Martha Jane McLees, the wife of said John McLees, and was also well acquainted with Ralph McLees, the son of said John McLees and Martha Jane McLees; that I know that said John McLees and Martha Jane McLees never had any children except said Ralph McLees and that neither of them ever adopted any child or children; that said John McLees was living on said real estate hereinbefore described at the time of his death, and that he was a resident of Madison County, Iowa, at the time of his death, and died in Madison County, Iowa, and that he left no last will and testament and had no estate probated for him, and that I know that he left no unpaid debts or expenses of last sickness and burial; that his widow, Martha Jane McLees, continued to live on said real estate, with her son Ralph McLees, until her death in the year 1920, and at her death she was living on said real estate with her son Ralph McLees, and that at her death she was a resident of Madison County, Iowa, and died in Madison County, Iowa, and that she left no last will and testament, and that there was no estate probated for her, and that all of the expenses of her last sickness and burial were paid, and that since the death of said Martha Jane McLees, said Ralph McLees has been in actual possession of all of said real estate, and is still in actual possession of all of said real estate, as sole owner thereof, and that said Ralph McLees has been in actual, open, notorious, exclusive, continuous and adverse possession of all of said real estate under color of title and claim of right, as sole owner thereof since the death of his mother, Martha Jane McLees, in the year 1920; that I have no interest in this matter except to help establish the facts stated herein of my own personal knowledge and through acquaintanceship with the persons and property involved.

Leonard R. Moore

NOTARIAL SEAL

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me by said Leonard R. Moore this 30th day of September, 1952.

Joan Dabner Notary Public
in and for Madison County, Iowa.

C. H. Kuntz
To
The Public

#6691

Fee $ 1.60

Filed for record the 19 day of November A. D. 1952 at 3:33 o'clock P. M.

Wilma M. Wade, Recorder

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF IOWA, MADISON COUNTY) SS:

I, C. H. Kuntz, being duly sworn, depose and say: that I am a resident of Madison County, Iowa, and that I am the Secretary-Treasurer of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association at Winterset, Iowa; that for at least 65 years I have been personally acquainted with real estate in Lincoln Township, Madison County, Iowa, described as follows: to wit:

Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, and the South Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 4; and the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 5; and the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 4; all in Township 75 North, Range 28 West of the 5th P. M.;

and that I have lived continuously in Madison County, Iowa, for at least 65 years, and my acquaintance with said real estate and the people in possession of the same has been continuous during such period; that I was well and personally acquainted with John McLees, during his lifetime, and also with his wife, Martha Jane McLees, during her lifetime, and that I have been well and personally acquainted with Ralph McLees, the son of said John McLees and Martha Jane McLees, ever since he was a small boy, and that my acquaintance with said John McLees and his wife and said son, Ralph McLees, goes back as far as 65 years; that as a boy and young man I lived only a few miles from the real estate hereinbefore described, and as a boy and young man I worked for said John McLees at farm work on part of said premises; that I know that said John McLees owned part of said land as far back as at least 65 years ago and lived on said land in a house at the location where the dwelling house now stands where said Ralph McLees now lives, and that said John McLees lived at that location at the time of his death, and that his wife, Martha Jane McLees, and

State of Iowa }
Madison County } ss.

I hereby certify that the annexed affidavit was filed by Ralph McLees the owner in possession of the Lands Mentioned therein. Dated November 19 1952

Wilma M. Wade Recorder

his son, Ralph McLees, lived with him there at that time; that said John McLees died in the year 1913, and that he left his wife, Martha Jane McLees, and his son Ralph McLees, surviving him, and that said John McLees was the owner of all of said real estate hereinbefore described at the time of his death, and had been the owner of all of the same for a number of years prior to his death, and was in the actual possession thereof, as sole owner thereof, until his death, and that from the time of his death, his widow, Martha Jane McLees, and his son, Ralph McLees, were in the actual possession of all of said real estate until the death of said Martha Jane McLees in the year 1920, and that from and after her death, said Ralph McLees has continued in actual possession of all of said real estate as owner thereof; that both said John McLees and Martha Jane McLees were residents of Madison County, Iowa, at the time of death, and both died in Madison County, Iowa, and neither left a last will and testament, and neither of them had an estate probated, and neither had any expenses of last sickness and burial, nor any other debts, which were left unpaid; that said Ralph McLees was the only child of said John McLees and the only child of said Martha Jane McLees, and that neither John McLees nor Martha Jane McLees ever adopted any child or children; that said Ralph McLees was the only heir of said John McLees and the only heir of said Martha Jane McLees, and that said Ralph McLees is now in actual possession of all of said real estate, as sole owner thereof, and has been in actual, open, notorious, exclusive, continuous and adverse possession of all of said real estate under color of title and claim of right, as sole owner thereof, since the death of his mother, said Martha Jane McLees, in the year 1920; that I am not related to any of said persons and have no interest in this matter except to help to establish the facts stated herein, and that such facts are from my own personal knowledge and through acquaintanceship with the persons and property involved.

C. H. Kuntz

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me by said C. H. Kuntz, this 10th day of October, 1952.

NOTARIAL SEAL

Daniel J. Gallery, Notary Public
in and for Madison County, Iowa.

L. P. Jackson
To
The Public

#6731

Fee $1.00

Filed for record the 21 day of November A. D. 1952 at 8:15 o'clock A. M.

Wilma M. Wade, Recorder

AFFIDAVIT

State of Iowa, Madison County) ss:

I, L. P. Jackson, of said county and state, being first duly sworn on oath depose and say that I have been a continuous resident of Madison County, Iowa, for more than 20 years last past and am a son and one of the heirs at law of Anna Grove, deceased.

I further state that the said Anna Grove died intestate and unmarried in Madison County, Iowa, on Dec. 3, 1937, and left surviving as her only children and heirs at law her daughters, Jessie Clark, Edna Dunn, and Katherine Bridges, and her sons, Alvin Jackson and this affiant, L. P. Jackson; that her estate was not administered in any court but that all her debts and expense of last illness and burial were paid, and that the total value of all her property, both real and personal, did not exceed the sum of $1,500 at the time of her death.

I further state that wherever in the chain of title to Lots 6, 7, and 8 in Block 1 of Danforth's Second Addition to Winterset, Madison County, Iowa, the names Annie Jackson, Anna Jackson, or Anna Grove appear, they refer to one and the same identical person, and that wherever in the chain of title to Block 1 of said Addition, the names L. P. Jackson and Leslie Jackson appear, they refer to one and the same identical person, and that wherever in said chain of title the names Jessie M. Clark and Jessie Clark appear, they refer to one and the same identical person.

L. P. Jackson