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Law Enforcement - Historical Notes

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Sheriff

The following acts have no current effect but are included here for reference purposes since they once applied to the Sequatchie County Sheriff's Office.

1. Private Acts of 1929, Chapter 347, stated that the Sheriff of Sequatchie County (identified by the 1920 Federal Census figures) would be paid an annual salary of \$900 and, in addition, the sheriff was to be paid monthly out of the general funds of the county on the warrant of the county judge, or chairman. All conflicts were repealed.
2. Private Acts of 1945, Chapter 286, declared that the ex-officio fees of the Sheriff of Sequatchie County would be \$1,800 annually, payable monthly out of the general funds of the county on the warrant of the county judge, or chairman. No other fees of any sort were to be paid to the Sheriff other than those mentioned herein.
3. Private Acts of 1969, Chapter 147, was properly ratified by the Sequatchie County Quarterly Court, set the salary of the Sheriff at \$8,400, annually, the salary of the First Deputy Sheriff at \$5,400 annually, and the salary of the Second Deputy Sheriff at \$3,400 per year, all of which was appropriated by the Quarterly Court to be paid in equal monthly installments. All fees collected, or coming into the hands of the Sheriff at any time would be paid over the county trustee every month for the use and benefit of the county.

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