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FOR Eastern Oregon Land Co

TOWNSHIP 12

RANGE 29 WILL MER.

for 3 miles

Survey to locate and establish corner of Sec 35 Twp 12 R 29, made Dec 6-15 1911
 To begin there were no known corners (certain) but it was supposed that the NW corner and the NE corner were known.
 I proceeded to corroborate position of supposed NW cor. knowing the position of Government corner South on this line by previous survey to be correct. Flagged, and all in sight. I erected a base (from SW cor Sec 2) (T 13 R 29) Due East - 100 ft. Set flag at SW cor and also at East end of base.

I then proceed to supposed NW cor. and take the included angle on the base. I calculate the distance and position of the supposed NW corner which is a rock plainly visible and marked fresh on top of a mound of rocks (Evidently of Take) (and find this supposed corner to be so far from where it should be that I do not consider it of any attention it being 400 feet from South and over 100 ft West. Then measure back South to a point where I calculate the SW corner of Section should be. And find it plainly marked in a small mound of rocks and evidently never having been disturbed. I then ran East

across Black Irrigating Ditch

cross Dry Creek

Find the Old 1/4 corner plainly marked setting upon steep sidehill

Find the Old Original SE corner Sec 35 almost buried out of sight by water about I dug it up and placed some rocks around it. Then I ran North from SE Cor Sec 35

and find the E 1/4 corner in a rocky place. I built a larger mound of rocks around it.

Find a corner marked plain in a mound of rocks. But on account of the great shortage, I prove by going East and follows the line of flags back from NW cor Sec 36 and satisfy myself that this is the Old genuine corner mentioned above the shortage of the East line of Sec 35 (it being 6 chains short)

Then West - finding blazes along the way. (few)

The NW corner

The NW corner missing

40.00

36.97

36.97

38.06

38.62

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I then proceed to SW cor Sec 35 and ran North and find the original NW cor Sec 35 setting in the ground and with a few rocks around. I rebuilt it. This the true corner is about 300 ft North and East of the False Corner. I continued North from true 1/4 corner and set NW cor Sec 35 permanently in a mound of rocks marked property. But first I corroborated its position by measuring N 18.50 ch to Ravine as per US Field Notes also found blazed tree on line about 16 chains N of NW corner thus established which corroborates its position (East & West).

Finally it is my opinion after long retracing after surveys made by Wm R. Grader US Deputy US Surveyor who subdivided this Twp. That he allowed his chainmen to measure along the surface of the ground and made no attempt to keep chain level no matter how steep the hills were. His lines running North are fairly correct. But his lines of the direction of the true lines running East and West must have been manufactured in camp. His work whence ever done in this County is characterised by gross inaccuracy. Hidden and concealed by deceitful Field Notes. So that no reliance can be placed on his measurements recorded. Errors of 100-200 chains are common. One of over 200 chains and several of 400 chains. He was careless. His chainmen were worse. His errors are many and he made false records.

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