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## SURVEY for CHAMPION TIMBERLANDS

Section 28, Township 1 North, Range 11 East, Willamette Meridian

## Narrative Continued

Comparison of the G.L.O. notes of the township with a topographic map shows without doubt that Deputy Meldrum stubbed corners. The pattern suggests that he not only stubbed  $\frac{1}{4}$  corners on E/W lines but also  $\frac{1}{4}$  corners on N/S lines. There is further suggested that this pattern was to start at a corner on the exterior and run lines either N/S or E/W stubbing in the  $\frac{1}{4}$  corners as he went, terminating at some point within the township. Then starting again at a different point on the exterior and running so as to fill in the corners not previously set. The comparison shows that he was at every corner he reports to have set. The decisions as to accepting the stone at the North  $\frac{1}{4}$  corner and placement of the East  $\frac{1}{4}$  corner were influenced by this pattern by the following reasoning.

East  $\frac{1}{4}$  Corner:

The measured distance between the Southeast and Northeast Section corner is 150 feet longer than the record 80 chains. The called creek at 31.00 chains North of the Southeast corner fits within one-half chain. A point 2640 North of the Southeast corner falls in the road accounting for the destruction of the original corner. There are two distinct ridge tops and a creek of a size that he normally would have called, North of the  $\frac{1}{4}$  corner none of which are called. Given the lack of calls and the excess length it was my conclusion that he did not run the North  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile of the East line. It further seems highly unlikely that the distance blunder occurred in the 9 chains between the creek and the  $\frac{1}{4}$  corner. Therefore, the position that most closely agrees with the original position is a point 2640 feet North of the Southeast corner. I further elected to place it on the line to the Northeast corner rather than due North because the bearing more closely agrees with the bearing of the West line of the Section than does due North.

North  $\frac{1}{4}$  Corner:

Because the called creek West of the Northeast corner does not exist and the ridge call is in fact about 400 feet West of the called position I concluded that he did not run the East  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile of the North line. Apparently he guessed at the calls. Although the stone found at the North  $\frac{1}{4}$  corner is not marked in conformance with Meldrum's style there is no question that it is marked with a "1" and a "4". Since he probably did not run the East  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile of the North line the corner had to have been stubbed from the West. This is supported by the fact that the found stone is reasonably close to being 2640 feet North and 2640 feet East of the West  $\frac{1}{4}$  corner. It is my conclusion that the Deputy

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either sent a helper East to set the  $\frac{1}{4}$  corner or left a helper to mark the stone, the helper being unfamiliar with Meldrum's style of marking stones. The fact that a marked stone of the record size, close to record position and marked on the North face seems far to great a coincidence to ignore. In addition a very thorough search for original evidence in a 200 foot radius circle was made without success prior to accepting this stone.