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Report of a D. H. Barnes Sur. No. 1 out of N. H. Grimes Sur. No. 2 Taylor's Bayou, Jefferson Co., Texas

Re: File 59342

Hon. J. H. W<sub>a</sub>lker, Commissioner, General Land Office, Austin, Texas. Dear Sir:

I respectfully submit the following report of a survey of 37.1 acres of land out of the southwest corner of the Mrs. Nancy H. Grimes Survey No. 2 on Taylor's Bayou and situated in Jefferson County, Texas; made for Mrs. Geo. W. White by virtue of her desire to complete her purchase of said land.

THE DEED--

On the 21st day of October, 1909, Mr. D. H. Barnes conveyed to Geo. W. White, deceased, (as recorded in Vol. 112, page 355 deed records of Jefferson County) a tract of 40.81 acres of land more or less, and calls for this tract as being a part of Section No. 2 Cert. No. 156 surveyed for Nancy H. Grimes as Public Free School Land and awarded to D. H. Barnes by the State of Texas and sold to him by an act approved April 16th, 1895, the land herein conveyed bounded and described as follows towit: Beginning at the extreme southwest corner of the said Nancy H. Grimes Survey No. 2 on Taylor's Bayou. Thence North 60 deg. East along the western boundary line of said survey 900 varas to corner. Thence South 552 varas to the north bank of Taylor's Bayou. Thence in a westerly direction following the meanders of said bayou to the place of beginning, containing 40.81 acres of land more or less.

## THE SURVEY --

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Using a 9 deg. 15 min. East Magnetic Variation and David Durham and Garnett P<sub>h</sub>illips as chain carriers, duly qualified as to their duties, we began our Survey on February 18th, 1935; at a large rock in the center of a Public Road, the northwest corner of the J. J. French League. We then ran a line N. 89 deg. 51 min. E. along the north line of the said J. J. French League (as re-surveyed by L. J. Kopke, surveyor in summer of 1931 when he was dividing up the Blackman Survey and the French League for the George and J. J. Burrell Estates) at 10.8 varas pass iron pipe in east line of Public Road, at 3578.6 varas pass

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iron pipe, at 7248.8 varas (field notes call is 7229.8 varas) old solid iron stake marking the N. E. corner of the J. J. French League and a meander corner of the Mrs. Nancy H. Grimes Sur. No. 2 in Prairie at edge of Marsh. From the N. E. corner of said French League we ran a line N. 10 deg. 15 min. E. 243.1 varas (field notes call is 242.5 varas) to iron stake on south edge of an old 4"x4" Cypress Post in marsh a meander corner of the Mrs. Nancy H. Grimes Sur. No 2 and of the B. Blackman Survey.

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As Mr. L. J. Kopke, Surveyor had previously in 1931 made a resurvey of the French League and placed iron pipes at each meander corner, I asked him his method of procedure in determining the lines of the French League. He told me that he found the rock corner on Taylor's Bayou, identifying it as the southwest corner of the French League, also the rock corner in the center of the road identified as the northwest corner of the J. J. French League, an iron stake in the middle of the Labelle-Port Acres Road for the N. W. corner of the Blackman Survey, an iron stake 10.8 varas East and north of the S. W. corner of the McNabb Survey, it being in the east line of the Road to Spindle Top, at a point where it intersects the Labelle-Port Acres Road, also that he found an iron stake at the northeast corner of the French League, it being also the S. E. corner of the Blackman Survey. Mr. Kopke told me that he found an iron stake beside a wooden stake (by his Plat-N. 10° 18' E. 673.6 ft. - 242.5 varas) of the S. E. corner of the Blackman Survey. He informed me that he re-ran the first four of the east meanders of the French League from the two corners he found at the N. E. corner of the French and the meander corner of the Blackman Survey. Mr. Kopke told me that he determined the other meander calls by beginning at the rock corner on the north bank of Taylor's Bayou at French League S. W. corner and ran lines as called for in French League field notes thru hacked line in woods until he reached prairie and marsh and by using a variation to fit the hacked lines in woods, continued by course and distance the rest of the marsh meanders and finally intersected the call N.  $60\frac{1}{4}$  E. at a point where it intersected the call S. 254 W. as it was run from the French N. E. corner. This process of surveying caused the course N.  $60\frac{1}{4}$ E. 2000 varas to become 2044.4 varas and the course S.  $25\frac{1}{4}$  W. 700 varas to become 774.8 varas and likewise made the course N.  $60\frac{1}{4}$  E. to cut across a bend in Taylor's Bayou instead of merely touching it to make the Southwest corner of the Nancy H. Grimes Survey No. 2. Mr. Kopke told me his reason for not throwing the error of the original French League Survey

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in the center of the marsh meanders, was that in running the lines from the S. W. corner, the survey lines as called for fit so close to the marsh and prairie that he closed the survey at the intersection as above discussed and there not being any other corners found on the ground to control the survey.

By our Survey, beginning at the Northeast corner of the French League, iron stake, identified also by Mr. Kopke, Surveyor, we ran a line along the Grimes Sur. and French League common meander line, S. 10° 15! W. 157.4 varas to iron pipe set by L. J. Kopke in Burrell Partition in year 1931. Thence S. 42° 45' E. 400 varas to 2" iron pipe in prairie set by L. J. Kopke as a meander corner of the French League. Thence S. 44 45' E. 542 varas to 3/4" iron pipe set by L. J. Kopke in 1931 as a meander corner of the French League. Thence S. 25° W. at 1.1 varas pass 2/10 vara right of an old post remains (probably an original meander corner of the French League), at 700 varas established an iron pipe for the North corner of the 37.1 acre survey in the southwest corner of the Nancy Grimes Survey. This corner is N. 25° E. 74.8 varas of an iron pipe set by L. J. Kopke as the French meander corner. Thence, a line was surveyed S. 60 deg. W. 900 varas to an iron pipe set by us for the extreme southwest corner of the Nancy H. Grimes Survey No. 2, at a bend of Taylor's Bayou on its north bank. This corner is the beginning corner of the D. H. Barnes Survey No. 1(the land conveyed by deed to Geo. W. White, deceased).

Thence following the deed description of the tract conveyed by D. H. B<sub>a</sub>rnes to Geo. W. White, we retraced our Survey back N. 60 deg. E. 900 varas (field notes call of the Nancy H. Grimes Sur. No. 2) to the iron stake previously described as the north corner of the 37.1 acre survey. Thence South, at 133 varas edge of marsh, at 366 varas center of a marsh gully, at 495 varas to iron pipe on the North bank of Taylor's Bayou, (deed description calls for 552 varas). Thence up the north bank of Taylor's Bayou with its meanders as follows: S. 84 deg. 40 min. W. 335 varas, N. 76 deg. W. 180 varas and N. 83 deg. 10 min. W. 273.2 varas to the extreme S. W. corner of the Nancy H. Grimes Sur. No. 2, containing 37.1 acres of land, (the deed description calls for 40.81 acres).

As to the proper French League meander lines location on the ground as having a bearing on the location of the Grimes Sur. No. 2 S. W. corner, I believe that the natural object--the bank of Taylor's

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Bayou--should govern the location of the Grimes Survey in preference to a marsh and prairie line not closely followed by its meanders. James W. Hedenberg Sur. No. 8 first meander call (S. 35 W. 290 varas) from Grimes S. W. corner is easily satisfied according to my survey. Not having surveyed any of the Hedenberg Surveys on Taylor's Bayou, I am at a loss to suggest at what meander line of the French League, the discussed error of the original marsh meanders should be placed. Mr. K<sub>o</sub>pke, in good faith, placed the error at the location above discussed probably overlooking the field notes call of the Nancy Grimes for the Bayou S. 60 W. 900 varas from a French Leag. meander corner.

I am enclosing a Blue Print of the Survey, a Copy of Calculations of the Survey and a Copy of the Field Notes of the 37.1 acres survey.

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Respectfully submitted,

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County Surveyor of Jefferson County, Texas.

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