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**HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.**

Nathanil Marshall, being called as witness in support of the Homestead entry of Frank M. Deane for SW 1/4 Sec 14 Tp 9 R 27, testifies as follows:

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

Ans. Nathanil Marshall age 62, Clyde Nebraska

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

Ans. Yes well acquainted

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. No it is not

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

Ans. Farming land

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

Ans. November 1887 settled on land and established residence on land

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

Ans. Has not resided upon land continuously

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. Has been absent at intervals not to exceed 3 months at any one time for his support, family resided upon and cultivated land

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

Ans. Has cultivated about 20 acres each year since 1887. Raised crops

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

Ans. One 16 x 16 wheel 80 gal sup. mill. Total Value \$600

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. Not that I know of

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

Ans. Not that I know of

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. No I think he has

(Sign plainly with full christian name.) Nathanil Marshall

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the witness before being subscribed and was sworn to before me this 25<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1894, at my office at Basinburg in Basin County, Nebraska

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.]

J. W. Hale  
Clerk Bas. County

(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 mistakes in dates, description of land, or otherwise.)