

Explanations relative to the recovery of the J. W. O. Ry.
Co. surveys and the companion state school surveys in
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I had no trouble getting the true location of the
Clark Beech League as its lines are marked & the intersection
of the N. & W. lines puts NW corner at point 230m. West
of the old bed of Conroy creek, the creek having changed
some 35 years ago according to the memory of old settlers
in this vicinity. The SW corner of the S. B. Littlefield
sur. is an old original corner, identified. I find the NW
& SE corner of the Wm Kibbe sur. identified by the stumps
of the original bearing trees also by intersection of old lines -
both being corners heretofore recognized by all surveyors.

I find some slight evidence of an old line for W. line
of the S. M^c Intyre sur. 1354 m. West of the old line, the
W. line of the upper B. Pruett survey and I marked out
the West lines of the M^c Intyre & Dennis Keil sur. as shown
on sketch. I find the upper B. Pruett sur. is marked on
the ground as shown on sketch. The lower or smaller
B. Pruett sur. I find an established SW corner fr. wh.
Pine 24" br. 815° W. 7 m. This tree does not show any old
marks but it is very probable that it is the original
bearing. There is an old line running East from this
corner, I ran North from this corner but there is no
line marked. I intersected S. line of the upper B. Pruett
sur. at 3194 m. at 790 m. East of its SW corner.

I find the NE cor. of the Thos. Warring sur. 1188 1/2 m.
E. of SW cor. of the B. Pruett sur. as heretofore established
& recognized. I find an old stump (white oak) fitting
for one of the original trees - I could find no evidence
of land marks for N. & W. lines of the Thos. Warring and

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I marked them out by a course and distance run from the SW. corner of the P. Pruett. I established the Milton Robertson the same way - Red ink figures indicate outside lines actually measured. I find the SW. corner of the Chas. Stevens survey at intersection of old lines and one original bearing tree stands and is plainly marked: Pine 30' mked. B. ls. S10°W. 17m. and putting the N. line of the Stevens 900m. N. of its S. line, we have that sur. as shown on sketch, conflicting with the Thos. Warring sur. intersecting the W. line of the Warring sur. 425 1/2 m. S. of its NW. cor. I find the J. Swisher sur. on the ground its E. & W. & N. lines being identified by old land marks in shape of lines - I find the N. corner of the Alex. Outlaw, which was made by John M. Wade in 1860, both bearings are standing & I blocked out to the marks, which show plainly

Wade mentions in his fieldnotes that this course is 43m. S. of the NW. cor. of the J. Swisher sur. - By getting intersection of old lines I put the NW. cor. of the said Swisher sur. exactly 43m. N. of the Outlaw cor.

The N.E. corner of the John Owens Leo. as recognized is at intersection of old lines and is 970m. S. of the Outlaw cor.

The relations of these corners & lines are truly shown in red ink on sketch. As to the Samuel Smith sur. I find its North & East lines are defined by old blazes, the South line is not mked. at all I do not find any of the lines of the A. Steel, the G. Harris, the John Bricker, the J. R. Henderson & R. G. Hamlett except the S. cor. or S.E. lines of the Hamlett and the Henderson sur., I find an old line running S59°30'W & passing the N. cor. of the Outlaw sur. J. M. Wade in fieldnotes of the Outlaw in 1860 mentions this as an "old line". From this old line to the old line

at N. boundary of the Samuel Smith there is but 23 m. excess, which is practically a fit -

I find that to strike Crystal cr. at a point where the course of the creek is South that the Samuel Smith should have this 23 m. excess, for by so doing the S. line just misses a bend where creek is nearly East & strikes it just below the bend where it runs South. Putting the South line of the Steel 3801.8 m. $S59^{\circ}12'W$ of S. line of the Hamlett, it strikes the San Jacinto river just below mouth of Crystal creek. I put corner on bank of a slough out 74 m. from low bank of river, this slough marks the end of high bottom Hammock, where Magnolias are found.

I put E or SE cor. of the Steel 5734 m. $N59^{\circ}30'E$ of this point & put N. or NE cor. 1443 m. $N30^{\circ}30'E$ of the

The NE cor. of the Steel as made by me on S. line of the Samuel Smith sur. is 4800 m. $N59^{\circ}30'E$ of Crystal creek. This fits the orig. calls for crystal cr. I put the NE corner of the J. Bricker 1043 m. $S59^{\circ}30'W$ of SE cor. of the A. Steel sur. which leaves the proper distance to the river. From this corner I put the E. lines of the Bricker & Hamlett by running $S50^{\circ}12'E$ which is at right angles to N. line of the L. Smith and S. lines of the Henderson & Hamlett sur.

I find the E. and N. lines of the Ransom House sur. to be well defined marked lines & old blazes

The bearings at NE cor. are gone but corner fits crystal cr. as to distance. The SE cor. of the Ransom House sur. & the NE cor. of the Samuel Smith sur. are 93 m. apart & not one and the same cor. as field notes of the House would indicate

The E. line of the Samuel Smith as found and

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identified by me is exactly 3863 m. N59°30'6" of
 S6. cor. of the W.C.C. Lynch sur. as the field notes of
 the Smith call to be. I made diligent search
 for land marks of the Steel & other suris. & ran several
 handbooks, but only found the lines mentioned.
 There is a large excess of distance from the S6.
 cor. of the Hamlett to the river bank.

I Geo. M. Williams State Surveyor
 do hereby certify that the above and foregoing
 statement is true and correct

Given under my hand at
 San Antonio Texas. this Oct 6th 1899

Signed: Geo. M. Williams

State Surveyor

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