term of two years (3). In the event of the disqualification of the regular judge, a special judge is appointed by the governor (4). The county clerk (5) and the sheriff (6) are required to attend all its sessions.

Case Papers

1. COUNTY GENERAL CLAIMS ALLOWED (Miscellaneous County Court Papers), 1874--. 5 steel file boxes, 3 pasteboard boxes. (dated). Title varies: County Court Claims, 1927; County Claims, 1929-31. Original county court papers such as claims, 1927--, and reports of county officers, 1915--. Claims show the name of claimant, date of filing, amount of claim, nature of service rendered or material furnished, order of approval of the county court, and judge's signature. Reports of county officers show statement of activities of the office for period covered by report, including such items as volume of business handled, statement of cash receipts and disbursements, and notation of approval or disapproval of the court. Also contains: County and Road Petitions, 1874--, entry 3; (Producers' Reports), 1934--, entry 199. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. h., t., tpf. Aver. 530 instruments. 12 x 9 x $4\frac{1}{2}$.
For other County General Claims Allowed, see entry 119.

2. BASTARDY CASE PAPERS, 1898--. 1 steel file box. Records prior to 1898 not found.
Original sworn statements filed in bastardy proceedings, giving name, age and residence of complainant, name of defendant, date and place of birth of child, amount sought for support of the child, signature of complainant, and acknowledgment. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. h., t. 34 documents. 12 x 9 x $4\frac{1}{2}$.
For other Bastardy Case Papers, see entry 119.

3. COUNTY AND ROAD PETITIONS, 1873--. 3 steel file boxes. Title varies: Road Papers, 1873-1910; Petitions for Public Roads, 1908-31.
Original petitions to the county court, asking for the opening of roads, construction of bridges, creation of school districts and other executive orders of the court, showing date of petition, brief statement of pur-

(1) L. A. T., digest, app. 1829, 157-159.	28, 29.
(2) Const. 1874, art. VII, secs. 1, 28.	(4) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 36.
(3) Const. 1874, art. VII, secs.	(5) Rev. Stat., app. 1838, 177.
	(6) Rev. Stat., app. 1837, 728.

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pose, signatures of petitioners, and date filed. Included in the road petitions are right-of-way grants, reports of road surveys and road viewers, blueprints of roads and bridges. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. h., t., tpf. Aver. 149 documents. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4. For other County and Road Petitions, see entry 1.

4. PETITION TO TRANSFER SCHOOL CHILDREN, 1911-19. 1 steel file box. Original petitions to transfer school children from one district to another, giving name of child to be transferred, date of petition, numbers and names of districts from which transferred and to which transferred, signature of petitioner, and date filed. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. hpf. 121 petitions. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

Settlements

5. SETTLEMENT OF COLLECTOR WITH COUNTY COURT, 1862. In County Court Record, entry 9. Record of annual settlement of the collector, giving name of official, amounts and sources of collections made, period covered by settlement, and disposition of moneys collected.

Dockets

6. COUNTY COURT DOCKET, 1883--. 10 vols. (first four vols. dated, A-F). Record of minutes of proceedings in the county court, giving date of proceedings, name of claimant or petitioner, number and amount of claim, nature of claim or petition, and order of court. Arr. numer. by claim no. No index. hpf. Aver. 400 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

7. ROAD DOCKET, 1906--. 4 vols. (dated). Title varies: County Court Road Docket, 1906-37. Record of minutes of proceedings in county court in connection with road matters, including copies of petitions for roads, road overseer's reports and claims, giving name of petitioner or claimant, name of reporting road overseer, number and amount of claim, name of person receiving warrant, and date and amount of warrant. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. No index. hpf. Aver. 506 pp. 18 4/10 x 13 x 2 1/4.

Proceedings

8. COUNTY COURT ROAD RECORD, 1903-36. 1 vol. Record of proceedings in the county court in matters pertaining to county roads, giving date of term of court, name of road overseer, number of road district, amount of claim, amount allowed, number of warrant, and signature of county judge. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. Indexed in vol. 1903-36 alph. by surname of road overseer. 640 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. For other County Court Road Records, see entry 9.

9. COUNTY COURT RECORD, 1862--. 15 vols. (E-S). Prior records not found. Record of proceedings in the county court in such matters as petitions

for the opening or extension of roads, transfer of school children, elections, matters of incorporation of towns and cities, equalization of assessments, appointments authorized by law to be made by the county court, construction of courthouses and other county buildings, purchase and sale of real estate by the county, construction of bridges, issuance of bonds, provisions for quarters for county offices, and allowance of claims against the county. Entries show names of interested parties, location of road and school districts effected, nature of the proceedings or claim, order of court concerning each action, date of proceedings, names of legally constituted officers, comprising the court, who are in attendance, and signature of presiding judge. Also contains:

I Settlement of Collector with County Court I, 1862, entry 5.

I County Court Road Record I, 1936--, entry 8.

(Board of Supervisors' Record), 1873-74, entry 11.

Notary & Official Bond Record, 1862-86, entry 58.

Insane Record, 1862-1915, entry 131.

Juvenile Record, 1925--, entry 134.

(Quorum Court Record), 1874--, entry 144.

Record of Appropriation, 1862-1924, 1927--, entry 145.

Account of Sheriff and Constables, 1862-85, 1915-35, entry 149.

Record of Cancelled and Burned Warrants, 1928--, entry 155.

Register of Road (Overseers) and (School) Directors, 1862-84, 1920--, entry 197.

Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. No index 1862-86. For index 1886-- see entry 10. h., t. Aver. 567 pp. 18 x 13 x $2\frac{1}{2}$.

10. GENERAL INDEX TO COUNTY COURT RECORD, 1886--. 6 vols. (B-G).
Vol. A destroyed by fire.

Alphabetical index to County Court Record, entry 9, by first letter of name of claimant or title of proceedings, giving name of claimant or petitioner, amount of claim, and book and page number of record entry. hpf. Aver. 510 pp. 18 x 13 x 3.

II. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS (Defunct)

The board of supervisors, consisting of three members, had charge of the administrative affairs of Hot Spring County during a brief period in 1873 and 1874, in accordance with an act of the General Assembly of 1873. The supervisors were elected for terms of two years, one being elected from each of three districts into which the county was divided. (1) The first session of the board was held on May 5, 1873 (2). The Board was created to take over the administrative functions theretofore performed by the county court, the latter office being abolished (1). The board, in turn, was abolished and the administrative functions returned to the re-established county court, in accordance with provisions of the Constitution of 1874 (3).

Proceedings

11. (BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' RECORD), 1873-74. In County Court Record, entry 9.

Record of the minutes of meetings of the board of supervisors consisting of entries pertaining to actions by the board in its functions as administrative agency of the county during the period that it supplanted the county court, showing date of proceedings, detailed accounts of the business transactions, names of persons effected, orders of the board, and signature of chairman.

III. COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMISSION

A county highway commission was created by an act of the General Assembly in 1939. The county judge, who serves as chairman, and two members who are appointed by the quorum court constitute the commission. One of the two appointive members is appointed annually for a term of two years. (4) No records of the commission were located.

IV. COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

A county planning board, created to provide coordinated planning of public works within the county, was authorized by an act of the General Assembly in 1937. The board, which may consist of not less than 5 nor more than 12 members, is appointed by the county judge, with the approval

(1) A. Ark., 1873, 54.

(2) County Court Record, vol. F, 171.

(3) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 1; ibid., schedule, sec. 23.

(4) A. Ark., 1939, 1018.

of the quorum court, for a term of four years. (1)

V. INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT COMMISSIONER (Defunct)

The office of internal improvement commissioner was first created in 1850 (2). It was supplanted in 1868 (3) by a constitutional provision which created the state office of internal improvement commissioner. The office was re-created in 1873 and passed out of existence in 1874 when no provision was made by the Constitution of 1874 for its continuance. (4) From 1850 until 1868 the commissioner was elected by popular vote for a term of two years (2). In 1873 the commissioner was appointed by the board of supervisors, also for a term of two years (4). No records of the commissioner were found.

VI. CIRCUIT CLERK AS RECORDER

The office of recorder, filled in an ex-officio capacity by the circuit clerk, was established in Hot Spring County following its creation in 1829 (5). The circuit clerk today is ex-officio recorder of the county and is elected for a term of two years (6). The records of the recorder are kept in the circuit clerk's main vault and office, unless otherwise specified.

Real Property Conveyances

12. INSTRUMENTS FILED FOR RECORD (Reception Record), 1904--. 5 vols. (A, 1, 3-5).

Chronological listing of instruments filed with the recorder for permanent filing or recordation, giving the names of grantor and grantee, kind of instrument, date of instrument, date filed, book and page of recordation, and fees charged. Arr. in alph. tabbed secs. by first letter of the surname of grantor, chron. thereunder by date filed. hpf. Aver. 480 pp. 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 14 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. 1904-36 in ba. v.

Original Instruments

13. (DEEDS AND MORTGAGES, UNRECORDED), 1860-1936. 2 steel file boxes.

Original deeds and mortgages left in the custody of the recorder but not recorded, including warranty deeds, 1860-1936; redemption deeds, 1899-1903; commissioner's deeds, 1900-25; guardians' deeds, 1907-31; clerk's

(1) A. Ark., 1937, 880.

(2) A. Ark., 1850, 51.

(3) Const. 1868, art. VI, sec. 23.

(4) A. Ark., 1873, 51.

(5) Terr. A. Ark., 1829-31-33, app. 1829, 16.

(6) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 19.

tax deed, 1907, and quit claim deeds, 1927. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. t., h., tpf. Aver. 25 documents. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

14. DEEDS AND MORTGAGES CFARGE, WILL CALL, (Miscellaneous Recorded Instruments), 1853--. 4 steel file boxes, 2 bundles. Title varies: I Miscellaneous Recorded Instruments I, 1853-1926. Original instruments recorded but not returned to owner, such as warranty deeds, 1853-1934; quit claim deeds, 1857-1934; guardians' deeds, 1935; release deeds, 1934-35; redemption deeds, 1935; commissioners' deeds, 1931-34; real estate mortgages, 1908-34; crop mortgages, 1934-35; oil and gas lease, 1935; lease, 1922-23; petition for incorporation, 1899-1907; articles of incorporation, 1899-1907; honorable discharge from United States Army, 1919; list of poll tax payers, 1894; mining claims, 1887-1904; last will and testament, 1899-1903; contract, 1919; judgment, 1920; power of attorney, 1892-1911; appointment of deputy circuit clerk, 1857-1924; schedule of property exempt from execution, 1892-93; bill of sale, 1880, and petition, 1883. Also contains: Timber Deed, 1933, entry 15. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. h., t., hpf. Aver. 210 documents. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

15. TIMBER DEED, 1935. 1 steel file box. Original timber deed executed for the purpose of conveying timber rights, showing names of grantor and grantee, consideration, description and location of timber, date and duration of grant, signature of grantor, acknowledgment, and certificate of recordation. hpf. 1 document. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

For other Timber Deeds, see entry 14.

Recordings

16. DEED RECORD, 1831--. 66 vols. (A-I, K-Z, 1-7, 10, 13, 15, 17, 19-29, 32, 44, 46-59, 61, 62, 65). Title varies: Deeds, 1923-25; Irregular Deeds, 1925-28. Record of miscellaneous deeds executed to convey title to property, giving names of grantor and grantee, description of property, date of deed, consideration, signature of grantor, acknowledgment, date filed, and certificate of recordation. Also contains:
Warranty Deed Record, 1831-1907, 1924-1937, entry 17.
(Quit Claim Deed Record), 1831--, entry 21.
(Timber Deed Record), 1930--, entry 22.
(Clerk's Tax Deed Record), 1871--, entry 23.
(Real Estate Lease Record), 1843, 1867, 1871, 1879-80, 1891-1916, entry 25.
Oil and Gas Lease Record, 1925-31, entry 26.
Mining Claim Location Notice, 1879-1902, entry 27.
(Record of Power of Attorney), 1841-1915, 1925-29, entry 46.
(Power of Attorney Revoked), 1889-91, entry 47.
Assignment Record, 1843-1921, entry 48.
(Record of Bill of Sale), 1831-1903, 1913, 1920, 1926-29, 1935, entry 56.
Register of Officers Elected or Appointed, 1873, entry 60.
(Register of Minister's Credentials), 1839, 1846-66, 1896, entry 61.

(Record of Notices of Adoption), 1844, 1850, 1871, 1881, 1883, entry 62.
 (Record of Schedule of Property), 1843, 1870-83, entry 63.
 (Permit Record), 1831, 1922, 1927, 1930, entry 64.
 (Articles of Incorporation, Benevolent and Fraternal), 1884-91, 1897-1912, 1931, entry 65.
 (Record of Articles of Co-Partnership), 1882, entry 66.
 (Articles of Agreement), 1847-55, 1870-88, 1898-1907, 1916-28, entry 69.
 (Record of Petition), 1889, entry 72.
 (Record of Contracts), 1926, 1928, 1930, entry 73.
 (Record of Promissory Notes), 1883-87, entry 74.
 (Record of Attachment), 1831, entry 75.
 (Record of Depositions), 1853, entry 76.
 Will Record, 1835-54, 1917, 1931, entry 122.
 Guardians and Administrators Bonds, 1886, entry 124.
 Appraisement of Estate, 1886, entry 126.
 Voters Record, 1894, entry 170.
 Articles of Incorporation, 1884-1912, 1931, entry 176.
 Corporations Report, 1869-1912, entry 177.
 Surveyors Record, 1831-78, entry 241.
 Arr. chron. by date filed. For index, see entries 28-32. hpf., tpf.
 Aver. 430 pp. $18\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{1}{2} \times 3$.
 For other Deed Records, see entry 33.

17. WARRANTY DEED RECORD, 1908-18, 1937--. 10 vols. (8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 16, 18, 63, 64, 66).
 Record of deeds in which title is warranted, giving names of grantor and grantee, description of property, date of deed, consideration, copy of signature of grantor, acknowledgment, date of filing, and book and page of recordation. Arr. chron. by date filed. For index, see entries 30-32. hpf., tpf. Aver. 400 pp. $18\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{1}{2} \times 3$.
 For other Warranty Deed Records, see entries 16 and 33.

18. BRITISH ALLIED ESTATES LIMITED DEED RECORD, 1924-26. 11 vols. (33-42, 45).
 Record of deeds issued, largely to foreign investors, by British Allied Estates Limited, giving names of grantor and grantee, legal description of property, date of instrument, consideration, signature of grantor, acknowledgment, and date of recordation. Arr. chron. by date filed. For index, see entry 32. hpf. Aver. 400 pp. $18\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{1}{2} \times 3$.

19. COMMISSIONERS' DEED RECORD, 1923--. 2 vols. (31, 60).
 Records of deeds to property sold to satisfy judgments of chancery court, showing names of grantor and grantee, consideration, description of property, name of newspaper in which notice of sale is published, date of notice of sale, date of sale, date filed, and date recorded. Arr. chron. by date recorded. For index, see entry 32. hpf. Aver. 450 pp. $18 \times 11 \times 3$.

20. SHERIFF'S DEEDS, 1923-31. 1 vol. (30).
 Record of deeds issued by sheriff to property sold at public sale, giving date of indenture, legal description of property, name of newspaper in which notice of sale is advertised, name of purchaser, copy of signa-

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ture of sheriff, acknowledgment, and certificate of recordation. Arr. chron. by date recorded. For index, see entry 32. 450 pp. 18 x 11 x 3.

21. (QUIT CLAIM DEED RECORD), 1831--. In Deed Record, entry 16. Record of quit claim deeds executed to relinquish title or claim to property, showing names of grantor and grantee, consideration, description of property, date of instrument, copy of signature of grantor, acknowledgment, and dates filed and recorded.

For other Quit Claim Deed Records, see entry 33.

22. (TIMBER DEED RECORD), 1930--. In Deed Record, entry 16. Record of instrument executed for the purpose of conveying timber rights, showing names of grantor and grantee, consideration, description and location of timber, date and duration of deed, copy of signature of grantor, acknowledgment, and certificate of recordation.

For other Timber Deed Records, see entry 33.

23. (CLERK'S TAX DEED RECORD), 1871--. In Deed Record, entry 16. Record of instrument executed to convey title to property sold for taxes, giving name of person owning land prior to forfeiture, legal description of property, year forfeited, date of collector's sale, total value, total taxes, penalty and costs, certificate and copy of signature of county clerk, and certificate of recordation.

For other Clerk's Tax Deed Record, see entry 33.

24. (RIGHT-OF-WAY PERMIT RECORD), 1922-23, 1934-35. In Mortgage Record, entry 33. Record of easements, permitting building of highways, railroads, power, telephone and telegraph lines across privately-owned real estate, giving names of grantor and grantee, description of property, acknowledgment, and certificate of recordation.

Leases

25. (REAL ESTATE LEASE RECORD), 1843, 1867, 1871, 1879-80, 1891-1916. In Deed Record, entry 16. A record of contract which leases property for a stated time, giving names of lessor and lessee, date of lease, legal description of property, consideration, signature of lessor and lessee, acknowledgment, and dates filed and recorded.

26. OIL AND GAS LEASE RECORD, 1921--. 6 vols. (V, X, Z, 3, 7X, 7). A record of oil and gas leases, giving names of lessor and lessee, legal description of real estate concerned, consideration, terms of lease, date of lease, acknowledgment, and certificate of recordation. Arr. chron. by date filed. For index, see entry 32.

For other Oil and Gas Lease Records, see entries 16 and 33.

27. MINING CLAIM LOCATION NOTICE, 1902-14. 1 vol. Record of mining claim location notice, giving name of party locating claim, description of land, where found, description of lode or vein, copy of signature of claimant, acknowledgment, date filed and date recorded. Arr. chron. by date recorded. hpf. 750 pp. 18 x 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 4.

For other Mining Claim Location Notices, see entries 16 and 33.

28. GENERAL INDEX DIRECT (Deeds), 1831-87. 1 vol. (A).
Alphabetical direct index to Deed Record, entry 16, by first letter of surname of grantor and chron. thereunder by date filed, giving names of grantor and grantee, date of instrument, kind of instrument, date filed, and book and page of recordation. hpf. 750 pp. 18 x 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 4.

29. GENERAL INDEX INDIRECT (Deeds), 1831-87. 1 vol. (A).
Alphabetical indirect index to Deed Record, entry 16, by first letter of surname of grantee and chron. thereunder by date filed, giving names of grantee and grantor, date of instrument, kind of instrument, date filed, and book and page of recordation. hpf. 750 pp. 18 x 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 4.

30. GENERAL INDEX DIRECT (Deeds), 1887-1912. 1 vol. (B).
Alphabetical direct index to Deed Record, entry 16, and Warranty Deed Record, entry 17, by first letter of surname of grantor and chron. thereunder by date filed, showing names of grantor and grantee, kind of instrument, date of instrument, book and page of recordation, description of property, date filed, and date recorded. hpf. 750 pp. 18 x 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 4.

31. GENERAL INDEX INDIRECT (Deeds), 1887-1912. 1 vol. (B).
Alphabetical indirect index to Deed Record, entry 16, and Warranty Deed Record, entry 17, by first letter of surname of grantee and chron. thereunder by date filed, showing names of grantee and grantor, kind of instrument, date of instrument, book and page of recordation, description of property, date recorded, and date filed. hpf. 750 pp. 18 x 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 4.

32. INDEX TO DEEDS AND MORTGAGES, 1912--. 4 vols. (2, 3, 4, one with no label). Title varies: Index to Deeds Direct and Indirect, 1926-36.

Alphabetical direct and indirect index to Deed Record, entry 16, Warranty Deed Record, entry 17, British Allied Estates Limited Deed Record, entry 18, Commissioners' Deed Record, entry 19, Sheriff's Deeds, entry 20, Oil and Gas Lease Record, entry 26, Mortgage Record, entry 33, and Assignment Record, entry 48. Direct section of index alph. by first letter of surname of grantor or mortgagor and chron. thereunder by date filed, showing names of grantor and grantee or mortgagor and mortgagee, date of instrument, and book and page of recordation. Indirect section of index alph. by first letter of surname of grantee or mortgagee and chron. thereunder by date filed, showing names of grantee and grantor or mortgagee and mortgagor, date of instrument, and book and page of recordation. Aver. 750 pp. 18 x 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 4.

33. MORTGAGE RECORD, 1884--. 43 vols. (A-O, Q-U, Y, 1, 2, 5, 6, 8-10, 12-20, 22-27). Title varies: Irregular Mortgage Record, 1922-27; Mortgage Record, Power of Sale, 1924-26; Real Estate Mortgage Record, 1931-34.

Record of mortgages on real estate, giving date of instrument, names of mortgagor and mortgagee, consideration, legal description of property, terms of mortgage, copy of signature of mortgagor, date filed, acknowledgment, and date recorded. Also contains:

Deed Record, 1919, entry 16.

Warranty Deed Record, 1921-24, entry 17.

(Quit Claim Deed Record), 1919-23, entry 21.

(Timber Deed Record), 1917, 1922, 1935, entry 22.

(Clerk's Tax Deed Record), 1914, entry 23.
(Right-of-Way Permit Record), 1922-23, 1934-35, entry 24.
Oil and Gas Lease Record, 1914-23, 1930--, entry 26.
Mining Claim Location Notice, 1914--, entry 27.
(Record of Old Age Pension Liens), 1936-37, entry 42.
(Record of Judgment Lien), 1938, entry 44.
(Record of Power of Attorney), 1905, 1914--, entry 46.
Assignment Record, 1843-1921, 1929--, entry 48.
Chattel Mortgage Record, 1831-79, entry 53.
Mortgage Record (Deed of Trust), 1909-26, entry 54.
(Record of Bill of Sale), 1915-23, 1930--, entry 56.
Register of Officers Elected or Appointed, 1880-1912, entry 60.
(Record of Schedule of Property), 1891, 1892, entry 63.
(Record of Settlements), 1932, entry 67.
(Affidavit Record), 1923, 1926, 1936, entry 68.
(Articles of Agreement), 1891, 1910-23, 1930--, entry 69.
(Record of Petition), 1918, 1935, entry 72.
(Articles of Incorporation), 1896, 1916, 1921-23, 1932, entry 176.

Arr. chron. by date filed. For index, see entries 32, 35, 36. tpf.
Aver. 638 pp. $18\frac{1}{4}$ x $12\frac{1}{2}$ x 3.

For other Mortgage Record, see entry 16.

34. GOV. (Federal Land Bank) MORTGAGE RECORD, 1919--. 1 vol. (P).
Record of mortgages of farm property to Federal Land Bank of St. Louis, made separate because of special form of mortgage used, giving names and addresses of mortgagor and mortgagee, legal description of property, amount borrowed, rate of interest, date due, terms of payment, copy of signatures of mortgagor and mortgagee, acknowledgment, endorsement of secretary and treasurer of Federal Land Bank, and certificate of recordation. Arr. chron. by date recorded. Indexed in vol. alph. by first letter of surname of mortgagor. tpf. 309 pp. $18\frac{1}{2}$ x 12 x 3.

35. GENERAL INDEX TO MORTGAGES DIRECT, 1884-1913. 1 vol. (A).
Alphabetical direct index to Mortgage Record, entry 33, by first letter of surname of mortgagor, chron. thereunder by date recorded, giving name of mortgagee, date of original instrument, date filed, description of property, and book and page numbers of record. hpf. 750 pp. 18 x $13\frac{1}{2}$ x 4.

36. GENERAL INDEX TO MORTGAGES INDIRECT, 1884-1913. 1 vol. (A).
Alphabetical index to Mortgage Record, entry 33, by first letter of surname of mortgagee, chron. thereunder by date of entry, giving name of mortgagor, date of instrument, description of property, date recorded, and book and page number of record. hpf. 750 pp. 18 x $13\frac{1}{2}$ x 4.

Liens and Lis Pendens

37. LIEN CONTRACT, 1931--. 1 steel file box.
Original liens held by contractor upon property for security of debt, giving names of contractor and property owner, amount of indebtedness, description of property, date of instrument, date filed, signature of lien holder, acknowledgment, and book and page of recordation. Arr.

chron. by date filed. No index. tpf., hpf. 13 documents. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

38. LABORER'S AND MECHANIC'S LIENS, 1929--. 1 steel file box. Original liens held by laborers or mechanics upon the property of another for security of debt for services, giving names of person or firm imposing lien and property owner, character of lien, description of property, signature of lien holder, acknowledgment, and book and page of recordation. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. tpf., hpf. 489 documents. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

39. INDEX TO (Record of) CONTRACT LABORERS & MECHANICS LIENS, 1876--. 3 vols. (A-C).

Record of contractors, laborers' and mechanics' liens, giving name and address of person or firm imposing lien, amount of lien, name of person against whom lien is filed, character of lien, description of property, signature of lien holder, acknowledgment, and certificate of recordation. Also contains: (Medical, Nurses & Hospital Lien), 1939, entry 41. Arr. chron. by date filed. Indexed in vols. alph. by first letter of surname of lien holder. hpf. Aver. 437 pp. 16 1/2 x 11 1/2 x 2 1/2.

For original Liens, see entries 37 and 38.

40. (UNITED STATES TAX LIENS), 1920-22. In Lis Pendens Record, entry 43.

Notice of United States tax lien filed under the authority of the internal revenue laws for the purpose of establishing a lien against the estates of delinquent taxpayers, showing number of lien, date of lien, name and address of taxpayer, kind of tax, date of taxable period, amount of tax and penalty, name of collector, acknowledgment, date filed, and certificate of recordation.

41. (MEDICAL, NURSES & HOSPITAL LIEN), 1939. In Index to (Record of) Contracts Laborers & Mechanics Liens, entry 39.

Record of claim filed by a physician, hospital or nurse, for payment of fees due for treatment given persons who have sought redress in court for personal injury. Claim operates as a lien against any judgment rendered in favor of the injured party and shows name of injured party, number and style of case, itemized statement of fees, name of person or institution giving medical treatment, acknowledgment, and certificate of recordation.

42. (RECORD OF OLD AGE PENSION LIENS), 1936-37. In Mortgage Record, entry 33.

Record of orders, granting old age pensions, recorded for the purpose of establishing liens against the estates of persons who received grants, and record of release of lien, showing assigned number of grant, amount of pension, name of pensioner, date payment commenced, name of governor and members of Arkansas State Board of Public Welfare, marginal notation of release of lien, and signature of recorder.

43. LIS PENDENS RECORD, 1905--. 2 vols. (A, B).

Record of notices of suits pending in court, stating that a lien might be established in court against certain designated property, and giving names of plaintiff and defendant, names of persons in possession of the

property, legal description of property, date filed, and certificate of recordation. Also contains: (United States Tax Liens), 1920-22, entry 40; Register of Officers Elected and Appointed, 1912--, entry 60; (Record of Optometry License), 1915-16, entry 181, (Record of Certificate in Lieu of Lost or Destroyed Discharge Papers), 1929, entry 71. Arr. chron. by date filed. Indexed in vols. alph. by first letter of surname of plaintiff and defendant. hpf. Aver. 350 pp. 19 x 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 2 $\frac{1}{4}$.

44. (RECORD OF JUDGMENT LIEN), 1938. In Mortgage Record, entry 33. Record of court judgment, granting plaintiff recovery of debt, damage or property from defendant, giving name of plaintiff, name of defendant, date of instrument, and date filed and recorded.

Surveys and Plats

45. PLAT BOOK, 1914-- . 3 vols.
One volume contains illustrated descriptions of towns, additions and subdivisions of towns and cities of Hot Spring County, and plats of estates made in accordance with court's decrees of heirship. Two volumes, showing government survey of all lands situated in Hot Spring County with rivers, creeks, and numbers of section, township, and range. Arr. numer. by sec., twp., and r. One vol. (city and town) indexed in vol. alph. by name of addition or town. Two vols. (county), no index. h., hand drawn and blueprints. Aver. 140 pp. 20 x 15 x 3.

Miscellaneous

Real Property Conveyances

46. (RECORD OF POWER OF ATTORNEY), 1905, 1914-- . In Mortgage Record, entry 33.
Record of powers of attorney, giving name and address of person conferring power, purpose for which power was conferred, date of execution of instrument, names of parties, acknowledgment, and certificate of recordation.

For other Record of Power of Attorney, see entry 16.

47. (POWER OF ATTORNEY REVOKED), 1889-91. In Deed Record, entry 16.
Record of grantor's certificate that a certain power of attorney previously granted has been cancelled, giving name and address of person who had conferred power, purpose for which power was conferred, name of attorney, date of cancellation, acknowledgment, and certificate of recordation.

48. ASSIGNMENT RECORD, 1921-- . 2 vols.
A record of assignments of mortgages, oil and gas leases and other property interests, giving names of assignor and assignee, consideration, description of property, date of assignment, acknowledgment, date filed, and certificate of recordation. Arr. chron. by date recorded. For index, see entry 32. hpf. Aver. 638 pp. 18 x 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 3.

For other records of Assignments, see entries 16 and 33.

Personal Property

Original

49. CHATTEL MORTGAGES, (and Articles of Incorporation), 1930--. 17 steel file boxes.

Original chattel mortgages, giving names of mortgagor and mortgagee, date and amount of mortgage, description of property, terms of mortgage, signature of mortgagor, acknowledgment, and date filed. Included are original Articles of Incorporation, (Benevolent and Fraternal), 1930, see entry 65. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. hpf., tpf. Aver. 250 documents. $13\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{3}{4}$.

See also entry 50.

50. CONTRACT (Chattel mortgage with power of sale), 1896--. 1 steel file box.

File box containing chattel mortgages given on personal property, such as livestock, household goods, and other equipment to secure payment of a special amount of indebtedness, giving names of mortgagor and mortgagee, description of property, conditions of contract, amount of indebtedness, date of instrument, date filed, and book and page of recordation. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. hpf. 4 documents. $13\frac{3}{4} \times 10\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{3}{4}$.

See also entry 49.

51. 1935 CROP AND FEED LOAN, 1934-35. 1 steel file box.

Original crop mortgages given to Farm Credit Administration as security for emergency crop loan, giving names and post-office addresses of mortgagor and mortgagee, description of property on which crop is raised, consideration, rate of interest, date when due, acknowledgment, date filed, and date recorded. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. tpf. 450 documents. $13\frac{3}{4} \times 10\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{3}{4}$.

For other Crop and Feed Loans, see entry 14.

52. ORDERS FOR WITHDRAWAL OF MORTGAGES, 1934--. 1 steel file box.

Orders from the mortgagee to the recorder to deliver chattel mortgage to the mortgagor, giving date of order, name of mortgagor, amount and date of mortgage, and signature of mortgagee. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. hpf., tpf. 407 documents. $13\frac{3}{4} \times 10\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{3}{4}$.

53. CHATTEL MORTGAGE RECORD, 1879--. 22 vols. (A-V).

Recorded copies of chattel mortgages, giving date filed, names of mortgagor and mortgagee, date and amount of mortgage, description of property given as security, copy of signature of mortgagor, acknowledgment, and certificate of recordation. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. Aver. 571 pp. $18\frac{1}{4} \times 13\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$.

For other Chattel Mortgage Record, see entry 33; originals, see entries 49-51.

Records

54. MORTGAGE RECORD (Deed of Trust), 1877-1909, 1926--. 5 vols. (A-C, 11, 21). Title varies: Deed of Trust (Record), 1877-1909.

Record of deed of trust, giving name of mortgagor, name of trustees as the second party, description of property, amount of indebtedness, rate of interest, when and where interest is paid or payable, date filed, and certificate of recordation. Arr. chron. by date filed. For index, see entries 32, 35, and 36. hpf. Aver. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x $3\frac{1}{2}$.
For other Mortgage Record (Deed of Trust), see entry 33.

55. CHATTEL MORTGAGES FILED (Register of), 1887--. 20 vols. (B-U). Chronological register of chattel mortgages and deeds of trust which are filed but not recorded, giving names of mortgagor and mortgagee, consideration, description of property, date of instrument, and date filed. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. hpf. Aver. 571 pp. $18\frac{1}{4}$ x $13\frac{1}{4}$ x $2\frac{3}{4}$.

56. (RECORD OF BILL OF SALE), 1831-1903, 1913, 1920, 1926-29, 1935. In Deed Record, entry 16.
Record conveying title of personal property, giving names of grantor and grantee, condition of sale, description of property sold, signature of grantor, acknowledgment, and certification of recording.
For other Record of Bill of Sale, see entry 33.

Bonds, Commissions and Credentials

Originals

57. OFFICIAL BONDS, 1896--. 3 steel file boxes.
Original bonds posted by county officers to warrant faithful performance of duties, giving name of office to which elected or appointed, date of filing of bond, date approved, name of officer, names of sureties, amount of bond, period for which made, signatures of official and sureties, acknowledgment, and certification of recording. Also contains: Bail Bonds, 1926--, entry 89. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. h., t., tpf. Aver. 186 instruments. $13\frac{3}{4}$ x $10\frac{3}{4}$ x $4\frac{3}{4}$. 1896-1908 in ba. v.

Record

58. NOTARY & OFFICIAL BOND RECORD, 1886--. 2 vols. (B, 1).
A record of official bonds binding the maker to a specified course of action, giving names of principals, sureties, and bonding company, amount of bond, date of execution, and date recorded, certification of witnesses to bond, giving date of election or appointment of principal to office, name of office, conditions of bond, affidavits of sureties, and signatures of witnesses. Also contains: Road Overseer's Bond Record, 1914--, entry 59. Arr. chron. by date filed. Indexed in vols. alph. by name of officer. h., t., hpf. Aver. 421 pp. $16\frac{1}{2}$ x $12\frac{1}{2}$ x 3.
For other Notary & Official Bond Record, see entries 9, 59, and 191; originals, see entry 57.

59. ROAD OVERSEER'S BOND RECORD, 1902-14. 1 vol.
Record of road overseer's official bonds executed to warrant faithful performance of duties, giving names of principal and of sureties, amount of bond, date of bond, date person was elected road overseer, signature of principal, affidavit of sureties, order of court approving bond, and

certificate of recordation. Arr. chron. by date recorded. Indexed in vol. alph. by name of overseer. hpf. 480 pp. 18 x 13 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$.
For other Road Overseers' Bond Record, see entry 58.

60. REGISTER OF OFFICERS ELECTED OR APPOINTED, 1880-1912. 1 vol. Register of commissions of county officers, giving name and address of officer, title, date of commission, qualifications, date and amount of bond posted, names and addresses of sureties, fee due Secretary of State for commission, date fee collected, date remitted to Secretary of State, and remarks. Arr. chron. by date elected or appointed. No index. hpf. 318 pp. 16 x 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 1 3/4.

For other records, see entries 16, 33, 43; originals, entry 198.

61. (REGISTER OF MINISTERS' CREDENTIALS), 1876--. In Marriage Record, entry 175.

Record of credentials issued to ministers authorizing performance of marriage ceremonies, giving name of minister, date credentials were granted, ministers creed, and reference to records of other counties in which credentials are recorded.

For other records of Ministers' Credentials, see entry 16.

Miscellaneous

62. (RECORD OF NOTICES OF ADOPTION), 1844, 1850, 1871, 1881, 1883. In Deed Record, entry 16.

A record of notices that a child is legally adopted by a family and made a legal heir, giving place of birth, name, age, and sex of child, name of parents or institution from which child is taken, name of adopted parents, acknowledgment, and date recorded.

63. (RECORD OF SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY), 1843, 1870-83. In Deed Record, entry 16.

Record of list of property, owned by an individual which is declared to be exempt from execution under judgment lien, giving name of property owner, valuation of property, copy of signature of property owner, acknowledgment, and certificate of recordation.

For other Record of Schedule of Property, see entry 33.

64. (PERMIT RECORD), 1831, 1922, 1927, 1930. In Deed Record, entry 16.

Record of license or warrant issued by authorized officer, such as ferry and peddler's license, empowering grantee to carry out some act permissible by law but not allowable without official authority, giving date of instrument, name of person to whom permit was issued, date filed, and certificate of recordation.

65. (ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, Benevolent and Fraternal), 1884-91, 1897-1912, 1931. In Deed Record, entry 16.

Record of articles of incorporation of benevolent associations and towns and cities, and orders of court in connection with their incorporation, giving names of applicants, statement of purpose of corporations, date of proceedings, order of court, and certificate of recordation.

For originals, 1930, see entry 49.

Circuit Clerk as Recorder

66. (RECORD OF ARTICLES OF CO-PARTNERSHIP), 1882. In Deed Record, entry 16.
Record of articles of co-partnership, showing date of execution, names of parties entering agreement, purpose of partnership and terms of agreement, signature of parties, acknowledgment, and date recorded.
67. (RECORD OF SETTLEMENTS), 1932. In Mortgage Record, entry 33.
A record of agreement between parties in settlement of debts, showing names of creditors, names of debtors, amount paid in settlement, date filed, and certificate of recordation.
68. (AFFIDAVIT RECORD), 1923, 1926, 1936. In Mortgage Record, entry 33.
Record of a sworn statement of fact, showing name of affiant, date of affidavit, copy of signature of affiant, acknowledgment, and certificate of recordation.
69. (ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT), 1847-55, 1870-88, 1898-1907, 1916-28 in Deed Record, entry 16.
A record of covenants between two or more persons or firms, giving names of parties, date of instrument, date filed, and certificate of recordation.
For other records of Articles of Agreement, see entry 33.
70. RECORD OF SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' DISCHARGES, 1919--. 1 vol. (A).
Record containing verbatim copies of honorable discharge certificates of Arkansas citizens who served or were called into service, in military or naval forces of the United States during the World War, giving name of discharged person, reason for discharge, place of birth, age at enlistment, civilian occupation, physical description, commanding officer's certificate of discharge, date of discharge, enlistment record gives details, including name, whether enlisted or inducted, and length of service. Arr. chron. by date filed. Indexed in vol. alph. by first letter of surname of person discharged. hpf. 588 pp. 18½ x 13 x 3½.
71. (RECORD OF CERTIFICATE IN LIEU OF LOST OR DESTROYED DISCHARGE PAPERS), 1929. In Lis Pendens Record, entry 43.
Record of certificate given by the Secretary of War in lieu of a lost or destroyed discharge papers, giving same information as entry 70.
72. (RECORD OF PETITION), 1918, 1935. In Mortgage Record, entry 33.
A record of papers requesting redress or favor from a body or person, giving name of petitioner, name of party to whom presented, purpose and conditions of petition, date of instrument, date filed and recorded.
For other Record of Petition, see entry 16.
73. (RECORD OF CONTRACTS), 1926, 1928, 1930. In Deed Record, entry 16.
A record of agreements between two or more parties, giving name of contracting parties, date of contract, terms, copy of signatures of contracting parties, acknowledgment, and certificate of recordation.
For original Contracts, 1919, see entry 14.

74. (RECORD OF PROMISSORY NOTES), 1883-87. In Deed Record, entry 16.

Record of promissory notes, giving name of party making note, name of party to whom note is made, date of note, rate of interest, date due, date filed, and certificate of recordation.

75. (RECORD OF ATTACHMENT), 1831. In Deed Record, entry 16.

A record of papers commanding the seizure by virtue of legal process, of property illegally retained by defendant, giving name of plaintiff, name of defendant, description of property sought, date of issuance of attachment, date filed, and certificate of recordation.

76. (RECORD OF DEPOSITIONS), 1853. In Deed Record, entry 16.

Record of transcript of testimony of witness not made during regular court proceedings, showing style and number of case, name of person filing testimony, names of attorneys, signature of official stenographer, date filed, and certificate of recordation.

Financial

77. RECORD OF FEES RECEIVED BY CLERK (Recorder's Fee Book), 1904---. 4 vols. (1-4).

Record of fees received by recorder for recordation of deeds, mortgages, leases, and other instruments, giving names of grantor and grantee, kind of instrument, date of instrument, date filed, and recording fee. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of person paying fee and chron. thereunder by date of payment. No index. h. Aver. 478 pp. $17\frac{1}{4} \times 13\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$. 1904-31 in ba. v.

VII. NOTARY PUBLIC

The office of notary public was established in Hot Spring County at the time of the creation of the county in 1829 (1), in accordance with the provision of a law of the Territory of Missouri (2). The supreme court has ruled that it is a county office (3). The governor appoints an indefinite number of notaries public in each county for terms of four years (4). There are forty-two commissioned notaries in Hot Spring County (5).

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- (1) Terr. A. Ark., 1829-31-33, 144.
(2) T. L. M., Digest, app. 1817, 526; L. A. T., Digest, app. 1819, 39.
(3) Lanier v. Norfleet, 156, Ark.,

- (1922-23), 216.
(4) A. Ark., 1874-1875, 61.
(5) Office of Arkansas Secretary of State, Notary Public Record, 1934--, 156-158.

Circuit Court

VIII. CIRCUIT COURT

The circuit court for the counties in Arkansas was in existence at the time of the creation of Hot Spring County in 1829 (1). Hot Spring County was first placed in the second judicial circuit (2). The Constitution of 1874 made provision for the circuit court as it exists today (3). Hot Spring County is one of the counties composing the seventh judicial circuit (4). The presiding judge is elected by the voters of the several counties comprising the judicial circuit for a term of four years (5). The circuit clerk (6) and the sheriff (7) attend all sessions of the court that are held in the county.

The official stenographer for the circuit court was provided for in 1897. The stenographer is appointed by the circuit judge for the duration of the judge's term of office. (8)

Provisions for the election of the circuit clerk in all counties in Arkansas were made by the same session of the Territorial Legislature that created Hot Spring County (9). The present clerk is elected by popular vote for a term of two years, in accordance with provisions of the Constitution of 1874 (10). Records of the circuit court are kept in the circuit clerk's vault and office unless otherwise designated.

Case Papers

78. I CIRCUIT COURT PAPERS, DISPOSED OF CASES I, 1888--. 5 bundles, 242 steel file boxes (file boxes labeled numerically by inclusive case numbers).

Original case papers of civil and criminal cases tried in circuit court. Civil case papers include petitions, subpoenas, motions, pleadings, and court orders. Criminal case papers include indictments, subpoenas, witness list, jury list, bail bonds, verdict, and court orders. Each document shows the number and style of case, nature of the instrument, and date filed. Also contains: I Chancery Court Papers, Disposed of Cases I, 1889--, entry 111. Arr. numer. by case no. No index 1888-1902; for index 1902--, see entry 81. h., t., hpf., tpf. Aver. 36 jackets. Bundles 8 x 6 1/2 x 5; file boxes 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

79. CIVIL CASES PENDING, 1935--. 2 steel file boxes. Papers of civil cases pending in circuit court, giving number and style of case, motions, pleadings, subpoenas, summons, and orders of court. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. h., t., tpf. Aver. 27 bundles.

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| (1) L. A. T., Digest, app. 1829, 144. | (6) Rev. Stat., app. 1838, 177. |
| (2) L. A. T., Digest, app. 1829, 122. | (7) Rev. Stat., app. 1837, 728. |
| (3) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 1. | (8) A. Ark., 1897, 64. |
| (4) Const. 1874, art. XVIII; A. Ark., 1911, 341. | (9) Terr. A. Ark., 1829-31-33, app. 1829, 16. |
| (5) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 17; A. Ark., 1875, 160. | (10) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 19. |

Circuit Court

13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

80. CRIMINAL CASES PENDING, 1936--. 1 steel file box. Papers of criminal cases pending in circuit court, giving number and style of case, motions, pleadings, subpoenas, summons, indictments, warrants, and orders of court. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. h., tpf. 32 bundles. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

81. INDEX TO (CASE) PAPERS, 1902--. 2 vols. (Ledger, Journal). Alphabetical index to Circuit Court Papers, Disposed of Cases, entry 78, by first letter of name of plaintiff, giving number and style of case, and file box in which filed. h. Aver. 485 pp. 15 x 9 1/2 x 2.

Inquests

82. CORONER'S INQUISITIONS, 1885-1921. 1 steel file box. Coroner's reports of inquests, giving name of deceased person, date of death, date and place of inquisition, list, digest of testimony, and signatures of witnesses, certificate of examining physician, list of jurors, verdict of jury, and signatures of foreman, jury, and coroner. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. h. 21 papers. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4. For record of Inquisitions, see entry 142.

Grand and Petit Jurors

83. GRAND JURY INFORMATION BOX (ABSTRACT OF MISDEMEANORS), 1925-1937. 3 steel file boxes. Title varies: Official Transcript, 1925-35; Grand Jury Information Disposed of, 1928-1936. Reports of justices of the peace to the circuit court of misdemeanor cases tried in justice courts, giving name of justice, name of township in which court was held, term of court, style of case, nature of offense, disposition of case, date of final action, and certificate and signature of justice of the peace. Also contains: Bail Bonds, 1929-31, entry 89; Grand Jury Papers Disposed of, 1933, entry 84; (Indictments), 1932, entry 87. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. hpf., tpf. Aver. 150 documents. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

84. GRAND JURY PAPERS DISPOSED OF 1913 (DISMISSED CASES), 1912-14. 1 steel file box. Papers of cases in which the grand jury made an investigation but did not return an indictment, giving name of person investigated, offense alleged, date filed, and date dismissed. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. hpf., tpf. 31 documents. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4. ba. v. For other Grand Jury Papers, see entries 83 and 119.

85. OLD INDICTMENTS, OLD GRAND JURY LISTS, AND REPORTS OF GRAND JURY (GRAND AND PETIT JURY LISTS), 1913, 1925--. 1 steel file box. Lists of grand and petit jurors and alternates, 1925--, only, giving names and addresses of jury, terms of court in which they served, names of jury commissioners. Also contains: (Indictments), 1913, entry 87; Bail Bonds, 1927-34, entry 89. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index.

tpf. 22 bundles. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

86. (RECORD OF GRAND JURY REPORTS), 1847--. In Circuit Court Record (Criminal), entry 100.

Record of reports of grand jury proceedings, showing number of cases investigated, number of indictments returned, names of witnesses subpoenaed by the jury, brief statement of evidence presented in each case, and signature of grand jury foreman.

Indictments

87. (INDICTMENTS), 1913. In Old Indictments, Old Grand Jury Lists, and Reports of Grand Jury, entry 85.

Original indictments returned by the grand jury, giving style of case, offense charged, date and place of alleged crime, name of prosecuting attorney, indictment number, signature of grand jury foreman, list of witnesses, date filed, and signature of clerk.

For record of Indictments, see entry 88; original Indictments, see also entries 83, and 85.

88. INDICTMENT RECORD, 1881--. 5 vols. (A-E).

Record of true bills of indictment returned by the grand jury and filed with the circuit clerk for recording after apprehension of person charged with violation of law, giving style of case, crime charged, date and place of alleged crime, names of prosecuting attorney, grand jury foreman and clerk, date of filing, amount of bond, name of trial judge, names of witnesses, book and page of record (entry of case), and signature of recording official. Arr. chron. by date of term of court. Indexed in vol. by first letter of surname of defendant. hpf. Aver. 627 pp. 17 3/4 x 13 x 2 3/4.

For original instruments, see entry 87.

Bonds

89. BAIL BONDS, 1920-26. 1 steel file box.

Original bail bonds given by defendants in criminal cases to obtain release from custody pending trial, giving name of defendant, crime charged, name of court in which trial is to be held, term of court, date of trial, amount of bail, names and addresses of sureties, signatures of principal and sureties, and date of bond. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. hpf., tpf. 270 documents. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

For other Bail Bonds, see entries 57, 83, and 85.

Dockets

90. CIVIL DOCKET, 1872--. 4 vols. (A, B, two dated) and 3 loose leaf vols. Title varies: Bar Docket, 1872-99; Common Law Docket, 1883-1915.

Minutes of civil cases to be tried or disposed of in circuit court, showing names of parties, attorneys, kind of action or cause, date filed, and order of court. Arr. chron. by date of term of court. No index.

hpf. Aver. 640 pp. 12 x 9 x 4 $\frac{1}{2}$. 1872-1927 in ba. v.

91. CRIMINAL DOCKET, 1883--. 5 vols. Title varies: State Docket Circuit Court, 1883-1915.

Minutes of proceedings in criminal cases heard in circuit court, giving number of case, name of defendant, names of attorneys, offense charged, motions and demurrers, court rulings, verdict, judgment, and sentence of court. Arr. chron. by date of court term. No index. hpf. Aver. 600 pp. 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 9 x 3 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Judgments and Executions

92. J. P. TRANSCRIPT FOR CIRCUIT COURT JUDGMENT, 1922-1937. 1 steel file box.

Transcript of proceedings in justice of peace courts in cases appealed to circuit court, giving names of plaintiff and defendant and minutes of proceedings, judgment of court, name of justice of peace, and township in which he holds court. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. tpf., hpf. 183 documents. 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 4 $\frac{3}{4}$.

93. TRANSCRIPTS FROM OTHER CIRCUIT AND CHANCERY COURTS (Outside Hot Spring County), 1933-36. 1 steel file box.

Copies of judgments of chancery and circuit courts of other counties filed in Hot Spring County for the purpose of execution, giving name of plaintiff and defendant, case number, amount of judgment, date of judgment, signature of presiding judge, certificate and signature of clerk of court, and date filed. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. h., t. 18 documents. 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 4 $\frac{3}{4}$.

94. (JUDGMENT), 1920. In Miscellaneous Recorded Instruments, entry 14.

A written statement of judgment rendered by a court, giving names of plaintiff and defendant, nature of judgment, amount of debt, date and where entered, and, if paid, note of satisfaction.

95. JUDGMENT DOCKET, 1883--. 3 vols. (C, D, E).

Record of judgments of circuit court and transcripts of judgments of justice of the peace courts certified to circuit court for execution, giving case number, names of parties to suit, party against whom judgment is rendered, date of judgment, amount and costs, interest rate, where recorded (book and page), date of reversal, date of payment, and by whom paid. Arr. chron. by date of judgment. Indexed in vols. alph. by first letter of name of judgment debtor. h. Aver. 320 pp. 18 x 13 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$.

96. EXECUTIONS AND SUPERSEDEAS, 1924-1938. 1 file box.

Original execution orders issued to enforce payment of judgment, giving number and style of case, date and nature of judgment, date of execution order, amount of damages, cost assessed, and county to which order is sent. Application for supersedeas, or writ to stay execution of judgment, giving name of judge of court to which petition is addressed, name of petitioner, date of petition, order of court, date of order, signature of presiding judge, date of filing, and signature of clerk. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. hpf., tpf. 236 documents. 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 4 $\frac{3}{4}$.

97. EXECUTION DOCKET, 1861--. 1 vol. (B).

Record of execution orders issued by the circuit court to carry out the judgments of the court, giving number of case, names of plaintiff and defendant, date of judgment, date of execution, amount of judgment, interest and costs, to what county execution orders are issued, fees of officers, amount of fees, and returns. Arr. chron. by date of order. Indexed alph. by first letter of name of pltf. h. 290 pp. 18 x 14 x 3.

Proceedings

98. CIRCUIT COURT RECORD, COMMON LAW, 1885--. 7 vols. (A-G).

Record of civil cases tried in circuit court, giving term of court, case number, date of trial, names of plaintiff and defendant, cause of action, plea of defendant, court judgments and penalty, order of custody of person or property, name of attorneys, and date recorded. Arr. chron. by dates of court terms. For index 1885-99, see entry 99; 1899-- no index. h. Aver. 635 pp. 18 x 12 x $3\frac{1}{2}$.

99. INDEX TO CIRCUIT COURT RECORD (Common Law), 1885-99. 2 vols. (A, B).

Alphabetical direct index to Circuit Court Record, Common Law, entry 98, by first letter of surname of plaintiff and chron. thereunder by date of entry, showing names of plaintiff and defendant, nature of case, book and page of recordation. h. Aver. 450 pp. 18 x 14 x $2\frac{1}{2}$.

100. CIRCUIT COURT RECORD (Criminal), 1847--. 11 vols. (B-L).

Record of proceedings of circuit court in criminal cases, giving style and number of case, date of proceedings, name of prosecuting attorney, offense charged, penalty, order of custody, and some pages show orders of appointment of jury commissioners, record of lists of grand and petit jurors. Also contains: (Record of Grand Jury Reports), 1847--, entry 86. Arr. chron. by dates of court terms. For index 1847-1915, see entry 101; 1915-- no index. h. Aver. 549 pp. 17 x 12 x 3.

101. INDEX TO CIRCUIT COURT RECORD (Criminal), 1847-1915. 2 vols. (A, B).

Alphabetical index to Circuit Court Record, Criminal, entry 100, by first letter of surname of defendant and chron. thereunder by date of entry, showing name of defendant, case number, book and page of recordation. h. Aver. 533 pp. 18 x 13 x $2\frac{1}{2}$. Vol. A in ba. v.

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102. CIVIL FEE BOOK, 1860--. 8 vols. (A, B, 1-4, two not labeled).
Title varies: Circuit Court Fee Book, 1860-74; Circuit Clerk Fee Book A, 1876-93; Fee Book, B, 1885-96; Fee Book, Circuit Court Common Law, 1896-1910.

Record kept for all fees and cost of civil court, showing number of case, term of court, date of court, names of plaintiff and defendant, cause of action, fees of clerk and sheriff, names of witnesses in case, days served, and amount received. Arr. chron. by date of trial, numer. by case no. Indexed in vols. alph. by first letter of surname of pltf.

h., hpf. Aver. 160 pp. $17\frac{1}{2} \times 12 \times 1\frac{3}{4}$. 1860-1926 in ba. v.

103. CRIMINAL FEE BOOK, 1861--. 7 vols. (first vol. dated, B, C, 1-3, last vol. not labeled). Title varies: Clerk & Sheriff Fee Book, 1861-67, Rockport Ark. State Fee Book, 1872-79, Fee Book, 1880-93.

Record of fees and cost accrued in criminal cases, showing number of case, term of court, date trial, name of defendant, cause of action, fees of clerk and sheriff, name of witnesses in case, days served, and amount received. Arr. chron. by date of trial, and numer. by no. of case. Indexed in vols. alph. by first letter of surname of deft. h., hpf. Aver. 205 pp. $17\frac{1}{2} \times 11\frac{3}{4} \times 2$. 1861-1922 in ba. v.

104. CIRCUIT CLERKS FEE BOOK, 1876--. 4 vols. (A, 2, 3, 4).

Record of all fees earned by circuit clerk, showing term of court, date of court, clerks cost incurred by plaintiff and defendant, name of witnesses in case, cost of the sheriff, and other cost. Arr. chron. by date of term of court. Cross indexed in vols. alph. by last name of pltf. h. Aver. 410 pp. $16\frac{1}{2} \times 11\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$. 1876-91 in ba. v.

Officer's Report

105. REPORTS OF COMMISSIONERS' (OF) ACCOUNTS, 1905-1924. 13 bundles.

Annual report of commissioners of accounts, showing office audited, itemized statement of debits and credits, and signatures of commissioners. Arr. chron. by date of audit. No index. h., t. Aver. 10 papers. $13\frac{3}{4} \times 10\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{3}{4}$. ba. v.

Naturalization

106. FORM 2202. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR, DIVISION OF NATURALIZATION, RECORD OF DECLARATION AND INTENTION, 1917--. Last entry 1918. 2 vols.

Record of declaration by aliens of intention to become citizens of the United States and permanently reside therein, giving name, age, occupation, personal description, place of birth, last foreign residence and allegiance, date of arrival in this county, in some cases, name of vessel, present place of residence in the United States, and oath of intention to renounce allegiance to any government other than that of the United States. Arr. chron. by date filed. Indexed in vols. alph. by first letter of surname of alien. hpf. Aver. 100 pp. $14 \times 8\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$. ba. v.

107. FORM 2204. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR, DIVISION OF NATURALIZATION, PETITION AND RECORD, 1908--. 1 vol. Last entry 1908.

Record of petition by aliens to become citizens of the United States, and permanently reside therein, giving same information as entry 106. Arr. chron. by date filed. Indexed in vol. alph. by first letter of surname of alien. hpf. 50 double pp. $18 \times 11\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$. ba. v.

IX. JURY COMMISSION

The jury commission, which selects grand and petit jury veniremen, is in existence by authority of the Arkansas Criminal Code which was adopted by the General Assembly in 1869 (1), and subsequent legislative amendments to the code (2). The commission, consisting of three members, is appointed by the judge of the circuit court, a separate commission being named for each term of court held within the county (1). Records of the commission are filed in the office of the circuit clerk (3).

Grand and Petit Juries

The grand jury and the petit jury panels are selected by the jury commission for each term of the circuit court in the county (1). The grand jury panel consists of 25 men, nine of whom are alternates. The petit jury panel consists of 36, of whom 12 are alternates. The juries serve only for the term of court for which they are selected. (3)

Miscellaneous

108. RECEIPTS (FOR) OFFICIAL PAPERS, 1888-1926. 2 vols. (B, C).
Title varies: Record of Receipts for Official Papers, 1888-1918.

Record of receipts for case papers loaned to attorneys, showing date of receipt, names of plaintiff and defendant, number, and style of case, signature of attorney to whom papers are loaned, date of return to the clerk. Arr. chron. by date of receipts. No index. hpf. Aver. 157 pp. 12 x 9 x 1. ba. v.

109. PENITENTIARY COMMITMENTS, 1929--. 1 steel file box.
Order of warrant issued to the sheriff or his deputy by a court magistrate for conveyance of prisoners to the penitentiary, giving name or alias of prisoner, crime for which convicted, and term of sentence allotted. Arr. chron. by date of sentence. No index. tpf. 99 documents. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

110. RECORD OF WITNESSES' ATTENDANCE, 1900-24. 3 vols. (1-3).
Discontinued, same information now recorded in Clerk's Fee Book, entry 104.
Itemized record of attendance of witnesses in civil cases, giving number of case, names of litigants, name of witness, number of days served, date of trial and fees accrued, attestation of clerk and judge. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of witness. h. Aver. 496 pp. 18 1/4 x 13 1/4 x 2 1/2. ba. v.

(1) Crim. Code, sec. 401.
(2) A. Ark., 1871, 264.

(3) A. Ark., 1881, 92.

X. CHANCERY COURT

A separate court of chancery was created in Hot Spring County in 1893 (1). The creative act (1) and all subsequent legislation have placed the county in the third chancery circuit (2). The chancery judge is elected by the voters of his circuit for a term of six years (3), however, the act which created the court in Hot Spring County provided that the term of office be eight years (1). The circuit clerk (4) and the sheriff (5) of the county in which court is being held are ministerial officers of the court.

The office of chancery clerk is filled in an ex-officio capacity by the circuit clerk (3), who is selected by the electorate of the county for a term of two years (6). Records of the chancery court are kept in the office and vault of the circuit clerk, unless otherwise designated.

Case Papers

111. I. CHANCERY COURT PAPERS, DISPOSED OF CASES I, 1889-1900. 1 steel file box and 2 bundles.

Papers of closed cases in chancery court, such as petitions, pleadings, list of witnesses, subpoenas, orders of court, and prayer for new trial, giving names of litigants and attorneys, case number, and date filed. Arr. numer. by case no. No index. h., tpf. Aver. 53 jackets in bundle; 59 jackets in file box. Bundles 8 x 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 5; file box 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 4 $\frac{3}{4}$. ba. v.

For other Chancery Court Papers, see entries 78 and 112.

112. CHANCERY CASES PENDING, 1933--. 2 steel file boxes. Title varies: (Chancery Court Papers, Pending Cases), 1937--.

Papers of cases pending in chancery court, giving number and style of case, names of attorneys, subpoenas, pleadings, court orders, and date filed. No index. h., t., hpf., tpf. Aver. 15 jackets. 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 4 $\frac{3}{4}$.

Docket

113. CHANCERY DOCKET, 1914--. 4 vols.

Minutes of proceedings in chancery court, giving number and style of case, names of litigants and their attorneys, cause of action, dates of trial and term of court, order of court, verdict, and motions. Arr. chron. by term of court. hpf. Aver. 600 pp. 15 x 9 x 5 $\frac{3}{4}$.

(1) A. Ark., 1893, 13.
(2) A. Ark., 1903, 217.
(3) A. Ark., 1903, 322.

(4) Rev. Stat., app. 1838, 177.
(5) Rev. Stat., app. 1837, 728.
(6) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 19.

Proceedings

114. CHANCERY COURT RECORD, 1843--. 11 vols. (A-K). Title varies: Chancery Record, 1843-1918.

Record of proceedings in chancery court, giving term of court, case number, style of case, names of attorneys, date of trial, cause of action, names of witnesses, verdict, court's judgment or penalty, order of custody of person or property, prayer for new trial, motions and pleadings. Also contains: (Delinquent Improvement District Tax Record), 1930--, entry 116; (Minutes of Commissioner's Deed), 1874--, entry 117. Arr. chron. by date of term of court. No index. h., t. Aver. 577 pp. $16\frac{1}{4}$ x $11\frac{1}{2}$ x $2\frac{1}{2}$.

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115. CHANCERY FEE BOOK, 1896--. 5 vols. (A, 1-4).

Record of fees due in chancery court, giving number and style of case, itemized statement of fees charged, date and amount of payments. Arr. numer. by no. of case. Cross indexed in vols. alph. by name of pltf. hpf. Aver. 320 pp. 18 x 13 x $2\frac{1}{2}$. A, 1-2 in ba. v., 3-4 in cir. c. v.

Delinquent Tax Records

116. (DELINQUENT IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT TAX RECORD), 1930--. In Chancery Court Record, entry 114.

Record of delinquent improvement district taxes, giving name of owner of property, description of tax, and amount delinquent, number of tax lien, name of party filing lien, date of satisfaction, and remarks.

Chancery Commissioners' Deeds

117. (MINUTES OF COMMISSIONERS' DEEDS), 1874--. In Chancery Court Record, entry 114.

Record of deeds to property sold to satisfy judgments of the chancery court, giving date of indenture, names of mortgagor and mortgagee, consideration and description of property, amount of mortgage, date of sale, terms of sale, name of newspaper in which sale was published, date when sale was reported to court, name of chancellor or commissioner, and date recorded.

XI. PROBATE COURT

A separate court of probate was created by the state's first constitution, adopted in 1836 (1). During the period from 1829, when Hot Spring County was created, until 1836 probate jurisdiction was assigned the county court (2). The court as it exists today is provided for by the Constitution of 1874 (3). The chancery judge serves as presiding judge of the probate court (4). The county clerk, as ex-officio probate court clerk (5), and the sheriff attend all of its sessions (6).

Probate Clerk

Following the creation of the probate court in 1836 (1), the office of probate clerk was created in 1838 by an act of the General Assembly. The circuit clerk filled the office in an ex-officio capacity. (5) The office at the present is filled in an ex-officio capacity by the county clerk who is elected by popular vote for a term of two years (7).

Case Papers

118. PROBATE PAPERS (Disposed of Cases), 1860--. 42 steel file boxes. (Labeled alph. according to names of estates to which inclusive papers pertain).

Original case papers and documents filed in probate proceedings, such as court orders and decrees, motions, pleadings, petitions of executors or guardians, disposition of case, notices of sale of property, and reports and final settlements of administrators, executors or guardians, showing names of estates, claimants, heirs and attorneys, number of case, and nature of proceedings. Arr. alph. by name of estate or ward and number. thereunder by case no. No index. h., t., hpf., tpf. Aver. 32 jackets. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

For other Probate Court Papers, see entry 146.

119. PROBATE PAPERS, (Pending Cases), 1922--. 25 steel file boxes. (A-Z).

Original papers of cases pending in probate court, such as shown in entry 118. File box Z contains: Grand Jury Papers Disposed of, 1929, entry 84; County General Claims Allowed, 1929-31, entry 1; (Petition to Annex Land to City), 1927, entry 200, and Bastardy Cases, 1930--, entry 2. Arr. alph. by first letter in surname of deceased and number. thereunder by case no. No index. hpf. Aver. 12 jackets. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

120. INSANE PAPERS, 1912--. 4 steel file boxes.

Case papers of insanity proceedings in probate court, giving names of complainant and examining physicians, petition, and findings of court.

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| (1) Const. 1836, art. VII, sec. 10. | (4) A. Ark., 1939, 6. |
| (2) Terr. A. Ark., 1829-31-33, app. 1829, 14. | (5) Rev. Stat., app. 1838, 177. |
| (3) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 34. | (6) Rev. Stat., app. 1837, 728. |
| | (7) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 19. |

Arr. numer. by case no. No index. hpf. Aver. 40 documents. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

Dockets

121. PROBATE COURT DOCKET, 1883--. 5 vols. (4 dated, one no label). Record prior to 1883 not found.

Minutes of proceedings in cases heard in probate court, giving number and style of case, names of administrator, executor, or guardian, and attorneys, nature of case, date of hearing, court order, and date of order. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. Indexed in vols. alph. by first letter of name of estate or ward. hpf. Aver. 390 pp. 17 2/10 x 12 x 2 9/10. 1883 in ba. v.

Wills

122. WILL RECORD, 1879--. 2 vols. (B, C).

Record of original wills, giving names of testator and witnesses, proof of will, giving names of county clerk, subscribing witnesses to will, and testator, oaths of subscribing witnesses, date of death of testator, acknowledgment of signatures, date filed, and signature of clerk. Arr. chron. by date recorded. Indexed in vols. alph. by first letter of surname of testator and executor. h., t. Aver. 553 pp. 16 1/2 x 12 1/4 x 2 3/4. For other Will Records, see entry 16.

Bonds and Letters

123. RECORD OF GUARDIANS' BONDS & LETTERS, 1832-1870, 1873--. 5 vols. (A, A, B, two dated). 1870-72 missing. Title varies: Guardians' Bonds and Letters, 1832-58; Administrations and Guardians' Record, 1858-66; Letters of Administration, 1866-70.

Record of guardians' bonds and letters. Letters of guardianship give name of guardian, names of wards, qualifications and duties of guardians, signature of probate clerk, date of execution, and date recorded. Bond of guardian, give age and residence of wards, statement of guardian guaranteeing faithful discharge of duties according to law, signature of guardian and sureties, date of approval by probate court, signature of probate judge attested by clerk, qualifications of sureties, and date filed. Also contains: Guardians and Administrators Bonds, 1832-66, 1869--, entry 124. Arr. chron. by date recorded. Indexed in vols. alph. by first letter of surname of guardian. h., hpf. Aver. 366 pp. 16 3/4 x 9 3/4 x 1 3/4.

124. GUARDIANS AND ADMINISTRATORS BONDS, 1866-69. 1 vol. (dated).

Record of guardians' and administrators' bonds, giving name of deceased person, date of death, or names, ages, and residence of wards, name of administrator or guardian, and authority to take charge of all assets of deceased and distribute same as required by law, guardians or administrators statement guaranteeing faithful discharge of duties according to law, and a true accounting of all property of estate, date of execution, signatures of guardian or administrator, sureties, and witnesses, date

of approval by probate judge attested by clerk, dates recorded and filed. Arr. chron. by date filed. Indexed in vol. alph. by first letter of gdn. or admr. h. 144 pp. $12\frac{1}{2}$ x $7\frac{1}{2}$ x $\frac{1}{2}$.

For other records of Guardians and Administrators Bonds, see entries 16 and 123.

125. ADMINISTRATORS RECORD, 1863--. 4 vols. (first 2 vols. dated, A, B). Title varies: Letters of Administration, 1863-1871; Administrators and Executors Record, 1873-1922.

Record of applications for letters of administration, letters and bonds of administrators of the estates, also letters testamentary and bond of executors, showing name of deceased, name of person appointed administrator or executor, amount of bond, names of sureties on bond, date of instrument, date of approval of letters and bond, and date filed and recorded. Arr. chron. by date recorded. Indexed in vols. alph. by first letter of surname of admr., exec. or deceased. Aver. 369 pp. $15\frac{1}{2}$ x $10\frac{1}{2}$ x 1 8/10.

Inventories, Appraisements and Sales

126. APPRAISEMENT OF ESTATE, 1874--. 6 vols. (A, B, B, B, B, B). Title varies: Inventory of the Estate, 1905-36; Sale Bills of Estate, 1905-29; Inventories, Appraisements & Sale Bills, 1874-1921.

Record of inventories and appraisements, and of sale of assets of estates. Inventories give name of deceased, value of real and personal properties, oath, signature and acknowledgment of administrator or executor, date filed, where recorded (book and page), signature of probate clerk, date of approval, and signature of probate judge. Appraisements give names of deceased, names, qualifications, oaths, and signatures of appraisers, acknowledgment, description, and values of real and personal property, certificate of appraisers, date filed, where recorded, signature of probate clerk, date of examination, approval and signature of probate judge. Sales bills record public auctions conducted by auctioneers and clerks appointed by administrators of estates disposing of real and personal property, giving name of estate, itemized list of property sold and amount received, name of purchaser and administrator's affidavit as to correctness of listed property. Arr. chron. by dates filed and recorded. Indexed in vols. alph. by first letter of surname of admr. hpf. Aver. 564 pp. 18 x 13 x $2\frac{1}{2}$.

For other record of Appraisements, see entry 16.

127. GUARDIANS REPORT OF SALE, 1919--. 1 vol. (1919).

Record showing guardians report of sale of property of ward, with name of county, name of probate judge, name of purchaser, dates of sale, filing, and recording, and date of confirmation of sale. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. Indexed in vol. alph. by first letter of surname of gdn. or ward. hpf. 240 pp. 16 x $11\frac{1}{2}$ x $1\frac{1}{2}$.

Settlements

128. EXECUTORS', ADMINISTRATORS' AND GUARDIANS' SETTLEMENTS, 1861--. 4 vols. (A-D).

Record of annual settlements of executors, administrators and guardians, giving itemized statement of cash receipts and disbursements, balance due wards or estates, signature of guardians or administrators, confirmation and signature of probate judge, date recorded, and signature of probate clerk. Arr. chron. by confirmation date. Indexed in vols. alph. by first letter of name of deceased. hpf., tpf. Aver. 612 pp. 18 1/6 x 13 x 2 9/10.

Proceedings

129. PROBATE COURT RECORD, 1839--. 13 vols. (A-M).

Record of proceedings in probate court, giving case number, name of deceased or ward, guardian, administrator, or executor, style of case, attorneys, date of trial, cause of action, list of witnesses, findings of court, order of custody of person or property, prayer for new trial, motions, petitions, and pleadings. Arr. chron. by date of term of court. Indexed, 1839-83, 1931--, in vols. alph. by first letter of name of estate or ward; for index, 1883-1931, see entry 130. h., t. Aver. 524 pp. 17 x 11 x 2 2/5.

130. INDEX TO PROBATE COURT (RECORD), 1883-1931. 4 vols. (A, H, J, K). Title varies: Probate Index, 1887-1915.

Index to Probate Court Record, entry 129, by first letter of surname of estate, gdn., admr. or executor, giving name of estate or ward, name of guardian, administrator or executor, style of case, book and page of recordation. hpf. Aver. 400 pp. 18 x 12 1/2 x 1.

131. INSANE RECORD, 1915--. 2 vols. (A, B).

Record of findings and decisions of probate judge in insanity cases, giving name of person adjudged insane, complainant, names of examining physicians, verdict, instructions to clerk, judge's signature, date filed, and signature of clerk. Arr. chron. by date recorded. Indexed in vols. alph. by first letter of surname of insane person. hpf. Aver. 240 pp. 16 x 11 1/2 x 1 1/2.

For other Insane Record, see entry 9.

Financial

132. PROBATE FEE BOOK, 1875-1919, 1932--. 3 vols. (A, A, B). 1920-1931 not found.

Record of fees earned by probate clerk, giving name of administrator or guardian, name of deceased or ward, name of person paying fee, date and amount of payments, services for which fee was charged, and amount paid to county treasurer. Arr. chron. by term of court. Indexed in vols. alph. by first letter of surname of deceased or ward. hpf. Aver. 306 pp. 18 1/4 x 12 1/2 x 1 3/4.

XII. JUVENILE COURT

The juvenile court, created for the purpose of coping with the problem of the delinquent and dependent child, was established in each county in Arkansas in 1911. The county judge and the county clerk serve as the judge and clerk, respectively, of the juvenile court, and any officer who is authorized to serve the process of any other court may act in a similar capacity for the juvenile court. (1)

Case Papers

133. JUVENILE COURT PAPERS, 1920-31. 1 steel file box. Papers of cases heard in juvenile court, such as petitions, motions, pleadings and court orders, giving name of minor, offense, list of witnesses, number and style of case. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. hpf., tpf. 16 documents. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

For other Juvenile Court Papers, see entry 146.

Proceedings

134. JUVENILE RECORD, 1923-1925. 1 vol. (A).

Record of orders and proceedings, warrants for arrest and commitment of delinquent, receipts from industrial schools for delinquent children received there, petitions from parents to the court to send their delinquent children to industrial schools, and findings and orders of court. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. h. 360 pp. 16 x 10 1/2 x 1.

For other Juvenile Records, see entry 9.

XIII. COURT OF COMMON PLEAS (Defunct)

The court of common pleas was created in Hot Spring County in 1883 (2) and abolished in 1897 (3). The county judge served as presiding magistrate of this court and it used the same code of practice that then applied to the circuit court (4). The sheriff and county clerk attended all sessions of the court (2).

Case Papers

135. COMMON PLEAS COURT PAPERS, 1893-96. 1 steel file box. No prior or subsequent records found.

Papers of cases tried in the court of common pleas, such as petitions, motions, and orders of the court, giving names of plaintiff and defend-

(1) A. Ark., 1911, 167.

(2) A. Ark., 1883, 27.

(3) A. Ark., 1897, 17.

(4) A. Ark., 1889, 140.

ant, number and style of case, names of attorneys, and date filed. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. hpf. 90 documents. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4. ba. v.

Docket

136. COMMON PLEAS DOCKET, 1883-97. 1 vol. (1). Discontinued, court abolished, 1897.

Minutes of proceedings in cases tried in the court of common pleas, giving style and number of case, names of plaintiff and defendant, names of attorneys, date and nature of proceedings, and order of court. Arr. chron. by term of court. No index. hpf. 400 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. ba. v.

Proceedings

137. COMMON PLEAS COURT RECORD, 1883-97. 1 vol. (1). Discontinued, court abolished, 1897.

Record of proceedings in the court of common pleas, giving names of plaintiff and defendant, cause of action, date of trial, number of case, names of witnesses, summons, pleadings, and judgment rendered. Arr. chron. by trial date. 576 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. ba. v.

Judgments

138. JUDGEMENTS IN COMMON PLEAS COURT, 1886-1896. 1 vol. (B). Discontinued, court abolished, 1897.

Record of judgments rendered in common pleas court, giving number of case, names of plaintiff and defendant, date of judgment, amount of judgment, and date recorded. Arr. chron. by judgment date. Indexed in vol. alph. by first letter of surname of pltf. h. 464 pp. 18 1/4 x 12 x 2 1/2.

XIV. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

The office of justice of the peace was well established in the Territory of Arkansas (1) at the time of the creation of Hot Spring County in 1829 (2). The office remains in existence today in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of 1874, which provides that each political township in the county may elect one justice of the peace for each 200 resident electors of the township, the justices serving a term of two years (3).

(1) Laws of the Territory of Louisiana, as contained in Territorial Laws of Missouri, 1824, Digest (hereafter cited as T. L. M., with approval

date given), Jefferson City, Mo., 1842, 143.

(2) Terr. A. Ark., 1829-31-33, app. 1829, 150.

(3) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 39.

Docket

139. J. P. DOCKET (Fenter Township), 1856-62, 1865--. 13 vols. Title varies: Records of J. P., 1868-86; Justice of Peace Docket, 1887-92, 1904-13; Civil and Criminal Docket, 1926-30. Record of cases tried by D. A. Newman, 1856-58, J. G. Powers, 1859-62, Geo. C. Miller, 1865-68, Frank Beckett, 1868-72, Wm. T. Madry, 1873-74, E. Denis, 1888-92, Benj. Means, 1893-1912, George Hetzel, 1912-14, J. M. Caldwell, 1914-21, 1926-30, S. B. Baker, 1922-25, A. V. Fitzhugh, 1930-32, M. T. Norton, 1932-36, and C. G. Giles, 1936--, giving date and style of case, names of plaintiff and defendant, names of attorneys, cause of action, record of amount of fines, and fees earned by justice of peace, constable, prosecuting attorney and jury. Arr. chron. by trial date. Indexed in vols. alph. by first letter of surname of deft. h. Aver. 312 pp. 15 x 10 3/4 x 1 1/4. 1856-1917 in ba. v.; 1917-- in office of C. G. Giles, J. P.

Eight of these vols. are part of records shown in entry 196.

XV. PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

A prosecuting attorney for each judicial circuit in Arkansas was provided for by an act of the Territorial Legislature in 1829 (1). A prosecutor now is elected by the voters of each judicial circuit for a term of two years (2), and, although he is a servant of the county, the Arkansas Supreme Court has held that the prosecutor is in reality a state officer (3).

XVI. COUNTY ATTORNEY (Defunct)

The office of county attorney was created in 1859, and passed out of existence in 1874 when the Constitution of 1874 made no provision for its continuance. The prosecutor was appointed for a term of two years by the county judge (4), this appointive power later descending upon the board of supervisors. (5)

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| (1) Terr. A. Ark., 1829-31-33, app. 1829, 3. | (3) Griffin v. Rhoten, 85, Ark., (1907), 89. |
| (2) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 24. | (4) A. Ark., 1859, 101. |
| | (5) A. Ark., 1873, 54. |

XVII. SHERIFF

The office of sheriff as it existed at the time of the creation of Hot Spring County, was set up in the county in accordance with an act of the 1829 Territorial Legislature (1). The sheriff's office now exists in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of 1874. He is elected by popular vote for a term of two years. (2)

Prisoners

140. JAIL REGISTER, 1911--. 2 vols. (A, B).

Record of prisoners, giving number and name of prisoner, color, offense, when received, by what authority confined and discharged, time of sentence, date of discharge, and amount of board due. Arr. chron. by date of incarceration. No index. hpf. Aver. 286 pp. $16\frac{1}{2}$ x $11\frac{1}{2}$ x $2\frac{1}{4}$.

Fees

141. SHERIFFS FEE BOOK, 1911--. 2 vols. (A, 1). Record prior to 1911 not found.

Record of fees earned by sheriff for service of process in civil and criminal cases, giving number and style of case, date papers received, from whom, name of county, kind of process, by whom issued, date of return, and costs. Arr. chron. by process date. Indexed in vols. alph. by names of litigants. hpf. Aver. 489 pp. $17\frac{1}{4}$ x $15\frac{3}{4}$ x $2\frac{1}{2}$.

XVIII. CORONER

The office of coroner as a part of the first structure of county government in Hot Spring County, existed by virtue of an act of the Territorial Legislature of 1829 (3). The office exists today as an elective one, the holder being chosen by popular vote for a term of two years (4).

Proceedings

142. LEDGER (Coroner's Record), 1933--. 1 vol. No prior record found.

Record of inquests held by coroner, giving date of inquest, case number, place of inquest, name of deceased, cause of death, date of death, verdict of the jury, and names of jurors, witnesses and coroner. Arr. chron. by inquest date. No index. h. 88 pp. $9\frac{1}{2}$ x 6 x $\frac{1}{4}$. cir. c. v.

(1) Terr. A. Ark., 1829-31-33, app. 1829, 4. (3) Terr. A. Ark., 1829-31-33, app. 1829, 4.
(2) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 46. (4) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 46.

XIX. CONSTABLE

The office of constable was a unit in the county governmental structure at the time of the creation of Hot Spring County, provision having been made in 1829 for the election of one constable in each political township within the county (1). The office at present is provided for by the Constitution of 1874. He is elected by popular vote for a term of two years and receives a certificate of election from the county judge. (2)

XX. QUORUM COURT

The quorum court, composed of the county judge, as presiding officer, and the justices of the peace of the county, was created by the Constitution of 1874 as a governing body to levy the tax on property within the county and make appropriations of county funds (3). The county clerk serves as the clerk of the court and is required to attend all of its sessions (4).

Reports

143. REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICERS TO QUORUM COURT, 1885---. 7 steel file boxes.

Original reports of county officials to quorum court, showing conditions of reporting office, amount of cash collected, cash expended, cash on hand, source of revenue and purpose of expenditure, dates covered by report, signature of reporting officer, date filed, reports of appraisal of county-owned real and personal property, and reports of county judge on condition of roads, bridges and county institutions. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. h., t., hpf., tpf. Aver. 65 reports. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

Proceedings

144. (QUORUM COURT RECORD), 1874---. In County Court Record, entry 9.

Clerk's minutes of proceedings of the quorum court, giving date of meeting, names of justices of the peace present, reports of county judge, county clerk, sheriff, and treasurer submitted to court for approval, county tax levy and appropriations made for salaries of county officers and expenses, taxes levied for state political subdivisions of the county, and adjournment order.

(1) Terr. A. Ark., 1829-31-33,
app. 1829, 4.

47, 48.

(2) Const. 1874, art. VII, secs.

(3) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 30.

(4) A. Ark., 1879, 111.

145. RECORD OF APPROPRIATION, 1925-26. 1 vol. (1).

Record of tax levies for various purposes and appropriations made by the quorum court for each office and for other expenses of county government, giving names of funds for which appropriations were made, date of appropriation, nature and amount of debits and credits, and by whom received. Arr. chron. by date of court term. No index. hpf. 324 pp. 16½ x 12 x 2.

For other Records of Appropriations, see entry 9.

XXI. COUNTY CLERK

The office of county clerk was first created in 1829, the provision being made in the creative law that it be filled in an ex-officio capacity by the clerk of the circuit court (1).

The Constitution of 1874 provided that the circuit clerk serve as ex-officio county clerk until the county attained a population of more than 15,000, after which the offices were divided (2), in accordance with this provision Hot Spring County has had a separate office of county clerk since 1910 (3). The clerk is elected by popular vote for a term of two years (2).

Papers

146. INSTRUMENTS FILED FOR SAFEKEEPING (Miscellaneous Papers), 1901--. 2 steel file boxes.

Collection of miscellaneous papers containing: Old Insurance Policies, 1929-38; Pension Papers, 1927-28; Justice of Peace Resignations, 1918-38; Receipts for Marriage License, 1932; Contract, 1925; Sale of County Farm, 1922; Collectors Bond, 1922; Affidavit of Publication, 1910-24; Warrant for Commitment, 1913; Abstract of Title, Malvern Special School Dist., 1928; Depository Bond, 1923; Receipts for Wills, 1929-32; Marriage Certificate Canceled, 1932; Appt. of Receiver for Improvement District, 1922; Fee Bill (Criminal), 1927; Order of Court to Collect Funds, 1927; Error in Assessment, 1923; Petition for Refund of Taxes, 1928; Fifteenth Census Announcement, 1930; County Treasurer's Report, 1931; Suit for Back Taxes, 1919; Final Judgment in damage suit, 1923; County Court Order to Survey Part of Boundary Line between Garland and Hot Spring counties, 1925; Petition for temporary restraining order, 1923; Abstracts of Tax Books, 1909-20; Real Estate Assessment Certificates, 1930-31; List of Property assessed by state tax commission for 1930; Automobiles listed by tax assessor in Hot Spring County, 1923; Fencing Papers, 1913; Application for sale of 16th Section Land, 1923; Petition to refund poll tax, 1923; Ap-

(1) Terr. A. Ark., 1829-31-33,
app. 1829, 16.

(2) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec.

19.

(3) Fifteenth Census, Population,
I, 103.

pointment of County Examiner, 1918; Estray Notice, 1923; Report of Local Registrar Vital Statistics, 1923; Delinquent Tax List, 1909; Clerk's Tax Deed, 1929-31; Report of County General Fund, 1919-21; Petition to use county courthouse for religious services, 1920; County Clerk's Financial Report, 1919; Doctor's Certificate of Practice, 1903; Collector's settlement with state, 1913-18; Settlement of Road Dist. #1 Fund, 1921; Petition to incorporate the town of Donaldson, 1922; Petition to incorporate the town of Friendship, 1911; Hog law petitions, 1919-30; Sheriff's settlement, 1923; Oaths of office, 1921-23. Also contains: Warranty Deeds, 1904-30, entry 17; Probate Court Papers, 1901-32, entry 118; Juvenile Court Papers, 1912-22, entry 133; Courthouse Papers, 1923, entry 147. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. h., t., hpf. Aver. 135 documents. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

147. COURTHOUSE PAPERS (New Courthouse and Jail), 1935--. 2 steel file boxes.

Original papers pertaining to the erection of new courthouse and jail, such as court orders, bids, contracts, transfer of funds, plans and specifications of building, insurance papers on courthouse, jail, county hospital, county trucks, and road machinery. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. t., tpf., hpf. Aver. 29 documents. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

For other Courthouse Papers, see entry 146.

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Accounts

148. OFFICERS ACCOUNT BOOK, 1875-1931, 1935--. 5 vols. (A-C, last two vols. not labeled). 1932-34 not found. Title varies: Clerk's Account with Treasurer, 1875-1931.

County Clerk's accounts with officers and general fund, recording the total amount of county revenue received by treasurer from all sources, giving manner of disbursement, amounts, to whom paid, and to what credited. Also contains: Accounts of Clerk with Sheriff and Constables, 1935--, entry 149; Lands Redeemed, 1901-18, entry 214. In 1879-1931 arr. chron. by entry date, 1935-- in sections tabbed by name of road district, name or number of school district, and alph. by name of account. No index. hpf. Aver. 545 pp. 18 x 12 1/2 x 2 1/2. 1875-1931 in ba. v.; 1935-- in c. v.

149. ACCOUNT OF CLERK WITH SHERIFF AND CONSTABLES, 1885-1915. 3 vols. (B, 2, ledger).

Record of sums charged to sheriff and constables as collecting officers, showing date of entry, name of person paying fine, amount of fine, name of officer to whom fine is paid, and name of court assessing fine. Arr. chron. by dates of entries. Indexed in vols. alph. by first letter of surname of officer. hpf. Aver. 310 pp. 16 x 14 x 1 1/2. ba. v.

For other Accounts of Clerk with Sheriff and Constables, see entries 9 and 148.

150. COMPTROLLER'S REPORT, AUDIT OF HOT SPRING COUNTY, ARKANSAS, 1930--. 6 vols. (dated).

Reports of state comptroller, as ex-officio county auditor, of audits of county officers, containing letter of transmittal, statement of condition of records and accounts of county officials, and transcript of audit.

No index. t. Aver. 54 pp. 16 x 10 x $\frac{1}{4}$.

Warrants

151. ABSTRACTS OF WARRANTS, 1868--. 5 vols. (A, 2-4, last vol. not labeled). Title varies: Register of Warrants, 1868-1934. Record of warrants issued to pay claims against the county, giving name of person to whom issued, when issued, amount, register number, fund upon which issued, date of delivery, and to whom delivered. Arr. numer. by warrant no. No index. hpf. Aver. 250 pp. 1868-95 in ba. v.

152. REGISTER OF COUNTY ROAD WARRANTS, 1903--. 3 vols. (first vol. not labeled, B, C). Title varies: Register of Warrants Issued and Redeemed, 1903-33; Register of Road Warrants, 1934-38. A numerical listing of road warrants issued, showing number of warrant, date issued, to whom issued, amount, to whom delivered, and date redeemed. Also contains: Register of County and Special Highway Warrants, 1922-38, entry 153. Arr. in tabbed secs. by no. of road district and number thereunder by warrant no. Indexed in vols. alph. by first letter of surname of payee. hpf. Aver. 239 pp. 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 12 $\frac{1}{4}$. 1903-33 in treas. v.

153. REGISTER OF COUNTY AND SPECIAL HIGHWAY WARRANTS, 1938--. 1 vol. (1). Record of all county highway and special highway warrants drawn against gasoline tax funds accruing to the county, showing the number of warrant, date, to whom issued, amount, number of road district, when paid, to whom paid, and date and term of court. Arr. numer. by warrant no. No index. hpf. 245 pp. 14 $\frac{1}{4}$ x 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$.

For other Register of County and Special Highway Warrants, see entry 152.

154. COUNTY GENERAL WARRANTS, 1938--. 1 steel file box. Warrants issued to pay claims against the county, giving name of person to whom issued, date of issue, amount, register number, fund upon which issued, date of delivery, and to whom delivered. Arr. numer. by warrant no. No index. hpf. 519 warrants. 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 3 $\frac{3}{4}$.

155. RECORD OF CANCELLED & BURNED WARRANTS, 1922-27. 1 vol. Record of cancelled and burned warrants of county, giving number, date, and amount of warrant, on what fund drawn, to whom issued, to whom paid, and date of cancellation. Arr. numer. by warrant no. No index. hpf. 288 pp. 14 x 9 x 1. ba. v.

For other Record of Cancelled & Burned Warrants, see entry 9.

156. COUNTY WARRANT, VOID, ROAD WARRANTS, HIGHWAY (Voided Warrants), 1927--. 1 steel file box. Original warrants issued to pay claims against the county, which have been duplicated or issued in error then voided, giving same information as entry 154. Arr. chron. by warrant date. No index. hpf. 488 warrants. 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 4 $\frac{3}{4}$.

157. VARIOUS ROAD WARRANTS, 1937--. 1 steel file box. Collection of miscellaneous road warrants, giving name of person to whom paid, amount, date issued, fund on which issued, book and page where coun-

ty court order for warrant is recorded, date of warrant, and date paid. Arr. numer. by warrant no. No index. hpf. 543 warrants. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 3 3/4.

Assessment and Taxation

158. REAL ESTATE ASSESSMENT ACREAGE, REAL ESTATE ASSESSMENT TOWN LOTS, 1861, 1866-69, 1874, 1876, 1880, 1883-92, 1894--. 43 vols. Title varies: (Original Real & Personal Assessment), 1866; Personal Original, 1866; Tax List Personal Original Assessment Book, 1867; Real Estate, 1868, 1876, 1880; Original Assessment Book, 1869; Real Estate Assessment, 1874, 1905-8, 1911-30; Abstract Real Estate, 1883, 1891-92; Real, 1884, 1889-90; Abstract, 1887-88; Real Estate Assessed, 1895-96; R. E. Assessment, 1897-98, 1909-10; Real Est. Assessment Abstract, 1899-1900; Real Assessment, 1901-2; Real Estate Tax Book acreage, 1934-35.

Record of real estate assessments made by the assessor of all real property, both rural and town lots, showing name of owner, description of rural property by section, township, range, and acres, town property by lots and blocks, assessed valuation, school and road districts numbers, 1861, 1866, 1867 records are both real estate and personal assessments, Also contains: Personal (Property) Assessment, 1866-67, entry 160. Rural property arr. in tabbed sections by twp. no. and numer. thereunder by sec. no; town property arr. alph. by name of town or addition and numer. thereunder by block and lot nos. No index. hpf. Aver. 238 pp. 17 3/4 x 13 1/4 x 1 1/4. 1868-1926 in ba. v.

159. REAL ESTATE TAX BOOK, ACREAGE, & REAL ESTATE TAX BOOK, CITY & TOWN LOTS, 1868-73, 1875--. 93 vols. Title varies: Tax List Made Before Reconstruction, 1868; Real Estate Book, Taxes Added, 1869-71, 1877; (Real Estate Tax Book), 1872, 1876, 1889; Real Estate, Taxes Added, 1873, 1875, 1880; Tax Book Real Estate for 1878, 1878; Real Estate, 1879, 1887, 1890-92, 1895, 1900-1; Taxes Added Real Estate, 1881; Real, 1882, 1884-86, 1888; Real Estate Tax Book, 1883, 1894, 1898-99, 1902-15, 1921; Real Tax, 1893; R. E. Tax Book, 1896; R. E. Tax, 1897; Real Estate Tax (City Hot Spg. Co.), 1916; Real Estate Assessment Tax, 1917-18; Real Estate Taxes, 1919-22.

Tax rolls for real property in the county, giving name of owner, legal description of property, number of school district, number of road district, rate of school taxes, taxes extended, state, county, district, and city taxes, total tax, and amount of tax delinquent. Arr. in tabbed sections, numer. by twp. no. and numer. thereunder by sec. no. alph. by name of addition and numer. thereunder by block and by lot. No index. hpf. Aver. 327 pp. 18 x 13 x 1 1/2. 1868-1900 in ba. v.

160. PERSONAL (Property) ASSESSMENT, 1868-71, 1873, 1885-88, 1890-1912, 1914-16. 44 vols. (dated). Title varies: Personal, 1868-70, 1873, 1875-76, 1878-82, 1877, 1890; Assessor's Book Personal Property, 1877; Assessor's Personal, 1883; Assessment Personal Book, 1885; Assessor's Personal Property, 1891; Assessor's Personal Book, 1892; Personal Property Assessed,

1893; Personal Property Tax Book, 1894; Per. Ass'mt., 1896, 1898-99; Per. Prop. Assessed, 1897, (Personal Assessment), 1871, 1886, 1888.

Record of personal property assessments, showing name of owner, those persons required to pay poll tax, number and value of livestock, farm equipment, jewelry, stocks and bonds, moneys invested, total assessed value of all property, total value as equalized, numbers of school and road district, assessor's penalty, and school penalty. Arr. numer. by school districts and alph. thereunder by name of taxpayer. No index. hpf. Aver. 225 pp. ba. v.

For other record of Personal (Property) Assessment, see entries 158 and 162.

161. PERSONAL TAX BOOK, 1868-69, 1872, 1874-75, 1877-1916. 47 vols. (dated). Title varies: Personal Taxes Added, 1868-69; Personal Tax, 1872, 1874-75, 1879, 1900-01, 1900-16; Tax Book Personal Property, 1877; Personal Taxes, 1878; (Personal Tax), 1880-1885, 1896; Personal, 1882, 1884, 1886-87; Personal Property of 1888, 1888; Personal Property, 1893; Per. Property, 1894; Per. Book, 1895, and Per. Tax, 1897.

Tax rolls of personal property, giving numbers of receipt book and receipt, name of property owner, address, date tax paid, description of personal property, valuation of various items of personal property, total valuation, penalty assessed for delinquency, if any, valuation as equalized, numbers of school and road districts, state, county, general, road, school, and total taxes. Arr. in tabbed secs. by towns and political twps. and alph. thereunder by name of taxpayer. No index. hpf. Aver. 225 pp. ba. v.

For other record of Personal Taxes, see entry 162.

162. PERSONAL ASSESSMENT TAX BOOK, 1917-28, 1930--. 22 vols. (dated). Title varies: Personal Tax, 1917; Personal Tax Assessment, 1918, and Personal Assessment, 1919, 1921.

Record of personal property assessments and taxrolls, giving numbers of receipt book and receipt, name of property owner, address, date tax paid, description of personal property, valuation of various items, total valuation, penalty assessed for delinquency, if any, valuation as equalized, numbers of school and road district, state, county, general, road, school, and total taxes. Arr. in tabbed secs. by school districts and towns and alph. thereunder by name of taxpayer. No index. hpf. Aver. 225 pp.

For other records of Personal Taxes and Personal Assessments, see entries 160 and 161.

Tax Collections

163. RECORD OF TAX RECEIPTS, 1883, 1885-87, 1889-91, 1893-95, 1898, 1900--. 50 vols. (dated).

Record of tax receipts, giving name of collector, year for which taxes were paid, number of receipt, to whom issued, legal description of property, valuation of real estate, valuation of personal property, total value of real and personal property, school, levee, bridge, and drainage districts taxes, total taxes, and date paid. Arr. numer. by tax receipt no. No index. hpf. Aver. 410 pp. 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 14 2/5 x 2.

Delinquent Taxes and Tax Sales

164. DELINQUENT LANDS (Sold To) STATE, 1883--. 3 vols. (first two vols. not labeled, C).

Record of lands sold to the state for non-payment of taxes, giving the amount of taxes delinquent, plus penalties and costs, years for which taxes are delinquent, area and legal description of tract, taxes, penalties, and costs due. Arr. in tabbed secs. numer. by township no., and numer. thereunder by section no. No index. hpf. Aver. 345 pp. 17 x 17 x 2.

165. DELINQUENT LANDS (Sold To) INDIVIDUALS, 1883--. 2 vols. (first vol. not labeled, 3).

Record of lands sold to individuals for non-payment of taxes, giving year for which tax payments are delinquent, area and legal description of tract, part of tract was sold, amount of taxes, penalties and cost due, and to whom sold. Arr. numer. by twp. no. and numer. thereunder by sec. no. No index. hpf. Aver. 345 pp. 17 x 17 x 2. 1883-1923 in ba. v.

166. PERSONAL PROPERTY DELINQUENT, 1891-1908, 1929--. 3 vols. (A, B, last vol. not labeled). Title varies: Delinquent Personal Property, 1891-1908.

List of persons who have not paid personal property taxes, giving name of person, number of school district, description and value of property, years for which taxes are delinquent, total taxes, penalty, and costs. Arr. numer. by number of school dist. and chron. thereunder by date of delinquency. No index. hpf. Aver. 324 pp. 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 15 x 1 $\frac{3}{4}$. 1891-1908 in ba. v.

167. SHERIFF'S CERTIFICATE OF PURCHASE, 1912-1930, 1937--. 1 steel file box.

Original certificates of purchase issued by sheriff as ex-officio collector to person buying land at tax sale, giving date of tax sale, state and county, description of property, amount of taxes, penalty and cost, to whom sold, and signature of collector. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. hpf. 250 certificates. 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 4 $\frac{3}{4}$.

168. RECORD OF LANDS REDEEMED, 1894-1900, 1935--. 3 vols. (first vol. not labeled, B, C). Title varies: Redemption of Lands, 1894-1903.

Record of lands redeemed after having been sold for taxes, gives name of party owning lands, redemption certificate number, description of lands, valuation, total tax, penalty and costs, date of sale, to whom sold, date redeemed, and by whom. Arr. chron. by date of redemption. No index. hpf. Aver. 310 pp. 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 16 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$.

169. REDEMPTION CERTIFICATE, 1932--. 3 steel file boxes, 4 paste board boxes, and 1 bundle.

Original redemption certificates issued to persons redeeming land sold for taxes, showing date of sale, amount of taxes, penalty and costs, to whom sold (state or individual), clerks redemption fee, by whom redeemed, date and signature of clerk, receipt of county treasurer, for delinquent tax payment with date and signature. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. hpf. Aver. 400 certificates. File boxes 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 4 $\frac{3}{4}$,

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paste board boxes $14\frac{1}{2} \times 9 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$, and bundle $14 \times 8\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

Elections

170. VOTERS RECORD, 1892--. 4 vols. (1-4).
Record of list of qualified electors, giving names of persons who have paid the poll tax and specifying townships in which they are eligible to vote. Arr. in tabbed secs. by precincts and alph. thereunder by surname of voter. No index. hpf. Aver. 520 pp. $17 \times 12 \times 2$.
For other Voters Record, see entry 16.

171. CORRUPT PRACTICE CERTIFICATES, 1924--. 1 steel file box.
Original copies of corrupt practice certificates executed by candidates seeking county or township office stating that the candidate has read and understands the conditions of the act 308 of the General Assembly of 1913 which limits the amount of money that may be spent in a campaign for office, showing name of candidate, name of office he is seeking, date and acknowledgment. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. hpf. 373 certificates. $13 \frac{3}{4} \times 10 \frac{3}{4} \times 4 \frac{3}{4}$.

172. CANDIDATES EXPENSE ACCOUNTS, 1926-33. 1 steel file box.
Statements of campaign expenses of candidates, giving name, address, name of office sought, itemized statement of expenses incurred during campaign, signature of candidate, acknowledgment, and date filed. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. t. 38 documents. $13 \frac{3}{4} \times 10 \frac{3}{4} \times 3 \frac{3}{4}$.
For other Candidates Expense Accounts, see entry 173.

173. ELECTION PAPERS, 1873-1934. 3 steel file boxes. Title varies: Judges and Clerks of Election, 1882-1928.
File boxes containing miscellaneous papers, such as abstract of election returns, 1888-1934; petition for nomination of mayor, 1918; affidavit of candidates for office, 1913-14; votes polled for governor, 1928; votes polled for congressman, 1904; statement showing justices of peace elected, 1910-32; list of judges and clerks serving in elections, 1882-1928; appointment of election commissioners, 1912; official returns of primary, 1924; report of destruction of election papers, 1933; petition to hold an election, 1873; oaths of election commissioners, 1920; official list of poll taxpayers, 1915; notice of election proclamation, 1886-1890; oath of judges and clerks of the election, 1873; petition to change voting precinct, 1884; claim for making election booths, 1892. Also contains: Expense Account of Candidates, 1933-34, see entry 172. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. hpf., t. Aver. 60 documents. $13 \frac{3}{4} \times 10 \frac{3}{4} \times 3 \frac{3}{4}$. 1873-82 in ba. v.

Marriage

174. MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES (Original), 1875--. 3 steel file boxes. (A-Z, A-L and M-Z).
Certificates of marriage, giving name of person performing ceremony, date of marriage, date of signing certificate, and names of contracting parties. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of bridegroom. No index. hpf. Aver. 368 documents. $13 \frac{3}{4} \times 10 \frac{3}{4} \times 4 \frac{3}{4}$.

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175. MARRIAGE RECORD, 1825--. 21 vols. (A-E, A-P).
A record of marriage consisting of marriage bond, affidavit for license application, license, certificate of marriage. Marriage bond gives name of principal and sureties, date of bond, names of contracting parties, and signatures of the principal and bondsman. Affidavit for license application gives name of person applying for license, his age, and address, name, age, and address of woman he intends to marry, date of affidavit, and signature of county clerk. Marriage license gives names, addresses, and ages of contracting parties, date of license, and seal of county clerk. Certificate of marriage gives name of person performing ceremony, date of ceremony, date of signing of certificate, copy of signature of person performing ceremony, and record in which his credentials are recorded. Certificate of record gives name of clerk and contracting parties, date recorded, and volume and page of record in which recorded. Also contains: (Register of Ministers' Credentials), 1876--, entry 61. Arr. chron. by date recorded. Indexed in vols. alph. by first letter of surname of contracting parties. hpf. Aver. 467 pp. 18 x 12 x $2\frac{1}{2}$.

Corporations

176. (ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION), 1884-1912, 1931. In Deed Record, entry 16.
Record of incorporation papers, giving name of corporation, names of persons subscribing stock, amount subscribed, total capital stock, place of business, articles and by-laws of corporation, date filed and recorded. For other Articles of Incorporation, see entry 33.

177. CORPORATIONS REPORT, 1912--. 2 vols. (1, 2). Title varies: Articles of Agreement and Incorporations, 1912-1935.
A record of annual reports made by corporations to county clerk, giving amount of capital paid in, cash value of real estate, amount of debts, cash value of personal estate, cash value of credits, name and number of shares of each stockholder. Record of articles of agreement and incorporation, which give authority to transact certain forms of business, show name of applicant, date of instrument, and date filed. Arr. chron. by date filed. Indexed in vols. alph. by name of corporation. hpf., t. Aver. 456 pp. 18 x 13 x $2\frac{1}{2}$.
For other Corporation Report, see entry 16.

178. ANNUAL CERTIFICATES & TRANSFERS OF SHARES OF STOCK (Miscellaneous Corporation Papers), 1909-34. 1 steel file box.
Corporation papers, such as resolutions surrendering charter, 1919-34; transfers of stock, 1909-33; articles of incorporation, 1917-34; annual reports of corporation, 1910-25; resolution of stockholders, 1934; annual certificates of corporations, 1909-22; dissolution of corporations, 1925-32, and bill of sale, 1909. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. hpf. t. 71 documents. 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 4 $\frac{3}{4}$.

Professional Licenses

179. OFFICIAL RECORD OF PHYSICIANS CERTIFICATES, 1903--. 1 vol. (A).
Record of physicians' licenses to practice made in accordance with a law

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of 1903, giving name of examining board, name of physician, certificate of qualifications, statement that name of physician has been placed on list of accredited physicians, date of execution of certificate, names of officers and members of examining board. Also contains: (Record of) M. D. Diplomas, 1903-36, entry 180 and (Register of Dentists), 1915, entry 182. Arr. thumb tabs alph. by name. Indexed in vol. alph. by name of physician filing certificate. hpf. 300 pp. 16 x 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$.

180. (Record of) M. (edical) D. (octor) DIPLOMAS, 1895--. 1 vol. (A).

Register of physicians and surgeons, giving copies of diplomas or certificate issued by recognized authorities to practice, name of person, residence, sex, title, name and residences of witnesses, and date of certificate. Also contains: (Record of Optometry License), 1916, entry 181; (Register of Dentists), 1905-25, entry 182; (Register of Chiropractors), 1921--, entry 183; (Register of Chiropodists), 1923--, entry 184; (Register of Osteopaths), 1918-28, entry 185; (Register of Nurses), 1930--, entry 186; (Register of Embalmers), 1919-25, entry 187, and (Record of Veterinary License), 1915, entry 188. Arr. chron. by date filed. Indexed in vol. alph. by first letter of surname of person receiving diploma. h. 120 pp. 13 x 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 1.

For other (Record of) M. D. Diplomas, see entry 179.

181. (RECORD OF OPTOMETRY LICENSE), 1915-1916. In Lis Pendens Record, entry 43.

An instrument recorded, showing the person named has passed the required examination before the state optometry examining board and licensed to practice optometry, giving name of optometrist, date of license, name of officers and state board of optometry, name of county clerk and deputy recording.

For other Record of Optometry License, see entry 180.

182. (REGISTER OF DENTISTS), 1905-25. In (Record of) M. D. Diplomas, entry 180.

Register of dentists, giving copies of diplomas or certificates issued by recognized authorities to practice, name of person, residence, sex, title, names and residences of witnesses, dates of certificate and registration.

For other record of Register of Dentists, see entry 179.

183. (REGISTER OF CHIROPRACTORS), 1921--. In (Record of) M. D. Diplomas, entry 180.

Register of chiropractors, giving copies of diplomas or certificates issued by recognized authorities to practice, name of person, residence, sex, title, names and residences of witnesses, dates of certificate and registration.

184. (REGISTER OF CHIROPODISTS), 1923--. In (Record of) M. D. Diplomas, entry 180.

Register of chiropodists, giving copies of diplomas or certificates issued by recognized authorities to practice, name of person, residence, sex, title, names and residences of witnesses, dates of certificate and registration.

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185. (REGISTER OF OSTEOPATHS), 1918-28. In (Record of) M. D. Diplomas, entry 180.
Register of osteopaths, giving copies of diplomas or certificates issued by recognized authorities to practice, name of person, residence, sex, titles, name and residence of witnesses, dates of certificate and registration.
186. (REGISTER OF NURSES), 1930-38. In (Record of) M. D. Diplomas, entry 180.
Register of nurses' licenses, giving name of person, residence, sex, degrees, names and residences of witnesses, and dates of certificate and registration.
187. (REGISTER OF EMBALMERS), 1919-25. In (Record of) M. D. Diplomas, entry 180.
Register of embalmers, giving copies of diplomas or certificates issued by recognized authorities to practice, name of person, residence, sex, title, names and residences of witnesses, dates of certificate and registration.
188. (RECORD OF VETERINARY LICENSE), 1915. In (Record of) M. D. Diplomas, entry 180.
Register of veterinarian practicing in the county, giving data from certificate issued by recognized authorities, name, residence, and dates of certificate and registration.

Pensions

189. PENSION PAPERS, 1927---. 1 steel file box.
File box contains all applications, letters of inquiry, and correspondence pertaining to the Confederate pensioners of the state, showing name of applicant, date of birth, age, if widow, name of former husband, date filed, and place residing. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. h., t., tpf. 47 documents. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

Livestock

190. ESTRAY PAPERS, 1913---. 2 steel file boxes.
Original notices of estray animals that have been taken up by individuals and reported by justice of the peace to county clerk, giving description of animal, marks, age, color, and value of animal, name of person in possession of animal, when and where taken up, and whether claimed by owner. File box also contains bond of person in possession of estray, and appraisement papers. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. h., hpf. Aver. 24 documents. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 3 3/4.
191. ESTRAY RECORD, 1860-1869, 1872---. 2 vols. (first vol. not labeled, A).
Record of stray livestock taken up by individuals and reported by justice of the peace to the county clerk, giving name of justice of the peace, names of a group of three appraisers appointed by justice of peace to determine value of animal, appraised value, total expense, description

of animals, where and by whom animal was taken up, and whether claimed by owner, date filed and recorded. Also contains: Constable's Bond, 1860, entry 58. Arr. chron. by date recorded. Indexed in vols. alph. by name of person having possession of animal. h., hpf. Aver. 139 pp. 14 x 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 1 $\frac{1}{4}$. 1860-69 in ba. v.

192. MARKS AND BRANDS, 1836--. 4 vols. (first two vols. not labeled, A, B).

A record kept to record identifying marks and brands of livestock, giving facsimiles of the mark and brand, name of person owning the brands, where brands applied on animal, place of residence of owner, name of clerk, and date recorded. Arr. chron. by date recorded. Indexed in vols. alph. by first letter of surname of person recording brands. h., hpf. Aver. 324 pp. 11 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 1 $\frac{1}{4}$. 1836-67 in ba. v.

Firearms

193. PISTOL REGISTER, 1923-1924. 1 vol. (A). No prior or subsequent records.

Record of registration of pistols, giving name of manufacturer, serial number, name, age and residence of owner, date and expiration of permit, and date recorded. Arr. in alph. tabbed secs. by surname of owner, and chron. thereunder by date of registration. hpf. 201 pp. 20 x 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 2.

School Lands

194. REGISTER 16TH SECTION SCHOOL LANDS, 1846-1896. 1 vol. (A). Record of sale of lands set aside by the federal government to be sold or otherwise used, for the benefit of the free school system, giving name of purchaser, and date purchased. Arr. numer. by twp. and sec. nos. No index. h. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. ba. v.

Justice of Peace

195. OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS, 1911--. 2 file boxes. No prior record. Reports of justice of the peace listing fines imposed and names of collecting officers, giving style of case, date of trial, fees collected, and disposition of case, signature of justice. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. hpf. Aver. 212 documents. 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 3 $\frac{3}{4}$.

196. J. (ustice of) P. (eace) DOCKET, 1856--. 20 vols. (Criminal, Civil).

Minutes of proceedings in justice of the peace court in criminal and civil cases, giving names of plaintiff and defendant, date of trial, fees allowed, disposition of case, and name of presiding justice. 1856-1917, records of Fenter Township, see entry 139. Arr. chron. by date of proceedings. No index. h. Aver. 287 pp. 14 $\frac{1}{4}$ x 9 $\frac{1}{3}$ x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. ba. v.

Officers

197. REGISTER OF ROAD (Overseers) AND (School) DIRECTORS, 1884-1920. 1 vol. (A).
Register of road overseers shows names of persons appointed for oversee-

ing roads, giving name of appointee, dates of appointment and expiration of term, and location of section of road concerned. School directors register shows name of director, name of school, date elected, and date of expiration of term. Arr. numer. by no. of road dist. No index. hpf. 478 pp. $16\frac{1}{2}$ x 12 x $2\frac{1}{2}$. ba. v.

For other Register of Road (Overseers) and (School) Directors, see entry 9.

198. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTIES, 1883-99. 1 steel file box. Original instruments executed by county officials appointing deputies in county offices, giving name of appointee, name of office to which appointed, date of appointment, and date recorded. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. h., t. 40 instruments. $13\frac{3}{4}$ x $10\frac{3}{4}$ x $4\frac{3}{4}$.

For record of Appointment of Deputies, see entry 60.

Miscellaneous

199. (PRODUCERS REPORTS), 1934---. In County General Claims Allowed (Miscellaneous County Court Papers), entry 1. Original reports of oil, gas, coal, and timber registered by producers, giving permit number, kind of resources, quantity sold, values, and attestation and signature of deponent.

200. (PETITION TO ANNEX LAND TO CITY), 1927. In Probate Papers (Pending Cases), entry 119. A petition for annexing land to Malvern, giving date of petition, legal description of property, statement of purposes and necessities of annexation and signatures of petitioners.

201. HOMESTEAD ENTRIES, 1832-57, 1865-1915. 2 vols. Title varies: Old Entry Book, 1832-57. Record of all claim entries, made at the U. S. Land Office, for land given by the government with specified requirements, giving date of entry, number of acres, section, township, and range, also date recorded. Arr. numer. by sec. and twp. nos. Indexed in vols. alph. by first letter of surname of person entering on land. h. Aver. 340 pp. $14\frac{1}{2}$ x 10 x $1\frac{1}{2}$. 1865-1915 in ba. v.

XXII. TAX ASSESSOR

A separate office of assessor was provided for the county in Arkansas in 1868 (1). The assessment function prior to 1868 was performed by the sheriff (2). The assessor became a constitutional officer in 1874, and has since been elected by popular vote for a term of two years (3).

Papers

202. (MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS), 1937--. 1 steel locker. Miscellaneous papers, pertaining to tax assessor's office, including general correspondence, and homestead tax exemption affidavits. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. h., t., hpf., tpf. Locker with 5 drawers. 60 x 28 x 18.

203. ASSESSMENTS, 1927--. 69 steel file boxes. (dated). Title varies: Assessment Papers, 1938. Original assessment listing sheets, showing description of property, owner's name, address, township or ward, school and road district, valuation of various items of property, namely, livestock, farm equipments, jewelry, stocks and bonds, total valuation, total value as equalized, acknowledgment of tax assessor, and date filed. Arr. numer. by school districts and wards and alph. by surname of taxpayer. No index. hpf. Aver. 128 instruments. 13 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 4 3/4.

XXIII. BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

A board of equalization was established in Hot Spring County in 1883 (4), passed out of existence in 1917 when the office was supplanted by township boards of assessment (5), and re-created in 1929 (6). The equalization function during earlier statehood was performed by the county court (7). In the territorial days provision was made for the discharge of this function either by the county court or the circuit clerk (8). The board consists of three members who are appointed for terms of two years by the quorum court (6).

(1) A. Ark., 1868, 262.
(2) L. A. T., Digest, app. 1815, 465; Const. 1836, schedule, sec. 2; Rev. Stat., app. 1838, 674.
(3) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 46.

(4) A. Ark., 1883, 246.
(5) A. Ark., 1917, II, 1238.
(6) A. Ark., 1929, II, 865.
(7) Rev. Stat., app. 1838, 677.
(8) L. A. T., Digest, app. 1815, 468.

Proceedings

204. EQUALIZATION BOARD RECORD, 1883-1916, 1929--. 4 vols. (A, last three vols. not labeled). Title varies: Journal of the Equalization Board, 1883-1916. Record of proceedings of equalization board, showing names of members, date of meeting, names of property owners, and description of property or land upon which assessment was equalized. Arr. chron. by date of meeting. No index. h., t. Aver. 380 pp. $17\frac{1}{4}$ x $9\frac{3}{4}$ x $1\frac{1}{4}$. 1883-1916 in ba. v.

XXIV. TOWNSHIP BOARD OF ASSESSMENT AND VALUATION

Legal provision for the creation of the township board of assessment and valuation was made by the General Assembly of 1917 (1). The board remained in existence until 1929 when it was abolished (2). The county tax assessor served as a member of the board in each township in the county, the other two members being appointed by the county judge for terms of one year (1).

XXV. TAX COLLECTOR

The office of tax collector was in existence and filled in an ex-officio capacity by the sheriff (3) at the time of the creation of Hot Spring County in 1829 (4). The office is still in an ex-officio capacity by the sheriff, who is elected for a term of two years by the voters of the county (5).

Tax Receipts

205. TAX RECEIPTS (carbon copy), 1936--. 308 tabs or books. A carbon duplicate of tax receipt issued by the collector upon payment of taxes, made in sets of three installments, perforated for payments in first, second and third installments, giving number of receipt, description of property, valuation of property, year for which taxes are paid, name of county and state, section, block and lot, township, range, area, road and school district, valuation and total tax for the year. Also includes personal and poll tax, name of collector and deputy issuing,

(1) A. Ark., 1917, II, 1238.
(2) A. Ark., 1929, II, 864.
(3) L. A. T., Digest, app. 1816,
469.

(4) Terr. A. Ark., 1829-31-33,
app. 1829, 144.
(5) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec.
46.

and date paid. Arr. numer. by receipt no. No index. hpf. Aver. 50 pp. 18 x 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ x $\frac{1}{2}$ (tabs). 1936 in ba. v.

206. INDEX TO REAL ESTATE, 1937--. 1 vol. (dated). Alphabetical index of landowners in county, showing owner's name, tax receipt number, and legal description of property. Arr. in alph. tabbed secs. by first letter of surname of property owner. h. 250 pp. 18 x 13 x 2.

XXVI. COUNTY TREASURER

The office of county treasurer was first created in Hot Spring County in accordance with the provision of 1836 (1). The present treasurer is elected by popular vote for a term of two years, provisions for the office being made by the Constitution of 1874 (2).

Accounts

207. JOURNAL COUNTY TREASURER, 1923-1935. 3 vols. (dated). Cash journal kept by the treasurer which shows the debits and credits in various county funds, such as county highway funds, common school funds, gasoline tax, county court fund, record fund, jail fund, bridge fund, justice of peace fund, road fund, general county fund, and special funds. Arr. chron. by date of entry. No index. hpf. Aver. 592 pp. 18 x 17 x 2 $\frac{3}{4}$. 1923-27 in ba. v.

208. TREASURERS ACCOUNT REGISTER, 1888--. 15 vols. (B, C, 1, twelve with no label). Title varies: Treasurers Account with General Fund, 1888-1913, Treasurer Accounts, 1914-24, (Treasurers Account with School, Roads, and County General Fund), 1924-37, Treasurer School Accounts, 1938. General account with various county officers, giving subdivisions of funds, amount disbursed, to whom paid, amount received, source of receipt, purpose for which disbursed, and balance on hand. Also contains: Treasurers Road Account, 1925--, entry 209; Treasurers Account with School Fund, 1924-37, 1939--, entry 210; District School Fund, 1905, entry 211. Arr. chron. by date of entry. No index. hpf. Aver. 459 pp. 17 $\frac{4}{5}$ x 13 x 2. 1888-1938 in ba. v.

209. TREASURERS ROAD ACCOUNT, 1902-1924. 2 vols. (1, 2). Record kept by the county treasurer of all money received and paid out by road districts, giving number of voucher or warrant, to whom paid, by whom received, on what road district drawn or credited. Arr. in numer. thumb tabs by road dist. no. No index. hpf. Aver. 350 pp. 18 $\frac{1}{8}$ x 13 x 1 $\frac{4}{5}$. ba. v.

For other Treasurers Road Account, see entry 208.

(1) Const. 1836, art. VI, sec. 17. (2) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 46.

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210. TREASURERS ACCOUNT WITH SCHOOL FUND, 1888-1924, 1938. 7 vols. (B-F, two vols. dated). Title varies: Treasurer School Accounts, 1938.

Record kept by the county treasurer, showing an account of all money received and paid out by school districts, name of person or firm paying money, number of district, also person or firm receiving money, purpose of payment, date of entry, number of warrant or voucher, and balance at end of fiscal year. Arr. numer. by no. of school dist. No index. hpf. Aver. 479 pp. $17 \times 12 \times 2\frac{1}{4}$. ba. v.

For other Treasurers Account with School Fund, see entry 208.

211. DISTRICT SCHOOL FUND, 1892-1905. 1 vol. (dated).

Record of school funds, showing receipt of moneys by each district, also disbursement date, to whom warrant is issued, amount, for what purpose, what account the warrant is drawn on, and from what source the revenues of each district are received. Arr. numer. by school dist. no. Indexed in vol. numer. by dist. no. h. 640 pp. $16\frac{1}{2} \times 11\frac{1}{2} \times 2$. ba. v.

For other record of District School Fund, see entry 208.

Warrants

212. TREASURER'S PAID WARRANTS, 1939--. 1 steel file drawer.

File drawer containing county warrants paid by the county treasurer, and kept until audit is made of the treasurer's office. Warrants show number, date, name of bank on which drawn, to whom payable, the amount, to what fund or account charged, and signature of the treasurer. Arr. numer. by warrant no. No index. hpf. 740 instruments. $27 \times 11\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{2}$.

213. [COUNTY ROAD AND SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANTS], 1939--. 2 steel file drawers.

File box containing road and school warrants presented to and paid by treasurer, showing warrant number, name of person to whom issued, amount, on what fund drawn, date, and signature of clerk, or if school warrant, signature of member of board issuing warrant. Arr. numer. by warrant no. No index. hpf. $27 \times 11\frac{1}{2} \times 5$.

Land Redemptions

214. LANDS REDEEMED, 1888-1900, 1919-1934. 2 vols. (A, B). Title varies: Record of Land Redemption, 1888-1900.

Record shows name of party owning land, number of redemption certificate, description of lands, valuation, total tax, penalty and costs, date of sale, to whom sold, date redeemed, and by whom. Arr. chron. by redemption date. No index. hpf. Aver. 252 pp. $17\frac{1}{2} \times 14 \times 1\frac{1}{4}$.

XXVII. DIRECTOR OF COUNTY AUDITS

The director of county audits is provided for by an act of the General Assembly of 1931, the creative law providing that the office be filled in an ex-officio capacity by the state comptroller. The office became the successor to the commissioner of accounts (1), which was established in 1885 (2) and abolished in 1931. (1) The state comptroller is appointed by the governor for a term of six years (3).

XXVIII. COMMISSIONER OF ACCOUNTS

The office of commissioner of accounts was created in 1885 (4) and abolished in 1931 (5). Three commissioners were appointed in each county by the circuit judge, one being named each year for a term of three years (4).

XXIX. COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS

The board of election commissioners was provided for each county in Arkansas by an act of the General Assembly in 1891 (6). During the earlier history of the county, general supervision of elections was a duty of the county court (7).

The board consists of three members who are appointed by the state board of election commissioners for terms of two years (8).

XXX. BOARD OF REGISTRATION

The board of registration functioned in Hot Spring County from 1868 until 1874 for the purpose of supervising elections and passing upon the qualifications of electors (9). The board was rendered inactive by an act of the General Assembly of 1874 (10), and became extinct when the Constitution of 1874 made no provisions for its continuance. The board consisted of three members who were appointed by the governor for terms of two years (9).

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| (1) A. Ark., 1931, 125. | app. 1829, 14; Rev. Stat., |
| (2) A. Ark., 1885, 78. | app. 1838, 349; A. Ark., 1874- |
| (3) A. Ark., 1917, II, 1331. | 1875, 93. |
| (4) A. Ark., 1885, 78. | (8) A. Ark., 1891, 33; <i>ibid.</i> , 1929, |
| (5) A. Ark., 1931, 125. | I, 553; <i>ibid.</i> , 1931, 1118. |
| (6) A. Ark., 1891, 33. | (9) A. Ark., 1868, 50. |
| (7) Terr. A. Ark., 1829-31-33, | (10) A. Ark., 1874, 5. |

XXXI. COUNTY EXAMINER OF SCHOOLS

Although an act of the General Assembly of 1851 provided for an examiner of schools, who was appointed by the county court to make periodical inspections of public schools (1), it was not until 1875 that the county examiner became general administrative officer over the county school system (2). The office was abolished in 1919 (3) and re-created in 1933 (4). The county examiner is appointed by the county court for a term of two years, the law requiring that the court appoint some person who has been nominated by the majority of the school teachers of the county (5).

Papers, Reports

215. SCHOOL PAPERS, 1873--. 3 steel file boxes (1-3). Title varies: Various School Papers, 1933-38. Original school papers such as petitions to form new districts, petitions to add or divide school districts, school election papers, appointments of school directors, apportionment of common school funds, and taxes levied. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. h., t., tpf. Aver. 95 documents. 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 4 $\frac{3}{4}$. co. c. v.

216. ANNUAL REPORT OF COUNTY EXAMINER, 1919, 1921-26, 1929-34, 1936--. 17 vols. (dated). Title varies: Annual Report of County Supt., 1919, 1921-26, 1929-32. Copy of annual report of county examiner to State Dept. of Education, giving enumeration of white and colored enrollments of schools by grades, average number, total days attended, average daily attendance, length of term, number pupils promoted, age-grade table, classification by grade and age, number of teaching positions, valuation of school property, assessed valuation, and extra levy voted, receipts for support of schools, report of expenditures and indebtedness, report of blind, partially blind, deaf, feeble-minded and physically handicapped children, summary, number of teachers and kind of certificate held, report on transportation of pupils, number and value of buildings erected, receipts and expenditures for county school administration, and list of directors in all districts. Arr. chron. by date of report. Indexed alph. by name of dist. hpf. Aver. 80 pp. 12 x 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ x $\frac{1}{4}$.

217. (SCHOOL DISTRICT RECORD), no dates. 1 vol. Plat book outlining the location of the different school districts, giving boundaries of each district and section covered, name and number of township, and sections. Arr. numer. by no. of school dist. No index. h., t. 57 pp. 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 9 $\frac{1}{4}$ x 1.

218. (LIST OF FREE TEXT BOOKS), no dates. 1 vol. A loose leaf record of free text books used in each school of the dis-

(1) A. Ark., 1850-1851, 122; ibid., 1853, 143.

(2) A. Ark., 1875, 67.

(3) A. Ark., 1919, Gen., 178.

(4) A. Ark., 1933, 61.

(5) A. Ark., 1933, 779.

trict, giving number of district, and name of the school, number of books, title and date of issue. Arr. numer. by school dist. no. No index. t. 30 pp. 11 x 9 x $\frac{1}{2}$.

219. REGISTER OF TEACHER'S LICENSES, 1921-24. 1 vol.

Record of licenses of teachers in county, giving name of teacher, sex, post-office address, nativity, scholastic preparation, date and grade of certificate, date license was issued, license number, and date of expiration of license. Arr. chron. by license date. No index. h. 25 pp. ba. v.

XXXII. COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (Defunct)

The county superintendent of schools has been the chief educational officer of the public schools at three different times in the history of Hot Spring County. The General Assembly of 1853 established the office and it functioned until 1868 (1), when it was supplanted by the office of circuit superintendent. (2) From 1873 (3) to 1875 the office was again active. The General Assembly of 1875 abolished it and created the office of county examiner, which was continued until 1919 (4), when a law was passed recreating the office of county superintendent. The 1919 law provided for the appointment of the superintendent for a term of two years by the county board of education. (5) The office was abolished in 1933 and replaced by the county examiner (6).

XXXIII. BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS (Defunct)

County control of the system of public schools was first delegated to the board of school commissioners, which was created in 1843 by an act of the General Assembly which made the first provision for a system of common schools in Arkansas (7). The board was abolished in 1851 (8). The board consisted of five members, three of whom were elected by popular vote for a term of two years. The county judge and county clerk were the other members of the board. (9)

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- (1) A. Ark., 1853, 146.
(2) A. Ark., 1868, 180.
(3) A. Ark., 1873, 409.
(4) A. Ark., 1875, 54.
(5) A. Ark., 1919, Gen., 181.

- (6) A. Ark., 1933, 778.
(7) A. Ark., 1843, 131.
(8) A. Ark., 1850-1851, 122.
(9) A. Ark., 1843, 131.

XXXIV. COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Supervisory control of school affairs in the county was transferred from the county court in 1919 to a county board of education, which was created by an act of the General Assembly (1). The board was abolished in 1933 and its functions re-assigned to the county court (2). The members of the board were chosen at annual school elections. The 1919 act provided for a five-member board chosen for a term of five years (3) and the 1931 law, a six-member board chosen for a term of three years. (4)

XXXV. SCHOOL DIRECTORS

A board of school directors for each school district in the county was created by an act of the General Assembly of 1843 (5). Provisions for the board as it exists today are made by a law of 1935. The board consists of three members in rural school districts, six in districts lying within cities of first class, and five in all other districts. Directors are chosen at the annual school election by a board of school patrons of the district. In the rural districts one director is elected each year for a term of three years, in cities of the first class two are chosen each year for terms of three years, and in other districts one is chosen each year for a term of five years. (6)

XXXVI. COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD

The creation of a county library board for the purpose of directing the affairs of a county library, if and when such an institution is provided by the county, is authorized by an act of the General Assembly of 1927. The board consists of six members who are appointed by the county court for a term of three years. (7)

Membership

220. MEMBERSHIP FILE (Borrowers Registration), 1936--. 2 file boxes.

Record giving names and addresses of persons who have registered as borrowers, registration numbers, and date of registration. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of borrower. No index. h. Aver. 2593 cards. 5 x 3.

(1) A. Ark., 1919, Gen., 177.

(2) A. Ark., 1933, 60.

(3) A. Ark., 1919, Gen., 178.

(4) A. Ark., 1931, 494.

(5) A. Ark., 1843, 131.

(6) A. Ark., 1935, 69.

(7) A. Ark., 1927, 832.

221. CARD CATALOG, 1936--. 3 file boxes (A-H, I-T, U-Z). Record kept showing title of book, name of author, and library identification number. There are two cards for each volume. Arr. alph. by name of author on one card, alph. by title of book on other. No index. t. $17\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

222. DATE DUE FILE (Rentals, Overdues and Magazines), 1936--. 1 file box. Card record of books loaned, showing date issued, date due, author, title, accession number of book, and name of borrower. Arr. chron. by date due. No index. hpf., tpf. $12\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

223. (MONTHLY REPORT), 1936--. 2 folders. Folders contain duplicate of monthly reports to state supervisor, giving expenditures for books, and supplies, amount raised by civic groups of clubs for support of library, amount received from county, and balance in library treasury. Arr. chron. by date of report. No index. tpf. Aver. 30 reports. $11\frac{1}{2} \times 8\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$.

224. ACCESSION BOOK, 1936--. 4 vols. (loose leaf). Record of books purchased by, or donated to library, giving date received, accession number, author, title of volume, publisher, year, source, net cost, and notation as to whether book is a gift or purchase. Arr. chron. by date of entry, numer. by accession no. of book. No index. tpf. Aver. 839 entries. $11 \times 10 \times 1$.

XXXVII. HEALTH UNIT

The public health program in Hot Spring County functions by authority of an act of the General Assembly of 1913, which authorized the state board of health to set up regulations for its administration (1). In the event a single county is unable to set up a unit of its own, it may join with one or more neighboring counties and establish a District Health Unit. Hot Spring County has joined with the contiguous counties of Grant and Saline in the formation of District No. 10 health unit. The personnel, which is selected by the state board of health, with the approval of the county judges, is composed of one medical director, a health nurse and sanitarian in each county, and clerical assistants needed. (2)

Miscellaneous

225. (BULLETINS, MISCELLANEOUS), 1938--. 1 cabinet. Cabinet containing miscellaneous bulletins on health work dealing with

(1) A. Ark., 1913, 354.

(2) Arkansas State Board of

Health, Report, Little Rock, 1937, 7.

such subjects as care of sick, care of infants, proper foods, and cook books. Arr. according to subject. No index. 72 compartments. 72 x 48 x 11.

Case Records

226. (MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS), 1936--. 5 steel file drawers. Daily, weekly, and monthly reports kept by health unit and general medical record of families coming under its supervision. Medical record is a case history of families, giving name, address, age, and sex of each member of family, living conditions, history of tests, and treatment of entire family. Arr. alph. by surname of family. For index, see Individual Index Card File, entry 235. hpf. Records 11 x 8 $\frac{1}{2}$, drawers 26 x 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 11.
227. INFANT PRESCHOOL RECORDS CLOSED, 1936--. 1 steel file drawer. Record of pre-school case histories, giving name, sex, age, color, address, names of father and mother, date of birth, attendant at delivery, prenatal care, delivery, immunizations and clinical tests with dates, disease experience with dates, physical examinations with dates, general health habits, feeding, and services rendered with comments on progress, date of visits, number of visits, present visit, and worker's initials. hpf. 154 folders. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 3.
228. CLOSED (CASES) GENERAL, TUBERCULOSIS, EPIDEMIOLOGICAL AND MIDWIFE, 1936--. 1 file drawer. Record of closed cases containing family folders with case history of family pertaining to tuberculosis, epidemiological, and midwives where cases have been closed. Also contains general medical record sheet. hpf. 69 folders. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 3.
229. IMMUNIZATIONS, 1936--. 3 file drawers (dated). Record of tests and immunizations given to individuals, giving name, age, address, sex, color, school, and name of parents of client, kind of immunizations or test, date treatment given, remarks, and results. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of client and chron. thereunder by date of treatment. For index, see entry 235. hpf. Aver. 232 cards. 26 x 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 5.
230. SCHOOL RECORDS, 1936. 1 steel drawer. Individual health record of each school child, giving name, age, address, sex and color of each child, name and birthplace of parents, general record of child, showing results of tests and immunization given, summary of infant and pre-school record, note on clinical conference, field visits, and notices to parents suggesting the correction of certain defects in child. Arr. alph. by name of school. For index, see entry 235. hpf. 4500 records. 26 x 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 11.
231. CHRONOLOGICAL CARD FILE AND CASE REGISTER CARD, 1936--. 1 steel drawer. Chronological card record of examinations of pupils, with a special card attached, showing communicable disease, giving date of examination, case number, and name of patient. Case register shows name of disease, number of case, name of patient, address, age, sex and color, head of home, physician reporting case, source of milk supply, notice to dairy and school. Arr. alph. by family name. For index, see entry 235. hpf. 375 cards. 26 x 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 11.

Maternity

232. CLOSED MATERNITY RECORDS, 1936---. 1 steel file drawer. Record of maternity cases, showing name of patient, name of husband, date of birth, color, marital status, address, by whom referred, physician in charge, date of first visit of physician, or nurse, expected date of confinement, physical examination, significant facts and physician's notes, blood pressure and other laboratory examinations. For index, see entry 235. 88 records. $11\frac{1}{2} \times 9\frac{1}{2} \times 3$.

Family Case Records

233. FAMILY FOLDERS (Active Cases), 1936---. 4 steel file drawers (labeled by dist. no.). Folders containing medical record of family whose name appears on folder, giving household register with date born, age at death, cause of death, date, significance, economic and social data, address and directions, excreta disposal, water, screening, property owner, summary of open cases, giving name, service, and date case closed and date opened. Also contains the following forms: epidemiological records, tuberculosis records, infant and pre-school records, maternity records, and general medical records. For index, see entry 235. hpf. Aver. 125 folders. $11\frac{1}{2} \times 9\frac{1}{2} \times 3$.

234. CLOSED FAMILY RECORDS, 1936---. 1 steel file drawer. Medical records of family whose case is closed, giving same information as entry 233. hpf. 151 folders. $11\frac{1}{2} \times 9\frac{1}{2} \times 3$.

Index

235. INDIVIDUAL INDEX CARD FILE, 1936---. 1 steel drawer. A card file indexing all records kept in county nurse's office, giving name, address, date of birth, sex and color, name of parents, type of record, and where filed. Arr. alph. by name of client and chron. by date recorded thereunder. hpf. 4700 cards. $26 \times 12\frac{1}{2} \times 5$.

XXXVIII. COUNTY BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

A board of medical examiners was created for the county in Arkansas by an act of the General Assembly of 1881 (1), the county board was abolished in 1903 by an act which was provided for the creation of state boards and medical examiners (2). The board consisted of three registered physicians who were appointed by the county court for terms of four years (1).

(1) A. Ark., 1881, 41.

(2) A. Ark., 1903, 35.

XXXIX. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

The county department of public welfare was first authorized by an act of the General Assembly in 1935. It was created for the purpose of cooperating with the state and federal agencies in the local administration of the welfare function. The department consists of a welfare board of five members who are appointed by the state department of public welfare, and a county welfare director who is chosen by the county board. (3)

Case Records

236. (ACTIVE CASE RECORD), 1936--. 2 steel file boxes (A-K, L-Z). General information on relief clients on forms DPW-6, DPW-7, DPW-8, DPW-9, certificates for CCC, and hospitalization forms #1 and #2, giving name of county, date, name of case worker, name and address of applicant, names and ages of all members of household, facts relating to present employment of each member of household, data concerning kind and amount of property owned by applicant, facts relating to insurance, pensions or other benefits, date of military service, description of debts and mortgages. Budget shows estimated needs and percentage allowed. If married, gives date, town and state, and wife's maiden name. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of family head. No index. hpf. 22 x 18 x 12.

237. (RECORD OF CLOSED CASES), 1936--. 10 steel file boxes (labeled alph. according to contents). Relief applications in which cases are closed, certificates of selection for CCC, and hospitalization forms #1 and #2, giving name of county, date, name of case worker, name and address of applicant, names and ages of members of household, facts relative to present employment, kind and amount of property owned by applicant, facts relative to insurance, pensions or other benefits, data on military service, description of all debts and mortgages. The budget gives estimated needs and percentage allowed. Status shows, if married, town and state where married, and gives wife's maiden name. Gives reason for closing cases. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of head of family. No index. hpf. 22 x 18 x 12.

Applications

238. CHRONOLOGICAL RECORD OF APPLICATIONS, 1936--. 1 vol. Record containing applications for old age assistance, aid for dependent children, blind, unemployables, general relief, and hospitalization, giving date of application, number of case, name of head of family, address and number of children under sixteen years, date and assignment of work, date forwarded to state office. Disposition of case, shows date of approval or disapproval, amount granted, status, whether new or reopened case, reason for disapproval, sex and color. Arr. chron. by application date. No index. hpf. 350 pp. used 18 x 11½ x 2.

239. I REGISTER OF CCC APPLICATIONS II, 1938--. 1 vol. Register of applicants for service in CCC, giving name and address of

(1) A. Ark., 1935, 56; ibid., 1939, 673.

applicant, date and eligibility, date of approval or rejection, head of family, and classification. Arr. chron. by application date. No index. h., t. Loose leaf vol., 10 pp. 12 x 9 x $\frac{1}{4}$.

Financial

240. CHECK OR VOUCHER AND CASH JOURNAL, 1935--. 1 vol.
Register of checks issued each month by county welfare department to relief clients between the ages of sixteen and sixty-five, giving name and address of payee, code, check number, name and address of bank, deposits debit, checks credit, memorandums, and amount carried forward. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. hpf. Loose leaf vol., 275 pp. 18 x 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 2.

XL. CONFEDERATE PENSION BOARD

A Confederate pension board was created in 1891 as an agency to pass upon the pension claims of Confederate veterans and their widows. The law provided that the board be composed of the county judge, the county clerk, and sheriff. (1) The 1901 act authorized the county court to appoint a board of three members for terms of two years (2). Legal provisions for the existence of the board are still in effect, although the administration of the Confederate Pension Fund is now in charge of the state department of public welfare and its subsidiary organization, the county department of public welfare (3).

XLI. SURVEYOR

The surveyor as an elective county officer came into existence by a virtue of an act of the Territorial Legislature in 1829 (4). Provisions for the election of the present surveyor for a term of two years are made by the Constitution of 1874 (5).

Record

241. SURVEYORS RECORD, 1879--. 5 vols. (B, C, 1, 2, one no label). Record of land surveys, showing all lines run out, corner post determined, name of property owner, locations of property, brooks, creeks,

(1) A. Ark., 1891, 162.

(2) A. Ark., 1901, 86.

(3) A. Ark., 1939, 512.

(4) Terr. A. Ark., 1829-31-33,
app. 1829, 4.

(5) Const. 1874, art. VII, sec. 46.

intersections, where survey began, direction proceeded toward and distance, setting of temporary centers and posts, distances and in what direction temporary posts were moved, date of survey, signature of surveyor, and signatures of chainmen. Arr. chron. by survey date. Indexed in vols. by first letter of name of property owner. h. Aver. 330 pp. 15 x 9 4/5 x 1 1/5.

For other Surveyors Record, see entry 16.

XLII. TIMBER INSPECTOR

The office of timber inspector, filled in an ex-officio capacity by the county surveyor, was created in 1901. The term of office is for two years. (1)

XLIII. AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE AGENTS

County Farm Agent

The General Assembly of 1915 enacted a law which enabled Arkansas counties to participate in the agricultural benefits of the Congressional Smith-Lever Act of the previous year. In accordance with these enactments, a county farm agent is appointed by the Federal Agricultural Extension Service, with the approval of the University of Arkansas, College of Agriculture. The appointment is for an indefinite period, must be renewed annually. (2)

Home Demonstration Agent

The office of home demonstration agent was established simultaneously with that of the county farm agent, in accordance with an act of the General Assembly of 1915, which enabled the farmers of Arkansas to participate in the benefits of the Smith-Lever Act of the previous year (3). The home demonstration agent, a woman, is appointed by the same agencies as the county agent, for an indefinite tenure of office and is subject to removal from office by the appointing agency (4).

Correspondence

242. CORRESPONDENCE, 1933---. 3 steel file drawers.
Correspondence contains letters of instructions from various special-

(1) A. Ark., 1901, 203.

(2) A. Ark., 1915, 1078; U.S. Stat. L., 1915, XXXVIII, part 1, 372.

(3) A. Ark., 1915, 1078.

(4) U. S. Stat. L., 1913-1915, XXXVIII, part 1, 372.

ists, United States and Arkansas State departments, and miscellaneous correspondence containing general information pertaining to the Agricultural Adjustment Administration. Arr. alph. by name of correspondent and chron. thereunder by correspondence date. No index. t., p. Aver. 2000 documents. $26\frac{1}{2} \times 13\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{2}$.

243. CORRESPONDENCE, 1938--. 2 steel file drawers. Letters of instruction from the various departments connected with the county agent's office, also correspondence containing general information in home demonstrations. Arr. alph. by name of correspondent and chron. thereunder by correspondence date. No index. t. Aver. 2000 documents. $26\frac{1}{2} \times 13\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{2}$.

Information

244. (MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION FILES), 1930--. 2 steel file drawers. Miscellaneous collection of papers pertaining to the Agricultural Adjustment Administration program, forestry program of the United States and Arkansas, supplementary representations of producers of county committee regarding cotton acreage contracts, and reports of supervisors. Arr. chron. by date filed. No index. tpf., p. Aver. 500 documents. $24 \times 12 \times 10$.

245. (AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE BULLETINS), 1938--. 64 compartments. Collection of printed government bulletins and typed copies of same kept for distribution. Bulletins are on subjects relating to farm and home demonstration, such as agricultural economics, census data, crops and market reports, farm management, accounts and budgets, farm and home management, farm drainage, farm lighting plants, farm heating plants, water systems and sewage disposal plants, silo construction, and terracing. Arr. numer. by assigned subject no. No index. p. Aver. 50 bulletins. $9 \times 6 \times 2$.

246. GENERAL INFORMATION (Bulletins), 1938--. 5 steel file boxes. Government bulletins of general information kept on file by the county demonstration agent to aid in educational work including farm credit administration, agricultural economics, agricultural education, agricultural engineering, animal husbandry, agricultural extension methods, field crops, forestry, home economics, horticulture, publicity records, recreation reports, resettlement administration, rodents, rural electrification, rural life, soil conservation, state agencies, talk material, weeds, wild life, and W. P. A. Arr. alph. according to subject (in manila folders). No index. p. $26\frac{1}{2} \times 13\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{2}$.

247. HOME MADE HOMES, 1937--. 1 steel file drawer. File drawer containing bulletins and information pertaining to remodeling homes and landscaping yards, giving specifications for buildings prepared as part of a state-wide program conducted by the extension service of the University of Arkansas, giving date when home was begun, when completed, and estimated cost of materials. Arr. alph. by subjects. No index. t. $26\frac{1}{2} \times 13\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{2}$.

Agricultural Administration

248. BANKHEAD (Applications), 1935. 3 steel file drawers. Discontinued by law.

Applications for allotment and tax exemption certificates pursuant to the cotton act, approved in 1934, giving name and address of farmer, acreage number assigned to application, location of land, distance and direction from town, oath and signature of farmer, date of application, certification of applicant by county committee, basis for determining acreage and production of cotton, table showing cotton acreage, production of land for 1935, total acres, cultivated acres in cotton and estimated production for 1936. Arr. numer. by application no. No index. t., hpf. 24 x 12 x 10.

249. CORN-HOG RECORD, 1934-35. 1 steel file box (date). Discontinued by law.

Applications of farmers for corn-hog reduction contracts and work sheets for 1934-35, showing name of land owner, address, description and location of farm, direction and distance from office, acres of crop land on farm, and names of tenant farmers. Arr. numer. by no. of application. No index. hpf.

4-H Clubs

250. ENROLLMENT CARDS (4-H Clubs), 1938--. 1 steel file drawer. Card file record of 4-H Club members, giving name of member, age and grade completed in school, name of school attended, number of years of club work, names and address of parents or guardian, name of project, agreement of members to take an active part in all club activities. Arr. alph. by name of club and alph. thereunder by first letter of surname of member. No index. tpf. 1050 cards. $26\frac{1}{2} \times 13\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{2}$.

251. 4-H CLUB FILE, 1938--. 1 steel file drawer. Records pertaining to 4-H Club work. Individual folder for each club member, containing application and membership card, project record book, permanent record, and other papers. Also contains 4-H county work plan achievement, daily budget, camps, demonstrations, experiment station visiting day, contest material, county club council, local leaders, program material, projects, publicity record, and recreation. Arr. according to subject. No index. t. $26\frac{1}{2} \times 13\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{2}$.

LIST OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

COUNTY JUDGES

_____, 1829-1830	Hugh McCallum, 1886-1888
W. Dunham, 1830-1833	J. W. Alexander, 1888-1890
G. W. Rogers, 1833-1835	J. H. Alexander, 1890-1894
W. Dunham, 1835-1836	J. W. Keith, 1894-1898
G. Whittington, 1836-1838	J. M. Caldwell, 1898-1902
A. N. Sabin, 1838-1840	B. C. Fitzhugh, 1902-1904
S. S. Lacy, 1840-1842	A. I. Roland, 1904-1910
J. H. Stevenson, 1842-1844	B. C. Fitzhugh, 1910-1914
S. A. Emerson, 1844-1848	John R. Gilchrist, 1914-1919
W. T. Morehead, 1848-1850	C. F. Berry, 1919-1923
G. C. Miller, 1850-1852	C. F. Walters, 1923-1926
P. Phillips, 1852-1868 (1)	F. D. Goza, 1927-1932
J. F. Prichard, 1868-1872	S. E. Henry, 1933-1934
_____, 1872-1874	H. R. Cason, 1935-1936
D. A. Newman, 1874-1876	S. E. Henry, 1937-1938
W. T. Morehead, 1876-1880	Jack Kight, 1939-1940
J. H. Alexander, 1880-1886	

(1) T. A. Ward, from July 1865

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Samuel A. Cook, 1873-1874	William Daniel, 1873-1874
Richard T. Phelan, 1873-1874	

COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMISSION

Jack Kight, Chairman, 1939--	Odis Emory, Assistant, 1939--
C. F. Walters, Secretary, 1939--	H. R. Sheets, 1939--
Edgar Deere, General Supervisor, 1939--	

List of County Officials

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CIRCUIT CLERK, EX-OFFICIO RECORDER, 1829--; EX-OFFICIO
CHANCERY COURT CLERK, 1893--; EX-OFFICIO COUNTY
CLERK AND PROBATE CLERK, 1829-1910

Larkin N. West, 1829-1830
George W. Rogers, 1830 (1)
Asa Thompson, 1830-1831
Richard C. Hawkins, 1831-1833
Hiram A. Whittington, 1833-1835 (2)
Granville Whittington, 1835-1836
Lawson Runyan, 1836-1837
Ira A. Sabin, 1837-1840
Lawson Runyan, 1840-1844
Wiley Patterson, 1844-1848
John Jester, 1848-1852
John P. Emerson, 1852-1856
Robert Stribling, 1856-1858
Augustus D. Hardy, 1858-1859 (3)
Francis M. Henry, 1859-1860
Hugh McCallum, 1860-1862
Francis M. Henry, 1862-1864
Hugh McCallum, 1864-1868

A. H. Bassett, 1868-1874
J. W. Keith, 1874-1882
W. W. Dutton, 1882-1884
J. E. Chamberlin, 1884-1888
W. W. Dutton, 1888-1894
Thos. R. McHenry, 1894-1896
G. W. Hardwick, 1896-1897 (4)
Hugh McCallum, 1897 (6 mo.)
Frank M. Henry, 1897-1898
John C. Ross, 1898-1904
J. E. Young, 1904-1908
D. S. Bray, 1908-1912
Joe B. Lucy, 1912-1916
Roy Chamberlin, 1916-1920
Sam E. Henry, 1920-1924
F. D. Goza, 1924-1928
Jack Kight, 1928-1932
Mack Morrison, 1932-1936
W. W. Beeson, 1936-1940

(1) Resigned
(3) Resigned

(2) Resigned
(4) Died

CIRCUIT JUDGES

(2nd Judicial Circuit, 1829-1835;
1st Judicial Circuit, 1835-1846;
8th Judicial Circuit, 1846-1851;
5th Judicial Circuit, 1851-1874;
7th Judicial Circuit, 1874--.)

James Woodson Bates, 1829-1835
Sam C. Roane, 1835-1840
W. K. Sebastian, 1840-1842
James C. P. Tolleson, 1842
John T. Jones, 1842-1846
Christopher C. Scott, 1846-1851
Thomas B. Hanley, 1851-1852
Charles W. Adams, 1852-1855
George W. Beasley, 1855-1859
Mark W. Alexander, 1859-1862
Earl C. Bronough, 1862-1866
James M. Hanks, 1866-1868
John E. Bennett, 1868-1871

Charles C. Waters, 1871-1873
William H. H. Clayton, 1873-1874
J. W. Cypert, 1874
Jabez M. Smith, 1874-1882
Thos. C. Peek, 1882 (1)
J. B. Wood, 1882-1890
A. M. Duffie, 1890-1906
W. H. Evans, 1906-1919
John C. Ross, 1919
W. H. Evans, 1919-1923 (2)
Thos. E. Toler, 1923-1935
H. B. Means, 1935-1939
Thos. E. Toler, Sr., 1939--

(1) Appointed to fill unexpired
term of Jabez M. Smith

(2) Appointed to fill unexpired
term of Ross, deceased

CHANCERY JUDGES (THIRD CHANCERY CIRCUIT)

Leland Leatherman, 1893-1904
Alphonso Curl, 1904-1910
Jethro P. Henderson, 1910-1924 (1)

Wm. R. Duffie, 1924-1932 (2)
Sam W. Garrett, 1933-1935
E. G. Hammond, 1935--

(1) Died

(2) Died

PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS

(2nd Judicial Circuit, 1829-1835;
1st Judicial Circuit, 1835-1846;
8th Judicial Circuit, 1846-1861;
5th Judicial Circuit, 1861-1874;
7th Judicial Circuit, 1874--.)

Absalom Fowler, 1829-1831
Samuel S. Hall, 1831-1833
James W. Robinson, 1833-1835
Grandison C. Royston, 1835
Shelton Watson, 1835-1836
Albert G. Stephenson, 1836-1840
William S. Moseley, 1840-1841
Andrew J. Greer, 1841-1842
Alonzo Thomas, 1842
William N. Stanton, 1842-1844
A. M. Foster, 1844-1847
Richard Lyon, 1847-1861
Joshua L. Hollwell, 1861
Pleasant Jordan, 1861-1863
Samuel W. Williams, 1863-1865
Robert S. Gannt, 1865-1866
Robert H. Dedman, 1866-1868
Newton J. Temple, 1868-1872
Archibald Young, 1872-1873

Thomas H. Barnes, 1873
M. J. Henderson, 1874-1878
J. B. Wood, 1878-1882
J. P. Henderson, 1882-1890
W. H. Martin, 1890-1892
C. V. Teague, 1892-1896
D. M. Cloud, 1896-1900
W. H. Martin, 1900-1904
H. R. Morrison, 1904-1906
W. T. Scroggin, 1906
H. B. Means, 1906-1910
James B. Wood, 1910-1912
J. S. Utley, 1912-1914
D. D. Glover, 1914-1919
Jabez M. Smith, 1919-1923
W. A. Utley, 1923-1927
John L. McClellan, 1927-1931
D. Miller Halbert, 1931-1937
W. H. Glover, 1937--

COUNTY ATTORNEYS *

Joseph W. Miller, 1869-1870
Hugh McCallum, 1870-1871

George W. Pritchard, 1871-1873
Hugh McCallum, 1873-1874

* County court records show no earlier appointments

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SHERIFFS (EX-OFFICIO TAX COLLECTORS)

G. B. Hughes, 1829-1830	D. A. Newman, 1866-1868
T. W. Johnson, 1830-1832	E. A. Nichols, 1868-1874
John Calloway, 1832-1833	T. D. Faris, 1874-1875
James Dorris, 1833-1835	G. M. Floyd, 1875-1876
R. Huson, 1835-1838	R. M. Stribling, 1876-1882
W. W. McDaniel, 1838-1840	J. H. B. Adams, 1882-1888
John Chandler, 1840-1842	T. B. McHenry, 1888-1892
Edmund Carley, 1842-1843	B. C. Fitzhugh, 1892-1896
J. W. Fullerton, 1843-1850	J. T. Morehead, 1896-1904
C. A. Hale, 1850-1852	J. T. Chamberlain, 1904-1908
Joe Jester, 1852-1858	J. T. Morehead, 1908-1910
D. A. Newman, 1858-1862	R. S. Worley, 1910-1914
J. H. Kemp, 1862-1864	J. E. Stanley, 1914-1918
T. D. Faris, 1864-1865 (1)	D. S. Bray, 1918-1924
T. H. Cloud, 1865-1866	T. S. Fisher, 1924-1940

(1) T. H. Cloud from November, 1865

CORONERS

J. T. Grant, 1830-1832	Nathan H. Cloyes, 1872-1873
William Harrington, 1832-1833	L. B. McMillan, 1873-1874
J. Bankston, 1833-1835	J. J. Callie, 1874-1876
J. H. Robbins, 1835-1836	S. D. Corbitt, 1876-1878
William Davis, 1836-1838	A. L. Alford, 1878-1880
A. B. McDonald, 1838-1840	J. McCowan, 1880-1882
W. J. Caven, 1840-1842	W. P. Goodwin, 1882-1884
John Trammel, 1842 (1)	W. H. Cooper, 1884-1886
John Trammel, Sr., 1842-1844	H. C. Baker, 1886-1888
Z. Phillips, 1844-1846	W. H. Cooper, 1888-1894
W. W. Clift, 1846-1848	D. C. Butler, 1894-1896
Samuel Sorter, 1848 (2)	S. D. Corbitt, 1896-1902
Ward Keeler, 1848-1850	J. J. Tarvin, 1902-1910
J. Cornelius, 1850-1854	Alcus Newman, 1910-1914
John Staggs, 1854-1856	Fred Harkins, 1914-1918
R. Long, 1856-1858	F. D. Cooper, 1918-1928
R. Gibbons, 1858-1860	, 1928-1930
J. S. Taylor, 1860-1862	Phillip M. Smith, 1930-1931 (3)
William Madrid, 1862-1864	Mrs. Ada Smith, 1931-1932
J. S. Taylor, 1864-1866	F. D. Cooper, 1932-1938 (4)
W. P. Kirby, 1866-1868	Milton Kidder, 1938-1940

(1) Failed to make bond
(3) Died 5/4/31

(2) Failed to qualify
(4) Died 3/31/38

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COUNTY CLERKS

John R. Gilchrist, 1910-1914
J. B. Collie, 1914-1918
Hubert R. Cason, 1918-1922
W. F. Johnson, 1922-1926

Mrs. J. Bruce Collie, 1926-1932
Lillian Fowler, 1932-1936
H. H. Fisher, 1936-1940

TAX ASSESSORS

J. H. Burke, 1868-1872
Wiley Easley, 1872-1874
A. H. Kemp, 1874-1876
J. M. Henry, 1876-1882
J. H. McCammon, 1882-1884
J. M. Henry, 1884-1890
T. J. Thrasher, 1890-1894
W. R. Collie, 1894-1898
R. P. Goodman, 1898-1904
C. R. York, 1904-1906

J. W. Ault, 1906-1908
J. E. Means, 1908-1910
J. W. Ault, 1910-1912
Joe R. Beane, 1912-1914
Herschel Smith, 1914-1919
W. F. Johnson, 1919-1923
J. T. Holiman, 1923-1926
Sam B. Baker, 1927-1932
J. E. Holloway, 1933-1938
Odis Burroughs, 1939-1940

COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION *

O. M. Thornton, 1883-1885
R. M. Stribling, 1883 (1)
E. R. McKay, 1883-1885
D. A. Newman, 1883-1885
John A. Verser, 1885-1889

William Lambert, 1885-1889
D. A. Newman, 1885-1889
Wm. Dyer, 1889
H. C. Duffy, 1889
Meade Williams, 1889

(1) Refused to qualify

* No later appointments found in county court record

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TREASURERS

C. Polk, 1836-1838
W. Dunham, 1838-1840
W. G. Chase, 1840 (1)
J. C. Kuykendall, 1840-1842
C. Burke, 1842-1844
H. Cornelius, 1844-1848
H. G. Clift, 1848-1850
T. H. Cloud, 1850-1854
T. J. Brooks, 1854-1858
H. Roberson, 1858-1868
C. C. Crisp, 1868-1872
John Verser, 1872-1874
H. Roberson, 1874-1882
L. B. McMillan, 1882-1886
J. B. Thrower, 1886-1888

J. G. Steele, 1888-1894
S. S. Reamey, 1894-1898
Lee Miller, 1898-1904
J. L. Denty, 1904 (2)
J. T. Morehead, 1904-1906
W. R. Collie, 1906-1910
J. T. Ault, 1910-1914
L. F. Cash, 1914-1919
W. L. Knight, 1919-1923
T. J. Fowler, 1923-1926
H. R. Cason, 1926-1930
Mrs. J. R. Gilchrist, 1930-1934
Jack Kight, 1934-1938
Will H. Richardson, 1938-1940

(1) Refused to serve

(2) Failed to make bond

COUNTY BOARD OF REGISTRATION *

D. C. Belding, 1868-1870
J. F. Littleton, 1868-1870
S. B. Ford, 1868-1870

Z. L. Colton, 1870 _____
G. W. Prichard, 1870 _____
J. J. Littleton, 1870 _____

* Board was rendered inactive in 1874

COUNTY EXAMINERS

Robert M. Thrasher, 1876-1881
Edward C. Becton, 1881-1882
W. D. Leiper, 1882-1896
Jno. C. Ross, 1896-1898

Henry M. Bowland, 1898-1904
W. D. Leiper, 1904-1917 (1)
R. H. Freeland, 1917-1918
R. Farmer Tacket, 1933--

(1) Died 9/5/17

COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

J. L. Pratt, 1918-1933

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COUNTY BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS *

Dr. S. Reamey, 1876-1881	Dr. J. M. Williams, 1903--
Dr. J. J. Robertson, 1876-1881	Dr. R. N. Donnell, 1903--
Dr. Henry C. Baker, 1876-1881	Dr. E. H. McCray, 1903--

* The county court records show no appointments between the above dates

CONFEDERATE PENSION BOARD

M. M. Duffie, 1901-1903	M. M. Duffie, 1905-1907
J. A. Verser, 1901-1903	D. R. Rutherford, 1905-1907
John M. Fowler, 1901-1903	J. M. Fowler, 1905-1907
H. A. Butler, 1903-1905	W. H. Cooper, 1907-1909
J. T. Thornton, 1903-1905	G. M. Floyd, 1907-1909
J. M. Fowler, 1903-1905	J. R. Rodgers, 1907-1909
	J. R. Rodgers, 1909--*
	J. R. Wallace, 1909--
	Jim Arisman, 1909--

* No subsequent appointments found in county court records

SURVEYORS (EX-OFFICIO TIMBER INSPECTOR, 1901--)

I. K. Robinson, 1830-1832	V. M. Threlkeld, 1888-1890
Ira Robinson, 1832-1835	Jas. T. Morehead, 1890-1892
Joe Lorange, 1835-1840	C. D. Nelms, 1892-1894
H. T. Dawson, 1840-1842	V. M. Threlkeld, 1894-1896
J. R. Conway, 1842-1844	T. H. Howard, 1896-1898
C. L. Pettitt, 1844-1846	A. W. Morehead, 1898-1904
J. R. Fraim, 1846-1848	J. R. Wallis, 1904-1906
J. R. Conway, 1848-1850	John Ault, 1906-1908
A. D. Hardy, 1850-1858	J. T. Ault, 1908-1910
B. Tally, 1858-1859	A. W. Morehead, 1910-1914
Francis McHenry, 1859-1860	Clifford Long, 1914-1918
W. Clem, 1860-1861	C. D. Nelms, 1918-1922
W. R. Cochran, 1861-1864	J. W. Sanders, 1923-1924
H. Elliott, 1864-1866	L. A. Heard, 1924-1926
J. W. Miller, 1866-1868	W. M. Morrison, 1926-1928
B. C. Outwell, 1868-1870	B. H. Whitley, 1928-1930
D. W. Townsend, 1870-1872	John Ingles, 1930-1932
D. C. Lee, 1872-1874	A. E. Ingles, 1933-1934
A. V. Lewis, 1874-1880	John Ingles, 1934-1936
V. M. Threlkeld, 1880-1886	F. A. Ingles, 1936-1940
Richard d'Ailly, 1886-1888	

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COUNTY AGENTS

W. J. Apple, 1909-1910
A. V. Swaty, 1910-1916
Star Grieg, 1916-1917
Warren E. Daniel, 1917
J. H. McCulley, 1917-1920
W. C. Vickry, 1920

Byron W. Butler, 1921-1927
G. L. Teeter, 1927-1930
Geo. F. Metzler, 1930-1933
Philip S. Anderson, 1933-1936
John W. Measel, 1936-1938
Leslie J. Rogers, 1938--

HOME DEMONSTRATION AGENTS

Ursula Murphy, 1917-1918
Agnes Matthews, 1918-1922
Mae Blakeley, 1922-1925
Ann Scott McGill, 1925-1927

Mrs. Ann M. Cole, 1927-1928
Mildrid Forbes, 1928-1930
Mrs. Minnie C. Turner, 1930-1934
Vera Whelan, 1935--

STATE REPRESENTATIVES

John Clark, 1833-1835
John Wilson, 1835-1836
S. W. Reyburn, 1836-1838
H. A. Whittington, 1838-1842
Lorenzo Gibson, 1842-1844
P. S. Physick, 1844-1846
J. Shipp, 1844-1846
Moses R. Woods, 1846-1850
S. A. Emerson, 1850-1852
J. G. Halliburton, 1852-1854
E. C. Jones, 1854-1856
Lemuel A. Cook, 1856-1860
James M. Sanders, 1860-1862
E. C. Jones, 1862-1865 (1)
Thomas Whitten, 1864-1866 (1)
Wm. C. Kelley, 1866-1868
J. W. Harrison, 1868-1871
J. H. Demby, 1868-1871
J. F. Lane, J. J. Sumpter and
J. M. Bethal, 1871-1873 (2)
L. D. Gilbreath, J. J. Sumpter
and George G. Latta, 1873-1874
H. H. Barton, J. J. Sumpter, and
L. D. Gilbreath, 1874
A. A. Pennington, 1874-1877

J. S. Williams, 1877-1879
G. W. Holder, 1879-1881
S. H. Emerson, 1881-1885
R. M. Thrasher, 1885-1887
J. M. Fowler, 1887-1889
William Lambert, 1889-1893
S. H. Emerson, 1893-1895
Wm. Lambert, 1895-1897
Horatio Barnett, 1897-1899
Jonathan L. Hall, 1899-1901
Henry B. Means, 1901-1903
John W. Keith, 1903-1905
John C. Ross, 1905-1909
D. D. Glover, 1909-1913
Joel C. Beloate, 1913-1917
Andrew I. Rowland, 1917-1919
Felix L. Smith, 1919-1921
Joel C. Beloate, 1921-1923
Joe W. Kimsey, 1923-1929
W. J. Lookadoo, 1929-1931
James T. Morehead, 1931-1933
H. S. Thomas, 1933-1937
Sam L. Cunningham, 1937-1939
H. S. Thomas, 1939--
W. J. Lookadoo, 1939--

(1) Whitten was elected following adoption of the Constitution of 1864. Jones was a member of the Confederate Legislature.

(2) Served in place of C. R. Kymes, P. B. Allen, and N. Ellington.

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STATE SENATORS (9TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT)

John Wells, 1831-1833	Hugh McCallum, 1874-1877
J. S. T. Calloway, 1833-1835	A. A. Pennington, 1877-1881
Hiram A. Whittington, 1835-1836	J. S. Williams, 1881-1885
A. E. Thornton, 1836-1840	Jabez M. Smith, 1885-1889
C. Caldwell, 1840-1842	T. B. Morton, 1889-1893
S. W. Reyburn, 1842-1850	T. M. Mehaffy, 1893-1897
J. H. Crow, 1850-1852	Wm. L. Lambert, 1897-1901
George W. Hinson, 1852-1856	Reuben R. Adams, 1901-1909
W. H. Hammond, 1856-1860	R. W. Glover, 1909-1913
J. F. Fagan, 1860-1862	Thos. E. Toler, 1913-1917
D. Cunningham, 1861-1862 spec. sess.	J. S. Utley, 1917-1921
F. Leach, 1862-1864	A. B. Shockley, 1921-1925
E. H. Vance, 1864-1866	Walter L. Weaver, 1925-1929
Joseph Tucker, 1865-1866 spec. sess.	Joe W. Kimsey, 1929-1933
J. M. Smith, 1866-1868	Marvin N. Harris, 1933-1937
D. P. Belding, 1868-1874	Joe W. Kimsey, 1937--

ARKANSAS COUNTIES IN THE ORDER OF CREATION

<u>NO.</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TAKEN FROM</u>
1.	Arkansas*	Dec. 31, 1813	Dist. of Arkansas
2.	Lawrence	Jan. 15, 1815	Missouri Terr. New Madrid Co., Terr. of Missouri
3.	Pulaski	Dec. 15, 1818	Arkansas County
4.	Clark	Dec. 15, 1818	Arkansas County
5.	Hempstead	Dec. 15, 1818	Arkansas County
6.	Miller**	Apr. 1, 1820	Arkansas County
7.	Phillips	May 1, 1820	Arkansas & Hempstead Counties
8.	Crawford	Oct. 18, 1820	Pulaski County
9.	Independence	Oct. 20, 1820	Lawrence County
10.	Chicot	Oct. 25, 1823	Arkansas County
11.	Conway	Oct. 20, 1825	Pulaski County
12.	Crittenden	Oct. 22, 1825	Phillips County
13.	Izard	Oct. 27, 1825	Independence County
14.	St. Francis	Oct. 13, 1827	Phillips County
15.	Lafayette	Oct. 15, 1827	Hempstead County
16.	Sevier	Oct. 17, 1828	Miller & Hempstead Counties
17.	Washington	Oct. 17, 1828	Crawford County
18.	Pope	Nov. 2, 1829	Crawford County
19.	Union	Nov. 2, 1829	Clark & Hempstead Counties
20.	Hot Spring	Nov. 2, 1829	Clark County
21.	Monroe	Nov. 2, 1829	Arkansas & Phillips Counties
22.	Jefferson	Nov. 2, 1829	Arkansas & Pulaski Counties
23.	Jackson	Nov. 5, 1829	Independence County
24.	Mississippi	Nov. 1, 1833	Crittenden County
25.	Pike	Nov. 1, 1833	Clark & Hempstead Counties
26.	Greene	Nov. 5, 1833	Lawrence County
27.	Scott	Nov. 5, 1833	Crawford & Pope Counties
28.	Van Buren	Nov. 11, 1833	Conway, Independence & Izard Counties
29.	Carroll	Nov. 11, 1833	Izard County
30.	Johnson	Nov. 16, 1833	Pope County
31.	White	Oct. 23, 1835	Jackson & Pulaski Counties
32.	Randolph	Oct. 29, 1835	Lawrence County

*First established as District of Arkansas by an act of the Territory of Louisiana passed June 27, 1806; district government erected August 23, 1808; officially designated as a county unit of government by legislature of the Territory of Missouri, December 31, 1813.

**First established 1820; abolished 1836; Re-established 1874.

Arkansas Counties in the
Order of Creation

<u>NO.</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TAKEN FROM</u>
33.	Saline	Nov. 2, 1835	Hempstead & Pulaski Counties
34.	Marion	Sept. 29, 1836	Izard County
35.	Madison	Sept. 30, 1836	Washington County
36.	Benton	Sept. 30, 1836	Washington County
37.	Franklin	Dec. 19, 1837	Crawford County
38.	Poinsett	Feb. 28, 1838	Greene & St. Francis Counties
39.	Desha	Dec. 12, 1838	Arkansas County
40.	Searcy	Dec. 13, 1838	Marion County
41.	Yell	Dec. 5, 1840	Pope & Scott Counties
42.	Bradley	Dec. 18, 1840	Union County
43.	Perry	Dec. 18, 1840	Conway County
44.	Ouachita	Nov. 29, 1842	Union County
45.	Montgomery	Dec. 9, 1842	Hot Spring County
46.	Newton	Dec. 14, 1842	Carroll County
47.	Fulton	Dec. 21, 1842	Izard County
48.	Polk	Nov. 30, 1844	Sevier County
49.	Dallas	Jan. 1, 1845	Clark & Bradley Counties
50.	Prairie	Nov. 25, 1846	Pulaski County
51.	Drew	Nov. 26, 1846	Bradley County
52.	Ashley	Nov. 30, 1848	Drew County
53.	Calhoun	Dec. 6, 1850	Dallas & Ouachita Counties
54.	Sebastian	Jan. 6, 1851	Crawford, Scott & Polk Counties
55.	Columbia	Dec. 17, 1852	Hempstead, Lafayette & Ouachita Counties
56.	Craighead	Feb. 19, 1859	Greene, Mississippi & Poinsett Counties
57.	Cross	Nov. 15, 1862	Crittenden, Poinsett & St. Francis Counties
58.	Woodruff	Nov. 26, 1862	Jackson & St. Francis Counties
59.	Little River	Mar. 5, 1867	Hempstead & Sevier Counties
60.	Sharp	July 18, 1868	Lawrence County
61.	Grant	Feb. 4, 1869	Hot Spring, Jefferson & Saline Counties
62.	Boone	Apr. 9, 1869	Carroll & Madison Counties
63.	Nevada	Mar. 20, 1871	Columbia, Hempstead & Ouachita Counties
64.	Logan	Mar. 22, 1871	Franklin, Johnson, Scott & Yell Counties
65.	Lincoln	Mar. 28, 1871	Arkansas, Bradley, Desha, Drew & Jeffer- son Counties
66.	Clay	Mar. 24, 1873	Greene & Randolph Counties

Arkansas Counties in the
Order of Creation

<u>NO.</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TAKEN FROM</u>
67.	Baxter	Mar. 24, 1873	Fulton, Izard, Marion & Searcy Counties
68.	Garland	Apr. 5, 1873	Hot Spring, Montgomery & Saline Counties
69.	Faulkner	Apr. 12, 1873	Conway & Pulaski Coun- ties
70.	Lonoke	Apr. 16, 1873	Prairie & Pulaski Counties
71.	Cleveland*	Apr. 17, 1873	Jefferson, Dallas, Bradley & Lincoln Counties
72.	Howard	Apr. 17, 1873	Hempstead, Pike, Polk & Sevier Counties
73.	Lee	Apr. 17, 1873	Crittenden, Monroe, Phillips & St. Fran- cis Counties
74.	Stone	Apr. 21, 1873	Independence, Izard, Searcy & Van Buren Counties
75.	Cleburne	Feb. 20, 1883	Independence, Van Buren & White Coun- ties

*Formerly called Dorsey County; became Cleveland County on March 5, 1885.

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- 1) Inventory of the County Archives of Arkansas, No. 12, Cleburne County (Heber Springs). Historical Records Survey, Little Rock, Arkansas, March, 1939. mim. (217 pp.)

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