

On July 2, 2001, a field review of the reported original evidence was made by Douglas M. Ferguson, D. Mitchell Ferguson and Kenneth H. Delano Jr., of Ferguson Surveying & Engineering, the Grant County Surveyor Robert D. Bagett, Tim Kent of the U.S.D.A. Forest Service, Dan Berry of the Bureau of Land Management, Carl Stout and William Ham of the U.S.D.A. Forest Service, and Mr. Watson. The following corners were reviewed:

1/4 Corner between Sections 3 & 34, T.12 & 13S., R.30E.

Section Corner to Sections 2, 3, 34 & 35, T.12 & 13S., R.30E.

Section Corner to Sections 7, 12, 13 & 18, T.13S., R.30 & 31E.

1/4 Corner between Sections 5 & 32, T.12 & 13S., R.31E.

The Twp. Corner to T.12 & 13S., R.30 & 31E. was not reviewed in the field, but its relative position by survey was reviewed.

The compiled opinions of Mr. Kent and Mr. Berry, submitted by Wayne M. Gardner, Chief, Branch of Geographic Science, Bureau of Land Management, dated July 6, 2001, is that in order to overturn the corners of an existent, longstanding record survey, conclusive and substantial original corner evidence is required and that such substantial evidence was not found at any of the above reviewed corners. It was also stated in this document that the position of the Twp. should remain as monumented by Survey 785. Refer to the attached *Supporting Documentation*. A report of opinions from Mr. Stout and Mr. Ham were not available at this time.

On July 18, 2001, a survey for Ted Ferrioli by Jack L. Watson, was filed by the Grant County Surveyor as Map of Survey No. 1601. The purpose of this survey, as stated in the NARRATIVE OF SURVEY, was to set the NE and SE corners of the W1/2 W1/2 of Section 32, T.12S., R.31E., W.M. and to flag the property lines for future fencing. In the course of this survey, Mr. Watson claims to have found original corner evidence and set monuments at the following corners:

Section Corner to Sections 34, 35, 3 & 2, T.12 & 13S., R.30E.

Section Corner to Sections 12, 13, 18 & 7, T.13S., R.30 & 31E.

The aluminum monument set at the 1/4 Corner between Sections 32 & 5, T.12 & 13S., R.31E. as previously reviewed in the field, is not shown on this plat. Mr. Watson set a new monument at the Twp. Corner to T.12 & 13S., R.30 & 31E. at double proportionate measure, based on the above said alleged original evidence and the found monuments at the 1/4 between Sections 13 & 18, T.12S., R.30 & 31E. and the corner to Sections 4, 5, 32 & 33. Mr. Watson states he used retracement measurements along the south and east lines of Section 36, T.12S., R.30E., as returned by Samuel Lackland under G.L.O. Contract No. 415, in October of 1881 to proportion the Twp. corner and to proportion the NW of Section 31, T.12S., R.31E. Mr. Lackland's notes state that he measured along the said south and east line of Section 36, found the measurement to be within accepted tolerances, and proceeded to subdivide T.12S., R.30E. These measurements are not shown as retracement measurements on Mr. Lackland's plat.

New monuments were also set at the Section corner to 5, 6, 31 & 32, T.12 & 13S., R.31E. and the Section corner to 25, 30, 31 & 36, T.12S., R.30 & 31E. Ties from the platted positions to the monuments as set on survey 785 are shown on Mr. Watson's plat.

On August 6, 2001, a survey for Tom Thomsen by Jack L. Watson, was filed by the Grant County Surveyor as Map of Survey No. 1607. The purpose of this survey, as stated in the NARRATIVE, was to set selected property corners and flag property lines for future fencing. Mr. Watson set a monument at the claimed original evidence 1/4 corner between Sections 3 & 34, T.12 & 13S., R.31E. A tie from Mr. Watson's platted position of the 1/4 corner between Sections 6 & 31 and the monuments to this corner from Surveys 785 & 1525 is shown. No other ties are made from Survey 1607 to Survey 785. Mr. Watson also claimed to find and monument original evidence at the 1/4 corner between Sections 6 & 7, T.13S., R.30E., the 1/4 between Sections 7 & 12, T.13S., R.29 & 30E. and the Section corner to Sections 1, 2, 11 & 12, T.13S., R.29E. The original evidence at these corners have not been reviewed by any of the other individuals previously mentioned herein.

No tie was shown on either of Mr. Watson's plats between the claimed original evidence found at the 1/4 corner between Sections 3 & 34, T.12 & 13S., R.31E. (Survey 1607) and the corner to Sections 2, 3, 34 & 35, T.12 & 13S., R.30E. (Survey 1601).