South of the center of the public highway as now located running East and West, Madison County, Iowa.

and that at the time of her death the value of her undivided one-half (1/2) interest in said real estate would not exceed the sum of Eighteen Hundred ($1800.00) Dollars. That at the time of her death all her property went to her surviving husband, Michael Loftus, who did not cause her estate to be probated.

I further state that I handled her burial as I was an undertaker at the time of her death, and I know of my own personal knowledge that all the debts of her last illness and burial have long since been paid; and, I further know that she had no unpaid debts at the time of her death and owed no taxes of any kind.

That I have had occasion to look through all the personal papers of the said Katherine E. Loftus, and I know the above facts from personal observation and my close contact with the said husband, Michael Loftus, and his deceased wife, Katherine E. Loftus.

William D Gallagher

NOTARIAL SEAL

Subscribed and sworn to before me and in my presence by William D. Gallagher this 19th day of October, 1949.

George E. Omalley Notary Public in and for Polk County, Iowa

Lewis Mease et al To The Public

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Fee $ .50

Filed for record the 26 day of October A. D. 1949 at 11:30 o'clock A. M.

Wilma M. Wade, Recorder

AFFIDAVIT

State of Iowa, Madison County)ss:

I, Lewis Mease and I, Fred H. Riggle, of said county and state, each being first duly sworn on oath depose and say that we have been residents of Madison County, Iowa, for more than 20 years last past, and during all of said time have lived in the neighborhood of and been familiar with the title, ownership, and occupancy of the West 88/100 of an acre of the North 1 3/4 acres of the South 4 3/4 acres of the East 16 7/11 acres of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 15, Township 74, North, Range 26 West of the 5th P. M., Madison County, Iowa, and we know of our own personal knowledge that R. E. Muselman and Reba D. Muselman entered into possession of said real estate on or about Dec. 13, 1921, under and by virtue of the warranty deed recorded in Deed Rec. 65, page 293, of the records of Madison County, Iowa, and they and their grantors, immediate and remote, for more than 20 years last past, have been in the actual, open, notorious, continuous, adverse, exclusive, uninterrupted and peaceable possession, occupancy, and control of all of said real estate and every part and parcel thereof under claim of right and color of title, have occupied the same either by themselves or their tenants claiming under them, have paid the taxes thereon, and received the rents, issues, and profits thereof, and that no claim of any kind adverse to the possession of said parties has ever been asserted to any of said real estate to our personal knowledge since prior to Jan. 1, 1930, and that the said R. E. Muselman and Reba D. Muselman now enjoy peaceable possession thereof.

We further state that we are in no way interested in the title to the above described real estate, but make this affidavit at the request of the present owner thereof for the purpose of establishing of record the facts above set forth.

Lewis Mease
Fred H. Riggle

Subscribed in my presence and Sworn to before me by the above named affiants this 25 day of October, A. D. 1949.

Arthur Purvis Notary Public in and for Madison County, Iowa.

(Notarial Seal)

State of Iowa, Madison County) ss:

I, Wilma M. Wade, County Recorder in and for said county and state aforesaid, hereby certify that the foregoing affidavit was filed in my office by the owners in possession as named in said affidavit, and recorded and entered on the records thereof on the 26 day of October, A. D. 1949.

COMPARED

Wilma M. Wade County Recorder of Madison County, Iowa.