

(4-300.)

HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

William C Spahr, being called as witness in support of the Homestead entry of Walter S Fuller for NW 1/4 Sec 4 T. 19. N. 20. E. 7. W., testifies as follows:

- Question 1.—What is your name, age, and post-office address?
 Answer. William C Spahr my age is 49 years. Null Nebraska
- Ques. 2.—Are you well acquainted with the claimant in this case and the land embraced in his claim?
 Ans. I am well acquainted claimant and the land embraced in his claim
- 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. The land is not within the limits of an incorporated town or town site or used in any way for trade or business
- Ques. 4.—State specifically the character of this land—whether it is timber, prairie, grazing, farming, coal, or mineral land.
 Ans. The character of this land is grazing.
- Ques. 5.—When did claimant settle upon the homestead and at what date did he establish actual residence thereon?
 Ans. The claimant settled upon this homestead as soon as possible after making entry
- Ques. 6.—Have claimant and family resided continuously on the homestead since first establishing residence thereon? (If settler is unmarried, state the fact.)
 Ans. The claimant has always made this claim his home but has been away for short periods to seek a living.
- 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. The claimant has been away for short periods at different times for the purpose of earning a livelihood
- Ques. 8.—How much of the homestead has the settler cultivated and for how many seasons did he raise crops thereon?
 Ans. The claimant has about 20 acres under cultivation and has raised three crops on same
- Ques. 9.—What improvements are on the land and what is their value?
 Ans. The improvements on this land consist of house well windmill, barn sheds and fence around place value about \$3000
- 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. There are no indications of coal, salines or minerals of any kind on this homestead
- Ques. 11.—Has the claimant mortgaged, sold, or contracted to sell, any portion of said homestead?
 Ans. The claimant has not to my knowledge mortgaged, sold or contracted to sell any portion of this land
- 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 am not interested in his claim and I think claimant has acted in good faith in perfecting his entry

(Sign plainly with full christian name.) William C. Spahr

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the witness before being subscribed, and was sworn to before me this 41st day of May 1904, at my office at Harrisburg, in Banner County, Nebraska.

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.] W. M. Deod
 Clerk of the Dist. Court

(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.)