

**1962**

**DELINQUENCY**

**NEGLECT**

# **ANNUAL REPORT . . .**

**HARRIS COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT**

**Houston, Texas**



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PROBATION DEPARTMENT  
OF  
HARRIS COUNTY

DECEMBER 31, 1962

THE HONORABLE JUVENILE BOARD,  
THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS COURT,  
ALL CITIZENS OF HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

SIRS:

THE FOLLOWING REPORT SUMMARIZES THE SERVICES RENDERED BY THE HARRIS COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT TO DELINQUENT AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN FOR THE YEAR 1962.

THE REQUEST FOR SERVICES AGAIN SHOWS AN INCREASE IN ALL AREAS. IT IS HOPED THAT EACH PERSON WHO HAS INTEREST IN THE SERVICES OF THE COMMUNITY WILL LOOK INTO THIS PROBLEM SO THAT AN EXAMINATION OF WHAT IS BEING DONE CAN RESULT IN A UNITED EFFORT FOR A SOUND APPROACH IN CONTROLLING AND DECREASING THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH INVOLVED.

THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF THE JUVENILE BOARD AND COMMISSIONERS COURT, AND OTHER INTERESTED AGENCIES AND CITIZENS, SOME PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE. THE PLANS FOR AN EMERGENCY SHELTER CARE AT BURNETT-BAYLAND HOME HAVE BEEN COMPLETED AND CONSTRUCTION WILL START IN FEBRUARY, 1963. A PLANNING COMMITTEE OF THE JUVENILE BOARD IS NOW STUDYING AND, WITH THE HELP OF CONSULTANTS IN THIS FIELD, WILL DEVELOP A LONG RANGE PROGRAM.

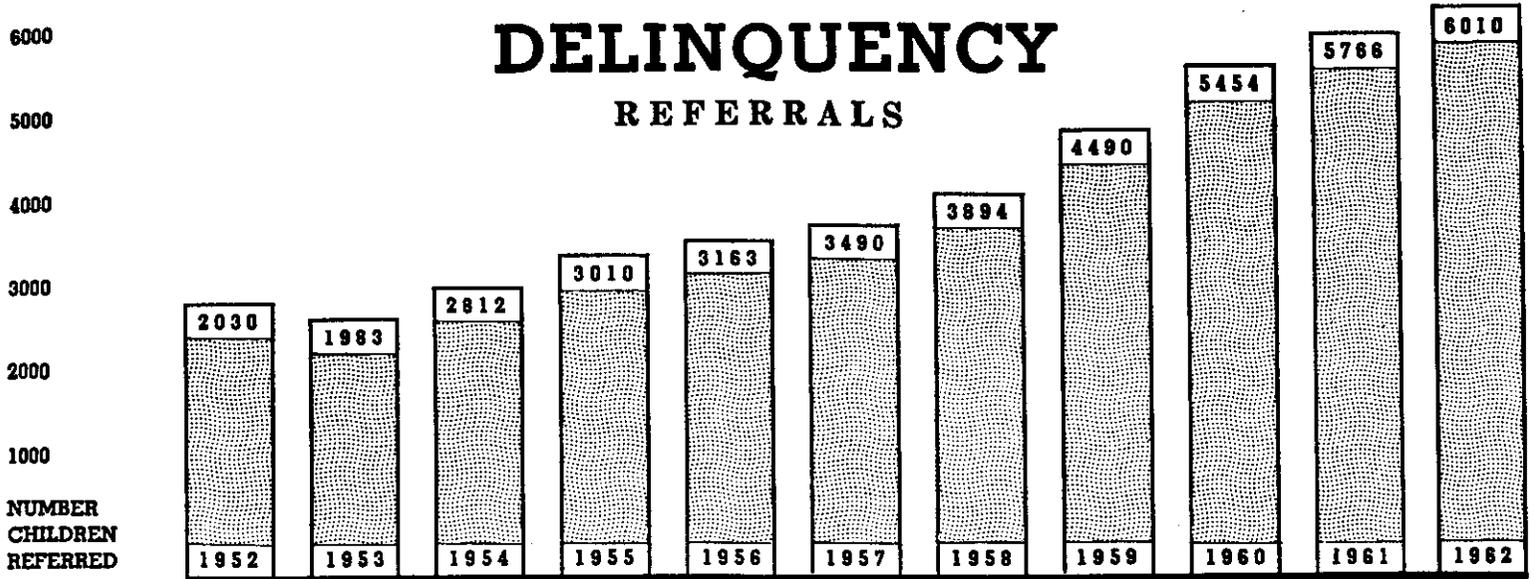
THESE EFFORTS MUST BE AUGMENTED AND THE DEPARTMENT WILL HAVE TO GROW TO SERVICE THE MANY PROBLEMS OF A FAST GROWING COMMUNITY OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH.

THE ASSISTANCE OF THE JUVENILE DIVISIONS OF THE HOUSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT, THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND ALL POLICE DEPARTMENTS IN THE COUNTY, COMBINED WITH THE EFFORTS OF SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS, PUBLIC AND PRIVATE AGENCIES, PUBLIC OFFICIALS, AND INDIVIDUAL CITIZENS HAS BEEN OF GREAT HELP TO OUR SERVICE, AND ALL ARE TO BE COMMENDED.

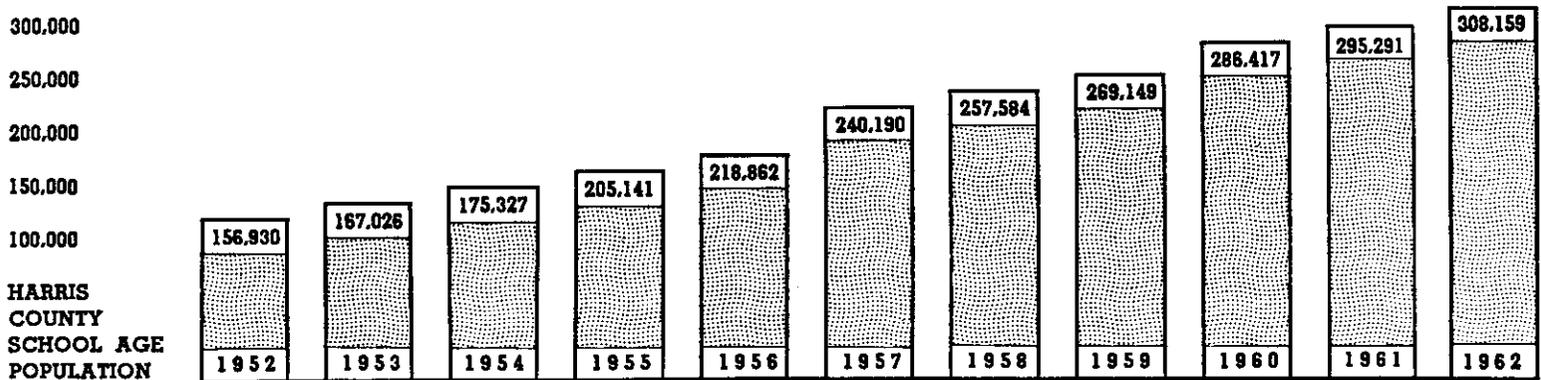
SINCERELY YOURS,

*Paul Irick*  
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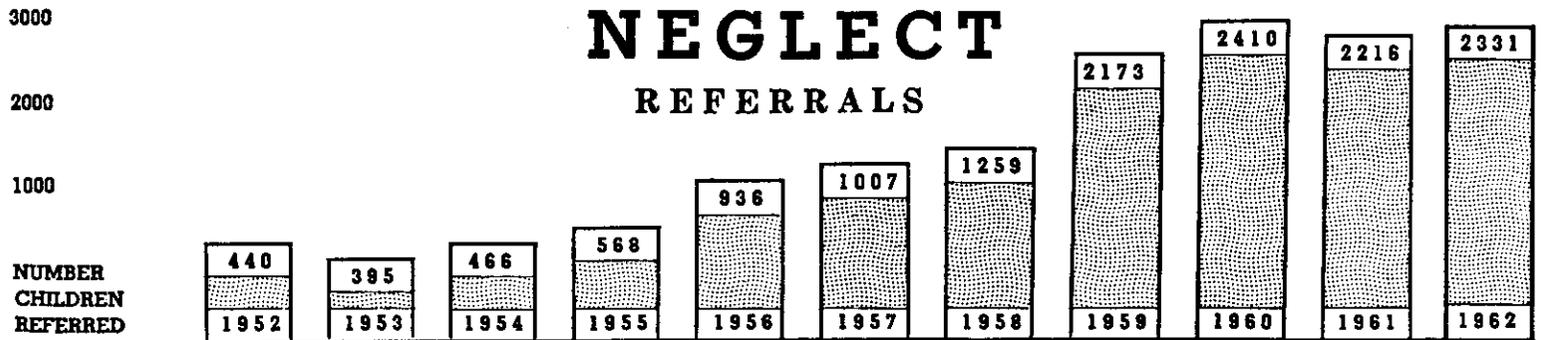
# DELINQUENCY REFERRALS



# SCHOOL AGE CHILD POPULATION



# NEGLECT REFERRALS



1952 through 1962  
HARRIS COUNTY

# Delinquency Referrals

## by AGE, RACE, SEX and OFFENSE

| AGE . . .                                | BOYS        |             |            |             | GIRLS      |            |            |             | TOTAL CHILDREN |
|--|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|----------------|
|  | WHITE       | COLORED     | LATIN      | TOTAL       | WHITE      | COLORED    | LATIN      | TOTAL       |                |
| 10 .....                                 | 121         | 186         | 57         | 364         | 39         | 25         | 4          | 68          | 432            |
| 11 .....                                 | 120         | 72          | 64         | 256         | 25         | 16         | 17         | 58          | 314            |
| 12 .....                                 | 143         | 85          | 44         | 272         | 26         | 17         | 10         | 53          | 325            |
| 13 .....                                 | 248         | 184         | 130        | 562         | 95         | 77         | 30         | 202         | 764            |
| 14 .....                                 | 445         | 286         | 135        | 866         | 147        | 123        | 51         | 321         | 1187           |
| 15 .....                                 | 607         | 245         | 229        | 1081        | 179        | 103        | 68         | 350         | 1431           |
| 16 .....                                 | 660         | 336         | 172        | 1168        | 135        | 94         | 64         | 293         | 1461           |
| 17 .....                                 | 0           | 0           | 0          | 0           | 52         | 28         | 16         | 96          | 96             |
|  | <u>2185</u> | <u>1290</u> | <u>765</u> | <u>4240</u> | <u>640</u> | <u>463</u> | <u>256</u> | <u>1359</u> | <u>5599</u>    |
| Referrals pending<br>Dec. 31, 1961 ..... | 159         | 104         | 66         | 329         | 58         | 20         | 4          | 82          | 411            |
|  | <u>2344</u> | <u>1394</u> | <u>831</u> | <u>4569</u> | <u>698</u> | <u>483</u> | <u>260</u> | <u>1441</u> | <u>6010</u>    |

| OFFENSE . . .                            | BOYS        |             |            |             | GIRLS      |            |            |             | TOTAL CHILDREN |
|--|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|----------------|
|  | WHITE       | COLORED     | LATIN      | TOTAL       | WHITE      | COLORED    | LATIN      | TOTAL       |                |
| Auto Theft .....                         | 233         | 99          | 69         | 401         | 17         | 1          | 0          | 18          | 419            |
| Robbery .....                            | 39          | 28          | 13         | 80          | 4          | 4          | 3          | 11          | 91             |
| Burglary-<br>Unlawful Entry ....         | 549         | 297         | 172        | 1018        | 30         | 33         | 17         | 80          | 1098           |
| Other Theft .....                        | 530         | 353         | 197        | 1080        | 62         | 66         | 24         | 152         | 1232           |
| Truancy .....                            | 81          | 102         | 45         | 228         | 51         | 25         | 16         | 92          | 320            |
| Running Away .....                       | 202         | 113         | 75         | 390         | 262        | 156        | 112        | 530         | 920            |
| Being<br>Ungovernable .....              | 61          | 31          | 10         | 102         | 42         | 34         | 17         | 93          | 195            |
| Sex Offense .....                        | 70          | 59          | 22         | 151         | 60         | 38         | 9          | 107         | 258            |
| Use or Possession<br>of Drugs .....      | 6           | 0           | 3          | 9           | 9          | 9          | 0          | 18          | 27             |
| Assault<br>Injury to Person ....         | 78          | 64          | 27         | 169         | 9          | 21         | 6          | 36          | 205            |
| Malicious<br>Mischievous .....           | 154         | 66          | 52         | 272         | 20         | 17         | 1          | 38          | 310            |
| Traffic<br>Violation .....               | 20          | 11          | 3          | 34          | 0          | 0          | 1          | 1           | 35             |
| Arson .....                              | 3           | 1           | 2          | 6           | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0           | 6              |
| Other Delinquent<br>Behavior .....       | 318         | 170         | 141        | 629         | 132        | 79         | 54         | 265         | 894            |
|  | <u>2185</u> | <u>1290</u> | <u>765</u> | <u>4240</u> | <u>640</u> | <u>463</u> | <u>256</u> | <u>1359</u> | <u>5599</u>    |
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# DELINQUENCY REFERRALS

## DELINQUENT CHILDREN PROCESSED THROUGH JUVENILE COURT

### NUMBER OF CASES REFERRED TO JUVENILE COURT

|                      | BOYS       |            |            |            | GIRLS     |            |           |            | CHILDREN<br>TOTAL |
|----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|-------------------|
|                      | WHITE      | COLORED    | LATIN      | TOTAL      | WHITE     | COLORED    | LATIN     | TOTAL      |                   |
| New Cases.....       | 339        | 193        | 118        | 650        | 50        | 69         | 34        | 153        | 803               |
| Re-Opened Cases..... | 160        | 40         | 43         | 243        | 47        | 34         | 16        | 97         | 340               |
| <b>TOTAL.....</b>    | <b>499</b> | <b>233</b> | <b>161</b> | <b>893</b> | <b>97</b> | <b>103</b> | <b>50</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>1143</b>       |

#### DISPOSITION

|   |    |    |    |     |    |    |   |    |     |
|---|----|----|----|-----|----|----|---|----|-----|
| Committed to Texas Youth Council...               | 61 | 77 | 33 | 171 | 12 | 31 | 8 | 51 | 222 |
| Committed to<br>Harris County Boy's School.....   | 35 | 0  | 20 | 55  | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 55  |
| Committed to Convent<br>of The Good Shepherd..... | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 6  | 0  | 6 | 12 | 12  |

#### DECLARED DELINQUENT

|                                    |     |    |    |     |    |    |    |    |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|----|-----|
| Probation to Parents.....          | 130 | 38 | 34 | 202 | 7  | 7  | 3  | 17 | 219 |
| Probation to Father.....           | 20  | 8  | 1  | 29  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 3  | 32  |
| Probation to Mother.....           | 54  | 23 | 18 | 95  | 16 | 17 | 3  | 36 | 131 |
| Probation to Relatives.....        | 35  | 13 | 8  | 56  | 9  | 10 | 5  | 24 | 80  |
| Probation to Others.....           | 9   | 2  | 3  | 14  | 3  | 2  | 1  | 6  | 20  |
| Cases Pending.....                 | 129 | 54 | 35 | 218 | 21 | 20 | 16 | 57 | 275 |
| Cancelled and Reset.....           | 15  | 10 | 7  | 32  | 13 | 12 | 3  | 28 | 60  |
| Dependent—Placed in Foster Home... | 2   | 0  | 0  | 2   | 2  | 2  | 0  | 4  | 6   |
| Petition Denied.....               | 3   | 2  | 1  | 6   | 3  | 0  | 0  | 3  | 9   |
| Show Cause.....                    | 1   | 0  | 0  | 1   | 2  | 1  | 3  | 6  | 7   |
| Contempt.....                      | 2   | 0  | 0  | 2   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 2   |
| Other.....                         | 3   | 6  | 1  | 10  | 2  | 0  | 1  | 3  | 13  |

#### GATESVILLE SCHOOL FOR BOYS

|  | WHITE | COLORED | LATIN | TOTAL |
|--|-------|---------|-------|-------|
| Harris County Boys in institution—First of year..... | 58    | 119     | 52    | 229   |
| Boys committed during year.....                      | 61    | 77      | 33    | 171   |
| Parole revocations.....                              | 7     | 39      | 8     | 54    |
| Boys Paroled and Discharged.....                     | 64    | 112     | 46    | 222   |
| Boys on hand—Last day of year.....                   | 62    | 123     | 47    | 232   |

#### GAINESVILLE SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

|   | WHITE | LATIN | TOTAL |
|---|-------|-------|-------|
| Harris County Girls in institution—First of year..... | 29    | 5     | 34    |
| Girls committed.....                                  | 12    | 8     | 20    |
| Parole revocations.....                               | 7     | 5     | 12    |
| Girls paroled.....                                    | 26    | 5     | 31    |
| Girls on hand—Last day of year.....                   | 22    | 13    | 35    |

#### CROCKETT SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

|   | COLORED |
|---|---------|
| Harris County girls in institution—First day of year..... | 41      |
| Girls committed.....                                      | 31      |
| Parolee Revocations.....                                  | 4       |
| Girls paroled.....  | 27      |
| Girls on hand—Last day of year.....                       | 49      |

#### DETENTION HOME

Children Referred Are Placed in Detention Pending Court Hearing

#### DETENTION WARD

|                     | WHITE | COLORED | LATIN | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|---------|-------|-------|
| Boys Detained.....  | 1121  | 749     | 518   | 2388  |
| Girls Detained..... | 369   | 244     | 174   | 787   |

# DEPENDENCY REFERRALS

## TOTAL NUMBER CHILDREN PROCESSED AS DEPENDENT AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN THROUGH DEPARTMENT

| Dependent and Neglect (only)         | CASES |         |       |       | CHILDREN |         |       |       |
|--------------------------------------|-------|---------|-------|-------|----------|---------|-------|-------|
|                                      | WHITE | COLORED | LATIN | TOTAL | WHITE    | COLORED | LATIN | TOTAL |
| Children under supervision           |       |         |       |       |          |         |       |       |
| First day of year.....               | 343   | 142     | 59    | 544   | 939      | 458     | 223   | 1620  |
| Number added during year.....        | 507   | 226     | 75    | 808   | 1389     | 712     | 230   | 2331  |
| Number closed during year.....       | 542   | 225     | 86    | 853   | 1468     | 730     | 261   | 2459  |
| Number on hand last day of year..... | 308   | 143     | 48    | 499   | 860      | 440     | 192   | 1492  |

### DISPOSITION — COURT CASES DEPENDENCY

|                                   | WHITE | COLORED | LATIN | TOTAL |
|-----------------------------------|-------|---------|-------|-------|
| Number of Cases Referred to Court |       |         |       |       |
| New Cases .....                   | 102   | 60      | 8     | 170   |
| Re-Opened Cases .....             | 80    | 17      | 11    | 108   |
| Total Number of Cases .....       | 182   | 77      | 19    | 278   |

#### DISPOSITIONS BY NUMBER OF CHILDREN:

|   | WHITE | COLORED | LATIN | TOTAL |
|---|-------|---------|-------|-------|
| Harris County Children's Home.....          | 0     | 15      | 0     | 15    |
| Placed at Burnet-Bayland.....               | 42    | 0       | 12    | 54    |
| Placed in Foster Homes.....                 | 28    | 30      | 1     | 59    |
| Custody to Both Parents.....                | 7     | 5       | 1     | 13    |
| Custody to Mother.....                      | 10    | 6       | 10    | 26    |
| Custody to Father.....                      | 2     | 1       | 6     | 9     |
| Custody to Others.....                      | 40    | 19      | 0     | 59    |
| Custody to Relatives.....                   | 6     | 1       | 1     | 8     |
| Custody to Catholic Charities.....          | 4     | 0       | 10    | 14    |
| Custody to Buckners.....                    | 20    | 0       | 0     | 20    |
| Removed from Buckners.....                  | 1     | 0       | 0     | 1     |
| Custody to Faith Home.....                  | 3     | 0       | 0     | 3     |
| Custody to Corsicana.....                   | 8     | 0       | 0     | 8     |
| Custody to Convent.....                     | 1     | 0       | 0     | 1     |
| State Home .....                            | 1     | 0       | 0     | 1     |
| Custody to Waco.....                        | 4     | 0       | 0     | 4     |
| Custody to South Texas Children's Home..... | 2     | 0       | 0     | 2     |
| Parental Rights Terminated.....             | 11    | 1       | 0     | 12    |
| Passed or Reset.....                        | 151   | 68      | 1     | 220   |
| Denied or Dismissed.....                    | 16    | 16      | 0     | 32    |
| Methodist Home .....                        | 3     | 0       | 0     | 3     |
| Declared Delinquent .....                   | 6     | 1       | 3     | 10    |
| Mexia .....                                 | 0     | 0       | 7     | 7     |
| Support .....                               | 4     | 0       | 0     | 4     |
| Negro Child Center.....                     | 0     | 7       | 0     | 7     |
| TOTAL.....                                  | 370   | 170     | 52    | 592   |

#### SPECIAL SERVICES for Courts of Domestic Relations and Other Agencies

|   |     |
|---|-----|
| Custody Investigations received.....                | 189 |
| Adoption Investigations received.....               | 971 |
| Fed. Agency and Armed Forces Inquiries.....         | 480 |
| O.T.I.'s received (out-of-town investigations)..... | 325 |

# Institutional and Foster Home Program

| <b>HARRIS COUNTY BOYS SCHOOL (Home for Delinquent Boys)</b> | WHITE | LATIN | TOTAL |
|---|-------|-------|-------|
| Boys in Harris County Boys School—First day of year .....   | 46    | 12    | 58    |
| Boys committed .....  | 35    | 20    | 55    |
| Boys released .....   | 43    | 11    | 54    |
| Boys on hand—Last day of year .....                         | 38    | 21    | 59    |

| <b>BURNETT-BAYLAND (Home for Dependent-Neglected Children)</b> | BOYS | GIRLS | TOTAL |
|--|------|-------|-------|
| Children in institution—First day of year .....                | 56   | 54    | 110   |
| Children received .....  | 172  | 153   | 325   |
| Children released .....  | 184  | 173   | 357   |
| Children in home—Last day of year .....                        | 44   | 34    | 78    |

| <b>HARRIS COUNTY CHILDREN'S HOME<br/>(Emergency Home for Negro Children)</b> | COLORED |
|--|---------|
| Children on hand—First day of year .....                                     | 18      |
| Children placed in home .....  | 177     |
| Children released during year .....  | 173     |
| Children in home—Last day of year .....                                      | 22      |

| <b>FOSTER HOMES</b>                                   | DEPENDENT CHILDREN | DELINQUENT CHILDREN |
|---|--------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Children in PAID Foster Homes During Year</b>      |                    |                     |
| Children in Foster Homes—First day of year .....      | 167                | 6                   |
| Children Placed in Foster Homes During Year .....     | 117                | 2                   |
| Children Released from Foster Homes During Year ..... | 134                | 7                   |
| Children in Foster Homes—Last day of year .....       | 150                | 1                   |

|  |    |   |
|--|----|---|
| <b>Children in FREE Foster Homes</b>             |    |   |
| Children in Foster Homes—First day of year ..... | 29 | 2 |
| Children Placed During Year .....                | 42 | 0 |
| Children Released During Year .....              | 41 | 0 |
| Children in Foster Homes—Last day of year .....  | 30 | 2 |

|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| <b>Foster Homes in Use—First Day of Year .....</b> | <b>95</b> |
| <b>Foster Homes Put to Use During Year .....</b>   | <b>51</b> |

| <b>ADOPTIVE HOMES</b>                                  |    |
|--|----|
| Children in Adoptive Homes—First day of year .....     | 42 |
| Children placed in Adoptive Homes During Year .....    | 38 |
| Children legally adopted during year .....             | 36 |
| Children removed from Adoptive Homes during year ..... | 1  |
| Children in Adoptive Homes—Last day of year .....      | 43 |

## SUPPORT SERVICES

The Receiving and Disbursing of Funds for the Support of Minor Children  
Ordered through Divorce Actions By Court

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| NUMBER CASES ACTIVE JANUARY 1, 1962 ..... | 4,957  |
| TOTAL NUMBER CASES DURING YEAR .....      | 8,516  |
| NUMBER CHILDREN RECEIVING SUPPORT .....   | 16,591 |

**TOTAL AMOUNT RECEIVED AND DISBURSED \$5,232,931.59**

# HARRIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

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HONORABLE BILL ELLIOTT, County Judge

## COMMISSIONERS

W. KYLE CHAPMAN.....Precinct Number 1  
V. V. RAMSEY.....Precinct Number 2  
PHILIP E. SAYERS.....Precinct Number 3  
E. A. LYONS, JR.....Precinct Number 4

## HARRIS COUNTY JUVENILE BOARD

HONORABLE BILL ELLIOTT, County Judge  
Chairman of the Board

### District Judges . . .

|                                 |                                      |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| HONORABLE JOHN L. COMPTON       | 151st Judicial District Court        |
| HONORABLE SAM W. DAVIS          | Criminal District Court Number 5     |
| HONORABLE LEWIS DICKSON         | 125th Judicial District Court        |
| HONORABLE EDMUND B. DUGGAN      | Criminal District Court              |
| HONORABLE WM. M. HOLLAND        | 127th Judicial District Court        |
| HONORABLE WILMER B. HUNT        | 133rd Judicial District Court        |
| HONORABLE BYRON JOHNSON         | 80th Judicial District Court         |
| HONORABLE LANGSTON G. KING      | Criminal District Court Number 2     |
| HONORABLE ARNOLD H. KRICHAMER   | Criminal District Court Number 4     |
| HONORABLE MIRON A. LOVE         | Criminal District Court Number 3     |
| HONORABLE SEARS W. McGEE        | 55th Judicial District Court         |
| HONORABLE J. W. MILLS           | Court of Domestic Relations          |
| HONORABLE BEN MOORHEAD          | 11th Judicial District Court         |
| HONORABLE WENDELL A. ODOM       | Court of Domestic Relations Number 2 |
| HONORABLE PHIL PEDEN            | 157th Judicial District Court        |
| HONORABLE JOHN SNELL JR.        | 152nd Judicial District Court        |
| HONORABLE THOMAS J. STOVALL JR. | 129th Judicial District Court        |
| HONORABLE BERT H. TUNKS         | 113th Judicial District Court        |
| HONORABLE BEN F. WILSON         | 61st Judicial District Court         |
| HONORABLE BEN WOODALL           | Court of Domestic Relations Number 3 |

## THE JUVENILE COURT

Judge of the Juvenile Court.....HONORABLE J. W. MILLS  
Referee of the Juvenile Court.....EDWARD ROCHE