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REPORT OF RESURVEY OF SOUTH-HALF OF SECTION 42, BLOCK A OF THE T. & P. RY. COMPANY SURVEY (W. P. MCCARTY), ABSTRACT NO. 1972, PALO PINTO COUNTY, TEXAS PURSUANT TO ISSUE OF PATENT

In July of this year I was contacted to perform a resurvey of the South-Half of Section 42 which had apparently been paid for but never had a Patent Issued. Mr. Harold Rucker a Licensed State Land Surveyor in Mineral Wells had already done extensive work on properties in this area and had originally intended to do this work but because of ill health had decided he could not. His office furnished me with considerable information consisting of deeds, copies of his plats and field notes. At that time a working sketch of the original surveys in the area was ordered from the General Land Office which was completed August 17, 1993.

Most of the original surveys of the sections of Block A were made by W. B. Champlin on various days of April in 1874. He made the survey of Section 42 on April 14, 1874, Section 43 on April 14, 1874, Section 41 on April 18, 1874, Section 47 on April 15, 1874. Section 46 to the south of Section 42 and 43 does not show the original surveyor but has a correction survey made by A. E. Price who was County Surveyor of Palo Pinto County on March 18, 1961. The North-Half of Section 42 was patented to R. E. Light on January 4, 1944. There does seen to have been a resurvey made at that time since it shows to have been compiled by H. H. Ulbricht on December 28, 1943.

My survey was begun at a found stone mound with a large spike at the SW corner of Section 42 and SE corner of 43 with this mound having been identified by Mr. Rucker in various plats and field notes as being the original corner and as being the same corner called for by Mr. Price in his resurvey of Section 46. No evidence of original bearing trees were found.

From this point a line was run southwest generally along a fence line along the south line of Section 43 to an iron rod found in an old stone mound at the SW corner of Section 43 and NW corner of Section 46 this being the same stone mound previously found by Mr. Rucker and Mr. Price. Mr. Prices call for this distance was 1909.65 varas and my computed distance for this line was 1902.41 varas which agrees very well since our distance was measured with a distance meter and Price would have been chaining over very rough terrian.

This in my opinion verifies the stone mound at the SW corner of Section 42 as being an original corner.

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RETURNING to the stone mound at the SW corner of Section 42, a line was run northeast along an 8 foot high game fence and deed lines with various ties being made to deed corners along the way approximately 1893 varas to a 4" iron pipe fence corner at the NE corner of Section 46 with post being in the place of the stone mound set by Mr. Price in his resurvey of Section 46 according to Mr. Rucker. The bearings set by Price has been destroyed and no evidence of original bearing called for in 1874 could be found. Land to south, east and northeast has been cleared within the last few years and all were probable destroyed at that time.

Continuing Northeast along the south line of Section 41, being generally along a fence line along occupied deed lines, about 1900 varas to an iron rod found in an old stone mound at the SE corner of Section 41. A calculation was made back to the stone mound at the SW corner of Section 42 as 3819.5 varas compared to its call of 3800 varas. This stone mound was accepted as being the original SE corner of Section 41.

Returning to the SW corner of Section 41 and the SE corner of Section 42, a calculation was made and a stone mound and iron rod was placed on line with and 1/2 the distance of 3819.5 varas between the SE corner of Section 41 and the SW corner of Section 42. This would place this corner Ø.92 varas north and 16.72 varas east of the iron pipe fence corner as called for in deed and by Mr. Rucker as being the NE corner of Section 46. After later ties were made this new stone mound was accepted as being the proper location for the SE corner of Section 42.

Returning to the SW corner of Section 42 a line was run Northwest about along the west line of Section 42, about 970 varas to an east-west fence line shown in various deeds to be on the 1/2 section line. At this point various deed corners were tied and a search was made for the original stone mound and bearing trees called for at this point. This is on top of a fairly clear hill. Several old fallen post oak tree bases were tied along with a stone mound found in fence line about 30 varas west. It is believed this stone mound was set by someone for a corner but could not be verified. None of the old tree bases could be positively identified as being an original bearing and after consulting with Mr. Roy Molina of the General Land Office it was decided to not eccept any of them although I feel quite certain one of them is the remains of an original bearing.

Continuing northwest along the approximate west line of Section 42 about 950 varas to the NW corner of Section 42, a search was made for the original stone mound along with ties being made to various deed corners, most being set by Mr. Harold Rucker or his son Milton Rucker, a Registered Land Surveyor. A fallen post oak tree base was found and after backing off it 11 2/3 varas S 2 W, an old buried stone mound was recovered. This is on side of a steep hill and quite a bit of soil has washed down over this area so it was likely this mound would be covered. Ties were made 45 varas east and 120 varas south to drains called for in original field notes. This was not much help since bottom is very flat and wide and center could not be easily identified. After other ties were made to the NE corner of Section 42 and the NW corner of Section 41, the Buried Stone Mound was accepted as being the NW corner of Section 42.

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From the NW corner of Section 42 a line was run northeast along old property line fences, at 950 varas a search was made for the quarter corner called for. This hit in a bunch of ravines and nothing was found, at 1900 varas a search was made for the NE corner of Section 42, at 1914 varas a stone mound was found in fence line with no evidence of original bearing still remaining. This is a fairly decent looking mound and it was felt it probable was an original corner.

Continuing northeast generally along a fence and deed line, at 1913 varas a stone mound with iron rod was found with this mound having been called for by Mr. Rucker as the NE corner of Section 41.

Returning to the approximate SW corner of the R. E. Light Survey, the SW corner of the north-half of Section 42, an iron rod in a new stone mound was established at a point one-half the distance and on a straight line between the stone mounds found at the NW corner of Section 42 and the SW corner of Section 42, From this point a line was run northeast generally along a fence and deed line 1900.8 varas to the vicinity of the SE corner of the SE corner of the north-half of Section 42. There was no calls for any corners to have been set at this point in the R. E. Light Patent. A stone mound in fence line was found about 30 varas west of this point which probable matches the other one found approximately 37 varas west of the where I have relocated the SW corner of the Light patent corner. After a calculation was made between the stone mound found at the NE corner of Section 42 and the stone mound previously set at the SE corner of Section 42 as 1915.04 varas, it was decided to reset the SE corner of the R. E. light Survey on line with and at one-half the distance between the two corners, which places it 2.56 varas north of the fenced deed line.

Additional ties and information are shown on the enclosed plats and field notes some of which are shown just so they can get on record so someone in future might have access. Most of plats and field notes prepared by us as Registered Professional Land Surveyor do not get on record and wind up in some Attorneys Office files and are lost.

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