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FINAL REPORT ON LINES AND CONNECTIONS RUN IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS TO VERIFY THE LOCATION OF W. C. R. R. SURVEY SECTIONS #13 & #14, AND THE LOCATIONS OF THE T. & N. O. R. R. SURVEYS AS MADE BY STATE SURVEYOR WILLIAMS IN 1899.

I began this work at the Southwest Corner of the H. B. Littlefield Survey, a pine knot marked W over C over 14, also SW over L, also J over S over B, from which a wagon boxing bears North $4-3/4^{\circ}$ East 5.8 varas, a 16 inch pine marked X over X bears North $55-1/2^{\circ}$ East 6.7 varas, a 7 inch red oak marked A over X bears South $82-3/4^{\circ}$ West .7 varas, a 6 inch post oak marked A over X bears North $8-1/4^{\circ}$ East 4.6 varas. This pine knot, the Southwest Corner of the said Littlefield Survey is at the present, the recognized and accepted Southwest Corner of said survey and at the intersection of two old marked lines.

My reason for beginning this report at this corner is the fact that the same was established by surveyor Littlefield in 1838, identified by Knowles in 1851, when he, Knowles, re-surveyed the Littlefield Survey, again identified by Wade in 1861, by Burns in 1898, (Burns said he identified this corner in 1898 from one original witness tree still standing), and also by state surveyor Williams in 1899.

From this point followed an old well marked line, the West Line of the H. B. Littlefield Survey, which is also the East Line of the Wash. Coun. R. R. Secs. #14 and #13. I ran North and at 2883.8 varas found two pine knots from which a 15 inch red elm marked $X = X$ bears North 81° West 5.36 varas. A pin oak stump bears South 4.6 varas, a $4/8$ inch Sweet Gum marked X three hacks above and two below bears North 79° East 5 varas, and a 5 inch pin oak marked X three hacks above and below bears North 42° West 11.7 varas. The first two trees given as bearings for this corner are the original trees marked by Burns for the beginning corner of the Evantha Scurry Survey in 1898.

While on this line, in order to identify, the North Line of the Littlefield as originally run by Littlefield and as re-run by Knowles, and the South Line of the Evantha Scurry as run by Burns, I ran East and at 1085 varas crossed Caney Creek, which verifies the creek call on the Littlefield and also on the Scurry. At 1200 varas, I placed a pine knot in an old field, a further substantiation of the Scurry as surveyed by Mr. Burns.

I returned to the Northwest Corner of the H. B. Littlefield and the Northeast Corner of the W. C. R. R. Sec. #13 and ran a line North at 905.15 varas, intersected the South Line of the Wm. B. Bridges Survey and at this point made a careful and diligent search to see if it were possible to locate the holly tree called for in the Littlefield notes. I was unable to find a holly that would fit the tree called for in the Littlefield Survey. The only holly I found in this neighborhood of any size whatsoever, was a 5-prong holly on the North edge of a small dry creek, no fork of which was large enough to have borne the 1838 or 1851 marks. The center prong of this holly is now dead, decayed, and is not over 6 inches in diameter. The only other holly in this immediate neighborhood is a large tree with perfectly smooth bark, which stands several hundred feet South and slightly West of the intersection of the West Line of the Littlefield produced North to the South Line of the Bridges Survey. I fully satisfied myself that this point could not be the Northeast Corner of the W. C. R. R. Sec. #13. At the Northwest Corner of the Littlefield as located on the ground, there are a number of small holly trees growing almost completely around the corner, however, I was not able to identify the original holly or its stump at the present locations of the Northwest Corner of the Littlefield Survey nor at the South Line of the Bridges Survey, where the West Line of the Littlefield produced North would intersect the same.

In connection with the location of the H. B. Littlefield Survey and its relation to the locations of the Wm. B. Bridges, I am inserting herewith a copy of the original field notes of the H. B. Littlefield Survey:

"Survey for H. B. Littlefield of $8\ 1/3$ labors of land being the quantity to which he is entitled by virtue of Certificate No. 113 issued by the Board of Land Commissioners for the County of Liberty. Beginning at the North W. Corner of Clark Beach's League. thence West 1686.7 vs. to corner stake from which a Post Oak mkd. JES 18 ins. diam. Brs. N. 89° E. 4.5

Corrections Line 7 (Southwest) Line 17-18. (Wash. Coun.) (Secs)

made by me

Boyle

vs. Also a Red Oak mkd. X 26 ins. diam. Bears S 11° W. 6.8 vrs. dist. -
 Thence North 2886.7 vs - to corner Stake from which Holly 6 ins. diam mkd
 JES Bears N 115 W. 11.2 vs. Also a white Oak mkd X 10 ins. diam. Bears N
 2° E. 12.4 vs dist. Thence East 1090 vs. to Creek 7 vs. wide C vs South.
 Thence 1796 7 vs. to Corner Stake from which a Post Oak mkd JES 15 ins. dia.
 Bears East 6.5 vs. Also a Pine mkd X 12 ins. diam. Bears S. 74° East 6.2
 vs. Thence South 2886.7 vs. intersected the North Boundary Line of Clark
 Beach's League a stake from which a sugar tree mkd. JES 9 ins diam. Bears
 N. 78° E. 2.8 vs. Also a sweet Gum mkd X 15 ins diam Bears S 6 East 10 vs
 Thence West with the line of said Survey 97 vs to creek course South.
 thence 230 vs. to place of beginning. This survey contains 5 labors of
 Arable the Residue Pasture Land.

H. B. Littlefield D. S.

Gorham P. Mail)
 I. I. Beatty) C. C.

(copy sent to Montgomery Co.)
 (delivered to Littlefield Nov. 14, 1849)

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Also inserting original field notes of the Wm. B. Bridges Survey:

"Survey of 26 Labours of land laying on the Cany fork of San
 Jacinto made for William B Bridges by virtue of a Certificate No. 256 issued
 to him by the Board of Land Commissioners for the County of Washington North
 and joining a survey of a third of a league of land H. B. Littlefield.

Beginning 1399.2 varas West of the N. W. Corner of the same and 2599 1/2
 vrs West of the Cany fork a stake from which a Pine 20 in dia marked WB bears
 N. 35° East 10.5 varas. dist. and a black gum 9 in in dia marked 'X' bears *North*
~~Bears~~ 40° 30' E. 8 varas. Varas dist. Thence
 1st Course Dist Vrs.

- 1 North 5099.09 Corner tree white oak 3 in in dia from
 " " " which a magnolia 10 in in dia marked 'X'
 " " " Bears S 30° E. 3.4 varas. dist. & a second magnolia
 " " " dia. 9 in in dia marked WB bears N 68° E
 " " " 3.5 varas dist thence
- 2nd East 610 Cross Caney fork 9 vrs wide
 " " 1890 Cross Spring bras 2 varas wide
 " " 5019.09 Corner stake from which a water oak 10 in
 " " " in dia marked WB bears S 10° East 2.5 varas dist
 " " " and a red oak 15 in in dia bears S 23 W 10
 " " " varas dist. Thence
- 3rd South 5099.09 Corner stake from which a Pine 12 in
 " " " in dia. Bears S 22 W 3 vrs dist and a
 " " " Second Pine 14 in. in dia bears S 46° W. 11 vrs.
 " " " Dist. Thence
- 4th West 753 Cross Spring Branch
 " " 813 N. E. Corner of Survey
 " " 2500 Cross Caney fork 10 vrs wide
 " " 3700 N. W. Corner
 " " 5099.09 Corner stake & place of Beginning
 " " " Containing 26,000,000 sq. varas all timber oak, Pine, ash,
 gum, Lynn, Holly, and magnolia & Peach 8 labours arable &
 balance pasture Lands.

D. Gregg,
 D. Surveyor

Alex M. Williams)
 Henry Cartor) Chain Carriers

(Copy sent to Montgomery County)

Transcribed to New Records Vol 1 page 106"

Both of these field notes are of record in my office in Harris
 County, Texas:

The Littlefield notes Vol. A page 151, and the Bridges Vol. A.
 page 106.

In re-tracing the Littlefield Survey on the ground your special
 attention is called to the creek crossing set forth on the North Line;
 "Thence East 1090 varas to Creek". Also the call of 970 varas to the creek
 on the South Line and an additional 230 varas to the place of beginning.

Corrections
 Line 25 (North)
 -2- Line 26 (East) made by me. *J. Boyles*

Your attention is also called to the field notes of the Clark Beach Survey made by ~~Littlefield~~^{Gregg} at the same time, that ~~he~~^{he} made the Littlefield Survey and in which he calls to cross the creek at 230 varas. We find the old channel of the creek on the ground today at 230 varas East of the Northwest Corner of the Clark Beach, and Mr. Williams in his report in 1899 also states that he found the old creek bed at the same point, and that from the best authority he could obtain, the course of the channel had changed some 25 years prior to the date of his survey.

In 1838^{the} field notes of the Bridges as made by D. Gregg, your particular attention is called to the beginning call of the same which is as follows: "Beginning 1399 varas West of the Northwest Corner of same (H. B. Littlefield) and 2599 varas West of the Caney Fork and again on the same line and inclosing back to the beginning corner 753 cross a spring branch, 2500 cross Caney Creek". Today by actual survey on the ground using the present and recognized Northwest Corner of the Littlefield Survey, and reversing the calls on the closing lines of the Wm. Bridges as made in 1838, it is possible to have the same fit both of the creek crossings called for, and without question, when Gregg made the survey of the Bridges ORIGINALLY he began on the North Line of the Littlefield as the same is located on the ground today; but the Bridges was not patented on the 1838 field notes, and was re-surveyed on March 26, 1849 by D. Lacy and was actually located on the ground North of, but not adjoining the Littlefield Survey. See Vol. G pages 64-65, Montgomery County Surveyors Records for the corrected field notes. "Thence West 1400 varas Caney Fork, 4100 varas a branch, 4300 varas L. R. Owens East Boundary Line". In surveying the South Line of the Bridges, beginning at the present recognized and accepted Southeast Corner of same, this corner being accepted and recognized by the owners in the Bridges and also by the owners in the J. E. Lewis Survey, a pine knot and bearing trees (which are not the original trees called for in the field notes, however, but which are at the intersection of an old marked line to the North and in an old marked line running to the West.) I ran West following an old marked line and at 1411.3 varas crossing the center line of Caney Creek, and 4130 varas crossed the center line of a small branch, and at 4327 varas intersected a marked line running North and South, and found a pine knot and witness trees. This is the commonly accepted Southwest Corner of the Bridges Survey. I cannot, however, find the original witness trees called for at this corner.

Your particular attention is again called to the fact that the location of the Wm. Bridges as recognized by the property owners and as identified by an old marked line with numerous corners thereon, practically fits the creek crossing on Caney as set forth in the patented field notes, the call being 1400 and the center line being 1411.3 varas today. Also the call of 4100 to cross a branch in the patented notes. I crossed this branch at 4130 varas, finding 27 varas excess in the South Line of the Bridges which makes the distance between the Southwest Corner of the Bridges and the branch check the calls in the patented field notes. In other words, the Southwest Corner of the Bridges is actually on the ground today as its patents calls it to be. It is the same distance West of the Creek.

We have located on the ground the Wm. Bridges as surveyed by Gregg in 1838 so as to fit its creek crossings and have also located the S. L. of the same as surveyed in 1849 and patented; also as fixed by the fourth survey of the Evantha Scurry (made in 1898) and returned to the Land Office, ^{and} which covers the area between the Bridges on the North and the Littlefield and W. C. R. R. Sec. #13 on the South. Title was issued to Evantha Scurry and the Scurry Survey has been recognized on the ground in its patented position since 1898.

It is a physical impossibility to locate W. C. R. R. Sec. #13 in any position North of the present North Line of the H. B. Littlefield Survey so as to have the connection between Sections #13 and #14 with the Northwest Corner and the Southwest Corner of the Littlefield checking; and the call for the Northwest Corner of the Littlefield and at the same time for the South Line of the Bridges was clearly in error insofar as the call for the Bridges was concerned; for the Bridges has been corrected in 1849 and W. C. R. R. Sec. #13 was not titled until 1877.

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Correction Line 2 (Gregg) (of) ^{he made}
Line 9 (the)
Line 13 (in closing)
Line 21 (but) ^{made by me}
Line 52 (and)

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While W. C. R. R. #13 calls for the same witness trees at its Northwest Corner as the Bridges calls for at its Southwest Corner, it would be a physical impossibility for the two corners to be coincident and the surveyor who wrote the field notes for W. C. R. R. #13, could not fulfill the other essential calls for course and distance given in W. C. R. R. #13 notes and still arrive at the Southwest Corner of the Wm. Bridges for two reasons; in the first place, the calls along the North Line of the W. C. R. R. #13 is for 1800 varas, while the Wm. Bridges West Line is actually 2099.1 varas West of the beginning corner of said Section #13; and the second reason, that at the time W. C. R. R. #13 was surveyed and patented the Wm. Bridges had been corrected from its original position along the North Line of the Littlefield and patented in a position some 900 odd varas North of the North Line of the Littlefield, and it would have been impossible to go West 1800 varas and arrive at a point which is 2099 varas West and 907 varas North.

I would explain this by stating that it is my opinion that in locating W. C. R. R. #13 that the surveyor actually began his survey at the Littlefield Northwest Corner and wrote his field notes from data in his office, rather than by going on the ground, for if the surveyor had gone on the ground, he would certainly have discovered the discrepancies above set forth.

We returned to the Southwest Corner of the Littlefield Survey and following a well old marked line, ran South at 1074 varas found a Ford axle and bearing trees, the Southeast Corner of W. C. R. R. #14 and the Northeast Corner of T. & N. O. Sec. #16, and also the Northeast Corner of Jno. Massey 160 acres out of East part of T. & N. O. #16. This axle is recognized by the abutting property owners as being the Northeast Corner of the T. & N. O. #16, and Southeast Corner of W. C. R. R. #14.

From this point, I continued South along the old marked line between T. & N. O. #15 and #16 and at 976.25 varas found a pine knot and witness trees, the Southeast Corner of Section #16, and a Northeast Corner of Sec. #6. I continued South with an old marked line 204.8 varas farther where I found two pine knots and witness trees: The re-entrant corner of T. & N. O. #6 and the Southwest Corner of Sec. #15. Then following an old marked line, I ran East and at 81 varas found two pine knots and witness trees, the Northwest Corner of Sec. #14., and the Northeast Corner of Sec. #6.

Thence following an old marked line, I ran South at 1151.4 varas found a pine knot and witness trees, the Southwest Corner of the H. Becker patent out of Sec. #14 T. & N. O., and at 1354 the Southeast corner of the Real Survey out of Sec. #6 (found a T rail on a pine stump which later in surveying the Smith and Ratcliff portion of Section #6 for patent, I placed in the ground) at 1720 varas intersected a marked line to the West (later I placed an iron pipe and marked witness trees at this point for the Southeast Corner of T. & N. O. #6, and the Northeast Corner of the W. C. Wagers Survey). At 2573 varas found an old pine knot and witness trees the Southwest corner of Sec. #14 and the Northwest Corner of Sec. #13. From here I continued South and at 1136.09 varas found a pine knot and witness trees, one of which is the white oak called for by Williams as the Witness trees for this corner.

From this point, I continued South and at 893.99 varas found a pine knot in the edge of Pin Oak Flat and also the original witness trees called for by Williams at this point, a 32 inch forked red oak with a leaning Sweet Gum growing from the roots. From this point, with the South line of Sec. #12 and the North line of Sec. #9 and #11, an old marked line, I ran East and at 2063.45 varas found a pine knot and original witness trees called for by Williams at this corner, a 17" red oak with the Williams marks. From here I continued East and at 1071 varas found a pine knot, the Southeast Corner of Sec. #12 and a re-entrant corner of Sec. #11 with an original Williams witness tree, a 20" black gum. From here I ran North at 893.12 varas found a pine knot, the Northeast Corner of Sec. #12 and the Northwest Corner of Sec. #11 and an original Williams witness tree, an 8" pin oak, and 12" black gum grown together at the roots.

From this point I ran East 574.81 varas, found a pine knot with an original Williams witness tree 24" black gum, the Southeast Corner of Sec. #13, and the Northeast Corner of Sec. #11 on the West line of the Wm. Kibbe Survey. Here I ran South to verify the Kibbe corner and found a pine knot and witness tree at 981.8 varas.

*Correction Line 26 (Southeast)
made by me - Boyle*

I returned to the Southeast Corner of Sec. #13 and ran North 962.64 varas and found a pine knot in a clearing, the Northeast Corner of Sec. #13 and the Northwest Corner of Wm. Kibbe on the South line of the Clark Beach Survey. Thence with an old marked line, the South line of the Clark Beach, I ran West 2137 varas and found a pine knot and witness tree at the intersection of this line and the old marked line running to the North.

I then ran North with the West line of the Clark Beach, at 172 varas I found an old marked line running to the West, but found no stake. I took this point to be a Northeast Corner of Sec. #13 and the Southwest Corner of Sec. #14. At 2743.9 varas I found an iron pin, but no witness trees in an old marked line running to the West. This is the Northeast Corner of Sec. #14 and the Southeast Corner of Sec. #15. At 4010 varas I crossed a branch and at 4400 crossed another branch, which joins Caney Creek a short distance to the East and in all 5002.2 varas running through Freeman House to an old marked line, the South line of the H. B. Littlefield Survey and 230 varas West of the old bed of Caney Creek.

We returned to the Northwest Corner of T. & N. O. #9 and ran south passing at 914 varas a pine knot and 3/4" pipe with witness trees, the Southeast Corner of the W. C. Wagers Survey and the Northeast Corner of T. & N. O. #3 as surveyed by Williams. At 1751.25 varas passed a pine knot, at 1777.7 varas another pine knot with witness trees, the Southwest Corner of Sec. #9, and the Northwest Corner of Sec. #8, and continued in all 3537.77 varas to a pine knot and witness trees, one of which is twenty-eight inch pine with a very old X. This is the Southwest Corner of Sec. #8, the Northwest Corner of Sec. #1, the Southeast Corner of Sec. #3 and the Northeast Corner of the John Smither Survey.

Thence I ran West following an old marked line and at 1895.3 varas found a pine knot and old witness trees at the intersection of this line with the South line of the R. G. Hamlet Survey. This is the West Corner of Sec. #3 as surveyed by Williams and also supposedly by Wade.

I then followed the old marked line in a course South 59° 37' West and at 119 varas intersected an old marked line, the recognized West line of the John Smither and the East line of the Alexander Outlaw. At this point I tied in the Southeast Corner of the Outlaw, a pine knot and 1-1/4" pipe with old witness trees which is South 967.6 varas. I continued on the South line of the Hamlet ^{and Henderson} which by blocking corresponds with the age of the Henderson Survey in 1839 and at 4573.8 varas, found a pine knot on the East bank of the old channel of the San Jacinto River where I identified the bitter hickory given as a bearing tree by Wade in 1839 at the Southwest Corner of the Francis K. Henderson Survey. This tree bears South 74° 50' East, 9.7 varas and is marked thusly: "H X". I returned to the West Corner of Sec. #3 just described and followed an old marked line at 771.2 varas found an old marked line running off at right angles to the left, the same being the line referred to in the Williams report of 1899, and also in his, Williams, field notes of Section #3 as being marked in error by him and at 880 varas set a pine knot and found a pine knot in a brushed line.

I then followed this brushed line North 30° 20' West at 2528.2 varas found a 2" pipe and witness trees, the Northwest Corner of Sec. #3 and the Southwest Corner of Sec. #4 as surveyed by Williams. Thence followed a marked line, I ran North 30° 25' West 1271.8 varas where I found a 2" pipe and witness trees the Northwest Corner of Sec. #4 T. & N. O. R. R. on the South line of the Alphonse Steel. Thence following an old marked line, the South line of the Alphonse Steel Survey, I ran North 59° 37' East at 1043.6 varas found a 2" pipe, a re-entrant corner of Sec. #4 and the Southeast Corner of the Alphonse Steel together with the original witness trees called for by Williams at this point, a 28" black gum. From here I ran the South line of the Alphonse Steel to the river and found the distance to be 5734 varas to the East bank of the old channel of the San Jacinto River. This is a check distance as called for in the Steel patent and as found by Williams in 1899. The East bank of the present channel of the San Jacinto River is 104 varas farther and in the same course.

I returned to the Northwest Corner of Sec. #3 and the Southwest Corner of Sec. #4 as surveyed by Williams and ran East following an old marked line at 1854.2 varas found a pine knot, a 2" pipe and witness trees, the Southeast Corner of the T. & N. O. #4, and the Southwest Corner of the W. C. Wagers at 2419.3 varas intersected the West line of T. & N. O. #9 at 3/4" pipe and pine knot the Northeast Corner of Section #3 previously referred to.

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Correction Line 36 (and Henderson)
Line 66 (and pine)
Made by me *J. Boyles*

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I returned to the Southeast Corner of the Alphonse Steel and followed an old marked line, ran North $30^{\circ} 24'$ West 135 varas where I found a pine knot and 2" pipe numerous witness trees, the most Northern Northwest Corner of said Sec. #4, and the Southwest Corner of T. & N. O. Sec. #5. Thence I ran East following an old marked line at 1659.6 varas found a 2 inch pipe and buggy axle with bearing tree. I also found a pine stump South $85 \frac{1}{2}$ East 12.2 varas, oak stump S. $12^{\circ} 27'$ W. 10.2 varas. These two stumps fit the calls for the trees given by Williams at the Northeast Corner of Section #4. At 1985.4 I found a pine knot, an iron pipe, and witness trees, the Southeast Corner of Sec. #5, T. & N. O. R. R. and a re-entrant corner for the W. C. Wagers. I projected this line East 245.9 farther and intersected the West Line of the T. & N. O. Sec. #12 at a point 63.8 varas South of the Northwest Corner of Sec. #12 T. & N. O.

I returned to the Southeast Corner of the Steel Survey and following and old marked line, ran North $30^{\circ} 24'$ West 1443.4 varas to an iron pipe in a pond, the Northeast Corner of the Alphonse Steel and West Corner of the T. & N. O. #5 on the South Line of the Lemuel Smith Survey. Here I was able to identify the pine called for by Williams in his field notes of Sec. #5. Having found the South Line of the Steel checking its distances so closely, I then ran the North Line of the Alphonse Steel and the South Line of the Lemuel Smith, following a randomly marked line South $59^{\circ} 38'$ West at 4739 entered and 4770 left Crystal Creek, and in all 5803.2 varas to a stake on the East margin of the San Jacinto River, but found no trees marked for this corner.

I returned to the Northeast Corner of the Alphonse Steel and following an old marked line, ran N. $59^{\circ} 36'$ East, at 1819.7 varas found a 1/2 inch pipe, and witness trees, the Southeast Corner of Lemuel Smith as established by Williams, the Southwest Corner of T. & N. O. #6 and a North Corner T. & N. O. #5, and here identified the elm and the pin oak called for by Mr. Williams. At this point I ran, following an old marked line, East at 1323.86 varas to a pipe, ^{3rd witness trees} the Southeast Corner of Section #6 previously mentioned. X

I returned to the Southeast Corner of the Lemuel Smith Survey identified as being the Williams corner, and ran North $30^{\circ} 08'$ West 2065.28 varas, found an iron bar and pine knot, the recognized Northeast Corner of the said Lemuel Smith. Here I ran North $60^{\circ} 10'$ East at 93.35 varas found an iron pipe, a re-entrant corner of Section #6, and a Southeast Corner of the Ransom House, and identified here the black gum marked by Williams as a witness tree. Here following the North Line of the Lemuel Smith, I ran South $60^{\circ} 10'$ West 3952 varas, found a T rail and 3" pipe and witness trees, the commonly accepted Southwest Corner of the Ransom House and the Southeast Corner of the W. C. C. Lynch. This rail is 367 varas North 60 deg. East from a center line of Crystal Creek.

From the T rail, I ran North following an old marked line, at 377 varas cross Crystal Creek, at 682.8 varas passed the pine knot and witness trees, the most Southerly Northwest Corner of the Ransom House and a Southwest Corner of the Wilson Strickland, and in all 1371.9 varas to an iron pipe and witness trees, the Southeast Corner of the E. P. Brown Survey. Thence following an old marked line, I ran South 75° West 564.4 varas to an iron pipe and witness trees, the Southwest Corner of the said Brown Survey and a Northwest Corner of the W. C. C. Lynch Survey. I then ran South 15 East 978.1 varas to a pine knot and 1 1/4 inch pipe at the intersection of two marked line, a re-entrant corner of the said Lynch Survey and the Southeast Corner of the Stephen H. Bryant Survey as the same is on the ground.

I returned to the Southeast Corner of the Ransom House Survey and following an old marked line ran North $15^{\circ} 02'$ West at 98.39 varas found a pine knot and iron pipe in an old marked line to the East. This is the North west corner of T. & N. O. #6, and the Southwest Corner of T. & N. O. #16, also the Southwest Corner of W. S. Rhodes patent (which I have just surveyed and delivered to the General Land Office); at this point I ran East 2225.34 varas to a pine knot and witness trees, the Southeast Corner of Sec. #16, T. & N. O. R. R.

I returned to the Southeast Corner of the Ransom House and following an old marked line ran North $15^{\circ} 02'$ West 2960.1 varas to a pine knot, 3/4 inch pipe and concrete monument, the Northeast Corner of the Ransom House, and a re-entrant corner of the John McHorse. Here I found a 26 inch magnolia bears South 65° West 17.3 varas. This I believe to be the original witness tree, called for in the Ransom House notes. This corner is South 15 East 10.8 varas and 10.8 varas North 75 East of the center of a gully and 45 varas North 75 East from the center line of Crystal Creek.

Corrections line 31 - (and witness two)
-6- line 55 (southeast) line 56 (and)
Made by me *Boyles*

Following an old marked line, generally South $75^{\circ} 30'$ West at 750.7 ~~Ys.~~ a pine knot, the Southwest Corner of McHorse and Southeast Corner of I. G. N. R. R. Section, a pine stump here fits the original call. 803 varas farther on the same course, I find a pine knot the Southeast Corner of the J. W. Watson and Southwest corner of I. G. N. R. R. A pine stump here also fits the original call. 523 varas farther, a pine stump here also fits the original call. 512 varas farther in the same course, I found a pine knot on the North bank of creek, the Southeast Corner of W. M. Real Survey and the Southwest Corner of the Fannie Hooper. The white oak called for at this corner is still standing. At 474.08 varas farther, the same course, I find a pine knot in the intersection of an old marked line running to the North. This is the Southwest Corner of the Real Survey and on or at the North Line of the Ransom House at a point where the East Line of the Slade intersects the same if produced South (this last statement is made for the reason that in a partition suit in the Slade, the field notes in the Slade title, the calls for course and distance were adhered to and the Southeast Corner of the Slade as called for in this decree can be identified on the ground, and I have so identified the same from the witness trees called for in the said decree) Thence following the same course 700.27 varas farther, I find a pine knot and $3/4$ inch pipe, the Northwest Corner of the Ransom House. Here I ran South ^{at} 15° East at 1510.66 varas, found a pine knot and black gum called for by Burns as a witness tree at the Northwest Corner of the S. Y. Sitton Survey, and at 2260 varas intersected the South Line of the Charles B. Stewart as the same is located on the ground. Thence following an old marked line South 75° West at 559.7 varas pass the Northwest Corner of the E. E. Brown and Northeast Corner of the Stephen H. Bryant at 3098 varas cross the creek and at 4449 varas again crossed a creek, making the distance between the centers of these two creeks 1551 varas which is practically a check in the calls for the same in both the Bryan and Stewart. Continued this line in all 7597 varas to East margin of the San Jacinto River.

I returned to the Northwest Corner of the Ransom House Survey and from this corner I ran North ^{at} 15° West at 42.44 varas to a pine knot and witness trees, the Northeast Corner of the Chas. B. Stewart. Thence S. $75^{\circ} 02'$ West at 566.1 varas a pine knot a corner of the Slade according to its field notes and as partitioned in the aforementioned decree, at 3566.1 varas a pine knot and witness tree the Southeast Corner of the Joseph House and the Southwest Corner of the Theo Slade Survey and continued in all 10496 varas to the East margin of the San Jacinto River. In this connection would advise that in 1926 from the Southeast Corner of the Joseph House to the river where stood several old witness trees I found a distance to be 6932.8 varas, in 1932 on account of washing of the East river bank, I find this distance to be 6888 varas.

I returned to the Southeast Corner of the Joseph House and ran North $14^{\circ} 48'$ West following an old marked line 1795.5 varas to a pine knot and witness trees, the Northeast Corner of the Joseph House and the Northwest Corner of the Theo Slade. Here following an old marked line, I ran North $75^{\circ} 08'$ East 598.6 varas to a pine knot and witness trees, a re-entrant corner of the Slade Survey and Southeast Corner of the Ransom House League. I measured from the Southeast Corner of the Ransom House League South $75^{\circ} 08'$ West 8448.7 varas to the East margin of the San Jacinto River. This would make the North Line of the Joseph House 7850.1 varas. I returned to the Northeast Corner of the Ransom House and re-entrant corner of the J. McHorse and ran S. $15^{\circ} 02'$ East at 298.91 varas, found a T rail and concrete monument and witness trees, the Southwest Corner of said McHorse and the Northwest Corner of the L. A. Lang Survey. I continued in this same course 505.62 varas farther to a pine knot and witness trees, the Southwest Corner of said Lang Survey and a Northwest Corner of the C. T. Darby Survey. I then ran East 635.69 varas to a pine knot and witness tree the Southeast Corner of the Lang Survey and a re-entrant corner of the Darby Survey. Thence following an old marked line, I ran North $0^{\circ} 18'$ East 1921.64 varas to an oak stake and 1 inch pipe with numerous witness trees, the Northeast Corner of the said Lang Survey and the Southeast Corner of the John Davis Survey.

I then ran West 263.09 varas to a $3/4$ " bolt, at the intersection of two old marked lines. Here I found a bed rail and a concrete monument 6 $1/2$ varas South. Thence following a marked line, I ran South 1428.48 varas to a pipe, pine knot, and concrete monument, and witness trees, the Southeast Corner of the John McHorse and a re-entrant corner of said Lang Survey. Thence following an old marked line, I ran West 514.58 varas to the Northwest Corner of the Lang Survey previously described.

I returned to the Southeast Corner of the L. A. Lang Survey and ran South $4^{\circ} 54'$ East 118.58 varas on a connecting line to a pine knot and iron pipe, the most Westerly Northeast Corner of the T. & N. O. R. R. #16, and re-entrant corner of the C. T. Darby (I have just submitted field notes for patent on the W. S. Rhodes Survey out of the Western part T. & N. O. #16,

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calling for this same corner). Thence I ran South 0°10' East along an old marked line 890.6 varas to a 2-1/2" pipe and witness trees, a re-entrant corner of said Sec. #16 and the Southwest Corner of the C. T. Darby Survey. Thence following an old marked line East at 280 varas, a pine knot and witness trees at the intersection of two old marked lines and being the Southeast Corner of said Darby Survey and the Southwest Corner of W. C. R. R. #14 and continued in the same course 1860 varas farther or 2140 varas in all to the Ford axle at the Southeast Corner of said W. C. R. R. #14 and the Northeast Corner of Sec. #16 T. & N. O. R. R. previously described.

I returned to the Southwest Corner of the W. C. R. R. Sec. #14 and ran N. 0°10' East 963.7 varas to an iron pipe and witness tree, the same being the Northwest Corner of the C. A. West patent and the Southwest Corner of the D. McIntyre as surveyed for patent by me, and continued in the same course 951.59 varas more or 1915.29 varas in all to a pine knot and pipe at a corner of the Darby and a Northwest corner of W. C. R. R. #14. Thence East 30 varas to a pine knot, iron pipe, and witness trees, a re-entrant corner of said W. C. R. R. #14, and a Southeast Corner of the Darby. Thence North 44 varas to an iron pipe and pine knot, the Northwest Corner of W. C. R. R. Section #14. Thence East along a fence and an old marked line at 902.1 varas, a pine knot and iron pipe, and old witness trees, the Northwest Corner of the C. A. West patent and the Northeast Corner of the D. McIntyre patent both out of W. C. R. R. Sec. #14. Thence East following an old marked line 916.9 varas to 2-1/2" shaft and witness trees on the West line of the H. B. Littlefield Survey and being the Northeast Corner of the W. C. R. R. #14 and the Southeast Corner of W. C. R. R. #13 and being 886.75 varas North of the Southwest corner of the said Littlefield Survey.

I returned to the Northwest Corner of the H. B. Littlefield Survey and the Northeast Corner of W. C. R. R. #13 and ran West following an old marked line 1819.4 varas, and thence south 2001.85 varas to the Northwest Corner of Sec. #14. On this line I found a marked line running South and parallel to the line I ran 30 varas to the West. This line (30 varas to the West) is a continuation of the West line of W. C. R. R. Sec. #14, and presumably someone has produced the West line of Sec. #14 to the South line of the Evantha Scurry Survey.

As there has been some question as to a vacancy existing between W. C. R. R. #14 and T. & N. O. #16, no doubt contended for on the basis of the Wade field notes for Sec. #16, I went to the Southwest Corner of the T. & N. O. Sec. #16 on the East line of the Ransom House and ran N. 15° W. 1584 varas, as called for in the Wade notes for Sec. #16. Here I was unable to find the witness tree called for. From this point, I ran East 2525 varas carefully searching for several hundred feet each side of the line to try to locate any trees that might be marked but was unable to find any evidence that a line had ever been placed in this position. I then ran South 1211 varas and found no evidence of either line or trees. I then ran East 246 varas and found no evidence of line or trees. I then ran South 319 varas making a thorough examination of the country for several hundred feet on each side of the lines we were running but could not find anything that would indicate that any lines were ever placed or marked in the position called for in the Wade field notes.

While doing this work, I got Mr. John Massey who owns the Eastern portion of Section #16 to go with me and I questioned him in detail as to his knowledge or to any hearsay knowledge that he might have, that the lines we were running or looking for were ever known to him at any time. Mr. Massey definitely states that the only lines for Sec. #16 that he has ever known or heard of are those which we have run as being the Williams lines of 1899. Furthermore, I got Mr. W. S. Rhodes who owns the Western portion of T. & N. O. #16 and questioned him relative to the line of #16 as where they were located or if he had ever heard of the lines being in any other position and Mr. Rhodes definitely states that the only lines for Section #16 that he has ever known are those that we have run as the Williams lines.

The W. C. R. R. #13 calls to begin at the Northwest Corner of H. B. Littlefield Survey, a point undisputed since its location in 1838 and which can be definitely and positively established on the ground at this date, and while the field notes call this corner to be on the South line of the Bridges, this is a physical impossibility and has been so recognized by the General Land Office by the issuance of a patent to Evantha Scurry, a survey lying between the North line of the H. B. Littlefield and the South line of the Bridges Survey

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(the location of the Littlefield and the Bridges have been gone into in detail in a previous paragraph). The call on the North Line of the W.C.R.R. Sec. #13 of 1800 varas to the line of the Weeden Survey has been destroyed insofar as its call for the Weeden is concerned, by the General Land Office issuing a patent to C. T. Darby laying between the West Line of Section #13 and the East line of the Weeden and Davis Survey. The call South of 2006 varas is a very close check as to the actual distance on the ground at this date as I find same to be the actual measurement of 2001.85 varas. Furthermore, the said Sec. #13 is definitely held against the Littlefield Survey by its beginning call and its closing call. W. C. R. R. Section #14 calls to begin at the Northeast Corner of T&NO Sec. #16. Thence North 1079 varas and thence West 30 varas to the Southwest Corner of the Littlefield Survey, a point well and continuously recognized and identified from 1838 to the present. Thence North with the Littlefield line 880 varas to the Southeast Cor. of Section #13 W. C. R. R. Thus we have Sections #13 & #14 definitely tied in to both the Northwest And Southwest Cors. of the Littlefield Sur., a sur. the location of which has never been questioned, and in addition we have Sec. #14 calling for its North Line to be the South Line of Sec. #13, a point which can be, has been, and is definitely established on the ground. W.C.R.R. #13 and #14 under any rule of law are definitely and permanently tied together and each can be located on the ground by their own field note calls from a definite, unquestioned, and well defined senior survey on the East.

The call of W. C. R. R. #14 for the corner of the Davis and to run 30 varas West with the South Line of the Davis is clearly in error and has been proven so by the issuance of a patent to C. T. Darby lying between the West Line of Sec. #14 and East Line of the Davis. In addition, while this is not official, on Tuesday January 17th, 1933, Judge Clark of the Land Office in conversation with me made the statement that the Land Office, would not permit a vacancy between Sec. #13 and #14 W. C. R. R. that if for any reason Sec. #13 can possibly be located other than according to its patent and field notes that Sec. #14 would run to the South Line of Sec. #13 wherever it be, and any excess would go into Section #14.

We have prepared a tracing showing the Wade surveys of this block of T&NO Surveys. Mr. Wade in his field notes for Section #15 gives a definite tie for the Southwest Corner of the H. B. Littlefield. Mr. Wade in his field notes of Sec. #13 gives a definite tie to the Southwest Corner of the Clark Beach. If you will place the accompanying tracing of the Wade Surveys of this R. R. block over the attached blue print, representing the work done in making this report, placing the Northwest Corner of Sec. #15 of the Wade Survey 100 varas South and 30 varas East of the Southwest Corner of the Littlefield, you will immediately see that the North Line of Sec. #16 according to the Wade survey ~~and~~ falls coincident with the North Line of the Sec. #16 as surveyed by Williams and also on and along the South Line of W. C. R. R. #14. You will further see that the South Line of the Clark Beach as found on the ground today will be covered by the South Line of the Beach as found by Wade, showing conclusively that the North Line of Section #16 as located by Wade is in its proper relation to the South Line of the H. B. Littlefield and to the South Line of the Clark Beach Survey, two surveys, the locations of which have been undisputed since 1838. In addition the South line of the Wm. Kibbe as located by Wade and his calls for Section #11 will also coincide with the South Line of the William Kibbe as it is today. Wade's field notes for Section #1 as returned to the Land Office were shown to be in error, as were also his field notes for Section #2. While this block of surveys was numbers 1 to 16, and Wade began surveying from 1 and 2, his surveys were not only known to be in error at the time of their submission to the Land Office but were subsequently proven to be in error by Williams's survey in 1899. It would be the poorest practice in surveying to attempt to locate this block of surveys from the junior numbers when the junior numbered surveys were known to be erroneous in their locations. Under the rule of law any beginning corner or any corner of a survey which can be identified and proven is given the same dignity as any other corner or call, and we have Mr. Wade in Sections 15, 14, 13, and 11 calling for the Wm. Kibbe, the Clark Beach, and H. B. Littlefield, three surveys of unquestioned location. We also have Section #16 calling for Section #14 and #15 and by reversed field notes, which is legally permissible from definite corners, we can positively locate the North Line of Section #16 on its field note calls for Sec. #15, which in turn can be located from the Southwest Corner of the Littlefield Survey. In this connection, Judge Clark is also my authority for the statement, that sometime prior to 1899 the land owners holding or supposedly holding under the Wade field notes in this block of T&NO R. R. Surveys requested the Land Office on account

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of the confusion and indefiniteness of the survey line of the same, to send a state surveyor down to unravel the tangle. The result of which is reflected in Mr. Williams report to the General Land Office in Sept. 1899, at which time he, Williams, furnished corrected field notes for each of the T. & N. O. R.R. Surveys, and the said R. R. Surveys as located by Mr. Williams can be so positively identified on the ground from the original witness trees that there can be no question as to his, Williams, location of these sections and the acceptance of the same by the General Land Office of the State of Texas. And in addition the Littlefield Survey as originally made, and before a small portion was cut out of the Northeast Corner, will fit the creek crossings, almost perfectly, as it will also fit the creek crossings in the corrected notes.

Not pertinent to the location of the W. C. R. R. #13 and #14 but as substantiating evidence, I wish to add the following connections which we have run in this vicinity in order to verify the old survey. Having been informed by several residents in the neighborhood of the Northwest Corner of the Presley Gill Survey, I went on the ground to the generally accepted Northwest Corner of the Pace Survey on the North Line of the Presley Gill Survey. This is a corner that is well recognized and is possible one of the oldest survey corners in this section of Montgomery County. Here I found a stake in an old field and ran West 504.2 varas where I intersected an old marked line to the South at a point 37.3 varas West of a branch. I then ran South with this old marked line the East line of the E. Wrentmore and West line of the Presley Gill Survey, at 992.2 varas, I intersected an old marked line running to the West. I then ran West along this old marked line, which is also fenced and occupied in a large part of its length and at 2560.7 varas found an old marked line running to the North. This is the accepted Southwest Corner of the Wrentmore and the Southeast Corner of the L. F. Amelong. The call on this line is 2559 varas. I continued following this old marked line and at 2938.1 varas farther, I found a pipe and witness trees and an old marked line running to the north. This is the accepted and recognized Southwest Corner of the Amelong and the Southeast Corner of the Richard Peebles. The call in the Amelong is 2886.6 varas. I continued along this old marked line and at 2842.5 varas farther, intersected a line which I had produced North from the Southeast Corner of the H. B. Littlefield Survey. The call on the South Line of the Peebles 2881 varas. The sum of the calls west along the South Line of the Wrentmore, Amelong, and Peebles 2559 plus 2886.6 varas plus 2881 or a total of 8326.6 varas against an actual measured distance of 8341.3 varas making an excess of only 14.7 varas in this distance. At this point I ran back East 183.5 varas and thence South 3321.9 varas, the last 1514 varas on this line being along a very old marked line to a pine knot and a packing box, which I found set in the intersection of a marked line running North and South and another marked line running East and West. This point would be the intersection of the South Line of the H. S. Williamson Survey with the East Line of the Littlefield Survey and would leave the Williams Survey 194 varas in conflict with the Littlefield at this point. From the packing box and pine knot following an old marked line, I ran South 1380.67 varas to a pine knot and witness trees, the Southeast Corner of the Littlefield on the North Line of the Clark Beach. I then ran West with the South Line of the Littlefield and the North Line of the Clark Beach following a very old marked line 2901.45 varas to the pine knot at the southwest corner of the said Littlefield.

I returned to the Southeast Corner of the Wm. Bridges and ran West along an old marked line 1052.6 varas to a 3/4" pipe located at the Northeast Corner of the Evantha Scurry Survey. I then ran South 927.2 varas and intersected the North Line of the Littlefield Survey at the S. E. Cor. of the E. Scurry at a point 1200 vrs. E. of the N. W. Cor. of the Littlefield and also the beginning corner of the Evantha Scurry.

Attached hereto and made a part of this report is map 4128-R, map 4128-R-A, Map 4125 R Roll., and also a tracing showing the Wade notes on T. & N. O. Surveys as prepared by me from photostat copies obtained from the General Land Office.

When course is given in this report, as North, South, East, or West, it is done as a matter of brevity and the course shown on the attached maps along any line under description is the actual course of that particular line as I found same to be.

I, J. S. Boyles, Licensed State Surveyor, hereby certify that this map correctly reports the facts, lines, and corners, found on the ground by actual survey.

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Attached hereto and made a part of this report is my map 4138-A, the beginning corner of the Evantha Curry.

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