

(4-309.)

HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

Warren Salisbury, being called as witness in support of the Homestead entry of Grace Kling Benson for NW 1/4 Sec 11 Tp 19 Range 5 T. testifies as follows:

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

Answer: Warren Salisbury, age 63, 800 Adams Hall 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 claimant and land embraced in her 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. Said tract is not in limits of incorporated town or selected site of city 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 the land is grazing land.

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

Ans. Claimant settled upon and established actual residence thereon January 7th 1898

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

Ans. Claimant is single, she has not resided on 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. Claimant has resided on the land almost continuously, absent at short intervals for her support, not absent more than six months at any one time

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

Ans. Settler cultivated about 5 acres raised three years crops

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

Ans. House frame & dugout, stable, log barn, horse granary well and windmill two miles of fence, total value of improvements \$400

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 land

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 part of her 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, and think the settler has acted in good faith to perfect her entry.

(Sign plainly with full christian name.)

Warren Salisbury

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the witness before being subscribed, and was sworn to before me this 8th day of January 1903, at my office at Warrensburg, in Barneet County, Nebraska.

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.]

Just Habel
Clerk of the District 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.)