

REPORT AND FIELD NOTES OF A SURVEY OF THE BOUNDARY LINE

between

MITCHELL AND STERLING COUNTIES.

TO THE HONORABLE COUNTY COURTS OF MITCHELL AND STERLING COUNTIES:

Comes now, H. W. Stoneham, Special Surveyor duly appointed, qualified and acting Special Surveyor of Mitchell County, Texas, - for survey of boundary lines- under and by virtue of an order of the County Court of Mitchell County, Texas, at the July 1907 Term thereof by an order duly made and entered of record in the minutes of said Court in Book 3 Page Civil Minutes of said Court, and W. F. Kellis, Special Surveyor for Sterling County, Texas, duly appointed, qualified and acting as such under and by virtue of an order of the County Court of Sterling County, Texas made at the Regular August 1907 Term thereof, entered in the minutes of said Court in Book 1 on page Minutes of said court (a certified copy of which order is attached hereto and made a part hereof, together with certified copies of bonds of each of said surveyors) and beg leave to report as follows, to-wit:

(1)

That in accordance with an order of the County Court of Mitchell County, Texas, made and entered on the 15th day of July, 1907, appointing said H. W. Stoneham Special Surveyor for Mitchell County, Texas, and ordering a survey to be made of the boundary line of said Mitchell County, separating her from Sterling County, Texas, an order was made by the County Court of Sterling County, Texas, upon receipt of due and legal notice of such order, appointing W. F. Kellis to represent Sterling County in making said survey, and entered such order at the August Term 1907 of her County Court and forwarding a certified copy of said order to the County Court of Mitchell County, Texas in accordance with law. A certified copy of each and all of said orders above mentioned are attached hereto.

(2)

That in accordance with said orders of said Courts said Special Surveyors each immediately began the collection of the necessary data at their respective places of residence and from the General Land Office of the State of Texas for the purpose of making said survey in the manner and form as required by law, and procured the necessary hands, wagons and implements with which to perform the survey in the manner and form as prescribed by Arts. 799 et seq of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas 1895, and met in conformance with said order and by mutual agreement at the North-west corner of Coke County, Texas, which is hereinafter fully described on the 14th day of August, 1907 for the purpose of running and making the survey of the boundary line between Mitchell and Sterling Counties, Texas, in accordance with said order of date July 15th 1907 and the law governing such matters.

(3)

We beg leave here to refer to the Preliminary Report of H. W. Stoneham, Special Surveyor of Mitchell County, Texas, made at the October 1907 Term of the County Court of Mitchell County, Texas, for full information relative to the manner of the projection of random of trial line to the N. E. corner of Glasscock County and full particulars concerning all preliminary matters pertaining to said survey and a certified copy of said report and the order of the County Court of Mitchell County, Texas as made and entered thereon are hereto attached and made a part hereof, together with copies of letters from the General Land Office of Texas in

regard to the survey of the county boundaries addressed to H. W. Stoneham, together with copies of all correspondence between them in regard to county lines, etc., etc., all of which are attached here to and made a part of this report, and are respectfully referred to for information relative all preliminary work and authority for making of survey in the manner in which same was actually made upon the ground:

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DESCRIPTION AND FIELD NOTES OF BOUNDARY LINE.

October 1907. - Magnetic Variation 10 30' East.

Angle from Polaris in Western Elongation 1 24' .

BEGINNING at a stone monument marked on the East side "N. W. Cor Coke Co. March 11, 1891" and marked on the West side "N. E. Cor. T. G. CO. from which monument a Cedar Mountain bears on the South side of the Colorado River bears South 59 East about 3 1/2 miles; the high point of a mountain South 24 30' East; the Northern Corner of Survey No. 20, Block No. 15, Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys bears North 9 05' West 1042 varas; the South corner of Survey No. 20 Block No. 15 aforesaid bears South 9 03' East 1644 varas; This point is now the North-east corner of Sterling County and the Ninth (9th) Mile Stone going from East to West along the Southern Line of Mitchell County, said point being here now adopted as such. Corner on West side of small drain.

(1a)

Thence West at 800 varas cross the North-west line of Survey No. 20 and Eastern Line of Survey No. 19, both in Block No. 15 of the Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys, at a point 650 varas North 35 East of the Western Corner of Survey 20 and Eastern Corner of Survey No. 19 Block 15 aforesaid; at 1900.8 varas set stone monument marked M. Co. L 10 Mi W. and S. Co. L. 1 Mi W. from which a mesquite bears South 10 West 138 varas; (At 612 varas from N. W. Coke Co. we set a stone marked M. Co. L. and S. Co. L. and took bearings thereon as follows--Silver Peak bears South 59 30' East and Rocky Bluff bears South 88 East).

(2a)

Thence West at 1900.8 varas we set a stone monument in a large stone mound on foot of hill and marked it M. Co. L. 11 Mi W. and S. Co. L. 2 W. from which a mesquite bears North 35 West 16 1/10 varas and a 4" mesquite bears North 7 35' West 27 7/10 varas;

(3a)

Thence West at 1625 varas pass about 90 varas South of the North corner of Survey No. 43, Block No. 16 of the Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys, at 1900.8 varas stone monument 2"x12"x4" set in ground and marked M. Co. L. 12 Mi W. and S. Co. L. 3 Mi W. from whence a mesquite bears South 6 West 75 varas and another mesquite bears South 5 East 82.7 varas;

(4a)

Thence West at 1900.8 varas set a stone monument in a mesquite flat marked M. Co. L. 13 Mi W. and S. Co. L. 4 Mi W. from whence a mesquite bears South 14 45' West 67.5 varas and another mesquite bears South 4 55' East 26 varas;

(5a)

Thence West at 260 varas cross the North-west line of Survey No.

44, Block No. 16 of the Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys, at a point about 500 varas North 35 West of the Western corner of said survey, at 1900.8 varasa stone monument marked M. Co. L. 14 Mi W. and S. Co. L. 5 Mi. W. from whence a mesquitw bears South 3 45 East 35 varas; and another mesquite bears South 16 West 49.7 varas;

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Thence West at 650 varas cross the Western line of Survey No. 43 Block No. 18 of the Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys at a point 202 varas South of its North-west corner, at 1200 varas cross Rose Creek at 1900.8 varas set a monument of stone marked M. Co. L. 15 Mi W. and S. Co. L. 6 Mi W. from whence a mesquite bears South 7 30' West 47.7 varas and another mesquite bears South 9 10' East 52.7 varas;

(7a)

Thence West at 654 varas cross the West line of Survey No. 42 Block No. 18 of the Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys at a point 260 varas South of its North-west corner-- at 1900.8 varas set a stone monument marked M. Co. L. 16 Mi. W. and S. CO. L. 7 Mi W. from whence a mesquite bears South 12 West. 45 varas and another mesquite bears South 40 East 10 varas;

(8a)

Thence West at 148 varas a drain, at 660 varas cross the West line of Survey No. 41, Block No. 18 of the Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys at a point 318 varas South of its North-west corner, at 1900.8 varas set a red sand stone marked M. Co. L. 17 Mi W. and S. Co. L. 8 Mi W. from whence a mesquite bears South 46 30' West 30.2 varas and another mesquite bears South 25 30' East 25.4 varas;

(9a)

Thence West at 672 varas cross the West line of Survey No. 40, Block No. 18 of the Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys at a point 392 varas South of its North-west corner, at 1413 varas cross a creek, at 1900.8 varas set a stone monument marked M. Co. L. 18 Mi W. and S. Co. L. 9 Mi W. in West edge of a valley, from whence a mesquite bears South 3 East, 45.7 varas and another bears South 44 30' East 11 varas;

(10a)

Thence West at 379 varas Elwoods Bull Pasture fence (course North and South) atw 742 varas cross the West line of Survey No. 39, Block No. 18 of the Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys at a point 423 varas South of its North-west corner, at 1900.8 varas set a stone monument in the open prairie marked M. Co. L. 19 Mi W. and S. Co. L. 10 Mi W. from whence a mesquite bears South 89 05' East 71 varas and another mesquite bears South 89 30' East 16.7 varas;

(11a)

Thence West at 331 varas cross Renderbrook Creek, at 712 varas cross the West line of Survey No. 38 Block No. 18 of the Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys at a point 481 varas South of its North-west corner, at 1900.8 varas set a stone monument marked M. Co. L. 20 Mi W. and S. Co. L. 11 Mi W. from whence a mesquite bears North 37 10' West 24.7 varas and another mesquite Bears South 9 35' East 27.5 varas;

(12a)

Thence West at 712 varas the Sterling City & Colorado Public Road (course North and South) which road runs off the West line of Survey No. 37, Block No. 18 of the Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys in Mitchell and Sterling Counties, Texas and on the East line of Survey No. 54, Block No. 17 of the Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys in the same counties, and is a lane 95 feet wide at point of crossing, which

is 529 varas South of the North-west corner of Survey No. 37 Block No. 18 aforesaid and the same distance South of the North-east corner of Survey No. 54, Block 17 aforesaid;-- at this point we cut and squared a mesquite tree to 6 inches square and marked it as follows, viz:

"S. L. M. Co. and N. L. S. Co., Stoneham |
October 21st 1907 Kellis | Surveyors.

IOLANTHE S. 3.7 Miles.

at 1904.8 varas we set a stone monument marked M. Co. L. 21 Mi W. and S. Co. L. 12 Mi W. from whence a mesquite bears South 13 East 21.6 varas and another mesquite bears North 30 West 29.6 varas;

(13a)

Thence West at 746 varas cross the West line of Survey No. 54 Block No. 17 of the Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys at a point 597 varas South of the its North-west corner, at 1900.3 varas set a stone monument marked M. Co. L. 22 Mi W. and S. Co. L. 13 Mi W. from whence a mesquite 3" in dia marked x bears North 50 East 3 1/3 varas and a clump and Large Cat Claw bears South 80 West 19.5 varas; (both brgs marked)

(14a)

Thence West at 750 varas cross the West line of Survey No. 53 Block No. 17 of the Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys at a point 664 varas South of its North-west corner, at 1132 varas a fence, at 1152 varas cross Hackberry Creeel, at 1900.8 varas a stone monument marked M. Co. L. 23 Mi W. and S. Co. L. 14 Mi W. from which a mesquite bears South 86 30' East 92.8 varas and another 4" in dia bears North 61 West 27 varas;

(15a)

Thence West at 148 varas a drain, at 750 varas cross the West line of Survey No. 52 in Block No. 17 of the Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys at a point 715 varas South of its North-west corner, at 1900.8/10 varas a set stone monument on the side of a hill marked M. Co. L. 24 Mi W. and S. Co. L. 15 Mi W. from whence a mesquite 16 inches in dia bears North 15 30' East 78 varas, and a 5 inch cat claw bears South 10 30' East 71 varas;

(16a)

Thence West at 780 varas cross the West line of Survey No. 51 in Block No. 17 of the Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys at a point 799 varas South of its North-west corner, at 1900.2 varas a set stone monument marked M. Co. L. 25 Mi W. and S. Co. L. 16 Mi W. from whence a mesquite bears North 6 East 40.4 varas; another mesquite bears South 16 East 41 varas;

(17a)

Thence West at 424 varas cross Crystal Creek, at 904 varas cross the West line of Survey No. 50 in Block No. 17 of the Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys at a point 888 varas South its North-west corner, at 1900.8 varas a stone monument in a mesquite flat marked M. Co. L. 26 Mi W. and S. Co. L. 17 Mi W. from whence a mesquite bears North 21 15' West 32.4 varas; another mesquite bears South 30 West 12 varas;

(18a)

Thence West at 930 varas cross the West line of Survey No. 49 in Block No. 17 of the Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys at a point 967 varas South of its North-west corner, at 1900.8 varas a stone monument marked M. Co. L. 27 Mi W. and S. Co. L. 18 Mi W. from whence a mesquite 3" in dia bears South 30 East 7.2 varas; another mesquite 4" in dia bears North 18 30' East 38.5 varas.

(19a)

Thence West at 956 varas cross the West line of Survey No. 48 in Block No. 17 of the Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys at a point 1050 varas South of its North west corner, at 1087 (1087) varas a drain and crossing an old turned out field, at 1900.8 varas a stone monument marked "M. Co. L 28 Mi W and S. Co. L 19 Mi W. from whence the West point of a mountain bears South 8 West; a mesquite bears North 9 30' W. 8 varas.

(20a)

Thence West at 228.6 varas to a water hole in a drain, at 745 varas a creek, at 961 varas cross the West line of Survey No. 47 in Block 17 of the Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys at a point 1135 varas South of its North-west corner, at 1432 varas pass 19 varas South of a Old Stone Monument marked "X 20 Miles from N. W. Coke Co", at 1900.8 varas a stone monument 2 feet high set in a stone mound marked M. Co. L 29 Mi W and S. Co. L 20 Mi W. from whence a mesquite 4 inches in diameter bears South 26 West 54 varas, and another mesquite bears South 26 30 East 37 varas.

(21a)

Thence West at 950 varas cross West fence of Mrs. Scott's Pasture (now used and leased by W. R. Felker, at 968 varas cross the West line of Survey No. 46 in Block No. 17 of the Southern Pacific Railway Company surveys at a point 682 varas North 2 30 West from it's South-west corner, also at the same point cross the East line of Survey No. 146 in Block No. 29 of the Waco & Northwestern Railway Company surveys, at a point 236 varas North 2 30' West from its South-east corner, at 1900.8 varas we made a Large Stone Monument in a Mesquite Flat for the South-west corner of Mitchell County, and also the South-east corner of Howard County which said monument is marked on its North-east face "S. W. Cor. M. Co. Oct. 1907" and on its North-west face "S. E. Cor. H. Co." and marked on its South face S. Co. L and on top face "K. & S. ". This monument is composed of large stones set in the ground about 2 1/2 feet and is about 3 feet high and about 3 feet in diameter above the surface of the earth; the bearings taken to this monument are as follows:

- South End of Hayrick Mountains bears North 58 West;
- Signal Mountain bears North 43 05' West;
- Big Springs Mountain bears North 50 03' West;
- A 6 pronged mesquite bears North 23 40' East 46.4 varas;
- A mesquite 6" in dia bears South 60 30' West 12.9 varas;

Bearing trees all along the line are marked X;

Arthur Miller.		
		Chain Carriers.
Dwight Henderson.		

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Stone mtd. old exp. -
 1/2 Sec 10, T. 2 N., R. 10 W., S. 20 E.
 1/2 Sec 11, T. 2 N., R. 10 W., S. 20 E.
 1/2 Sec 12, T. 2 N., R. 10 W., S. 20 E.
 1/2 Sec 13, T. 2 N., R. 10 W., S. 20 E.
 1/2 Sec 14, T. 2 N., R. 10 W., S. 20 E.
 1/2 Sec 15, T. 2 N., R. 10 W., S. 20 E.

Stirling County

Coke Run by

Scale 2000' = 1" = 20'

Mitchell Co. Sketch

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L. J. Smith

The State of Texas. |
County of Mitchell. |
County of Sterling. |

We, H. W. Stoneham, Special Surveyor for Boundary Lines for Mitchell County, Texas, and W. F. Kellis, Special Surveyor for Boundary Lines for Sterling County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Report of a Survey of the Boundary Lines of Mitchell and Sterling Counties, Texas (the boundary line between said counties) together with the field notes given above, and the Plat of said survey annexed hereto, together with the other exhibits attached hereto, are true and correct; that the survey of said line, together with the connections to surveys along the line as indicated, was actually made upon the ground in accordance with law, and that the monuments and bearings natural and artificial are truly described in the foregoing plat and field notes, and that the chain carriers used and named above were duly sworn and instructed as to their duties in the manner provided by law; and we further certify that the boundary line described in the foregoing plat and field notes as above set forth and as surveyed and located by us upon the ground, wa is the line which we have this day agreed upon as the true boundary line between Mitchell and Sterling Counties, Texas.

IN TESTIMONY OF ALL OF WHICH we have hereunto set our hands at Colorado, Texas this the 29th day of January A. D. 1908

H. W. Stoneham
Special Surveyor representing Mitchell County, Texas.

W. F. Kellis
Special Surveyor representing Sterling County, Texas.