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AFFIDAVIT

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,
FORREST COUNTY.....

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared W.T. Taylor, Jr., who, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he resides at Columbiana, Alabama, but that he is now temporarily engaged in work at Hattiesburg, Mississippi; that for a period of thirty years, last past, he has been acquainted with the following described parcel of land situated in the town of Columbiana, Shelby County, Alabama. to-wit:

That certain lot or parcel of land situated in the town of Columbiana, Alabama, described as follows; Beginning at the right of way of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, and at the Northwest corner of the warehouse lot and running thence in an Easterly direction along the North line of said warehouse lot a distance of 252 feet; run thence North 108 feet; run thence in a Westerly direction 252 feet, more or less, to the right of way of said Railroad Company; run thence Southerly along the line of said Railroad Company's right of way to the point of beginning, and situated in Columbiana, Alabama, and known as the H.M. Milstead, or O'Hara Ginhouse lot.

Affiant further says that it is his information that the above described tract of land together with the Ginhouse and the gin machinery therein connected was conveyed to the Planters Chemical
And Oil Company of Talladega, Alabama, by either H.M. MIlstead, or R.A.O'Hara and otheres, more than
twenty-five years last past.

Affiant further says that in the year 1923 the Planters Chemical And Oil Company of Talladega, Alabama, owned and were in possession of the above described lot, and the Ginhouse and fixtures situated thereon; that during the summer of 1923 your affiant purchased from the Planters Chemical And Oil Company of Talladega, Alabama, the above described parcel of land together with the Ginhouse located thereon together with certain machinery connected therewith, and paid therefor the sum of FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS, and as evidenced of said conveyance The Planters Chemical And Oil Company executed to your affiant a deed of conveyance; that said deed has been lost or destroyed and has never been filed for record.

Affiant further says that upon the purchase of the above described tract of land as afore-said, that he was placed in possession thereof by the Planters Chemical And Oil Company of Talladega, Alabama and that he continued in possession of said tract of land until on or about the 10th day of August, 1934, at which time the Columbiana Savings Bank foreclosed a mortgage given by affiant to said Bank.

Affiant further says that he knows of his own personal knowledge that for the past twenty-five years Beulah Lester, Columbiana Savings Bank, your affiant and The Planters Chemical And Oil Company have been respectively in the open, notorious, continuous, peaceable and adverse possession of said land, claiming said lot as their own, respectively, against all the world and exercising acts of ownership over said lot; affiant has never heard the title of the said Beulah Lester or those through she holds title to said land as aforesaid, to be questioned in any way.

W. T. Taylor, Jr.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 26th day of October, 1943.

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Jimmie Lewis
Notary Public Forrest
County, Mississippi
My Commission Expires Jan. 9, 1947

Filed in the office of the Probate Judge the 14th day of December, 1943, at 3 o'clack P.M. and recorded in the Deed Record 117 on page 515 on this the 14th day of December, 1943

L.C. Walker, Judge of Probate