

(4-369.)

HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

Peter Jensen, being called as witness in support of the Homestead entry of Ratriak J. Swan for NE 1/4 Sec 25, T14, R37 testifies as follows:

Question 1.—What is your name, age, and post-office address?
 Answer. My name is Peter Jensen, 36 years old, my post office address is Harrison, 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 with the claimant & the land.

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 said tract is not in any town or selected site of city or town & is not used 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. Principally grazing land some 25 acres are farming land.

Ques. 5.—When did claimant settle upon the homestead and at what date did he establish actual residence thereon?
 Ans. He settled on the land & established residence in the spring of 1901.

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 settler is unmarried till last fall. He has been on the land continuously since spring 1901.

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. For no time to my knowledge.

Ques. 8.—How much of the homestead has the settler cultivated and for how many seasons did he raise crops thereon? If used for grazing only, describe fencing, state number and kind of stock grazed and by whom owned.
 Ans. He has cultivated about 20 acres & raised crops for the 5 years since settlement.

Ques. 9.—What improvements are on the land and what is their value?
 Ans. A frame house 14x20; a log barn 16x24; a log house 10x12; some wire fence posts & a well, value of improvements \$300 and 1000.

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 on the homestead.

Ques. 11.—Has the claimant mortgaged, sold, or contracted to sell, any portion of said homestead?
 Ans. Claimant has not mortgaged, sold or contracted to sell any portion of said homestead 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 am not interested in this claim, good faith in perfecting this entry.

(Sign plainly with full christian name.) Peter Jensen

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the witness before being subscribed, and was sworn to before me this 20 day of June 1906, at my office at Harrison, in Banner County, Nebraska

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.] Les Page
Clerk 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 date, description of land, or otherwise.)