

Surveyor's Office, Dallas County Texas  
April 22<sup>nd</sup> / 1885.

I do not agree with Surveyor Nelson as to what we should do, in order to run the South boundary line of Dallas County. The South East Corner of Dallas County is a well defined Corner and there can be no controversy as to its identity. It was established by an order issued out of the County Court of Kaufman County and responded to by Dallas County. Bryant County Surveyor of Kaufman County and Strong, Co. Surveyor of Dallas County were ordered to mark and define the East line of Dallas County and the West line of Kaufman County and also the South East Corner of Dallas County and the South line of Dallas County and the North line of Kaufman County or so much of said lines as adjoin each County. This has been done by beginning at a point on the South line of old Tarrant County as established by special Act of the Legislature approved March the 23<sup>rd</sup> 1850. and then running South 30 miles for the South East Corner of Dallas County. We planted at this S. E. Corner a large Baris clare Post 10 inches square and 4 feet in the ground and 3 feet above the ground, and set up witness trees to the Corner and marked and blazed the South line to the Trinity River, the N. W. Corner of Kaufman and consequently the N. E. Corner of Ellis County. We made and filed notes

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and report out. Mr Bryant I suppose filed his report with the County Court of Kaufman and a copy in the Genl Land Office. I have held up my report until I could get the South line of Dallas County, or that part of it adjoining Ellis County established in order that I might have a continuous record of the County boundary from the N.E. Cor. of Dallas County. I claim that this South East Cor. of Dallas County is as well established in law as any Corner of Dallas County. If the filing of my report of this work would avail any thing in the settling of this Corner (S. E.) I can do so at once.

Again, I do not agree with Mr. Nelson, that the South line of Dallas County should be run parallel with the North line of said County, or that the East and West lines should be run at right angles with said North line. The Act creating Dallas County March the 30<sup>th</sup> 1846. Calls for the South line to run West from the South East Corner.

The North boundary line of Dallas County was established by Special Act approved March 23<sup>d</sup> 1850 (See Hartley, Digest page 699 art. 22947) The establishing of this North line does not effect or change the Course of any of the other lines of the County, and that the Statute creating Dallas County approved March the 30<sup>th</sup> 1846, must be adhered to in running the East South and West lines of the County.

and that a discrepancy or error  
in the north line should not and  
does not effect the direction  
of the south line - and I claim  
that we should be directed to  
begin work at our S. E. Corner  
and run west from said point  
for the south line of Wallace County  
regardless of the north line -  
Respectfully Submitted,

J. M. Strong  
Clerk & Co.  
and Special Surveyor  
County line -