

(4-309.)

HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

Enos G. Barfoot, being called as witness in support of the Homestead entry of Bertha Klingbaum for NW 1/4 Sec 14, T. 11 N., R. 57 E., testifies as follows:

Question 1.—What is your name, age, and post-office address?

Answer, Enos G. Barfoot, Age 34 years, 14, 20 Harrisburg Neb.

Ques. 2.—Are you well acquainted with the claimant in this case and the land embraced in his claim?

Ans. I am

Ques. 3.—Is said tract within the limits of an incorporated town or selected site of a city or town, or used in any way for trade or business?

Ans. It is not

Ques. 4.—State specifically the character of this land—whether it is timber, prairie, grazing, farming, coal, or mineral land.

Ans. Grazing land.

Ques. 5.—When did claimant settle upon the homestead and at what date did he establish actual residence thereon?

Ans. He established residence on the place April 12th 1887

Ques. 6.—Have claimant and family resided continuously on the homestead since first establishing residence thereon? (If settler is unmarried, state the fact.)

Ans. She is unmarried. She has resided continuously on the place except at different times she was absent for work.

Ques. 7.—For what period or periods has the settler been absent from the land since making settlement, and for what purpose; and if temporarily absent, did claimant's family reside upon and cultivate the land during such absence?

Ans. She was absent each year temporarily at work from one to five months at a time.

Ques. 8.—How much of the homestead has the settler cultivated and for how many seasons did he raise crops thereon?

Ans. She has five acres in cultivation, and has raised 7 crops on the claim.

Ques. 9.—What improvements are on the land and what is their value?

Ans. Rugents frame house, 12x14 ft. well, 5 acres in cultivation. I value the improvements at \$75.

Ques. 10.—Are there any indications of coal, salines, or minerals of any kind on the homestead? (If so, describe what they are, and state whether the land is more valuable for agricultural than for mineral purposes).

Ans. None

Ques. 11.—Has the claimant mortgaged, sold, or contracted to sell, any portion of said homestead?

Ans. not to my knowledge.

Ques. 12.—Are you interested in this claim; and do you think the settler has acted in entire good faith in perfecting this entry?

Ans. I have no interest in the claim, I think settler has acted in good faith in perfecting this entry.

(Sign plainly with full christian name.)

Enos G. Barfoot

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the witness before being subscribed, and was sworn to before me this 12 day of October, 1895, at my office at Harrisburg, in Banner County, Nebraska

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.]

A. A. Humlavy
County Judge

(The testimony of witnesses must be taken at the same time and place, and before the same officer as claimant's final affidavit. The answers must be full and complete to each and every question asked, and officers taking testimony will be expected to make no mistake in dates, description of land, or otherwise.)