

OFFICE OF

L. P. HUGHES,

COUNTY CLERK,

WILSON COUNTY.

Floresville, Texas, August 15<sup>th</sup> 1884

Hon W. C. Walsh, Com<sup>r</sup>  
Gen. Land Office Austin

Dear sir

Enclosed find

Certified Copy of Surveyors Report  
~~of~~ on County line between Wilson & Karnes  
Counties, on the part of Karnes County.  
As you have the report on the part of  
Wilson already, please acknowledge  
Receipt. we are anxious to settle  
the line question between Atascosa  
and this County.

Respectfully  
L. P. Hughes

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Record of the report of W. J. Seale one of  
the surveyors appointed to ascertain the  
boundary line between the counties of  
Karnes & Wilson

Report

To the Honorable Commissions Court of  
Karnes County Texas.

I have the honor to  
submit the following report of a survey  
of the boundary line between Karnes and  
Wilson Counties made in obedience to an  
order passed at a regular term of your  
Court held on the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of May, A. D. 1881  
On the day designated in your order to wit  
the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 1881. I met the surveyor  
of Wilson County Mr W. J. Sutherland on the  
Eastern boundary of Wilson County and  
the western boundary of Gonzales County  
and together we proceeded to try to find the  
North corner of Goliad and East corner of  
Bexar Counties or Districts. This said  
corner of Goliad (which is also the eastern  
corner of Bexar) District being the point  
from which the North corner of Karnes  
and East corner of Wilson is established by  
law. in defining the boundaries of Karnes  
Co. which is the oldest county it was neces-  
sary for us to find before we could begin  
the survey. Therefore we examined carefully

the point - shown to Mr. Sutherland previously as the old district - corner but - could find nothing to indicate that it had been ever marked as a corner though about 40 or 50<sup>o</sup> W of this point there was a line marked running from the Gonzales co line S 57<sup>o</sup> W. the bearing of the line of Kames & Wilson Counties. failing to find any evidence showing this to be the corner sought we proceeded to the west - corner of the Thos. Hodges Survey which is represented by the county Maps to be upon the District - line and ran a line N 75<sup>o</sup> E. the course said District - line should run to the Gonzales county line searching carefully for Marks of the District - line but - found none The line thus run intersected the Gonzales co line in Dr. J. N. P. Greene pasture about one and three fourths miles from the point in Mrs. Sikes field formerly supposed to be the District - corner we then continued our examinations by again going to the West corner of the Thos. Hodges survey and running S. 15<sup>o</sup> W. about as far as the west - line of the Elisha Cox survey or the East - line of the T. K. Wheeler survey failing to find any evidence of the line

we went to see Mr. John Osmon and Mr. B. Ford both Gentlemen living near the District - line but neither could show us the Desired line Each showed Marks of private surveys we then proceeded to the North corner of a survey once made in the name of Wesley. M. Delaney the witness tree of said corner being a L. O. and marked with Nails to which according to the field Notes of said survey on the County. Maps. of Kames co. is upon the District - line of Bexar and Goliad from this point - we run S 15<sup>o</sup> W. to the San Antonio River striking it about 1/4 of a mile below the Cibolo creek searching constantly on and near this line for old Marks but found none This having run our compass over the entire distance from the Gonzales co. line to the San Antonio River excepting about 5 or 6 miles. failing to find any evidence of the District - line we were reduced to the necessity of making a resurvey of the whole line in order to determine our starting point - for the line we have been ordered to survey we commenced at the middle of the Mouth of the Cibolo (this being the beginning corner of the District - line of Goliad & Bexar) we proceeded to

Make a careful survey of the District line running said line  $N 75^{\circ} E$  with a magnetic variation of  $9^{\circ} 45' E$  to the Brazos Co line which we struck about Midway between the point in Mr. Sikes field and that terminating the line run from Ed Hodges corner at the point - thus reached we placed a Musquitte post - Marked B and C and from this point - we measured  $S 41^{\circ} E$  four and three fourth miles to a point in Mr. R. M. McClure's field where we placed a Musquitte post - Marked W. & K this being the North corner of Karnes and the East cor. of Wilson county from said post a L. O. Marked W bears  $N 9^{\circ} E 88\frac{1}{4}$  vs and another with similar Marks, about 14 in Dia bears  $N 10^{\circ} 32' E 88\frac{1}{2}$  vs. Thence we run a true line for the boundary line of Karnes and Wilson counties  $S 57^{\circ} W$

with a magnetic Variation of  $9^{\circ} 45' E$ . and at 420 varas pass about 13 varas north west of Mr. R. M. McClure house at 806 varas cross the line of the broadhead survey  $N. 30^{\circ} E. 360$  varas from its west corner, at 1340 varas pass about 50 varas South East of Alfred Griffins house and enter his field at

1512 varas cross the line of the Estlin and Smith Survey,  $N 20^{\circ} W$  333 varas from their corner on Fannin north line at 1740 varas pass about 32 varas South East of Mat Griffins house and at one mile we placed a post in Griffins field on the 2<sup>nd</sup> mile at 618 varas crossed Fannin north line  $N 70^{\circ} E$  1834 varas from his north west corner at 1020 varas the bed of Elm creek at 2 miles we set a Post on the south west side of a ravine in the edge of the Mesquites. — On the 3<sup>rd</sup> mile at 622 varas. crossed west line of Fannin  $S. 20^{\circ} E.$  631 varas from his North west corner. at about 1680, 1700 and 1720 varas crossed a branch of Elm creek and at 3 miles we placed a mile post in the east side of Sol. Browns field On the 4<sup>th</sup> mile bearing Browns house in Harves County at 367 varas we crossed the line of Cox and Roberts surveys  $S. 61\frac{1}{4}^{\circ} E.$  342 varas from Cox west corner. at 840 varas cross Riddleville and Rancho road at 1791 pass  $S. 61^{\circ} E.$  22 varas from Roberts west corner and Bells north corner. at 1857 $\frac{1}{2}$  varas cross line of Bell and Trocha 36 $\frac{1}{2}$  varas from from Bells North corner and

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at 4 Miles placed a post in Mesquites on a ridge. - On the 5<sup>th</sup> mile at 300 varas pass about 200 varas south east of R. W. Shockley's house. at 900 varas enter wet flat. at 1200 varas bed of Shockley creek at 1343 varas crossed line of D. Coles survey N. 61° W. 140 varas from its East corner at 5 Miles set a post on the edge of a hollow in a grove of young live Oaks. On the 6<sup>th</sup> mile we crossed the line of Cole and Cox. S. 60° W. 917 varas from Coles East corner. at 1460 varas pass about 60 varas south east of John Osman home which is in Wilson county. at 6 Miles set a post on the west slope of a live oak ridge in scattering timber. On the 7<sup>th</sup> mile at 480 varas crossed the line of P. Kirk and D. Fox N. 30° W 199 varas from their corner on Wheelers North line. at 1899 varas crossed the line of Wheeler and Denman survey's S. 30° E. 280 varas from Denmans North East corner and 80 varas from Wheelers North west corner and at 7 Miles set a post - On the 8<sup>th</sup> mile at 525 varas crossed the Yorktown and San Antonio road at 1516 varas the bed of the Ecletto creek about 9 varas above a very large

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cottonwood tree and about half a mile below Mr Kelley's house at 8 miles set a post in Kelley's pasture. On the 9<sup>th</sup> mile at 280 varas the bed of a hollow running East at 1068 varas crossed west line of Denman S 30° E 762 varas from North west corner of same. at 9 Miles set a post in a flat south of a strip of post oak timber on the 10<sup>th</sup> mile at 1088 varas cross the line of Legrand and Calliot surveys 1082 varas from Legrand's North west corner and at 10 miles placed a post in a flat running west of North. - On the 11<sup>th</sup> mile at 1194 1/2 varas we crossed the line of Calliot and Morris surveys N. 30° W. 568 varas from Morris South East corner and at 11 miles set a post in a flat. - On the 12<sup>th</sup> mile at 1186 varas we crossed the line of Morris and Vaughan surveys 270 varas from Vaughans South East corner. and at 12 Miles we placed a live oak post on a live oak ridge - On the 13<sup>th</sup> mile at 1187 varas crossed Vaughans south line 1895 varas S. 60° W. of his South East corner and at 13 Miles set a post on west slope of ridge in prairie - On the 14<sup>th</sup> mile at 275-

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varas crossed the Helena and Stockdale road at 942 varas cross the North East line of the Peter Morgan survey N. 29° W. 303 varas from East corner of same and at 14 Miles we placed a post in Hugh Edmestons pasture — On the 15<sup>th</sup> Mile at 773 varas we crossed the lower line of Peter Morgan and the upper line of the St-Clair Patton survey 1723 varas from the east corner of the former and — varas from the North corner of the latter at 803 varas Edmiston creek at 810 varas Old road from Helena to Sutherland Springs at 900 varas Edmiston creek 1000 varas same and at 15 Miles set a post south of same creek and about 90 varas from it — on the 16<sup>th</sup> Mile at 1765 varas a hollow runs west into Dry or barajal creek about 70 varas from county line at 16 Miles a post in the edge of a flat — On the 17<sup>th</sup> Mile at 250 varas head of Dry creek at 4207 varas same at 1375 varas the same and at 1802 varas Cibolo creek which is crossed obliquely downwards by the line at — at 1856 varas south west bank of Cibolo and at 17 Miles we

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placed a post on an about bank of  
Cibolo. — On the 18<sup>th</sup> mile we passed  
through fields belonging to Poles and at  
1270 varas passed through the south  
east-side of John Fluko's gallery leaving  
the house in Wilson county. at 1668  
varas crossed the road from Carabajal  
crossing on the cibolo to Sutherland  
Springs and at 18 miles we set a  
post in Mesquites a little north of a  
Hollow. — On the 19<sup>th</sup> mile at 612  
varas crossed a hollow the third time  
at 1611 varas crossed the Helena and  
Floresville road on the north side of  
which a post was placed and marked  
W and K. at 19 miles a post was placed  
On the 20<sup>th</sup> mile at 20 miles set a post.  
On the 21<sup>st</sup> mile at 1849 varas cross  
line of Hernandez and Manchaca grants  
S. 30° E. 6520 varas from the south corner  
of the Augustin Garzar survey. at 21  
miles set a post in the prairie —  
On the 22<sup>nd</sup> mile at 1670 varas we  
crossed a road from Para Maria to  
Floresville and at 22 miles we set a  
post in the Mesquite prairie — At  
23 miles we placed a post — on the  
24<sup>th</sup> mile at 1000 varas we crossed



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the Marcellinas creek and at 24 miles placed a post on the east-slope of a sandy ridge. On the 25<sup>th</sup> mile we passed at 840 varas a fore and aft-line oak tree which we marked K on the south east-side and W on the north west side and at 25 miles set a post in the prairie. On the 26<sup>th</sup> mile at 1625 varas we crossed Las Moras creek and at 26 miles set a post in valley of last-named creek. On the 27<sup>th</sup> mile at 1460 varas. Conguista and Sutherland Springs road and at 27 miles a post was placed in the Mesquits. — The 28<sup>th</sup> mile post was a seasoned Mulberry placed in the river bottom between the bank and the San Antonio river the line having run nearly parallel with the river about one fourth of a mile and about one hundred varas from it. — On the 29<sup>th</sup> mile at about 40 varas the edge of water of San Antonio river at 120 varas enter field of T. Denees on the west-bank of said river and pass through the field leaving nearly all of it in Wilson County, at 1100 varas pass about one half mile south east of Denees.

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house. at 1600 varas road from Conguista crossing to Fair View and at 29 miles we placed a post in a hollow between two limestone hills. — The 30<sup>th</sup> mile post is on a line oak ridge. — The 31<sup>st</sup> mile post was placed in the prairie. — On the 32<sup>nd</sup> mile at 1862 varas we crossed a newly marked line seemingly intended for a rail road track and running about S. 33° E. and N 33° W. at 32 miles a post on a hill on north slope. — The 33<sup>rd</sup> mile post was on the north west side of a drain. — The 34<sup>th</sup> mile post stands about 500 varas north west of Black Jack hill. On the 35<sup>th</sup> mile at 1885 varas we crossed the the south west-line of the Gaspar Flores grant S. 38° E. 7734 varas from its nearest western corner and also the north east-line of the Ward survey N 38° W. 2266 varas from its east-corner. at 35 miles a post was placed in the Mesquite prairie. — On the 36<sup>th</sup> mile at 840 varas a drain 880 same, 925 varas same. and at 1580 varas the same drain at 36 miles a post was placed in the Mesquite prairie

At 36 Miles 286 varas a post marked  
W and K for the west corner of Kar  
= nes and the south corner of Wilson  
county said post being on a line agree  
= d upon by my self representing Wilson  
county by legal appointment - and  
by Gen Ludovic Colcohou representing  
Atascosa the said line having been  
run from a corner agreed upon by  
representatives of Bexar, Wilson and  
Atascosa counties. said post is S. 39° E.  
879 varas from one set by W. J. Suther  
= land and Gen Ludovice Colcohou on  
the line of Wilson and Atascosa cou  
= nties, in the month of August 1874  
and from it a Mesquite tree about  
15 inches in diameter and marked  
A bears S. 24° W. 71 varas, and the  
right-branch of a post-oak tree about  
20 inches in diameter marked K and  
standing in the edge of a ravine bears  
S. 66 1/4° E. 134 3/4 varas and a Mesquite  
tree about 14 inches in diameter mark  
= ed W bears N. 10° E 83 1/2 - The posts  
placed on the line to mark the Miles  
were of good Mesquite timber except  
the two already specified in the

foregoing field notes, and were each  
marked in figures with the distance  
from the beginning corner the figures  
being cut into the wood on the said  
next - the point of commencement - the  
line is marked with a blaze and a  
Hack above and below side blazed.  
The above report - is respectively sub-  
mitted to your Honorable body this the  
8<sup>th</sup> Day of July A.D. 1881

W. J. Seale  
Co Sur N C

Sworn to and subscribed to before me this  
the 8 day of July, A.D. 1884

G. W. Brown  
Co. Clk, N. C.

I A. Maley clerk of the County Cour-  
t - in and for Karnes County - do hereby  
certify that the foregoing report and  
sketch is a true and correct copy as  
shown by the Commissioners Court  
Minutes Book - Pages 205 - to 209

Witness my hand and seal of  
office this the 21 day of July  
A.D. 1884

A. Maley  
Co. Clk N C

Karnes Co. Boru Line 5b

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