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Boundaries - Historical Notes

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The following is a summary of acts which authorized boundary changes for Madison County.

1. Public Acts of 1887, Chapter 119, changed the line between Gibson and Madison Counties to place in Madison County all the lands of J. M. Simpson and R. H. Simpson, and in Gibson county all the lands of J. G. Fulghum.
2. Acts of 1903, Chapter 183, changed the boundary line between Madison and Henderson Counties to include the farm of C. N. Matlock in Madison County.
3. Acts of 1907, Chapter 570, changed the boundary lines between Madison and Hardeman Counties to include the land of Robert B. Swint in Madison County.
4. Private Acts of 1911, Chapter 97, changed the Madison County-Crockett County line to place the land owned by Robert B. Griggs in Crockett County.
5. Private Acts of 1921, Chapter 796, placed land of R. H. Simpson in Madison County from Gibson County. This act was repealed by Private Acts of 1937, Chapter 740, which changed the boundary line to return Simpson's land to Crockett County.
6. Private Acts of 1921, Chapter 848, placed certain lands of R. T. Lewis in Gibson County and other lands of R. T. Lewis in Madison County, in an attempt to "straighten the line" between Madison and Gibson Counties.
7. Private Acts of 1931, Chapter 726, changed boundary lines to remove certain property from Hardeman County into the First Civil District of Madison County. This act was repealed by Private Acts of 1957, Chapter 152.
8. Private Acts of 1937, Chapter 740, changed the line between Gibson and Madison counties to place in Gibson county the lands acquired by W. A. Birdsong from R. H. Simpson, being the same lands placed in Madison County by Private Acts of 1921, Chapter 796.

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