

Galveston, Texas, Nov. 9, 1893

The Leon & H. Blum Land Co.,

Galveston, Texas.

Gentlemen, -

I have to report that I went to Edwards County, and surveyed Block No. 2, and its connections as follows, to-wit :

I began at the N W corner of said Block, a stone mound in hollow, with flat stone on top marked N W 1 Bl 2, from which a Live Oak 8 or 9 inches in diameter brs S $8 \frac{1}{4}$ W 21 vrs and another live oak 10 in dia brs N $55 \frac{1}{2}$ W 64 vrs ; Thence North $23^{\circ} 15'$ E 14468 vrs to a stone mound on N E side of a hill, the West cor of Sec 44 M. E. P. & P. R. R. Co. and the South cor of Sec 26 T. & N. O. R. R. Co. ; Thence North 45 W 1900 vrs to a stone mound in a mesquite flat, the W cor of said Sec 26 in S E line of Sec 25, T. & N. O. R. R. Co. from which a Live Oak 20 in dia brs S 20 E 121 vrs and another Live Oak 14 in dia brs S 23 E 128 vrs ; Thence South 45 W 560 vrs to South cor of said Sec 25 T. & N. O. R. R. Co a stone mound from which a Live Oak 9 in dia brs S 54 W 22 vrs and another Live Oak brs N 65 E 32 vrs . (the above corners and bearings conform strictly with the original field notes as returned by Mr. Luckett the locating Surveyor, and the records show that he located Sec 44 and tied it on to Sec 26, so there can be no mistake about the cor to which Mr. Wentworth tied Block No. 2, when he located it.)

Finding that Block No. 2 was in proper position on the ground, I went back to its N W cor, and from said corner ran N 23 W 155 vrs to a stone mound the S E cor of Sec 57, G. C. & S. F. R. R. Co. no bearings. I then returned to N W cor Block No. 2 ; Thence South at 705 vrs a stone mound with flat rock on top marked N E 7, from which a forked Live Oak 13 in dia brs S $71 \frac{1}{2}$ E 36 vrs and another Live Oak 12 in dia brs S $71 \frac{1}{2}$ E $40 \frac{5}{10}$ vrs ; Thence North 60 W $64 \frac{1}{2}$ vrs a stone mound the N W cor Sec 7 Blk.10 G. H. & S. A. R. R. Co. from which a L. O. 4 in dia brs S $46 \frac{3}{4}$ E $13 \frac{2}{5}$ vrs, another L. O. 5 in dia brs S $39 \frac{1}{4}$ E $12 \frac{4}{5}$ vrs and another L. O. 5 in dia brs S $3 \frac{1}{4}$ E $12 \frac{3}{5}$ vrs. (The most Northern of said live oaks is blown down, but the cross and hacks above and below are still plain and visible) I then went back to N. E. cor Sec 7 on W

line of Blk. 2 and ran South on regular measurement from N. W. cor Block 2, at 1700 vrs cross draw, course N E at 2800 vrs cross large draw, course N of E at 3780 vrs cross another draw, at 5340 vrs cross head of draw, at 5584 vrs pass lone cedar on top of hill at 5700 vrs a large stone mound with flat rock on top marked $\frac{1}{2}$ W 23 on slope of hill, continue on same count at 6755 vrs cross Rock Springs and Sonora Road, at 7290 vrs a stone mound with flat stone on top marked N.E.17 Bl 10 from which a cedar marked X brs S 17 W 56 vrs ; Thence South 60 E 445 vrs to a stone mound from which a L.O. 8 in dia brs S 55 W 40 vrs ; Thence from this cor South 60 E 1900 vrs to a stone mound on West side of drain from which a L O 5 in dia brs N 44 $\frac{1}{4}$ E 34 vrs and another L O 4 in dia brs N 46 $\frac{1}{2}$ E 33 vrs both marked \bar{X} (The most Western tree is dead, but still standing) (Said corners marked A & B on accompanying sketch) These corners are beyond doubt original corners of Sec No.1 Blk 10, G. H. & S. A. R. R. Co. which Mr. Williams the State Surveyor found to be in conflict with Block No 2 when he was correcting the field notes of said Blk 10, for the original field notes of said Sec No 1, read as follows, to-wit : "Begin at a stone mound in N W line of Survey No.8 - 475 vrs S 30 W from its N W cor a L.O. 5 in dia brs N 44 $\frac{3}{4}$ E 34 vrs a L.O. 4 in dia brs N 46 $\frac{1}{2}$ E 33 vrs ; Thence North 60 W 1900 vrs to a stone mound for the North cor of this survey a clump of cedar brs N 17 W 30 vrs a L O 18 in dia brs S 55 W 53 vrs; ^{Thence} S 30 W 1900 vrs - ^{Thence} S 60 E 1900 vrs to a stake and mound ; Thence North 30 E at 475 vrs the W cor of Survey 8 ; Thence 1900 vrs to the beginning." I then returned to the stone mound with flat stone on top marked N.E.17 Bl 10 and ran South on new count from this corner and at 310 vrs found stone mound with flat stone on top marked $\frac{1}{2}$ W 44 Bl 2. The stone is broken and the Bl does not show plainly ; Thence South on new count from this corner at 300 vrs cross draw course N E at 933 vrs pass a stone mound a corner of Sec 17 Bl 10, at 1900 vrs a point for S W cor No.45 (Mr. Williams the State Surveyor in his report which I have seen, states that he did not put up any corner here.) Thence East at 765 vrs cross draw at 1900 vrs the common cor of Sections 45, 46, 51 & 52, post no witness trees ; Thence East from this cor on new count at 600 vrs cross draw, at 1923 $\frac{7}{10}$ vrs a stone mound the N E cor of Sec No.51.

7 I then ran back West from this cor and at 14 vrs pass a stone mound
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the North-east cor of the town plat of Rock Springs at, 59 9/10 vrs a point 1 8/10 vrs South of the W cor of Sec.No.5 J. H. Gibson Surveys. Commence then at the W cor of said Sec No.5, J. H. Gibson surveys from which a cedar 18 or 20 in dia brs N 58 W 29 vrs marked thus on North side ^{by} a cedar stump brs N 83 3/4 W 20 vrs, Rock Springs bears S 18 E 30 vrs (no sign of old Indian Fort called for in original field notes.) Thence North 30 E 1932 2/10 vrs a pile of stone from which a L O stump 8 in dia brs S 8 E 23 vrs a 3 pronged Spanish Oak (called Black Jack in original notes) 24 in dia brs S 2 3/4 E 44 vrs. (Both these trees have been cut down recently, but the three prongs on Spanish Oak stump show plainly.) Thence South 60 E 950 vrs to point for S corner of Sec No.1 (no evidence of a cor) Thence North 30 E 1⁰⁰00 vrs to point for East cor of Sec No.1 J. H. Gibson (no evidences of a corner ever having been built upon the ground) I then commenced at the Devils Sink Hole on Sec 30 Block 2 and ran the connection for Sec No.1 Gibson Surveys, as shown on Land Office sketch which I had in my possession and herewith return. (S 75 W 3800 vrs and S 85 W 8500 vrs) as follows : Begin at the Devils Sink Hole (which is one of the greatest natural curiosities in Texas, being a perpendicular hole in the ground 40 or 50 feet in diameter and 162 feet deep to the top of a hill within, and from the top of the hill at an incline of about 45° 300 feet to banks of an underground river) Thence South 75 W at 1480 vrs cross Hackberry Creek at 3275 vrs center of draw at 3800 vrs point in center of draw, no evidence of a corner ; Thence South 85 W at 260 vrs center of road at 2020 vrs center of draw at 2380 vrs mot of cedars at 3130 vrs center of draw at 4325 vrs cross Rock Springs road at 5825 vrs cross another road at 7220 vrs cross road at 7500 vrs point marked C on map just West of the East line of Sec 43 Block No.2. The above line passes 41 1/2 vrs N 30 E of where the N E corner of Sec No.1 J. H. Gibson surveys should appear upon the ground. I then began back at the S W cor of Sec 45 Blk 2 ; Thence ran South 1932 vrs to a point 32 vrs W of a stone mound with flat stone on top marked S W 52 from which a L O 12 in dia brs S 14 1/4 E 48 1/5 vrs and another

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L. O. 10 in dia brs S 80 1/2 W 24 1/5 vrs ; Then from said rock cor
I ran E 1822 vrs to a point due North of the S E cor Sec 53 Blk 2 ;
Thence South 1908 vrs to stone mound with flat stone on top marked S E 53
Thence East at 3868 vrs a stone mound with flat stone on top marked S E
55 at 5700 vrs point for S E cor Sec 56 Block 2 (no evidence of a cor)
Williams in his report does not state that he put up this corner. From
this point I ran a proper connection to see if I could find any of the
original corners of Sec No.10 Blk No.11 G. C. & S. F. R. R. Co. according
to a certified copy of the field notes of said survey sent me from the
General Land Office, which were made out and returned by Will H. Bonnell
I could not find them.

(Signed) B. I. Willcoxon.

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Sketch file #5.
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See large sketch
map (blue print.)
SEE EDWARDS R.L.D. SK 15

Field notes of a connecting
line from Devils sink
hole, to Rock Spring
surveys & thence to
South Llano river camp
by B. J. Willcox on
Sur. for Lead & Co. Blum.

Filed Nov. 27/93.

H. J. [Signature]
Chief Clerk

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