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COUNTY SURVEYOR
JEFFERSON COUNTY

BEAUMONT, TEXAS

April 25, 1933.

Hon. J. H. Walker,
Commissioner, General Land Office,
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I respectfully submit the following report of a re-survey of the Mary Mitchell Survey No. 326 and adjoining Surveys all in Hardin County, Texas.

Before beginning my investigations and surveys upon the ground, I constructed a working sketch of the Mitchell Survey and adjoining surveys from the field notes of the original surveys and other sources. From the sketch, the Mitchell survey is situated south of the I.D. Knight Survey, east of the S.B. Turner Survey, North of the Corbet Stephens Survey and the Washington Co. R. R. Co. Survey and west of the S.B. Turner and Wm. Von Rosenberg, Jr. Survey. Altho the Mitchell Survey field notes calls to begin on the north line of the Lindsey Survey, 810 varas east of Lindseys N.W. corner, the attached plat of the Surveyor, Dark, to her field notes correctly locates the Mary Mitchell as it is located in the General Land Office Official Map of 1902, that is north of the Corbet Stephens Survey. The preamble to her field notes states her survey is east of the Town of Hardin (located on the Hardin Co. School Survey No. 1). The Lindsey survey is located south of said Hardin Co. School Survey.

In the file in which Mary Mitchell designated to DARK, the Surveyor we find a description of the land to be surveyed. She instructed the Surveyor to make a survey of a certain piece of land described therein by virtue of Certificate No. 16 issued by the District Clerk of Hardin Co. She directed the surveyor to survey a tract of land beginning on the north line of a survey made for Corbet Stephens, 810 vrs. east from his N.W. corner. Below the M. Mitchell field notes prepared by Dark, he states that the land described in the field notes is the same land as the James K. Jackson Pre-emption Survey which was long since abandoned, the same as the Richard Davis Survey, long since abandoned, and that Mary Mitchell had bought the improvements of R. Davis. The R. Davis File being Jefferson Third Class 144 covers identical land as the James K. Jackson and the field notes of the Davis also locate this tract now known as the Mary Mitchell Survey No. 326. The field notes of Corbet Stephens Survey refer to the James Jackson Survey in its proper location. The S.B. Turner Survey also calls for the S.W. corner of the Mary Mitchell Survey in its proper location. The field notes do not call for any adjoining surveys after leaving its beginning call. It is evident that the Surveyor in preparing the Mary Mitchell field notes made an error in calling for the Lindsey Survey instead of the Stephens Survey.

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In discussing the findings of my survey and investigations I will not attempt to give a detail account of the routine method of surveying employed nor the sequence in which the findings were made but a result of the operations performed. The entire area surveyed is cut-over pine woods nearing the likeness of a prairie with the exception of the north lines of the Mitchell Survey and Turner and Von Rosenberg Survey, creek margins and isolated areas. The I.D. Knight south line is an old hacked and blazed line with scattered remains of a fence along its west half. The other lines are scarcely marked at all except near the corners, the timber being completely cut-over years ago.

Beginning at the N.E. corner of the D.S. Lindsay Survey No. 323, we find a Pine Knot corner from which the charred remains of a Pine Snag Brs. S.45°W. 5.2 vrs. and a pine knot in stump hole brs. S.69½°W. 4 vrs. Their bearings and distances are identical with the original calls. There southward 235.98 vrs. (F/N 234) to an iron pipe recognized as the N.W. corner of the C. Stephens Survey from which the following original calls in the form of Pine stumps were observed, S.63°E. 19.5 vrs, S. 68°E. 18.5 vrs.

From the Stephens N.W. Corner, eastward was measured 1118.82 vrs. (F/N 1114) to a Pine Knot marking the Stephens N.E. corner on a natural mound. Altho Pine Bearing trees with old X marked on them, traces of the original corner was not found. The Mary Mitchell S.W. corner was established by placing it on C. Stephens north line as found, 810 varas (F/N 810) eastward from his N.W. corner as there was nothing to indicate the Mitchell corner as it was originally marked on the ground.

A line was run southward from Stephens N.E. corner 1111.8 vrs. (F/N 1114) to a pine knot marking Stephens S.E. corner. Although not original ones, Pine trees marked old x witnessed the corner.

A line was continued eastward from Stephens N.E. corner, at 414 vrs. pass a small creek or branch. This places the creek 724 vrs. east of the Mitchell S.W. corner as against 730 vrs. called for in the field notes. The branch, though having a general course is a very crooked stream and a variance of a few varas is reasonable. A Pine Knot was found to mark the S.E. corner of the Mary Mitchell Survey in a small grove of timber. The original bearings were gone although Pine bearing trees marked with old x were standing. The north line of the W.C. R.R. Co. Survey No. 337 was found to be 645.7 vrs. (F/N 646).

Southward 530.24 vrs. (F/N.531) a line was measured to Turner & Von Rosenberg S.W. corner marked on the ground by a Pine Knot with Pines marked with old X witnessing said corner. No indications of original calls. No signs of another line or corner was found.

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Placing ourselves at the I.D. Knight S.W. corner, we find a hacked and marked line bearing N and S. A Pine knot corner was found with the following original calls in the form of Pine stumps were found, S. 9° W. 9.4 vrs. and N. 36° E. 5 vrs. There was no indication of a corner 5 vrs. west of I.D. Knight S.W. corner as the hack line from the north on the Knight west line continued south through the timber.

A line was run eastward on Knight's south line marked by hacked and blazed line and remains of old fence line, 950 vrs. (F/N 950) and established the Mitchell N.E. corner.

The east and west lines of the Mitchell Survey were run between corners previously found or established. The west line was found to be 849.26 vrs. (F/N 950) while the east line was found to be 837.07 vrs. (F/N 950) This indicates the original survey conflicted on the north with the I.D. Knight Survey.

Returning to the M. Mitchell N.E. corner, a line was run eastward along the south line of the Knight Survey well marked on the ground. 848.56 vrs. (F/N 921) to a point established, as the S.E. corner of the I.D. Knight Survey and the N.E. corner of the Turner and Von Rosenberg Survey, from the original Magnolia marked very old ~~tree~~ \times Mrs. S. 58 W. 7.4 vrs. Cypress Creek's south bank was found to be 326 varas north of Knights S.E. corner.

The N.W. corner of the R.A. Thompson survey was found to be 117.36 vrs. (F/N 117) southward of the Turner and Von Rosenberg N.E. corner marked on the ground by a Pine Knot corner from which the following original calls in the form of stump holes were observed, S $64\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ E. 5.2 vrs. and N. $73\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ W. 4.5 vrs. A 30" Black Gum marked with very old RAT cross above and below witnessed the corner.

From our findings it is observed that the Knight south line is 102.2 vrs. short of its call distance of 1900.8 vrs. while the Turner and Von Rosenberg Survey north line is 72.44 vrs short of its call distance of 921 varas.

The north line of the R.A. Thompson Survey was not surveyed.

A line was run southward of Thompson N.W. corner at 847 vrs. passing his S.W. corner, no evidence of same, at 1267.06 vrs. to Pine knot corner, the S.E. corner of Turner and Von Rosenberg, the S.W. corner of Nona Mills Co. Survey and on the lower north line of the Washington co. R.R. Co. Survey #337.

The Nona Mills west line was found to be 420.06 varas against 389.2 varas according to its field notes.

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The south line of the Turner & VonRosenberg survey was surveyed and found to be 848.52 varas (F/N 921). The south line of the Nona Mills Co. was measured to be 1097.68 varas against the field notes call of 1066 varas. Its S.E. corner is marked on the ground by 2" iron pipe and Pine knot corner. from which bearing trees marked with old cross witnessed the corner. This corner is located in the west line of the B.B.B. & C. R.R. Col Survey No. 112.

A reinforcing steel bar about a vara in length was erected at each corner shown on the accompanying Map marked by a circle.

I am enclosing a copy of the calculations of the Mitchell Survey, a copy of the working sketch, a copy of the re-survey and the corrected field notes of the M. Mitchell survey.

The survey and investigations were made on a Magnetic Variation of 9° East and between April 18 and April 24, 1933. Chain Carriers were Joe Coe of Kountze and J.S. Fanett of Beaumont.

Respectfully submitted,

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Licensed State Land Surveyor

Licensed May 14, 1931

Bond dated April 15, 1933.



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Sketch File No. 63

Hardin County

Report by Forrest Daniel

Mary Mitchell

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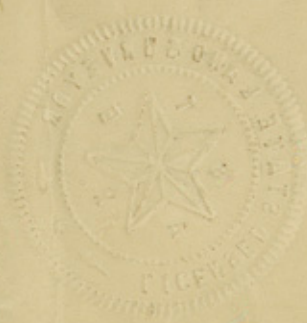
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