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IN Re: SURVEY OF NW/4 SECTION 70 AND EAST PART SECTION 56, H&TC RR, BLOCK 44, FOARD COUNTY, TEXAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING PATENTS IN THE NAME OF THE PRESENT LAND OWNER, CLAUDE CALLAWAY.

## RECORD HISTORY

Sections of H&TC Ry. Co. Block 44 in the above captioned area were originally surveyed by Dennis Corwin in December of 1873. R. M. Kenney made a resurvey of all of Block 44 in 1888. Kenney found many errors in the original survey and re-located the sections so that the overall acreage in the railroad sections and School sections would be equal. Although the railroad sections were patented prior to Kenneys survey, in most cases the State has adopted Kenney's survey both as to the School and Railroad Sections.

IN 1874 W. A. BENSON LOCATED A GROUP OF SURVEYS IN THIS AREA, ALL OF WHICH CONFLICTED WITH BLOCK 44. FOR REASONS NOT KNOWN TO ME, THESE SURVEYS TOOK PRECEDENCE OVER BLOCK 44, ALTHOUGH THEY WERE JUNIOR TO IT. THE D. D. D. BAKER AND JACOB SMITH SURVEYS OF THIS GROUP CONFLICTED WITH SECTION 56 OF BLOCK 44. IN 1900 J. C. THOMPSON MADE A CORRECTED SURVEY OF SECTION 56, INTENDING TO REMOVE IT FROM CONFLICT WITH THE BAKER AND SMITH SURVEYS. THE WEST 80 ACRES OF SECTION 56 WAS PATENTED TO PHIL WITHERSPOON ON FIELD NOTES FROM THOMPSON'S SURVEY. IN 1905 D. L. REAVIS MADE ANOTHER CORRECTED SURVEY OF SECTION 56, FINDING THE BAKER AND SMITH SURVEYS TO BE ABOUT 63 VARAS FURTHER NORTH AND ABOUT 17 VARAS FURTHER EAST THAN THOMPSON HAD FOUND THEM.

IN 1911 THOMPSON SURVEYED THE SOUTH HALF AND NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 70. PATENTS WERE ISSUED ON THOMPSON'S FIELD NOTES. THOMPSON'S SURVEY OF THE SOUTH HALF AND NORTHEAST QUARTER OF 70 CORRESPONDS WITH KENNEY'S SURVEY TO THE VARA.

THOMPSON CALLS FOR THE NE AND SE CORNERS OF 70 TO BE IN THE CENTER OF A PUBLIC ROAD.

## MY RE-SURVEY OF EAST PART 56 & NW/4 70

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BEGAN MY SURVEY AT WHAT I BELIEVE TO BE THE ORIGINAL SW CORNER OF SECTION 77 AS SET BY CORWIN AND USED BY KENNEY, AN OLD PILE OF STONES ABOUT 152 VARAS EAST OF THE WICHITA RIVER FROM WHICH A MESQUITE (FRESHLY BULLDOZED BUT STUMP HOLE PLAINLY VISIBLE) BEARS N 11 W 14 VARAS. I RAN N O DEGREES 03 MINUTES E - 3821 VARAS AND SET THE NW CORNER OF SECTION 70, 1881 VARAS N 89 DEGREES 38 MINUTES W OF ITS NORTHEAST CORNER AS OCCUPIED (SAID NE CORNER IS IN CENTER OF EAST-WEST PUBLIC ROAD AS CALLED BY THOMPSON AND OPPOSITE A FENCE RUNNING NORTH). FROM THE NE CORNER OF SECTION 70 | RAN S O DEGREES 45 MINUTES E - 1961 VARAS TO THE CENTER OF A ROAD RUNNING EAST AND SOUTH (THOMPSON CALLS FOR A STONE IN CENTER OF PUBLIC ROAD HERE). AS A FURTHER CHECK | RAN N 89 DEGREES 28 MINUTES E FROM THE NE CORNER OF 70 - 2100.5 VARAS TO THE OCCUPIED NE CORNER OF SECTION 71 (KENNEY'S CALL FOR THIS LINE IS 2105 VARAS). I THEN ESTABLISHED THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH HALF OF SECTION 70 THE PATENTED DISTANCE NORTH OF IT'S SOUTH LINE AND THE WEST LINE OF THE NE QUARTER THE PATENTED DISTANCE WEST OF IT'S EAST LINE, LEAVING A RESIDUE OF 160.55 ACRES FOR THE NW QUARTER OF SECTION 70. ATTACHED HERETO ARE FIELD NOTES TO SAID NW QUARTER AND ALSO CORRECTED FIELD NOTES COVERING ALL OF SECTION 70.

I THEN RETURNED TO THE NW CORNER OF 70 AND SE CORNER OF 56 AND RAN N O DEGREES 03 MINUTES E - 875.6 VARAS TO THE SOUTH LINE OF THE JACOB SMITH SURVEY AS FENCED (REAVIS' CALL IS 874 VARAS), THENCE S 89 DEGREES 28 MINUTES W WITH FENCE 1163.8 VARAS TO SW CORNER OF SMITH IN CENTER OF PUBLIC ROAD. I THEN RAN N O DEGREES 30 MINUTES W TO THE OCCUPIED NW CORNER OF THE SMITH AND NE CORNER OF THE BAKER SURVEYS, FINDING THE DISTANCE 1443 VARAS AS CALLED IN THE PATENT. I DID NOT RUN ANY FURTHER TO THE NORTH IN AN ATTEMPT TO FIND AN ORIGINAL CORNER OF BENSON'S SURVEY SYSTEM BECAUSE THE COUNTRY TO THE NORTH IS ALL CULTIVATED FARM LAND FOR SEVERAL MILES. RETURNING TO THE SW CORNER OF THE SMITH SURVEY I RAN S 0 DEGREES 30 MINUTES E - 269.5 VARAS AND ESTABLISHED THE SE CORNER OF THE BAKER SURVEY IT'S CALL DISTANCE FROM THE NE CORNER (THIS CORNER FALLS 23.6 VARAS NORTH OF THE OCCUPIED CORNER). I THEN RAN S 89 DEGREES 30 MINUTES W - 1712.5 VARAS TO SW CORNER OF THE BAKER SURVEY, A POINT IN LINE WITH AN OLD FENCE RUNNING NORTH. THEN I RETURNED TO THE SE CORNER OF SECTION 56 AND RAN S 89 DEGREES 30 MINUTES W - 2023 VARAS TO THE SW CORNER

OF SECTION 56, THEN N O DEGREES 16 MINUTES WEST - 605.2 VARAS TO POINT OF INTER-SECTION OF WEST LINE 56 AND SOUTH LINE OF BAKER SURVEY (REAVIS CALLS THIS DISTANCE 604.5 VARAS). AS A FURTHER CHECK | RETURNED TO THE SW CORNER OF SECTION 56 AND CONTINUED S 89 DEGREES 30 MINUTES W, AT 1209.5 VARAS A POINT 25 VARAS NORTH OF THE NE CORNER OF THE WEST HALF OF SECTION 68 AS SET BY H. J. JINKS IN 1903 AND PATENTED. THIS CORNER IS OVER 200 VARAS WEST OF THE POSITION IT SHOULD BE ACCORDING TO THE FIELD NOTE CALLS. SINCE IT IS SO FAR OUT OF POSITION WITH ALL THE OTHER SURVEYS AS I FOUND THEM, I HAVE DISREGARDED IT ENTIRELY. IN LOCATING THE WEST 80 ACRES OF SECTION 56, PATENTED TO PHIL WITHERSPOON. I LOCATED THE EAST LINE THE PATENT CALL DISTANCE EAST OF THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 56. THIS MAKES THE ACREAGE 89.32 ACRES INSTEAD OF 80 ACRES DUE TO A NORTH-SOUTH EXCESS OF 63.2 VARAS. THE EAST RESIDUE OF SECTION 56 CONTAINS 183.31 ACRES AND 1 AM ENCLOSING FIELD NOTES THERETO. MR. CLAUDE CALLAWAY OF CROWELL, TEXAS IS THE PRESENT OWNER OF THE NW/4 OF SECTION 70 AND THE EAST 183.31 ACRES OF SECTION 56. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT HE HAS CONTACTED YOU REGARDING FINAL PAYMENT OF THE BALANCE, IF ANY, OWED THE LAND Office on these two tracts. Please advise Mr. Callaway of the Balance, including FILING AND PATENT FEES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. SIGNED: a & Probat, fr.
A. E. PROBST, JR.,

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