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State of Texas.

Austin. AUG. 29, 1913.

*Hon. W. B. Lewis
Co. Judge Hale Co.
Plainview Texas*

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

Mr. W. B. Standefer,
Lubbock, Texas,
Dear Sir:

This is in reply to your letter of May 5th., in regard to the boundary lines of Lubbock Co. The delay in answering could not be avoided in consequence of the crowded condition of the Drafting Department and the employees being absent on their vacation and one of my best men was in the Sanitarium for four weeks.

First of all, the establishing of the boundary line between New Mexico and Texas has nothing whatever to do with it, nor could it affect the boundary line of Lubbock Co. The boundary line between Hale and Lubbock has been approved by my predecessor years ago, and so far as we know, has been correctly made by extending the north base line west from the north boundary line of Archer, Baylor and Knox, continued west for the north line of Lubbock and south line of Hale Co. If there is any excess north and south, it would be in the tier of counties to the north.

The boundary lines of Lubbock Co. have been approved, and I can not see how it could be set aside. For your information see blue-print copies herewith.

The field notes of Lubbock Co. boundary line, as approved, were recorded July 15, 1892 in Deed record Vol 7, pages 150 to 172, inclusive. The county line was surveyed by J. B. Jones, Co. Surveyor of Lubbock Co. from May 12, 1892 and finished May 28, 1892. Surveyor Jones began to survey the north boundary line of Lubbock, which is the south line of Hale, as follows:

"Beginning at the N. E. corner of Hockley Co., S. E. corner of Lamb Co., for the N. W. corner of Lubbock Co. and S. W. corner of Hale Co., Texas, the same being an Earth Mound 2 ft. high, 4 pits, 2x2 ft. 12 in. deep N. S. E. W. and a galvanized iron pipe 4 ft. long, 2 in. in diameter planted in mound 2 ft. deep, charcoal at bottom of pipe. Thence East, needle reading 11 15' East at 90 varas cross east line of Elwood Pasture fence (formerly Spider Pasture fence, six galvanized wires) & etc." At the termination of the north line, 30th. mile for N. E. corner of Lubbock, well described corner, he certifies as follows: "I, J. B. Jones, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing field notes is a true and correct copy of Isa Millington's Field note of the County Boundary line between Hale and Lubbock Counties, reversed so as to begin at the N. E. corner of Hockley Co. and read East to the N. E. corner of Lubbock Co. This 5th. day of July, 1892."

In conclusion, I would refer you to Revised Ci-



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vil Statutes 1911, Art. 1400, P. 332, " The County boundaries of the counties of this State, as now re-organized and established, are adopted as the true boundaries of such county and the acts creating such counties and defining the boundaries are continued in force. See also 155 S. W. , P. 1006, Stephens Co. Vs Palo Pinto Co.
155 S.W. P. 1006. Yours truly,

signed J. H. Walker

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Actg. Commissioner.

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