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Wise Co - vs Montague Co

N^o 14298

Copy
Certified of Surveyor's
Report on Survey
of line Between Wise
& Montague Counties

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1900.

J. P. Strong
Co. Clerk.

Montague Co. Texas.
See 52 S. W. Rept. p. 615.

Honorable Irby Dunklin, Judge of the 48th Judicial District
court of Texas holding Court for the 17th Judicial District, said State.

In obedience to your order issued on the 23rd day of July 1900 di-
recting us to survey, mark and define that part of the northern boundary
line of Wise County from the S.E. corner of Montague county, west to the
west line of Wise County. We interpret your mandate to mean, that the be-
ginning point to be regarded by us in the establishing of said line of
Wise County is a point in a Parallel ^{of} latitude 30 miles north of the north
west corner of Dallas county and 37 miles westward from the north east
corner of Denton county as established by Grayson County. Wise county by
the act of the legislature is constructed upon the south west corner
of Denton county. This corner of Denton County is a point due west from
the north west corner of pallas County and from this beginning Wise is by
Statute intituled to 30 miēs north ~~of~~ ^{for} her northern boundary line, subject
however to bear with the west line of Denton County as to course of said
line.

With this understanding and interpretation of the mandate of the
Court we began on the 21st day of ~~July~~ ^{August}, this date being fixed at the re-
quest of the Commissioner's Court of Wise and Montague Counties at the
northwest corner of pallas County which corner is a Bois d'arc post 8"
square and marked for the northwest corner of Dallas County and is well
defined by witness trees. From this corner we ran north 30 miles. We then
went to the north east corner of Denton County as fixed by Grayson County
and ran westwardly following the north line of denton County intersecting
the line ran from the northwest corner of Dallas County 799 varas south
of the end of the 30 miles. From this point we carried a due west line
to a point 37 miles west ^{and} of the north ^{east} corner of denton County as es-
tablished by Grayson County and 30 miles north from the northwest corner
of Dallas County. At this point we planted a Bois d'arc post 8" square
for the beginning point to run the northern boundary line of Wise County, ~~at~~
or so much of it as joins Montague County and the attached plat and field
notes marked "Exhibit A" is a complete and full discription of the line run
and marked by us.

Exhibit " B " is a statement of the expense incurred by us in running the line which is also made a part of this report. .Before we began the work we took all necessary precaution to have our instruments in perfect adjustment and the true magnetic declintion at our beginning point, also that our measuring chain was correct.

It may be proper to state that we found the lines heretofore run to be greatly in excess of the true measurements and the magnetic declintion nearly a degree and a half in error.

We will also state that we notified the County Courts of Wise and Montague Counties of the point at which we would begin the survey and what our charges would be, and the probable cost of making the survey and at the request of the commissioner's courts of the respective counties, we set August 21st 1900 as the date upon which to begin the survey and on the date set one Commissioner from each of said counties was present and remained with us through the entire time of locating the line.

We have prepared three copies of this report including maps and field notes, one for Wise County, one for Montague County and one for the Commissioner of General Land Office.

Very respectfully submitted,

J.J. Goodfellow,

J.M. Strong,

Special Surveyors.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 22nd day of October, A.D. 1900.

W.D. McVean, District Clerk.,

By M.R. Chilcutt, Deputy.

 EXHIBIT "A".

Field Notes of Line.

Beginning at a Bois d'arc Post in "Paralel of Lattitude" 30 miles north of the N.W. Corner of Dallas County and 37 miles westward from the N.E. corner of Denton County as fixed by Grayson County. Said post is 8 inches square, 5 feet long and set 3 feet in ground, and is marked "O" on east side, "M.Co." on north and "W", on south side, and is 900 vrs north and 6 varas west from the S.E. corner of the J. Moss survey. said post is in prairie land sloping to the south.

#1 Montague Co. Bdry. line #2c

1st Mile. Thence west, through prairie, 1900 $8/10$ varas and set 1st mile post on the W point of a ridge 220 vrs east of large ravine with timber on it, whence two L.o'S. in a group of 4 trees brs, one ~~xxxxxx~~ "(mkd. \bar{X})" brs S $7\ 1/4^\circ$ E. 80 $1/2$ vs and the other, mkd " \bar{X} " br S. $75\ 1/4^\circ$ E. 81 $1/2$ vs, each tree being 8 inches in diameter.

2nd Mile. Thence west at 220 vrs the center of a rocky branch (Co S.), at 329 vrs the W. line of said J. Moss survey and E. line of S.C. Vick survey 939 vrs N. From the S.W. corner of said Moss survey, and 672 vrs S. from the N.E. cor. of said Vick survey, at 944 vrs the brow of a rocky Bluff, at 1004 vrs a 20 in. P.O. stands 3 inches south of line, at 1005 vrs a deep ravine at 1206 vs thistle creek (Co S.), at 1618 vrs crossed the W. line of Sam'l Wood on top of a rocky Bluff at 1900 $8/10$ vs, set up the 2nd mile post in glade prairie ~~xx~~ whence a 12 inch P.O. brs S. $81\ 1/8^\circ$ E. 122 vs and a 14 in. Leaning P.O. brs $46\ 1/3^\circ$ E. 90 vs.

3rd Mile. Thence west at 250 vrs a 20 in. Elm standing head of deep ravine at a waterfall, at 317 vrs crossed the N.W. line of W.T. Pierce and S.E. line of J.B. Edwards survey 593 vrs S. 46° W. from the E. corner of said Edwards survey, at 747 vrs crossed the S.W. line of said Edwards and N.E. line of J. Canter survey 250 vrs S. 45° E. from sd Centers N. cor., at 1110 vs crossed the N.W. line of said Canter and S.E. line of A. Myers survey 260 vrs S. 45° W. from said ^{Canter's} N. cor. at 1459 vrs a deep ravine (Co S.) about 10 vs ~~xxxxx~~ S. of a road crossing at 1900 $8/10$ vrs. set 3rd mile post in vally Farm 57 vs E. of a deep br (Co S.)

4th Mile. Thence west at 57 vrs crossed said deep ravine (Co S.) at 186 v s crossed the S.W. line of A Myers and the N.E. line of J.M. Wade survey at 286 vrs a 15 inch walnut tree on line, at 323 vrs the center of Rush creek, at 472 vrs an 18 in. P.O. on line, at 700 vrs a road at foot of Davis mountains, at 770 vs top of E. edge of said mountain, at 800 vrs the south end of mauntain brs S. about 20 vs, at 840 vs west edge of the top of said mountain, at 1126 vs the N.W. line of said Wade survey and the S.E. line of M. Frans survey ~~672~~ vs S. 45° W. from the N/cor. of said Wade survey in all 1900 $8/10$ vrs and set the 4th mile post in level timber, land whence a 14 in. P.O. brs S. 25° E. 5 vs and a 20 in. P.O. brs S. 25° W. $7\ 1/2$ vs.
 Montague Co. Bdry. line #2c #2

5th Mile. Thence west at 1027 vrs crossed the S.W.line of said Frans and N.E.line of the S.Bostick survey 698 vrs S.45° E. from the sd Bostick N. cor. and said Frans W.cor. in all 1900 8/10 vs and set the 5th mile post in Wright's Vineyard whence the N. corner of Stone chimney to said Wright's house bs S. 36° E.27 vs and a 12 in.forked Mulberry bs S. 12 3/4 E. 19 vs.

6th Mile. Thence west at 101 vrs crossed the N.W.line of said Bastic and the S.E.line of the R.Wilson survey 696 vrs S.45° W. from said Wilson's E. cor cor.and said Bastick's N.cor. at 1834 vs crossed the S.W.line of said Wilson and N.E.line of R.Warwick survey 777 vs S.45 E. from said Warwicks N.cor. in all 1900 8/10 vrs to the 6th mile post and set post in Denton Creek Bottom at N. edge of a pond,whence a 14 inch Box Alder bs S.21 W. 2 vs and a water elm bs N. 21 E. 2 vs.

7th Mile. Thence west at 342 vs Denton Creek (Co S.) 1, vr,N. of a 40 in. C.W. on bank,at 486 vs recrossed said cr. and again at 520 vs re-crossing said creek,at 601 vs a 24 in. Elm on line,at 698 vs a 18 in., C.W. on line, at about 750 vs the E.end of a Lake,at 1037 vs crossed the N.W.line of said Warwick and S.E.line of the G.W.Blake survey,at 1044 vs passed 2 vs S. of a 36 in.C.W. standing on the S.W.edge of said lake,in all 1900 8/10 vs and set the 7th mile post in a farm on the east slope of a ridge.

8th Mile. Thence west at 341 vrs crossed the center of a road 550 vrs S. 45° W. from the N.E.line of Hunt County School Land at 1446 vrs passed 2 feet N. of a 15 in. Elm, in all 1900 8/10 vs and set the 8th mile post in a farm,ground sloping to the south,whence a 10in.P.O. bs S. 87 W. 168 vs and a P.O. bs N. 89 1/2 W. 169 vs.

9th Mile. Thence west at 270 vrs a deep ravine (Co S.),at 1770 vs two P.O's. on line, ^{one} marked "M" and the other marked "W" in all 1900 8/10 vs and set the 9th mile post in pasture,land sloping to S.W.,whence said two P.O's. mkd. "M" and "W" brs East 130 vrs.

10th Mile. Thence west at 480 vrs crossed a creek (course south), at 600 vs the N.W. line of said Hunt County School Land and the S.E. line of the Bell County School Land 420 vrs N. 45 E. from the west cor. of said Hunt Co. S. L., being also an Ell cor. of said Bell Co. S. Land, at 1546 vrs Panther Creek (Co S. E.) in all 1900 8/10 vrs and set the 10th mile post in a farm on N. edge of a drain that runs N. of E. into Panther creek.

11th Mile. Thence west 1900 8/10 vs to 11th mile post in a farm sloping east.

12th Mile. Thence west 1900 8/10 vrs to 12th mile post in farm, land sloping west.

13th Mile. Thence west at 1104 vs a 12 in. P.O. mkd. "W" on the N.W. line of said Bell Co. S. Land 3700 vrs N. 45 E. from S. corner of said Panola Co. S. Land and the W. cor. of said Bell Co. S. Land, at 1400 vrs br, at 1430 vs another branch 10 vrs north of the junction of said two branches in all 1900 8/10 vs to the 13th mile post.

14th Mile. Thence west at 1031 vs a 12 in. P.O. on line, at 1700 vs a road (Co S. 45 E.) in all 1900 8/10 vs to the 14th mile post on top of a ridge at east edge of a point of timber, whence a 14 in. P.O. bs S. 60 1/2 W. 5 vs and an 8 in. P.O. bs N. 49 W. 6 1/2 vs.

15th Mile. Thence west at 948 vs passed 3 vs north of a 20 in. Elm at junction of two branches, at 1312 vs crossed Cattail Creek 4 vs wide (Co S.) in all 1900 8/10 vs to the 15th mile post 46 vs east of a rocky point, whence a 10 in. P.O. bs S. 79 W. 51, vs and a 12 in. P.O. bs N. 89 3/4 W. 75 vs.

16th Mile. Thence west at 46 vs a large flat rock, with face to E. at 645 vs crossed the S.W. line of said Panola Co. S. Land 3690 vs N. 45° W. from its S. cor., at 950 vs crossed Brushy creek (Co. S.) at 1175 vs the top of a rocky point, in all 1900 8/10 vs to the 16th mile post in a farm, land sloping gently to east.

17th Mile. Thence west at 37 vs crossed the N.W. line of Falls County School Land, at 161 vs crossed the Fort Worth & Denver Rail Road 140 vrs S. 38 1/2 E. from mile post No. 58 on said railroad at 1200 vs the top of a high rocky point, in all 1900 8/10 vs to the 17th mile post on E. slope of a rocky ridge in a rd. of stone 1 vr wide at base and 1 vr high, whence an 8 in. B.J. bs N. 8° E. 2 1/2 vs and a 12 in. P.O. mkd. "W" bs S. 8° W. 9 vs.

18th Mile. Thence west at 739 vs crossed the W. line of the M.E.P. & P.R.R. Co. survey and the E. line of the Isaac Tickner survey at 1350 vs crossed the W. line of said Tickner and E. line of Jas Carter survey, at about 1600 vrs the E. end of an Artificial Lake, at 1745 vs crossed the Dam of said Lake, in all 1900 8/10 vs to the 18th mile post in Sandy creek bottom, whence said dam brs E. 155 vrs, a 15 in. Elm bs N. 38° W. 150 vs, and a 20 in. Elm bs S. 87 1/2 W. 148 vs each tree standing on E. bank of Sandy Cr.

19th Mile. Thence west at 44 vs crossing the E. line of Harriett Brown survey 11 vs North of its ^SE. cor. and 550 vrs S. of a N.W. cor. of said Carter survey, at 157 vs crossing Sandy Creek, Co. S.E., at 310 vrs passed 1 foot N. of an 18 in. forked Pecan, at 730 vs crossed wagon road that leads to "Summit" 70 vs N. of where said road turns west, in all 1900 8/10 vs to the 19th mile post in road, where land slopes gently to the north and about 250 vrs west of a drain that runs N. into Sandy Creek, a 16 in. P.O. mkd. "W" bs N. 46 1/2 E. 22 vs and a 4 in. P.O. bs N. 62 W 8 1/2 vs.

20th Mile. Thence west at 1838 vrs crossed the W. line of said Harriett Brown survey 15 vs North of its S.W. cor. on the S.E. cor. of the J. Searrock survey in all 1900 8/10 vs to the 20th mile post in public road on N. point of a ridge where the ground slopes to N.W. and East and is 82 vs E. of the Chicago Rock Island & Texas R.R.

21st Mile. Thence west at 82 vs crossed said C.R.I. & T.R.R. at a curve in said road (Co.N. & S.) 570 feet south from mile post No 553 on said railroad in all 1900 8/10 vs to the 21st mile post whence a 14 in. P.O. mk'd. "W" bs S. 82 W. 8 1/2 vs and a 13 in. P.O. bs S. 70 W. 7 vs.

22nd Mile. Thence west at 115 vs crossed the west line of John Haynes and E. line of R.T. Millard survey 40 vrs N. of the S.E. cor. of said Millard and S.W. cor. of said Haynes survey at 1316 vrs crossed Cowskin Creek, Co.N., at 1596 vs crossed Little Sandy Creek 7 vs wide Co.N.E., at 1615 vs was 5 vs N. of said creek, at 1630 vs recrossed sd cr. Co.S.E., in all 1900 8/10 vs to the 22nd mile post in said creek bottom, a 4 in. P.O. bs N. 45 E 1/4 vs and a 7 in. P.O. mk'd "III" bs W. 7 vs.

23rd Mile. Thence west at 123 vrs crossed said Sandy Creek Co.N.E., at 165, sd cr Co.S., at 184 vs recrossed same and again at 222, and at 310 vs crossing a bend in said creek, at 392 vs again crossing said creek Co.N. at 549 vs a 20 in. P.O. on line, at 723 vs five Red Oaks on line, in all 1900 8/10 vs to the 23rd mile post on ground sloping to N.E. whence a 10 in. P.O. mk'd "XXIII", brs N. 23 E. 5 3/4 vs and a 11 in. P.O. bs N. 49 E. 7 3/4 vs.

24th Mile. Thence west at 400 vrs E edge of a glade prairie, at 524 vs a 24 in. P.O. standing in a drain Co.N., at 1140 vs W. edge of said prairie at 1605 vs crossed the W. line of said Millard survey 26 vs N. of its S.W. cor. and the S.E. corner of the C.C. Thompson survey, at 1700 vs branch Co.N., in all 1900 8/10 vs to the 24th mile post in E/slope of a steep rocky hillside, also set up a large stone mk'd XXIV, whence an 8 in. P.O. bs N. 42 W. 6 vs and a 12 in. P.O. bs N. 64 W. 16 1/2

25th Mile. Thence west at 385 vs a rocky point, at 600 vs, deep branch Co.N., at 630 vs foot of hill, at 670 vs crossed the W. line of said Thompson survey 24 vs N. of its S.W. cor. and the S.E. cor. of the H.A. and D. Beachum survey, at 1300 vrs crossed a branch at 1324 vs recrossing same and again at 1337 vs (Co.N.), at 1516 varas passed 84 vs S. of a sand stone 1 foot square and set in ground with 3 feet above ground, said stone

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is marked "24-M" for the 24th mile post on a line run by "Yarborough" or some other surveyor for the N. line of Wise County), at 1618 vrs crossed the W/line of said Beachum survey 16 vs N. of its S.W. corner, as marked upon the ground, in all 1900 8/10 vs to the 25th mile ~~xxx~~ a large stone Mk'd "25-M" set in ground in a md of stone, whence a 12 in. P.O. bs S. 40 ~~xx~~ 1/2 W. 23 vs and a 12 in. P.O. bs N. 61 1/2 E. 17 1/2 vs.

---- Thence west at 537 vrs the intersection of the west line of Wise County as it ~~is~~^{is} marked upon the ground, here we set 3 stones in the ground, the center one marked "N.W.-Cor.W", in a large mound of stone on a ridge of sand, whence a 10 in. P.O. bs N. 53 E. 12 1/2 vs and an 8 in. P.O. bs S. 5° E. 12 1/2 vrs.

All bearing trees (except where otherwise described in the foregoing field notes) are marked thus "X", and all line trees and trees adjacent to said line are marked with a blaze with two hacks above and two below it, thus "O".

We made observations at various points on the line, both on "Polaris" and with the Solar Compass and found that the "Variation" of the needle increased at the rate of about one minute for each five mile run west, at the N.E. cor. of Denton County the variation showed, on the transit used by us, to be ~~8~~ 50' E. at the S.E. cor. of Montague County, a distance of about 37 miles west it showed on the same instrument to be ~~8~~ 58' E. and at the conclusion of our line, at N.W. cor. of Wise County, a total distance west of about 62 miles the variation was 9° 03' east.

Survey ~~was~~ commenced on August 21st 1900 and completed on October 16th, 1900. We attach hereto and make a part of the description of the line above described a plat of said line marked "Exhibit A".

J. J. Goodfellow.

J. M. Strong,

Special Surveyors.

EXHIBIT "A".

Expense Account.

The following is a statement of the expenses incurred in the establishing of the line between Wise and Montague Counties:

For Services of J.M. Strong, Special Surveyor, for the running on preliminary to reach S.E. corner of Montague County. 68 Miles.

To distance run on line between Wise and Montague Cos. 25 miles, and 537 varas.

To distance run to show connection of land line with County line 14 miles, and 910 varas.

Total distance 107 3/4 miles at \$3. per mile \$323.25.

Superintending the setting of 26 mile posts at 50¢ each, \$ 13.00.

To Railroad fare, Telephoning, Meals and Miscellaneous, \$ 18.60.

Total amount due J.M. Strong Special Surveyor. \$354.85.

J.J. Goodfellow, surveyor, for the running of line to reach S.E. cor. of Montague County, 68 miles.

To distance run on line between Wise and Montague Counties, 25 miles and 537 vrs.

To distance run to show connection of land line with County line, 14 miles and 910 varas.

Total distance 107 3/4 miles at \$5. per mile, \$323.25.

Superintending setting 26 posts at 50¢ each, 13.00.

To R.R. Fare, Meals and lodging, Telephone and other expenses, 15.45.

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To 2 days of preparing, report and map of line, \$ 10.00.

To expenses of making four copies of report, 8.00.

Total amount due J. J. Goodfellow Special Surveyor, \$369.70.

To Frank Estill chain carrier 32 days at \$1.50 per day,	\$48.00.	#11
To Frank Estill chain carrier R.R. fare and meals	7.65.	\$55.65.
To K. Jennings chain carrier 6 days at \$1.50,	9.00.	
To K. Jennings R.R. fare and meals,	2.25.	\$11.25.
To Geo. Coble chain carrier, 12 days at \$1.50,	18.00.	
To Geo. Coble R.R. fare and Meals and lodging,	5.60.	\$23.60.
To Dan Johnson 12 days at \$1.50 a day,	18.00.	
To Dan Johnson R.R. fare,	1.75.	\$19.75.

Expenses incurred by Wise county as per bills attached, \$383.20.

Expenses incurred by Montague county as per bills attached, \$212.05.

Total expenses incurred, ~~600.00~~
\$1143.05

J. J. Goodfellow,

J. M. Strong,

Special Surveyors.

State of Texas
County of Tarrant }

I, W. D. McVean, Clerk District Court of Tarrant Co. Texas do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Surveyors Report as approved by Honorable Loby Dunklin Judge 4th Dist Court acting Judge of the 17th Judicial District Court on the 27th day of Oct. A.D. 1900, and filed in my said office on the 22nd day of Oct. A.D. 1900 in cause No 14298 Wise County vs Montague County as the same appears on the minutes of said Court given under my hand and seal of said Court at office in the city of Ft. Worth, Texas this the 30th day of Oct. A.D. 1900.

W. D. McVean

Clerk Dist Court Tarrant Co. Texas #10

