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## Directory.

**DISTRICT OFFICERS.**  
 (Judicial District.)  
 Dist. Judge, Hon. J. V. Cockrell.  
 Dist. Attorney, J. F. Cunningham.

**COUNTY OFFICIALS.**  
 County Judge, P. D. Sanders.  
 County Attorney, J. E. Lindsey.  
 County & Dist. Clerk, C. D. Long.  
 Sheriff and Tax Collector, A. D. Tucker.  
 County Treasurer, S. J. Proston.  
 Tax Assessor, W. J. Sowell.  
 County Surveyor, G. R. Couch.  
 Sheep Inspt., W. R. Standefer.

**COMMISSIONERS.**  
 Precinct No. 1, W. A. Walker.  
 Precinct No. 2, B. H. Owsley.  
 Precinct No. 3, F. S. Post.  
 Precinct No. 4, W. D. Garren.

**PRECINCT OFFICERS.**  
 J. P. Proct. No. 1, W. A. Walker.  
 Constable Prec. No. 2, E. E. Martin.

**CHURCHES.**  
 Baptist, (Missionary) Every 1st Sunday and Saturday before, Rev. S. H. Blair, Pastor.  
 Presbyterian, (Cumberland) Every 2nd Sunday and Saturday before, No. Pastor.  
 Christian (Campbellite) Every 3rd Sunday and Saturday before, Elder Pless Taylor Pastor.  
 Methodist, (M. E. Church) Every 4th and 5th Sunday, Rev. J. N. Snow, Pastor.  
 Union Sunday School every Sunday.  
 P. D. Sanders, Superintendent.  
 Union Prayer-meeting every Wednesday night.  
 Haskell Lodge No. 98, A. F. & A. M.  
 Meet Saturday on or after each full moon.  
 S. W. Scott, W. M.  
 A. C. Foster, Secy.  
 Haskell Chapter No. 181.  
 Keys Arch Masons, meet Saturday before each full moon.  
 A. C. Foster, High Priest.  
 J. L. Jones, Secy.

## HASKELL COUNTY CONVENTION.

### INSTRUCTS FOR HOGG AND COMMISSION, AND ADOPTS THE MAJORITY RULE.

HASKELL, TEX., July 19, 1890.  
 Be it remembered that on the said day the democrats of Haskell county met in convention, at the court house of said county at Haskell Texas, and the following proceedings were had:

The house was called to order by Ed. J. Hamner chairman of the Democratic Executive committee. S. W. Scott was elected temporary chairman and A. C. Foster temporary secretary. The following gentlemen were appointed a committee on credentials basis of representation, Platform and Resolutions to-wit: Press Broch, M. L. Hagard, F. P. Parker, Oscar Martin, A. P. Daugherty being one member from each voting box. The following gentlemen were appointed a committee on permanent organization and order of business to-wit: F. M. Morton, J. W. Perry, J. F. Adams, H. Donohoo, Z. M. Marcey. The committee on credential basis of representation platform and resolutions made the following report which was adopted to-wit, Head quarters of the committee on credentials and basis of Representation:

To the Hon. S. W. Scott chairman:  
 Dear Sir:

Your committee on credentials and basis of representation beg leave to respectfully report as follows:

That the following gentlemen from precinct No. 1, be allowed seats as delegates and that said precinct be allowed 10 votes to-wit: Haskell box S. W. Scott, Oscar Martin, Dr. J. E. Lindsey, A. C. Foster, H. R. Jones, Capt. H. Donohoo and G. R. Couch.

Idella box A. P. Daugherty, Z. M. Marcey and J. C. Bohannon. That precinct No. 3 be entitled to the following delegates and 5 votes to-wit: F. M. Morton, G. K. Ashburn, W. W. Hurley, Press Broch and S. E. Corothers.

That precinct No. 3, be entitled to the following delegates and 5 votes to-wit: C. W. Lucas, A. R. Davis, F. P. Parker, L. P. Lackey and J. F. Adams.

That precinct No. 4, be entitled to the following delegates and 5 votes to-wit: J. J. Crabtree, M. L. Hagard, J. W. Perry, J. E. Davis and S. W. Vernon.

Respectfully submitted,  
 M. L. Hagard chairman,  
 Oscar Martin secretary.

We the democrats of Haskell county in convention assembly.

Resolves first: We pledge our selves anew to the constitutional doctrines and traditions of the Democratic party as enunciated by the platform of the last National and State Democratic conventions.

Second: We pledge ourselves to support the nominees of the Democratic party.

Third: We endorse the present State administration except the department of the general land office the administration of which we heartily condemn.

Fourth: We favor the proposed amendment to our State constitution providing for a railroad commission believing the same to be the most practical method of regulating railroad companies in a manner just to them and the people and believing that a commission will prevent railroad wrecking, and will place railroad property upon a firm financial basis and make railroad investment inviting to capitalists, when assured they are operated for legitimate profit, and not used as a basis for fictitious bonds and

bonds and watered stock, for speculative purposes in a foreign market.

Fifth: We have unlimited faith in the Hon. J. S. Hogg, and believe him to be a man, who has the courage of his convictions, and we instruct our delegates to vote for his nomination for governor in the State convention. They are further instructed to vote for Chas. Culberson for attorney general and Jno. D. McCall for comptroller.

Respectfully submitted,  
 M. L. Hagard chairman,  
 Oscar Martin secretary.

The committee on permanent organization and order of business made the following report which was adopted to-wit:

Haskell, Tex., July 19, 1890.  
 To the Hon. S. W. Scott chairman Democratic convention of Haskell county in convention assembled: Your committee on permanent organization and order of business, beg leave to make the following report.

For permanent chairman A. C. Foster. Secretary F. P. Parker. Assistant secretary Oscar Martin.

#### ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Election of delegates to congressional convention.
2. Election of delegates to State convention.
3. Election of delegates to representative convention.
4. Election of chairman of executive committee.
4. Appointment of executive committee by chairman.

Henry Donohoo chairman.  
 F. M. Morton secretary.

The following resolution introduced by H. R. Jones Esq. was adopted:

Resolved, 1st. That this convention now proceed to elect five delegates to represent Haskell county in the following named conventions to-wit: Five delegates to the State convention, five to the Congressional convention, and five to the Representative convention.

Resolved 2nd. That all of said delegates be instructed to vote as a unit on all questions coming before the respective conventions to which they are sent to be decided by a majority vote of each delegation.

The following resolution was introduced by H. R. Jones Esq. by request of F. M. Morton and was adopted:

Resolved, that the delegates to the state convention be instructed to cast the vote of Haskell county for E. D. Lyne for Commissioner of the General Land Office as long as there is a reasonable chance of his nomination.

The following resolution was introduced by S. W. Scott Esq. and adopted:

Resolved, that the delegates to the state convention be instructed to vote for Smith Ragsdale for Superintendent of Public Instruction.

The following resolution was introduced by Oscar Martin by request of Capt. Henry Donohoo and was adopted:

Resolved, that with one voice we denounce the electoral bill now before Congress as revolutionary, and destructive of the rights of voters to control their own elections. It takes the ballot box from the people and gives it to returning boards. Its purpose is to enable a despotic combination, of political leaders who have usurped the control of the Republican party, to secure their re-election, and to steal the Presidency in 1892 as they did in 1876, when the great Tilden was fraudulently counted out by the aid of their returning boards.

Carried by acclamation.  
 The following delegates were elected to the congressional convention, Z. M. Marcey, H. Donohoo, S. W. Vernon, A. E. Davis and C. W. Lucas, and the following to the State convention, S. W. Scott, H. R. Jones, Oscar Martin, M. L. Hagard and G. R. Couch, and the

following to the representative convention, J. J. Crabtree A. R. Davis, Press Broch, F. P. Parker and F. M. Morton.

On motion F. P. Morgan was elected chairman of the county Democratic Executive Committee and Oscar Martin member for precinct No. 1, F. M. Morton precinct No. 2, C. W. Lucas precinct No. 3 and M. L. Hagard for precinct No. 4 was appointed by the chairmans.

The following resolutions were introduced by H. R. Jones at the request of F. P. Morgan:

Resolved, that we heartily endorse the noble services of the Hon. S. W. T. Lanham in congress and recommend him and instruct our delegates to the congressional convention to support him for re-election to congress, carried.

The following resolution introduced by A. P. Daugherty was adopted:

Resolved that this convention instruct in favor of the majority rule in making state nomination.

Motion was made and carried to adjourn.

A. C. FOSTER, Chairman,  
 F. P. PARKER, Secretary,  
 OSCAR MARTIN, Ass't Secy.

#### INSTRIPES.

Stevenson Archer, defaulting state treasurer of Maryland, walked into court last Monday mornng accompanied by his attorneys, and pleading guilty to the indictment charging him with embezzling state funds, made the following startling statement:

I hereby plead guilty to the indictment which has just been read. In doing so I respectfully ask leave to say that when the indictment was found I was advised by my counsel that they had examined the statute upon which the indictment was based and that they were clearly of the opinion that the statute was never intended to embrace within its provisions the treasurer of the state, and that therefore my offense, grievous as it is, was not punishable under that statute; but now that the highest court in the state has decided that I am guilty of the offense charged I am punishable under this statute, I desire here, in the presence of this court, to fully acknowledge that I am guilty of the offenses charged against me in the indictment, and also to confess that I have been guilty of a sin against Almighty God; that I have proved false to the great trust committed to me by my native state; that I have deeply and cruelly wronged not only those friends who, because of their great and undoubting confidence in my integrity, became the sureties on my official bonds, but others who have suffered loss because of that same confidence. For this my conduct, I can offer no excuse or palliation. Now that I have, so to speak, come to myself, I realize its enormity and am deeply sorry for and I sincerely trust truly penitent for all I have done. The sorrow and misery which has been caused by my conduct is shared by many, but no blame for any part of it attaches to anyone but myself; it is all mine and mine alone.

No part of the state's money or securities was ever used by me in gambling, stock speculation or for political purposes. nor have I at this time \$1 of it left. I therefore submit to the judgement and mercy of the court.

When he had finished the judge pronounced a sentence of five years in the penitentiary against the broken down penitent, after which Archer stepped from the courthouse into the prison van, and was immediately driven to the penitentiary where he was received, his hair and beard shaved off, and a suit of stripes put on him.

Such is the fate of a Democratic official who violates his oath and betrays the confidence reposed in him by the people. His success as an embezzler might have secured him high political honor and much fame had he the backing of Quay, but some how Democrats don't stand up for their d-- rascals as Republicans do. They prefer to put them where the public will be safe from their marauding tendencies. It may be simple in them to do so, but they can't help their weakness that way.—Ft. Worth Gazette.

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