

It appearing in the minutes of July 8th, 1921, The county Clerk presented to the Board a communication in the form of a report made by the State Examiner and Inspector informing the Board of the condition of the audit of John D. Porter, Court Clerk, which communication is as follows:

"July 5th, 1921.

Hon. Board of County Commissioners,  
Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Gentlemen:-

I am directed by Honorable Fred Parkinson, State Examiner and Inspector, to make the following report to you.

After Court Clerk John D. Porter delivered his office to his successor, Mrs. Frances Harvey, on January 6th, 1921, the Board of County Commissioners authorized and directed that an audit be made on Mr. Porter's records during his two year term ending January 6th, 1921.

As soon as the uncompleted work that we were then on was finished we began the audit. We discovered that Mr. Porter's records were in a frightful condition and that after the first four months of his first year he kept no Cash Book nor financial records and the during his term he deposited a vast amount of money in his private account in several banks in Tulsa County instead, as by law provided, depositing his receipts with the County Treasurer.

Before we could begin the audit it was necessary for us to compile a Cash Book for all courts for a period of twenty months. This we did and after we had succeeded in building up his records we began the audit. We have at this time all of the detail completed excepting the Broken Arrow Division of the County Court. In order to complete the audit it will take about 40 working days or two calendar months and will cost about \$1500.00. As far as we have progressed with the audit in our judgement Mr. Porter will be about \$4000.00 short in his cash and at this time we are not in a position to state if all or any part of this shortage is of a criminal nature.

I am directed by my superior officer to convey to you the above information in order that you may determine whether or not you desire the audit completed. If you desire to have the audit completed it will be necessary for you to arrange for the appropriation and in the event that you do so, you will please have the County Clerk notify Mr. Parkinson of your desire. In the event that you conclude not to complete the audit you will likewise have the County Clerk notify Mr. Parkinson. This is a matter wholly with you as it is immaterial to us. In the event that you order the audit completed the department will assign force sufficient to perform the work without delay. We desire that this report be recorded in your proceedings of today.

Respectfully,

Ed O. Cassidy,  
Special Deputy State Examiner and Inspector."

Said report is hereby approved and ordered filed, and made a part of the minutes of this meeting, and thereupon the following motion was made by F. M. Wooden and seconded by Ira Short.

#### M O T I O N.

It is hereby moved that the County Clerk be and he is hereby instructed to request the State Examiner and Inspector to complete the audit of John D. Porter, Court Clerk, without unnecessary delay, and assign members of his staff here for that purpose, and that the county clerk be directed to include in the budget for the current fiscal year the sum of \$1500.00 to defray the expense of completing the said audit, and the Excise