



General Land Office
State of Texas
Austin

March 5, 1921.

J. T. ROBISON, COMMISSIONER
J. H. WALKER, CHIEF CLERK

Mr. W. A. Gilmer,
Tax Assessor, Bell County,
Belton, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have your favor enclosing surveyor's report of the resurvey and marking of the county line between Bell and Coryell counties as approved by the Commissioners' Court of Bell County March 1, 1920, which report was sent in response to a letter from this office February 28, 1921, in regard to the correction of surveys along the county boundary between said counties.

As stated in that letter of the 28th, the county boundary between said counties as run and established by D. A. Hammack in 1879 is recognized in this office. By comparison of the report with the Hammack line, it would seem that this last survey is a retrace of the Hammack line and if so, there can be no objection to it except that it seems to have been made under the instructions and authority of the Bell County Commissioners' Court. By referring to Article 1375 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, you will note that such work should be done by and under orders of the County Court and not the Commissioners' Court, however, as this resurvey was made for the purpose of ascertaining the acreage in either county cut by said line for taxation purposes, I see no reason why it can not be accepted for that purpose.

You requested that the copy sent to this office be returned to you, which I suppose is correct for the reason that it appears to be a filed document of your county. I am therefore returning same and suggest that you furnish this office with a certified copy of this report together with a plat of the county boundary on receipt of which same will be filed for the purpose of correcting the acreage along the line and abstracts will be corrected accordingly.

Yours truly,

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THE STATE OF TEXAS |

COUNTY OF BELL |

I, E. I. HALL, County Clerk, in and for Bell County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of that certain Report of Survey of County Line as appears on file in the County Clerk's office of date of March 13th, 1920.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE this 24th day of May, A. D. 1921.

E. I. HALL

County Clerk, Bell County, Texas.

By *Lois Estes* Deputy.

Calculation of acreage of original surveys on line.

	Bell County.	Coryell County.
G. S. Downs surbey	184.4	119.27
N. E. Sinclare	78.72	81.28
A. Robertson		5/41
A. M. Boren	9.4	
W. E. Guthrie		11.22
W. H. Spence	23.36	
W. P. Walker	67.7	93.47
R. M. Pearson		.92
R. Hallmark	182.6	
James Hudgeons		3.
James George	64.7	
C. G. Bennett	7.	
J. A. Wells	2.7	
School Land	18.38	14.4
Sam George		7.2
M. R. Lovelace	25.18	
J. J. A. Coom		19.47
S. H. Henderson	6.63	
R. A. McGee		164.14
William P. Moore	41.	
Armistead Bennett	1850.	2755.
Thomas Robinett		8.45
B. Hardeman		284.84
W. E. Brown	5.35	
D. M. Elms	4.46	130.
D. M. Elss	71.84	5.84
J. M. Starr	26.1	90.69
F. W. Thornton		43.72
J. G. B. Arnold	12.77	
Aleck Reed		5/12
James Scroggans	3.	157.
W. E. Hall		5.13
Bird Pearce	16.6	
M. C. Smith		104.87
F. A. Wilson	117.17	
Mary A. Harris		13.561
W. P. Tom	263.88	
O. Taylor		73.72
J. D. Blair	0.92	
John Dixon	70.96	
J. A. Hallam		180.
Henry A. Williams	65.02	
S. G. Evetts	175.32	
Thomas Trimier		43.30
Henry Travilla	90.67	
Jessie Pruitt		63.62
James Hollingsworth	171.25	
W. R. Cary	716.	25.87
W. R. Cary	187.	
Payton Bland		361.87
C. LaJoice	34.64	
C. Calliotte	5.	
John Craddic		224.4
Luther Smith		44.9
J. N. O. Smith	58.19	
V. L. Evans	54.64	
W. P. Johnson	132.2	9.31

Respectfully Submitted by

S. D. Hanna

County Surveyor Bell County Texas.

J. E. Franks

County Surveyor Coryell County Texas.

survey and N. 19E.1540 varas from the S. E. corner of the said Hallmarks survey.

SET MILE MONUMENT NO 31.

In Richard Hallmark survey in A. H. Whitmires pasture at foot of mountain, N. 60.E320 varas from the South line of said Hallmark survey and North line of R. M. Pearson survey and 95 varas & S. 71.E from N. W. corner of R. M. Pearson survey. and crossing West line of the R. M. Pearson survey and the East line of the W. P. Walker survey S. 19 W.110 varas from corner of said survey.

County line passes/ diagonally across about the center of the W. P. Walker survey.

SET MILE MONUMENT NO 32.

In W. H. Spence survey and in John Whitmire field, S. 60.W 170 varas from the East line of the W. H. Spence survey and the West line of the W. P. Walker survey. Also N. 60.E. 575 varas from South line of the Spence survey, crossing the North line of the W. E. Guthrie survey 300 varas from N. W. corner of the said Guthrie survey. Crossing the West line of the Guthrie and the East line of the Vacant land S. 19 W.415 varas from N.W. corner of the Guthrie and N. E. corner of the Vacant land. Crossing the North line of the Allen Robertson survey S. 71.E.242 varas from its N. W. corner.

SET MILE MONUMENT NO 33

In Borens field at the S. E. corner of the S. E. Ballard survey and West line of the Allen Robertson survey and the East corner of the N. E. Sinclare survey. A live oak at the foot of hill East 10 varas. At S. 60. W. 922 varas crosses West line of the N. E. Sinclare and East line of the G. S. Downs survey and at 1490 varas the corner of the Lampassas and Coryell Counties, in the Bell County Northline. A cedar post marked and described in the beginning of this report.

County line crosses West line of the N. E. Sinclare survey N. 19W 323 varas from its S. W. corner and S. 19E 960 $\frac{1}{2}$ varas from the N. E. corner of the G. S. Downs survey and the N. W. corner of the N. E. Sinclare survey

From the crossing of the County line on the West line of the Sinclare survey and the East line of the G. S. Downs survey is 568 varas to the Lampassas and Coryell County Corner, Thence on S. 60. W. from the Lampassas and Coryell County corner, at 419 varas passes between two large live oaks about 12 feet apart and each has four very old hacks, showing the County line marks, Thence on S. 60. W.

SET MONUMENT N) 34. MILES,

In the G. S. Downs Survey.

Thence, on S. 60. W. 508.7 varas Corner Monument for Lampassas and Bell Counties set. From which a Live Oak marked X bears N.12.E.50 varas, Another Live Oak marked H. bears N. 41 E. 56 varas. A round mountain bears N. 25.30. E. Another Mountain bears N. 73. 30. The center of Clarks Gap bears N. 13.30 W.

As part of our report we herewith add the survey and report of County Surbeyor of Lampassas County, Mr. W. H. Fountain showing the location of the Lampassas and Bell County Corner and bearings for same which report is signed by S. D. Hanna county Surveyor of Bell County and John E. Franks County Surveyor of Coryell County.

We also report that in addition to the Starr house and the Live Oak tree at the house bearing the old marks of the County line mentioned in the report of Messrs Chalk and Motz of their survey in 1872 we found one other old live oak tree marked with original County line marks on the Hardaman survey on the Black tract. Messrs Chalk and Motz report from Lampassas and Bell County corner to the J. M. Starr house to be 14 miles and 270 varas while our distance is 14 miles and 824 varas.

Our total distance from Lampassas and Bell County to McLennan County Corner is 34 miles and 508.7 varas while they report the same distance to be 32 miles and 1260 varas, a difference of one mile and 1148.7 varas. There is no question in our minds that we have established our line within a few feet where Messrs Chalk and Motz ran their line in 1872.

We have also calculated the acreage of land of each original survey lying on either side of the County line and attach to and is hereby made a part of this report.

We have calculated the acreage of the part of the land having the least acreage and have taken the abstract acreage of the original tract to calculate the balance of each survey.

All of which we hereby most respectfully submit to your Honorable Body, this the 28th day of Feb. 1920

J. E. Franks
County Surveyor of Coryell

S. D. Hanna
County Surveyor of Bell County Texas.
County Texas.

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Scroggins survey and N. 71 W. 180 varas from its S. E. corner. Which is an inner North corner of the A. Reed survey.

SET MILE MONUMENT NO 19

In the J. G. B. Arnold survey in Sam Halls tract of land S.60 W 50.5 varas and S.19W/ 252 varas from lower N. E. corner of the said Arnolds Survey, this is also Sam Halls corner.

S. 60.W. at 500 varas line crosses Arnolds South line at a point N.71.W. ~~at~~ 340 varas from S. E. corner of the said J. G. B. Arnold survey. This being the North line F. M. Thornton survey. Set a line monument on West side of the Gatesville and Killeen road S. 19 W 235.5 varas from the N. E. corner of the John Starr survey.

SET MILE MONUMENT NO 20

In the J. M. Starr survey 300 varas S.60.W from line post on the Killeen and Gatesville road. Set a stake N. 60.E.240.5 varas and S.30.E 54 varas from S. E. corner of the Palo Alto school house. From the line post on the Gatesville and Killeen road.

SET MILE MONUMENT NO 21

On top of Mountain 150 varas North of a vacant house, in the Bailey Hardeman survey, 675 S.60.W and S. 71 E. 1645 varas from N. E. corner of the said Bailey Hardeman survey.

SET MILE MONUMENT NO 22

In the Bailey Hardeman survey on top of mountain on line between J. H. Jackson and Bailey Hardeman surveys, about 100 varas N. W. from N. E. corner of the Armstead Bennett survey.

Set line monument on South side of road on North line of J. W. Paces fence of pasture.

SET MILE MONUMENT NO 23.

In the Armstead Bennetts survey, in J. W. Paces pasture from which a lone live oak at foot of mountain bears N. 14.15.E 230 varas.

SET MILE MONUMENT NO 24

In Brooks land on the Armstead Bennetts league, 100 varas North of a ditch running East. on the South half of the Bennetts league. Set line monument on community road in Bennetts league about 150 varas West from J. E. Sleights house. and 10 varas South from his wind mill.

SET MILE MONUMENT NO 25

In Armstead Bennetts league about 400 varas West of a grove of willows, about 200 varas N. W. from a white house with chimney at West end of the house. and N. 60. E. 1485 varas from the South line of the Bennett league. and S. 71. E. 641 varas from S. W. corner of the Bennetts league and S. 71 E 293 varas from N. W. corner of Robinett league. and the N. E. corner of the R. A. McGee. survey.

SET MILE MONUMENT NO 26

On line between Robinett and McGee surveys 326 varas from N. E. corner of the McGee survey and the N. W. corner of the Robinett survey. Set line monument on South line of the right of way of the G. C. & S. F. right of way 115 varas easterly of mile post 248 and 31 varas East of Mouth of culvert.

Line crosses the G. C. & S. F. railroad at 26 miles and 1075 varas from the McLennan County corner.

SET MILE MONUMENT NO 27.

In R. H. Kirks pasture, in the R. A. McGee survey, about 700 varas South of the railroad and about 300 varas East of a mot of live oaks, on a ridge. N.60.E. 1320 varas from the West line of the R. A. McGee survey. Monument set on a hill near where an old house stood, Marked three live oaks with four hacks as pointers, near where the old house stood.

SET MILE MONUMENT NO 28

In J. J. A. Coon survey on West bank of clear creek, cluster of three elms bears N. 60.E and one S. 60.W from monument. N.60.E 540 varas from West line of the J. J. A Coon survey. Line crossing the South line of the Lovelace survey N.71.W 495 varas from S. E. corner of said Lovelace and North line of the Sam George survey, S. 71.E 270 varas from its N. W corner.

SET MILE MONUMENT NO 29

In vacant land lying between the Jas. A. Wells survey and the Samuel George survey and S. 19W 515 varas from the W. R. Lovelace S. W. corner. and N.19E 185 varas from the Jas. A. Wells survey.

County line crossing the S. E. corner of the Wells survey and the East end of the C. G. Bennett survey, and the extreme N. W. corner of the J. M. Jones survey and the N. E. corner of the J. George survey. 905 varas N.19 E. from the S. E. corner of same. Also crossing the South line of the said George and North line of the J. Hudgeons survey S 71.E 170 varas from their common corner.

SET MILE MONUMENT NO 30.

In the J. Hudgeons survey N. 60.E 172 varas from the crossing on the West line of the Hudgeons survey and the East line of the Richards Hallmark

1570 varas N. 19E from the S. W. corner of the Payton Bland S. W. corner.
Set SIX MILE Monument in Charles Winklers pasture on the Cary 1920 acre survey. N.71 W 1348 varas and N. 60 E. 1000 varas from the S. E. corner of the Cary 1920 acre survey.

Set SEVEN MILE Monument in Earnest Winklers pasture N.30.W 78 varas from his East fence, on the James Hollingsworth survey, N. 19E. 125 varas from an angle in the road.

Set LINE monument on West side of the road from Temple to the Grove. The seven mile Monument is set S. 19W. 560 varas S. 60. W. 160 varas from the N. E. corner of the Hollingsworth and the N. W. corner of the W. R. Cary 640 acre survey.

S Set EIGHT MILE MONUMENT about 150 varas N. E. from the Brazzel house near the Hollingsworth South line in Jessie Pruetts survey S. 71 E. 790 varas from Hollingsworth S. W. corner.

Set NINE MONUMENT MILE, in J. C. Torbetts pasture in the Travilla survey, 670 varas N. 60.E from the South line of the Travilla survey.

From the N. W. corner of the Jessie Pruetts survey S. 19 W. at 672 varas pass the S. W. corner of said Pruetts survey and the N. W. corner of the William Harden survey, at 723 varas passes supposed N. E. corner of Jessie Pierce tract of land, on the H. T. Travilla survey. at 1143 varas passes N. W. corner of the Cliford Grahams tract in the Harden survey.

SET TEN MILE Monument in Schmeleys field, S. 19W 725 varas and S.60 W.197 varas from N. W. corner of Thomas Trimmers survey. Set line monument on road from Seattle to Temple. The North end of the Bell County dipping vat bears S. 72.30.E 47 varas and S.19W 160 varas from a point S.71 E from the County line School house. Said Monument is set in the Samuel G. Evetts survey 1798 varas N. 60.E from crossing on South line of the said Evetts survey.

SET MONUMENT NO ELEVEN MILES in the J. Hallum survey on top of Mountain 47 varas N. 19E from Jennings S. W. corner.

Set MILE MONUMENT NO TWELVE. in the J. A. Hallum survey on the East bank of the West prong of Seattle Hollow, a spanish oak marked X bears N.52W. 4 varas. About 150 varas above the spring. S.19W 890 varas and N.60E 725 varas from N. E. corner of the C. D. Cotton survey and an inner N. W. corner of said Hallum survey.

SET MILE MONUMENT NO 13 in the J. A. Hallum survey on the mountain about 350 yards West of road from Joe Cookseys to Taylors branch.

SET MILE MONUMENT NO 14 On the John Dixon survey 180 varas N.60.E from an inner line of the Dixon survey and the East line of the J. D. Blair survey.

On mountain from which a double elm marked X. N.40.W.4 vrs.

SET MILE MONUMENT No 15 On the W. C. Tom survey on South side of road from Joe Currys to Brookhaven, 42 varas S. 30.E from a large pecan tree used as a gate post for plank gate.

SET MILE MONUMENT N) 16 On W. C. Tom survey, in Mrs. Oswalt's pasture about 400 varas S. W. from her house, 313 varas N.60.E. from said Tom South line.

SET MILE MONUMENT NO 17 In Francis A. Wilson survey in Hugh Smiths pasture, from which a large live oak marked X bears N. 30.W 26 varas. This tree has indications of very old land marks. The junction of two rooms of Smiths house bears S.51 E 87 varas.

This mile monument 17 is N.71 W. 1055 varas and N. 60.E 635 vrs. from S. E. corner of the Francis A. Wilson survey.

Set a Line Monument on west side of the Gatesville and Killeen road 49 varas N. 19E from the junction of west line of said road with the North line of Killeen and Brookhaven Road.

S.60.W from this line monument our line passes 2 feet N.30.W from a large Live Oak tree with 4 very old County line marks and also S 30.E 33 varas from the S. E. corner of the J. M. Starr house, which is the identical line ran by Chalk and Motz in 1872, as mentioned in this Report.

Set MILE MONUMENT NO 18

In Knights field at a point N60.E 278 varas from a line Post set on the West side of the Grove and Killeen road near Paul Miszircks house. Line passes S.30.E. 50 varas from the house. Monument set in the M. C. Smith survey N.60.E 285 varas from the M. C. Smith West line. and the Bird Piece East line and N. 19E 469 varas from S. E. corner of the said Pierce Sur.

And also S. 19W. 1180 varas from N. W. corner of the said Smith survey. Crossing the South line of the Bird Pierce survey 387 varas N.71. W. from the said Pierce ~~survey~~ Z. S. corner. and the N. E. corner of the W. E. Hall survey and 205 varas N. 19E from the S. E. corner of the J.

The needle varied from 10/5 to 10.15 during the day and this variation was not the same at the same hour of each day but during the day the variation was practically the same, Therefore we had to use the back sights and the needle each to correct the other. Some points we had as much as 8 miles back sight which enabled us to keep the line straight.

Returning on the correct line we did not cut out the correct line as we did the trial line but made calculations at each mile and at each road crossing and marked the points where mile monuments should be planted and also where monuments should be planted on road crossings.

The Trial line just run was cut out clear and sufficient width to be used in retracing and off setting the different monuments. This Trial line was over very rough mountainous country and across several deep canions, for considerable distance, and it rained on us a great portion of the time making the surveying very slow and difficult.

We had several different Chainmen but all were under oath while surveying. We begun with W. L. Pegram, of Killeen as rear chainman and F. I. Cox as Front Chainman.

The Corner of McLennan, Bell and Coryell Counties is located in the Miles J. West Survey, 307 varas, S.19W and 83.5 vrs. S.71 E. from the N. W. corner of the Miles J. West Survey.

This corner is N. 60 E. 33 Miles and 1524 varas from the Coryell and Lampassas Corner on the Bell County North line and 34 Mile and 508.7 varas from the Lampassas and Bell County Corner, with a variation of 10.23.

Beginning at the Coryell County S. E. corner and Bell County N. E. corner, as above described, and the McLennan County Corner where we have placed a cement Monument properly marked with reference to the three corners.

Thence, S. 60.W.129 varas crossed the West line of the Miles J. West and the East line of the W. P. Johnson survey, and the 431 varas crossed the recognized East line of the V. L. Evans Survey, N. 19. E. 847 varas from its S. E/ Corner. At 1554 varas crossed the South line of V. L. Evans 729 varas N. 71 W. from S. E. Corner of same. and 104 varas N.71 W. from N. E. corner of J. N. O. Smith survey.

ONE MILE Monument set in John Ferrymans field 127 varas N.60E from his South line. Set LINE MONUMENT on road between Carrothers and Fishgraves tracts. In the J. N. O. Smith Survey. 50 feet S.30.E from a large cotton wood tree which is known by the settlers as being the distance from this tree that other Surbeyers ran a County line. Also passing 50 feet N.30W from an elm stump, near Fishbrabes Lot, which is mentioned by other Surveyors. Line passes over the gable of Fishgrabes barn and at 742 varas crosses J. N. O. Smiths upper South line.

Set Mile Monument No. 2 in Miss Ida Meador pasture, N 67.30 W.33 varas and N. 30.W 328 varas from the N. W. corner of her chimney, and N.71W 218 varas and N. 60E 52 varas from Smiths S. E. corner. J. N. O. Smith survey. At 270 varas plus 2 mules crosses the lower West line of Luther Smith survey and the East line of the John Craddie 172 varas S 19 W. from their North Corner.

Set Mile Monument in the John Craddie survey. No. 3. in J. F. Tilley's pasture from which a Live Oak marked X bears S. 45. 30 W 30.4 varas.

At 3 miles 680 varas crosses the West line of the John Craddie and the East line of the C. Calliote survey and at 830 varas crosses the West line of the xsaid Calliote survey and the East line of the Chas. LaJoice surveys, 675 varas N. 19E from said La Joice S. E. corner. At 1750 varas crosses Payton Bland North line. From J. F. Tilley's S. W. corner N. 19E 260 varas N. 71 W 100 varas set a line Monument in fence on North Side of road from Buck Horn to the Bend.

At 4 Miles 1 50 varas Set Mile Monument No. 4 on South Bank of Leon River. At 4 Miles 142 varas a small ash tree on the bank of the Leon River N.30.W.3/5 varas from a large forked Elm tree on bank of river marded with 4 hacks on N. W. side.

Continuing through Mr. Carliles land and the Payton Blands survey, passes 50 feet S. 30.W from Mr. Carliles house and 50 feet N 30.E from a file driven in the ground at the root of a mulberry tree. We were told by citizens there that one previous survey of the County line passed at the Carlise house and another was marked by the file by the mulberry tree.

This information and that of the cotton wood tree and the elm stump mentioned above in this report indicates that our line divides the distance between the two previous surveys which seem to have been made since the Chalk and Metz survey was made.

Set a line monument on the North side of the road at the corner of Carliles Field and at the angle of the public road and near Carliles house. On the Moody and Grove road.

Set 5 MILE Monument in Kennedys pasture on N. W. Point of mountain in the Payton Bland survey.

At 5 miles and 836 varas crosses Payton Blands Survey West line,

ed the Copperas and Okalla road, (at this point, tradition had the co line 100 yards S. 30.E from our line.)

At 3800 varas set a stake on side of mountain 50 varas from top. On Monday Morning, May 26th. we had a clear back sight of 2 miles and the back sight registered the vernier at 10.-8. At 2 miles 1711 varas set stake at N. W. corner of Alf Whitmires barn, at 2 miles 1740 varas point S.30.E 16.6 varas from S. E. corner of Alf Whitmires house, at 3 miles set stake in Whitmires field. At 3 miles 1304 varas crossed the east line of R. Hallmarks and West line of James Hudgeons tract of land, on side of public road, from which the Crossville school house bears N.21E 1260 varas. At four miles from Coryell and Lampassas corner set stake in Mrs. Behrens pasture, 102 varas from her field fence.

May 28th at 2.55 O'Clock P. M. Instrument stands N.60.E. on variation of 10.10. with clear back sight. At 4 miles 208 varas struck corner of Mrs. Behrens feed house 1st and 2nd blank from the N. W. corner. From which the N. E. corner of her house bears N. 30.W. 31.5 varas. At 4 miles 1232.5 varas crosses Copperas Cove and Killeen road, at 5 miles 275 varas crosses N. L. of Sam George survey. At 5 miles 1380 varas crossed clear creek. At 6 miles 398.5 varas set stake on large rock mound on top of hill in R. H. Kirks pasture, near an old house place.

At 7 miles 553.4 varas crossed the G. C. & S. F. railroad.

At 9 miles 849 varas N. W. corner of J. E. Slighs house.

At 10 miles 399 varas crossed a line of Mr. Brooks and the South fence of the public road at the base line of the division of the Bennett league. At 11 miles 1395 varas crossed West line of B. Hardeman survey and East line of the A. Bennet survey. At 12 miles 1414 varas point from which a large live oak with four hacks, county line marks bears N. 30.W.135 varas. At 13 miles 1300 varas crossed the South line of J. M. Starrs tract of land. At 13 miles 1840 varas a large live oak about 15 inches in diameter marked with four very old marks on the N. W. side, bears N. 30 W 145 varas, which tree is S. 30 E. 33 varas from the S. E. corner of the J. M. Starr house, and abpht 50 feet S. 60. W. from the Killeen and Gatesville road. This is the ppint mentioned in the report of Chalk and George Motz when they ran this line in 1872. This is the second evidence that we are running about 145 varas East of the line ran by them at that time. However, we found that tradition had the line as far as 100 varas East and the same distance West of our land were shown houses and trees claimed to support their claims.

At 16 miles 1550 varas set an oak swingle tree in Hugh Smiths small pasture on a natural mound, 84, 8 varas S. 18 E. from the S. E. corner of his rent house. At 18 miles 725 varas the South bank of Cow House creek. At 19 miles 193.5 varas T. H. Tuckers Est line of Field at the foot of mountains.

At 9 O'Clock A. M. , from top of Mountain near Mr. Tuckers house, with several miles back sight the transit registered N. 60 E. with variation of 10.5. At 19 miles 650 varas top of mountain East of Mr. Tuckers house.

At 21 miles set rock N. 60. E. 17 varas from the old Gatesville and Belton road. Between Joe Cockseys and Taylors branch. At 21 miles 987.3 varas a stake in pile of stones 8 varas N. 60. E. from the Seattle and Sparta road. At 23 miles 768 varas North bank of Owl Creek At 23 miles 1683 varas crossed Seattle and Bland road. At 24 miles 864 varas N. W. corner of Babe Howards house brs. At 24 miles and 1600 varas crossed Flint creek. At 26 miles 1230 varas crossed at Highland creed. At 28 miles 300 varas, crossed wire fence, line between Charlie Winklers and Kennedys. Also the line bbetween W. R. Cary and the Payton Bland survey. At 29 miles 1350 varas South Bank of Leon River. At 29 miles 1691 varas reaches mountain North of Leon river. At 31 miles 1516 varas crossed wire fence into Miss Meadon yard. At 33 miles 698 varas crossed East line of V. L. Evans tract of land.

At 33 Miles 1524 varas a point S. 30.W 348.5 varas from the corner of McLennan, Coryell and Bell Counties.

The corner is marked with iron pipe 2 inches in diameter extending 4 inches above the ground.

The maximum variation of this line was 10.15 and the minimum variation was 10/5/

This TRIAL LINE just run was kept straight by continual back sights from high points on mountains to flag poles securely planted on all elevated points and the variation of the magnetic needle not allowed to go below 10.5 nor above 10.15 and whenever this occurred, the line was retraced and the error corrected, HENCE we have a straight trial line from the Coryell and Lampassas corner on the North line of Bell County to this point S. 30.W 348.5 varas, from the TRUE CORNER.

Correcting the course we set on a variation of 10.23 for the return running of this correct line back to the Coryell, and Lampassas corner on the North line of Bell County and continueing on to the Lampassas and Bell Counties corner.

Report of Survey of County Line

Between Lampassas, Coryell and Bell County.

Made by S. D. Hanna, County Surveyor of Bell County and John E. Franks County Surveyor of Coryell County, under instructions and by the authority of the Bell County's Commissioners Court at its term 1919 and approved by the Commissioners Court of Coryell County at its term, 1919.

We were instructed to legally locate the County line and mark each mile with a cement monument properly marked, and also to place a cement monument on the correct line at the crossing of all important roads.

We met at a cedar Post 10 inches square and about three feet high, marked indicating Lampassas and Coryell County Corner and the letter B on the S. E. side indicating Bell County Line.

This Monument was made by the Surveyor who was appointed by Lampassas and Coryell Counties to settle and compromise the line between Lampassas and Coryell Counties, without reference to the Bell County Corner.

From this Cedar Monument we set our Gurly Mountain Transit on a variation of 10-30 variation and ran N.30 W one mile and found another similar Cedar Monument marked One on one side and 30 on another side. We then decided that this was the established line between Coryell and Lampassas Counties. The report of this line is of record in Coryell County and was made without the assistance or endorsement of the County Court of Bell County.

The fact that this Corner of Lampassas and Coryell County called to corner in the North line of Bell County led S. D. Hanna, County Surveyor of Bell County to believe that this could not be the Bell, Lampassas and Coryell Corner, therefore he phoned to Mr. W. H. Fountain, County Surveyor of Lampassas County to come and assist in locating the proper corner of Lampassas and Bell County. Mr. Fountain came and together with S. D. Hanna, County Surveyor of Bell County and Mr. John E. Franks, County Surveyor of Coryell County, we made a thorough survey of all conditions and surroundings and evidences connected with the respective corners of Bell, Lampassas and Coryell Counties and found, beyond any question that Lampassas and Coryell Counties had made a compromise line, which we have described and also that the original Corner of Bell and Lampassas Counties was S. 60. W, 884.7 varas from the above described corner of Lampassas and Coryell Counties.

This Corner of Bell County was either found or established by Mr. Chalk County Surveyor of Bell County and Mr. George Motz, County Surveyor of Coryell County and their report was filed in Coryell County March 25th. 1972., Their Report gave the description of this Bell County Corner as being THE S W CORNER OF CORELL COUNTY AND THE N E CORNER OF BELL COUNTY, a large rock mound, whence a live oak marked X bears N.12 E. 50 varas, another bears N.71 E. 56 varas marked H. *original mountain bro. N.35.30 E. and other monuments bro. N. 73.30 and of Clarke gas line.* All these bearings were found by us and were all in correct Position, except the large rock mound had been removed and a square hole was dug in the rock for some purpose, which was in position with the bearings.

We ran a line from this corner N. 60. E, with variation of 10.5 and at 465.7 varas passes between two large live oaks, each marked with four very old hacks, the County line mark, and at 884.7 varas the above described square cedar monument for the corner of Coryell and Lampassas Counties.

After surveying the entire G. S. Downs survey, within which survey, the Bell and Lampassas Corner is located and all the Surveyors being satisfied that this was the true corner of Bell and Lampassas Corner, Mr. Fountain returned to Lampassas and S. D. Hanna and Mr. John E. Franks proceeded to survey the County line between Coryell and Bell County.

We begun our measurement at the Coryell and Lampassas corner, on the North line of Bell County.

We ran our line on a variation of 10.5

A TRIAL LINE

At 1227 varas the channel of clear creek, course South, at 1700 varas the North bank of a prong of clear creek, at 1850 varas ^{pass on} N.30.W. 13.7 varas a planted cedar monument set on the brink of steep rock bluff, some what similar to the cedar monument described at the Coryell and Lampassas corner though considerably disfigured and bearing no marks, At 2020 varas we passed N.30.W from a large live oak with four old hacks on N. W. side, five feet.

At this point we decided we were on the correct line and established our course on N.60 E. with a minimum variation of 10.5.

With great care and precision we ran this line through to the McLennan County Corner. A Trial Line.

Measuring from the Coryell and Lampassas Corner, at 3017 varas cross-

Bell Co. Boundary Line 3

1864

BELL COUNTY

BELTON, TEXAS.

May 25, 1921.

Mr. J. T. Robison,
Land Commissioner,
Austin, Texas.

Dear sir:

In compliance with your suggestion I am sending you a certified copy of surveyor's report of county lines between Lampasas, Coryell and Bell Counties. You will now please send me abstract numbers of surveys mentioned in letter from me of date February 22, 1921.

Please give this your prompt attention, as this matter has been delayed, unavoidably on my part, and it is now time for me to work these surveys out.

Yours truly,

W. A. Gilmer

Tax Assessor.

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MAY 26 1921

Referred to ~~Map~~ *Abstr*

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Bell Co Edry Line 3

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Bell & Coryell

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Retrace of line between
Bell & Coryell Counties, made
by, S. D. Hanna Co Surveyor Bell
& John E. Franks, Co Surveyor
Coryell Co. Feby, 1920 - & Filed
for purpose only of showing the
acreage cut by said County line &
to correct Abstracts of such survey
accordingly

Filed May 26th 1921

J. G. Robison, Commr.
Sec. Clk.
Clk.

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
WASHINGTON, D. C.



1921, 1920. GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE this Sixth day of May, A. D.

PA
Commr. of Public Lands
Belle County, Texas.
E. I. HATT