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FOREWORD

The Inventory of County Archives of Tennessee is one of a number of bibliographies of historical materials prepared throughout the United States by workers on the Historical Records Survey of the Works Progress Administration. The publication herewith presented, an inventory of the archives of Wilson County, is number 95 of the Tennessee series.

The Historical Records Survey was undertaken in the winter of 1935-36 for the purpose of providing useful employment to 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carrying out this objective, the project was organized to compile inventories of historical materials, particularly the unpublished government documents and records which are basic in the administration of local government, and which provide invaluable data for students of political,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 designed 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 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, 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 was organized and has been directed by Luther H. Evans, and operates as a nation-wide project in the Division of Women's and Professional Projects, of which Mrs. Ellen S. Woodward, Assistant Administrator, is in charge.

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PREFACE

The Wilson County courthouse was entered by field workers of The Historical Records Survey January 15, 1937. The final recheck was completed November 28, 1937.

A large part of the county's records was housed in an attic storage room, where they had been exposed to the ravages of dust and time for many years, thus making a great amount of cleaning and arranging necessary before the actual inventorying of the records could be started. The county built the necessary shelving in the attic storage room, relieving the disordered condition that had prevailed. The Survey's workers vacuum cleaned and arranged all bound records, and arranged chronologically, and filed by years the trial papers of the circuit court clerk and the clerk and master.

The most serious threat to Wilson County's records is the ever-present danger of fire. The quarterly county court has recently been called into special session to consider the issuance of bonds to build a new courthouse to replace the present one, which was built in 1883.

If errors have crept into this inventory, they are necessarily slight ones, for no efforts have been spared to keep them at an irreducible minimum. The Survey is certain that every record in the Wilson County courthouse last November is listed in this inventory.

The arrangement of bureaus and entries in this book is the result of process of trial and error and is the most practicable in view of the complex and illogical nature of some of the bureaus, particularly the county court.

The user of this inventory is advised to read the introductory sections - Historical Sketch of Wilson County; Governmental Organization and Records System; Housing, Care and Accessibility of Records; and Abbreviations, Symbols and Explanatory Notes. The essay sections preceding the bureau entries contain information on the present and historical nature of the bureau and list the records each bureau or officer is required by law to keep and may also be helpful in interpreting the record entries.

The legal sections have been carried through the last session of the legislature.

Similar and related records are connected by cross-references.

The number assigned this inventory, 95, merely indicates the alphabetical position of Wilson among the counties of the state.

It was definitely a pleasure to work in Wilson County. In no county has the Survey met with better cooperation than that extended by the Wilson County officials, particularly County Judge E. G. Walker,

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County Court Clerk C. O. Dodson, and Circuit Court Clerk G. W. Alexander. Judge Walker took a great personal interest in the work and was directly responsible for obtaining better housing conditions for the county's records. Mr. Dodson was never too busy to answer questions and help the Survey's workers in his well-kept office. Mr. Alexander likewise was very kind. The Survey wishes to take this opportunity to thank Mr. J. H. Williams, clerk and master; Mr. W. C. Witherspoon, register; Mr. O. Z. Luck, chairman of the board of education; Mr. Elbert Ellis, former trustee; Sheriff P. T. Burnette, and the other county officials, without whose help the work would never have been carried to a successful conclusion.

Ths historical and legal sections of this inventory were prepared under the supervision of Madison Bratton; the forms received from the field were edited by Miss Mary Alice Burke; the field work was carried on under the general supervision of Mrs. Elizabeth W. Litchford; Miss Vylva Holland arranged the material in the book for publication; Ballard O. Donnell was directly in charge of the Survey in Wilson County.

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1. WILSON COUNTY HISTORICAL SKETCH

Wilson County, in the heart of Middle Tennessee, was created by the legislature at Knoxville, October 26, 1799, by an act which partitioned Sumner County. The enabling act established a "new county ... by the name of Wilson, to be contained within the following described bounds: Beginning upon the south bank of the river Cumberland, at low water mark, at the mouth of Drake's Lick Branch, the northeast corner of Davidson County, thence with the line of Davidson County, to the Cherokee Boundary, as run and marked agreeably to the treaty of Holston, and with the said boundary to the Caney Fork, and down the Caney Fork, according to its meanders, to the mouth thereof, thence down the meanders of Cumberland River, by the south bank, to the beginning" (P.A. 1799, ch. 2, sec. 4). The county was named in honor of Major David Wilson, a Revolutionary War veteran and the first speaker of the territorial legislature (University of Tennessee Record, VI, pt. ii, Knoxville, 1929, 9). It has itself been partitioned in the forming of Cannon, DeKalb, and Trousdale Counties (L.A. 1835-36, chs. 33, 34, 47; P.A. 1869-70, 2nd. ses., ch. 27; 1839-40, ch. 2).

The county lies on the south bank of the Cumberland River and is delimited on the north by Sumner and Trousdale Counties, on the east by Smith and DeKalb Counties, on the south by Rutherford and Cannon Counties, and on the west by Davidson County. Lebanon, the Wilson County seat, is thirty miles east of Nashville on the main stem of the Tennessee Central Railroad.

In 1930 Wilson County had a population of 23,926 (Fifteenth Census of the United States, 1930, III, Population, pt. ii, 896). Its altitude varies from 350 feet in the Cumberland bottom lands to 770 feet on the eastern ridges (J. B. Killebrew, Introduction to the Resources of Tennessee, Nashville, 1887, 1008). With its thousands of acres of green and rolling pasture lands, Wilson County bears the definite stamp of the soil and is one of the State's most important livestock counties (United States Census of Agriculture, 1935, Tennessee Statistics by Counties, 1935, 13).

Beyond an occasional hunter or trapper, the region of Wilson County was largely unknown to whites before 1790. The county was settled by persons who had received land grants from North Carolina, which until 1789 included present-day Tennessee, and by persons who had bought land from the grantees (J. G. M. Ramsey, Annals of Tennessee, reprint, Kingsport, 1926, 206, 504; Killebrew, op. cit., 841; "Deed Record, A", entry 77). The first permanent white settlement was made sometime after 1790, probably at Drake's Lick, on the Cumberland (A. P. Foster, Counties of Tennessee, Nashville, 1923, 98; J. V. Drake, Historical Sketch of Wilson County, Tenn., N. P., 1879, 10). The pioneers found the country a land covered with vast forests and thick canebrakes. "There was no sign of any cleared land nor any appearance of former cultivation. Nothing was presented to the eye but one large plain of woods and cane, frequented by buffaloes, elk, deer, wolves, foxes, panthers, and other animals suited to the climate" (Ramsey, op. cit., 206). The few Indians were reputed to have

been friendly (Goodspeed's History of Tennessee with Sketches of Maury, Williamson, Rutherford, Bedford, Marshall and Wilson Counties, Nashville and Chicago, 1886, 841).

Wilson County was organized and the county court, then called the court of pleas and quarter sessions, first convened on December 23, 1799, two months after the legislature enacted the necessary legislation. Although the minute books for the period have been lost, one of the court's first actions is supposed to have been directed at the beasts which had for so many years sauntered unmolested through the deep forests, and two dollars were offered for each wolf scalp presented (ibid., 845, 846). The census of 1800, taken a few months after Wilson County was created, found 3,261 persons in the county (Twelfth Census of the United States, 1900, I, Population, pt. i, 40). Of these, 729 were Negro slaves and nine "free persons of color" (Ninth Census of the United States, 1870, Statistics of Population, 62, 63).

The sessions of the county court were held at the homes of various citizens until the summer of 1802, after a site near a large spring had been chosen for the county seat and called Lebanon, for then Wilson County was an almost unbroken forest of cedars (Foster, op. cit., 98; Drake, op. cit., 9). Lebanon was established November 13, 1801, by act of the legislature (P.A. 1801, ch. 49). Legend says the site of Lebanon was first settled in 1800 by an oldtimer who maintained himself and his wife by hunting and fishing, but who was remembered mainly for his fiddling marathons, which were interrupted only long enough to allow him to replenish his larder with game and fish (Goodspeed's History, 853).

The oldest surviving minute book of the county court dates from the December term, 1803, and indicates that all varieties of business came before the court. Several tax lists were received, an action in damages was disposed of, witness bonds were taken, a deed was probated and ordered registered, constables were appointed for several captain's districts, and one Obediah Spradlin was "fined in the sum one dollar and fifty cents and getting (sic) who paid same to the chairman of this Court" ("Minutes", December, 1803, entry 152, pp. 1, 2). Approximately 469 persons returned schedules on taxable land to the court at this term. The largest single tract was apparently the 3840 acres of John Buchanan. Most of the tracts were 220, 640, or 1280 acres. The minutes of this session are signed by Andrew Donelson, Phillip Koance, and John Adams, apparently members of the court (ibid., 2-22).

The county court met at the "Courthouse in ... Lebanon", June 23, 1806, the first time the minutes mention a courthouse (ibid., 235). A jail--a two-room calaboose, entered through the roof--was built before the courthouse. The first courthouse was a small, cedar log building, large enough for only the courts; the officials were compelled to maintain offices elsewhere. The county's second courthouse was completed in 1818 and demolished in 1848. The next served until 1881 when it was destroyed by fire. The fourth and present courthouse was built in 1882 (Goodspeed's History, 896, 897).

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The first settlements were near the river bottoms and along the numerous small streams. The principal agricultural product was corn, and the first grist mill, a horse-propelled arrangement, made its appearance in 1798. Later, water-powered grist mills, saw-mills, and wool carding machines were built (ibid., 841, 843). Still-houses, mostly small affairs, were more numerous than schools, but these disappeared during the eighteen-fifties (Philip M. Hamer, ed., Tennessee-A History, 1673-1932, I, New York, 1933, 348).

In the early part of the century, cotton was an important staple and the first cotton west of the Cumberland Mountains is supposed to have been cultivated in Wilson County. At any rate, there were several gins in the county in the early period (Goodspeed's History, 844). The gins have practically disappeared, and cotton itself has declined as a leading crop.

The first store in the county was opened probably in 1800. Its stock consisted of staple groceries, nails, tobacco, ammunition, and whiskey, all brought from the east by pack-horse. Salt brought from eight to ten dollars a pound, nails twenty-five cents a pound. Similar stores, and dispensaries, called "ordinaries", soon appeared (ibid.; Hamer, op. cit., 186). Wilson County went without the services of a newspaper until 1818, when the short-lived Lebanon Gazette was hopefully launched. The Banner of Peace, published in the interests of newly founded Cumberland University, followed in 1842, and was published until 1851 when it moved to the greener fields of Nashville (Goodspeed's History, 853). The same year that brought the Gazette brought Sam Houston, then a young attorney, to Lebanon, where he stayed for a year (Winstead P. Bone, History of Cumberland University, Lebanon, 1934, 39).

Like many Tennessee counties, Wilson County felt the blast of the Civil War, and its reminder today is the inevitable Confederate monument in the public square. Never the scene of any conclusive operations, the county was, however, occupied by troops or overrun with raiding parties for a good part of the year 1862 (Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies, series 1, XXIII, pt. i, Washington, 1880-1901, 393, 394; Robert Underwood Johnson and Clarence Clough Buel, ed., Battles and Leaders of the Civil War, III, New York, 1887, 1888, 635). In December of the same year, John Hunt Morgan, the renowned Confederate raider, marched from Lebanon, this time to capture the Union garrison at Hartsville, on the other side of the Cumberland (Robert S. Henry, Story of the Confederacy, New York, 1931, 220, 221). A short time later, after the Battle of Stone's River and the loss of nearly all of Middle Tennessee, Lebanon was momentarily occupied by General Morgan before he was dislodged by a detachment of Federal soldiers from nearby Murfreesboro (Official Records, series 1, X, pt. i, 884, 885). Wilson County, however, suffered mainly from the frequent raids of the quartermaster and commissary departments, which picked the county clean of its fine horses and cattle (Goodspeed's History, 852, 853). On April 6, 1863, J. S. McClain, county court clerk, made a brief entry in the minutes, reflecting the unsettled state of affairs: "This being the first Monday in April and the regular time for the meeting of the County Court, the Federal troops were

in town and some of them occupied the court house. The justices of the Court did not attend--the Court did not meet" ("Minutes 1858-64", entry 152, p. 594).

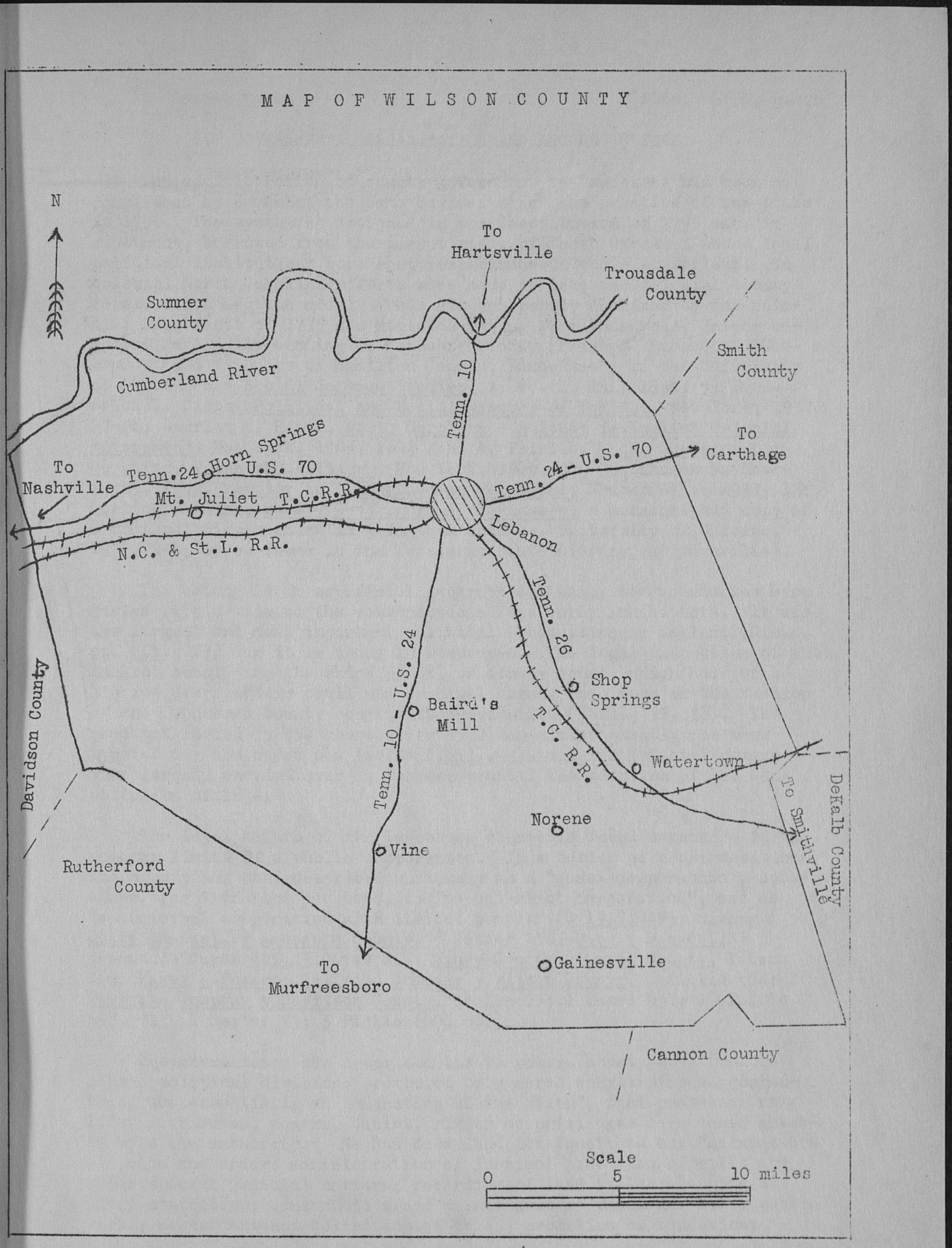
Lebanon and Wilson County are best known for Cumberland University, founded in 1842 by the Cumberland Presbyterian Church (Bone, op. cit., 15, 35), and chartered by the legislature December 30, 1843 (P.A. 1843-44, ch. 55). The university took its name not only from this religious association, but from the general associations of the region with the word and from the fact the institution was supposed to replace Cumberland College, of Princeton, Kentucky (Bone, op. cit., 35).

Although Cumberland's fame grew in later years because of the law school, the charter of incorporation did not mention the law, but designated Cumberland as "a Literary Institution", and authorized the trustees to prescribe courses in "all the arts and science usually taught in similar institutions, and confer the degrees of Bachelor of Aarts (sic), Master of Arts (sic), and any other degrees of literary distinction which might or can be conferred by other Colleges or Universities of the United States." The charter further authorized professorships of agriculture and theology (P.A. 1843-44, ch. 55). Collegiate life at Cumberland was governed by regulations set forth in the "Handbook of Rules." According to the Handbook, the forty-five students, or such a part of that number as lived at the University or within three-quarters of a mile, were required to "attend morning prayers in the college at sunrising." It was, further, an offense punishable by expulsion for a student "to pick" or otherwise unlawfully open the lock of another student's room or quarters (Bone, op. cit., 60). In 1847 Cumberland added a law department (Hamer, op. cit., 372; Goodspeed's History, 848), and from then on Cumberland had an almost phenomenal record for turning out successful lawyers, jurists, and politicians, including two United States supreme court justices and the present Secretary of State. Its one year law course has recently been extended to two years (Bone, op. cit., 27). The university is currently involved in an unpleasantness with the American Bar Association.

Life in Wilson County moves today, as it always has, in peace and tranquility. The county's population has varied within a range of only five thousand during the last one hundred years; the 1930 figure was the lowest since 1820. Starting with 3,261 persons in 1800, the number reached 25,422 in 1830, fell back, and finally reached an all-time high of 28,742 in 1880. The census of 1930 counted 23,926 persons, a decrease of over two thousand in the decade of the twenties. In 1930, over fifteen thousand persons lived on farms, between four and five thousand were Negroes, and one tenth of one per cent was foreign born (Twelfth Census of the United States, 1900, I, Population, pt. i, 40; Fifteenth Census of the United States, 1930, III, Population, pt. ii, 896; Tennessee Blue Book and Official Directory, 1936, Nashville, 1936, 159).

Wilson County's great cedar forests have long since been depleted, but many cedars still grow from the rugged limestone outcroppings and dot the rolling pasture lands. Among the ninety-five counties of the

state, Wilson probably ranks first in amount of pasturage and numbers of cattle and sheep, and is near the top in numbers of horses, mules, hogs, and chickens. Wilson is the twelfth largest county in the state in area, and over ninety-three per cent of its 613 square miles is given over to agrarian uses of some variety. The principal crops are corn, wheat, oats, and hay. Cotton has largely disappeared and tobacco has declined in importance. Approximately two-thirds of Wilson County's farms are operated by their owners. The total value of farm lands and buildings has been placed at $9,964,747.00. Although much of the timber is gone, the sawmill industry is still considerable. Manufactured at Lebanon are pencils, blankets, cedar chests, novelties, and germicidal sprays. Lebanon is also the site of a large mule market. Eggs and fowls are shipped in quantities (United States Census of Agriculture, 1935, Tennessee Statistics by Counties; Mrs. John Rich Thomas, Wilson County, in Tennessee Club Woman, No. 2, 1929, 45; University Record, 67-80).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To Hartsville
Trousdale County
Sumner County
Smith County
Cumberland River
Tenn. 10
To Carthage
Horn Springs
To Nashville
Tenn. 24
U.S. 70
Tenn. 24 - U.S. 70
Mt. Juliet
T.C.R.R.
N.C. & St.L. R.R.
Lebanon
Tenn. 26
Shop Springs
Tenn. 10 - U.S. 24
Baird's Mill
T.C. R.R.
Watertown
To Smithville
DeKalb County
Davidson County
Norene
Vine
Rutherford County
To Murfreesboro
Gainesville
Cannon County
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2. GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION AND RECORDS SYSTEM

The administration of county government in Tennessee has been accomplished by somewhat the same devices since the creation of the state in 1796. The system as designed in the Constitution of 1796 was, in substance, borrowed from the parent state of North Carolina whose local political institutions bore some resemblance to those of England. In colonial North Carolina efforts were made to make the colonial county resemble its English model. This aim was partly realized by the colonial enactments of 1715 and statutes dating from that year, unless repealed, are fully binding in Tennessee today (Frank W. Prescott, "Government and Finances of Hamilton County, Tennessee", in the University of Chattanooga Social Science Studies, I, No. 1, July 1934, 9; Frederick C. Dietz, Political and Social History of England, New York, 1932, 27-28; Charles L. Raper, North Carolina - A Study in English Colonial Government, New York, 1904, 162; John A. Fairlie, Local Government in Counties, Towns and Villages, New York, 1906, 30, 35; Thomas P. Abernethy, From Frontier to Plantation in Tennessee, Chapel Hill, 1932, 136; Carlton C. Sims, County Government in Tennessee, a mimeographed copy of a doctoral dissertation in political science, University of Chicago, 1932, 2-9, to be found in the Tennessee State Library, at Nashville).

The county is an artificial geographical unit; its boundaries were marked with a view to the convenience of the early inhabitants. It was the largest and most important political subdivision in England (Dietz, op. cit., 27), as it is today in Tennessee. The legal expression of the Englist county was the shire gemot, or county court, which had jurisdiction over certain civil and criminal cases, and, much in the fashion of the Tennessee county court, witnessed wills (ibid., 27, 38). The road tax levied by the court after 1530 was almost exactly the same type of tax the court now levies (ibid., 3), and its judicial powers were largely carried over in Tennessee until the adoption of the Constitution of 1834.

The legal nature of the Tennessee county is found somewhere in the shadowy limits of a public corporation. In a series of court decisions, the county has been described variously as a "quasi-corporation", sometimes, for different purposes, as "an out-right corporation"; and as "a municipal corporation with limited powers" (C 1917, 493, citing State ex. rel. v Anderson County, 8 Baxter 258; Beck v Puckett, 2 Shannon's Cases 495, 3 Cates 255; Maury County v Lewis County, 1 Swan 240; Maxey v Powers; Railroad Company v Wilson County, 5 Pickle 604; Turnpike Company v Davidson County, 14 Lea 75; 1 Sneed 637; 13 Pickle 697, 713; 1 Baxter 73; 5 Pickle 600, 601).

One commentator has described the Tennessee county as a "subordinate political division, protected by general constitutional guarantees, but essentially an 'emanation of the state', that possesses no life, attributes, powers, duties, rights or privileges save those granted by state authority." He has described its functions as: "maintenance of peace and order; administration of justice; probation of wills and other special judicial matters; recording of land titles; keeping of vital statistics; construction and maintenance of roads and other public works; assessment and collection of taxes; promotion of education;

creation and support of hospitals, charitable institutions and relief agencies; health and sanitation; and some minor activities of a purely local nature" (Prescott, Hamilton County, 9).

While numerous court decisions have declared the county "only an arm or instrument of the state to carry out its sovereign prerogative" and as such endowed with only such power as the legislature may deem wise and best to confer (C 1917, 493, citing 16 Lea 535; 1 Sneed 681; 5 Pickle 600, 601; 1 Swan 240; 3 Cates 255), the amazing ease with which special legislation, applicable to a single county, may be enacted and the wide discretion allowed the quarterly county court have nullified to a tremendous degree the purely subordinate character of the county, causing one observer to identify the county in terms of the state by calling the latter "loose federations of sovereign counties" (Frank W. Prescott, "County Finance in the South," in Arnold Foundation Studies in Public Affairs, VI, No. 1, 1937, 4). That the state exists for the benefit of the counties may be suspected from the tax figures for 1936. Of the $30,072,182, in taxes collected by the State of Tennessee in 1936, $12,101,421, or over forty per cent, went back to the counties in the form of state aid for county roads and schools (ibid., 5, citing Biennial Report, 1934-1936, of the Comptroller of the Treasury).

The Constitution of 1796, like the organic law today, the unamended Constitution of 1870, was a conservative document, and the democratic trends in the state's intervening Constitution, the one of 1834, may have been less effective than was believed at the time of its adoption. Under the Constitution of 1796 practically all county officers were designated by the county court, and the justices of the peace, who severally constituted the court, were themselves appointed by the legislature and commissioned by the governor (Abernethy, op. cit., 136; Prescott, Hamilton County, 9, 10; Philip M. Hamer, ed., Tennessee - A History, 1673-1932, I, New York, 1933, 176).

The Constitution of 1834, framed during the Jackson era, represented certain democratic trends towards decentralization (Prescott, Hamilton County, 10). Arising from the belief that the residents of the county should elect their own officials and belonged beyond the reach of the state in matters that very personally affected the citizen, the new Constitution made most of the important officers elective by popular vote (Const. of 1834, art. 7, sec. 1).

The Constitution of 1870, virtually impossible of amendment, as it was meant to be, represented a profound determination on the part of the reincarnated Democrats to prevent forever an unhappy recurrence of interference in local affairs and appointing of obnoxious local officials by the central government at Nashville, as had happened during the Reconstruction regime (Prescott, Hamilton County, 10; P. A. 1865, 1st ses., chs. 4, 6, 15, 16, 21, 24, 32; 1865-66, chs. 16, 33, 35, 40; 1866, ex. ses., ch. 2; 1866-67, 2nd ad. ses., chs. 5, 18, 21, 24, 26, 46; 1867-68, chs. 19, 31, 33, 40, 44, 52, 65, 70; 1868, ex. ses., chs. 2, 3). Aside from its indirect but nonetheless iron-clad prohibition of an income tax and its also indirect but effective prohibition of amendments,

the Constitution of 1870's other important provision is one affecting the county organization--"No county office created by the legislature shall be filled otherwise than by the people or the county court" (Const. of 1870, art. 11, sec. 17), the intention being the centralizing of appointive and other powers in the quarterly county court. In 1911, however, the supreme court of the state held that the legislature can legally transfer and modify the powers of the court except those conferred by the Constitution itself (Prescott, Hamilton County, 10, citing Prescott v Duncan, 18 Cates 106).

Historically there have been four definite developments in county organization since 1776: a change in emphasis from an appointive to an elective basis in selecting county officers in the Constitution of 1834; the drawing of a clearer line of demarcation between the administrative and judicial duties of the county court; a decline in the judicial powers of the county court and a corresponding rise in power of the circuit court; and the emergence of a type of executive head in the person of the county judge or the chairman of the county court, this largely since the Civil War (Sims, op. cit., 16).

Of inestimable importance in the organization of county government in Tennessee is and has been the great volume of special legislation. As the ultimate seat of all sovereignty, the legislature of the state enacts several types of legislation: general, or applicable equally to every person or every county in the state; special or private and applicable to certain individuals, such as the removal of the minority or exemption from certain general statutes; and special or private, and applicable to one or perhaps a handful of counties. It is this last type of legislation that has had such effect on the organization of county government in Tennessee. Special legislation for counties may assume two forms. The county may be named, or, if the enactment is clearly discriminatory, or for reasons best known to the framer, it may read to apply to all counties in a given range population. Of course, only one county usually finds itself within the given population range and consequently affected by the statute that on its face is general. There are a few special acts on the statute books that were never applicable to any county at all (Pr.A. 1919, ch. 522; 1923, ch. 634).

In a recent session, the legislature enacted 146 general laws and 933 private laws, and of the private laws 654 were applicable to separate or to only a few counties (Sims, op. cit., 38; Pr.A. 1929). The enactment of private statutes, of course, results in much evil. The bills are voted perfunctorily--sometimes in groups of three's or four's--on request of the representative whose county is involved, and the system is naturally conducive to logrolling and backscratching. A county official back home may find himself legislated out of office by an unfriendly legislator, or whole tiers of counties, merely on request of their representatives, may be exempted from statutes enacted in "the public welfare." By virtue of one or more of the 831 private acts of 1935, rabbits and gray foxes may be hunted in the general closed season in Washington

County, "provided they are damaging crops" (Pr.A. 1935, ch. 646), and squirrels in Dyer County go without the full protection accorded squirrels in other counties (ibid., ch. 745). A practitioner of veterinary surgery of many years standing in one county may be authorized to ply his trade legally and yet without complying with the requirements of law. Raccoons and 'possums migrating to Lauderdale County are wise to learn that the open season on them in that county is not the same as in adjacent Haywood County (ibid., ch. 802). Far from all special acts are of this variety, however. Many are acts authorizing bond issues and creating and regulating bureaus in individual counties in the strict interest of the public welfare, but much of the confusion sometimes surrounding the administration of county government is directly attributable to the numerous special enactments.

The focal point of the organization is the quarterly county court, composed of justices of the peace. Wilson County, with twenty-five civil districts, elects fifty-three justices. The quarterly county court, in brief, is the county's legislative body and exercises some appointive powers. The quarterly county court, among its many duties, fixes the tax levy and the budget, and is, as a result, the nerve center for the county organization (Territorial Acts, 1794, ch. 1, sec. 44, 1; Const. of 1870, art. 7, sec. 1, art. 2, sec. 29, art. 10, sec. 4, art. 6, sec. 15; Raper, op. cit., 162; Prescott, Hamilton County, 9-11). The county court, always open instead of meeting in quarterly sessions, is also the probate court, a point discussed at length elsewhere in this book (Territorial Acts, 1794, ch. 1, sec. 44, 2; P.A. 1835-36, ch. 6, sec. 1, 3; 1837-38, ch. 135, 4; 1875, ch. 70). The members of the court, as justices of the peace, are minor judicial officers (P.A. 1817, ch. 86, 5; 1857-58, ch. 56, 6; 1825, ch. 36, 7; 1831, ch. 4, 8), hearing the vast majority of cases in the county, and are compensated entirely on a fee basis (C 1932, 10690, 10691; P.A. 1925, ch. 108).

In two counties--Davidson, containing the city of Nashville, and Montgomery--the justices have been stripped of their judicial powers and replaced with salaried judges (Pr.A. 1937, chs. 12, 113).

If any officer can be termed the chief executive of the county, it is the county judge, or in the few counties of the state having no county judge, the chairman of the county court. The financial and administrative head of the county, the typical county judge is an able and realistic person, sincerely interested in the welfare of the county and the happiness of his constituents.

Aside from the circuit court judge, the chancellor, and the district attorney-general, who are state rather than county officers, there are supposed to be eight constitutional officers and two constitutional groups in Wilson County: the county court clerk, the clerk and master, the circuit court clerk, the trustee, the register, the sheriff, the coroner, the ranger, and the county's fifty-three justices of the peace and maximum of twenty-six constables. Wilson County, like practically all others, does not any longer fill the office of ranger. All of the constitutional

officers are elected by popular vote except the clerk and master, who is appointed by the chancellor (Const. of 1870, art. 6, sec. 13), and the coroner who is and the ranger who is supposed to be elected by the quarterly court (ibid., art. 7, sec. 1; P.A. 1835-36, ch. 2, sec. 4, 9; 1845-46, ch. 88, 10).

The statutory county officers elected by popular vote are the county judge (P.A. 1855-56, ch. 253, 11; Pr.A. 1915, ch. 150), the tax assessor (P.A. 1907, ch. 602, sec. 9, subsecs. 1, 3, 12), and, by special act, the superintendent of schools (Pr.A. 1935, ch. 74). Also elected by popular vote is the statutory state officer, the criminal court judge (P.A. 1937, chs. 204, 13, ch. 98, 14, 205, 15; Pr.A. 1937, ch. 521). The statutory officers and bodies designated by the quarterly county court are the medical members of the board of health (P.A. 1885, ch. 95, sec. 1, 16; 1935, 1st ex. ses., ch. 37, sec. 1, 17), the board of education (P.A. 1925, ch. 115, sec. 6, 18; Pr.A. 1935, 1st ex. ses., ch. 112), the surveyor (P.A. 1835-36, ch. 2, sec. 4, 19; ch. 73, sec. 2, 20), the board of equalization (P.A. 1907, ch. 602, sec. 32, 21), the county health officer (P.A. 1921, ch. 89, sec. 4, 22; 1935, 1st ex. ses., ch. 37, 23), the road commission (Pr.A. 1933, ch. 463), the revenue commission (P.A. 1907, ch. 602, sec. 76, 24), and the agricultural extension committee (P.A. 1929, ch. 81, sec. 5, 25). Under the general law the poor commission is supposed to be designated by the quarterly court (P.A. 1826, ch. 56, sec. 2, 26; 1879, ch. 102, 27; 1889, ch. 150, 28), but in Wilson County the commissioners are appointed by the county judge. The county physician is supposedly a quarterly court appointee (P.A. 1885, ch. 95, sec. 4, 29; 1933, ch. 140, 30; 1935, 1st ex. ses., ch. 37, 31), but this office is vacant at the present time in Wilson County. The jury commission is appointed by the circuit and criminal judges jointly (P.A. 1909, ch. 334), the superintendent of the poor home by the poor commission (P.A. 1827, ch. 112, secs. 6, 8, 32), the secretary of the road commission, who is ex-officio superintendent of the workhouse, by the road commission (Pr.A. 1933, ch. 463); and the farm and home demonstration agents by the agricultural extension committee acting with the extension service of the University of Tennessee (P.A. 1929, ch. 81, secs. 4, 5, 33).

In a simple but still not absolute generalization, the legislative functions are vested in the quarterly county court. The executive department is found in the person of the county judge, and any of those other officers with certain executive attributes. The judiciary may be identified as the various courts and their officers, with due regard to the judicial powers of the justices of the peace. Taxation and the county's finances concern the quarterly county court, the tax assessor, the revenue commission, the trustee, and various non-statutory committees and commissions. The registration officers include the register, the county court clerk, and some minor officers. Functions of a direct public service nature are performed by the highway, educational and health bodies. Enforcement of the laws and the maintenance of peace and order fall almost entirely on the sheriff, although the constables and the coroner are police and peace officers. The bulk of record keeping is

done by the county court clerk, the register, the trustee, the circuit court clerk, and the clerk and master.

Four counties of the state have county commissions which have more or less effectively replaced the quarterly county court as the center of the county organization. Shelby County's commission, which has worked the most effectively, is the oldest (Pr.A. 1911, ch. 137; 1925, ch. 157; 1933, ch. 375; 1935, ch. 408). Moore County's commission dates from 1935 (Pr.A. 1935, ch. 4), and the Knox and Marion County commissions are products of 1937 legislature (Pr.A. 1937, chs. 183, 188).

County revenue is derived from several sources, mainly from taxes on property, polls, and privileges. Of these three, property is by far the most important, not only because the amount is larger but also because the state's cut on property taxes is far smaller than its share of poll and privilege revenues. Property is assessed by the tax assessor, and taxes on it and polls are collected by the trustee and those on privileges by the county court clerk. Appropriations are made by the quarterly county court to the various bureaus and departments. Money is expended by the various units on warrants drawn on the trustee against the proper funds by the proper officers and countersigned by the county judge.

The Constitution of 1796 set the minimum area of a county at 625 square miles, the Constitution of 1834 at 350, and the Constitution of 1870 at 275, with numerous exceptions allowed (Const. of 1870, art. 10, sec. 4). The Constitution of 1870 guarantees the territorial integrity of all counties by inference and of some counties by specific provisions (ibid.). Heroic efforts to consolidate counties have met with success in only one instance, the annexation of rural and impoverished James County by urban and prosperous Hamilton County in 1919 (Pr.A. 1919, ch. 695; Chattanooga Times, December 12-17, 1919; Prescott, County Finance in the South, 9). Efforts to consolidate counties in the constitutional convention of 1870 were effectively defeated when it was shown consolidation would work untold hardships on citizens who would have to travel great distances to the county seat, "oft times imperilling their lives by swimming swollen streams which they must cross under subpoena." The citizen, the damning resolution read, should be permitted to get home by dark "to cut wood for his shivering children and feed his famished stock" (C. E. Allred, "County Consolidation", in Progressive Farmer, Kentucky - Tennessee Edition, July 1931).

Theoretically there are standard systems of record keeping throughout the state; in practice, at any one time, there are nearly as many variations as there are counties and officers. These variations may be accounted for in several ways. The law, while requiring the making and preservation of many records, has been indulgent in the prescribing the manner in which many should be made and kept. There has been and is no effective agency or method to compel officials to use systems other than their own. New officials coming into office frequently adopt new forms and new systems of filing, ignoring their predecessor's systems and any records already in existence.

Governmental Organization and Records System (First entry, p. 28)

The majority of county officials seem to favor standardization of bound and unbound forms. Although forms and books are now supposed to be uniform, most of the blank form business is in the hands of three printing firms, and the result is a lack of uniformity. Although many forms contain essentially the same information, the variations in size, detail, and headings make the forms unsatisfactory for purposes of filing and identification.

The closest things to standardization are the county court clerk's license forms, many of which are prescribed by the state comptroller; the tax assessor's schedules and assessment rolls, and the records of the register, the superintendent of schools, and the farm agent. Of these officers, only the register is not responsible in considerable degree to outside agencies.

More records are kept by the county court clerk than any other officer. He keeps the records of the quarterly county court and the probate court, and those incidental to registrations and the issuing of state and county licenses. In only a few counties have the records of the quarterly county court been separated from those of the probate court. The incumbent clerk in Wilson County now keeps the minutes of the two courts separately. In many counties, the records of the county judge are in the custody of the county court clerk; the clerk is by law custodian of the records of the board of equalization and the tax assessor. His office is almost notorious as a catch-all for records of a miscellaneous variety. Most records reach his office as unbound material and may or may not be recorded in the appropriate books, the practice varying between individuals and from county to county. For example, quarterly reports and guardian settlements are presented in manuscript form to the court for approval and are later incorporated in bound records. Guardian settlements may be recorded in the minutes or in separate volumes. In some counties, practically everything is recorded in the minutes; in others there are appropriate volumes for different types or subject matter. The breakdown beyond that point varies. In some few counties all original papers, regardless of their nature, are filed chronologically by terms of court; in others the only separation is that of the quarterly papers from the probate papers.

The records systems followed by clerk and master, and the circuit and criminal court clerk are basically the same. Regardless of labelling and titles, the records used by most of the clerks are: 1, a trial docket, which is the original docket setting forth the cause of action, the dates of hearing and the names of the attorneys; 2, a rule docket, which is a record of all instruments or process executed in each case, and usually bearing a case number; 3, the minute book, or record of daily proceedings in court; and 4, an execution docket, or financial record of each case, with entries for each instrument issued or executed, showing the cost of service, the clerk's fees, and other items of a financial nature.

There is considerable variation in the arrangement of the trial papers and the methods of keeping the bound records. In some counties

the civil and criminal papers, like the volumes, are kept separately. In other counties the same volumes serve for both civil and criminal entries, and the trial papers are filed, if at all, together. In some offices, trial papers are filed chronologically by terms of court, in others alphabetically by names of plaintiff or complainant in civil cases and by defendant in criminal cases. In theory, the alphabetical system brings together all the papers in one case, something impossible in the chronological system unless the case is instituted and disposed of at the same term of court.

The county judge's inactive records are frequently in the custody of the county court clerk. Practically all county judges keep a warrant register and most of them a general account book, showing receipts and disbursements.

Generally the most orderly system of all, the register's system, is simple and readily understandable when taken for a given period, but presents complexities when considered for over a period of years. Original instruments are deposited for recording, and after recording, are usually filed in some alphabetical order awaiting claim by the persons presenting the instruments for registration. Today nearly all counties record the more important classes of instruments as separate series, such as trust deeds, warranty deeds, and chattel mortgages. Originally, all instruments were registered in the same series without separation, and only gradually have different registrations been taken out of the inevitable "Deed Record." Direct and reverse indices to warranty and trust instruments have been required since 1925; prior to that time the systems of registrations and indexing were extraordinarily diverse. All registers keep a so-called note book, or a detailed record of all instruments offered for registration.

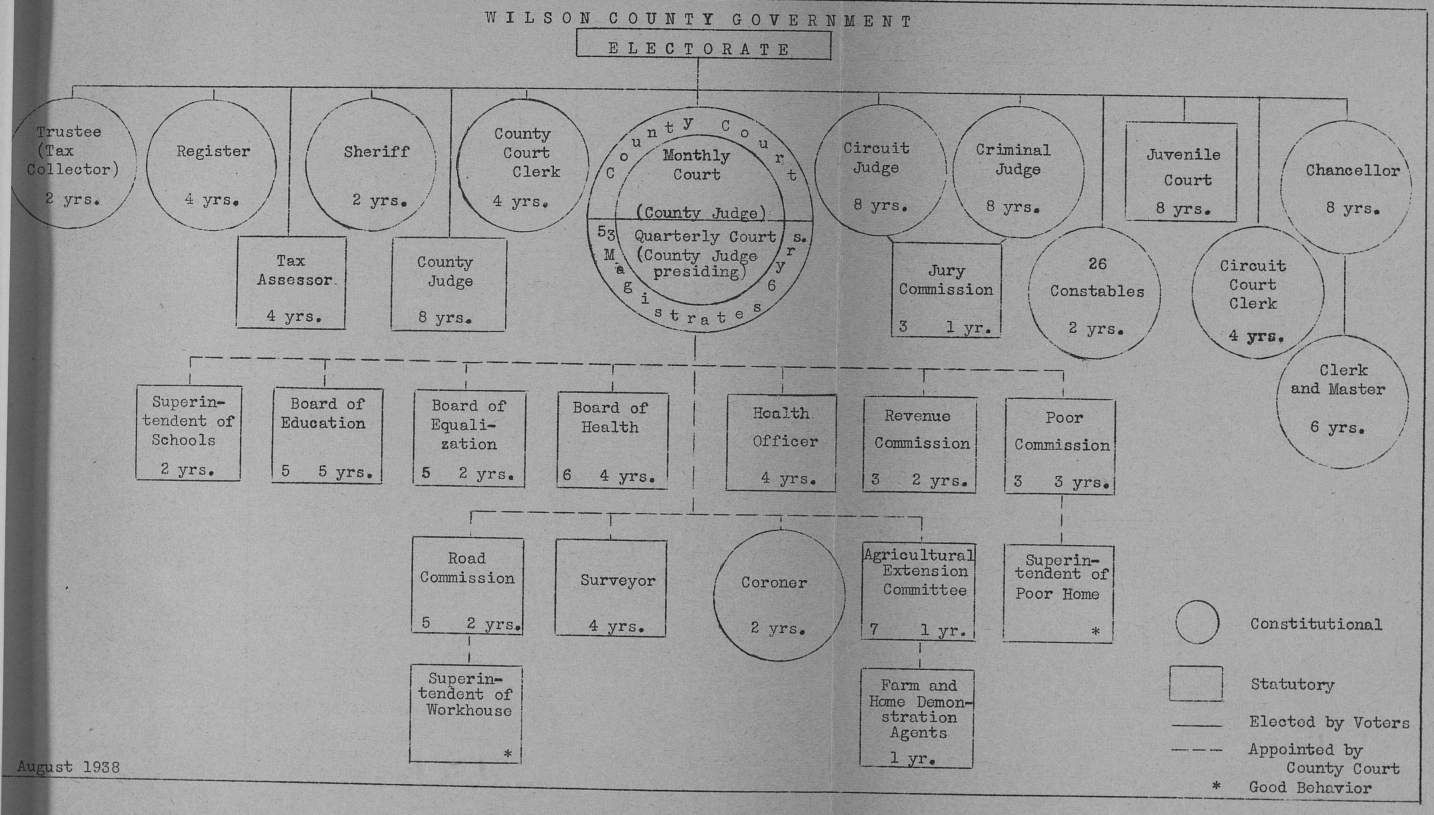
Largely because the amount is not large, the records of other officers and bureaus are relatively simple.

All officers must make financial statements to the county judge, and, either with cash remittances or receivable warrants, settle periodically with the trustee. Disbursements are made with payable warrants. Ultimately all disbursements are made by the trustee and the original warrants are returned to the office of origin after cancellation by the trustee. The practice of issuing payable warrants varies. Usually the departments, such as education and highway, issue warrants directly against certain funds. The county judge sometimes issues warrants against funds other than the general county fund. Precedence and the temper of the local bank sometimes regulate the flow of warrants. Payable warrants are usually presented to the trustee by the holder but in some cases are honored through the banks and finally delivered to the trustee by the cashier.

Nearly all officials receiving fees, fines, and other collections, keep cash books indicating daily receipts and disbursements.

Governmental Organization and Records System (First entry, p. 28)

Reports to the quarterly court and settlements of the county judge with collection and disbursement officers are usually among the unbound papers in the county court clerk's office.


WILSON COUNTY GOVERNMENT
ELECTORATE
Trustee (Tax Collector) 2 yrs.
Register 4 yrs.
Sheriff 2 yrs.
County Court Clerk 4 yrs.
County Court
Monthly Court (County Judge)
Quarterly Courts (County Judge presiding)
5 Magistrates 6
Circuit Judge 8 yrs.
Criminal Judge 8 yrs.
Juvenile Court 8 yrs.
Chancellor 8 yrs.
Tax Assessor 4 yrs.
County Judge 8 yrs.
Jury Commission 3 1 yr.
26 Constables 2 yrs.
Circuit Court Clerk 4 yrs.
Clerk and Master 6 yrs.
Superintendent of Schools 2 yrs.
Board of Education 5 5 yrs.
Board of Equalization 5 2 yrs.
Board of Health 6 4 yrs.
Health Officer 4 yrs.
Revenue Commission 3 2 yrs.
Poor Commission 3 3 yrs.
Road Commission 5 2 yrs.
Surveyor 4 yrs.
Coroner 2 yrs.
Agricultural Extension Committee 7 1 yr.
Superintendent of Poor Home *
Superintendent of Workhouse *
Farm and Home Demonstration Agents 1 yr.
Constitutional
Statutory
Elected by Voters
Appointed by County Court
* Good Behavior

August 1938

(First entry, p. 28)

3. HOUSING, CARE AND ACCESSIBILITY OF RECORDS

The present Wilson County courthouse, a brick and limestone structure, was built in 1882. The annex was built in 1928.

On the first floor of the courthouse are the offices of the county court clerk, the clerk and master, the trustee, the circuit court clerk, the register, the sheriff, and several justices of the peace. The road commission maintains an office on the first floor of the annex. On the second floor of the courthouse, in addition to the court, witness and grand jury rooms, is the office of the county surveyor. The third floor, or more properly the attic, is used as a storage room and has been made accessible since the work of the Survey was begun in Wilson County. On the second floor of the annex are the offices of the board of education, the superintendent of schools, and the health unit.

The office of the county court clerk is on the northwest corner of the first floor. Only the current records, which constitute 3 per cent of the records of this bureau, are kept in the clerk's office. Eighty-five per cent is in the adjoining vault, which measures 7x19x15 and contains 421 feet of bound volumes and 328 feet of unbound material. The remaining 12 per cent is in the attic storage room. The vault is overcrowded, there is no room for expansion and accommodations for users are slight. An additional vault is needed.

The sheriff and several justices of the peace occupy an office opposite that of the county court clerk. It measures 19x15x15 and is in good condition. The ventilation is good but there is some soot and dust. There are 14 feet of unbound material and one foot of bound material. There are accommodations for users and equipment is sufficient, but the room is crowded and additional space is needed.

The register's office, next to that of the sheriff, on the south side of the first floor, measures 17x18x15. It is in fair condition, although the ventilation is poor. Here there are 328 feet of bound volumes and 16 feet of unbound material. The lighting facilities are poor and there are no accommodations for users. There is no room for expansion and since the register is required to keep all of his records in his office, there is need for a fire proof vault to provide better and more secure housing facilities.

The office of the trustee is on the southeast corner of the first floor. It measures 15x19x13 and is in generally good condition. There are 38 feet of shelving and a safe to house the records, 50 per cent of which is kept here. The remaining 50 per cent is in the storage room. Two desks and two tables furnish accommodations for users and there is some room left for expansion.

On the northwest corner of the first floor are the clerk and master's quarters which consist of a vault, measuring 19x12x9, and two large rooms. All are in good general condition and are well ventilated. The vault, which houses all the records of this bureau, contains 150 feet of steel shelving. There are accommodations for users.

Housing, Care and Accessibility of Records (First entry, p. 28)

The office of the road commission is on the first floor of the annex. It measures 23x11½x8½ and is in good condition and well ventilated. One foot of bound volumes and 4 feet of unbound material, or 90 per cent of the records of this bureau, are housed here. There are adequate accommodations for users and no additional space is needed.

The county surveyor's office is on the second floor of the courthouse. It measures 16x10½x13. The flooring and walls are in bad condition and the room is poorly ventilated. There are 17 feet of unbound material in this room. All of the surveyor's records are kept here and the room is crowded. Accommodations for users are meager and no space for expansion is available.

The county health unit is housed in four rooms on the second floor of the annex. These quarters are in good condition and are well ventilated. Records of this department are kept in two rooms, the nurses' and the clerk's offices. The nurses' office measures 15x10½x8, the clerk's 15x13x8. In the combined offices there are 32 feet of unbound material, or all of the records of this bureau. Accommodations for users are adequate and there is sufficient space for any necessary expansion.

The office of the superintendent of schools is on the second floor of the annex and measures 13x18x8. It is in excellent condition and is well ventilated. Here are 5 feet of bound volumes and 4 feet of unbound material or 95 per cent of the records of this bureau. Lighting facilities are good and there are adequate accommodations for users. The space is sufficient for present needs and will allow any necessary expansion.

The attic storage room, reached via a ladder and a trap door, measures 29x15x8. It is in poor condition and is not well ventilated. There is a large quantity of soot and dust. There are 240 feet of shelving around the walls, inadequate for the amount of records stored. Here are 12 per cent of the records of the county court clerk, 50 of the trustee, 10 of the road commission, 5 of the superintendent of schools and 50 of the county judge.

The county judge maintains headquarters in his law office adjoining the courthouse. It measures 18x13x11 and is in good general condition. Only 10 per cent of his records are kept here; 40 per cent are in the county court clerk's vault and 50 per cent in the storage room. Although the office furnished adequate accommodations for users, it is crowded and there is little room for shelving or for expansion.

The county agent and home demonstration agent use the same quarters. The three rooms, on the second floor of the Coaplen Building, measure 12x10x9, 16x16x9, and 10x10x9, respectively. The ventilation is good and the flooring and walls are in good general condition. All of the records of the agents are kept here. There is sufficient space for the present, and additional space is available for future needs. There are accommodations for users.

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4. ABBREVIATIONS, SYMBOLS AND EXPLANATORY NOTES

Abbreviations

ad.	adjourned
alph.	alphabetical or alphabetically
approx.	approximate or approximately
arr.	arrange or arranged
art.	article
aver.	average
C	Code
ch., chs.	chapter, chapters
chron.	chronological or chronologically
cir. ct. clk.	circuit court clerk
clk. & m.	clerk and master
co. ct. clk.	county court clerk
Const.	Constitution
ed., eds.	editor, editors
ex.	extra
hdw.	handwritten
L.A.	Local Acts of the General Assembly
Mod.	Modified
N. C.	North Carolina
no.	number, numbered, or numbering
num.	numerical or numerically
p., pp.	page, pages
P.A.	Public Acts of the General Assembly
P. W. A.	Public Works Administration
Pr.A.	Private Acts of the General Assembly
pt.	part
ptd.	printed
rm.	room
sec., secs.	section, sections
ses.	session
strg.	storage
subsec., subsecs.	subsection, subsections
Survey	Historical Records Survey
Tenn.	Tennessee
U. S.	United States
vol., vols.	volume, volumes
yr., yrs.	year, years

Symbols

&	and
x	by
--	placed after a year date means from that year to present time

Explanatory Notes

Throughout this book the arrangement of entries, each entry representing a record, is by bureaus and by subjects within each of these divisions. The bureaus themselves are arranged in related groups. For example, the bureaus of a judicial nature are grouped together. The same is true for the so-called public service group, including highways, education, and health. Within each bureau related entries are grouped together under subject headings and frequently thereunder by sub-headings.

The titles in the individual entry may be intrepreted in the following manner: the actual title of a record is in upper case letters but if this exact title is vague, misleading, or otherwise inadequate, an assigned explanatory title is given. This explanatory title is in lower case letters enclosed in parentheses and immediately follows the actual title. If a record has no title and it has thus been necessary to assign one, the assigned title is in upper case letters and is enclosed in parentheses.

The years for which a record is available is shown immediately following the title. The use of a dash between two dates indicates the inclusive years for which a record is available. A single date followed by two hyphens indicates that the record is current and dates from the year given. Dates are broken to indicate years for which a record was not made or could not be located.

The labeling of a record is shown by figures or letters in parentheses immediately following the number of volumes, file boxes, or other type of container.

Since the vast majority of the records in this county is housed in the courthouse, only the name of the office or room in which a record may be found is given. In instances in which records are housed in the office under which they are listed, only the word "office" is given as the location. The location of each office and department is set out in the section entitled Housing, Care and Accessibility of Records. If all the records of a bureau are to be found in the office bearing that title, the location references are omitted. Exception is made in one or two instances in which entries for a bureau are few.

Unless the index to a record is self-contained, an entry for the index, if there is one, immediately follows the record entry. Cross references are employed in exceptions to this rule.

Measurements are always given in inches, unless otherwise indicated, and therefore the symbol (") is omitted.

Unless otherwise specified, the record is in good condition.

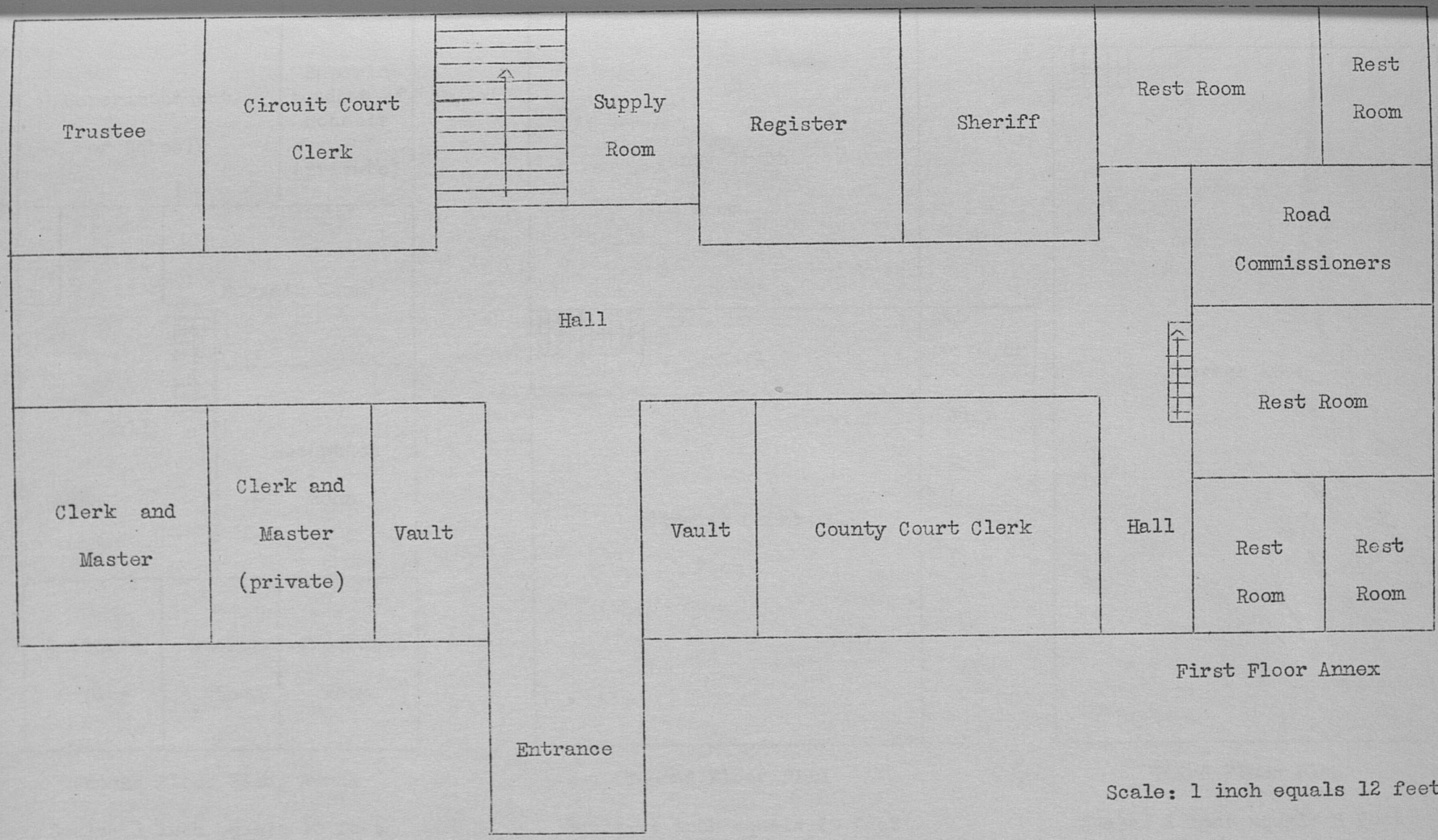
An effort has been made to keep terminology uniform. However, the terms "justice of the peace" and "magistrate" are practically synonymous

and in practice and throughout this book these terms are used interchangably.

The purpose and use of the table of code numbers comprising the appendix are explained in the note immediately preceeding the table proper.

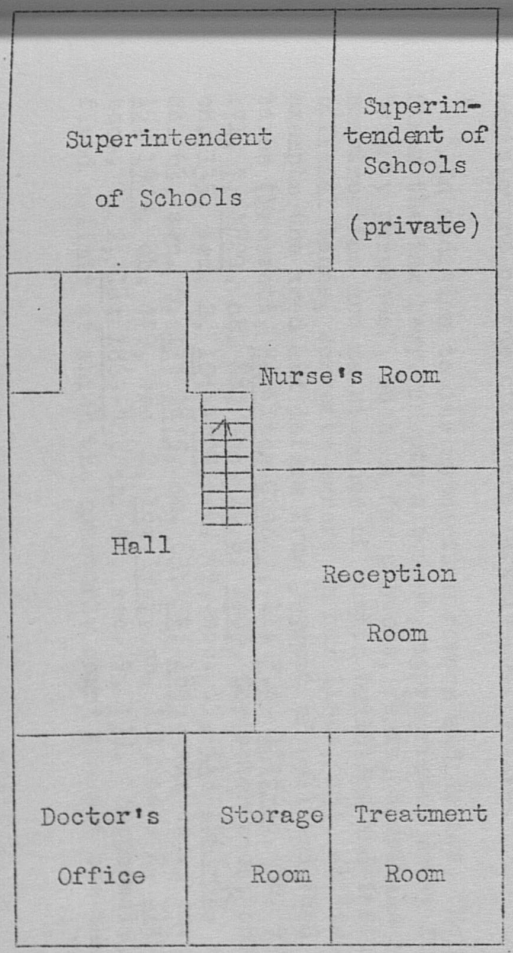
The chronological index is a list of entries arranged by the initial dates of the records and alphabetically thereunder by entry titles. The figures in parentheses following titles refer to entry numbers.

All of the published statutes cited in this book and which date from 1792 through 1937 have been examined. The North Carolina statutes cited are contained in volumes 23, 24, and 25 of the published State Records of North Carolina.



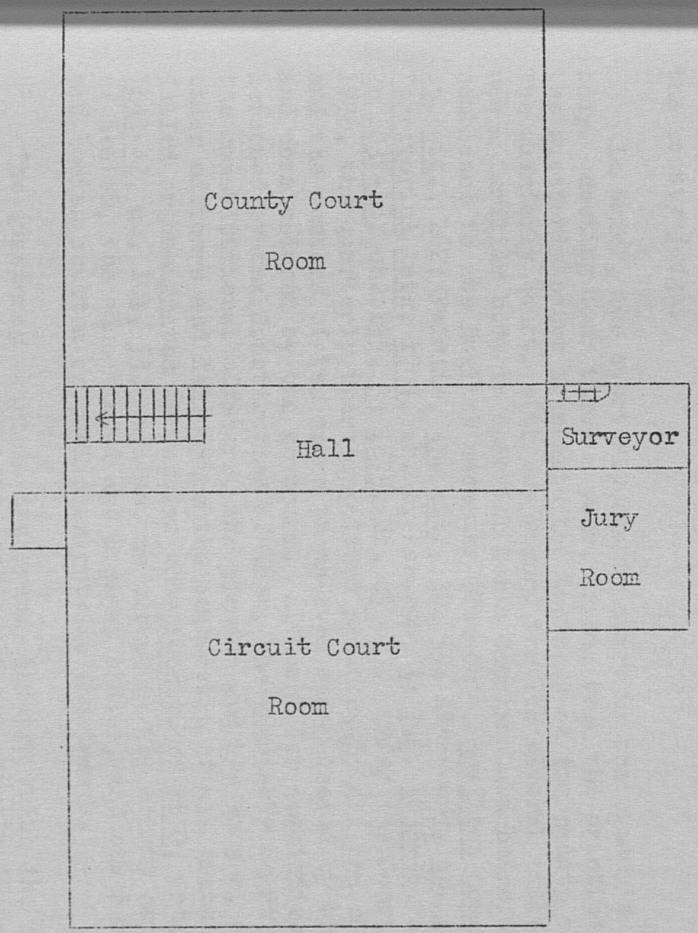
First Floor Plan

WILSON COUNTY COURTHOUSE



Second Floor Plan, Annex

Scale: 1 inch equals 10 feet



Second Floor Plan

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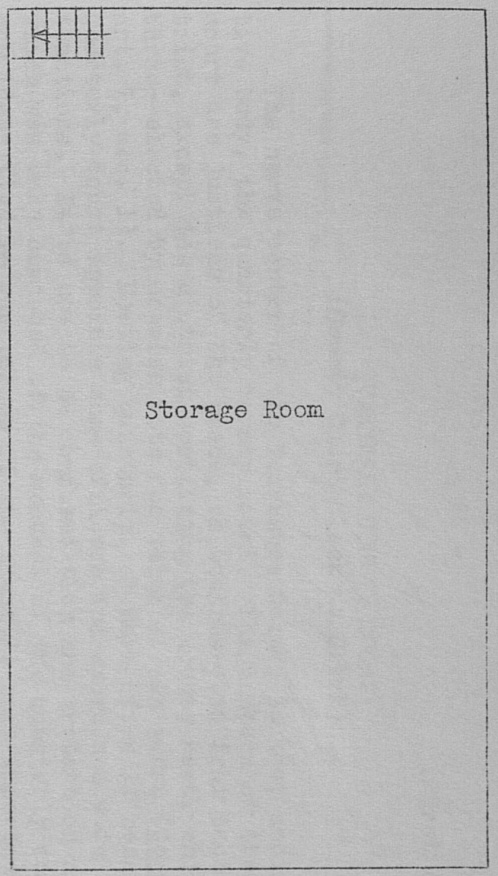

Third Floor Plan

Scale: 1 inch equals 6 feet

WILSON COUNTY COURTHOUSE

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I. QUARTERLY COUNTY COURT
(County Court Clerk as Clerk)

The nerve center of the Tennessee County is that ancient deliberative body, the quarterly county court. The members of the quarterly court are justices of the peace, or squires--two from each civil district, except the district containing the county seat, which elects three--elected by popular vote for terms of six years (Const. of 1870, art. 7, sec. 1). Meeting quarterly, or more often if necessary, the quarterly court appoints some officers and exercises wide legislative functions. It is not to be confused with the probate or monthly court, which was once composed of the members of the quarterly court but is now identified in the person of the county's most important officer, the county judge.

In brief, the quarterly county court is the county's legislative body. Meeting four times a year, as has been the practice since 1746, the quarterly court transacts the business of the county corporation. The quarterly court, with due regard for its several titles and guises, was a familiar body in colonial North Carolina and bears a definite resemblance to its English ancestor (Prescott, Hamilton County, 9; Raper, op. cit., 162; Fairlie, op. cit., 30, 35; Abernethy, op. cit., 136; Territorial Acts, 1794, ch. 1, sec. 44, 1; P.A. 1835-36, ch. 6, sec. 1, 2; 1837-38, ch. 135, 3; 1875, ch. 63, 4). Under the Constitution of 1796, the quarterly court appointed practically all the county officials, and the members of the court themselves were elected by the legislature and commissioned by the governor. Although its appointive powers were lessened by the Constitution of 1834, the quarterly court still appoints the constitutional officers, the coroner and the ranger, and elects all other officers and designates the membership of all statutory bodies not filled or designated by popular vote (Const. of 1870, art. 7, sec. 1; P.A. 1841-42, ch. 101, 5), such as the surveyor, the county physician, the board of health, the educational and highway bodies, and other minor officials and bodies created by public or private enactments.

The quarterly court is the agency through which the county corporation has its being, (C 1917, 493), and the constitutional checks and the restraints on the quarterly court which are supposed to be framed by the legislature of the state are largely ineffective.

In addition to its appointive powers and duties, the quarterly court fixes the tax levy, adopts a budget, appropriates money for general "county purposes", such as for schools, roads, hospitals and almshouses, construction and maintenance of public buildings and institutions; approves official bonds, corrects errors in tax lists, and, at its discretion, exempts the aged and infirm from payment of poll and road commutation taxes (Prescott, Hamilton County, 11; P.A. 1845-46, ch. 97, 6; 1851-52, ch. 171, 7; 1829, ch. 88, sec. 1, 8; 1809, September ses., ch. 81, 9; 1837-38, ch. 135, sec. 2, 10; 1827, ch. 49, sec. 15, 11; 1841-42, ch. 101, 12; 1875, ch. 63, sec. 6, 13; 1875, ch. 63, 14; 1895, ex. ses., ch. 4, secs. 2, 14, 15; 1909, ch. 479, sec. 2, 16; 1915, ch. 101, sec. 2, 17; 1907, ch. 573, secs. 1, 2, 18; 1869-70, ch. 81, sec. 9, 19). Supposedly, the state has fixed a limit at which the quarterly court may set the tax rate, but the

exemptions allowed are so numerous and so important that for all practicable purposes there are no restraints placed on the quarterly court so long as it remains within the bounds of very elastic restrictions (P.A. 1915, ch. 101, sec. 2, 20; 1909, ch. 479, sec. 2, 21).

The presiding officer of the quarterly county court of Wilson County is the county judge. In counties not having a county judge, the presiding officer of the quarterly court is the chairman of the county court, elected by and from the membership of the court. With the exception of two two year intervals (P.A. 1855-56, ch. 253, 22; 1857-58, ch. 5, 1867-68, ch. 47, secs. 1-14, 20; 1869-70, ch. 14) when Wilson County had a county judge instead of a chairman, the latter guided the destiny of the county until 1915 when the judge apparently permanently replaced the chairman (Pr.A. 1915, ch. 150). As presiding officer of the quarterly court, the county judge's duties are relatively simple as far as the statutory requirements are concerned. He is required to preside over the quarterly session of the court and to call it into special session if necessary (P.A. 1857-58, ch. 38, sec. 4, 23). In another capacity, he receives reports from county officials, but in his capacity as presiding officer he makes a detailed semi-annual report to the court (P.A. 1855-56, ch. 253, sec. 8, 24; 1879, ch. 76, sec. 3, 25; 1857-58, ch. 38, sec. 8, 26). Of course, in practice his duties as presiding officer of such a volatile body as the quarterly court may and usually do involve the necessity of doing a large number of things disregarded by the statutes.

His duties as a judicial officer are discussed in the chapters entitled Probate or Monthly Court and Juvenile Court, and his duties as administrative and financial agent of the county in the chapter entitled County Judge. The clerk of the quarterly court is the county court clerk, whose duties as clerk of the quarterly court are performed in only one of the three guises he assumes. The county court clerk is also the clerk of the probate or monthly court, which is discussed elsewhere, and is a registration and revenue agent of the state. As clerk of the quarterly court, he performs the broad duties normally expected of the clerk of such a body (P.A. 1855-56, ch. 253, sec. 7, 27). He is required to keep the court's minutes and other records. He also keeps reports to the quarterly county court of various officers, such as the general reports of the county judge, the revenue reports of the clerk and master and justices of the peace, reports of the trustee, the sheriff, the poor commission, and other bodies (Territorial Acts, 1794, ch. 1, sec. 26, 28; P.A. 1801, ch. 6, sec. 44, 29; P.A. 1847-48, ch. 113, 30). He is further required to spread on the records of the quarterly court every bond made before the court (P.A. 1847-48, ch. 113, 31). He is required to list in a book provided for the purpose, all appropriations and allowances made by the court on claims of jurors and officers for attendance or other claims chargeable against the county, setting forth the character, description, and for what purpose made, including the date and amount of the allowance, and the book and page numbers of the minutes in which the order may be found (P.A. 1827, ch. 49, sec. 16, 32); to issue orders of certificates to the parties entitled, authorizing the county judge to

issue his warrant for the amount claimed (ibid.); at the first meeting of quarterly court each year to make out a balance sheet of revenue and disbursements of the county for the preceding year, giving the several sources of the revenue and items of disbursements plainly, and post the sheet on the outside wall of the courthouse (ibid., sec. 27, 33); to produce to the judge of the circuit court, each year, the bonds of all officers taken during such year by the quarterly court (P.A. 1843-44, ch. 103, sec. 11, 34); to receive and preserve the journals of congress, statutes, and other public documents entrusted to him by law and deliver the same to his successor (P.A. 1831, ch. 6, 35; 1835-36, ch. 76, sec. 4, 36); and to serve personal notice on members of the quarterly court when the county judge has issued a call for a special session if no newspapers are published in the county (P.A. 1889, ch. 257, secs. 2, 3, 37).

The county court clerk's duties as clerk of the probate or monthly court are discussed in the chapter entitled Probate or Monthly Court, and his duties as a state registration and revenue agent are discussed in the chapter entitled County Court Clerk.

In addition to the specific requirements affecting him as clerk of the quarterly court and of the probate or monthly court and as a state registration and revenue agent, he is also required to perform any duties and keep any records described in the statutes as affecting all clerks of court, insofar as these requirements may be reasonably applicable to his office. In the main, however, these requirements are applicable only to clerks of judicial bodies and only slightly and incidentally affect the county court clerk in his capacity as clerk of the quarterly county court. These requirements are listed in the chapter entitled Circuit Court Clerk.

The county court clerk is elected by popular vote for a term of four years (Const. of 1834, art. 6, sec. 12). For record of the county court clerk's receipts and disbursements, see entries 68-71.

Court Proceedings
(See also entries 11, 25)

1. (ORIGINAL PAPERS OF THE QUARTERLY COURT), 1927--. 26 file boxes (partially dated). 1800-1926 in Original Papers (Minutes), entry 151.

Original papers from which the minutes are recorded, including motions and resolutions acted upon by the court, financial reports from such officials as the register, trustee, and clerks of courts; bonds of county officials, and papers on all other matters presented to the court for action and which are later recorded in the permanent record of the court's proceedings. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. and typed on ptd. forms. 4½x4x10. Office.

2. QUARTERLY MINUTES, 1885-86, 1928--. 3 vols. (1, 2; 1 vol. not labeled). 1803-84, 1887-1927 in County Court Minutes, entry 152.

Recorded minutes of the proceedings of the quarterly sessions of the county court. Also included are many various and sundry items recorded in these

volumes as provided for by law. Some of the more important actions recorded herein are: fixing of the tax levy, adoption of a budget, receiving of financial reports from county officials and institutions, appropriations of funds for the maintenance and operation of county offices and institutions, and several score items of a similar nature. Arr. chron. 1885-86, no index; 1928--, indexed alph. by names and subjects. Hdw., 1885-86; typed, 1928--. Aver. 375 pp. 16½x11x2. 1 vol., 1885-86, strg. rm.; 2 vols., 1928--, office.

3. JUDGE'S RECORD OF ORDER OF BUSINESS, 1897-1915. 1 vol. Discontinued.
Order of business for each session of the quarterly court, used by the county judge, showing date of meeting, orders of the day, and remarks. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. 200 pp. 17x14x1½. Strg. rm.

4. ROLL CALL RECORD, 1901--. 6 vols.
List of magistrates and their recorded vote on matters acted upon by the quarterly court, showing date of session, nature of discussion, and final action as determined by vote. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 75 pp. 17x14½x½. 3 vols., 1901-18, strg. rm.; 3 vols., 1919--, office.

5. COUNTY COURT ROAD ORDERS, 1829-38. 2 vols.
A record of court orders in connection with road work. Orders of the court include the appointment of road overseers and juries of view, which serve in condemnation proceedings; and authorizations for changes in road classifications. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 150 pp. 12x8x1½. Office.
For subsequent records of overseers, see entries 6, 25.

6. ROAD COMMISSIONER'S BOOK, 1891-99. 5 vols. (no. by civil districts).
Proceedings of the county court in quarterly session in regard to the maintenance and construction of roads, showing date of meeting, names of overseers appointed, description and numbers of roads to which overseers are assigned, names of workers to be hired, list of tools to be furnished by the county, and signatures of the road commissioners. Arr. num. by civil districts and alph. thereunder by name of overseer. No index. Hdw. Aver. 192 pp. 14x8½x1. Office.
For other records of overseers, see entries 5, 25.

Reports
(See also entries 1, 2)

7. REPORT OF COMMON SCHOOL COMMISSION, 1838-49. 1 vol.
Record shows certification of election of school commissioners, names of commissioners, and date elected. Also included are lists of the scholastic population of each civil district and the total amount of funds payable to each district by the trustee. Arr. num. by civil districts and alph. thereunder by name of child. No index. Hdw. Condition poor. 150 pp. 12x7½x1. Office.
For other records of scholastic population, see entry 224.

Quarterly County Court - Dockets (8-13)

8. SETTLEMENT WITH OVERSEERS, 1889. 1 vol.
Quarterly reports of district road overseers to the quarterly court, showing district number, date of report, itemization of receipts and expenditures, lists of material and equipment on hand, and signature of the overseer. Arr. num. by civil districts and chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 400 pp. 14x9x1½. Office.
For other records of overseers, see entries 5, 6, 25.

9. ROAD COMMISSIONERS REPORTS, 1912-23. 1 vol.
Copies of the road commissioners' reports to the quarterly court, showing civil district number, number of overseers appointed, receipt and disbursement of funds, list of tools on hand, and compensation due overseers. Arr. num. by civil districts and chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. 250 pp. 14x9x1½. Strg. rm.

10. AUDIT REPORT OF WILSON COUNTY TENNESSEE, 1915-25. 2 vols.
Report of audits of the offices of county court clerk, circuit court clerk, clerk and master, county road commissioner, sheriff, county judge, magistrates, and trustee, and of the school systems, made by a private auditing firm, showing date of audit, dates of period audit covers, balances under previous audits, receipts and disbursements, balances carried forward, and total figures. Arr. chron. No index. Typed. Aver. 200 pp. 14x11x1. Office.

Dockets

11. APPROPRIATION DOCKET, 1875--. 2 vols. (1, 2).
Record of appropriations authorized by the quarterly court for the operation and maintenance of all county offices and institutions and payment of claims against the county, showing term of court, date petition or claim filed, name of party, purpose and amount of appropriation, warrant number, and date paid. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 300 pp. 18x12½x2. Office.

12. RULE DOCKET, 1873--. 3 vols. (2-4).
Record of all legal action taken in cases coming before this court, showing style of case, names of plaintiff and defendant, nature of instruments involved, date of execution, names of attorneys, rules and orders of the court, and notation of the officer's return. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of plaintiff. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 500 pp. 16x11x2½. Office.

13. EXECUTION DOCKET, 1802-58, 1889--. 6 vols. (2, 4; 4 vols. not labeled).
A financial record of all civil cases in this court, showing names of plaintiff and defendant, style of case, dates of all executions and transactions, amounts involved, dates of payments, distribution of receipts, and final settlement. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of defendant. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 600 pp. 16x12x2½. Office.

Quarterly County Court - Bonds (14-19)

14. ENROLLMENT DOCKET, 1872-77. 1 vol. (A). Discontinued. Recorded copies of original petitions and other instruments involved in actions in this court, showing style of case, date instrument filed, nature of the action or cause, and the text of the paper. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of petitioner for enrollment. Hdw. 600 pp. 18x12½x3. Office.

Bonds

County Officials - (See also entries 1, 2)

15. MISCELLANEOUS BONDS, 1908--. 1 vol.
Bonds given to insure proper performance of duties by members of the board of equalization, tax assessor, surveyor, county judge, coroner, county court clerk, clerk and master, and register, showing names of principal and sureties, amount and obligation of bond, date bond given, and acknowledgment of the clerk. Contains: Deputy Sheriffs' Bonds, 1908-14, entry 18; Road Commissioners' Bonds, 1908-11, entry 21. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of principal. Hdw. on ptd. form. 250 pp. 14x9x1½. Office.
For other bonds of officials, see entries 16-21.

16. ASSESSOR'S BOND AND OATH, 1897-1908. 1 vol. Discontinued. Bonds given and oaths taken by district tax assessors to insure faithful performance of duties, showing name of assessor, district number, names of sureties, amount of the bond, limitations and obligations of the bond, date bond given, and acknowledgment of the clerk. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of assessor. Hdw. on ptd. form. 234 pp. 14x8½x1. Office.

17. CONSTABLES' BONDS, 1876--. 5 vols. (2-5; 1 vol. dated). Bonds given by constables to insure faithful performance of duties, showing names of principal and sureties, amount, date bond given, and condition of the obligation. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of constable. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 500 pp. 14¼x10x2½. 4 vols., 1876-94, 1910--, office; 1 vol., 1895-1909, strg. rm.

18. DEPUTY SHERIFFS' BONDS, 1915--. 2 vols. (1, 2). 1908-14 in Miscellaneous Bonds, entry 15.
Bonds of deputies sheriff given to insure the faithful performance of duties, showing names of principal and sureties, amount of the bond, condition of the obligation, and date bond given. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of deputy. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 200 pp. 14½x9x1. Office.

19. MAGISTRATES' BONDS, 1894--. 3 vols. (2 vols. dated; 1 vol. not labeled).
Bonds given by justices of the peace to insure faithful performance of duties, showing names of principal and sureties, amount of bond, condition of the obligation, date bond executed, and signatures of principal and sureties. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of justice. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 400 pp. 14x10x2½. Office.

20. NOTARY PUBLIC BONDS, 1897--. 4 vols. (1-3; 1 vol. not labeled).
Bonds given by notaries public to insure faithful performance of duties, showing names of notary and sureties, amount of bond, condition of the obligation, and date bond given. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of notary. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 300 pp. 14¼x9½x2. 3 vols., 1897-99, 1914--, office; 1 vol., 1900-1913, cir. ct. clk's. office.

21. ROAD COMMISSIONERS' BONDS, 1902--. 3 vols. (2, 3; 1 vol. dated). 1908-11 in Miscellaneous Bonds, entry 15.
Bonds given by road commissioners to insure faithful performance of all duties required under the various road laws, including a faithful accounting for all money coming into his hands, showing name of commissioner, district number, date, amount of bond, and signatures of principal and sureties. Also shows oath of commissioner and acknowledgment of the county court clerk. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 400 pp. 14x9½xl½. Office.

Miscellaneous

22. RECORD OF TENNESSEE AND PACIFIC RAILROAD BONDS, 1869-79. 1 vol.
Record of Wilson County bonds issued to this railroad by the county, showing bond number, date issued, amount of bond, coupons paid and cancelled by years, and remarks. The bonds matured ten years from the date of issue. Arr. num. by serial bond no. No index. Hdw. 400 pp. 18xl3xl½. Strg. rm.

Tax Rolls
(See also entries 208, 209)

23. RECORD OF SLAVES OWNED AND PERSONAL PROPERTY (Tax Rolls), 1821-60. 5 vols. (3 vols. dated; 2 vols. not labeled).
Tax rolls by captain's or civil districts, showing name of property owner, number of slaves owned, value of slaves, personal property owned, value of personal property, and district name or number. Arr. num. by district numbers and alph. thereunder by name of property owner. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 200 pp. 17½xlx½. Office.

24. TAX DUPLICATES, 1842-46, 1851-54, 1866-68, 1870--. 77 vols. (dated).
Duplicate copies of trustee's tax books prepared by the county court clerk, showing name of taxpayer, location and description of taxable real property, acreage, or number of town lots; assessed valuation of real and personal property less deduction of $1000 from personal property; poll tax and other assessments, amounts of county and state taxes, and totals. Arr. num. by civil districts and alph. thereunder by name of taxpayer. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 450 pp. 16½xl6½x3½. 65 vols., 1842-68, 1871-1928, strg. rm.; 12 vols., 1870, 1929--, office.

Financial Records
(See also entries 10, 11, 13, 68, 69)

25. COMMON SCHOOL BOOK AND ROAD BOOK COMBINED, 1869-85. 1 vol.
Record of appointment of road overseers by the quarterly court, showing name of overseer, date of appointment, road terminals, and road classification; included also is a record of school funds, showing trustee's statement on the amount of funds on hand, funds received from tax collections, pro rata distribution by civil districts, disbursements, and the purpose of each. Arr. num. by civil districts and chron. thereunder. Indexed alph. by name of overseer or school. Hdw. on ptd. form. 545 pp. 13x8½x1½. Office.
For other records of road overseers, see entries 5, 6.

26. CLERKS CASH BOOK (School Funds), 1900-1901. 1 vol.
Discontinued.
Record of allocations of school funds by civil districts as made by the quarterly court. Allocation of funds is based on the scholastic population. Also included is a record of warrants drawn on school funds, showing warrant number, amount of warrant, date issued, for what purpose, and name of payee. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 250 pp. 16x11½x1. Strg. rm.

27. HIGHWAY DUPLICATES, 1881-82. 1 vol.
Record of property owners electing to serve as road hands as an alternative to payment of the road tax, showing name of property owner, and amount of assessment. Arr. num. by civil districts and alph. thereunder by name of property owner. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 400 pp. 16½x11x2. Office.

28. ROAD LEDGER, 1884-85, 1893-97. 2 vols.
Record of funds allocated to road districts by the quarterly court, showing allocations by districts, total amount allocated, disbursements by districts, purposes of disbursements, and totals and balances by districts at the end of each quarter. Arr. num. by civil districts and chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 275 pp. 13½x9x1½. Office.

29. CLERKS ACCOUNT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS BY TRUSTEE, 1868-77, 1 vol.
Trustee's statements on the condition of county funds at the beginning of the fiscal year, showing funds received, source of revenue, disbursements, totals and balances. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by names of payee and payor. Hdw. on ptd. form. 675 pp. 14x9x2. Office.

30. JURY TICKETS (Stubs and Receipts), 1926--. 5 vols. (1-5).
Stubs of tickets issued to jurors having a claim against the county for jury service, showing name of juror, date issued, days of service, term of court, and amount claimed. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 200 pp. 15x13½x1. Office.
For other records of juries, see entries 120-123.

Quarterly County Court - Financial Records (25-30)

Financial Records
(See also entries 10, 11, 13, 68, 69)

25. COMMON SCHOOL BOOK AND ROAD BOOK COMBINED, 1869-85. 1 vol.
Record of appointment of road overseers by the quarterly court, showing name of overseer, date of appointment, road terminals, and road classification; included also is a record of school funds, showing trustee's statement on the amount of funds on hand, funds received from tax collections, pro rata distribution by civil districts, disbursements, and the purpose of each. Arr. num. by civil districts and chron. thereunder. Indexed alph. by name of overseer or school. Hdw. on ptd. form. 545 pp. 13x8½xl½. Office.
For other records of road overseers, see entries 5, 6.

26. CLERKS CASH BOOK (School Funds), 1900-1901. 1 vol.
Discontinued.
Record of allocations of school funds by civil districts as made by the quarterly court. Allocation of funds is based on the scholastic population. Also included is a record of warrants drawn on school funds, showing warrant number, amount of warrant, date issued, for what purpose, and name of payee. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 250 pp. 16xll½xl. Strg. rm.

27. HIGHWAY DUPLICATES, 1881-82. 1 vol.
Record of property owners electing to serve as road hands as an alternative to payment of the road tax, showing name of property owner, and amount of assessment. Arr. num. by civil districts and alph. thereunder by name of property owner. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 400 pp. 16½xllx2. Office.

28. ROAD LEDGER, 1884-85, 1893-97. 2 vols.
Record of funds allocated to road districts by the quarterly court, showing allocations by districts, total amount allocated, disbursements by districts, purposes of disbursements, and totals and balances by districts at the end of each quarter. Arr. num. by civil districts and chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 275 pp. 13½x9xl½. Office.

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Stubs of tickets issued to jurors having a claim against the county for jury service, showing name of juror, date issued, days of service, term of court, and amount claimed. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 200 pp. 15xl3½xl. Office.
For other records of juries, see entries 120-123.

Miscellaneous

31. REGISTER OF LEGAL VOTERS, 1865. 1 vol.
A register of persons qualified to vote under a Reconstruction measure of 1865 which disfranchised every one but unconditional Unionists, showing oath taken, list of qualified voters, and a statement as to whether they voted. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. 100 pp. 16x6½x½. Office.

II. COUNTY JUDGE
(As Administrative and Financial Agent of the County)

The important office of county judge was created by statute rather than by constitutional provision, and it is not mandatory for counties to fill the office although most counties, including Wilson, have done so. In counties not having a county judge, his counterpart is the comparable but less responsible officer, the chairman of the county court, elected by and from the membership of the quarterly court for a term of one year.

A general law of 1855-56 created the office in each county of the state (P.A. 1855-56, ch. 253, 1; "Minutes 1856-58", entry 152, p. 28); but this sweeping statute, insofar as it created the office in each county, was repealed in the next session (P.A. 1857-58, ch. 5), and since then county judgeships have been created for separate counties from time to time. By special acts Wilson County had a county judge instead of chairman for two years during Reconstruction (P.A. 1867-68, ch. 47, secs. 1-14, 20; 1869-70, ch. 14). The present office was created in 1915 (Pr.A. 1915, ch. 150). As in practically all counties, the judge operates under the general law. Entirely aside from his duties as presiding officer of the quarterly county court and as judge of the monthly or probate court and of the juvenile court, discussed in the chapters entitled Quarterly County Court, Probate or Monthly Court, and Juvenile Court, respectively, the county judge is the responsible executive head of the county. Unrelated to his duties in the courts, he is the administrative and financial agent of the county.

As accounting officer and general agent, the county judge acts as custodian of county property and as auditor of claims against the county and settles accounts with other county officers (P.A. 1855-56, ch. 253, sec. 8, 2; 1857-58, ch. 38, sec. 8, 3). In this capacity the county judge is required to draw warrants on the trustee, to reduce to writing the testimony of witnesses in revenue hearings, to examine minutely and settle accounts of all officers receiving and collecting revenues and require them to make periodic statements, to make reports of settlements and statements to the quarterly county court, to make duplicates of settlements, to make out a list of persons engaged in privileges, on information from the tax assessor; and forward these lists to the comptroller of the treasury (P.A. 1879, ch. 162, sec. 2, 4;

1907, ch. 602, sec. 45, 5), and to audit all bills of cost (P.A. 1891, ex. ses., ch. 22, sec. 5, 6).

In this administrative capacity, the county judge is further empowered and directed to employ counsel, if necessary; to demand the records of any clerk regarding county revenues, to summon witnesses to revenue hearings, to call collectors of county revenues to make settlements with him, to keep, opposite each other, two sets of accounts, one set showing accounts chargeable against each collection and disbursement officer and the trustee, and, on the opposite sheet, an account of each item or credit to which each officer is entitled; to keep in an account book a complete record of receipts and disbursements, to transfer each year all balances to their respective accounts for the ensuing year, so that he may, when demand is made by the quarterly court, show plainly the condition of the county treasury; to demand of the county court clerk a statement showing the condition of all delinquent tax accounts in the hands of collectors, and to determine the amounts of unclaimed money in hands of clerks, and if such money remains unclaimed for two years, transfer it to the county treasury (C 1932, 1059; P.A. 1879, ch. 162, sec. 2, 7; 1907, ch. 602, sec. 45, 8; 1855-56, ch. 253, sec. 8, 9; 1857-58, ch. 38, sec. 8, 10; 1845-46, ch. 32, sec. 1, 11).

Important among the records kept by the county judge of Wilson County are a complete record of receipts and disbursements, vouchers, cancelled warrants, a record of payable warrants, and a warrant register.

Because he is an inferior judge, the county judge is elected by popular vote for a term of eight years (Const. of 1870, art. 6, sec. 4; C 1917, 519 citing State ex. rel. v McKee, 8 Lea 24, 28). As an inferior judge his salary can not be changed during his term, although as financial agent and accounting officer his compensation may be increased by the quarterly county court (ibid.).

Accounts and Fees
(See also entry 199)

32. SETTLEMENT WITH COUNTY OFFICERS, 1856-67. 1 vol.
Recorded copies of settlements made by various county officials with the chairman of the quarterly court, showing name of reporting official, date of report, itemization of receipts and disbursements, totals, balances, and chairman's acknowledgment of settlement. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 400 pp. 12½x8½x1½. Office.

33. CHAIRMAN'S SETTLEMENTS WITH ROAD COMMISSIONERS, 1883-86, 1912-23. 2 vols. (1; 1 vol. not labeled).
Record of funds allotted to road commissioners, showing amount of allocation, date of allocation, to whom allotment is made, for what purpose, and balance due each commissioner at stated periods. Arr. alph. by name of commissioner and chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 588 pp. 18½x13x3. Strg. rm.

34. JUDGE'S ACCOUNTS, 1886-88, 1915-18. 2 vols. (1; 1 vol. not labeled). Title varies: 1886-88, Chairman's Accounts.
Record of the judge's receipts and disbursements, showing balance on hand, amounts received from various collectors, source of revenue, amount paid by warrants, and budget accounts charged. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 400 pp. 18x11x1½. Strg. rm.

35. RECORD OF HIGHWAY ORDERS, 1885-92. 1 vol. Discontinued.
Record of orders issued for supplies and equipment to be used on county roads, showing civil district number, date of order, to whom issued, for what purpose, unit price, and totals. Arr. num. by civil districts and chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 360 pp. 15½x10x1½. Strg. rm.
For other records of supplies and equipment, see entries 260, 263.

36. UNCLAIMED FEES AND COSTS, 1895--. 1 vol.
Record of fees and costs payable which have remained unclaimed for a period of two years and thus reverting to the county, showing name of person to whom fee or cost is due, amount, and docket number of case against which fees and costs were chargeable. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 450 pp. 17½x14x2½. Co. ct. clk's. office.

37. FUNDING BONDS REDEMPTION BOOK, 1929--. 2 vols.
Bonds issued for the purpose of retiring county indebtedness, showing date of bond issue, signatures of county judge and county court clerk, amount of bond, amount of certificate, and date of maturity. Upon cancellation the bonds are pasted in this record. Arr. num. by bond no. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 400 pp. 22½x14x2. Office.

Warrants
(See also entry 34)

Record of Issue

38. RECEIVABLE WARRANTS, 1927--. 5 vols.
Duplicates of warrants issued for money received by the county judge, showing date issued, warrant number, amount, from whom received, and distribution of funds. Arr. chron. and num. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 125 pp. 16x8½x1. Co. ct. clk's. office.

39. COUNTY JUDGE'S VOUCHERS, 1924--. 39 file boxes (dated).
Original vouchers, with invoices attached, submitted by various officials as authority to county judge to issue warrants for payment of invoices and to charge against budget items and bond funds, showing date and amount of voucher, to whom payable, purpose of payment, and signature of the issuing officer. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 4½x4½x10. Co. ct. clk's. office.

40. WARRANT STUBS, 1896-1900, 1902-3, 1905-9, 1911-29, 1931--. 41 vols.
Stubs from which original warrants have been detached, showing warrant number, date of issuance, to whom issued, for what purpose, and amount.

Arr. chron. and num. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 400 pp. 18½x14½x1½. 6 vols., 1896-1914, strg. rm.; 35 vols., 1915--, office.

41. WARRANT REGISTER, 1856-68, 1899--. 5 vols. (1, 2; 3 vols. not labeled). Title varies: 1856-68, Warrant Book.
Record of warrants issued by the county judge, showing date and number of warrant, to whom issued, purpose of payment, and signature of person receiving payment. County judge's warrants are drawn against the general fund. Arr. num. and chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 350 pp. 19½x14x2. 1 vol., 1856-68, co. ct. clk's. office; 2 vols., 1899-1922, strg. rm.; 2 vols., 1923--, office.

Cancelled

42. CANCELLED COUNTY JUDGE'S WARRANTS, 1918-20. 2 vols.
Record of paid warrants, showing date issued, name of payee, warrant number, purpose for which drawn, amount, account charged, and date cancelled. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 35 pp. 15½x11½x2. Strg. rm.

43. SCHOOL WARRANTS CANCELLED (CHAIRMAN), 1889-90, 1916-21. 2 vols. (dated).
Record of paid warrants issued against school funds, showing warrant number, name of payee, date issued, date cancelled, purpose of payment, and fund charged. Arr. num. by civil districts and chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 495 pp. 12x9x1½. Strg. rm.

44. CANCELLED ROAD AND SCHOOL WARRANTS, 1926--. 217 file envelopes (dated).
Paid warrants for money expended for maintenance of roads and schools, showing date warrant issued, name of payee, warrant number, amount, purpose for which drawn, signature of payee, and date cancelled. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 9½x4x2. Co. ct. clk's. office.

III. COUNTY COURT CLERK
(As a State Registration and Revenue Agent)

Aside from his duties and functions as clerk of the quarterly county court, and as clerk of the probate or monthly county court, the county court clerk performs important duties not related to his duties as a court clerk. If a generalization can safely be made characterizing him in his capacity as an independent officer, it is that he is a licensing official and a registration and revenue agent of the state. He is required to make a host of professional registrations and to issue a great variety of licenses and collect the fees and excises attached thereto, and to perform certain other duties of a miscellaneous nature.

Among his many duties in this capacity, the county court clerk is required to issue hunters' and fishermen's licenses and tags (P.A. 1923, ch. 102, sec. 1, Mod., 1), to issue all privilege and other licenses required of merchants, companies, firms, corporations, agents, traders,

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and other persons, and to collect the taxes and fees attached thereto and deliver such moneys to the proper receiving officers, under a penalty of heavy fines (P.A. 1907, ch. 602, secs. 29, 47, 2); to issue distress warrants to the sheriff against persons selling goods without prescribed licenses, commanding that officer to sell the delinquent's goods, or if practicable, himself to sue in circuit or chancery court (P.A. 1847-48, ch. 161, sec. 23, 3; 1849-50, ch. 122, 4); to receive from the tax assessor lists of persons pursuing privileges and compare it with his list of persons paying the prescribed privilege fees (P.A. 1907, ch. 602, sec. 45, 5), to report monthly to the state board of equalization and to the state superintendent of taxation the names of all persons granted privilege licenses the preceding month (P.A. 1919, ch. 1, sec. 5, 6; 1921, ch. 113, sec. 3, 7), to issue citations against known violators of the privilege license laws (P.A. 1907, ch. 602, sec. 30, subsec. 5, 8), to receive reports of auctioneers and commission agents, and to issue distress warrants in these cases if necessary (P.A. 1907, ch. 602, sec. 27, subsec. 2, sec. 28, 9); to make an aggregate statement from tax books, showing value and acreage of all town lots and other property assessed in the county, and forward this statement to the state superintendent of taxation each year (ibid., sec. 43, 10); to keep a record, in a well-bound book, of the full description of all articles sold on artisans' liens (P.A. 1869-70, ch. 112, sec. 7, 11. Repealed by P.A. 1935, ch. 53); to receive assessment lists made by the state railroad and public utilities commission and approved by the state board of equalization (P.A. 1919, ch. 3, sec. 12, 12; 1921, ch. 39, 13), to keep records involved in the process of forming municipal corporations (P.A. 1875, ch. 92, sec. 2, 14; 1877, ch. 121, sec. 6, Mod., 15), to keep, in a well-bound book, the oaths of the tax assessor and his deputies, and members of the board of equalization (P.A. 1907, ch. 602, sec. 36, 16); to keep the tax assessor's bond under penalty of conviction of misdemeanor (ibid., sec. 10, 17), if called upon, to transmit to the state board of equalization the oaths of the members of the county board (ibid., sec. 35, 18); to issue licenses to real estate agents and salesmen, and to watch for the death or insolvency of an agent's surety (P.A. 1929, ch. 65, sec. 1, 19); to receive license fees of employment agencies and transmit notices of to the comptroller of the state, so that the state department of labor may issue the agency the certificate required by law (P.A. 1917, ch. 78, sec. 1, 20); to receive complaints against tobacco warehousemen by planters and growers (P.A. 1870, ch. 65, sec. 7, 21), to register, in a well-bound book, in alphabetical order, all births, with name, sex, color, names of parents, place of birth, and date (P.A. 1925, ch. 86, sec. 1, 22); to register, in a well-bound book, in alphabetical order, all deaths, showing name, age, color, sex, place of death, place of birth, and cause of death (ibid., sec. 2, 23); to receive reports of registrars of vital statistics (ibid., sec. 3, 24), to register in a well-bound book, the names of the parties and the date of issuance of marriage licenses, and to copy immediately the return of the proper functionary who solemnized the rites of matrimony, with the date thereof, and to file and retain the licenses and return thereof in his office (P.A. 1815, ch. 47, 25; 1837-38, ch. 118, sec. 2, 26); to record medical registrations (P.A. 1901, ch. 78, 27; 1905, ch. 111, 28), to record

chiropractic licenses (P.A. 1923, ch. 9, sec. 9, 29), to record, in a well-bound book, dentists' certificates of registration issued by the state dental board (P.A. 1913, 1st. ex. ses., ch. 39, sec. 5, 30; 1919, ch. 38, sec. 2, Mod., 31); to record optometry licenses, certificates, or permits in a well-bound book, and each year mail a copy of such book to the state board of optometry and to the state registrar of professions and trades, and also to transmit to these same destinations notices of deaths and removals (P.A. 1925, ch. 99, secs. 8, 9, 32; 1935, ch. 129, sec. 7, 33); to record osteopathy certificates (P.A. 1905, ch. 255, sec. 5, 34), to record nurses' certificates and issue licenses (P.A. 1915, ch. 38, sec. 1, 35), to record veterinary certificates presented for registration (P.A. 1905, ch. 76, secs. 11, 12, 36), to issue licenses to money lenders under the so-called "loan shark" law (P.A. 1925, ch. 153, sec. 1, Mod., 37), to receive pawnbrokers' petitions for licenses and to issue pawnbrokers' licenses after satisfactory bond has been given and all other requirements of law have been met (P.A. 1937, ch. 185, secs. 1-3, 38), to record nurses' certificates and to issue and retain a copy of nurses' licenses (P.A. 1915, ch. 38, secs. 4, 5, 39), to record all certificates of licenses issued by state board of medical examiners and keep a list of the same (P.A. 1901, ch. 78, secs. 12, 13, Mod., 40), to keep road commissioner's certificates of election returned by sheriff (P.A. 1891, ch. 1, sec. 7, 41), to record powers of attorney conferred on clerk by fidelity companies (P.A. 1895, ch. 113, sec. 2, 42), to keep copies of grants of authority issued to fidelity companies by the state commissioner of insurance and banking (P.A. 1895, ch. 175, sec. 3, 43), to keep inheritance tax receipts duplicates (P.A. 1929, ex. ses., ch. 29, sec. 4, subdiv. 4, 44), to keep loan sharks' bonds (P.A. 1925, ch. 153, sec. 3, Mod., 45), to record cattle marks and brands Acts of N. C., 1741, ch. 8, sec. 6, 46), to keep merchants' bonds (P.A. 1907, ch. 602, sec. 27, 47), to keep duplicates of original and renewed partnership licenses (P.A. 1879, ch. 132, secs. 1-3, 48), to keep merchants' sworn statements of amount of capital invested (P.A. 1907, ch. 602, sec. 26, subsec. 1, 49), to receive and retain auctioneers' and commission agents' statements of aggregate sales (ibid., subsec. 2, 50), to receive and retain merchants' statements of capital in trade in the absence of a stock of goods (ibid., subsec. 3, 51), to receive taxpayers' objections to sworn statements (ibid., subsec. 4, 52), to keep receipts for unpaid privilege licenses and bonds delivered to county attorney or other prosecutor for action (ibid., sec. 28, 53), to retain a detailed account of taxes collected and settlements with the comptroller (P.A. 1879, ch. 79, sec. 5, 54), to record real estate agents' and salesmen's bonds (P.A. 1919, ch. 182, sec. 1, 55), to keep a record of real estate agents' and salesmen's licenses issued (P.A. 1929, ch. 65, sec. 7, 56), to record timber brands (P.A. 1901, ch. 54, sec. 2, 57), to keep a cash book (P.A. 1897, ch. 26, 58), to keep account of all unclaimed money (P.A. 1845-46, ch. 32, secs. 2, 4, 59), to take registration applications from motor vehicle owners and to issue licenses on the payment of the proper fees (P.A. 1919, ch. 149, sec. 15, 60; 1923, ch. 10, sec. 108, 61; 1935, ch. 55, secs. 6, 7, 62), to issue certificates of transfer of motor vehicles and record the same (P.A. 1919, ch. 149, sec. 23, 63; 1935, ch. 55, sec. 7, 64), and to keep a register of all licensed motor vehicles (P.A. 1919, ch. 149, sec. 20, 65).

County Court Clerk - Licenses (45-48)

The county court clerk is elected by popular vote for four years (Const. of 1870, art. 6, sec. 13) and, in Wilson County, is compensated on a fee basis.

Licenses
(See also entries 57-61)

Automobile

45. AUTOMOBILE REGISTER, 1906--. 113 vols. (dated).
Record of licenses issued to operators of motor vehicles, showing date license issued, weight, classification, license number, to whom issued, address of owner, make of vehicle, motor number, year model, whether vehicle is new, date of transfer, if any; and amount of tax and fee. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 75 pp. 16½x11x½. 111 vols., 1906-14, 1919--, office; 2 vols., 1915-18, strg. rm.

Merchants - (See also entries 55, 56)

46. APPLICATION FOR LICENSE TO RETAIL MERCHANDISE, 1832-68. 4 vols.
Applications of merchants to secure licenses, showing date of application, name of merchant, sworn statement of merchant as to amount of stock carried, type of business, amount of tax collected, date tax paid, and acknowledgments of the clerks. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 150 pp. 15½x6½x1. Office.
For other merchants' license records, see entries 48, 49.

47. MERCHANTS' BONDS AND OATHS, 1894--. 15 vols. (A-D; 6 vols. dated; 5 vols. not labeled).
Merchants $500 bond binding him to appear and state capital investment for the past twelve months, showing name of merchant, date of bond, condition of the obligation, and signature of merchant's agent. Also sworn statement as to highest and lowest cash value of stock during a particular year, aggregate amount on hand during that period, average amount of stock, amount of insurance carried, and amount of capital employed for trading, showing date statement made, and acknowledgment of the clerk. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of merchant. Hdw. on ptd. forms. Aver. 500 pp. 14½x10x2½. 10 vols., 1894-1920, strg. rm.; 5 vols., 1921--, office.

48. MERCHANTS LICENSE OVER $800 (Ad Valorem Duplicates), 1902--. 30 vols.
Copies of licenses issued to merchants operating with a capital stock exceeding $800, showing license number, date issued, name of merchant or firm, average stock, duration of license, signature of the clerk, distribution of taxes to various funds, and notes indicating whether license is paid at beginning or close of year. This license can not be issued for less than one year. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 200 pp. 9½x8¼x1. 17 vols., 1902-24, strg. rm.; 13 vols., 1925--, office.
For other merchants' license records, see entry 46.

49. MERCHANTS LICENSE UNDER $800 (Ad Valorem Duplicates), 1917--. 12 vols.
Copies of licenses issued to merchants operating with a capital stock of less than $800, showing name of merchant's or firm's representative, provisions in the event capital stock should exceed $800, license number, date issued, signature of clerk, and distribution of the tax to state, county, and school funds; and clerk's fee. This license may be issued for periods of three, six, nine, or twelve months. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of merchant. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 500 pp. 14½x10½x2½. 5 vols., 1917-21, strg. rm.; 7 vols., 1922--, office.
For other merchants' license records, see entry 46.

Privilege - (See also entries 55, 56, 125)

50. PRIVILEGE LICENSE (Duplicates), 1848--. 36 vols. (1-36).
Duplicates of privilege licenses issued, showing license number, name and address of taxpayer, privilege authorized to exercise, duration of license, date issued, distribution of tax, and signature of the clerk. This license can be issued for three, six, nine, or twelve month periods. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 400 pp. 14x9x2. Office.

Miscellaneous

51. APPLICATION FOR LICENSE, REAL ESTATE DEALER, 1919-22. 1 vol.
Applications and bonds of real estate dealers, showing name of dealer, approval of the clerk, date and amount of bond given with names of sureties. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 600 pp. 16x11x3½. Strg. rm.

52. TIPPLER'S BOND AND LICENSE, 1853-70, 1878-1901. 4 vols. (2, 3; 2 vols. not labeled). Discontinued. Title varies: 1860-70, Bartenders Bond and Oath.
Record of persons licensed to sell liquor under bond, showing name of tippler, location of business, amount and condition of the bond, names of sureties, total amount paid for licenses and fees, date license issued, and date of expiration. Contains: Applications to Shave Notes, 1853-61, entry 74. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of tippler. Hdw. on ptd. forms. Aver. 468 pp. 13½x9½x2. 3 vols., 1853-59, 1878-1901, office; 1 vol., 1860-70, strg. rm.

53. BEVERAGE PERMITS (Duplicate Beer Licenses), 1933--. 2 vols.
Copies of beer licenses, showing name and address of dealer, license number, amount of tax paid, date of issuance, date of expiration, and clerk's fee. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 200 pp. 10x6x1. Office.

54. CONTRACTORS' LICENSE RECORD, 1931--. 1 vol. (1).
Record of licenses issued to contractors authorizing them to operate

within the county, showing name of contractor, nature of firm's activities, certificate number, date issued, signatures of chairman and secretary of the board for licensing contractors, and clerk's certification of recordation. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of contractor. Hdw. on ptd. form. 150 pp. 14x8½x1. Office.

Expirations

55. REGISTER OF STATE AND COUNTY LICENSES ISSUED BY CLERK, 1877-83, 1915. 2 vols.

Record of merchants' and privilege license expirations, showing date license issued, type of business, name of merchant or dealer, expiration date, amount paid, capital stock, and location of business. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 185 pp. 14x9x1¼. 1877-83, 1 vol., office; 1915, 1 vol., strg. rm.

For subsequent records of expirations, see entry 56.

56. CLERK'S RECORD OF LICENSE EXPIRATIONS, 1916--. 2 vols. (4, 5).

Record of all licenses issued by the clerk, showing type of license name of licensee, amount paid, date of payment, duration of license, and date of expiration. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. Aver. 375 pp. 16¼x12x2. 1 vol., 1916-27, strg. rm.; 1 vol., 1928--, office.

For prior records of merchants license expirations, see entry 55.

Professional Registration

57. REGISTER PHYSICIANS CERTIFICATES, (approx.) 1885--. 2 vols. (1; 1 vol. not labeled).

Register of certificates issued to physicians by the state board of medical examiners, showing number of certificate, verification of diploma, name, address, and age of physician; name and location of school issuing diploma, date of diploma, date of certificate, signatures of members of the state board of medical examiners, fees paid, and clerk's certification of recordation. If physician is not a graduate, register shows date practice commenced. Contains: (Record of Osteopaths' Certificates), 1905--, entry 60; (Record of Nurses' Certificates), 1915--, entry 61. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of physician. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 320 pp. 16x11x1½. Office.

58. DENTIST REGISTER, 1913--. 2 vols.

Register of dental certificates and temporary licenses issued authorizing persons to practice dentistry, showing name of dentist, period of time licensee authorized to practice, date issued, signatures of president and secretary of state board of dental examiners, and clerk's acknowledgment of recordation. Arr. chron. 1913-22, no index; 1923--, indexed alph. by name of dentist. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 100 pp. 14x8½x½. Office.

59. OPTOMETRY REGISTER, 1907--. 2 vols.

Record of licenses issued to persons practicing optometry, showing name

and address of optometrist, signatures of members of state board of optometry, date license issued, date of expiration, and clerk's acknowledgment of recordation. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of optometrist. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 200 pp. 16¼x11x1½. Office.

60. (RECORD OF OSTEOPATHS' CERTIFICATES), 1905--. In Register Physicians Certificates, entry 57.
Record of certificates issued authorizing persons to practice osteopathy, showing certificate number, date issued, name and address of osteopath, signatures of members of the state board of osteopathic examiners, registration fees, and clerk's certification of recordation.

61. (RECORD OF NURSES' CERTIFICATES), 1915--. In Register Physicians Certificates, entry 57.
Register of permanent and temporary licenses and certificates issued to graduate and non-graduate nurses, showing nurse's name and address, extent of training, date of certificate or license, and signatures of members of board of examiners.

Vital Statistics

Marriages

62. MARRIAGE RECORDS, 1838-1924. 10 vols. (5-7; 6 vols. dated; 1 vol. not labeled). 1925-- in Marriage Bonds and Records, entry 63.
Record of marriage licenses issued, showing names of contracting parties, date license issued, number of license, signature of the clerk, and name of officiant returning the original license. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of groom. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 400 pp. 14x13x3. Office.

63. MARRIAGE BONDS AND RECORDS, 1925--. 3 vols. (8-10).
Record of marriage applications, bonds, and licenses. Application shows license number, names of contracting parties, name of nearest kin to female, ages of contracting parties, address of each, and clerk's acknowledgment of sworn statement. Bonds show names of principal and sureties, condition of the obligation, signatures of sureties. Oath that parties are of age must be given by someone other than those contracting, and this oath must show acknowledgment of this sworn statement. Records of licenses show date license issued, name of officiant making return of original license, and signature of the clerk. Contains: Marriage Records, entry 62; Marriage Bonds, entry 64. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. direct and reverse. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 500 pp. 12x14x3. Office.

64. MARRIAGE BONDS, 1897-1924. 7 vols. (1-7). 1925-- in Marriage Bonds and Records, entry 63.
Bonds made by applicant for marriage license, showing bond number, name of principal, date of bond, condition of the obligation, signatures of

sureties, and clerk's acknowledgment of oath that both parties are of age. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of groom. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 600 pp. 12x14x3. Office.

65. MARRIAGE LICENSES AND BONDS, 1802--. 222 file boxes (dated). Original marriage licenses returned by the person performing ceremony, showing names of contracting parties, date license issued, date ceremony performed, names of officiant and witnesses, and date returned. Bonds show date, names of principal and sureties, condition of the obligation and amount. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 4½x4½x10. Office.

Births

66. RECORD OF BIRTHS, 1881-1911, 1925--. 4 vols. Records 1912-24 kept by the state.
Recordation of births by civil districts, showing name, sex, and color of child, date and place of birth, and names of father and mother. Arr. alph. by family name and chron. thereunder. 1881-1911, no index; 1925--, indexed alph. by family name. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 320 pp. 17x15x2. Office.
For other records of births, see entry 252.

Deaths

67. RECORD OF DEATHS, 1911, 1925--. 3 vols. (0, 1; 1 vol. not labeled). Records 1912-24 kept by the state.
Recordation of deaths by civil districts, showing name, age, sex, and color of deceased; place and date of birth, and place, date, and cause of death. Arr. alph. by name of deceased and chron. thereunder. 1911, no index; 1925--, indexed alph. by name of deceased. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 320 pp. 17x15x2. Office.
For other records of deaths, see entry 252.

Financial Records

General Accounts

68. REVENUE DOCKET, 1824--. 10 vols. (1-4; 6 vols. dated).
General ledger accounts of all revenue collected by the clerk, as a state registration agent and as clerk of the quarterly and probate courts, showing date of transaction, name of firm or individual, nature of transaction, duration of license, distribution of tax to state and county funds, total amount of tax paid and clerk's fee. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 400 pp. 17x16½x2½. Office.

69. CLERK'S CASH BOOK, 1934--. 1 vol.
Summary of all cash receipts and disbursements by the clerk as a state revenue agent and as clerk of the probate and quarterly courts. Record

of collections shows date, name of payor, purpose of payment, amount, account credited, and amount deposited. Disbursement record shows date, name of payee, purpose of payment, amount, bank withdrawals, and balances. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 76 pp. 15x13¼x½. Office.

For prior records of receipts and disbursements, see entry 68.

Fees and Taxes - (See also entries 68, 69)

70. FEE BOOK, 1898-99. 1 vol.
Record of fees collected by the clerk from various sources, such as from the sale of licenses, showing date of collection, name of person paying fee, amount paid, and purpose of payment. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 300 pp. 18x12x1½. Office.

71. INHERITANCE TAX (RECORDS), 1906-32. 1 vol. Subsequent records kept by the state.
Authorization of appraisers to act, their oaths, and a report on the amount of real and personal property inherited, showing assessed valuation of inheritance, total amount of tax, clerk's fee, and net tax. Receipts for payment of tax are pasted in this book with each account. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 200 pp. 16x11½x1½. Office.

72. RECORD OF STATE TAXES COLLECTED BY VARIOUS OFFICIALS, 1839-44. 1 vol.
Reports to the county court clerk from various officials charged with the collection of revenues, showing date of collection, name and occupation of taxpayer, amount and kind of tax collected, and name of collector. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 200 pp. 12x7½x1. Office.

73. RECORD OF RAILROAD TAXES COLLECTED BY J. F. COE, 1874-76. 1 vol.
Account of a special tax collection, showing date of collection, period for which payment of tax is made, names of railroad and authorized agent, amount of collection. The taxes collected in this manner were used to retire bonds issued to railroads by the county. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 100 pp. 7½x6x½. Office.

Miscellaneous

74. (APPLICATIONS TO SHAVE NOTES), 1853-61. In Tippler's Bond and License, entry 52.
Clerk's record of applications to shave notes, showing name of applicant, date and amount of funds applicant is entitled to use under license previously granted.

75. RECORD OF WHISKEY SHIPMENTS AND DELIVERIES, 1915-17. 2 vols. Discontinued.
Statements of express company agents on whiskey shipments, showing name and address of shipper, date of shipment, quantity, waybill, name of

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consignee, date shipment received by express company, and date delivered to consignee. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. Aver. 300 pp. 16x11x4½. Strg. rm.

IV. REGISTER

The register is a constitutional officer (Const. of 1796, art. 6, sec. 1; 1870, art. 7, sec. 1) and prior to the Tennessee Constitution of 1796 functioned under a 1715 act of North Carolina. His original duty was to register wills, burials and marriages. First nominated by popular vote and elected by the proprietors (Laws of N. C., 1715, ch. 38, sec. 2), the register later, from 1777 (Laws of N. C., 1777, ch. 8, sec. 13) to the adoption of the Constitution of 1834, was elected by the quarterly county court (Laws of N. C., 1777, ch. 8, sec. 13). Since 1836 the register has been elected by popular vote for a term of four years (Const. of 1834, art. 7, sec. 1; 1870, art. 7, sec. 1).

The register is required by law to: enter in a well-bound book all deeds and instruments registered by him indicating the particulars of each registration (P.A. 1841-42, ch. 12, sec. 3, 1); certify the fact of registration upon each instrument recorded by him, showing time received and number of the book and page where it is noted (ibid., sec. 6, 2); give certified copies of recorded instruments (ibid.; P.A. 1879, ch. 65, 3), register corrections in proper books (P.A. 1847-48, ch. 119, sec. 3, 4), keep separate books for different types of registration (P.A. 1867-68, ch. 62, sec. 1, 5); alphabetically index, direct and reverse, all entries, showing names of grantor and grantee, and kind of instrument (P.A. 1839-40, ch. 27, sec. 11; 1925, ch. 89, sec. 1, 6); and to lay his records before the quarterly court for examination each year (P.A. 1805, ch. 62, sec. 11; C 1932, 7682).

The following writings may be registered in the register's office: all agreements and bonds for the conveyance of real or personal estate (P.A. 1831, ch. 90, sec. 1, 7), all powers of attorney and appointments of agents (P.A. 1805, ch. 16, sec. 4, 8; 1807, ch. 85, sec. 3, 9; 1831, ch. 90, sec. 1, 10; 1839-40, ch. 26, sec. 1, 11), all revocations of powers of attorney (P.A. 1831, ch. 90, sec. 13, 12), all deeds of absolute conveyance (Laws of N. C., 1715, ch. 38, sec. 5, 13; 1756, ch. 6, sec. 2, 14; P.A. 1797, ch. 43, 15; 1805, ch. 16, sec. 2, 16; 1807, ch. 85, secs. 3, 4, 17; 1831, ch. 90, sec. 1, 18; 1839-40, ch. 26, sec. 1, 19), copies of deeds of conveyance, with certificate of probate, of lands being in different counties, certified by the register of the county where the instrument has been first registered (P.A. 1875, ch. 124, 20); deeds of gifts of any estate, real or personal (P.A. 1797, ch. 43, 21; 1805, ch. 16, sec. 2, 22; 1807, ch. 85, secs. 3, 4, 23; 1831, ch. 90, sec. 1, 24); all mortgages and deeds of trust of either real or personal property (P.A. 1797, ch. 43, 25; 1805, ch. 16, sec. 2, 26; 1807, ch. 85, secs. 3, 4, 27; 1831, ch. 90, sec. 1, 28), the acknowledgment of satisfaction and discharge of mortgage, trust, and other liens, by an entry in the margin of the record (P.A. 1833, ch.

253, 29); all marriage settlements, contracts, or agreements (Laws of N. C., 1785, ch. 12, sec. 1, 30; P.A. 1831, ch. 90, sec. 1, 31); deeds and mesne conveyances for settlements, real or personal, in consideration of marriage (P.A. 1805, ch. 16, sec. 2, 32); all other deeds of every description (P.A. 1839-40, ch. 26, sec. 1, 33), transfers or assignments of plats and certificates of survey or locations of land (C 1932, 7621, subsec. 13), all instruments in writing transferring or conveying any right of improvement, occupancy, or preemption (P.A. 1805, ch. 72, sec. 5, 34); leases for more than three years from the time of making (P.A. 1841-42, ch. 12, sec. 4, 35), wills executed in other states devising lands in Tennessee (P.A. 1831, ch. 90, sec. 11, 36; 1843-44, ch. 187, sec. 1, 37), memoranda of judgments rendered in any county other than that in which the debtor resides (P.A. 1831, ch. 90, sec. 8, 38), certified copies of decrees divesting the titles of land out of one person and vesting it in another (P.A. 1833, ch. 92, sec. 6, 39), memoranda of judgments or decrees to bind equitable interests in land or personalty (P.A. 1832, ch. 11, sec. 3, 40), and discharges from service of soldiers, seamen, marines, and naval and army officers of the United States (P.A. 1919, ch. 128, 41; 1925, ch. 148, 42). Private domestic corporations doing business for profit are required to file their charters in the office of the register of the county in which the principal office is located (P.A. 1929, ch. 90, sec. 6, 43).

The first instrument registered in the Wilson County register's office is of a land grant certificate issued at Fayetteville, North Carolina, in 1789, under an act for the "relief of the officers and soldiers of the continental line" ("Deed Record, A", entry 77, p. 2).

Original Papers

76. (PAPERS), 1850--. 45 file boxes (lettered).
Original instruments deposited with the register for registration and remaining uncalled for by the owner, showing nature of instrument, names of parties to the transaction, date instrument executed, provisions and agreements, acknowledgment before notary public, signatures of parties involved, date deposited for registration, and book and page numbers of registration. Arr. alph. by name of owner and chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. and typed on ptd. forms. 4x4x10.

Real Property
(See also entries 76, 94, 174-177)

Warranty Deeds

77. DEED RECORD (Warranty Deeds), 1800--. 111 vols. (A-I, K-Z, A2-Z2, EE, 52-106; 3 vols. dated; 1 vol. not labeled. Title Varies: 1823-25, 1861-65, 1872, 1902-4, 1915-21, Deed Book.
Recorded copies of absolute conveyances of real property, showing names of grantor and grantee, date of instrument, location and description of

property, consideration, terms of payment, acknowledgment before notary public, and the register's certificate of recordation. Contains: trust deeds, 1800-1835, entry 81; chattel mortgages, 1800-1835, entry 89. Arr. chron. Indexed in separate vols. Hdw., 1800-1910; typed, 1911--. Aver. 500 pp. 18½x11x2½.

78. DIRECT AND REVERSE INDEX TO DEEDS, 1800-1924. 6 vols. Title varies: 1851-70, General Index.

An alphabetical index to all recorded instruments, showing names of parties involved, nature of the instrument, date executed, date of filing, and number of volume and page where recorded. Arr. alph. direct and reverse. Hdw. and typed on ptd. form. Aver. 600 pp. 18½x12½x2½.

For subsequent indices, see entries 79, 80, 82.

79. REVERSE INDEX TO REAL ESTATE RECORDS, 1925--. 2 vols. (1; 1 vol. dated).

An alphabetical index to recorded deeds by name of grantee, also showing name of grantor, nature of the instrument, date executed, date of filing, and volume and page numbers of recordation. Arr. alph. by name of grantee. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 600 pp. 18½x12½x2½.

For prior indexing, see entry 78.

80. DIRECT INDEX TO REAL ESTATE RECORDS, 1925--. 2 vols. (1; 1 vol. dated).

An alphabetical index to recorded deeds by name of grantor, also showing name of grantee, nature of instrument, date executed, date of filing, and volume and page numbers of recordation. Arr. alph. by name of grantor. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 600 pp. 18½x12½x2½.

For prior indexing, see entry 78.

Trust Deeds

81. REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE RECORD (Trust Deeds), 1836--. 65 vols. (22-24, 26-60, 62, 64-66, 68, 69, 71-73, 76-78, 80-83, 86-88, 91, 92, 94; 5 vols. not labeled). Title varies: 1894-1912, 1929-30, Mortgage Record; 1913-21, Mortgages. 1800-1835 in Deed Record, entry 77.

Recorded copies of conditional conveyances of real and personal property, showing names of grantor and grantee, dates instrument executed and recorded, location and description of property, consideration, terms of payment, provisions in case of non-payment, acknowledgment before notary public, and register's certification of recordation. Contains: (Leases), entry 83; chattel mortgages, 1836-1930, entry 89. Arr. chron. 1836-1924, indexed alph. direct and reverse, also in separate vols., entry 78; 1925--, indexed in separate vols., entry 82. Hdw., 1836-1916; typed, 1917--. Aver. 600 pp. 18½x12½x3.

82. GENERAL INDEX MORTGAGES, PERSONAL PROPERTY AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS, 1925--. 2 vols. (1, 2).

A direct and reverse index to recorded trust deeds, chattel mortgages,

and leases, showing names of grantor and grantee, text of instrument, date instrument executed, date of filing, and volume and page numbers of recordation. Arr. alph. direct and reverse. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 600 pp. 18x12½x2½.

For prior indexing, see entry 78.

Leases

83. (LEASES), 1836--. In Real Estate Mortgage Record (Trust Deeds), entry 81.

Copies of leases or rental contracts on real estate filed for recording, showing names of lessor and lessee, description of property, terms of the contract, date of execution, and signatures of parties involved.

84. OIL LEASES, 1896--. 5 vols. Title varies: 1902, 1919, Lease Book; 1907, Oil and Mineral Leases.

Recorded copies of leases on mineral resources, showing names of lessor and lessee, consideration, location and description of property, terms of the agreement, acknowledgment before a notary public, and the register's certificate of recordation. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of lessor. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 416 pp. 16½x11½x2.

Liens

85. LIEN BOOK, 1932--. 1 vol. (1).

Registrations of written contracts between property owners and contractors for improvement of real property. The contract is filed for registration after it has been acknowledged or a sworn statement has been made by the contractor that the terms have been fulfilled. The registration must set forth the contract price and describe the real property improved. The effect of registration is to create and publicize the existence of a contractor's lien on the property improved. Record shows names of lienor and lienee, date of contract, provisions of the agreement, and the register's certificate of recordation. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of lessor. Typed on ptd. form. 500 pp. 16½x12x2¼.

Miscellaneous

86. SURVEYOR'S BOOK (Plat Book), 1824-74, 1919--. 5 vols.

Blueprints and plats, showing civil district in which property is located, surveyor's description, date survey made, and name of surveyor. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of property owner. Hdw., drawn and ptd. Aver. 640 pp. 18x13x3.

87. REGISTER'S DOCKET (Bill of Sale), 1814-29, 1841-97. 6 vols.

Record of sale of slaves and land and deeds of gift, showing date instrument executed, amount involved, a description of the property, names of interested parties, and, in some instances, power of attorney,

which shows dates of execution and filing, name of person to whom power is conveyed, conditions of the grant, and signature of person making the conveyance. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of bargainor. Hdw. Aver. 620 pp. 17x10½x2¼.

For other records of land sales, see entry 88.

88. COURT LAND SALES (Circuit, Chancery, and Probate Courts), 1861-97. 1 vol.

Record of court land sales, showing name of the court, style of case, location and description of property, by what process land is sold, and date of sale. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of plaintiff. Hdw. 360 pp. 14x8½x1¼.

For subsequent records of land sales, see entries 126, 141, 171.

Personal Property
(See also entries 76, 87, 94)

89. PERSONAL PROPERTY (Chattel Mortgages), 1931--. 12 vols. (61, 63, 67, 70, 74, 75, 79, 84, 85, 89, 90, 93). 1800-1835 in Deed Record, entry 77; 1836-1930 in Real Estate Mortgage Record (Trust Deeds), entry 81.

Recorded copies of mortgages given to secure loans on personal property, showing names of mortgagor and mortgagee, location and description of chattels, course of action to be followed if any part of the agreement is broken, acknowledgment before a notary public, and the register's certificate of recordation. Contains: (Charters), entry 91. Arr. chron. Indexed in separate vols. Typed on ptd. form. Aver. 600 pp. 18½x12½x3.

90. DIRECT AND REVERSE INDEX TO PERSONAL PROPERTY, 1925--. 2 vols.

A direct and reverse index to chattel mortgages, showing names of grantor and grantee, date instrument executed, date of filing, and volume and page numbers of recordation. Arr. alph. direct and reverse. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 500 pp. 18x14x3.

For prior indexing, see entry 78.

Miscellaneous Instruments
(See also entries 76, 94)

91. (CHARTERS), 1931--. In Personal Property (Chattel Mortgages), entry 89.

Recorded copies of charters granted by the state to corporations formed for the purpose of transacting business, showing name of corporation, address of principal office, nature of business, stock classifications, amount of capital employed, names of persons composing the corporation, date charter applied for, and signatures of incorporators. Also shows acknowledgment of incorporators before a notary public, and certification by the Secretary of State, a copy of the state seal, and date filed for recording.

92. RELEASES AND AFFIDAVITS, 1932--. 1 vol. (1)
Recorded copies of affidavits effecting the release of notes or other instruments which cannot be produced by the holder, showing name of owner or holder of note, description of the instrument, extent of release, reason why instrument can not be produced, and the register's acknowledgment of the owner's sworn statement. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of holder. Hdw. and typed. 575 pp. 18½x13x2.

93. SOLDIERS' AND SEAMEN'S RECORD OF DISCHARGES, 1919--. 1 vol.
Recorded copies of discharges from military service, showing name of ex-service man, date discharge recorded, reason for discharge, place of birth, age and occupation at time of enlistment, physical description, commanding officer's oath, and a detailed enlistment record. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of ex-service man. Hdw. on ptd. form. 500 pp. 18x10x2½.

Financial Records
(See also entries 1, 2)

94. NOTE BOOKS, 1853--. 8 vols. (4-10; 1 vol. not labeled).
The register's record of instruments received for recording in his office, showing date and hour of reception, names of grantor and grantee, name of county, number of acres, and fees received. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 500 pp. 16x12x2½.

95. RECORD OF FEES, 1898-99. 1 vol.
Record of fees collected for the recording of legal instruments, such as leases, deeds of trust, charters, and liens, showing names of grantor and grantee, nature of the instrument, amount of fee, and date instrument recorded. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 200 pp. 18x11½x1.

V. CIRCUIT COURT CLERK

The circuit court clerk is a constitutional officer (Const. of 1796, art. 5, sec. 10; 1834, art. 6, sec. 13; 1870, art. 6, sec. 13). Although the circuit court and clerk as such were not mentioned in the Constitution of 1796, provision was made for the creation of such inferior courts as might be deemed necessary, thus establishing the authority for the creation of circuit courts and clerks in 1809. The forerunner of the circuit court was the superior court of law (Laws of N. C., 1777, ch. 2).

Circuit courts were created in 1809 along with a supreme court of errors and appeals (P.A. 1809, ch. 49). At this time there were created five judicial districts, each district presided over by one judge (ibid.), who was empowered to appoint a clerk of the court (ibid., sec. 8).

From 1809 to 1834 the circuit court clerk was appointed by the circuit court judge and held office during good behavior (Const. of 1796, art. 5, sec. 3). The Constitution of 1834 provided that the clerk be elected by popular vote for four years (Const. of 1834, art. 6, sec. 13).

Circuit Court Clerk (Next entry 96, p. 55)

The judge of the circuit court is elected for a term of eight years by the voters of the counties comprising the judicial circuit (Const. of 1870, art. 6, sec. 4).

The act of 1809 divided the state into five judicial circuits, with Wilson, Davidson, Rutherford, Williamson, Maury, Lincoln, and Bedford Counties comprising the fourth circuit (P.A. 1809, ch. 49, sec. 1). The Wilson County circuit court was first convened in 1810. The first entry in the minutes reads: "At a circuit Court began and held for the County of Wilson at the Courthouse in the Town of Lebanon on The Fourth Monday in September 1810 being the 24th day. Present the Honorable Thomas Stuart Judge of the fourth Circuit." The sheriff was ordered to summon enough grand and petit jurors to commence action, and this done, the first case, White v Cherry, an action in equity, was called. White, the complainant, filed affidavits that he believed a fair and an impartial trial to be impossible in Wilson County. All parties consented to a removal of the case, and it was accordingly adjourned to the Sumner County circuit court ("Minute Book, 1810-1821", entry 97, pp. 1, 2). Since then the Wilson County circuit court and the disposition of civil and criminal cases in the county have been the objects of endless legislation, which accounts to a considerable degree for the apparent lack of continuity of the records of the circuit court clerk.

Legislation in 1848 created a separate criminal court for Wilson, Montgomery and Rutherford Counties, to be held by the judge of the Davidson County circuit court, thereby divesting the Wilson circuit court of its criminal jurisdiction except over the impaneling of the grand jury and receiving bills of indictment and presentment (Pr.A. 1848, ch. 171, amending P.A. 1841, ch. 52). This arrangement evidently proved unsatisfactory since it lasted only until the legislature met again (P.A. 1849-50, ch. 202). An act of 1868, creating a separate criminal court for Wilson County, merely separated the terms of criminal hearings from civil hearings and provided for the interchange of the circuit judge with other judges of the state (P.A. 1868-69, ch. 35). The criminal court, too, was abolished after a short life (P.A. 1873, ch. 4).

An act of 1907 created a criminal court and provided for a separate criminal judge for the fifth judicial circuit (P.A. 1907, ch. 85), and in 1919 Wilson County was detached from the eighth circuit and added to the fifth with the unusual provision that the criminal judge of that circuit, and not the regular circuit judge hearing civil cases, should be circuit judge of Wilson County, hearing both civil and criminal cases (Pr.A. 1919, ch. 45). This arrangement was continued by a general reorganization act of 1931 (P.A. 1931, 1st ex. ses., ch. 38, 1). The circuit and criminal courts of Wilson County are now regulated, in addition to the established law, by two public acts of 1937. One act amended the acts of 1899 and 1907 and established a separate criminal court for Wilson County as in the other counties of the fifth circuit (P.A. 1937, ch. 204, 2), and the other provided that civil cases should be tried before the regular circuit judge and that criminal cases should be tried by the criminal judge of the circuit, but further provided that the circuit and criminal judges may sit by interchange (P.A. 1937, ch. 204, 3). The

actual practice followed may vary from time to time. Evidently anticipating such legislation, the circuit court clerk, who had always been charged with keeping both civil and criminal records, in 1935 once more started keeping the civil and criminal records separately.

The clerk of the circuit court, in addition to the provisions affecting all clerks of courts, is required to keep the following records: minutes of the court (Territorial Acts, 1794, ch. 1, sec. 26, 4; P.A. 1801, ch. 6, sec. 44, 5), an enrollment docket (Territorial Acts, 1794, ch. 1, sec. 26, 6; P.A. 1801, ch. 6, sec. 44, 7; 1832, ch. 6, sec. 2, 8), an execution docket (P.A. 1831, ch. 8, secs. 1, 2, 9), cross index to the minutes and the execution dockets (P.A. 1893, ch. 66, sec. 1, 10), judgment index (P.A. 1897, ch. 27, 11), and cash books (P.A. 1897, ch. 26, 12). He is required to make out and certify the jury lists, showing number of days served and amounts due for such service (P.A. 1827, ch. 49, sec. 18, 13). His court papers must be conveniently filed, numbered, and arranged for public use (P.A. 1801, ch. 6, sec. 46, 14).

Under the provisions affecting all clerks of courts, each court clerk is required: to maintain residence in the county in which he holds office (P.A. 1805, ch. 1, 15; 1832, ch. 7, sec. 2, 16), to abstain from the practice of law (P.A. 1817, ch. 51, 17; 1826, ch. 14, 18), not to act as security for process or upon bonds affecting suits in his court (ibid.), to sign all summons, writs, subpoenas, executions, and process issued from his court (Territorial Acts, 1794, ch. 1, sec. 9, 19); not to change the style of any cause or the papers involved without permission of the chancellor or judge presiding, after the cause has been docketed (P.A. 1879, ch. 114, 20); to keep an execution docket containing full information and details about disposal of causes (P.A. 1831, ch. 8, secs. 1, 2, 21), to keep daily minutes to be bound in a book (Territorial Acts, 1794, ch. 1, sec. 26, 22; P.A. 1801, ch. 6, sec. 44, 23), to record in well-bound books, within six months after the final determination of any suit or prosecution, such proceedings as he is required by law to enroll (P.A. 1801, ch. 6, sec. 44, 24; 1832, ch. 6, sec. 2, 25; Territorial Acts, 1794, ch. 1, sec. 26, 26), to make and keep direct and reverse indices, for all books and dockets required to be kept by him; to keep all papers, books, dockets, and records belonging to the office, with care and security, the papers to be filed, arranged, numbered, and labeled, so as to be of easy reference, and the books, dockets, and records properly lettered, and to allow parties to inspect the records free of charge (P.A. 1801, ch. 6, sec. 46, 27); to attend court during session, with all papers belonging to the term and to keep in the courthouse, during such session, the execution docket for the two preceding terms, and to administer all oaths and affidavits in relation to causes or proceedings pending therein (P.A. 1805, ch. 1, secs. 1, 2, 28), on application and payment of the legal fee, to make out and deliver to any person applying, a correct transcript, properly certified, of any paper or record in his office (P.A. 1837-38, ch. 165, sec. 4, 29); to keep a cash book, as a public record, in which is entered, under each case, all sums of money received or disbursed, showing full details, indexed direct and reverse, and kept open for inspection by the public at all times, under penalty of conviction for a misdemeanor (P.A. 1897, ch. 26, 30); to keep a judgment

index in which the name of each person, partnership, firm, or corporation against whom a judgment or decree is rendered is entered in proper alphabetical order, giving the date, number of the cause, and amount of judgment, each page of the index having five columns, showing name, date, number, cause and amount (ibid., ch. 27, 31); when applicable to an office, to keep an index to each book wherein any suit, decree, judgment, sale, mortgage, lien, deed, power of attorney, or other record is kept, in which index the officer enters in alphabetical order, under the name of each party, every suit, judgment, decree, sale, deed, mortgage, or other matter of record required by law, under penalty of fine and forfeiture of bond (P.A. 1871, ch. 85, sec. 1, 32); to index and cross index each record of the minutes of the court and the execution dockets, showing in the direct index, in alphabetical order, the name or names of the plaintiffs or complainants, and against whom the suit is or was brought and, in the cross or reverse index the name or names of the respondents or defendants, in alphabetical order, and by whom the suit is brought (P.A. 1893, ch. 66, sec. 1, 33), under a penalty of fine of $5.00 to $25.00 (ibid., sec. 3, 34); when an appeal is taken by writ of error from the court, to make out and transmit, by mail, to the clerk of the appellate court, a transcript of the record, within forty days after the entry of the appeal, and, if within forty days of the regular term of the appellate court, or during such term, transmit the record to the clerk of the appellate court without delay (P.A. 1841-42, ch. 129, sec. 5, 35); to deliver upon application of the party entitled, his agent or attorney, without delay, any money or property in his hands, received by virtue of any decree, judgment, or order of the court, or any judge thereof, or by virtue of his office (P.A. 1807, ch. 66, sec. 8, 36); to submit to the court a complete report on the sale of any property by order of the court (P.A. 1851-52, ch. 178, secs. 1, 2, 37), to enter on the minutes any action or decree of the court (ibid.), and to mark on subpoenas on whose instance issued (ibid., sec. 2, 38).

Any clerk of a court may: administer oaths and take affidavits, unless such authority is specifically confined to some other officer (P.A. 1849-50, ch. 103, sec. 2, 39); take depositions to be read as evidence (P.A. 1801, ch. 6, sec. 32, 40), take probate of the attendance of witnesses, and issue tickets on civil and criminal causes, between commencement and decision (P.A. 1845-46, ch. 164, sec. 1, 41); appoint deputy clerks (Territorial Acts, 1794, ch. 1, sec. 72, 42), receive the amount of any judgment rendered in court (P.A. 1807, ch. 66, sec. 8, 43), and in certain specified instances act as a guardian of minors receiving a judgment or decree (P.A. 1899, ch. 177, 44).

The books of a court clerk may be examined by the district attorney, upon order of the court (C 1932, 10072), and the report, when made, is filed in the register's office for public inspection (ibid., 10074). Upon conviction of a misdemeanor in office, or of a felony, for non-residence in the county, for failure to give security, for failure to pay public moneys, for incapacity, neglect of duty, misbehavior in office, or for any other cause to which the penalty of removal from office is attached by law, any court clerk may be removed by the court (P.A. 1801,

ch. 17, 45). Immediately upon indictment for a misdemeanor or felony in office, a clerk is liable to suspension by the court (ibid., P.A. 1835-36, ch. 55, sec. 6, 46). Any clerk who wilfully or corruptly fails to discharge his duties according to law, unless some penalty is expressly provided, may, on conviction, be fined up to $250.00 and removed from office (P.A. 1801, ch. 17, 47). Any clerk who wilfully or knowingly makes a false entry or who knowingly or wilfully makes out a false transcript with intent to affect the results of any cause, is guilty of a high misdemeanor, and, upon conviction, may be fined and imprisoned (C 1932, 10081).

The statutes affecting all clerks of courts are directly applicable to the county court clerk (C 1932, 10082), the circuit court clerk (ibid., 10093), the criminal court clerk if there is one (ibid.), the clerk and master, who is clerk of the chancery court (ibid., 10099); the clerk of the juvenile court if there is one, and, in so far as the provisions affecting all clerks are applicable to his office, the register (ibid., 10055, 10056).

Record of Proceedings

Original Papers

96. (ORIGINAL COURT PAPERS), 1802--. 277 file boxes.
Original instruments incident to civil and criminal actions in this court. All process from inception of the case to final execution are included. Such process as summons, bail bonds, subpoenas, cost bonds, and mittimuses are examples of the many different papers filed in this record, and show date, style and number of case, and names of the plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys; in addition to the particular details of each type of process. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. and typed on ptd. forms. 8x11x13. Office.

Minutes

97. MINUTES (Civil and Criminal), 1810-1934. 52 vols. (A, B, D, F, V-X, 27-42; 29 vols. not labeled). Title varies: 1822-42, Law Records; 1848-51, 1856-71, Record Book; 1852-55, Minute Book.
Record of proceedings before the court in criminal and civil sessions, showing term of court, date of entry, names of plaintiff and defendant, offense charged or cause of action, detailed account of the proceedings, orders of the court, final disposition of the case, and signature of the judge. Arr. chron. Civil Minutes indexed alph. by name of plaintiff; criminal minutes indexed alph. by name of defendant. Hdw., 1810-1913; typed, 1914-34. Aver. 600 pp. 17½x12x3. 21 vols., 1810-80, strg. rm.; 31 vols., 1881-1934, office.
For subsequent civil minutes, see entry 98; for subsequent criminal minutes, see entry 99.

98. CIVIL MINUTES, 1935--. 1 vol. (43).
Record of proceedings in the disposition of civil cases before the court, showing term of court, date of entry, names of plaintiff and defendant, cause of action, detailed account of proceedings in court, orders and judgment of the court, and signature of the judge. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of plaintiff. Typed. 500 pp. 19x12x2½. Office.
For prior civil minutes, see entry 97.

99. CRIMINAL MINUTES, 1935--. 2 vols. (1, 2).
Record of proceedings in the disposition of criminal cases before the court, showing term of court, date of entry, name of defendant, offense charged, detailed account of proceedings in court, orders and verdict of the court, and signature of the judge. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of the defendant. Typed. Aver. 500 pp. 19x12x2½. Office.
For prior criminal minutes, see entry 97.

100. MINUTES AND RULE DOCKET, WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT, 1920--.
1 vol. Last entry made 1924.
A record setting forth petitions filed in compensation suits, showing date filed, names of plaintiff and defendant, style of case, date of hearings, decree of the court, and amount of compensation awarded. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. 300 pp. 16½x12x1½. Co. ct. clk's. office.

101. JUDGES REFERENCE TO MINUTE BOOK, 1895-1900 (approx.). 1 vol.
An index to entries in the minute books for the use of the judge, showing date of entry, case number, parties to suit, and volume and page numbers of recordation. Arr. alph. by name of plaintiff in civil cases and by name of defendant in criminal cases. Hdw. on ptd. form. 26 pp. 15½x10½x¼. Strg. rm.

Miscellaneous

102. ENROLLMENTS, 1872-76. 1 vol.
Recorded copies of all process involved in each case, showing names of plaintiff and defendant, nature of the instrument, and date recorded. Fi fas, writs of attachment, and cost bonds are examples of the papers recorded in this record. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. 650 pp. 18x12½x3½. Strg. rm.

103. EXHIBITS, 1839-1906. 20 vols.
Records brought into court as evidence, such as account books, bank deposit slips, cancelled checks, financial statements, ledgers, and receipted bills. No arr. No index. Hdw. and typed. Aver. 200 pp. 13x9x1. Co. ct. clk's. office.

Dockets
(See also entry 102)

Trial Dockets

104. STATE DOCKET, 1815-38, 1869. 4 vols.
Index to all judgments rendered in criminal cases, showing case number,

name of defendant, style of case, and judgment rendered. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 300 pp. 12½x8½x1½. Office.

105. APPEARANCE DOCKET (Criminal), 1804-21, 1871-92. 4 vols. A record of cases scheduled to be tried before this court, showing names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, nature of action brought, and date set for trial. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. Aver. 273 pp. 14x9x2½. 3 vols., 1804-21, office; 1 vol., 1871-92, strg. rm.

106. STATE TRIAL DOCKET (JUDGE'S), 1896-1913, 1915--. 14 vols. Title varies: 1896-1913, Judge's Docket. A record prepared for the use of the judge, showing all criminal cases scheduled for trial before this court, with case number, names of defendant and attorney, style of case, date set for trial, and rules of the past and present court sessions. Contains: Judge's Docket (Civil), 1915--, entry 111. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 300 pp. 16½x12x2. 3 vols., 1896-1913, strg. rm.; 11 vols., 1915--, office.

107. STATE TRIAL DOCKET (ATTORNEY GENERAL), 1905-16, 1919-22, 1926-28, 1930--. 9 vols. Title varies: 1905-16, State Docket (Attorney General). A record prepared for the use of the district attorney-general, showing all criminal cases scheduled for trial before the circuit court, with case number, names of defendant and attorney, date set for trial, and rules of the past and present court sessions. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 250 pp. 16½x12x1½. 3 vols., 1905-16, strg. rm.; 6 vols., 1919--, office.

108. STATE TRIAL DOCKET (CLERKS), 1909-17, 1930--. 5 vols. Title varies: 1909-17, Clerk's Docket. Clerk's record of criminal cases set for hearing in this court, showing number of case, names of defendant and attorney, style of case, date set for hearing, and rules of the past and present court sessions. Contains: Clerk's Docket (Civil), 1930--, entry 112. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 300 pp. 16½x12x2. 1 vol., 1909-17, strg. rm.; 4 vols., 1930--, office.

109. STATE TRIAL DOCKET (BAR), 1882-85, 1916-32. 8 vols. Title varies: 1882-85, Lawyers' Docket; 1916-19, State Docket. A record prepared for the use of attorneys, showing all criminal cases scheduled for hearing before this court, with case number, names of defendant and attorney, style of case, date set for trial, and rules of the past and present court sessions. Contains: Bar Docket (Civil), 1920-32, entry 113. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 300 pp. 16x12x2. Office.

110. TRIAL DOCKET (Civil and Criminal), 1810-39. 6 vols. A list of all civil and criminal cases scheduled for hearing in this court, showing case number, names of plaintiff and defendant, style of case, names of attorneys, date set for hearing, and rules of the past and present court sessions. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 200 pp. 12½x8x2. Office.

For subsequent records, see entries 106-109, 111-113.

Circuit Court Clerk - Rule Dockets (111-116)

111. JUDGE'S DOCKET (CIVIL), 1901-8. 2 vols. 1915-- in State Trial Docket (Judge's), entry 106.
A record prepared for the use of the judge, showing all cases scheduled for trial before this court, with number of case, names of plaintiff, defendant and attorneys, style of case, date set for trial, and rules of the past and present court sessions. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 300 pp. 16½x11x1½. Strg. rm.

112. CLERK'S DOCKET (CIVIL), 1906-16. 1 vol. 1930-- in State Trial Docket (Clerk's), entry 108.
Clerk's record of all civil cases set for hearing in this court, showing case number, names of plaintiff, defendant and attorneys, style of case, date set for hearing, and rules of the past and present court sessions. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 300 pp. 16x11½x1½. Strg. rm.

113. BAR DOCKET (Civil), 1904-18. 2 vols. 1920-32 in State Trial Docket (Bar), entry 109.
Record prepared for the use of attorneys, showing all civil cases scheduled for hearing before this court, with case number, names of plaintiff, defendant and attorneys, style of case, date set for trial, and rules of the past and present court sessions. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 300 pp. 16½x11½x1½. Strg. rm.

Rule Dockets

114. RULE DOCKET, 1889-91, 1925--. 3 vols. (1-3).
A record of all process in civil and criminal cases in this court, showing case number, names of plaintiff and defendant, date case filed, nature of action, and process issued, such as affidavits, bonds, summons, subpoenas, fi fas, and warrants. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 425 pp. 18x13x2½. 1 vol., 1889-91, strg. rm.; 2 vols., 1925--, office.

115. EQUITY RECORDS, 1832-37. 1 vol.
A record of cases of equity tried in circuit court, showing dates of action, style of case, names of litigants, names of attorneys, process executed, and final disposition. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of plaintiff. Hdw. 500 pp. 15½x10½x3. Strg. rm.
For subsequent records, see entry 130.

Execution Dockets

116. CRIMINAL EXECUTION DOCKET, 1828-38, 1862-1915, 1922--. 22 vols.
A complete financial record of all criminal cases, showing number and style of case, names of defendant and attorneys, dates of process issued, dates of officers' returns, amount of court costs, amount of judgment, date of payment, and distribution of collections. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of defendant. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 500 pp. 18x13x2½. 11 vols., 1828-1907, strg. rm.; 11 vols., 1908--, office.

117. EXECUTION DOCKET (Civil), 1810-28, 1846--. 11 vols.
A complete financial record of all civil cases, showing style and number of case, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys; dates process issued, dates of officers' returns, amounts of court costs and judgment, date paid, and distribution of collections. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of plaintiff. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 500 pp. 18x13x2½. 1 vol., 1810-28, co. ct. clk's. office; 10 vols., 1846--, office.

Miscellaneous

118. WITNESS DOCKET, 1836-81, 1898-1905, 1920--. 7 vols. (D, E, 2-4; 2 vols. not labeled).
A record of witnesses appearing in court, showing style of case, date of appearance, name of witness, number of days in attendance, miles traveled, per diem, and total amount of compensation due. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of witness. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 450 pp. 16x11x2. 4 vols., 1841-1905, strg. rm.; 3 vols., 1836-40, 1920--, office.

119. JUDGMENT OVER DOCKET, 1867-70, 1897-1935. 4 vols. (1; 3 vols. not labeled). Title varies: 1867-70, Judgment Docket; 1897-1923, Judgment Book.
Record of judgments rendered by the court, showing book and page numbers of rule docket in which case is recorded, number and style of case, names of plaintiff and defendant, judgment rendered, and amount of costs. Arr. chron. 1867-70, no index; 1897-1935, indexed alph. by name of defendant. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 360 pp. 16½x12x2. Office.

Jury Records
(See also entries 30, 130)

120. GRAND JURY RECORDS, 1881-1929, 1934--. 6 vols. (1; 1 vol. dated; 4 vols. not labeled).
A record of grand jury action, showing name of defendant, offense charged, testimony of witnesses, whether indictment or no true bill is returned, and recommendations. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 300 pp. 16x11x1½. 4 vols., 1881-1921, strg. rm.; 2 vols., 1922--, office.

121. TRIAL JURY RECORDS, 1919-22, 1932--. 3 vols.
A record of trial juries, showing names of jurors, oaths of jurors and trial officers, number of days served, mileage allowed, per diem, other fees, style of case, and verdict rendered. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 200 pp. 13x10x1. Office.

122. CLERK'S JURY BOOK, 1919-25, 1931--. 4 vols. Title varies: 1919-22, Jury Book.
A record of jurors serving on both grand and trial juries, showing term of court, or session; name of juror, number of days served, miles traveled, per diem, and total amount due. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 118 pp. 17x7¼x½. Office.

123. JURY TICKETS (Stubs), 1914-18. 1 vol.
Stubs of tickets issued to persons serving as jurors, showing date and term of court, name of juror to whom issued, and amount due. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 200 pp. 15x12x1½. Strg. rm.

Financial Records
(See also entries 1, 2, 10, 116-119)

124. REGISTER OF WITNESS FEES, 1879. 1 vol.
An account of fees paid to persons serving as witnesses, showing name of witness, days in attendance, style of case, amount of fee, and signature of witness receiving payment. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 200 pp. 14x9x1. Office.

125. LICENSE RECORD (Privilege), 1887-1909. 2 vols. Discontinued.
Record of privilege licenses issued by the county court clerk and countersigned by the circuit court clerk, showing name of merchant, date license issued, date of expiration, type of privilege, and amount of tax collected. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 200 pp. 16x11x1. Strg. rm.
For records of privilege licenses, see entry 50.

126. RECORDS OF LAND SALES AND REDEMPTIONS, 1875-1920. 12 vols. (4-10; 5 vols. not labeled). Title varies: 1875-93, Land Book.
Record of property sold for delinquent taxes, showing name of person to whom assessed, for what years taxes are unpaid, assessed valuation, rate of taxation, date delinquent, date of sale, name of purchaser, location and description of property sold, and amounts of taxes, interest, penalty, and costs due on date of sale. Redemptions show accrued taxes reported by the trustee, cost of redemption, amount due, date redeemed, by whom, and distribution of funds received for this purpose. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of property owner. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 400 pp. 15x10½x2. Office.
For other records of delinquent taxes, see entries 148, 149, 215-217.

Miscellaneous

127. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS RECEIPTS FOR FILES, 1927--. 1 vol. (1).
A record of papers borrowed by attorneys and solicitors, showing number of case, name of attorney, date papers borrowed, and clerk's notation of return, with date. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. 225 pp. 15½x10½x1¼. Office.

VI. CLERK AND MASTER (CHANCERY COURT)

The clerk and master is a constitutional officer (Const. of 1834, art. 6, sec. 13), and functions as a master in chancery and as clerk of the chancery court. Prior to the establishing of separate chancery divisions in the state, jurisdiction in equity was lodged first by the North Carolina legislature in the superior courts of law and such courts were thereafter

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called superior courts of law and equity (Laws of N. C., 1782, ch. 11, secs. 2, 4). Subsequent legislation made specific reference to parts of the area now comprising Tennessee (Laws of N. C., 1785, ch. 47).

After the admission of Tennessee to the Union in 1796, the legislature affirmed the three superior courts of law and equity that had been set up in the territory and empowered the judges of each to hear causes in any other (P.A. 1796, ch. 1). This court was abolished in 1809, and equity jurisdiction was lodged in the newly created circuit courts (P.A. 1809, ch. 49). In 1811 original jurisdiction in equity was transferred from the circuit courts to the supreme court of errors and appeals, also created in 1809 (P.A. 1811, ch. 72, sec. 4; 1809, ch. 49). In 1813 part of the circuit court's jurisdiction was restored when it was given concurrent jurisdiction in equity with the supreme court of errors and appeals (P.A. 1813, ch. 78). An act of 1822 provided that individual judges of the supreme court of errors and appeals should sit as judges of courts of equity, one in each of the five circuits, and to have only original jurisdiction (Joshua W. Caldwell, Bench and Bar of Tennessee, Nashville, 1885, 163-65).

Chancery court, as a separate and distinct branch of the judiciary, and with its present name, was created in 1827 (P.A. 1827, ch. 79). There were two chancery divisions and the chancellor of each had state-wide jurisdiction (ibid., ch. 79). Originally elected by the legislature and commissioned by the governor (P.A. 1835, ch. 4, sec. 2), the chancellor is now elected by the voters of his division for a term of eight years (Const. of 1870, art. 6, sec. 4). Cases in chancery can be transferred to another division if it is agreeable to all parties (P.A. 1835, ch. 4, sec. 10, 1). Since 1827, chancery divisions have been increased or decreased in bounds at the discretion of the legislature (P.A. 1831, ch. 217, sec. 4; 1835, ch. 4, sec. 2; Caldwell, op. cit., 163-65).

From 1827 to 1836 equity cases arising in Wilson County were pleaded at Carthage, in adjoining Smith County (P.A. 1827, ch. 88) or in Wilson circuit court ("Minutes, A, Wilson Chancery Court", entry 130, p. 1). Wilson County chancery court was created in December, 1835 (P.A. 1835-36, ch. 4, sec. 4), and was convened on July 25, 1836 by Chancellor Lunsford M. Bramblett. John H. Dew was appointed clerk and master. Dew made bond, was given the oath of office and received papers in cases that were transferred from circuit court, before the first case, Pemberton v Jones and Harrison, on an original bill, was called. This case was adjourned, and on the first day the court handed down its first final decree, a compromise judgment in the case of Barber et al. v Fields et al., which involved the title to some slaves named Kate, Rachel, Amy, John, Jim, Buck, and Mingo ("Minutes, A, Wilson Chancery Court", entry 130, pp. 1-3; "Enrolling Book, 1", entry 131, pp. 1-9).

Wilson and nine other counties now comprise the sixth chancery division (Tennessee Blue Book and Official Directory, 1936, 113; C 1932, 159).

The clerk and master is appointed for a term of six years by the

chancellor of the division in which a county is located (Const. of 1834; art. 6, sec. 13; 1870, art. 6, sec. 13).

In addition to meeting requirements and performing duties of all clerks of courts, listed in the chapter entitled Circuit Court Clerk, the clerk and master is required to keep a rule docket, in which are entered the names of plaintiffs, defendants, and attorneys, and other salient details (P.A. 1801, ch. 6, sec. 44, 2); to enter in a well-bound book all depositions taken (ibid., sec. 46, 3), to administer oaths, and perform all duties of masters in chancery unless restrained by law (Laws of N. C., 1789, ch. 57, sec. 6, 4). If necessary, he may adjourn court in the absence of the chancellor (P.A. 1831, ch. 50, sec. 1, 5). He is required to issue all original, mesne, and final process from the court; to make orders of publication for defendants, to grant decrees pro confesso for want of answer, and to hear exceptions to bills, answers, and reports, subject at all times to the control, direction, and supervision of the chancellor (P.A. 1835-36, ch. 20, sec. 3, 6). He is required to post and give due notice to interested solicitors of any decree or mandates from any appellate court and copy them in his rule docket or minute book (P.A. 1901, ch. 10, sec. 3, 7), and, when directed by the chancellor, to take bond and security from the receiver or the complainant (P.A. 1833, ch. 47, sec. 1, 8). The clerk and master may, at his office, receive and enter on the rules the suggestion and proof of a party's death, and order and issue the necessary process to revive the cause (P.A. 1845-46, ch. 122, sec. 9, 9), and open causes for proof, on good cause shown, after they have been set for hearing, in the same way the chancellor might do (P.A. 1845-46, ch. 122, sec. 8, 10). With certain exceptions, he is required to set all causes at issue for hearing and transfer them to the trial docket (P.A. 1853-54, ch. 55, sec. 2, 11).

Record of Proceedings
(See also entry 150)

128. ORIGINAL PAPERS, 1836--. 94 file boxes (dated).
Original trial papers incident to action in chancery court, such as bills, motions, pleas, answers, petitions for confirmation of sales, divorce actions, depositions, injunction and attachment bonds, bills and cross bills, and settlements of guardians, administrators and executors. These papers, in addition to the text, show style of case, date of action, parties litigant, and case number. Arr. alph. by name of complainant and chron. thereunder. Indexed in separate vols. Hdw. and typed. 10½x14x19.

129. TRANSFER DOCKET (Index to Original Papers), 1836--. 1 vol.
A direct index to original trial papers, showing names of parties, style of case, case number, and file box in which record is filed. Arr. alph. by name of complainant. Typed. 300 pp. 10x9x1½.

130. MINUTE BOOKS, 1836--. 31 vols. (A-Z, 1-5).
An exact record of all proceedings in court, showing term of court, names of chancellor, complainants, respondents, and solicitors; cause of action, motions filed, depositions taken, and final decree. A record of each step

in the trial process in court is minutely made. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of complainant. Hdw., 1836-1912; typed, 1913--. Aver. 600 pp. 18½x12½x3.

For other records of cases in equity, see entry 115.

131. ENROLLING BOOK, 1834-92. 14 vols. (2-6; 9 vols. not labeled). Exact copies of all original process involved in each case, showing names of parties, text of the instrument, and date recorded. Examples of process copied in this record are original bills, motions, pleas and answers, petitions for confirmation of sales, depositions, and injunctions and attachment bonds. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. Aver. 575 pp. 18x13x2½.

132. ENROLLING AND POWER OF ATTORNEY, 1871-1901. 2 vols. (L, M). Record of conveyance of power of attorney, showing name of person conveying power, matters in which power may be exercised, notarization of appointments, and signature of the clerk. Enrollments show receipts for amounts involved, style of case, notarization, and signature of the clerk. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of person conveying power and by name of person giving receipt. Hdw. Aver. 432 pp. 18x13x2½.

For other records of power of attorney, see entry 173.

133. EXHIBITS, 1853-1930. 26 vols.
Records offered as evidence, including printed statements, receipted bills, ledgers, bank deposit slips, discount registers, and cash books. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. and typed. Aver. 300 pp. 15x19x2.

Dockets
(See also entries 129, 131, 132)

Rule Dockets

134. RULE DOCKET, 1836-46, 1849--. 25 vols. (1-16; 9 vols. not labeled).
Record of all process in each case, including pleas, motions, depositions, and demurrers, each paper showing, in addition to the text, case number, names of parties litigant, style of case, date of issuance, and officer's return. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of complainant. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 600 pp. 18x13x3.

135. RULE DOCKET (Tax Cases), 1886. 1 vol.
Record of delinquent taxes and chancery court procedure in process of collection, showing filing date of bill, parties litigant, amounts involved, location and description of property, and final disposition of the case. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of respondent. Hdw. on ptd. form. 472 pp. 18½x13½x2.

For other records of delinquent tax cases, see entries 140, 148, 149.

Trial Dockets

136. JUDGE'S DOCKET (Trial Docket), 1916--. 1 vol.
Chancellor's record of all cases in chancery court, showing number of case

names of litigants and solicitors, kind of action, date of filing, rule docket and page numbers of recording, and orders of the past and present court sessions. Arr. chron. No index. Typed on ptd. form. 600 pp. 12½x10x3.

137. CLERK AND MASTERS DOCKET (Trial Docket), 1916--. 1 vol.
Clerk's record of all cases in chancery court, showing case number, names of litigants and solicitors, kind of action, date of filing, rule docket and page numbers of recording, and orders of the past and present court sessions. Arr. alph. by name of complainant and chron. thereunder. No index. Typed on ptd. form. 600 pp. 12½x10x3.

138. BAR DOCKET (Trial Docket), 1916--. 1 vol.
A record for solicitors, listing all cases in chancery court, showing case number, names of parties and solicitors, kind of action, date of filing, rule docket and page numbers of recording, and orders of the past and present court sessions. Arr. chron. No index. Typed on ptd. form. 600 pp. 12½x10x3.

Execution Dockets

139. EXECUTION DOCKET, 1850--. 18 vols. (D-Q; 4 vols. not labeled).
A financial record of all cases tried in this court, showing style of case, reference to rule docket and page numbers of recording, bill of costs, date and amount paid, by whom paid, and distribution of costs, with signatures of officers and witnesses receiving fees. Includes Execution Docket (Tax Cases), 1913--, entry 140. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of complainant. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 600 pp. 18x13½x2.

140. EXECUTION DOCKET (Tax Cases), 1884-87, 1897-1912. 2 vols.
1913-- in Execution Docket, entry 139.
A financial record of all tax cases, showing name of property owner, years for which assessments are due, amount of taxes, penalties and fees due; description and location of property, amount paid, and date of payment. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of property owner. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 300 pp. 18x13x1½.

Financial Records
(See also entries 1, 2, 10, 139, 140)

Receipts and Disbursements

141. CASH AND LAND BOOK, 1849--. 13 vols. (2-7; 7 vols. dated).
Title varies: 1849-74, Journal; 1875-1905, Cash and Receipts.
Clerk's record of all receipts for payments of costs, judgments, and alimony payments, showing rule and execution docket numbers, style of case, date received, from whom, account credited, and amount received. Distribution of funds is accounted for in like manner. Also includes petitions for sale of land, slaves, and other property; and settlements of administrators, guardians and executors. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of payor or payee. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 400 pp. 16x12x2.

142. FEES COLLECTED BY CLERK AND MASTER, 1865-77. 1 vol.
Record of fees collected by the clerk and master, showing style of case, names of complainant and respondent, case number, date of collection, from whom received, and account credited. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 106 pp. 12x8x½.
For prior and subsequent records of fees, see entry 141.

143. TRANSFERS (Unclaimed Funds), 1911-28. 1 vol.
A record of fees and unclaimed funds in hands of the clerk and master as reported to the county judge, showing style of case, case number, amount received, names of persons to whom funds are payable, and totals. No arr. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 50 pp. 17x13x¼.

144. CHECK STUBS, 1913--. 13 vols.
Stubs of checks issued by the clerk and master, showing check number, date issued, amount, to whom issued, and for what purpose. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 300 pp. 17x14x1½.

Loans and Notes

145. NOTE BOOK (CASH) (Loans), 1871-87. 1 vol.
Record of money loaned by the clerk and master by order of the chancellor, showing date, amount of the loan, security furnished, name of borrower, rate of interest, and date of maturity. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of borrower. Hdw. on ptd. form. Condition poor. 40 pp. 6x12x¼.
For other records of notes, see entry 146.

146. NOTES RECEIVABLE, 1870-77. 1 vol. (1).
Record of notes executed as authorized by the chancellor, showing names of maker and sureties, amount of note, date made, date of maturity, and remarks. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 400 pp. 16x12x2.
For other records of notes, see entry 145.

Bonds

147. RECORD (Bond Book), 1883-88. 1 vol.
Bonds executed in process of litigation, including injunction, prosecution, and appeal bonds, showing names and signatures of principal and sureties, amount of bond, condition of the obligation, date of bond, and attestation of the clerk. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of principal. Hdw. on ptd. form. 696 pp. 12x8x2.
For original bonds, see entry 128.

Delinquent Taxes - (See also entries 126, 215-217)

148. LIST OF DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES, 1927--. 9 vols. (dated).
A list of real estate taxes which have become delinquent and have been turned over to the clerk and master for collection, showing name of property owner, civil district number, location and description of

property, assessed valuation, and amount and distribution of taxes, accrued fees, interest, and penalties. Arr. num. by civil districts and alph. thereunder by name of property owner. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 35 pp. 17x13x¼.

149. DELINQUENT TAX RECEIPTS (Duplicates), 1929--. 78 vols. (I-LXX, 1-8).
Carbon copies of receipts for payment of delinquent taxes secured through litigation, showing style of case, name of respondent, location and description of property, amount of taxes, fees, interest, and penalties; date paid, receipt number, and signature of the clerk. Arr. num. and chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 150 pp. 8½x3½x½.

Miscellaneous

150. REFERENCE NOTE BOOK, 1879. 1 vol.
Record of advertisements of the sale of property published by the clerk, as ordered by the court, showing cause of action, location and description of property, and place, date, and time of sale. The record also includes a list of claims against each estate. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Condition poor. 44 pp. 6x12x¼.

VII. PROBATE OR MONTHLY COUNTY COURT

The so-called monthly county court is the judicial branch of the county court. Theoretically it is a judicial body composed of the same individuals who constitute the quarterly county court, meeting to expedite the settlement of probate and other judicial matters; actually the probate, or monthly court, is identified in the person of the county judge. The law describes the court as one of the two branches of the county court (Territorial Acts, 1794, ch. 1, sec. 44, 1; P.A. 1835-36, ch. 6, sec. 1, 2; 1837-38, ch. 135, 3; 1875, ch. 70, 4), and requires that it be convened once a month (P.A. 1855-56, ch. 253, sec. 5, 5), but also requires that it shall always be held open for the transaction of business (P.A. 1911, ch. 3, sec. 1, 6, 7). Instances of the members of the county court meeting and resolving themselves into a judicial body since 1835 are virtually unknown. The term "monthly" is strictly a misnomer, and fortunately the term "probate", although it too is not entirely adequate, is becoming more generally used.

The probate court has jurisdiction in probate of wills (P.A. 1835-36, ch. 6, sec. 2, 8), granting of letters testamentary and of administration and the repeal and revocation thereof (ibid.), all controversies in relation to the right of executorship or of administration, the settlement of accounts of executors or administrators, the partition and distribution of the estates of decedents, and, for these purposes, the power to sell the real and personal property belonging to such estates, if necessary to make the partition or distribution, or if clearly for the interest of the parties (P.A. 1849-50, ch. 185, sec. 1, 9); the settlement of insolvent estates, and if necessary, the power to sell the real or personal property

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belonging to the estate, at the instance of the personal representative or the creditors (ibid.; 1873, ch. 64, 10); the appointment and removal of guardians of minors and persons of unsound mind, and also controversies as to the right of guardians and the settlement of guardian accounts (P.A. 1849-50, ch. 27, sec. 1, 11); the allotment of dower in lands (ibid., ch. 77, sec. 1, 12), the partition, sale, or division of land, if such lands be an estate of inheritance, for life, or for years, and if the person being in possession thereof makes such demand (Laws of N. C., 1787, ch. 17, sec. 1, 13; 1789, ch. 24, 14; 1799, ch. 11, sec. 1, 15; P.A. 1815, ch. 123, sec. 1, 16; 1853-54, ch. 48, sec. 1, 17); the changing of names and the legitimation and adoption of children (P.A. 1805, ch. 2, sec. 1, 18; 1851-52, ch. 338, secs. 1, 2, 19), the issuance of inquisitions of unsoundness of mind (P.A. 1797, ch. 41, 20; 1851-52, ch. 163, 21), the binding out of apprentices and of controversies between master and apprentice (P.A. 1815, ch. 115, 22; 1853-54, ch. 53, 23), lunacy (P.A. 1797, ch. 41, sec. 1, 24; 1851-52, ch. 163, sec. 2, 25), bastardy (Laws of N. C., 1741, ch. 14, sec. 11, 26), estates of idiots, lunatics, and other persons of unsound mind (P.A. 1797, ch. 41, sec. 1, 27; 1851-52, ch. 163, sec. 2, 28); and the appointment and removal of trustees, and the investment of trust funds (P.A. 1831, ch. 107, 29; 1853-54, ch. 74, 30; 1855-56, ch. 113, sec. 11, 31).

Under the law the probate court has concurrent jurisdiction with the chancery and the circuit courts in many of the above enumerated matters, particularly distribution, partition, trust funds, changes of names, and legitimation, and with the chancery court alone in matters of lunacy and estates of minors (Laws of N. C., 1762, ch. 5, secs. 3, 5, 32; P.A. 1851-52, ch. 92, sec. 1, 33; 1835-36, ch. 20, sec. 1, 34; 1849-50, ch. 185, sec. 1, 35; Laws of N. C., 1762, ch. 5, sec. 5, 36; P.A. 1797, ch. 41, 37).

In cases of concurrent jurisdiction, the probate court is vested with all the incidental powers belonging to or conferred by law upon the court with which its jurisdiction is concurrent, for the purpose of exercising and effectuating such jurisdiction (P.A. 1851-52, ch. 92, sec. 1, 38). Rules of practice in chancery are followed in the probate court if a sum greater than $50.00 is involved (P.A. 1887, ch. 141, sec. 2, 39). The probate court further has the power to issue writs of possession in all cases in which the chancery court has such power (ibid., sec. 3, 40). Jurisdiction is also conferred upon the court to enforce vendor's liens and foreclose mortgages upon all sums under $50.00 and to enforce all liens on all sums under $50.00 in such cases as the chancery court alone would have jurisdiction if the amount were more than $50.00 (ibid., sec. 1, 41; 1889, ch. 30, sec. 1, 42). In spite of the rather cloudy line of demarcation of jurisdiction, the probate, chancery, and circuit courts seem to avoid any conflict.

In counties having a county judge, as Wilson County has, that officer has all the powers delegated to the so-called monthly or probate county court and he is ex-officio probate judge. In counties having a chairman of the county court and in the absence of a special probate court such as exists in Shelby and Dyer Counties, the chairman has all the judicial

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powers and duties identified with the county judge (P.A. 1855-56, ch. 253, sec. 4, 43; 1875, ch. 70, secs. 1, 2, 44). The county judge definitely became such a judicial officer when the office was first created in Tennessee and the old quorum court, the judicial branch of the county court, was abolished (ibid.). The act authorizing the creation of the office of county judge specifically clothed that officer with all the jurisdiction and powers that were vested in the abolished quorum court.

The county court has undergone many changes in its history, but very few in recent years. The county court's jurisdiction over jury trials was taken away over a century ago (P.A. 1835-36, ch. 6), and the quorum court, the judicial branch of the court consisting of three members of the county court, or justices of the peace, was abolished in 1856 (P.A. 1855-56, ch. 253; 1896, 5992). Some few counties in the state, such as Hickman and Crockett, still call their probate or monthly courts "quorum courts" but this is merely a local usage. On the other hand, two counties, Shelby and Dyer, have special probate courts, created by special acts and having separate judges.

Apparently because the monthly county court is in reality the county judge, it has jurisdiction over the establishing and maintenance of levee and drainage districts (P.A. 1909, ch. 185, sec. 1, 45).

As judge of an inferior court, the county judge is elected for a term of eight years by the qualified voters of the county (Const. of 1870, art. 6, sec. 4). As an inferior judge his salary can not be changed during his term (C 1917, 519, citing State ex rel. v McKee, 8 Lea 24, 28).

The clerk of the probate or monthly county court is the county court clerk (P.A. 1855-56, ch. 253, sec. 7, 46), already mentioned in the chapters entitled Quarterly County Court and County Court Clerk. As clerk of the monthly county court, the county court clerk is required to administer to every administrator or executor an oath to perform the will of the deceased and for the faithful performance of his duties, to take from every such representative a bond in double the value of the estate (Laws of N. C., 1715, ch. 48, sec. 5, 47; 1841-42, ch. 177, sec. 4, 48); to issue to such representative letters of administration or letters testamentary authorizing him to administer the estate of the deceased (Laws of N. C., 1715, ch. 48, sec. 5, 49; P.A. 1813, ch. 120, sec. 4, 50), to receive of every administrator or executor the inventory he may return of the decedent's estate and cause him to verify it by his oath and present it to the court (Laws of N. C., 1723, ch. 10, sec. 2, 51; P.A. 1851-52, ch. 180, sec. 1, 52), to record the inventory, if it be found regular by the court, in the book of inventories (ibid.); to receive from every personal representative his account of sales, present it to the court, and record it if the court find it regular (ibid.); to take and state once a year, in vacation at his office, the accounts of every personal representative of any deceased person (P.A. 1837-38, ch. 125, secs. 1, 2, 53); to compel an accounting party, by subpoena, to come before him once every year for the purpose of settling his accounts (ibid., sec. 2, 54); to present to the court, in writing, the names of those personal representatives and guardians who refuse or fail to answer the subpoena, or

who fail to settle, and also the names of minors in the county, of his knowledge, whose guardians are in default, and the sureties of whose guardians are dead, removed out of the state, or become insolvent (P.A. 1831, ch. 29, 55); to examine an accounting party when it seems necessary, touching his receipts and disbursements (P.A. 1837-38, ch. 125, sec. 4, 56); to continue the settlement from time to time on cause shown by affidavit (ibid., sec. 3, 57), to charge the party with all such sums as he has received or might have received by due diligence, and credit him with such disbursements as he supports by lawful vouchers and with reasonable compensation for his services (ibid., sec. 4, 58); to report the account to the court for confirmation or rejection (ibid., sec. 1, 59), to record the settlement when it is adjusted by the court (ibid., sec. 5, 60), to serve every party resident in his county who is interested in said account with notice of taking the account (P.A. 1851-52, ch. 215, sec. 2, 61), to record all refunding bonds lodged with him by any personal representative, taken from distributees, and file and preserve the originals in his office (Laws of N. C., 1789, ch. 23, sec. 3, 62); to perform all the duties required of him in the administration of insolvent estates of deceased persons (P.A. 1851-52, ch. 283, 63), to enter in particular books every guardian's first account of his ward's estate, received into his hands and possession, and each annual account of proceeds and disbursements after dates exhibited by the guardians (Laws of N. C., 1762, ch. 5, sec. 9, 64), to take the probate or acknowledgment of all deeds and other instruments that are entitled to registration by law, certify the same for registration, and demand and receive the state tax thereon; and to record in well-bound books all letters testamentary and of administration, all guardian appointments, and all settlements made by him with guardians and personal representatives (P.A. 1837-38, ch. 125, sec. 7, 68).

As mentioned before, the county court clerk is subject to the provisions affecting clerks of all courts as may be reasonably applicable to his office. These provisions are listed in the chapter entitled Circuit Court Clerk. His duties as clerk of the quarterly court are discussed in the chapter entitled Quarterly County Court, and as a registration and revenue agent of the state in the chapter entitled County Court Clerk.

Minutes
(See also entry 171)

151. ORIGINAL PAPERS (Minutes), 1800--. 343 file boxes (dated). Original papers pertaining to matters of probate such as petitions, adoption and lunacy papers, inventory accounts, and guardians', administrators' and executors' settlements, showing date of the document, names of parties involved, nature of the case and action of the court. Contains: (Original Papers of the Quarterly Court), 1800-1926, entry 1. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. and typed. 5x5x10. 44 file boxes, 1800-1879, strg. rm.; 299 file boxes, 1880--, office.

152. COUNTY COURT MINUTES, 1803--. 43 vols. (E, G-Z, 1, 2; 10 vols. dated; 10 vols. not labeled). Title varies: 1864-67, Record Book; 1869-76, 1887-89, 1900-1928, Minute Book.
Recorded minutes of the proceedings of the county court sitting as a pro-

bate court, including the appointment of administrators, executors and guardians, settlement of estates, probate of wills, adoption and insanity hearings, and the dispatch of all matters of probate coming within the jurisdiction of this court. Contains: Quarterly Minutes, 1803-84, 1887-1929, entry 2. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by names and subjects. Hdw., 1803-1912; typed, 1913--. Aver. 500 pp. 18x13x3. Office.

153. MINUTES AND INSANITY RECORD, 1919--. 2 vols. (1, 2).
Record of the court's proceedings in insanity inquisitions, showing name of patient, suggestion of insanity, name of trial judge, date of trial, sworn statements of examining physicians, statements of witnesses, and final disposition of the case. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of patient. Hdw. Aver. 335 pp. 16¼x12x2¼. Office.

154. GUARDIAN MINUTE BOOK, 1875-95. 1 vol.
An index to settlements made with the court by persons appointed as guardians, showing date bond given, book and page numbers of recordation, names of guardian and ward, dates of preliminary and final settlements, book and page numbers of recordation of each, and dates, book and page numbers where bond renewals are recorded. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of ward. Hdw. on ptd. form. 400 pp. 12½x8½x2. Office.

155. MINUTES AND ACCOUNTS OF INSOLVENT ESTATES, 1858-68, 1872-1900, 1922--. 5 vols. (3, 4; 3 vols. not labeled).
Record of the court's proceedings in the settlement of insolvent estates of deceased persons, showing name of deceased, date of suggestion of insolvency, order of the court to file claims, date and number of claim filed, name of creditor, amount of claim, amount and dates of credits to be deducted from claim, balance and interest due, pro rata distribution, and signature of receiptor. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of estate. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 400 pp. 17½x15x2. 1 vol., 1872-83, strg. rm.; 4 vols., 1858-68, 1884--, office.
For other records of claims against estates, see entries 158, 159.

Inheritances
(See also entries 154, 155)

Wills

156. WILLS, 1900--. 43 file boxes (dated).
Original instruments filed in this office to be probated, showing name of devisor, date instrument executed, provisions for the partition, distribution or administration of the estate; names of witnesses, signature of devisor, and clerk's notation of the court's action. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. and typed. 4½x4½x10. Office.

157. WILLS AND INVENTORIES, 1803--. 28 vols. (1-11, A-J; 7 vols. dated). Title varies: 1832-34, Record Book.
Exact recorded copies of the last will and testament of deceased persons, showing date of instrument, provisions for partition, distribution or administration of estate; name of testator, and acknowledgment and

signatures of witnesses and the clerk. Inventories of estates of deceased persons list all goods and chattels, including livestock, feed, farming implements, household goods, good debts and doubtful debts, a sworn statement of the administrator, and acknowledgment of the clerk. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of estate. Hdw., 1802-1917; typed, 1918--. Aver. 600 pp. 15x11x5. Office.

Claims Filed - (See also entry 155)

158. CLAIMS AGAINST ESTATES (Solvent and Insolvent), 1922--. 4 file boxes (lettered).
Original statements of claims filed against estates of deceased persons, showing date of filing, nature and amount of claim, fees charged, and notation of clerk's approval for payment. Arr. alph. by name of estate and chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. and typed. 13½x11x5. Office.
For record of claims against estates, see entries 155, 159.

159. CLAIMS FILED AGAINST ESTATE, 1922-23. 1 vol. (1).
A record of claims filed against estates of deceased persons, showing date of filing, nature and amount of claim, fees charged, clerk's approval for payment, and date paid. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of estate. Hdw. on ptd. form. 225 pp. 16¼x12x2¼. Office.
For subsequent claims against estates, see entries 155, 158.

Administrators and Executors Records - (See also entries 155, 158, 159)

160. LIST OF ADMINISTRATORS AND EXECUTORS, 1871-81. 1 vol.
A record of appointments of administrators and executors made by the court, showing name of person appointed, date of appointment, name of estate, and date of official notice. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of administrator or executor. Hdw. on ptd. form. 150 pp. 16x11x1. Office.

161. ADMINISTRATORS AND GUARDIANS NOTIFIED, 1892-94. 1 vol.
A record of notification of appointments to guardians and administrators, showing date of official notice, name of appointee, name of ward or estate, and date of final settlements with the court. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 110 pp. 12½x7½x½. Strg. rm.

162. ADMINISTRATORS AND EXECUTORS BONDS, 1838-45, 1858--. 13 vols. (2-10; 4 vols. not labeled). Title varies: 1838-73, 1878-1921, Administrators Bonds.
Original bonds of administrators and executors of estates of deceased persons, given to insure faithful performance of duties as such, showing names of principal and sureties, name of estate, date, amount, and condition of the obligation. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of deceased. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 600 pp. 14x10x2½. 12 vols., 1838-62, 1868--, office; 1 vol., 1863-67, strg. rm.

163. ADMINISTRATORS VOUCHERS, 1921--. 8 file boxes (lettered).
Receipts and cancelled vouchers issued by administrators in settlement of

estates, showing date, authority, amount of voucher, to whom issued, and for what purpose. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 14x10½x7. Office.

164. ADMINISTRATORS AND EXECUTORS SETTLEMENTS, 1900--. 32 file boxes (dated).
Original settlements of administrators and executors with the probate court, showing name of deceased, name of administrator or executor, amount of receipts and disbursements during the period reported, totals, balance due estate, date settlement made, and acknowledgment and approval of the court. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. and typed. 4½x4½x10. Office.

165. ADMINISTRATORS AND EXECUTORS SETTLEMENTS, 1839--. 15 vols. (C-I; 1 vol. dated; 7 vols. not labeled). Title varies: 1844-50, Wills and Inventories.
Recorded copies of administrators' and executors' settlements with the probate court, showing name of deceased, name of administrator or executor, date of appointment, book and page numbers where will is recorded, receipts and disbursements during the period reported, totals, balance due estate, date of settlement, acknowledgment and approval by the court, date recorded, and signature of the clerk. Administrators and executors are required to make a final settlement within eighteen months after their appointment or show good cause why extension of time should be granted. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of estate. Hdw., 1839-1918; typed, 1919--. Aver. 600 pp. 18x12x3. Office.

166. ADMINISTRATORS SETTLEMENTS (Final), 1902. 1 vol.
A record of final settlements of administrators of estates of deceased persons with the probate court, showing name of administrator, name of deceased, and date of settlement. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 120 pp. 17x14½x1. Strg. rm.
For prior and subsequent records of final settlements, see entry 165.

Guardian Records - (See also entries 154, 158, 159, 161)

167. GUARDIAN BONDS AND LETTERS, 1858--. 9 vols. (19-23; 4 vols. not labeled). Title varies: 1858-96, Guardian Bonds.
Bonds given by guardians, appointed by the court, to guarantee faithful discharge of obligations, showing date bond given, names of principal, ward and surety; amount of bond, and condition of the obligation. Letters of appointment show date guardian officially notified, names of guardian and ward, authorization and direction of the court, and signature of the clerk. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of ward. Hdw., 1858-72; hdw. on ptd. form, 1873--. Aver. 450 pp. 14x10x2½. Office.

168. GUARDIAN VOUCHERS, 1921--. 2 file boxes.
Receipts and vouchers filed in accounting for funds received or disbursed in settlements by guardians, showing names of guardian and ward, date, and account of all receipts and disbursements. No arr. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 14½x10½x14½. Office.

169. GUARDIAN SETTLEMENTS, 1832--. 17 vols. (A-J; 7 vols. not labeled).
Recorded copies of guardian's annual and final reports on their stewardship of estates controlled by them, showing names of guardian and ward, date of appointment, book and page numbers where guardian's bond is recorded, receipts and disbursements during period reported, balance due ward, oath of the guardian, acknowledgment and approval of the court, date of recording, and signature of the clerk. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of ward. Hdw., 1832-1917; typed, 1918--. Aver. 600 pp. 19x12x3. Office.

170. GUARDIAN SETTLEMENTS, 1902--. 31 file boxes (dated).
Original settlements made by guardians with the probate court, showing names of guardian and ward, date of appointment, amount with which guardian is charged, receipts and disbursements during period reported, balance due ward, date of settlement, and signature of the clerk. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. and typed. 4½x4½x10. Office.

Miscellaneous

171. LAND BOOK, 1875--. 7 vols.
Record of land sales authorized by the court at the instance of heirs, showing style of case, date of sale, name of purchaser, amount of consideration, date and terms of payment, and distribution of funds received from the sale. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of plaintiff. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 450 pp. 17x12x2½. Office.

172. TRUSTEES' AND ASSIGNEES' BONDS AND OATHS, 1900-1931. 1 vol. (1).
Bonds of trustees or assignees appointed for benefit of creditors, showing name of appointee, by whom appointed, date and amount of bond, and signatures of principal and sureties. The oath to perform faithfully all duties imposed by law, to make an inventory of all goods, chattels, lands and other assets conveyed to him, and to return or cause to be filed in the clerk's office an account of all sales, and moneys received, or securities taken, shows acknowledgment of the clerk. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of trustee or assignee. Hdw. on ptd. form. 320 pp. 14x9½x1½. Office.

173. RECEIPTS AND POWER OF ATTORNEY, 1854--. 5 vols. (2,3; 3 vols. not labeled).
Record of legal appointments of persons to act as agents for individuals or estates in such matters as signing documents, giving receipts, making sales, and collecting and disbursing funds, showing names of appointee and person making the appointment, date of appointment, notarization, date of recording, and signature of the clerk. Also contains receipts for funds received and disbursed. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. direct and reverse. Hdw., 1854-1912, 1931--; typed, 1913-30. Aver. 500 pp. 18x13x2½. Office.
For other records of power of attorney, see entry 132.

Probate of Mortgages and Deeds - (See also entries 76-81)

174. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, 1910-14. 2 vols. (1, 2).
Record of acknowledgments of bargainors to deeds and mortgages that instrument has been executed for the purposes set out, showing name of bargainor, date of acknowledgment, and signature of clerk. A wife appearing separately acknowledges the execution of said instrument freely, voluntarily, understandingly and without compulsion and constraint from her husband. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of barginor. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 250 pp. 14½x9½x1. Office.

175. MORTGAGE PROBATE BOOK, 1917-32. 1 vol. (1). 1933-- in Probate of Deeds, entry 176.
Record of mortgages filed for probate, showing date of instrument, date filed, names of mortgagor and mortgagee, amount of consideration, amount of tax, when and how probated, and clerk's fee. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 240 pp. 15x10x1½. Office.

176. PROBATE OF DEEDS, 1835-46, 1853--. 19 vols. (9-15; 12 vols. not labeled).
Record of deeds probated, showing names of parties, date of deed, date filed, amount of consideration, number of acres, location by civil district, kind of deed, before whom acknowledged, state tax, and clerk's fee. Contains: Mortgage Probate Book, 1933--, entry 175. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of grantor. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 300 pp. 16x12x2. 11 vols., 1835-67, 1915--, office; 8 vols., 1868-1914, strg. rm.

177. CLERKS RECORD OF PROBATE OF TAX DEED, 1899-1915. 1 vol. (1).
A record of tax deeds filed for probate, showing date of the deed, name of grantee, civil district in which property is located, amount of taxes due, date deed probated, and amount of money involved. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 200 pp. 16x11x2. Strg. rm.

VIII. JUVENILE COURT

Although there had been prior legislation establishing juvenile courts in some counties of the state, the general law of 1911, under which the county judge is ex-officio juvenile judge, was the first under which Wilson County had a juvenile court (P.A. 1911, ch. 58, 1).

The 1911 law defines juveniles as persons of sixteen years or under and is designed to regulate and control the treatment, care, disposal, education, support, and punishment of dependent, neglected, abandoned, homeless, under-privileged, misguided, misdirected, delinquent, and incorrigible juveniles (ibid., sec. 1, 2).

The county judge is vested with original and exclusive jurisdiction in all juvenile cases (ibid., sec. 2, 3). A jury may be impaneled on demand of any interested person (ibid.). The judge is required to open the court at all reasonable times. The county court clerk is ex-officio clerk of the court and under the act is required to keep a "juvenile docket" and a "juvenile record" (ibid., sec. 3, 4), and perform the general duties of all court clerks, listed in the chapter entitled Circuit Court Clerk.

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A juvenile detained can not be placed in contact with adult prisoners and must be given privileges of bail (ibid., sec. 5, 6). The county judge is empowered to appoint probation officers and a salaried chief probation officer. It is the duty of the probation officer to bring the juvenile to court and there represent his or her interests, to make investigations, and otherwise be of assistance to the court in determining the facts and making proper disposal (ibid., sec. 6, 7).

The court must commit to some suitable state institution, to some reputable citizen, or to some bona fide association any child found to be dependent or neglected (ibid., sec. 7, 8). Delinquent children are dealt with varying degrees of severity. The child may be allowed to remain at home and required to report to a probation officer, be placed in a home and subject to visits by the officer, or, in extreme case, placed in a suitable state, county, or municipal institution for delinquent children (ibid., sec. 9, 9). Any child determined guilty of committing a felony or misdemeanor and who gives no indication of reformation may be turned over to the proper courts for prosecution. Charges of a capital crime immediately places the juvenile under jurisdiction of the circuit or criminal courts, and subject to the ordinary processes of law (ibid.).

Under a public act of 1917 all juvenile delinquents convicted of offenses that are normally punishable by confinement in the penitentiary are committed to the State Training and Agricultural School, or to the Tennessee Vocational Reformatory for Girls (P.A. 1917, ch. 41, secs. 1, 2, 10; ibid., ch. 97, secs. 1, 2, 4, 11).

The 1911 act specifically denies justices of the peace or police judges any jurisdiction whatever over juveniles, even to committing them to jail or a lock-up for a short time (P.A. 1911, ch. 58, secs. 10, 11, 12).

Parents, guardians, or other legally responsible adults contributing to neglect or dependency of child are liable to criminal prosecution (ibid., secs. 15, 16, 13).

The legislature specifically directed that the act be liberally construed so that insofar as possible a juvenile brought before the court shall not be treated as a criminal, but as in need of assistance (ibid., sec. 17, 14).

The public act of 1911 denies the county judge any added compensation for his services as juvenile judge (ibid., sec. 14, 15).

In the large counties of the state the general law has been suspended and juveniles are dealt with by special courts.

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178. JUVENILE COURT CASES, 1934--. 1 file box (dated). Original papers of cases tried in this court, such as warrants, summons, petitions, and bills of cost, each paper in addition to its text showing, names of juvenile and plaintiff, nature of the complaint, plea entered, case number, and date filed. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. forms. $4\frac{1}{2}$x$4\frac{1}{2}$x10. Co. ct. clk's. office.

179. JUVENILE COURT DOCKET, 1915--. 2 vols. (1, 2). Title varies: 1915-33, Trial Docket.
A record of cases tried in this court, showing case number, date case filed, name and description of juvenile, name of plaintiff, offense charged, date of hearing and action of the court. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of juvenile. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 240 pp. 16x10½x1. Co. ct. clk's. office.

IX. JURY COMMISSION

The Wilson County jury commission was created in 1909 by a special act affecting Wilson and Rutherford Counties (P.A. 1909, ch. 334).

The commission consists of three persons appointed by the circuit and criminal judges (ibid., sec. 1). The commissioners are paid on a per diem basis (ibid., sec. 15). They are under oath to perform their duties honestly and in good faith and do nothing that might alter the outcome of a case (ibid., sec. 2).

The commission is required to select from the tax lists and other sources names of persons to make up the jury list for the next two years, the list to be amended as necessary (ibid., sec. 4). The circuit court clerk, as clerk of the commission, is required to enter the lists in a well-bound book. Each name is written on a card and deposited in the jury box and the required number is drawn immediately before the opening of the term of court. The list of names drawn is transmitted to the clerk of the court who orders the sheriff to summon by writs of venire facias the persons whose names are drawn (ibid., sec. 5).

The clerk of the commission is required to keep a list of names of persons accepted for jury service and another of those rejected or disqualified (ibid., sec. 6). If the jury list is exhausted, the judge may, at his discretion, select additional jurors or direct the sheriff to summons additional prospects (ibid., sec. 7).

180. JURY LIST, 1909--. 4 vols.
List of persons eligible for jury service, as determined by the jury commission, showing name of juror, and kind of jury to which assigned. Arr. alph. by name of juror. No index. Hdw. Aver. 300 pp. 16½x11½x1½. Cir. ct. clk's. office.
For other records of juries, see entries 30, 120-123.

X. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

The office of justice of the peace is of ancient origin; the justice or squire was a familiar figure in England and in colonial North Carolina (Fairlie, op. cit., 30). Tennessee's first constitution, the one of 1796, directed that justices of the peace be elected by the legislature and commissioned by the governor, as had been the practice in North Carolina

Justice of the Peace (Next entry 181, p. 78)

(Const. of N. C., 1776; Hamer, op. cit., 176; Const. of 1796, art. 5, sec. 12).

The Constitution of 1796 provided that there be appointed from each captain's district two justices of the peace and three from the district including the county seat, all of the justices to be designated by the legislature (Const. of 1796, art. 5, sec. 12). The Constitution of 1834, abolished the captain's district system in Tennessee and divided counties into civil districts and made justices elective by popular vote (Const. of 1834, art. 6, sec. 15). The Constitution of 1870 limited the number of civil districts within a county to twenty-five, and directed that justices be elected by the qualified voters of their respective civil districts, but gave them countywide jurisdiction (Const. of 1870, art. 6, sec. 15). Each district elects two justices except the district containing the county seat which elects three; incorporated towns are entitled to additional justices. Wilson County has twenty-five civil districts and elects fifty-three justices, the towns of Lebanon and Watertown electing the two extra ones. A justice holds office for six years (ibid.) and for his services as a minor judicial officer receives a great variety of fees. Severally, the justices comprise the quarterly county court, but this fact has no relation to their duties as minor judges.

Justices are authorized and empowered: to examine all persons arrested for crime (Laws of N. C., 1715, ch. 16, sec. 1, 2), to issue warrants for prisoners escaped from jail (Laws of N. C., 1777, ch. 8, sec. 9, 3), to summon a jury of inquest in cases of death by accident (P.A. 1825, ch. 36, sec. 4, 4), to bind defendants in criminal cases over if preemption of guilt is great (P.A. 1817, ch. 100, sec. 1, 5), and to take bail in bailable offenses (P.A. 1831, ch. 4, 6).

A justice hears civil causes (not exceeding $50), determines them upon the principles of equity, and renders judgment in the same manner as courts of chancery (P.A. 1817, ch. 86, sec. 1, 7; 1857-58, ch. 56, sec. 3, 8).

The justice of the peace is required: to keep a judgment and execution docket (P.A. 1835-36, ch. 17, sec. 7, 9), to preserve all papers in an orderly file (P.A. 1805, ch. 66, sec. 1, 10), to transmit to the circuit court all papers of a case in which an appeal has been taken (P.A. 1809, ch. 63, sec. 2, 11; 1889, ch. 251, 12), to return to the county court clerk within thirty days all marriage licenses under which he has solemnized matrimonial rites (P.A. 1815, ch. 47, sec. 1, 13; 1879, ch. 98, sec. 2, 14; 1889, ch. 134, sec. 2, 15; 1915, ch. 109, 16), to make a report of all revenue received, be it state, county, or municipal, at the January term of the quarterly county court, the report to be entered on the minutes and a copy sent to the trustee (P.A. 1851-52, ch. 159, sec. 2, 17); at the January term to show a transcript of his docket (P.A. 1849-50, ch. 247, sec. 4, 18), to keep safely any statutes or public documents officially received by him, under penalty of fine (P.A. 1837-38, ch. 149, sec. 1, 19); and to deliver official books to his successor when vacating

office (P.A. 1835-36, ch. 17, secs. 14, 15, 20).

The civil and criminal dockets kept by justices of the peace of Wilson County show the same information in every instance. The following is a description of contents that holds true for all civil dockets: shows date of trial, case number, names of plaintiff and defendant, decision of the court, amount of judgment, and bill of costs.

The description of contents for all criminal dockets is as follows: shows date of trial, case number, name of defendant, action of the court, name of returning officer, and list of witnesses claiming fees.

All civil and criminal dockets are arranged chronologically and numerically thereunder by case number, and are alphabetically indexed by name of defendant. All volumes are handwritten. Unless otherwise noted, the size of each volume is 16x11x1, and the number of pages 200.

Trial papers, include all original papers incident to action in justice of the peace courts, such as warrants, subpoenas, summons, and attachments, and showing case number, style of case, names of plaintiff and defendant, date of trial, and purpose of the instrument. They are handwritten on printed forms and have no special arrangement or indexing.

Civil Dockets

181. CIVIL DOCKET (H. P. Atkinson), 1930--. 3 vols. (dated). Sheriff's office.

182. CIVIL DOCKET (J. H. Rushing), 1923--. 6 vols. (dated). Cir. ct. clk's. office.

Criminal Dockets

183. CRIMINAL DOCKET (H. P. Atkinson), 1930--. 6 vols. (dated). Sheriff's office.

184. CRIMINAL DOCKET (J. H. Rushing), 1923--. 5 vols. (dated). Cir. ct. clk's. office.

185. MAGISTRATES DOCKET (M. L. DILL), 1924--. 7 vols. (1-7). Aver. 250 pp. 16x10½x1½. Sheriff's office.

Civil and Criminal Dockets

186. CIVIL AND CRIMINAL DOCKET (C. H. Ligon), 1924--. 1 vol. Sheriff's office.

187. CIVIL AND CRIMINAL DOCKET (H. C. Sloan), 1930--. 1 vol. Sheriff's office.

Trial Papers

188. TRIAL PAPERS (H. P. Atkinson), 1930--. 36 file boxes. 4½x6½x11½. Sheriff's office.

189. TRIAL PAPERS (J. H. Rushing), 1923--. 5 bundles. 12x8x3. Cir. ct. clk's. office.

XI. SHERIFF

The office of sheriff was firmly established when Wilson County was created in 1799 and practically all legislation affecting the office since that time has been to reduce the importance and duties of the office. A constitutional officer, the sheriff is elected by popular vote for a term of two years (Const. of 1796, art. 6, sec. 1; 1834, art. 7, sec. 1; 1870, art. 7, sec. 1).

He was formerly not only a law-enforcement officer but the chief collector of state and county taxes (P.A. 1835-36, ch. 15), a duty that in later years has been assumed by the trustee (P.A. 1875, ch. 91, sec. 1; 1887, ch. 2, sec. 54; 1907, ch. 602, sec. 48). Likewise, the sheriff was the chief election official (P.A. 1835-36, ch. 2, secs. 1-5) until the election commission was created in 1897 (P.A. 1897, ch. 13).

The sheriff is still charged with making arrests and maintaining peace in the of the state, as he once, in England, made arrests in the king's name and maintained the king's peace.

The sheriff is required to mark on all process the time of receipt by him (Laws of N. C., 1777, Nov. ses., ch. 5, sec. 13; Territorial Acts, 1794, ch. 1, sec. 9), to execute all lawful process directed to him (Laws of N. C., 1777, Nov. ses., ch. 8, sec. 5; P.A. 1835-36, ch. 190; 1845-46, ch. 22), to execute notices to take depositions (P.A. 1817, ch. 189, sec. 5), to serve delinquent officers and principal debtors such notices of motions (ibid., sec. 6), to go to defendant's residence before making a return that the person named can not be found (Laws of N. C., 1777, Nov. ses., ch. 8, sec. 5), to use due diligence in execution of process (C 1932, 10106-7), if demand is made, to give receipt to any person placing executions in his hand (P.A. 1837-38, ch. 190, sec. 1); to receive nothing but money in satisfaction of writs of execution, unless otherwise directed (C 1932, 10106 (9); to levy executions first on defendant's goods and chattels (Territorial Acts, 1794, ch. 1, sec. 23), and then on lands if value of goods and chattels is insufficient (ibid.); to exhaust the property of a principal before acting against his surety (P.A. 1843-44, ch. 32, sec. 1), to take from defendant, on whose property he has levied, a delivery bond (P.A. 1801, ch. 13, sec. 1; 1831, ch. 25; secs. 1, 2); to have personal property to be sold present at sale, unless defendant agrees otherwise (C 1932, 10106 (17); to describe lands levied on by execution or attachment (ibid., 10106 (18), to serve

defendant in possession of land with twenty days notice of a levy (P.A. 1799, ch. 14, sec. 1), to advertise sales of lands levied on by execution (P.A. 1849-50, ch. 120, sec. 1), to return every execution by the time specified, with a sufficient return endorsed or attached (P.A. 1837-38); to pay to proper persons on demand all moneys collected on any execution (Laws of N. C., 1777, Nov. ses., ch. 8, sec. 10; P.A. 1803, ch. 18, sec. 2; 1835-36, ch. 19, sec. 6), if demand is made by the defendant to make out his bill of fees, and give a receipt to the defendant (Laws of N. C., 1777, Nov. ses., ch. 8, sec. 7); to pay to proper persons any money received by an execution from a justice of the peace by the time set forth for the return (P.A. 1827, ch. 35, sec. 4), and to return every justice of the peace execution within thirty days (P.A. 1801, ch. 7, sec. 5; 1835-36, ch. 17, secs. 4, 5).

The sheriff is paid by voucher for any interstate travel he may be required to do (P.A. 1901, ch. 96, sec. 1, 1; 1905, ch. 447, 2). Accounts for boarding prisoners charged with state crimes must be sworn to and submitted by the sheriff to the comptroller of the treasury for payment (P.A. 1887, ch. 242, sec. 1, 3), and the accounts for county prisoners must be submitted to the county judge (P.A. 1870-71, ch. 7, secs. 1, 3, 4). The bond of the sheriff is filed with the county court clerk and spread on the minutes (Laws of N. C., 1777, Nov. ses., ch. 8, sec. 2; P.A. 1839-40, ch. 63, 6). The sheriff is required to deliver to his successor all books, papers, and property in his possession, and take a receipt (C 1932, 705). The sheriff is custodian of the county jail and the prisoners confined therein (P.A. 1897, ch. 66, 7). The mittimus by which any prisoner is committed or discharged must be filed by the sheriff or jailor (C 1932, 11958). The sheriff is compensated on a fee basis (ibid., 10707; P.A. 1927, ch. 11).

190. REGISTER OF PRISONERS, 1922--. 8 vols. (1, 1, 2; 5 vols. not labeled). Title varies: 1922-25, Jail Docket.
A record of all prisoners placed in custody of the sheriff, showing name and physical description of prisoner, offense charged, by whom charge is brought, process issued, date of committment, a list of personal effects deposited with the jailor, date and process of dismissal, and remarks. Arr. chron. 1922-25, no index; 1926--, indexed alph. by name of prisoner. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 250 pp. 19x10½x1½. 6 vols., 1922-35, cir. ct. clk's. office; 2 vols., 1936--, office.
For other records of prisoners, see entry 267.

191. (COURT PAPERS), 1930--. 36 file boxes.
Miscellaneous court papers and correspondence of the sheriff, including letters, executions, replevins, and mittimuses. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 6x7x11½. Office.

XII. CORONER

The coroner is a constitutional officer (Const. of 1796, art. 6, sec. 1), and may be traced back to the ancient royal agent, the crowner, whose

chief duty consisted of keeping the pleas of the king's court (English Statutes, 1149) and maintaining the rights of the property of the crown (Oxford English Dictionary).

The office existed under the North Carolina and territorial law, and was incorporated in the first Tennessee Constitution (Const. of 1796, art. 6, sec. 1).

The chief function of the coroner is to conduct inquests into unexplained deaths and determine the cause. In the absence, imprisonment, incompetence, or death of the sheriff, he assumes the duties of that office (Laws of N. C., 1779, Oct. ses., ch. 5, sec. 2, 1), and for that reason the office is eagerly sought. He is elected by the quarterly county court for a term of two years (Const. of 1870, art. 7, sec. 1; P.A. 1845-46, ch. 88, 2). For each inquest he may demand a fee of $5.00 (C 1932, 10712).

XIII. CONSTABLE

The ancient office of constable is firmly embedded in the constitution and the statutes. Established in England for centuries, the constable was provided for in colonial enactments (Laws of N. C., 1741, ch. 5, secs. 2, 6, 1). North Carolina law declared him a conservator of the peace and conferred upon him the broad powers held by the constable under the common law (ibid., sec. 3, 2). He was, at the same time, held accountable for failure to serve process if directed by a justice of the peace (ibid., sec. 8, 3).

There is one constable from each civil district except the district containing the county seat, which elects two (Const. of 1834, art. 6, sec. 15; 1870, art. 6, sec. 15; P.A. 1851-52, ch. 139, sec. 1, 4). Wilson County was divided into captain's districts instead of civil districts from 1799 to the adoption of the second Constitution, the one of 1834, and during that period the constable was elected from this militia district by the quarterly county court ("Minutes", December term, 1803, entry 152, p. 3). The constable is now elected by the voters of the district for a term of two years (Const. of 1870, art. 6, sec. 15).

Upon entering office, the constable is required to make bond to the state to insure faithful discharge of duties and prompt payment to proper sources of moneys collected by him (Laws of N. C., 1786, ch. 14, sec. 8, 5; P.A. 1824, ch. 10, sec. 1, 6; 1837-38, ch. 152, 7; 1839-40, ch. 63, sec. 2, 8). He is required to take oath to keep the peace of the state "to the best of his power; that he will arrest all such persons as go in his sight armed offensively, or who commit any riot, affray, or other breach of peace; that he will use his best endeavor, on complaint made, to apprehend all felons, rioters, or persons riotously assembled; and, if such persons flee or make resistance, he will pursue, and make hue and cry, according to law; that he will faithfully, and without delay, execute and return all lawful process to him directed, and that he will well and

truly, according to his power and ability, do and execute all other duties of his office" (Laws of N. C., 1741, ch. 5, sec. 2, 9).

The constable may, in the absence or incompetence of the sheriff or the coroner, execute process of any court (P.A. 1807, ch. 104, sec. 13, 10). When appointed to wait upon the grand jury, the constable may execute and return all process for enforcing attendance of witnesses (P.A. 1857-58, ch. 29, 11). He may be required to collect delinquent taxes, if directed, or make due returns (P.A. 1907, ch. 602, sec. 49, 12). He may execute writs of replevin in the manner the sheriff is required to do (P.A. 1851-52, ch. 32, sec. 3, 13), and execute writs of habeas corpus (C 1932, 9681).

For service performed the constable receives fees set forth by law (C 1896, 6409; C 1932, 10707). These services include serving process, levying attachments, collecting money, summoning witnesses, and many others (ibid.). His fees may vary, theoretically, from five cents for mileage for guards conveying prisoners to $30.00 for executing condemned criminal (C 1896, 6402 (35), 6409).

XIV. TAX ASSESSOR

The office of tax assessor is the product of a long historical development. Under North Carolina, territorial and early Tennessee laws, a justice for each captain's district received once a year from each resident of his district a statement of the resident's taxable property and turned it over to the county court for recording (Territorial Acts, 1794, ch. 1).

The Constitution of 1834 divided each county into civil districts instead of into captain's districts (Const. of 1834, art. 6, sec. 15), and in 1836 the legislature authorized the quarterly court to appoint as a revenue commissioner one justice or other person for each district (P.A. 1836, ch. 14), whose duty it was to make annually a list of taxable property and polls (ibid., sec. 1). The commissioner was subject to removal at any time by the court for failure to perform faithfully his duties (ibid., sec. 2).

An 1855 act made the appointing of a tax assessor by the court mandatory. He was appointed for two years. Although he could not receive tax payments, his duties were basically the same as those of the justice and revenue commissioner (P.A. 1855-56, ch. 74, sec. 14). Since then, frequent assessment acts have regulated the office.

The tax assessor of today is a creation of an act of 1907. He is elected by the voters of the county and holds office for four years (P.A. 1907, ch. 602, sec. 9, subsecs. 1, 3, 1). He is required, upon entering office, to give bond and oath (ibid., sec. 10, 2; 1929, ch. 86, secs. 7, 10, 3).

The assessor is required to visit the realty to be assessed and assess it once every two years (P.A. 1907, ch. 602, secs. 12, 13, 4; 1921, ch. 62, sec. 1, 5), to see personally each taxpayer and take his statement of all property, real, personal, or mixed (P.A. 1907, ch. 602, sec. 12, 6); to administer oaths and compel witnesses to testify if he has reason to believe a taxpayer conceals any property or misrepresents its value (ibid.), to require oaths of persons returning schedules (ibid.), to furnish each taxpayer a blank schedule and to demand its return, properly and truthfully executed (ibid.); to compute totals of acreage, assessments, number of pieces of property, and other important sums and submit them to the county court clerk along with all assessments--real, personal, polls, and privileges--for review by the board of equalization (ibid., secs. 11, 18, 7); and to submit to the district attorney-general for prosecution the names of all persons failing to return schedules or refusing to swear to them (ibid., sec. 10, 8).

192. ASSESSMENTS (Real Estate, Personal and Poll), 1895--. 897 vols. (no. by civil districts). Partially missing all years. Title varies: 1896-1925, Assessor's Book.
Record of all assessments on real and personal property, showing name of taxpayer, civil district or ward, location and description of property, assessed valuation, acreage of farm land, number of town lots, poll tax assessment, and date of all assessments. Arr. num. by civil districts and alph. thereunder by name of taxpayer. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 54 pp. 12x9x$\frac{1}{4}$. 768 vols., 1895-1932, strg. rm.; 129 vols., 1933--, co. ct. clk's. office.

193. TAX SCHEDULES, 1935--. 2 cardboard boxes.
Schedules filled in by property owners, showing in detail all property owned, its location and description, owner's estimate of value, date schedule returned, and signature of owner. No arr. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 18x14x12. Co. ct. clk's. office.

XV. BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

The equalization of property assessments for purposes of taxation has been the subject of considerable legislation. Under an act of 1883, the district tax assessors, after making assessments in their respective districts, were required to meet as a board of equalization to make comparisons of assessment lists, hear grievances and petitions, and make the necessary corrections in the lists before finally submitting them to the county court clerk (P.A. 1883, ch. 105, secs. 36-39). The assessment law of 1887 which substituted a single county tax assessor for the district assessors (P.A. 1887, ch. 2, secs. 26, 27), created a board of equalization composed of three persons appointed by the tax assessor and the county judge or chairman, the judge and assessor serving on the board as ex-officio members (ibid., secs. 41-45). The assessment act of 1889 created a board of equalization to be composed of the county judge or chairman and four persons elected by but not from the quarterly court (P.A. 1889, ch. 96, sec. 42). Its duties were substantially the same as

were those of the previous boards (ibid., secs. 42-47). Legislation in 1895 largely reaffirmed the 1889 law (P.A. 1895, ch. 120, secs. 49-54), but clarified its proceedings so as to permit review by certiorari (C 1896, 802, citing 4 Pickle 1).

The county board of equalization as it functions today is part of the assessment and revenue machinery set in motion in 1907 (P.A. 1907, ch. 602, sec. 32, 1). The present board is composed of five persons elected by the quarterly court (ibid.) for terms of two years each (P.A. 1909, ch. 495, sec. 1, 2).

The board meets the first Monday in June of each year for not more than fifteen days, unless the time is extended by the county judge (P.A. 1907, ch. 602, sec. 32, 3). The members elect a chairman and a secretary from among their number (ibid.; 1921, ch. 135, 4). The board's decision may be reversed only by the state board of equalization (P.A. 1907, ch. 602, sec. 32). The board is required to keep a daily record of its transactions, on completion of its duties, to turn over to the county court clerk for preservation all papers and records of the board with completed assessment lists; to make out and transmit to the state board of equalization a summary of its transactions, and with the register to submit to the state board a tabulated statement of realty sales made within the twelve months prior to the meeting of the board. The county court clerk is required to mail to the state board of equalization, within ten days after adjournment of the county board, a tabulated statement of the proceedings of the county board (ibid.).

194. MINUTES OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION, 1900-1905, 1915-25, 1937--.
3 vols.
Daily record of proceedings of the board in regular session, showing date of meeting, names of members present and petitions for adjustments of tax assessments of personal and real property, which show the name of the petitioner, amount of original assessment, and date of adjustment, if made; and recommendations of the board. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. Aver. 200 pp. 12x8x1. Co. ct. clk's. office.

XVI. TRUSTEE

The trustee is a constitutional officer (Const. of 1796, art. 6, sec. 1; Const. of 1834, art. 7, sec. 1), and prior to the creation of Tennessee, functioned under authority of North Carolina (Laws of N. C., 1777, ch. 36). The 1777 act empowered the county court to elect a trustee, whose duty it was to disburse for contingent expenses, the money collected by tax collectors, at the direction of the county court. The appointment was for one year (ibid.). In 1796 the office became constitutional in Tennessee and the county court was directed to elect a trustee for a two-year term (Const. of 1796, art. 6, sec. 1). The Constitution of 1834 provided that the office be filled by popular vote, which is the practice today. The term of office is two years (Const. of 1834, art. 7, sec. 7; P.A. 1870, ch. 23, sec. 6, 1).

Trustee - General Accounts (195-197)

The trustee is required by law to make bonds (P.A. 1868-69, ch. 41, sec. 1, 2; Const. of 1870, art. 7, secs. 1, 2; P.A. 1835-36, ch. 15, secs. 1, 2, 3; 1835-36, ch. 2, sec. 5, 4; 1847-48, ch. 55, sec. 11, 5) payable to the city, county, and state (city, P.A. 1875, ch. 91, sec. 2, 6; county, P.A. 1835-36, ch. 12, secs. 2, 5, 7; P.A. 1907, ch. 602, sec. 39, 8; state, P.A. 1911, ch. 46, 9).

Among his many duties, the trustee is required to collect all state and county taxes on property and polls, assuming this duty from the sheriff in 1875 (P.A. 1875, ch. 91, sec. 1, 10); to keep accounts of all money received (P.A. 1796, Mar. ses., ch. 15, sec. 6, 11), to receive all vouchers for which the county is indebted (P.A. 1797, ch. 14, sec. 4, 12), to keep a warrant book (P.A. 1827, ch. 49, sec. 19, 13), to pay claims against the county (P.A. 1821, ch. 33, sec. 1, 14), to deliver lists of uncollected warrants (P.A. 1821, ch. 17, 15), to deliver all records of the office to his successor (P.A. 1827, ch. 49, sec. 26, 16), to make settlement with the county judge on going out of office (P.A. 1859-60, ch. 11, 17; P.A. 1827, ch. 49, sec. 24, 18), to make settlements with the county judge and the comptroller before the tenth of each month (P.A. 1907, ch. 602, sec. 68, 19), to publish a full financial statement the first Monday in September of each year (ibid.), and to release monthly financial statements to be spread on the minutes of the quarterly county court (ibid.).

General Accounts

195. CASH JOURNAL, 1881-85, 1902-25, 1928--. 6 vols. (1; 5 vols. not labeled). Title varies: 1881-85, Revenue Docket; 1902-25, Cash Book.

A complete record of the trustee's receipts and disbursements, showing dates of all transactions, amount and source of revenue, bank credits and debits, purpose of his disbursements, and account charged. Distribution of funds received is given in itemized detail. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 376 pp. 17½x12½x2. 1 vol., 1881-85, strg. rm.; 5 vols., 1902--, office.

196. GENERAL LEDGER, 1904-5, 1907-15. 9 vols.

Record of funds received on general accounts, including such payments as poll tax, state and county taxes, and interest, fees, and penalties on delinquent taxes, showing date of payment, name of payor, amount, fund credited, and balances. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of account. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 480 pp. 16x11½x2. Strg. rm.

For other records of receipts and disbursements, see entries 195, 197.

197. REVENUE RECEIPTS, 1929--. 1 vol. (receipts no. 1-750).

Duplicate receipts for revenue collected by receivable warrants, showing from whom received, date receipt given, receipt number, amount and purpose of payment, account credited, and signature of the trustee. Arr. num. and chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 200 pp. 16x9x1. Office.

198. COUNTY FUNDS (Trustee's Copy), 1925-28. 1 vol.
Record of trustee's receipts and disbursements, showing date of transaction, amount and source of collection; and date, check number, and amount and purpose of disbursements. An itemized account of the distribution of funds received is given. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 498 pp. 16x11½x2. Office.
For other records of receipts and disbursements, see entries 195-197.

199. COUNTY FUNDS (Judge's Copy), 1925-28. 1 vol.
Record of trustee's receipts and disbursements, showing date of the transaction, amount, and source of collection; and date, check number, and amount and purpose of disbursement. An itemized account of the distribution of funds received is given. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 498 pp. 16x11½x2. Office.
For other records of receipts and disbursements, see entries 195-197.

200. WARRANT REGISTER, 1928--. 3 vols.
Record of all warrants paid by the trustee and charged to county, road, school and special funds, showing warrant number, amount, account charged, date issued, to whom, and purpose of payment. Arr. num. and chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 400 pp. 22½x19x2¼. Office.

201. CANCELLED CHECKS AND BANK BALANCE SHEETS, 1936--. 5 file boxes.
Cancelled checks issued by the trustee, showing date check issued, name of bank on which drawn, check number, to whom payable, purpose of payment, amount of the checks and date cancelled; also included are monthly bank statements, showing deposits, withdrawals, and balances. Arr. num. and chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 19x17x12. Office.

Road Funds
(See also entries 33, 35, 44, 260-265)

202. ROAD JOURNAL, 1924--. 3 vol. (1; 2 vols. not labeled). Title varies: 1924-27, Road Ledger.
An itemized account of the receipt and disbursement of road funds, showing date, source and amount of revenue received; and date, amount and purpose of disbursements, and totals. Arr. num. by civil districts and chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 450 pp. 20½x13x2. 1 vol., 1925-27, clk. & m's. office; 2 vols., 1924, 1928--, office.

203. ROAD WARRANTS CANCELLED, 1917-24. 1 vol. (4).
Record of warrants issued on road funds, showing to whom issued, date issued, amount, and date cancelled. Also shows amount due each district, amount of warrants paid, and balance due. Arr. num. by civil districts and chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 304 pp. 16½x12x1½. Clk. & m's office.

204. HIGHWAY ACCOUNTS, 1924-28. 1 vol. (1).
A record of warrants issued on highway or road funds, showing warrant number, date issued, to whom payable, and amount. Also includes a record of receipts, showing date of receipt, and from whom received. Arr. chron. No

index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 400 pp. 16x12x2. Clk. & m's. office.

School Funds
(See also entries 43, 44, 230-240)

205. SCHOOL FUNDS, 1876-1920, 1926-28. 31 vols. Title varies: 1890-1912, Trustee's Cash Book.
An itemized account of the trustee's receipt and disbursement of school funds, showing date, amount, and source of collections by civil districts; and date, warrant number, amount and purpose of disbursements. Arr. num. by civil districts and chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 504 pp. 18x12x2½. 30 vols., 1876-1920, strg. rm.; 1 vol., 1926-28, office.
For other records of school funds, see entries 206, 207, 230-239.

206. SCHOOL FUNDS (County Judge's Copy), 1922-28. 2 vols.
An itemized account of the trustee's receipt and disbursement of school funds, showing date, amount, and source of revenue by civil districts; and date, warrant number, amount, and purpose of disbursement. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 500 pp. 16¼x11½x2. Office.

207. REGISTER OF CANCELLED SCHOOL WARRANTS, 1886-1905. 2 vols.
Record of warrants paid by the trustee for the operation of schools, showing warrant number, date issued, to whom issued, for what purpose, and amount. Arr. num. and chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 300 pp. 16x11½x1½. Strg. rm.
For other records of warrants, see entries 43, 44, 235-238.

Tax Records
(See also entries 23, 24)

Realty, Personalty, and Polls

208. TAX BOOK, 1865-1921, 1923--. 91 vols. Partially missing 1902, 1907.
Record of taxable property by civil districts, showing owner's name, location and description of property, number and value of town lots, number acres farm land, value of land, value of personal property, poll tax, state and county taxes, total of all taxes, and date paid. Arr. num. by civil districts and alph. thereunder by name of property owner. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 448 pp. 16x10x3. 63 vols., 1865-1921, strg. rm.; 28 vols., 1923--, office.

209. PICK-UP TAX (Poll and Personal), 1912-16, 1918--. 20 vols.
Record of taxes levied and collected by the trustee after the assessor failed to make an assessment, the error being caught by the trustee. This record shows name of property owner, civil district number, amount of assessment, whether on poll, personalty, or realty; taxes due, and date paid. Arr. num. by civil districts and chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 200 pp. 12½x10x2. 8 vols., 1912-21, strg. rm.; 1 vol., 1922, clk. & m's. office; 11 vols., 1923--, office.

Trustee - Delinquency (210-216)

210. TAX RELEASES, 1905-6, 1910-11, 1926, 1930-31, 1933--. 13 vols.
Record of exemptions from payment of property tax, showing civil district number, year, name of property owner, nature of the release, reason for exemption, amounts of various assessments, and date of release. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 100 pp. 17x14x½. 2 vols., 1926-36, office; 11 vols., 1905-11, 1937--, co. ct. clk's. office.

211. TAX COLLECTIONS, 1926--. 7 vols.
Record of taxes collected on realty, personalty, and polls by civil districts, showing receipt number, civil district number, assessed valuation of property, tax rate, amount of tax, interest and penalties, and distribution of the tax. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 200 pp. 17¼x15x1½. Office.

212. TAX RECEIPTS (Duplicates), 1909-19, 1921--. 103 vols.
Partially missing, 1909-13, 1915, 1921, 1924-29, 1933-35.
Receipts for payment of taxes on real and personal property, showing location and description of property, assessed valuation, amount of tax, name of assessee, date of assessment, by whom assessed, date tax paid, and signature of person receiving payment. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 250 pp. 13x8½x1. 90 vols., 1909-23, strg. rm.; 13 vols., 1924--, office.

213. UTILITIES TAX, 1935--. 2 vols.
Duplicate receipts for taxes paid by utilities, showing date of payment, receipt number, source of payment, value of personal property, value of real estate, total assessed valuation, amount of tax, and signature of the trustee. Arr. num. and chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 300 pp. 16x12x1½. Office.

214. POLL TAX RECEIPTS (Duplicate), 1916--. 22 vols. (dated).
Partially missing, 1919, 1920, 1928-30.
Receipts for payment of poll taxes, showing receipt number, name and address of person to whom issued, date issued, and amount of tax. Arr. num. and chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 300 pp. 11x8¼x1¼. 13 vols., 1916-26, strg. rm.; 9 vols., 1927--, office.

Delinquency - (See also entries 126, 148, 149)

215. DELINQUENT TAX RECORDS, 1909--. 152 vols. (no. by civil districts). Title varies: 1909-34, List of Unpaid Taxes.
Record of taxes which have become delinquent, showing name of property owner, location and description of property, number of acres farm land or number of town lots, assessed valuation, total of all taxes due, amount of fees, penalties, and interest, and date paid. Arr. num. by civil districts and alph. thereunder by name of property owner. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 50 pp. 10x5½x1. 143 vols., 1917-34, strg. rm.; 9 vols., 1935--, office.

216. LIST OF DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES, 1930--. 7 vols.
A copy of the list of property owners whose taxes have become delinquent

and have been turned over to the clerk and master for collection, showing name of property owner, location and description of property, assessed valuation, and amount and distribution of tax, interest, penalties, and fees. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 100 pp. 17x13x½. 3 vols., 1930-31, office; 4 vols., 1932--, clk. & m's. office.

217. SUPPLEMENTAL AND DELINQUENT TAX BOOK, 1884-85. 1 vol.
Record of delinquent tax collections, showing name of property owner, civil district number, location and description of property, number of acres or number of town lots, assessed valuation, amount of tax, fees, and penalties, and date of settlement. Arr. num. by civil districts and alph. thereunder by name of property owner. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 150 pp. 17x14x1½. Strg. rm.

Miscellaneous

218. DOG BOOK, 1919-21. 2 vols. Title varies: 1919-20, Sheep Fund Record.
Record of dog taxes collected, showing name of owner, name and description of dog, amount of tax, date of payment, and tag number. Prior to 1921 these collections were used to reimburse sheep owners for losses due to damage and killing of sheep by dogs and distribution is shown on this record. During 1921 these collections were credited to the Rural Public School Fund. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 212 pp. 16x10½x1½. Strg. rm.

219. SHEEP FUND RECEIPTS (Duplicates), 1920. 4 vols.
Receipts for payment of dog tax, showing name of owner, name and description of dog, amount of tax, date paid, and tag number. Funds received in this manner are used to compensate sheep owners for losses due to killing or maiming of sheep by dogs. Arr. num. and chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 60 pp. 8¼x6¾x½. Strg. rm.

XVII. REVENUE COMMISSION

Wilson County's revenue commission, the county's only auditing agency, is apparently a product of the general revenue and assessment act of 1907 (P.A. 1907, ch. 602, sec. 76, 1).

The act of 1907 directed the quarterly county court to designate, every two years, a revenue commission of three members, one of whom must be an expert accountant and none of whom may be members of the court (ibid.). The commission is required to meet and critically examine the settlements of the county judge with all collecting officers of the county, to inspect the books of these officers, if necessary; to examine the financial report of the county judge, to examine the checks and warrants on which disbursements from the treasury have been made and compare these with the books of the county judge, to determine which have been paid, registered, or registered and remain unpaid; to compare

balances reported by the county judge with balances shown by the trustee, and to report in writing, each quarter the result of the investigations and call attention to any neglect or violation of duty on the part of any officer (ibid.). The commissioners are entitled to compensation on a per diem basis (ibid.).

The sale of bonds may be held by the revenue commissioners acting with the county judge, if not held by the quarterly court or the finance committee (P.A. 1913, 1st ex. ses., ch. 26, sec. 4, 2; 1919, ch. 175, sec. 4, 3).

The revenue commission may lend out the sinking fund if the county judge does not or if there is no finance committee (P.A. 1913, 1st ex. ses., ch. 26, sec. 6, 4; 1919, ch. 175, sec. 5, 5).

The commissioners may draw pay in each quarter for the time actually engaged in the discharge of their duties, not exceeding five days (P.A. 1921, ch. 135, sec. 2, 6; 1907, ch. 602, sec. 76, 7).

XVIII. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
(Board of Education and Superintendent of Schools)

The Constitution of 1796 made no provision for the establishment and maintenance of any kind of system of education for the inhabitants of the state. Children orphaned by the War of 1812 furnished the first instance of free public education in the state, when the county court, in 1815, was directed to make contracts with individuals for the board and education of such orphans (P.A. 1815, ch. 49). An 1817 act of the legislature directed the court, through commissioners, to use the lands made available by the congressional land grant act of 1806 for educational purposes (P.A. 1817, ch. 124).

The first really organized effort in public education was made in 1829 when the court was directed to appoint one school commissioner from each captain's district, whose duty it was to divide the county into school districts and enumerate the heads of families in each district. Subsequently, a board of five trustees was elected annually. The chief duty of the trustees was to elect a board of common school commissioners composed of not less than five nor more than seven members (P.A. 1829, ch. 107). The commissioners administered the finances and managed the school organization (ibid.). An annual report to the state secretary was required.

An act of 1838 repealed the 1829 act and provided for a board of school commissioners (P.A. 1838, ch. 148). This act defined a school district as a civil district and provided for five commissioners to be elected from each district to administer the finances and initiate policies in their respective districts (ibid.). Legislation creating and regulating the office of superintendent of schools in 1867, 1870, and

1873 was directed at bringing about a more responsible and uniform system of public instruction (P.A. 1867, ch. 27; 1870, ch. 110; 1873, ch. 25).

Legislation in 1873 and 1881 provided for the popular election of three directors from each school district, each group to visit schools in its district, to explain and enforce school laws, to manage and control school property, to draw warrants upon the trustee in favor of teachers, to make annual reports to the superintendent of schools, to employ teachers and dismiss them when necessary, to determine the length of term, and to see that schools were lawfully and efficiently run (P.A. 1873, ch. 25; 1881, ch. 113).

A general education bill of 1907 abolished the office of district director, divided the county into five school districts, and provided for the popular election of a member from each district to constitute the county board of education, which had general and detailed supervision over the county school system (P.A. 1907, ch. 236).

In 1925 Wilson County, like most of the counties of the state, went under the provisions of the general education bill of that year (P.A. 1925, ch. 115, 1), which was amended by a special act of 1935 (Pr.A. 1935, 1st ex. ses., ch. 112). Under the general law of 1925 the board of education was composed of seven members elected by the quarterly court for seven years, one vacancy occurring each year (P.A. 1925, ch. 115, sec. 6, 2), but the special act of 1935, applicable only to Wilson County, reduced the number of members to five and the term of office to five years (Pr.A. 1935, 1st ex. ses., ch. 112, secs. 1, 2). By specific provision, the act of 1925 remains the controlling one (ibid., sec. 5). Some of the board's duties are: to hold meetings to transact school business, to manage and control all public schools, to purchase all supplies for the various parts of the department, and to provide proper record books for the superintendent (P.A. 1925, ch. 115, sec. 6, 3).

The office of superintendent of schools is regulated by the controlling act of 1873, as modified by several general and special enactments. His term of office of two years was increased to four years in Wilson County in 1925 (Pr.A. 1925, ch. 443), but was cut to two years in 1935 (Pr.A. 1935, ch. 25). By another suspension of the general law, the Wilson County superintendent is elected by popular vote (Pr.A. 1935, ch. 74).

Definite qualifications and requirements are necessary for election to the office; the superintendent must be a person of literary and scientific attainment (P.A. 1867, ch. 27, sec. 24; 1873, ch. 25; 1895, ch. 54; 1925, ch. 115, sec. 5, 4). Following are the more important duties of the superintendent as regards the keeping of records: to keep a complete and accurate record of the proceedings of all meetings of the board of education and of his official acts, to keep separately for elementary and high schools a record of receipts and disbursements of public school

funds, to require all teachers to submit teaching certificates issued by the state, to file all contracts with teachers, to report annually to the commissioner of education and the comptroller the average daily attendance of all schools (P.A. 1925, ch. 115, sec. 17, 5), to make full report of all activities to the quarterly county court, to prepare a budget annually for submission to the county court at its April term, and to deliver all papers and records to his successor (ibid., sec. 6, 6).

Minutes and Reports
(See also entries 1, 2, 7, 10, 241)

220. MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, 1928--. 2 vols.
A detailed record of the proceedings of the board in session, showing date of meeting, members present, actions of the board, such as the election of teachers, and receiving of reports and petitions. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. Aver. 250 pp. 11½x9½x1½. Office.

221. ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT, 1923--. 46 vols.
Summaries of various reports from all county schools from which the annual report is compiled, showing name of school, enrollment and attendance by grades, scholastic ratings, promotions and retardations, age grade tables, and length of school term by days. Also included is a financial statement for each school, showing the value of school properties and equipment, and an itemized account of expenditures. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 35 pp. 9x16x¼. Office.

222. TEACHERS AND PRINCIPALS MONTHLY REPORTS, 1927--. 25 bundles.
Monthly reports from principals and teachers to the superintendent of schools, showing name of school, name of principal or teacher, number of boys and girls enrolled, average daily attendance by grades, and number of days in session. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 3x3x4. Office.

223. RELIEF TEACHERS REPORT, 1934--. 1 bundle.
Reports of teachers engaged in the adult education program, showing name of teacher, period report covers, number of hours taught each day, number of students enrolled, subjects taught, name, age, sex, occupation, and grade of students; and general remarks. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 2x4x7. Office.

224. CENSUS ENUMERATION, 1929--. 27 bundles.
Reports of scholastic population by civil districts, showing district number, name, age, sex, color and address of pupil; physical condition of child, whether pupil is literate or illiterate, and name and address of parents. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 9x11x¼. Office.
For other records of scholastic population, see entry 7.

Record of Teachers
(See also entries 222, 223, 231, 241)

225. TEACHER'S CONTRACT, 1921--. 37 vols.
Contracts entered into by the county board of education and employed teachers, showing name of teacher, salary, date effective, date of expiration, school assignment, general provisions of the contract, and signatures of the teacher, superintendent of schools, and chairman of the board. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 50 pp. 8½x7x½. 15 vols., 1921-25, strg. rm.; 22 vols., 1926--, office.

226. TEACHER'S RECORD, 1921--. 2 vols.
A record of teachers employed, showing date, name and location of school, name of teacher, certification by state department of education, training, age, experience, marital status, subjects assigned to teach, and salary. Arr. alph. by name of teacher. No index. Hdw. and typed on ptd. form. Aver. 150 pp. 14x9½x½. Office.

227. JUDGMENT RECORD (Record of Adult Education Teachers), 1934--. 1 vol.
A record of teachers employed on the adult education program, showing name of teacher, record of training and experience, type of certificate held, date issued, and date of expiration. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 400 pp. 16x21x2½. Office.

Pupils Records
(See also entries 221, 222, 224)

228. RECORD OF BOOKS LOANED TO UNFORTUNATE CHILDREN, 1937--. 1 vol.
Record of books loaned to unfortunate children, showing names of child, teacher, and parents or guardian; and titles of books loaned. Arr. alph. by name of school and alph. thereunder by name of teacher. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 400 pp. 12x12x2. Office.

229. WORK CERTIFICATES, 1923--. 1 bundle.
Work certificates issued to children between 14 and 18 years of age authorizing them to engage in gainful employment after school hours, showing name of child, names and address of parents or guardian, age of child at last birthday, proof of health by physician's certificate, name of employer, and date certificate granted. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 3x3x7. Office.

Financial Records
(See also entries 10, 221, 225, 241)

Accounts - (See also entries 7, 25, 205, 206)

230. FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING SYSTEM, 1937--. 2 vols.
Control accounts of the superintendent, including receipts, disbursements,

payrolls, register of warrants, and breakdown of all receipts and expenditures. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of account. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 200 pp. 18x14x1. Office.

231. INDIVIDUAL RECORD OF TEACHERS ACCOUNTS, 1923--. 9 vols.
Record of salaries paid to teachers, showing date payment made, number of warrant, name of school, name of teacher, and amount paid. Arr. alph. by name of teacher. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 300 pp. 12½x8½x1¼. 4 vols., 1923-32, strg. rm.; 5 vols., 1933--, office.

232. TEACHERS PAYROLL AND TRANSPORTATION RECORD, 1936--. 1 vol.
A record of salaries paid to school teachers and bus drivers, showing date of payment, name of payee, amount, and purpose of payment. Also contains bus drivers' records of pupils transported. Arr. alph. by name of payee. No index. Hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 100 pp. 10x9x1. Office.

233. CLERK'S CASH BOOK, 1900-1901. 1 vol.
Record of allotment of school funds to school districts, based on scholastic population, and warrants issued, showing date issued, amount and purpose of payment, and balance on hand. Arr. num. by school districts and chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 250 pp. 16x11½x1¼. Strg. rm.

Vouchers and Warrants - (See also entries, 43, 44, 207)

234. VOUCHERS, 1924--. 9 bundles.
Original vouchers issued on order of the superintendent for payment of debts incurred for school supplies, showing voucher number, name of firm, purpose of payment, and amount of the voucher. Arr. num. and chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 9x4x3. Office.

235. REGISTER OF SCHOOL WARRANTS ISSUED, 1886-89, 1901-15, 1922--. 10 vols.
Register of warrants issued on school funds, showing date issued, warrant number, amount, to whom issued, and for what purpose, such as salaries, supplies, and equipment. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 400 pp. 17x16½x1½. 7 vols., 1886-89, 1901-15, strg. rm.; 3 vols., 1922--, office.

236. WARRANT STUBS (Elementary), 1925--. 17 vols.
Stubs of warrants issued for general expenses of elementary schools, such as instructional service, and operation and maintenance of school plants and auxiliary agencies, showing warrant number, to whom issued, for what purpose, date of issue, and amount of warrant. Arr. num. and chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 100 pp. 14x9x½. Office.

237. WARRANT STUBS (High School), 1922--. 20 vols.
Stubs of warrants issued for general expenses of high schools, such as instructional service, and operation and maintenance of school plants and auxiliary agencies, showing warrant number, to whom issued, for what

purpose, date of issue, and amount of warrant. Arr. num. and chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 100 pp. 15x10x½. 1 vol., 1922-23, strg. rm.; 19 vols., 1924--, office.

238. SCHOOL WARRANTS, 1918-22. 1 vol.
Record of cancelled warrants approved for payment by the county judge, showing date issued, to whom, for what purpose, amount of warrant, and date cancelled. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 500 pp. 18x12x2½. Strg. rm.

Miscellaneous

239. PAID BILLS, 1924--. 4 bundles.
Invoices for school supplies issued to county schools on order of the superintendent, showing date of invoice, name of firm, name of school, itemized list of purchases, unit price, total cost, and date payment made. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 9x5x4. Office.

240. BUS DRIVERS' CONTRACTS, 1937--. 1 vol.
Contracts between operators of school buses and the department of education, setting forth requirements for proper execution of duties, length and description of route, salary, date contract effective, and date of expiration. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 200 pp. 12x8x½. Office.

Miscellaneous

241. MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS, 1936--. 5 file boxes.
Miscellaneous records pertaining to schools, such as state instructions, letters of information, teachers' progress reports, teachers' applications, letters regarding employment, P. W. A. grants and data, attendance reports, insurance policies, and transportation records. Arr. alph. by subjects. No index. Hdw. 14x11x27. Office.

242. LIBRARY ORDERS AND APPLICATIONS FOR STATE AID, 1925--.
1 bundle.
Applications from the superintendent to the state department of education for aid in establishing libraries, the school named in the application being declared in a position to contribute a like sum to this fund. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 4x3x1. Office.

XIX. HEALTH DEPARTMENT
(Board of Health and Health Officer)

The first efforts at public health work in Tennessee were directed at control of smallpox, when the quarterly court was authorized to adopt necessary preventive measures (P.A. 1849-50, ch. 225, sec. 9, 1; 1855-56, ch. 113, sec. 5, 2). In 1875 the state medical society drafted and presented to the legislature a bill that would establish a state board of health. The bill failed to pass the senate (Report of State Board of Health, 1877-1880, 3, 4). Two years later, both houses accepted an amended bill creating the state board of health of the State of Tennessee but the board had no executive authority and was given little funds (ibid.; P.A. 1877, ch. 98), and was useful

only in advisory capacity, and this particularly during the yellow fever epidemic that ravaged the state in 1878 (Report 3, 4). In 1879, largely as a result of the board's activity during the epidemic, the legislature appropriated enough money--$3000--for the board to employ a secretary and maintain an office (ibid.; P.A. 1879, ch. 151, sec. 4).

It was immediately apparent to the state board that there were practically no local or county public health organizations, and the state board then undertook to encourage the organization of local or county boards of health (Report, 28). Wilson was one of the counties having an informal local board of health in 1880. The board was made up of four doctors and two laymen, one of the doctors designated chairman, another health officer, and one of the laymen secretary (ibid., 34).

The legislature in 1885 directed that the county judge, the county court clerk, and the county jail physician or health officer should constitute a board of health, presided over by the jail physician or health officer (P.A. 1885, ch. 95, sec. 1, 4). The board was charged with the management of the general health of the county and was directed to institute measures to control and combat actual or threatened epidemics and contagious diseases (ibid., sec. 1). It was directed that the health officer or jail physician should adopt and carry out such rules and regulations as the state board should promulgate (ibid., sec. 1). The expenses incurred by the county board were to be considered necessary county expenses and paid out of county funds (ibid., sec. 1). Later legislation re-affirmed the duty of the county board in carrying out state regulations (P.A. 1893, ch. 151, sec. 3, 10; 1905, ch. 519, sec. 3, 11).

A legislative act of 1921 authorized any county to establish a full or part-time county department of health headed by a health officer, who was to be assisted by sanitary inspectors, visiting nurses, and clerical assistants (P.A. 1921, ch. 89, sec. 1, 12). The act provided that the health officer be appointed by the quarterly court for a term of four years (ibid., sec. 4, 13). The court is required to furnish funds for the activities of the department (ibid., sec. 5, 14). The legislative act of 1921 was designed to place public health work in the state on a uniform and centralized and consequently more effective basis. Wilson County's health unit was subsequently organized under authority of the 1921 act. Recent legislation has reorganized both the state and county boards of health (P.A. 1935, 1st ex. ses., ch. 38, sec. 4, 15; 1935, 1st ex. ses., ch. 37, 17; 1937, ch. 33, secs. 1, 62-64, 18), and, in practice, the state department of public health may exercise an effective check on the county health officer's activities, and even his appointment by the county. The 1935 acts, amending sections 5777-5785 of the Code of 1932, clearly define the administration in each county. The county board of health, under the law, is composed of the county judge, the superintendent of schools, the health officer, if the county has a full time health unit, as Wilson County has; two doctors, and one dentist (P.A. 1935, 1st ex. ses., ch. 37,

sec. 1, 25, amending C 1932, 5775). The two graduate doctors are elected by the quarterly court for a term of four years each from a list of four physicians or surgeons nominated by the county medical society, and the dentist is elected by the quarterly court for a term of four years from a list of three nominated by the district dental society (ibid.). The medical and dental members are removable by the court (ibid., 22). The county board of health is a policy forming body and is authorized to institute general measures aimed at protecting the health of the county and preventing the spread of diseases and is required to maintain close contact with the state public health department in instances of actual or threatened epidemics (ibid., amending C 1932, 5783 et seq., 23). The health officer is ex-officio secretary of the board (ibid.). In event there should be no full-time health unit and consequently no county health officer, the county or jail physician is a member of the board (ibid.). Wilson County, however, has no county physician at the time. The quarterly court is supposed to elect a county physician for four years to attend the jail and poor home inmates and indigent residents of the county (P.A. 1859-60, ch. 95; 1871, ch. 115; 1873, ch. 29; 1877, ch. 160; 1885, ch. 95, sec. 4, 24; 1935, 1st ex. ses., ch. 37, 23-26; Michie's 1937 Supplement to C 1932, 5778; P.A. 1933, ch. 140, sec. 1). In the absence of a health officer, the county physician, under the supervision of the county board of health, is required to enforce the regulations set forth by the state commissioner of public health (ibid.).

Under the law, the county health department is concerned more with preventive measures such as the vaccination and inoculation of school children and other persons, sanitary inspections, educational programs, and control and prevention of epidemics, leaving the curative cases to the county physicians. In Wilson County the health department performs all of the usual functions and also cares for the jail and poor home inmates and the county poor generally.

Other public health legislation in 1935 and 1937 was directed at the state health rather than county. The state board of health, recreated and redefined in 1935 (P.A. 1935, ch. 2, 27), is now known as the public health council (P.A. 1937, ch. 33, sec. 63, 29), but its relation to the state department of public health, and thus, indirectly, to the counties, remains substantially the same.

Medical Records
(See also entries 250, 254)

243. INDEX CARDS, 1928--. 9 file boxes.
General index to all medical and general health records, showing name of patient, type of treatment, and location of the case record. Arr. alph. by names and subjects. Hdw. on ptd. form. 4x6x17.

244. IMMUNIZATION RECORD (Active and Inactive), 1928--. 17 file boxes.
Record of patients receiving serums for the prevention of smallpox,

typhoid, diphtheria and tuberculosis, showing name, date, and type of serum given; and remarks. Arr. alph. by name of patient. For index, see entry 243. Hdw. on ptd. form. 5x7x17.

245. COMMUNICABLE DISEASES, 1928--. 2 file boxes.
Record of communicable diseases and quarantines, showing nature of disease, name and address of patient, date of inception, treatment, and removal of quarantine. Arr. alph. by name or type of disease and alph. thereunder by name of patient. For index, see entry 243. Hdw. on ptd. form. 5x8x17.

246. VENEREAL DISEASES (Active and Inactive Cases), 1928--. 1 file box.
Record of venereal disease treatments given, showing name of patient, type of disease, laboratory tests made, dates of treatments, and results. Arr. alph. by name of patient. For index, see entry 243. Hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 5x8x17.

247. X-RAY REPORTS, 1928--. 1 file box.
Reports on examinations by x-ray, showing name of patient, date of examination, name of person making the examination, and findings. Arr. alph. by name of patient. For index, see entry 243. Hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 5x8x17.

248. SCHOOL RECORDS, 1928--. 3 file boxes.
Record of clinic attendance at schools, showing names of children, number of immunizations given, recommendations for further treatment, date clinics held, and names of doctors and nurses serving. Arr. chron. For index, see entry 243. Hdw. on ptd. form. 13½x11½x27½.

249. ACTIVE FAMILY FOLDERS, 1928--. 13 file boxes.
General medical records of families, showing health record of members, visits of doctors and nurses, with recommendations given, and treatment administered; survey of sanitary conditions, record of births, laboratory reports, and relative correspondence. Arr. alph. by family name. For index, see entry 243. Hdw. on ptd. forms. 6x9½x17.

Examinations and Inspections
(See also entries 247, 248, 254)

250. HEALTH RECORDS, 1928--. 12 file boxes (lettered)
Record of general health examinations of school children, showing name, address and age of child; immunizations given, and family history. Arr. alph. by name of child. For index, see entry 243. Hdw. on ptd. form. 9x13x15.

251. SANITARY WORK, 1928--. 2 file boxes.
Daily records made by sanitary inspectors, including reports on routine inspections of homes and premises, answering of complaints, and

correction of unhealthful conditions. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 5x8x17.

Vital Statistics

252. SUMMARIES OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS, 1928--. 6 file boxes. Record of births and deaths. Birth records show name, sex, color of child; place of birth, parents' names, address, age, place of birth, occupation of father, and name of attending physician or midwife. Death records show name, age, sex, and color of deceased; place and cause of death, names of parents and attending physician, and, in case of death by violence, the name of the coroner. Arr. chron. For index, see entry 243. Hdw. on ptd. form. 5x8x17.

For other vital statistics, see entries 66, 67.

Financial Record

253. CASH BOOK, 1935--. 2 vols. Record of appropriations to budgetary items and disbursements charged to same, showing amount, date and purpose of disbursement, and name of payee. Arr. chron. Indexed alph. by name of account. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 200 pp. 12x7½x1.

Miscellaneous

254. CORRESPONDENCE, 1928--. 1 file box. General correspondence relative to all activities of this department. Arr. alph. by name of correspondent and chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. and typed. 30x14x14.

XX. SURVEYOR

In the early history of the county, under the government of the proprietors, the making of land surveys was under the authority of the high steward's court. The office of surveyor is not a constitutional one, but it was a very short time after the framing of the North Carolina Constitution of 1776 definitely established as a permanent county office.

This office grew out of the need for establishing title to land in the public domain when an entry-taker was provided for each county. The claimant made affidavit to his claim and upon its being recorded, the surveyor received an order from the entry-taker to survey the territory described in the affidavit. The county court was authorized to elect a surveyor to serve during good behavior, compensation being on a fee basis (Laws of N. C., 1777, ch. 1).

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The surveyor continued on this basis except for minor changes until 1806 when the state was divided into six land districts and a surveyor for each district was elected by joint ballot of the legislature. He was allowed deputies, chain carriers, and other necessary helpers (P.A. 1806, ch. 1). One of the first acts of the Wilson County court, when it convened in 1799, was to elect a surveyor (Goodspeed's History, 846).

Following the cession of the western territory and the evacuation of the Indians, other districts were created until a total of thirteen was reached. This system remained in effect until 1835 when a legislative act provided for the election of a surveyor by the quarterly court (P.A. 1835-36, ch. 2, sec. 4, 2; ch. 73, sec. 2, 3), the practice today. The court may fix the surveyor's compensation (P.A. 1859-60, ch. 120, sec. 4, 1).

The surveyor's chief duties are: to make surveys directed to him by any court of record in the state, to survey any lot or piece of land in the county for any person paying the required fee (P.A. 1873, ch. 9, sec. 3, 4), and to test his surveying instruments by the Meridian line every six months (P.A. 1871, ch. 120, secs. 2, 3, 5).

Field Notes

255. FIELD BOOKS, 1914--. 85 vols. (1-85).
Notes made by the surveyor in the field, showing date of the survey, name of property owner, location and description of property by metes and bounds, and remarks. Arr. chron. Indexed in separate vol. Hdw. Aver. 120 pp. 7x4x$\frac{1}{4}$. Office.

256. INDEX TO FIELD NOTES, 1914--. 1 vol.
A general index to field notes, showing name of landowner, location and description of property, whether farm, town, or subdivision property; and number of field book in which notes are recorded. Arr. alph. by name of property owner. Hdw. 137 pp. 10$\frac{1}{2}$x8$\frac{1}{2}$x$\frac{1}{2}$. Office.

257. FIELD NOTE REPORTS, 1928--. 4 folders.
Copies of reports made from field notes of surveys made, showing location and description of property, name of owner, measurements, topography of land, and date survey made. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. 16x10x$\frac{1}{2}$. Office.

Maps and Blue Prints

258. ENGINEERING RECORDS, 1914--. 2 vols.
Rough drawings made by the surveyor, showing location and description of property, measurements of property, and rough outlines by metes and bounds. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. Aver. 150 pp. 7x5x$\frac{1}{2}$. Office.

259. MAPS AND DRAWINGS, 1914--. (approx.) 200 Maps.
Blue prints, maps, rough outlines, and sketches of property surveyed, and drawings and outlines of streets, sewers, and watermains. No arr. No index. Scales vary. Sizes vary. Office.

XXI. HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
(County Road Commission)

Throughout the nineteenth century and well into the twentieth, county highway and road construction and maintenance were organized in a casual and cumbersome system that proved almost totally ineffective with the coming of motor transportation.

Practically all authority concerning roads and bridges was lodged in the quarterly county court (P.A. 1804, ch. 1, secs. 17, 89; 1883, ch. 128, sec. 1; 2 Swan 207; 5 Lea 161). Sometimes turnpike, bridge, and ferry corporations were chartered and allowed to build roads and bridges and maintain ferries and collect tolls (Hamer, op. cit., 385-387; P.A. 1877, ch. 101), but generally road construction and maintenance depended on requiring male residents of the county to work on roads a specified number of days or pay a commutation tax (P.A. 1804, ch. 1, 1; 1881, ch. 38; 1882, ch. 18; 1883, ch. 128; 1891, ch. 1, 2).

The administrative set-up in the county was changed and re-defined from time to time but there were no fundamental changes in the system. Roads were classified as turnpikes, and as district roads (P.A. 1883, ch. 167; 1881, ch. 38; 1891, ch. 1, 3). A district commissioner, operating through section overseers, summoned residents of the district and section to work on the roads or pay a commutation tax (P.A. 1881, ch. 38; 1883, ch. 128). Turnpike commissioners, provided for in 1883, had general supervision over turnpike roads throughout the county and expended the turnpike levies (P.A. 1883, ch. 167). The road tax, payable in labor and money, was fixed by the quarterly court (P.A. 1891, ch. 1, 4). Commissioners and overseers received small salaries (P.A. 1881, ch. 38, sec. 36).

Various road and highway taxes were levied on property. Head taxes were frequently levied and sometimes assessments were made on property within a single improvement district (P.A. 1804, ch. 1, 5; 1881, ch. 38; 1891, ch. 1, 6; 1913, 1st ex. ses., ch. 25, sec. 6, 7; 1919, ch. 175, sec. 5, 8; 1921, ch. 134, 9).

A general law of 1891 declared all prisoners confined in the county workhouse available to the highway authorities (P.A. 1891, ch. 1, sec. 37, 10). The general workhouse law, passed simultaneously, authorized the county to establish a workhouse or to declare the jail a workhouse (P.A. 1891, ch. 123, secs. 1, 2, 11).

Since 1911 there have been at least fourteen special road laws regulating Wilson County's road administration. A 1911 act created a three member road commission for each civil district in the county (Pr.A.

1911, ch. 38). This act, as amended (Pr.A. 1917, ch. 695; 1920, ex. ses., ch. 94; 1921, ch. 825), remained in force until 1925. The controlling act of 1933 (Pr.A. 1933, ch. 463), except for the amendments to it (Pr.A. 1937, ch. 64) is almost an exact copy of three previous acts (Pr.A. 1925, ch. 347; 1927, ch. 475; 1929, ch. 364), the chief difference being in the persons named to the commission until the quarterly court could make appointments in the manner set forth in the acts (ibid.).

The Wilson County road commission is composed of four members, one from each of four geographical sections of the county, elected by the quarterly court for terms of two years each, and of the county judge who is ex-officio chairman (Pr.A. 1933, ch. 463, sec. 1). The commission, aside from the powers and duties specifically conferred on it, has all the powers and duties conferred on a county workhouse commission under the general law (ibid.; P.A. 1891, ch. 123, 12). The commission has general and detailed supervision over public roads and special county highways (Pr.A. 1933, ch. 463, sec. 1), receives applications and petitions (ibid., sec. 13), makes purchases (ibid., sec. 12), appoints workhouse guards (ibid., sec. 15), and may, when necessary, appoint a civil engineer (ibid., sec. 19). The secretary of the commission is ex-officio the superintendent of the workhouse (ibid., sec. 15), apparently serving during good behavior.

The offices of district road commissioner and overseer, recreated by the act of 1933 (ibid., sec. 3), were abolished in 1937 (Pr.A. 1937, ch. 64, sec. 1). Road duty was likewise abolished (ibid., sec. 1) and a tax, payable in money, was substituted by the 1937 act (ibid., secs. 1, 2). Those lengthy sections of the 1933 act dealing with road commissioners and overseers, road hands, and the commutation tax (Pr.A. 1933, ch. 463, secs. 3, 4, 7, 21) were completely deleted by the amendatory act of 1937 (Pr.A. 1937, ch. 64, sec. 1).

Minutes and Reports
(See also entries 5, 6, 8, 25, 35)

260. RECORDS OF ROAD COMMISSION (Original Papers), 1924-29, 1934--. 11 file boxes. Records, 1930-33, destroyed by fire.

Reports of district road commissioners, showing invoices paid and unpaid, vouchers and receipts for money expended, and a detailed account of all supplies, materials, and equipment purchased. Arr. alph. by name of commissioner. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 13x11½x14. 7 file boxes, 1924-29, strg. rm.; 4 file boxes, 1934--, office.

261. MINUTE BOOK, 1883-90, 1912-22, 1934--. 4 vols. (1; 3 vols. not labeled). Title varies: 1893-90, Road Book; 1912-22, Road Commissioners' Reports.

Exact proceedings of meetings of the road commission, showing nature of business transacted, record of appropriations made for materials, supplies, equipment, and salaries; and final disposition of all business. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. Aver. 600 pp. 18½x13x3¼. Office.

Financial Records
(See also entries 21, 27, 28, 33, 35, 44, 202-204)

262. PAYROLL, 1924-28, 1934--. 5 vols., 1 file box. Records, 1929-33, destroyed by fire.
Record of salaries paid to employees of this department, showing date of payment, name of employee, type of employment, number of hours worked, rate of pay per hour, and amount paid. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Vols. aver. 200 pp. 18½x11½x1; file box 12x11½x3½. 5 vols., 1924-28, strg. rm.; 1 file box, 1934--, office.

263. REQUISITION BOOK, 1935--. 50 vols.
Record of orders issued by secretary of the commission and signed by the county judge, for supplies, material, or equipment to be delivered to bearer, showing date of order, quantity, unit price, total cost, and name of dealer. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 100 pp. 6x8x½. Office.
For other records of orders, see entry 35.

264. ROAD WARRANT REGISTER, 1900-1917, 1923-25, 1934--. 6 vols. (1, 1, 2, 1-3). Records, 1918-22, destroyed by fire. Title varies: 1900-1917, Road Warrants Cancelled.
Register of warrants issued for road expense, showing number of warrant, date issued, amount, to whom issued, and for what purpose. Arr. num. by civil districts and chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 350 pp. 17½x13x2. 4 vols., 1900-1925, strg. rm.; 2 vols., 1934--, office.

265. ROAD WARRANTS (Stubs), 1896-1900, 1924-28, 1934--. 31 vols. Records, 1929-33, destroyed by fire.
Stubs of warrants issued for road expense, showing date issued, warrant number, amount, to whom issued, and for what purpose. Arr. num. and chron. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 100 pp. 16½x13x½. 8 vols., 1896-1928, strg. rm.; 23 vols., 1934--, office.

Record of Prisoners
(See also entry 190)

266. PAID EXECUTIONS, 1934--. 1 file box.
Justice of the peace executions for court costs paid by the defendant, showing date issued, name of issuing officer, name of defendant, offense charged, amounts of fine and costs, and date of payment. No arr. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 12x11½x3½. Office.

267. MITTIMUS, 1934--. 1 file box.
Mittimuses of prisoners committed to jail and subsequently allowed to work out fines and costs on the roads, showing date of issuance, by whom issued, against whom, offense charged, amount of fine and costs, and name of serving officer. No arr. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 12x11½x3½. Office.

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XXII. POOR COMMISSION
(And Superintendent of the Poor Home)

An act of 1797 authorized the county court to provide for the needy at the expense of the court (P.A. 1797, ch. 5), but it was 1826 before any comprehensive system was outlined. Wilson County's poor commission, the administrative agency for caring for the county's poor, functions under general laws of 1826, 1827, 1889, and 1929. The poor law of 1826 directed that the county, through the county court and a commission appointed by the court, make suitable provision for the care of the county's poor (P.A. 1826, ch. 56, sec. 2, 1). Subsequent legislation has made the poor commission a permanent body (P.A. 1879, ch. 102, 2; 1889, ch. 150, 3). Under the statutes, the three commissioners are elected by the quarterly court for three year terms (ibid.), but in Wilson County the members are appointed by the county judge from the membership of the court. Wilson County's poor commission probably dates from 1829 when the quarterly court appointed a three member commission to pick a site for a poor home (Goodspeed's History, 847).

The commissioners are empowered to prescribe rules and regulations for the management of the county poor farm and for the treatment of the inmates of the poor home or asylum, to prescribe the manner in which the inmates live, to appoint a suitable superintendent, to receive bond of the superintendent, and to deliver this bond to the county court clerk (P.A. 1827, ch. 112, sec. 6, 4).

The commissioners elect one of their own number chairman and are required to keep minutes of their proceedings in a well-bound book. Money is expended on the commission's signed order, describing in detail the purposes for which it is intended and is approved by the quarterly county court before it is delivered to the county judge. The commission is required to keep account books, listing all expenditures and details concerning expenditures, and to preserve all vouchers. The account book and vouchers are delivered to the county judge once a year (C 1932, 4802-4804). The commission is required to make an annual report to the quarterly court, including a report on the condition of the poor and other important matters (ibid., 4813, 4814). The commissioners are entitled to a reasonable compensation, to be fixed by the court (ibid., 4815).

The superintendent of the poor home or farm overlooks and manages the institution under rules the commission prescribes (P.A. 1827, ch. 112, sec. 6, 5). Appointed by the commission, the superintendent serves during good behavior (ibid.). The superintendent is required to submit an annual report to the commission (C 1932, 8412). His compensation is fixed by the court (ibid., 4815).

268. POOR HOUSE COMMISSIONERS ACCOUNT BOOK (Minutes of Poor Commission), 1875-78. 1 vol.
Proceedings of the meetings of the commissioners, showing date and place of meeting, and reports of the superintendent on inmates, bills incurred, condition of the institution, financial affairs, and equipment; policies to be followed, and recommendations. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. 88 pp. 15x6x½. Co. ct. clk's. office.

For other records of the Poor Home, see entries 1, 2.

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XXIII. AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT
(Farm and Home Demonstration Agents and Agricultural Extension Committee)

The so-called county agricultural department is composed of the county farm agent, the home demonstration agent, and any necessary clerical assistants. Representing the quarterly county court is the agricultural extension committee, a statutory body designated by the court, and serving the department in an advisory capacity, particularly in the selection of employees (P.A. 1929, ch. 81, sec. 5, 1).

The appointment of a farm agent and related officers was made much easier by a 1914 act of Congress, the Smith-Lever bill, which authorized the granting of financial aid to counties which had appointed farm demonstration agents or desired to do so. The county agent is selected jointly by the extension committee and the cooperative extension service of the University of Tennessee; the selection is technically subject to the approval of the quarterly court (P.A. 1929, ch. 81, sec. 5, 2). Wilson County first had a farm agent in 1915 and a home demonstration agent in 1917 (Statement of Cooperative Extension Work, University of Tennessee). The department fell on evil days, was discontinued, and was revived in 1934. The Wilson County agricultural extension committee is composed of seven citizens appointed by the quarterly court for one year terms. Since the life of the department is conditioned on an annual appropriation by the court, the term of office of the agents is, in effect, one year.

The county farm agent's contact is mainly with the men, instructing and advising them on such matters as cultivation, and marketing, and encouraging the boys to stay on the farm. The home demonstration agent, a woman, is in charge of rural home economics, such as canning, sewing, handicraft, gardening, home improvement, and other matters of interest to the farm women and girls.

A legislative act of 1929 set aside $160,000 annually to be used in matching Federal funds for aid to counties as provided by the Capper-Ketchum bill, passed by Congress in 1928 (P.A. 1929, ch. 81, 3). Thus under the present set-up, the expenses of the department are met by state, county, and Federal funds. The 1929 enactment is designed to further such activities as practical demonstration instruction in agriculture and home economics, conducting 4-H Clubs, introducing new crops and methods, developing new and more efficient methods of marketing, and, in general, making rural life more desirable and attractive (ibid., sec. 2, 4).

The records of the office were not systematically preserved before 1934.

County Farm Agent
(See also entries 1, 2)

General Index

269. CARD FILE INDEX, 1934--. 5 file boxes.
An index to all records kept by the farm agent, showing the location of

all records by file box, subject, or other classification. Arr. alph. by names and subjects. Hdw. on ptd. form. 25x15x12½.

4-H Club Work

270. BOYS 4-H WORK (Secretary's Record), 1934--. 1 desk drawer. A record of boys' 4-H club work, showing name and address of member, special interest of each, projects undertaken, and performances; name of club officers and attendance records at club meetings. Arr. alph. by name of member. For index, see entry 269. Hdw. on ptd. form. 17x12x8.

271. MEMBERSHIP CARDS (4-H Clubs), 1935--. 1 desk drawer. Membership cards of all club members, showing name and address of member, civil district number, date enrolled, term of membership, name of club, work project selected, and subjects studied. Arr. alph. by club name and alph. thereunder by name of member. For index, see entry 269. Hdw. on ptd. form. 4x4x10.

Contracts with the Government

272. APPLICATION FOR WHEAT ALLOTMENT CONTRACTS, 1934-35. 1 file box. Discontinued.
Applications for contracts for participation in the wheat reduction program, showing name and address of applicant, whether tenant or owner; date of application, size of farm, map of farm lands, acres seeded, and production schedule prior to 1934. Arr. alph. by name of farmer. For index, see entry 269. Hdw. on ptd. form. 25x15x12½.

273. COTTON CONTRACTS, 1934-35. 1 file box. Discontinued. Cotton acreage reduction contracts of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration with cotton farmers, showing number and date of contract, name of producer, tenure, location, description, and acreage of the farm; total acreage in cultivation, and schedule of production prior to 1934. Arr. alph. by name of farmer. For index, see entry 269. Hdw. on ptd. form. 25x15x12½.

274. CORN-HOG CONTRACTS, 1934-35. 9 file boxes. Discontinued. Record of production adjustment contracts, showing name of farmer, location and description of farm, agreements on corn and hog production, and certification of farmer by the county agent. Arr. alph. by name of farmer. For index, see entry 269. Hdw. on ptd. form. 25x15x12½.

275. TOBACCO PRODUCTION ADJUSTMENT CONTRACTS, 1934-35. 5 file boxes. Discontinued.
Contracts with Agricultural Adjustment Administration made by producer through the farm agent, showing name of tobacco farmer, whether owner or tenant; number of acres in cultivation, agreement as to payments for reduction, date and number of contract, and schedule of production prior to 1934. Arr. alph. by name of farmer. For index, see entry 269. Hdw. on ptd. form. 25x15x12½.

Agriculture Department - Home Demonstration Agent (276-282)

276. SOIL EROSION PROGRAM, 1936--. 1 desk drawer.
Record of agents' activities in soil conservation work, including a description of acreage treated by terracing, digging of ponds, and making of ditches, showing name of owner, location of land, type of work, and date work performed. Arr. alph. by name of farm owner. For index, see entry 269. Hdw. on ptd. form. 17x12x8.

277. AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION PROGRAM, 1936--. 5 file boxes.
Statistics on farms in the county, showing name of farm owner or overseer, number of acres, description and location of land, and acreage in cultivation by various crops. Arr. alph. by name of farm owner. For index, see entry 269. Hdw. on ptd. form. 25x15x12½.

Miscellaneous

278. WILSON COUNTY CO-OPERATIVE HEREFORD SALE, 1936--. 1 file box.
Record of cooperative cattle sales sponsored by the farm agent, showing name of owner of cattle, name of purchaser, and sale price. Arr. alph. by name of owner. For index, see entry 269. Hdw. on ptd. form. 25x15x12½.

Home Demonstration Agent
(See also entries 1, 2)

279. ENROLLMENT CARDS (Girls 4-H Clubs), 1935--. 1 desk drawer.
Membership cards of girls' 4-H clubs, showing name and address of member, school attended, special interests of each, projects undertaken, performances, names of club officers, and attendance records at meetings. Arr. alph. by name of school and alph. thereunder by name of member. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 4x4x10.

280. WOMEN'S CLUBS (Enrollment), 1935--. 1 file box.
Enrollment data for women's clubs, showing name of member, date enrolled, address and community center, type of activity undertaken, and remarks. Arr. alph. by name of community and alph. thereunder by name of club member. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 4x4x12.

281. MISCELLANEOUS FILES, 1935--. 4 file boxes.
materials used by the agent in connection with various activities, such as programs, home management, home building, decorations, study of clothing and textiles, preparation of food, and canning. Arr. alph. by subjects. No index. Hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 10x10x24.

282. CORRESPONDENCE, 1935--. 1 desk drawer.
Miscellaneous correspondence pertaining to activities of the office of the demonstration agent. Arr. alph. by name of correspondent or subject and chron. thereunder. No index. Hdw. and typed. 5x12x24.

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APPENDIX

Table of Code Section Numbers

The underscored numerals immediately following the citations to the statutes throughout the historical and legal sections of the inventory correspond to the numbers in the left hand column of section A of this table, which in turn indicate the sections of the various codes and compilations wherein the statutes already cited, or in some instances, substantially similar ones, are recorded or codified.

The underscored numerals, or column headings, in this section are abbreviations of the titles of the several codes and compilations. The abbreviation, 1858, is of Meigs and Cooper's Code of Tennessee of 1857-58, the first official code of the state; 1871, of Thompson and Steger's Statutes of Tennessee, 1871; 1884, of Milliken and Vertrees' Code of Tennessee, 1884; 1896, of Shannon's Code of Tennessee, 1896; 1917, of Shannon's Annotated Code of Tennessee, 1917-1919; and 1932, of the Williams-Shannon-Harsh official Code of Tennessee, 1932, which is, as amended since its enactment in 1931, the controlling public law. Immediately following section A of this table, and as a supplement to it, is the single column heading 1937, the abbreviation of the 1937 Cumulative Supplement to Michie's Tennessee Code of 1932. The sections of the 1937 supplement are given in section B of the table if they embrace statutes which are cited in this inventory, and which were enacted between January 13, 1933, and May 21, 1937. The 1937 supplement numbers have been omitted from the first section of this table, but these omissions are indicated by asterisks, which indicate that the 1937 supplement section numbers may be found in section B of the table.

Much the same rules as adopted by the code compilers in their references to prior codes have been followed in this table. In many instances there are section numbers of codes which ante-date the statute cited, this meaning that the sections of the codes which ante-date the statute, while arising in earlier legislative enactments, are substantially similar to provisions in the more recent codes, which arose in later legislation. It is thus possible to trace the development of a certain provision through several codes and statutes. For example, the office of tax assessor is regulated almost entirely by an act of 1907, yet references are made to the code of 1896. While 1896 code sections affecting this office arose in earlier legislative enactments, they are either substantially similar to the controlling law or show the process of evolution of the office.

No attempt was made to show the section numbers of code provisions which have been repealed and no related or corresponding provisions have been carried over into the official code of 1932.

Inclusive code section numbers are shown by a dash following the first number and an indention of the second number.

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1. GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION AND RECORDS SYSTEM

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
1	10193	5992	5992	4954	4179	4179
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					4186	4186
2	10193	5992	5992	4954	4179	4179
					4180	4180
					4186	4186
3	161	221	221	207	127	127
	10193	5992	5992	4954	4179	4179
					4180	4180
					4186	4186
4	10193	5992	5992	4954	4179	4179
					4180	4180
					4186	4186
	1048	649	649	466	489	489
	10212	6013	6013	4969	4193	4193
5	10137	5936	5936	4899	4124	4124
	9726	5556	5556	4525	3777	3777
6	8624	4497	4497	3497	2800	2800
	10136(6)	5935(6)	5935(6)	4898(6)	4123(6)	4123(6)
	10137	5936	5936	4899	4124	4124
7	11470(2)	6931(2)	6931(2)	5798(2)	4970(2)	4970(2)
8	11470(6)	6931(6)	6931(6)	5798(6)	4970(6)	4970(6)
	11653	7107	7107	5973	5144	5144
9	772	520	520	486	424	424
	782	530	530	495	434	434
	783	531	531	496	435	435
	784	532	532	497	436	436
	785	533	533	498	437	437
	807	558	558	520	446	446
	826	571	571	533	457	457
10	712	465	465	431	375	375
	713	466	466	432	376	376
11	10221	6022	6022	4977	4197	4197
	10222	6023	6023	4978	4198	4198
	10082(1)	5882(1)	5882(1)	4843(1)	4067(1)	4067(1)
	10223	6025	6025	4979	4199	4199
	769	517	517	483	421	421
					421a	
	769(1)	517(1)	517(1)	483(1)		
	769(3)	517(3)	517(3)	483(3)		
	769(4)	517(4)	517(4)	483(4)		
	769(5)	517(5)	517(5)	483(5)		
	769(6)	517(6)	517(6)	483(6)		
	769(7)	517(7)	517(7)	483(7)		
	769(8)	517(8)	517(8)	483(8)		
	769(9)	517(9)	517(9)	483(9)		

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
	770	518	518	484	422	422
	10082(2)	5882(2)	5882(2)	4843(2)	4067(2)	4067(2)
	10082(3)	5882(3)	5882(3)	4843(3)	4067(3)	4067(3)
	10224	6026	6026	4979	4200	4200
12	1336	761	761	622	557	557
	1337	761a1	761a1			
13*						
14*						
15						
16	5775	3106	3106			
17*						
18	2317-2330					
19	772	520	520	486	424	424
	782	530	530	495	434	434
	783	531	531	496	435	435
	784	532	532	497	436	436
	785	533	533	498	437	437
	807	558	558	520	446	446
	826	571	571	533	457	457
20	782	530	530	495	434	434
21	1419	801	801			
	1421	801a2	801			
	1422	802	802			
	1423	802a1				
	1424	802a2				
	1425-1446	802a3-805a11	805			
22	5785					
23	5775-5778	3106-3111	3106-3111			
24	1650-1652	935-937	935-937			
25	2545					
26	4792-4794	2678-2680	2678-2680	2101-2103	1594-1596	1594-1596
27	4798	2681	2681	2104	1597	1597
28	4798	2681	2681	2104	1597	1597
29	5778	3109	3109			
30	5778	3109	3109			
31	5775-5778	3106-3109	3106-3109			
32	4809	2692	2692	2115	1608	1608
	4811	2694	2694	2117	1610	1610
33	2544					
	2545					
34	8143	3933	3933	3041	2201	2201
35*						
36	10057	5855	5855			
37	10052(8)	5852(8)	5852(8)	4816(8)	4040(8)	4040(8)
	10099(2)	5899(2)	5899(2)	4861(2)	4085(2)	4085(2)
	10530	6245	6245	5178	4433	4433

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Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
1	10193	5992	5992	4954	4179	4179
					4180	4180
					4186	4186
2	161	221	221	207	127	127
	10193	5992	5992	4954	4179	4179
					4180	4180
					4186	4186
3	10193	5992	5992	4954	4179	4179
					4180	4180
					4186	4186
	1048	649	649	466	489	489
	10212	6013	6013	4968	4193	4193
4	10218	6019	6019	4974	4190	4190
	10201	6003	6003	4959		
	10215	6016	6016	4971		
	10216	6017	6017	4972		
	10217	6018	6018	4973		
5	10213	6014	6014	4969	4194	4194
	1907	1146	1146	1013	819	819
	1909	1148	1148	1014	820	820
6	4820	2704	2704	2127	1620	1620
	10239	6042	6042	4986	4212	4212
7	10240	6043	6043	4986	4213	4213
8	9086	4933	4933	3916	3195	3195
9	10242(11)	6045(11)	6045(11)	4987(11)	4215(11)	4215(11)
10	1048	649	649	466	489	489
	10212	6013	6013	4968	4193	4193
11	10214	6015	6015	4970	4195	4195
12	10213	6014	6014	4969	4194	4194
	1907	1146	1146	1013	819	819
	1909	1148	1148	1014	820	820
13	10217	6018	6018	4973		
14	10218	6019	6019	4974	4190	4190
	10201	6003	6003	4959		
	10215-	6016-	6016-	4971-		
	10217	6018	6018	4973		
15	1045	648	648	565	488	488
16	1045	648	648	565	488	488
17	1045	648	648	565	488	488
	1253	701a1				
	3329	1916a1				
18	1046	648a1	648			
	1047	648a2	648			
19	1051	652	652	569	491d	491d
20	1045	648	648	565	488	488
	1253	701a1				
	3329	1916a1				
21	1045	648	648	565	488	488

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
	10082(3)	5882(3)	5882(3)	4843(3)	4067(3)	4067(3)
	769	517	517	483	421	421
	770	518	518	484	422	422
2	769	517	517	483	421	421
	770	518	518	484	422	422
3	769	517	517	483	421	421
	770	518	518	484	422	422
4	1065	669	669	582	525	525
5	1065	669	669	582	525	525
	1125	694	694			
6	1070	674	674			
	12221	7594	7594	6443	5570	5570
7	1065	669	669	582	525	525
8	1065	669	669	582	525	525
	1125	694	694			
9	769	517	517	483	421	421
	770	518	518	484	422	422
10	769	517	517	483	421	421
	770	518	518	484	422	422
11	1060	661	661	578	521	521

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Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
1	5121					
2	1549					
	1546					
3	1734	1007	1007	873	704	704
4	1734	1007	1007	873	704	704
5	1065	669	669	582	525	525
	1125	694	694			
6	1468					
7	1479					
8	1499-	823-	823			
	1507	823a8				
9	1699	978	978	846		
	1700	978a1				
	1706-	982-	982-	848-		
	1711	986a1	986	852		
10	1484	812	812			
11	128	109	109	96	876	876
12	1536					
13	1535					
	1536					
	1540					
14	3293	1882	1882	1576		
	3295	1884	1884	1578		
	3298	1887	1887	1581		

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
15	3294- 3300	1883- 1889	1883- 1889	1577- 1583		
16	1688	972a6	972			
17	1340- 1346	764- 766a1	764- 766			
	1375- 1384	785a1- 789	785- 789			
18	1687	972a5	972			
19	1713 1714					
20	6694- 6698	3608a121- 3608a125				
21	6482- 6484	3385- 3387	3385- 3387	2602	1885a	
22	5874					
23	5875					
24	5876					
25	10087	5888	5888	4849	4073	4073
26	10087	5888	5888	4849	4073	4073
27	6918- 6940	3609a13- 3609a36	3609			
28	6918	3609a13	3609			
29	7018- 7023					
30	6945	3630	3630			
31	6945	3630	3630			
32	7035 7037					
33*						
34	7007	3654a8	3654			
35	7042	3654a44	3654			
36	7073	3654a74	3654			
	7074	3654a75	3654			
37	6721					
38*						
39	7047- 7050	3654a49- 3654a52	3654			
40	6930	3609a26	3609a26			
	6931	3609a27	3609a27			
41	2783	1656	1656	1362	1199	1199
42	3945	2213	2213			
43	3948	2216	2216			
44	1285					
45	6723					
46	5067- 5071	2840- 2844	2840- 2844	2164- 2168	1654- 1658	1654- 1658
47	1691	974	974	842	678	678
	1694- 1700	976a1- 978a1	976- 978			
	1705	980	980			
48	1692	975	975	843		
	1693	976	976	844		

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
49	1701	979	979	847		
50	1702	979a1	979			
51	1703	979a2				
52	1704	979a3				
53	1706-1711	982-982a1	982-986	848-852		
54	1491	819	819	668		
55	1712					
56	1725					
57	6772	3608a79				
58	10053	5852a1				
59	1061	662	662	579	522	522
	1062	663	663	580	523	523
60	1149					
	1152					
	1153					
61	1149					
62*						
63	1164					
64*						
65	1163					

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Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
1	816(1)-816(8)	567(1)-567(8)	567(1)-567(8)	529(1)-529(8)	454(1)-454(8)	454(1)-454(8)
	7665-7668	3749-3752	3749-3752	2887-2890	2072-2075	2072-2075
2	816(5)-816(8)	567(5)-567(8)	567(5)-567(8)	529(5)-529(8)	454(5)-454(8)	454(5)-454(8)
3	816(7)	567(7)	567(7)	529(7)	454(7)	454(7)
4	816(9)	567(9)	567(9)	529(9)	454(9)	454(9)
	7671	3760	3760	2897	2083	2083
	117	100	100	87	82	82
	11919-11922	7317-7320	7317-7320	6184-6187	5339-5342	5339-5342
5	816(11)	567(11)	567(11)	529(11)	454(11)	454(11)
6	817-820					
7	7621(1)-7621(10)	3697(1)-3697(10)	3697(1)-3697(10)	2837(1)-2837(10)	2030(1)-2030(10)	2030(1)-2030(10)
	7630	3712	3712	2850	2038	2038
8	7621(2)	3697(2)	3697(2)	2837(2)	2030(2)	2030(2)
9	7621(2)	3697(2)	3697(2)	2837(2)	2030(2)	2030(2)
	7621(4)	3697(4)	3697(4)	2837(4)	2030(4)	2030(4)
	7621(5)	3697(5)	3697(5)	2837(5)	2030(5)	2030(5)
	7621(7)	3697(7)	3697(7)	2837(7)	2030(7)	2030(7)
	7621(8)	3697(8)	3697(8)	2837(8)	2030(8)	2030(8)
	7622	3698	3698	2838	2031	2031

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
	7630	3712	3712	2850	2038	2038
	7631	3713	3713	2851	2039	2039
	7643	3728	3728	2866	2053	2053
10	7621(1)	3697(1)	3697(1)	2837(1)	2030(1)	2030(1)
	7621(2)	3697(2)	3697(2)	2837(2)	2030(2)	2030(2)
	7621(4)	3697(4)	3697(4)	2837(4)	2030(4)	2030(4)
	7621(5)	3697(5)	3697(5)	2837(5)	2030(5)	2030(5)
	7621(7)	3697(7)	3697(7)	2837(7)	2030(7)	2030(7)
	7621(8)	3697(8)	3697(8)	2837(8)	2030(8)	2030(8)
	7621(10)	3697(10)	3697(10)	2837(10)	2030(10)	2030(10)
	7630	3712	3712	2850	2038	2038
11	7621(2)	3697(2)	3697(2)	2837(2)	2030(2)	2030(2)
	7621(4)	3697(4)	3697(4)	2837(4)	2030(4)	2030(4)
	7630	3712	3712	2850	2038	2038
12	7621(3)	3697(3)	3697(3)	2837(3)	2030(3)	2030(3)
13	7596	3671	3671	2811	2005	2005
	7621(4)	3697(4)	3697(4)	2837(4)	2030(4)	2030(4)
	7630	3712	3712	2850	2038	2038
14	7621(4)	3697(4)	3697(4)	2837(4)	2030(4)	2030(4)
15	7621(4)	3697(4)	3697(4)	2837(4)	2030(4)	2030(4)
	7621(7)	3697(7)	3697(7)	2837(7)	2030(7)	2030(7)
	7621(8)	3697(8)	3697(8)	2837(8)	2030(8)	2030(8)
16	7621(4)	3697(4)	3697(4)	2837(4)	2030(4)	2030(4)
	7621(7)	3697(7)	3697(7)	2837(7)	2030(7)	2030(7)
	7621(8)	3697(8)	3697(8)	2837(8)	2030(8)	2030(8)
	7621(11)	3697(11)	3697(11)	2837(11)	2030(11)	2030(11)
	7626	3706	3706	2844	2033	2033
	7627	3707	3707	2845	2034	2034
	7630	3712	3712	2850	2038	2038
17	7621(2)	3697(2)	3697(2)	2837(2)	2030(2)	2030(2)
	7621(4)	3697(4)	3697(4)	2837(4)	2030(4)	2030(4)
	7621(5)	3697(5)	3697(5)	2837(5)	2030(5)	2030(5)
	7621(7)	3697(7)	3697(7)	2837(7)	2030(7)	2030(7)
	7621(8)	3697(8)	3697(8)	2837(8)	2030(8)	2030(8)
	7622	3698	3698	2838	2031	2031
	7630	3712	3712	2850	2038	2038
	7631	3713	3713	2851	2039	2039
	7643	3728	3728	2866	2053	2053
	7192	3664	3664	2809	2003	2003
18	7621(1)-7621(10)	3697(1)-3697(10)	3697(1)-3697(10)	2837(1)-2837(10)	2030(1)-2030(10)	2030(1)-2030(10)
	7630	3712	3712	2850	2038	2038
19	7621(2)	3697(2)	3697(2)	2837(2)	2030(2)	2030(2)
	7621(4)	3697(4)	3697(4)	2837(4)	2030(4)	2030(4)
	7621(12)	3697(12)	3697(12)	2837(12)	2030(12)	2030(12)
	7630	3712	3712	2850	2038	2038
20	7621( )	3697(6)	3697(6)	2837(6)	2030(6)	2030(6)
	7621(7)	3697(7)	3697(7)	2837(7)	2030(7)	2030(7)
21	7621(4)	3697(4)	3697(4)	2837(4)	2030(4)	2030(4)
	7621(7)	3697(7)	3697(7)	2837(7)	2030(7)	2030(7)
	7621(8)	3697(8)	3697(8)	2837(8)	2030(8)	2030(8)

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22	7621(4)	3697(4)	3697(4)	2837(4)	2030(4)	2030(4)
	7621(7)	3697(7)	3697(7)	2837(7)	2030(7)	2030(7)
	7621(8)	3697(8)	3697(8)	2837(8)	2030(8)	2030(8)
	7621(11)	3697(11)	3697(11)	2837(11)	2030(11)	2030(11)
	7626	3706	3706	2844	2033	2033
	7627	3707	3707	2845	2034	2034
	7630	3712	3712	2850	2038	2038
23	7621(2)	3697(2)	3697(2)	2837(2)	2030(2)	2030(2)
	7621(4)	3697(4)	3697(4)	2837(4)	2030(4)	2030(4)
	7621(5)	3697(5)	3697(5)	2837(5)	2030(5)	2030(5)
	7621(7)	3697(7)	3697(7)	2837(7)	2030(7)	2030(7)
	7621(8)	3697(8)	3697(8)	2837(8)	2030(8)	2030(8)
	7622	3698	3698	2838	2031	2031
	7630	3712	3712	2850	2038	2038
	7631	3713	3713	2851	2039	2039
	7643	3728	3728	2866	2053	2053
	7192	3664	3664	2809	2003	2003
24	7621(1)-7621(10)	3697(1)-3697(10)	3697(1)-3697(10)	2837(1)-2837(10)	2030(1)-2030(10)	2030(1)-2030(10)
	7630	3712	3712	2850	2038	2038
25	7621(4)	3697(4)	3697(4)	2837(4)	2030(4)	2030(4)
	7621(7)	3697(7)	3697(7)	2837(7)	2030(7)	2030(7)
	7621(8)	3697(8)	3697(8)	2837(8)	2030(8)	2030(8)
26	7621(4)	3697(4)	3697(4)	2837(4)	2030(4)	2030(4)
	7621(7)	3697(7)	3697(7)	2837(7)	2030(7)	2030(7)
	7621(8)	3697(8)	3697(8)	2837(8)	2030(8)	2030(8)
	7621(11)	3697(11)	3697(11)	2837(11)	2030(11)	2030(11)
	7626	3706	3706	2844	2033	2033
	7627	3707	3707	2845	2034	2034
	7630	3712	3712	2850	2038	2038
27	7621(2)	3697(2)	3697(2)	2837(2)	2030(2)	2030(2)
	7621(4)	3697(4)	3697(4)	2837(4)	2030(4)	2030(4)
	7621(5)	3697(5)	3697(5)	2837(5)	2030(5)	2030(5)
	7621(7)	3697(7)	3697(7)	2837(7)	2030(7)	2030(7)
	7621(8)	3697(8)	3697(8)	2837(8)	2030(8)	2030(8)
	7622	3698	3698	2838	2031	2031
	7630	3712	3712	2850	2038	2038
	7631	3713	3713	2851	2039	2039
	7643	3728	3728	2866	2053	2053
	7192	3664	3664	2809	2003	2003
28	7621(1)-7621(10)	3697(1)-3697(10)	3697(1)-3697(10)	2837(1)-2837(10)	2030(1)-2030(10)	2030(1)-2030(10)
	7630	3712	3712	2850	2038	2038
29	7621(9)	3697(9)	3697(9)	2837(9)	2030(9)	2030(9)
30	7621(10)	3697(10)	3697(10)	2837(10)	2030(10)	2030(10)
	7627	3707	3707	2845	2034	2034
31	7621(1)-7621(10)	3697(1)-3697(10)	3697(1)-3697(10)	2837(1)-2837(10)	2030(1)-2030(10)	2030(1)-2030(10)
	7630	3712	3712	2850	2038	2038

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32	7621(4)	3697(4)	3697(4)	2837(4)	2030(4)	2030(4)
	7621(7)	3697(7)	3697(7)	2837(7)	2030(7)	2030(7)
	7621(8)	3697(8)	3697(8)	2837(8)	2030(8)	2030(8)
	7621(11)	3697(11)	3697(11)	2837(11)	2030(11)	2030(11)
	7626	3706	3706	2844	2033	2033
	7627	3707	3707	2845	2034	2034
	7630	3712	3712	2850	2038	2038
33	7621(2)	3697(2)	3697(2)	2837(2)	2030(2)	2030(2)
	7621(4)	3697(4)	3697(4)	2837(4)	2030(4)	2030(4)
	7621(12)	3697(12)	3697(12)	2837(12)	2030(12)	2030(12)
	7630	3712	3712	2850	2038	2038
34	7621(14)	3697(14)	3697(14)	2837(14)	2030(14)	2030(14)
35	7191	3663	3663	2808	2002	2002
	7621(15)	3697(15)	3697(15)	2837(15)	2030(15)	2030(15)
36	7621(16)	3697(16)	3697(16)	2837(16)	2030(16)	2030(16)
	8118	3922	3922	3030	2190	2190
37	7621(16)	3697(16)	3697(16)	2837(16)	2030(16)	2030(16)
	8118	3922	3922	3030	2190	2190
38	7621(17)	3697(17)	3697(17)	2837(17)	2030(17)	2030(17)
	8044	4709	4709	3695	2981	2981
	8045	4710	4710	3696	2982	2982
39	7621(18)	3697(18)	3697(18)	2837(18)	2030(18)	2030(18)
	8043-8045	4708-4710	4708-4710	3694-3696	2980-2982	2980-2982
40	7621(19)	3697(19)	3697(19)	2837(19)	2030(19)	2030(19)
	8047-8049	4712-4714	4712-4714	3698-3700	2984-2986	2984-2986
	10356	6095	6095	5029	4286	4286
41	7621(20)	3697(20)	3697(20)	2837(20)	2030(20)	2030(20)
42	7621(20)	3697(20)	3697(20)	2837(20)	2030(20)	2030(20)
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Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
1	159	136	136	126 127	107-114	107-114
2*						
3*						
4	8750	4622	4622	3611	2901	2901
	8759	4628	4628	3617	2907	2907
	8804	4678	4678	3667	2951	2951
	8805	4679	4679	3668	2952	2952
	9097	4944	4944	3927	3203	3203
	10052(5)	5852(5)	5852(5)	4816(5)	4040(5)	4040(5)
	10052(6)	5852(6)	5852(6)	4816(6)	4040(6)	4040(6)
	10331	6076	6076	5010	4238	4238
	10332	6077	6077	5011	4239	4239
	10335	6078	6078	5012	4240	4240

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
	10336	6079	6079	5013	4241	4241
	10341	6083	6083	5017	4245	4245
5	10052(5)	5852(5)	5852(5)	4816(5)	4040(5)	4040(5)
	10052(6)	5852(6)	5852(6)	4816(6)	4040(6)	4040(6)
	10099(1)	5899(1)	5899(1)	4861(1)	4085(1)	4085(1)
	10582	6289	6289	5222	4472	4472
6	8750	4622	4622	3611	2901	2901
	8759	4628	4628	3617	2907	2907
	8804	4678	4678	3667	2951	2951
	8805	4679	4679	3668	2952	2952
	9097	4944	4944	3927	3203	3203
	10052(5)	5852(5)	5852(5)	4816(5)	4040(5)	4040(5)
	10052(6)	5852(6)	5852(6)	4816(6)	4040(6)	4040(6)
	10331	6076	6076	5010	4238	4238
	10332	6077	6077	5011	4239	4239
	10335	6078	6078	5012	4240	4240
	10336	6079	6079	5013	4241	4241
	10341	6083	6083	5017	4245	4245
7	10052(5)	5852(5)	5852(5)	4816(5)	4040(5)	4040(5)
	10052(6)	5852(6)	5852(6)	4816(6)	4040(6)	4040(6)
	10099(1)	5899(1)	5899(1)	4861(1)	4085(1)	4085(1)
	10582	6289	6289	5222	4472	4472
8	10052(6)	5852(6)	5852(6)	4816(6)	4040(6)	4040(6)
9	10052(4)	5852(4)	5852(4)	4816(4)	4040(4)	4040(4)
	8878	4744	4744	3730	3016	3016
10	10057	5855	5855			
11	10054	5852a2	5852a2			
12	10053	5852a1	5852a1			
13	10047	5848	5848	4812	4036	4036
	10093(1)	5892(1)	5892(1)	4854(1)	4077(1)	4077(1)
14	10052(8)	5852(8)	5852(8)	4816(8)	4040(8)	4040(8)
	10099(2)	5899(2)	5899(2)	4861(2)	4085(2)	4085(2)
	10530	6245	6245	5178	4433	4433
15	10050	5850	5850	4814	4038	4038
16	10050	5850	5850	4814	4038	4038
17	10051	5851	5851	4815	4039	4039
18	10051	5851	5851	4815	4039	4039
19	8651	4524	4524	3524	2819	2819
	8877	4743	4743	3729	3015	3015
	8879	4745	4745	3731	3017	3017
	8881	4747	4747	3732	3019	3019
	10052(1)	5852(1)	5852(1)	4816(1)	4040(1)	4040(1)
	10106(1)	5906(1)	5906(1)	4868(1)	4093(1)	4093(1)
20	8801	4675	4675			
	10052(3)	5852(3)	5852(3)	4816(3)	4040(3)	4040(3)
21	10052(4)	5852(4)	5852(4)	4816(4)	4040(4)	4040(4)
	8878	4744	4744	3730	3016	3016
22	8750	4622	4622	3611	2901	2901
	8759	4628	4628	3617	2907	2907
	8804	4678	4678	3667	2951	2951
	8805	4679	4679	3668	2952	2952

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
	9097	4944	4944	3927	3203	3203
	10052(5)	5852(5)	5852(5)	4816(5)	4040(5)	4040(5)
	10052(6)	5852(6)	5852(6)	4816(6)	4040(6)	4040(6)
	10331	6076	6076	5010	4238	4238
	10332	6077	6077	5011	4239	4239
	10335	6078	6078	5012	4240	4240
	10336	6079	6079	5013	4241	4241
	10341	6083	6083	5017	4245	4245
23	10052(5)	5852(5)	5852(5)	4816(5)	4040(5)	4040(5)
	10052(6)	5852(6)	5852(6)	4816(6)	4040(6)	4040(6)
	10099(1)	5899(1)	5899(1)	4861(1)	4085(1)	4085(1)
	10582	6289	6289	5222	4472	4472
24	10052(5)	5852(5)	5852(5)	4816(5)	4040(5)	4040(5)
	10052(6)	5852(6)	5852(6)	4816(6)	4040(6)	4040(6)
	10099(1)	5899(1)	5899(1)	4861(1)	4085(1)	4085(1)
	10582	6289	6289	5222	4472	4472
25	10052(6)	5852(6)	5852(6)	4816(6)	4040(6)	4040(6)
26	8750	4622	4622	3611	2901	2901
	8759	4628	4628	3617	2907	2907
	8804	4678	4678	3667	2951	2951
	8805	4679	4679	3668	2952	2952
	9097	4944	4944	3927	3203	3203
	10052(5)	5852(5)	5852(5)	4816(5)	4040(5)	4040(5)
	10052(6)	5852(6)	5852(6)	4816(6)	4040(6)	4040(6)
	10331	6076	6076	5010	4238	4238
	10332	6077	6077	5011	4239	4239
	10335	6078	6078	5012	4240	4240
	10336	6079	6079	5013	4241	4241
	10341	6083	6083	5017	4245	4245
27	10052(8)	5852(8)	5852(8)	4816(8)	4040(8)	4040(8)
	10099(2)	5899(2)	5899(2)	4861(2)	4085(2)	4085(2)
	10530	6245	6245	5178	4433	4433
28	10050	5850	5850	4814	4038	4038
	10052(9)	5852(9)	5852(9)	4816(9)	4040(9)	4040(9)
	811	562	562	524	450	450
	812	563	563	525	451	451
29	10052(10)	5852(10)	5852(10)	4816(10)	4040(10)	4040(10)
30	10053	5852a1	5752a1			
31	10054	5852a2	5852a2			
32	10055	5853	5853	4817		
33	10057	5855	5855			
34	10059	5857	5857			
35	10060	5858	5858	4819	4041	4041
	10093(2)	5892(2)	5892(2)	4854(2)	4077(2)	4077(2)
36	10062	5860	5860	4821	4043	4043
	10067(5)	5865(5)	5865(5)	4826(5)	4050(5)	4050(5)
37	10064-	5862-	5862-	4823-	4045	4045
					4046-	4046-
	10066	5864	5864	4825	4049	4049
	9105	4952	4952	3935	3210	3210

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
38	10064-	5862-	5862-	4823-	4045	4045
					4046-	4046-
	10066	5864	5864	4825	4049	4049
	9105	4952	4952	3935	3210	3210
39	10067(1)	5865(1)	5865(1)	4826(1)	4050(1)	4050(1)
40	9819	5637	5637	4602	3848	3848
					3861a	3861a
	9839	5657	5657	4622	3865	3865
	10067(2)	5865(2)	5865(2)	4826(2)	4050(2)	4050(2)
41	9803	5621	5621	4586	3833	3833
	10067(3)	5865(3)	5865(3)	4826(3)	4050(3)	4050(3)
42	646	396	396	362	320	320
	659	409	409	375	333	333
	660	410	410	376	334	334
	10067(4)	5865(4)	5865(4)	4826(4)	4050(4)	4050(4)
43	1749	1020	1020	885	512	512
					712	712
44	10070	5868a1	5868			
45	10076-	5876-	5876-	4837-	4061-	4061-
	10080	5880	5880	4841	4065	4065
46	10077	5877	5877	4838	4062	4062
47	10076-	5876-	5876-	4837-	4061-	4061-
	10080	5880	5880	4841	4065	4065

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Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
1	10386	6118	6118	5051	4308	4308
2	10052(5)	5852(5)	5852(5)	4816(5)	4040(5)	4040(5)
	10052(6)	5852(6)	5852(6)	4816(6)	4040(6)	4040(6)
	10099(1)	5899(1)	5899(1)	4861(1)	4085(1)	4085(1)
	10582	6289	6289	5222	4472	4472
3	10052(8)	5852(8)	5852(8)	4816(8)	4040(8)	4040(8)
	10099(2)	5899(2)	5899(2)	4861(2)	4085(2)	4085(2)
	10530	6245	6245	5178	4433	4433
4	10100	5900	5900	4862	4086	4086
5	10101	5901	5901	4863	4087	4087
6	10099(3)	5899(3)	5899(3)	4861(3)	4085(3)	4085(3)
7	10532	6245a2				
8	9948	5752	5752	4716	3948	3948
	10559	6269	6269	5202	4453	4453
9	10515(1)	6232(1)	6232(1)	5165(1)	4420(1)	4420(1)
	10522	6237	6237	5170	4425	4425
	10523	6238	6238	5171	4426	4426
10	10515(6)	6232(6)	6232(6)	5165(6)	4420(6)	4420(6)
11	10528	6243	6243	5176	4431	4431

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Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
1	10193	5992	5992	4954	4179	4179
					4180	4180
					4186	4186
2	161	221	221	207	127	127
3	10193	5992	5992	4954	4179	4179
					4180	4180
					4186	4186
4	763	511	511	477	419	419
	10193	5992	5992	4954	4179	4179
					4180	4180
					4186	4186
	10194	5993	5993	4955	4181	4181
	10215	6016	6016	4971		
	10216	6017	6017	4972		
5	10222	6023	6023	4978	4198	4198
6	10205	6006a1	6006			
7	10205	6006a1	6006			
8	10225(1)	6027(1)	6027(1)	4980(1)	4201(1)	4201(1)
	10225(2)	6027(2)	6027(2)	4980(2)	4201(2)	4201(2)
9	9169	5014	5014	3997	3266	3266
	10225(5)	6027(5)	6027(5)	4980(5)	4201(5)	4201(5)
10	8263	4067	4067	3172		
	10225(6)	6027(6)	6027(6)	4980(6)	4201(6)	4201(6)
	10226	6028		4981		
11	8525	4305	4305	3409	2534	2534
	8526	4306	4306	3410	2535	2535
	10225(7)	6027(7)	6027(7)	4980(7)	4201(7)	4201(7)
12	8367	4150	4150	3255	2407	2407
	10225(8)	6027(8)	6027(8)	4980(8)	4201(8)	4201(8)
13	9165	5010	5010	3993	3262	3262
	9182	5027	5027	4010	3279	3279
	9183	5028	5028	4011	3280	3280
	9185	5030	5030	4013	3282	3282
14	9165	5010	5010	3993	3262	3262
15	9165	5010	5010	3993	3262	3262
	9176	5021	5021	4004	3273	3273
	9178	5023	5023	4006	3275	3275
	9195(1)	5040(1)	5040(1)	4022(1)	3291(1)	3291(1)
16	9165	5010	5010	3993	3262	3262
	9184	5029	5029	4012	3281	3281
17	9165	5010	5010	3993	3262	3262
	9195(1)	5040(1)	5040(1)	4022(1)	3291(1)	3291(1)
	9197(1)	5042(1)	5042(1)	4024(1)	3293(1)	3293(1)
	9200	5045	5045	4027	3296	3296
18	7694	3775	3775	2912	2095	2095
	9571	5412	5412	4391	3646	3646
	10225(10)	6027(10)	6027(10)	4980(10)	4201(10)	4201(10)
19	9572	5413	5413	4392	3647	3647
	10225(10)	6027(10)	6027(10)	4980(10)	4201(10)	4201(10)
	9568-9570	5409-5411	5409-5411	4388-4390	3643-3645	3643-3645

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
20	9613	5451	5451	4430	3681	3681
	10225(11)	6027(11)	6027(11)	4980(11)	4201(11)	4201(11)
21	9613	5451	5451	4430	3681	3681
22	10225(12)	6027(12)	6027(12)	4980(12)	4201(12)	4201(12)
23	10225(12)	6027(12)	6027(12)	4980(12)	4201(12)	4201(12)
24	9613	5451	5451	4430	3681	3681
	10225(11)	6027(11)	6027(11)	4980(11)	4201(11)	4201(11)
25	9613	5451	5451	4430	3681	3681
26	10237	6040	6040	4985	4208	4208
	11939	7335	7335	6202	5357	5357
	11944	7340	7340	6207	5362	5362
27	9613	5451	5451	4430	3681	3681
	10225(11)	6027(11)	6027(11)	4980(11)	4201(11)	4201(11)
28	9613	5451	5451	4430	3681	3681
29	9573	5414	5414	4393	3648	3648
30	9573	5414	5414	4393	3648	3648
	9587	5428	5428	4407	3662	3662
31	7783	3526	3526	2735	1977	1977
	9573	5414	5414	4393	3648	3648
32	10229	6031	6031	4982	4204	4204
33	10375	6107	6107	5041	4298	4298
34	9169	5014	5014	3997	3266	3266
	10350	6089	6089	5023	4280	4280
	10379	6111	6111	5044	4301	4301
	10380	6112	6112	5045	4302	4302
35	9169	5014	5014	3997	3266	3266
	10225(5)	6027(5)	6027(5)	4980(5)	4201(5)	4201(5)
36	8476	4259	4259	3363	2493	2493
	8477	4260	4260	3364	2492	2492
	8485	4267	4267	3371	2501	2501
37	9613	5451	5451	4430	3681	3681
	10225(11)	6027(11)	6027(11)	4980(11)	4201(11)	4201(11)
38	9169	5014	5014	3997	3266	3266
	10220	6021	6021	4976	4196	4196
39	10233	6036	6036			
40	10234	6037	6037			
41.	10232	6035	6035			
42	10232	6035	6035			
43	10221	6022	6022	4977	4197	4197
44	10204	6006	6006	4962		
	10207	6007	6007	4963		
45	4216	3871a7				
	4217	3871a8				
46	10082(1)	5882(1)	5882(1)	4843(1)	4067(1)	4067(1)
	10223	6025	6025	4979	4199	4199
47	8168	3956	3956	3062	2221	2221
	8169	3957	3957	3063	2222	2222
	8171	3958	3958	3064	2223	2223
	10084(2)	5884(2)	5884(2)	4845(2)	4069(2)	4069(2)
	10084(3)	5884(3)	5884(3)	4845(3)	4069(3)	4069(3)

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
48	8160	3948	3948	3055	2214	2214
	8161	3949	3949	3056	2215	2215
	10084(2)	5884(2)	5884(2)	4845(2)	4069(2)	4069(2)
49	8168	3956	3956	3062	2221	2221
	8169	3957	3957	3063	2222	2222
	8171	3958	3958	3064	2223	2223
	10084(2)	5884(2)	5884(2)	4845(2)	4069(2)	4069(2)
	10084(3)	5884(3)	5884(3)	4845(3)	4069(3)	4069(3)
50	8169	3957	3957	3063	2222	2222
	8174-8178	3961-3965	3961-3965	3066-3070	2225-2229	2225-2229
	10084(3)	5884(3)	5884(3)	4845(3)	4069(3)	4069(3)
51	8189	3977	3977	3082	2241	2241
	8191	3979	3979	3084	2243	2243
	8192	3980	3980	3085	2244	2244
	10084(4)	5884(4)	5884(4)	4845(4)	4069(4)	4069(4)
52	8189	3977	3977	3082	2241	2241
	8190	3978	3978	3083	2242	2242
	10084(4)	5884(4)	5884(4)	4845(4)	4069(4)	4069(4)
	10084(5)	5884(5)	5884(5)	4845(5)	4069(5)	4069(5)
	10084(6)	5884(6)	5884(6)	4845(6)	4069(6)	4069(6)
53	8244	4031	4031	3136	2295	2295
	8245	4032	4032	3137	2296	2296
	10084(7)	5884(7)	5884(7)	4845(7)	4069(7)	4069(7)
	10084(8)	5884(8)	5884(8)	4845(8)	4069(8)	4069(8)
	10084(13)	5884(13)	5884(13)	4845(13)	4069(13)	4069(13)
54	10084(7)	5884(7)	5884(7)	4845(7)	4069(7)	4069(7)
	10084(8)	5884(8)	5884(8)	4845(8)	4069(8)	4069(8)
55	10084(9)	5884(9)	5884(9)	4845(9)	4069(9)	4069(9)
56	8248	4035	4035	3140	2299	2299
	8250	4037	4037	3142	2301	2301
	10084(10)	5884(10)	5884(10)	4845(10)	4069(10)	4069(10)
	10084(12)	5884(12)	5884(12)	4845(12)	4069(12)	4069(12)
57	8249	4036	4036	3141	2300	2300
	8257-8259	4044-4046	4044-4046	3149-3151	2308-2310	2308-2310
	10084(11)	5884(11)	5884(11)	4845(11)	4069(11)	4069(11)
	11603(11)	7059(11)	7059(11)	5925(11)	5097(11)	5097(11)
58	8248	4035	4035	3140	2299	2299
	8250	4037	4037	3142	2301	2301
	10084(10)	5884(10)	5884(10)	4845(10)	4069(10)	4069(10)
	10084(12)	5884(12)	5884(12)	4845(12)	4069(12)	4069(12)
59	8244	4031	4031	3136	2295	2295
	8245	4032	4032	3137	2296	2296
	10084(7)	5884(7)	5884(7)	4845(7)	4069(7)	4069(7)
	10084(8)	5884(8)	5884(8)	4845(8)	4069(8)	4069(8)
	10084(13)	5884(13)	5884(13)	4845(13)	4069(13)	4069(13)
60	8254	4041	4041	3146	2305	2305
	9738	5567	5567	4535	3786	3786
	10084(14)	5884(14)	5884(14)	4845(14)	4069(14)	4069(14)
61	8247	4034	4034	3139	2298	2298
	10084(15)	5884(15)	5884(15)	4845(15)	4069(15)	4069(15)

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
62	8337- 8339	4054- 4056	4054- 4056	3159- 3161	2317- 2319	2317- 2319
	10084(16)	5884(16)	5884(16)	4845(16)	4069(16)	4069(16)
63	10084(17)	5884(17)	5884(17)	4845(17)	4069(17)	4069(17)
64	8510(1)- 8510(3)	4292(1)- 4292(3)	4292(1)- 4292(3)	3396(1)- 3396(3)	2521(1)- 2521(3)	2521(1)- 2521(3)
	8510	4292	4292	3396	2521	2521
	8512	4294	4294	3398	2523	2523
	8514	4296	4296	3400	2525	2525
	8515	4297	4297	3401	2526	2526
	10085	5885	5885	4846	4070	4070
65	7678	3767	3767	2904	2087	2087
	10086	5887	5887	4848	4072	4072
66	7631	3713	3713	2851	2039	2039
	7638	3723	3723	2861	2048	2048
	10086	5887	5887	4848	4072	4072
67	10086	5887	5887	4848	4072	4072
68	8150	3938	3938	3046	2206	2206
	10088	5889	5889	4850	4074	4074
	8719	4595	4595	3586	2875	2875
	8663	4536	4536	3535	2830	2830
	10193	5992	5992	4954	4179	4179
					4180	4180
					4186	4186

VIII. JUVENILE COURT

Number	1932	1917
1	10269- 10309	4433a39- 4433a80
2	10269- 10274	4433a39- 4433a44
	10299	4433a41
3	10275	4433a45
4	10278	4433a48
5	10269- 10274	4433a39- 4433a44
	10299	4433a41
6	10280	4433a50
	10285	4433a55
7	10286	4433a56
	10287	4433a57
8	10288	4433a58
9	10290	4433a60
	10297	4433a67
10	10288	4433a58
	10305	4433a74
11	4665	4433a1
	4670	4433a5

Number	1932	1917
	4680	4433a13
	4717	4436a6
	10288	4433a58
12	10298	4433a68
	10300	4433a69
13	10306	4433a75
	10307	4433a76
14	10308	4433a77
15	10303-10305	4433a72-4433a74

X. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
1	10690	6385	6385	5298	4549	4549
2	11470(4)	6931(4)	6931(4)	5798	4970	4970
	11515	6976	6976	5842	5017	5017
	11516	6977	6977	5843	5018	5018
	11656	7110	7110	5976	5147	5147
3	11470(3)	6931(3)	6931(3)	5798(3)	4970(3)	4970(3)
4	11470(2)	6931(2)	6931(2)	5798(2)	4970(2)	4970(2)
5	11470(5)	6931(5)	6931(5)	5798(5)	4970(5)	4970(5)
6	11470(6)	6931(6)	6931(6)	5798(6)	4970(6)	4970(6)
	11653	7107	7107	5973	5144	5144
7	10137	5936	5936	4899	4124	4124
8	10136(6)	5935(6)	5935(6)	4898(6)	4123(6)	4123(6)
	10137	5936	5936	4899	4124	4124
9	10138(6)	5937(6)	5937(6)	4900(6)	4125(6)	4125(6)
	10139(1)	5938(1)	5938(1)	4901(1)	4126(1)	4126(1)
	10139(10)	5938(10)	5938(10)	4906(10)	4126(10)	4126(10)
	10142	5941	5941	4904	4129	4129
	10143	5942	5942	4905	4130	4130
	10177	5976	5976	4939	4163	4163
	10178	5977	5977	4940	4164	4164
					4165	4165
10	10139(3)	5938(3)	5938(3)	4901(3)	4126(3)	4126(3)
11	9547	5388	5388	4367	3623	3623
	9549	5390	5390	4369	3625	3625
12	9021	4873	4873	3858	3142	3142
	10139(4)	5938(4)	5938(4)	4901(4)	4126(4)	4126(4)
13	8421	4193	4193	3298	2443	2443
	10139(7)	5938(7)	5938(7)	4901(7)	4126(7)	4126(7)
14	8421	4193	4193	3298	2443	2443
15	8421	4193	4193	3298	2443	2443
16	8421	4193	4193	3298	2443	2443
	8423	4196	4196	3301	2446	2446
17	11505	6965	6965	5831	5006	5006
	11509	6969	6969	5835	5010	5010
18	11506	6966	6966	5832	5007	5007
19	798	546	546	508	442	442

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
20	8929	4798	4798	3783	3071	3071
	10139(8)	5938(8)	5938(8)	4901(8)	4126(8)	4126(8)
	10148-	5947-	5947-	4910-	4135-	4135-
	10150	5949	5949	4912	4137	4137
	10152	5951	5951	4914	4139	4139
	10154	5953	5953	4916	4141	4141

XI. SHERIFF

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
1	11923	7320a1				
2	11923	7320a1				
	11924	7320a2				
3	12056	7448	7448			
4	12060	7451a	7451a	6310	5435d	
5	690-	443-	443-	409-	354-	354-
	692	445	445	411	356	356
6	691	444	444	410	355	355
	724	477	477	443	386	386
7	693(3)	449(3)	449(3)	415(3)	360(3)	360(3)

XII. CORONER

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
1	718	471	471	437	380	380
2	712	465	465	431	375	375
	713	466	466	432	376	376

XIII. CONSTABLE

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
1	726	479	479	445	388	388
	727	480	480	446	389	389
2	728	481	481	447	390	390
3	729	482	482	448	391	391
4	722	475	475	441	384	384
5	723	476	476	442	385	385
6	723	476	476	442	385	385
7	723	476	476	442	385	385
8	723	476	476	442	385	385
9	726	479	479	445	388	388
10	731	485	485	451	394	394
11	732	486	486	452	395	395
12	1569	885a3				
13	9306	5151	5151	4132	3396	3396

XIV. TAX ASSESSOR

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
1	1336	761	761	622	557	557
	1337	761a1				
2	1340-	764-	764-			
	1384	789	789			
3	1340	764	764			
	1355	777	777	634		
	1122					
4	1348	771	771			
	1357-	779-	779			
	1367	779a10				
5	1348	771	771			
6	1357-	779-	779			
	1367	779a10				
7	1341	764a1	764			
	1373	784a1	784			
	1374	785	785			
8	1340-	764-	764-			
	1384	789	789			

XV. BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Number	1932	1917	1896
1	1419	801	801
	1421	801a2	
	1446	805a11	805
2	1420	801a1	801
3	1419	801	801
	1421	801a2	
	1446	805a11	805
4	1423	802a1	802
	1446	802a4	

XVI. TRUSTEE

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
1	1915	1154	1154	1020	825f	825f
2	774	522	522	488	426a	426a
3	1541(2)	860(2)	860(2)	712(2)	599(2)	599(2)
	1544a	864	864	716	601	601
4	773	521	521	487	425	425
	808	559	559	521	447	447
	2091	1283	1283	1072	864	864
	2089	1281	1281	1070	863	863
5	11504	6964	6964	5830	5005	5005
6	1542	861	861	713		
	1544a	864	864	716	601	601
7	199	255	255	236	205	205

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
8	1482	811	811	659	588	588
					589	589
	1541(2)	860(2)	860(2)	712(2)	599(2)	599(2)
9	1541(2)	860(2)	860(2)	712(2)	599(2)	599(2)
	1541	860	860	712	599	599
10	775(1)	523(1)	523(1)	489(1)	427(1)	427(1)
	1546	865a1	865		607	607
	10049	5849	5849	4813	4037	4037
11	775(2)	523(2)	523(2)	489(2)	427(2)	427(2)
	775(6)	523(6)	523(6)	489(6)	427(6)	427(6)
	775(7)	523(7)	523(7)	489(7)	427(7)	427(7)
12	775(3)	523(3)	523(3)	489(3)	427(3)	427(3)
13	775(4)	523(4)	523(4)	489(4)	427(4)	427(4)
	775(5)	523(5)	523(5)	489(5)	427(5)	427(5)
14	775(8)	523(8)	523(8)	489(8)	427(8)	427(8)
	9537	5378	5378	4357	3613	3613
15	775(9)	523(9)	523(9)	489(9)	427(9)	427(9)
16	775(10)	523(10)	523(10)	489(10)	427(10)	427(10)
17	775(11)	523(11)	523(11)	489(11)	427(11)	427(11)
	775(13)	523(13)	523(13)	489(13)	427(13)	427(13)
18	775(11)	523(11)	523(11)	489(11)	427(11)	427(11)
	775(12)	523(12)	523(12)	489(12)	427(12)	427(12)
	776	524	524	490	428	428
	9538	5379	5379	4358	3614	3614
19	1614-	914-	914	767	499	499
	1616	915a1	915			
	1618	915a3				

XVII. REVENUE COMMISSION

Number	1932	1917	1896
1	1650-	935-	935-
	1652	937	937
2	2971		
	2972		
3	2971		
	2972		
4	2974-		
	2977		
5	4443		
6	1653	938	938
7	1650	935	935
	1652	937	937

XVIII. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Number	1932	1917	1896
1	2317-		
	2331		

Number	1932	1917	1896
2	2317-2330		
3	2317-2330		
4	2315 2316 2320a 6982		
5	2405-2417 6963 7025	3633a8	3633a8
6	2317-2330		

XIX. HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
1	5772	3103	3103	2394	1729	1729
	5773	3104	3104	2395	1730	1730
2	5774	3105	3105	2396	1731	1731
4	5775	3106	3106			
5	5825	3117	3117	2397		
	5826	3118	3118	2398		
6	5778	3109	3109			
7	5778	3109	3109			
8	5778	3109	3109			
9*						
10	5791	3114	3114			
	5800	3114a9	3114			
11	5791-5793	3114-3114a2	3114			
12	5783	3111a1				
13	5785	3111a4				
14	5786	3111a5				
15*						
16*						
17*						
18*						
19	5786	3111a5				
20*						
21*						
22*						
23	12046	7440	7440	6300		
24	5778	3109	3109			
25	5778	3109	3109			
26	5778	3109	3109			
27*						
28	328					
29*						

XX. SURVEYOR

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
1	802	550	550	512	445a	445a
	10717	6416	6416	5327	4576a	4576a
2	782-785	530-533	530-533	495-498	434-437	434-437
3	782	530	530	495	434	434
4	792	540	540	505	441	441
5	795	543	543	506		
	796	544	544	507		

XXI. HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
1	10235	6038	6038	4985	4206	4206
2	2727-3016	1617-1707	1617-1707	1322	1182	1182
3	2727-3016	1617-1707	1617-1707	1322	1182	1182
4	2727-3016	1617-1707	1617-1707	1322	1182	1182
5	10235	6038	6038	4985	4206	4206
6	2727-3016	1617-1707	1617-1707	1322	1182	1182
7	4297-4300	3871a69-3871a72				
8	2974-2977					
9	2974					
10	2769					
	2771	1644	1644	1356		
11	12004	7398	7398			
	12005	7399	7399			
12	12004-12037	7398-7428	7398-7428			

XXII. POOR COMMISSION

Number	1932	1917	1896	1884	1871	1858
1	4792-4794	2678-2680	2678-2680	2101-2103	1594-1596	1594-1596
2	4798	2681	2681	2104	1597	1597
3	4798	2681	2681	2104	1597	1597
4	4809	2692	2692	2115	1608	1608
	4810	2693	2693	2116	1609	1609
5	4809	2692	2692	2115	1608	1608
	4810	2693	2693	2116	1609	1609

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4	2542

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17	5775-5788
35	6750(1)-6750(3)

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33	7035
38	6750(1) 6750(3)
62	1148(22) 1148(23)
64	1148(23)

V. CIRCUIT COURT CLERK

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XIX. HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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9	5778
15	5788(4)
16	3281(1)
17	5775-5788
18	343(1) 343(68)-343(70)
20	5775-5788
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