

Affidavit

State of Alabama)

Shelby County)

Before me, W. J. Horsley, a Notary Public in and for said county in said state, personally appeared R. E. Bowdon Who being by me first duly sworn deposes and says that he is now 59 years of age and is living and has lived for the past 59 years within a few miles of the following described land to-wit:

Commencing at a point where the branch intersects the right of way of the Southern Railroad at a culvert near the gap of the mountain, thence run north 70 degrees east along the old Montevallo and Shelby Springs dirt road 16 chains to a post, being the corner of S. L. Phillips land, thence north $3\frac{1}{2}$ degrees west magnetic variation 14.92 chains to a post on base line thence west along base line to run of branch 6 chains, thence down said branch in a southern direction to the point of beginning, being a part of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 5 Township 24 Range 13 East, containing 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres more or less; reserving right of way over said land for water pipe line and wagon road.

Also all that part of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 5 Township 24 Range 13 East which lies north of the right of way of the Southern Railroad and south of the old Montevallo and Shelby Springs dirt road, and containing 10 acres more or less, and situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

Affiant has known said land for the past 30 years and knows who has owned and been in possession of the same; that when affiant first knew the land Mr. Emmett Pilgreen owned the same and was in possession^{of} it and remained in possession of same until he sold the land to Mr. G. P. Wood, that was about 30 years ago, and the Mr. Wood remained in possession of same until he sold it to Dave McCrimmon something like 20 years ago, and that Dave McCrimmon remained in possession after he purchased the land until his death, something like 7 years ago, and that Dave McCrimmon left no widow at his death but left one child named Bessie Gude, who later married Levi Jemison. That the parties above named that is Bessie Gude Jemison and her predecessors in title held possession of said land until same was conveyed by Bessie Gude to G C McDonald about five years ago and the land is now owned by Mr. W. H. Clark he having bought the same from Mr. McDonald. That the said Mr. Clark and his said predecessors in title have held open, continuous, exclusive, undisputed, notorious and adverse possession of said land, the said possession consisting of living in the house on the land and cultivating the same and cutting wood and timber off of same.

^{That} ~~That~~ affiant knew Pomp Trenholm, Elix Nichols, John Boyle and his children, Sallie Carleton, Monroe Carleton, C. F. Trenholm and Frank Trenholm, and he knows that none of these people ever owned or claimed any of the land above described and were never in possession of any of it, but that they did own land and held possession of lands near this land.

R. E. Bowdon,

Calera, Ala.

Dec. 24th 1935

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 24th day of December, 1935.

W. J. Horsley

Notary Public.

Filed for record in this office the 5th day of January, 1936 and recorded in Deed Record 99 page 159, and examined.

L. C. Walker, Judge of Probate.