JASPER COUNTY I

FEBRUARY 7, 1835: Formation by statute, effective on publication. The formation affected territory attached to White and Warren counties. Jasper was organized by an act of February 17, 1838, effective March 15, 1838.

BOUNDARIES: “Beginning at the south east corner of section thirty three, in township twenty four north, of range six west, thence west to the line of the state of Illinois, thence north with the state line thirty miles, thence east with the line dividing townships twenty eight and twenty nine north, to the north east corner of section four, township twenty eight north, of range six west, thence south with the sectional lines thirty miles to the place of beginning.” Laws of Indiana, 1834-35 (general), p. 46.

COUNTY SEAT: Parish Grove and Spitler's Cabin were temporary seats of justice. With the reorganization of the county in 1839, a permanent county seat was chosen. See following map. Hamilton and Darroch (eds.), History of Jasper and Newton Counties, 1:47.
JASPER COUNTY BOUNDARIES

NEWTON CO.

[Diagram of Jasper County boundaries with markings for Newton County, Warren County, White County, Tippecanoe County, Illinois, and Jasper County 1, effective Feb. 7, 1835.]
JASPER COUNTY II

JUNE [?], 1839: Alteration by consolidation with Newton County, under terms of statute of January 29, 1839, effective on passage.

Boundary Change: The law of January 29, 1839, appointed commissioners to meet on the first Monday of June, "to examine the counties of Jasper and Newton, with a view of their being consolidated." It was further provided that "if, after examination, they shall be of opinion that the interest of the two counties would be promoted by the union of the same, from thenceforth the territory, known by the names of Jasper and Newton counties, shall be known as Jasper county." Laws of Indiana, 1838-39 (general), p. 83. See preceding map and Newton County map, January 28, 1836.

The exact date of the consolidation is not known, the commissioners' report having been destroyed in a courthouse fire of 1865.

County Seat: Commissioners were appointed under this act to locate a county seat. If the two counties were consolidated the county seat was to be named Newton. The Jasper county seat has never been removed, though the name was changed. Laws of Indiana, 1838-39 (general), p. 83. See following map.
JASPER COUNTY III

FEBRUARY 18, 1840: Alteration by statute forming Benton County, effective on passage.

BOUNDARY CHANGE: "All that part of Jasper county south of the line between township twenty-six (26) and twenty-seven (27) north" was formed into Benton County. Laws of Indiana, 1839-40 (general), p. 62.

By an act of the same date, the name of the county seat was changed from Newton to Rensselaer. Ibid. (local), p. 240.
JASPER COUNTY BOUNDARIES

[Law: Feb. 18, 1840, effective on passage]
JASPER COUNTY IV

February 10, 1841: Alteration by statute, attaching certain territory to Jasper County, effective on passage.

boundary change: The law attached to Jasper County all that part of White County within the following boundaries: "Commencing at the northwest corner of White county; thence east six miles; thence south five miles; thence west six miles to the county line dividing the counties of White and Jasper; thence north with said line to the place of beginning." Laws of Indiana, 1840-41 (general), p. 135.

The northwest corner of White County was the northwest corner of section 3, township 28 north, range 6 west.
JASPER COUNTY BOUNDARIES

PORTER CO.

LAKE CO.

KANKAKEE

ILLINOIS

PULASKI CO.

BENTON CO.

WHITE CO.

JASPER COUNTY IV

[Law: Feb. 10, 1841, effective on passage]
JASPER COUNTY V

DECEMBER 8, 1859: Alteration by commissioners' report of February 27, 1858, dividing Jasper County, made effective by the decision of the Indiana Supreme Court, and recorded December 8, 1859.

BOUNDARY CHANGE: All that part of Jasper County west of the range line between ranges 7 and 8 west of the second principal meridian was reorganized as Newton County. For text and comment, see map, Newton County III.
[Commissioners' Report: Feb. 27, 1858, recorded Dec. 8, 1859]
JASPER COUNTY VI

MARCH 8, 1923: Alteration by statute defining the boundaries of Jasper County.

BOUNDARIES: "Beginning at the southwest corner of township twenty-seven north, range seven west, second principal meridian, thence east to the southwest corner of section thirty-four, township twenty-seven north, range six west, thence north to the northwest corner of section thirty-four, township twenty-eight north, range six west, thence east to the northwest corner of section thirty-four, township twenty-eight north, range five west, thence north to the line dividing townships twenty-eight and twenty-nine north, thence east to the line dividing ranges four and five west, thence north to the Marble Powers ditch, thence down the middle of the channel of the same to the line dividing ranges seven and eight west, thence south to the place of beginning." Laws of Indiana, 1923, p. 464.
JASPER COUNTY BOUNDARIES

[Law: Mar. 8, 1923]