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# Department of the Interior

United States Land Office Pueblo, Colorado.

Fees \$ 10<sup>00</sup> 5<sup>00</sup>  
 Comm (Orig) \$ 12<sup>00</sup> 15<sup>00</sup>  
 Excess \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Comm (Fin.) \$ 13<sup>50</sup> Earned  
 Pur Mon \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Test Fees \$ 15<sup>00</sup>  
 Interest \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Serial No. 041289 Orig.  
043612 Addl.  
 Receipt No. 2461239-2677321  
2575609  
 MAY 16 1923

## Final Certificate.

Homestead.

Patent to contain reservation of coal and other minerals, and conditions and limitations as provided by Act of December 29 1916, (39 Stat., 862) as to SE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec 5 - T-32 S. R. 58 W

Orig. Acts 2-19-09; 6-6-12  
 Addl. Act 12-29-16.

May 16, 1923  
 (Date.)

It is hereby certified that, pursuant to the provisions of Section 2291, Revised Statutes of the United States, Ralph L. Sanford,

Branson, Colo.

has made payment in full for \_\_\_\_\_

SE 1/4 Sec. 17, NE 1/4 Sec. 20, containing 320 acres and additional SE 1/4 SW 1/4

Section 5

Township 32-S, Range 58-W, 6th Prin. Meridian, Colorado, containing 40 acres.

Now, therefore, be it known that, on presentation of this Certificate to the COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE, the said Ralph L. Sanford,

shall be entitled to receive a Patent for the land above described if all then be found regular.

SM

Fred E. Sisson, Register.

NOTE.—A duplicate of this Certificate is issued to the claimant as notice of the acceptance of the proof and payment, and of the allowance of the entry by the Register and Receiver.

The original is forwarded to the General Land Office, with the entry papers, for approval by the Commissioner of the General Land Office and issuance of patent.

The duplicate copy forwarded to the claimant should be held until notice of issuance of patent is received.

In all correspondence concerning the entry in connection with which this Certificate issued, refer to the NAME OF THE LAND OFFICE and the SERIAL NUMBER noted hereon.

Posted 7/3/23 in Vol. 28, P. 135-140, by JFB, Div. "C."

APPROVED JUL 11 1923

By J. S. Full, Division

What to contain reservation recording

PAT NO 912876  
 JUL 24 1923  
 RESERVATION ON

38  
135-140

(FOR USE IN THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE ONLY.)

(Date of request for status.)

Status requested by \_\_\_\_\_, Div. \_\_\_\_\_, Room \_\_\_\_\_

Does posting and survey agree with description Yes

Conflicts None

Rights-of-way None

Withdrawals None

Edell Entry 043613 Deing 12/29/16 Exp. 2/10/22  
Orig. # 041289 2/19/09 to 5/1/09.

Information wanted as to \_\_\_\_\_

Date furnished 7-10, 1933

*[Signature]*  
Status Clerk.

The status clerk, who must sign above, will be held responsible for its correctness.

HONORABLE DISCHARGE FROM THE UNITED STATES ARMY

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That Ralph L. Sanford, 1607044 Sgt, 153rd Amb. Co. 7th Corps San. Train.

THE UNITED STATES ARMY, as a TESTIMONIAL OF HONERST AND FAITHFUL SERVICE, is HEREBY HONORABLY DISCHARGED from the military service of the UNITED STATES by reason of Demobilization, for conv. of Letter W.D. Nov. 30th 1918.

Said Ralph L. Sanford was born in Mountain Home, in the State of Arkansas.

When enlisted he was 26 years of age and by occupation a Farmer.

He had H. Blue eyes, Lt Brown hair, Ruddy complexion, and was 5 feet 8 inches in hight.

Given under my hand at Camp Pike, Ark. this 9th day of July, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

Rayburn Engles  
Maj. Inf. U. S. A.  
Commanding.

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ENLISTMENT RECORD.

Name: Ralph L. Sanford Grade: Sergeant.  
Inducted Sept. 17th, 1917 at Mountain Home Ark.  
Serving in First enlistment period at date of discharge.  
Prior service: None.  
Noncommissioner officer: Sergeant, Aug. 9th 1918.  
Marksmanship, gunner qualification or rating: No test.  
Horsemanship: Not Mounted.  
Battles, engagements, skirmishes, expeditions: None. Member A.E.F.  
from Aug. 26th 1918 to June 30th 1919.  
Knowledge of any vocation: Farming.  
Wounds received in service: None.  
Physical condition when discharged: Good.  
Typhoid tripple prophylaxis completed March 14th 1919.  
Paratyphoid prophylaxis completed March 14th, 1919.  
Married or single: Single.  
Character: Excellent.  
Remarks: No. A.W.O.L. or Absent under G.O. 45 or 14 31/12  
Assigned to 153rd Amb. 7th Corps. San. Tn. Nov. 20th 1918. to  
date of discharge. Entitled to travel pay to Mountain Home,  
Arkansas.

Signature of Soldier: Ralph L. Sanford.

Soloman R. Boykin  
1st Lt. M.C. 153 Amb.  
7th Corps Sn. Tn. Commanding.

I, John S. Booher, U. S. Commissioner, at Branson, Colorado, hereby certify that the above is a full, true and correct copy of the Army Discharge & Enlistment Record of Ralph L. Sanford.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and official seal this 10th day of May A. D. 1923.

*John S. Booher*  
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United States Commissioner.

#15 <sup>100</sup> paid

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STOCK-RAISING HOMESTEAD

FINAL PROOF

TESTIMONY OF CLAIMANT

U. S. LAND OFFICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF SURVEY

MAY 12 1923

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J. S. Booher

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

2-19-19

U. S. LAND OFFICE, Pueblo, Colorado, Serial No. 041289. 320.  
 Additional Entry Serial No. 043612. 40  
 Receipt No. 2461239. 223  
 2575609. 65

Note.—The officer before whom this proof is made will see that all answers are complete and responsive to the questions, and that the answers bring out the pertinent facts showing the entryman's compliance or noncompliance with the laws under which the land was entered. Neither of the witnesses may be present while the testimony of the claimant is being given.

QUESTION 1. What is your full name, age, and post-office address?

ANSWER. Name Ralph L. Sanford,  
 age 32 years; P. O. address Branson, Colorado.

QUESTION 2. (a) Are you now a citizen of the United States? (b) If so, are you a native-born or naturalized citizen? (c) If naturalized, is a certified copy of your certificate of naturalization submitted with this proof, or is such copy now on file in the land office, and if so, with what entry was such copy filed? (d) If a married woman, give date of marriage and state husband's citizenship qualifications.

NOTE.—If applicant is alien born, he should state the fact and file evidence of citizenship in due form, either a certificate of his own naturalization in a court of competent jurisdiction, or, if claiming to be a citizen by virtue of his father's naturalization and his own minority and residence in the United States at the date thereof, or, if a married woman claiming citizenship by virtue of her husband's nativity or naturalization, then record evidence of the naturalization of the father, or husband, or an affidavit as to the nativity of the latter. Applicants who were at one time citizens of the United States, but who later became citizens of a foreign country, must file record evidence of their naturalization. Any female citizen of the United States invoking the benefits of the act of October 17, 1914, (38 Stat., 740), shall make oath showing the nationality of her husband, and that he is entitled to become a citizen of the United States.

ANSWER. (a) Yes. (b) Native born (c) \_\_\_\_\_  
 ("Yes" or "No") ("Native born" or "Naturalized")  
 (d) \_\_\_\_\_

QUESTION 3. Are you the same person who made original homestead entry No. 041289 on December 24, 19 20, and additional homestead entry No. 043612 on September 30, 19 22, at the Pueblo, Colorado, Land Office, for Orig. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 17, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 20, and  
Addl. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Act 12-29-1916

\_\_\_\_\_, Section 5,  
 Township 32 S., Range 58 W., 6th, Prin. \_\_\_\_\_ Meridian?

If not, give relationship to entryman.

ANSWER. Yes.

QUESTION 4. Are you married or single? ANSWER. Married

QUESTION 5. If married, of whom does your family consist?

ANSWER. Myself, wife and one child.

QUESTION 6. If a married woman, state whether your husband held an unperfected homestead entry during the period of residence claimed by you, and for what time he has resided on this land with you.

ANSWER. \_\_\_\_\_

520  
40  
360  
2/19/19  
12/29/16

QUESTION 7. State fully: (a) whether the residence claimed in connection with this proof was made upon your original or your additional entry, (b) when you first established actual residence on the land, (c) if this proof is for an additional entry made under Section 5 of the stock-raising homestead law, state whether you owned and resided upon your original entry at time of making such additional entry, (d) state any other facts in connection with your residence necessary to show compliance with the law.

(If this proof is for a contiguous additional entry and three years' residence has been shown in connection with proof previously submitted on the original entry, set forth such fact, and omit questions 8 and 9.)

ANSWER. (a) On Original  
 (b) April 1920  
 (c) Yes.  
 (d) Have resided there all the time and are still residing on Orig.

QUESTION 8. (a) Have you a habitable house on the land? (b) When was it built? (c) If built after residence was established, state where you resided before the house was built.

ANSWER (a) Yes (b) Part in 1920 & balance 1921. Resided in old dugout on the place until house was part built to reside in.  
 (c) "Yes"

QUESTION 9. Considering each "residence year" as beginning with the day and month on which residence was first established, state definitely the time, or times, during each residence year when you were actually residing on the land, and the time, or times, when you were absent from the land.

ANSWER.

I actually resided on the land				I was absent from the land			
RESIDENCE YEAR	FROM—	To—		FROM—	To—		
Orig 1920-21	Apr 1920	April 1921		No absence		No absence	
1921-22	" 1921	" 1922		"		"	
1922-23	" 1922	" 1923		"		"	
1923	" 1923	May 8 1923.					

QUESTION 10. Describe the land embraced in above entry by legal subdivisions, showing fully the character of same, and kind and amount of timber, if any, and amount under cultivation.

(If several subdivisions are identical in character, they may be grouped together on one line.)

ANSWER.

SECTION	SUBDIVISION	GENERAL CHARACTER	NUMBER OF ACRES				FEET OF SAW TIMBER
			Now CULTIVATED	NOT CULTIVATED BUT CULTIVABLE		CONTAINING TREES OR BRUSH	
				Profitably	Otherwise		
17	SE 1/4	120 Agr. & 40 / <sup>Graz.</sup>	120	00	40	00	00
20	NE 1/4	Grazing	000	00	160	160	00

QUESTION 11. State the number of acres cultivated, kind of crop planted, and amount harvested, each year, and state to what extent you have used the land for grazing.

ANSWER. 19 20, Cultivated 30 A. to wheat, corn. Harvested 80 bu. wheat and 2 tons feed.  
 19 1921, Broke out 6 acres more and planted 36 A. to wheat, maize, cane. Harvested 300 bu wheat; 2 tons maize feed & 1 1/2 tons cane.  
 19 22, Broke out 84 acres more and planted 100 A. in corn, cane, maize and beans. Harvested 200 bu corn; 12 tons cane feed; 4 tons of maize, & 400 lbs beans. } Grazed 4 cattle  
 19 23, Cultivated 80 A. ready for crop & have 10 A. in corn. } on Addl. since

QUESTION 12. (a) Describe fully and in detail the amount and kind of improvements on each subdivision, stating when same were made and giving the cost of each item. State definitely which improvements, if any, are claimed in compliance with the stock-raising homestead law.

*the land was allowed my own stock.*

## ANSWER.

	YEAR CONSTRUCTED	LOCATION OF IMPROVEMENTS	CHARACTER OF IMPROVEMENTS	COST OF MATERIALS	COST OF LABOR	TOTAL COST
Orig	1920	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , 20	House 12x18 ft.	100	25	125.
		SE $\frac{1}{4}$ 17	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ mile 3 wire fence	115	50	165.
		SE $\frac{1}{4}$ 17	Cultivated 30 A.		100	100.
"	1921	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 20	Well drilled and pump			
		SE $\frac{1}{4}$ 17	pipe & windmill	75	75	150.
		NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 20	Broke 6 acres		24	24.
			1 mile 3 wire fence	95	50	145.
			Rock house & broke 6 A.	25	100	125.
"	1922	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ 17	Broke out 84 A. land		252	252.
"	1923	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ 17	Cultivated 80 A.		90	90. 1166
Addl.	1923	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ 5	$\frac{1}{2}$ mile 3 wire fence	50	40	90.

Total No. acres cultivated 120 Total value of improvements, \$ 1256.

QUESTION 12. (b) If you have broken any portion of the land, reclaimed any portion of the land by irrigation, grubbed trees or brush from the land, seeded any portion of the land to cultivated grasses or clover, or in any other manner increased its productiveness, give full details and cost of such work, stating which subdivisions such work was upon.

ANSWER. Have done nothing other than as mentioned above.

QUESTION 13. Is your present claim within the limits of an incorporated town or selected site of a city or town, or used in any way for trade or business? Answer No.

QUESTION 14. Are there any indications of coal, salines, or minerals of any kind on the land? If so, describe what they are.

ANSWER. No.

QUESTION 15. Have you sold, conveyed, or agreed to sell or convey any portion of the land? If so, to whom and for what purpose?

ANSWER. No.

QUESTION 16. Have you optioned, mortgaged, or agreed to option or mortgage, or convey this land, or any part thereof? If so, when, to whom, and for what purpose and in what amount?

ANSWER. No.

QUESTION 17. Have you any personal property of any kind elsewhere than on this claim? If so, describe the same, and state where the same is kept.

ANSWER. Only on these claims.

QUESTION 18. Have you ever made any other homestead entry? If so, describe the same.

ANSWER. No, except filed Homestead on SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 2, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 11 Twp 20, Range 14 at Harrison Arkansas. Relinquished it to Gov.

QUESTION 19. Describe by legal subdivisions, or by number, kind of entry, and office where made, any entry or filing (not mineral) other than homestead made by you since August 30, 1890.

(Applications for the sale of isolated tracts are not considered as entries or filings.)

ANSWER. Have made none, except as mentioned in answer to question 18.

QUESTION 20. Have either of the other witnesses been present while you were giving your above testimony? ANSWER. No.

QUESTION 21. Have you any actual knowledge of any statement made by either of the other witnesses in their testimony in connection with this proof?

ANSWER. No.

*Ralph L. Sanford*  
(Sign with full Christian name.)

NOTE.—Every person swearing falsely to the above affidavit will be punished as provided by law for such offense. See section 125, United States Criminal Code (over).



I HEREBY CERTIFY that the deponent was examined separately and apart from the other witnesses in the case; that the foregoing deposition was read to or by deponent in my presence before deponent affixed signature thereto; that I verily believe deponent to be the identical person hereinbefore described, and that said deposition was duly subscribed and sworn to before me at my office, in Branson,  
(Town.)  
Las Animas County, State of Colorado,  
within the Pueblo, Colorado, land district, this 8th, day of May, 19 23.

*John S. Booher*  
United States Commissioner.  
(Official designation.)

**FINAL AFFIDAVIT REQUIRED OF HOMESTEAD CLAIMANTS**

I, Ralph L. Sanford, having made a Homestead Entry of the  
Orig. Act 2-19-09. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 17, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 20, and  
Addl. Act 12-29-16. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 5,  
Township 32 S., Range 58 W. 6th Prin., Meridian,  
subject to entry at Pueblo, Colorado, under  
Enlarged H. E. and Stock-raising Homestead law  
(General, Enlarged, or Stock-raising homestead law.)

do now apply to perfect my claim thereto; and for that purpose do solemnly swear that I am a native born  
(Native-born or naturalized.)  
citizen of the United States;  
that I have a habitable house upon Original Homestead and have resided upon said land since the 1st day of April, 1920, to the present time; that no part of said land has been alienated, except as provided in section 2288 of the Revised Statutes, but that I am the sole bona fide owner as an actual settler; that I will bear true allegiance to the Government of the United States; and, further, that I have not heretofore perfected or abandoned an entry made under the homestead laws of the United States, except None.

*Ralph L. Sanford*

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing affidavit was read to or by affiant in my presence before affiant affixed signature thereto; that I verily believe affiant to be a credible person and the identical person hereinbefore described, and that said affidavit was duly subscribed and sworn to before me, at my office, in Branson,  
(Town.)  
County of Las Animas, State of Colorado, this 8th, day of May, 19 23.

*John S. Booher*  
United States Commissioner.  
(Official designation.)

**UNITED STATES CRIMINAL CODE**

Sec. 125. Whoever, having taken an oath before a competent tribunal, officer, or person, in any case in which a law of the United States authorizes an oath to be administered, that he will testify, declare, depose, or certify truly, or that any written testimony, declaration, deposition, or certificate by him subscribed, is true, shall willfully and contrary to such oath state or subscribe any material matter which he does not believe to be true, is guilty of perjury, and shall be fined not more than two thousand dollars and imprisoned not more than five years.

# STOCK-RAISING HOMESTEAD FINAL PROOF TESTIMONY OF WITNESS

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

U. S. LAND OFFICE, Pueblo, Colorado Serial No. 041289.  
Additional Entry Serial No. 043612.

NOTE.—The officer before whom this proof is made will see that all answers are complete and responsive to the questions, and that the answers bring out the pertinent facts showing the entryman's compliance, or noncompliance, with the laws under which the land was entered. Neither the claimant nor the other witness may be present while the testimony of this witness is being taken.

QUESTION 1. What is your full name, age, and post-office address?

ANSWER. Name, William A. Hancock; age, 34 years;

P. O. address, Branson, Colorado

QUESTION 2. Are you the same person who was mentioned in the published notice as William A. Hancock,?  
(Officer before whom proof is taken will fill in the name as published.)

ANSWER. Yes.

QUESTION 3. How long have you known the claimant in this case and the

Orig. Act of 2-19-09, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 17, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 20, and

Addl. Act of 12-29-16, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 5,

Township 32 S., Range 58 W., 6th, Prin. Meridian,

the land embraced in Homestead Entries No. 041289-043612, made

at the Pueblo, Colorado, Land Office?

ANSWER. I have known claimant 20 years, the land 6 years.

QUESTION 4. (a) Is entryman married? (b) Of whom does entryman's family consist?

ANSWER. (a) Yes (b) Himself, wife and one child.

QUESTION 5. Is said tract within the limits of an incorporated town, or used in any way for trade or business?

ANSWER. No.

QUESTION 6. If this proof is for an additional entry, state whether the entryman has resided upon such additional entry or upon his original entry.

ANSWER. On the Original

QUESTION 7. At what date did entryman establish actual residence on said homestead?

ANSWER. On Original April 1920

QUESTION 8. Has entryman, or entryman's family, maintained a residence elsewhere than on this land at any time since residence was thus established?

ANSWER. No.

QUESTION 9. Have entryman and family ever been absent from the homestead since thus establishing residence thereon? If so, state when, for how long, and for what reason.

ANSWER. No.

QUESTION 10. Considering each residence year as beginning at the date on which actual residence was established, state the number of months during each residence year that entryman actually resided upon the land.

ANSWER. First year, 12 months Second year, 12 months  
 Third year, 12 months Fourth year, 1 month  
 Fifth year,

QUESTION 11. With regard to the land for which this proof is offered, state (a) the kind of soil; (b) contour of the surface, as "level," "rolling," "rough," "hilly," "mountainous," etc.; (c) number of acres which have been cultivated, (d) number of acres not cultivated which might be profitably cultivated; (e) number of acres containing trees of any kind; (f) number of feet of saw timber.

ANSWER. (a) Dark loam (b) Some level & Pt rolling  
 (c) 120 (d) 40 A. (e) 160 (f) None.

QUESTION 12. State the number of acres cultivated and kind of crop planted, each year, and state to what extent the land has been used for grazing.

ANSWER. 1920 Cultivated 30 acres of the land to wheat & corn.  
 1921 Broke out 6 acres more and planted 36 acres to wheat, maize and cane.  
 1922 Broke 84 acres more and planted 100 acres to corn, maize, beans and cane. In 1923 he has cultivated 80 A ready for crop & has 10 or more acres of it planted to corn. He has grazed 4 head of cattle on the Addl. since it was allowed. His own stock. Also 4 horses and 3 or 4 cattle of his own on the Original.

QUESTION 13 (a). Describe fully and in detail the amount and kind of improvements on the land, stating when same were made and giving the cost of each item, and if proof is offered upon an additional entry under the stock-raising law, state definitely which of such improvements are actually upon the additional entry and when they were placed there.

ANSWER.

YEAR CONSTRUCTED	LOCATION OF IMPROVEMENTS	CHARACTER OF IMPROVEMENTS	COST OF MATERIALS	COST OF LABOR	TOTAL COST
Orig. 1920	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec 20	Box house 12x18 ft.	90	30	120.
	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ " 17	Cultivated 30 acres & built 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ mi. 3 wire fence	110	140.	250.
" 1921	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ " 20	1 mi. 2 & 3 wire fence, rock room, well, pump & windmill, <del>XXXXXXXXXXXX</del>	190	200.	390.
" 1922	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ " 17	Broke out 6 acres.		30	30.
" 1923	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ " 17	" " 84 "		336.	336.
		Cultivated 80 acres		120.	120.
					-----1246
Addl. 1923	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec 5.	3 wire fence $\frac{1}{2}$ mile	50	35	85.

Total No. acres cultivated 120 Total value of improvements, \$1321.

QUESTION 13 (b). If any portion of the land has been cultivated, reclaimed by irrigation, cleared of trees or brush, seeded to cultivated grasses, or in any other manner handled so as to increase its productiveness, give full details and cost of such work, stating how many acres were so treated and upon which entry said work was done.

ANSWER. 120 acres cultivated on SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 17.

QUESTION 14. Are there any indications of coal, salines, or minerals of any kind on the land? If so, describe what they are.

ANSWER. No.

QUESTION 15. Have you any knowledge or information that claimant has sold or contracted to sell, optioned, mortgaged, or agreed to option or mortgage this land? If so, give full details as to whom, for what purpose, and in what amount.

ANSWER. No.

QUESTION 16. Have you personal knowledge, from your own observation, that claimant and his family (if any) actually resided upon and cultivated this land each year in accordance with your above testimony?

ANSWER. Yes on the Original

QUESTION 17. How many times each year have you seen this land, and the claimant and his family residing thereon; and what other personal knowledge have you upon which your answers are based?

ANSWER. Several times a month. Have been to and over the places numerous times and am familiar with the improvements.

QUESTION 18. Are you interested in this claim, or related to the claimant? If so, how?

ANSWER. No.

QUESTION 19. Have either the claimant or the other witness been present while you were giving your above testimony?

ANSWER. No.

QUESTION 20. Have you any actual knowledge of any statement made by the claimant or the other witness in their testimony in connection with this proof?

ANSWER. No.

*William A. Hancock*

(Sign plainly, with full Christian name.)

NOTE.—Every person swearing falsely to the above affidavit will be punished as provided by law for such offense. See section 125, United States Criminal Code (below).

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the deponent was examined separately and apart from the other witnesses in the case; that the foregoing deposition was read to or by deponent in my presence before deponent affixed signature thereto; that I verily believe deponent to be the identical person hereinbefore described, and that said deposition was duly subscribed and sworn to before me at my office, in Branson,

(Town.)

Las Animas County, State of Colorado, within the Pueblo, Colorado land district, this 8th day of May, 19 23.

*John S. Booher*

United States Commissioner.

(Official designation of officer.)

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QUESTION 1. What is your full name, age, and post-office address?

ANSWER. Name, Harry T. Warner; age, 32 years;

P. O. address, Branson, Colorado

QUESTION 2. Are you the same person who was mentioned in the published notice as Harry T. Warner ?  
(Officer before whom proof is taken will fill in the name as published.)

ANSWER. Yes.

QUESTION 3. How long have you known the claimant in this case and the

Orig. Act of 2-19-09. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 17, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 20, and

Adcl. Act 12-29-16. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 5,

Township 32 S., Range 58 W., 6th Prin. Meridian,

the land embraced in Homestead Entries No. 041289-043612, made

at the Pueblo, Colorado, Land Office?

ANSWER. I have known claimant 3 years, the land 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  years.

QUESTION 4. (a) Is entryman married? (b) Of whom does entryman's family consist?

ANSWER. (a) Yes (b) Himself, wife and one child

QUESTION 5. Is said tract within the limits of an incorporated town, or used in any way for trade or business?

ANSWER. No.

QUESTION 6. If this proof is for an additional entry, state whether the entryman has resided upon such additional entry or upon his original entry.

ANSWER. On his Original

QUESTION 7. At what date did entryman establish actual residence on said homestead?

ANSWER. April 1920

QUESTION 8. Has entryman, or entryman's family, maintained a residence elsewhere than on this land at any time since residence was thus established?

ANSWER. No.

QUESTION 9. Have entryman and family ever been absent from the homestead since thus establishing residence thereon? If so, state when, for how long, and for what reason.

ANSWER. No.

QUESTION 10. Considering each residence year as beginning at the date on which actual residence was established, state the number of months during each residence year that entryman actually resided upon the land.

ANSWER. First year, 12 months Second year, 12 months  
 Third year, 12 months Fourth year, 1 month  
 Fifth year, \_\_\_\_\_

QUESTION 11. With regard to the land for which this proof is offered, state (a) the kind of soil; (b) contour of the surface, as "level," "rolling," "rough," "hilly," "mountainous," etc.; (c) number of acres which have been cultivated, (d) number of acres not cultivated which might be profitably cultivated; (e) number of acres containing trees of any kind; (f) number of feet of saw timber.

ANSWER. (a) Dark loam (b) Part level & part rolling  
 (c) 120 acres (d) 40 A. (e) 40 acres (f) None.

QUESTION 12. State the number of acres cultivated and kind of crop planted, each year, and state to what extent the land has been used for grazing.

ANSWER. 19 20 Cultivated 20 acres and planted it to wheat and corn.  
19 \_\_\_\_\_  
19 21 Broke out 16 acres more and planted 36 acres to wheat, beans, maize and corn. The wheat was fall wheat.  
19 \_\_\_\_\_ or more  
19 22 Broke out 84 acres more and planted 60/ acres to corn, maize, and beans. Broke out 60 acres more on the land.

1923 Cultivated 80 A. & has 10 A. in corn & balance ready for spring crop. He has grazed 4 horses & 7 cattle, all his own on land since it was allowed.

QUESTION 13 (a). Describe fully and in detail the amount and kind of improvements on the land, stating when same were made and giving the cost of each item, and if proof is offered upon an additional entry under the stock-raising law, state definitely which of such improvements are actually upon the additional entry and when they were placed there.

ANSWER.

YEAR CONSTRUCTED	LOCATION OF IMPROVEMENTS	CHARACTER OF IMPROVEMENTS	COST OF MATERIALS	COST OF LABOR	TOTAL COST
Orig 1920	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec 20	House 12x18 ft, box	80	20	100.
	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ " 17	Cultivated 20 A.		50	50.
	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ " 17	2 miles 3 wire fence	150	70	220.
" 1921	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ " 20	1 mile of 2 & 3 wire fence	80	20	100.
	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ " 17	Broke 16 acres		80	80
	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ " 20	Well 38 feet, pump & windmill			
	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ " 20	1 rock room to house	25.	25	150. 75.
" 1922	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ " 17	Broke 84 Acres		420	420.
" 1923	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ " 17	Cultivated 60 A.		30	30. 1225.
Addl. 1923	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec 5	$\frac{1}{2}$ mile 3 wire fence posts 1 rd apart	50	40	90.

Total No. acres cultivated 120 Total value of improvements, \$1315.

QUESTION 13 (b). If any portion of the land has been cultivated, reclaimed by irrigation, cleared of trees or brush, seeded to cultivated grasses, or in any other manner handled so as to increase its productiveness, give full details and cost of such work, stating how many acres were so treated and upon which entry said work was done.

ANSWER. None except as mentioned above.

QUESTION 14. Are there any indications of coal, salines, or minerals of any kind on the land? If so, describe what they are.

ANSWER. No.

QUESTION 15. Have you any knowledge or information that claimant has sold or contracted to sell, optioned, mortgaged, or agreed to option or mortgage this land? If so, give full details as to whom, for what purpose, and in what amount.

ANSWER. No.

QUESTION 16. Have you personal knowledge, from your own observation, that claimant and his family (if any) actually resided upon and cultivated this land each year in accordance with your above testimony?

ANSWER. Yes.

QUESTION 17. How many times each year have you seen this land, and the claimant and his family residing thereon; and what other personal knowledge have you upon which your answers are based?

ANSWER. Almost every day. We join farms. I have been to his place often and seen his improvements and he and family at work on the place.

QUESTION 18. Are you interested in this claim, or related to the claimant? If so, how?

ANSWER. No.

QUESTION 19. Have either the claimant or the other witness been present while you were giving your above testimony?

ANSWER. No.

QUESTION 20. Have you any actual knowledge of any statement made by the claimant or the other witness in their testimony in connection with this proof?

ANSWER. No.

*Harry J. Warner*  
(Sign plainly, with full Christian name.)

NOTE.—Every person swearing falsely to the above affidavit will be punished as provided by law for such offense. See section 125, United States Criminal Code (below).

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the deponent was examined separately and apart from the other witnesses in the case; that the foregoing deposition was read to or by deponent in my presence before deponent affixed signature thereto; that I verily believe deponent to be the identical person hereinbefore described, and that said deposition was duly subscribed and sworn to before me at my office, in Branson,

(Town.)

Las Animas County, State of Colorado, within the  
Pueblo, Colorado, land district, this 8th, day  
of May, 1923.

*John S. Booker*  
United States Commissioner.  
(Official designation of officer.)

UNITED STATES CRIMINAL CODE.

Sec. 125. Whoever, having taken an oath before a competent tribunal, officer, or person, in any case in which a law of the United States authorizes an oath to be administered, that he will testify, declare, depose, or certify truly, or that any written testimony, declaration, deposition, or certificate by him subscribed, is true, shall willfully and contrary to such oath state or subscribe any material matter which he does not believe to be true, is guilty of perjury, and shall be fined not more than two thousand dollars and imprisoned not more than five years.

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## NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S.

Land Office at Pueblo Colo.

March 14, 1923.

Notice is hereby given that Ralph L. Sanford, of Branson Colorado, who on Dec. 24, 1920 and Sept. 30 1922, made Homestead Entry (Act 2 19-09) No. 041289 and Homestead Entry (Act December 29, 1916) No. 043612, for SE1/4, Sec. 17, NE1/4, Sec. 20, SE1/4SW1/4, Section 5, Township 32 S., Range 58 W 6th Prim Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year Proof to establish claim to the land above described before John S. Booher, U. S. Commissioner, at Branson Colorado on the 8th day of May 1923.

Claimant names as witnesses:

Richard A. Choate, Harry T. Warner, Edgar O. Hancock, William A. Hancock, all of Branson Colorado.

Fred E. Sisson, Register



NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.  
(PUBLISHER.)

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APR 30 1923

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

U. S. LAND OFFICE at Pueblo, Colorado,

March 30, 1923.

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December 24, 1920 and  
Branson, Colorado, who, on September 30, 1922, made  
Homestead Entry (Act 2-19-09) No. 041289 and  
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(Kind of application or entry.)

SE 1/4, Sec. 17, NE 1/4, Sec. 20; SE 1/4 SW 1/4, Section 5,

Township 32 S., Range 58 W., 6th, Prin. Meridian,

has filed notice of intention to make three year  
(If homestead, insert "five year," "three year," or "commutation," as case may be.)

Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before  
John S. Booher, U. S. Commissioner,

Branson, Colorado

(Name of Officer.)

on the 8th day of

May, 1923.

Claimant names as witnesses:

- Richard A. Choate, of \_\_\_\_\_
- Harry T. Warner, of \_\_\_\_\_
- Edgar O. Hancock, of \_\_\_\_\_
- William A. Hancock, all of Branson, Colorado.

Fred E. Sisson  
Register.

*Las Animas Co. News*

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION.

I, Flora Castleberry  
foreman, of the  
(Publisher or foreman.)  
Las Animas County News  
(Name of newspaper.)  
published weekly at Branson Colo  
(Daily or weekly.) (Place.)  
do solemnly swear that a copy of the above notice, as per clipping  
attached, was published weekly in the regular and  
(Daily or weekly.)  
entire issue of said newspaper, and not in any supplement thereof,  
for five consecutive issues, commencing with the  
issue dated March 29, 1923, and ending with the  
issue dated April 26, 1923

Flora Castleberry  
(Signature.)

before me this 28th day of April, 1923.

John S. Booher  
(Official designation.)  
United States Commissioner

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rado on the 8th day of May 1923.  
Claimant names as witnesses:  
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ner, Edgar O. Hancock, William A.  
Hancock, all of Branson Colorado.  
Fred E. Sisson, Register

For use in  
HOMESTEAD and  
DESERT LAND  
Entries.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE PROOF.

at O'clock M

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

*Stock-raising homestead entry, Act* U. S. LAND OFFICE at Pueblo, Colorado  
*December 29, 1916 (32 Stats., 862).* March 14, 1923

I, Ralph L. Sanford, of  
Branson, Colorado, who, on December 24, 1920 and  
September 30, 1922, made  
Homestead Entry (Act 2-19-09) No. 041289 and  
Homestead Entry (Act December 29, 1916) No. 043612, for  
(Kind of application or entry.)

SE 1/4, Sec. 17, NE 1/4, Sec. 20, SE 1/4 SW 1/4, Section 5,  
Township 32 S., Range 58 W., 6th, Prin. Meridian,

hereby give notice of my intention to make three year  
(If homestead, insert "five-year," "three-year," or "commutation," as case may be.)  
Proof, to establish my claim to the land above described, before  
John S. Booher, U. S. Commissioner, at  
(Name of officer.)  
Branson, Colorado, on the 7th day of

May, 1923, by two of the following witnesses:

- Richard A. Choate, \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_
- Harry T. Warner, \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_
- Edgar O. Hancock, \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_
- William A. Hancock, all \_\_\_\_\_, of Branson, Colorado.

Ralph L. Sanford  
(Signature of claimant.)

Mar. 20, 1923,

Notice of the above intention to make proof will be published in the  
Las Americas A. News Branson Col  
(Name of newspaper.) (Place of publication.)  
for a period of five consecutive days, which I hereby designate  
as the newspaper published nearest the land above described.

Fred E. Sisson  
Register.

NO INFORMATION NOW IN  
THIS OFFICE WARRANTING  
FIELD INVESTIGATION

MAR 23 1923  
(DATE)

W. H. [unclear]

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Land Office at Pueblo Colo.

March 14, 1923.

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to make three year Proof to estab-  
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scribed before John S. Booher, U  
S. Commissioner, at Branson Colo-  
rado on the 8th day of May 1923.

Claimant names as witnesses:

Richard A. Choate, Harry T. War-  
ner Edgar O. Hancock, William A  
Hancock, all of Branson Colorado.

Fred E. Sisson, Register

For use in  
HOMESTEAD,  
DESERT LAND, and  
TIMBER or STONE  
Entries.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.  
(REGISTER.)

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
Pueblo, Colorado,

U. S. LAND OFFICE at \_\_\_\_\_  
March \_\_\_\_\_, 1923.

*Stock-raising homestead entry, Act  
December 29, 1916 (30 Stats., 862).*

Ralph L. Sanford,  
December 24, 1920 and \_\_\_\_\_ of  
September 30, 1922 \_\_\_\_\_  
who, on \_\_\_\_\_  
Homestead Entry (Act 2-19-09) No. 041289 and \_\_\_\_\_ made  
Homestead Entry (Act December 29, 1916) No. 043612 \_\_\_\_\_, for

(Kind of application or entry)  
SE 1/4, Sec. 17, NE 1/4, Sec. 20; SE 1/4 SW 1/4, \_\_\_\_\_, Section 5,

Township 32 S., Range 58 W., 6th, Prin. \_\_\_\_\_ Meridian,

has filed notice of intention to make \_\_\_\_\_  
(If homestead, insert "five year," "three year," or "commutation," as case may be.)  
three year

Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before  
John S. Booher, U. S. Commissioner,

Branson, Colorado (Name of officer.), at

\_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
*May*, 1923.

Claimant names as witnesses:

- Richard A. Choate, \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_
- Harry T. Warner, \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_
- Edgar O. Hancock, \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_
- William A. Hancock, all \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_

*Fred E. Sisson*  
Register.

*Law Office of News*

041289 043612  
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION  
Department of the Interior U. S.  
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Hancock, all of Branson Colorado.  
Fred E. Sisson, Register.

CERTIFICATE AS TO POSTING OF NOTICE.

*May 8*, 1923

I certify that the above notice, or copy thereof, was by me

placed in my office for a period of \_\_\_\_\_

posted said notice on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of

1923

*Fred E. Sisson*  
Register.

Branson, Colo. 3/10 1923.

Sirs:--

I have military service from Sept. 17, 1917 until July 9, 1919. which should more than make up for any shortage as to residence.

Ralph L. Sanford

U. S. LAND OFFICE

PUEBLO, COLORADO

MAR 15 1923

O'clock M

# AGREEMENT OF PUBLISHER

The undersigned, publisher and proprietor of the **LAS ANIMAS COUNTY NEWS**, a weekly newspaper published at Branson, County of Las Animas and State of Colorado, does hereby agree to publish a notice, dated U. S. Land Office, Pueblo, Colorado, March A. D. 1923, required by Act of Congress, approved May 10, 1872, of the intention of Ralph L. Sanford,

to make final proof upon his Homestead Entry No. s 041289-043612 for the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 17, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 20, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 5, Twp. 32 S. Range 58 W. 6th P. M and to hold the said Ralph L. Sanford

alone responsible for the amount due for publishing the same. And it is hereby stipulated and agreed that no claim shall be made against the Government of the United States, or its officers or agents, for such publication.

Witness my hand and seal this 14th, day

of March A. D. 1923.

*Ralph L. Sanford*  
Branson, Colo.

U. S. LAND OFFICE  
PUEBLO, COLO.

6.50 rd.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

Filed 10.4.21 MAY 19 1921

By M. B. Hiller

STOCK-RAISING HOMESTEAD ENTRY—ADDITIONAL.

(Act of December 29, 1916.)

Section 4

043612

Serial No.

2575609

Receipt No.

SEP 30 1922

APPLICATION AND AFFIDAVIT.

I, Ralph L. Sanford, of Branson, Colorado,  
(Give full Christian name.) (Post-office address.)

do hereby apply to enter under the act of December 29, 1916 (Public No. 290, 64th Congress), subject to the reservation to the United States of all coal and other minerals in the land; together with the right to prospect for, mine, and remove the same,

SE 1/4 SW 1/4, Section 5

Township 32 S., Range 58 W., 6th Prin.

Meridian, containing 40 acres, as additional to my Homestead

Entry No. 041289, made February 24 1920 at

Pueblo, Colorado, Land Office for

SE 1/4, Sec. 17, NE 1/4, Section 20,

Township 32 S., Range 58 W., 6th Prin. Meridian.

I do solemnly swear that this application is made for my exclusive benefit as an addition to my original homestead entry, and not directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whomsoever; that this application is honestly and in good faith made for the purpose of actual settlement, use, and improvement; that I will faithfully and honestly endeavor to comply with all the requirements of the law; that I have not heretofore made an entry under the timber and stone, desert land, or preemption laws, except as follows: None,

that I have not heretofore made an entry under the homestead laws

(other than that above described) except H. E. for 120 in Harrison Arkansas February 1912. Relinquished same.

I further state that the land applied for is not occupied and improved by any Indian, and is unoccupied and unappropriated by any person claiming the same under the public land laws other than myself; that the land now applied for and that embraced in my original entry above described do not contain merchantable timber and no timber

except scrub Cedar. That no part of said land is claimed, occupied or being worked under the mining laws;

is not susceptible of irrigation from any known source of water supply

except the following areas: None.

(Here give the subdivisions and areas of the

land, if any, susceptible of irrigation.) and does not contain any water hole or other body of water needed or

Posted 11-18-22 in Vol. 28, p. 135, by M. B. Hiller, Div. "0".

Examined and passed I. M. "0" NOV 23 1922

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18. Pt. to Geo. Survey

P.T.

used by the public for watering purposes; that the land is chiefly valuable for grazing and raising forage crops.

*Ralph L. Sanford*  
(Sign here, with full Christian name.)

NOTE.—Every person swearing falsely to the above affidavit will be punished as provided by law for such offense. (See Sec. 125, U. S. Criminal Code, below.)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing affidavit was read to or by affiant in my presence before affiant affixed signature thereto; that affiant is to me personally known (or has been satisfactorily identified before me by \_\_\_\_\_);

(Give full name and post-office address) \_\_\_\_\_ that I verily believe affiant to be a qualified applicant and the identical person hereinbefore described; and that said affidavit was duly

subscribed and sworn to before me, at my office, in \_\_\_\_\_ Coloflats, \_\_\_\_\_ (Town.)

Las Animas County, Colorado, \_\_\_\_\_, within the \_\_\_\_\_ Pueblo, \_\_\_\_\_ (County and State.)

Colorado, \_\_\_\_\_ land district, this \_\_\_\_\_ 18th \_\_\_\_\_ day

of \_\_\_\_\_ May \_\_\_\_\_, 19 \_\_\_\_\_ 21.

*John S. Booher*  
United States Commissioner.  
(Official designation of officer.)

We, *John W. Kropp*, of *Braun, Colorado*, and *Walter A. Kropp*, of *Braun, Colorado*, do solemnly swear that we are well acquainted with the above-named affiant and the lands described, and personally know that the statements made by him relative to the character of the said lands are true.

*John W. Kropp*  
*Walter A. Kropp*

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing affidavit was read to or by affiants in my presence before affiants affixed signatures thereto; that affiants are to me personally known (or have been satisfactorily identified before me by \_\_\_\_\_);

(Give full name and post-office address) \_\_\_\_\_ and that said affidavit was duly subscribed and sworn to before me at

\_\_\_\_\_ Coloflats, Colorado, this \_\_\_\_\_ 18th \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ May \_\_\_\_\_, 19 \_\_\_\_\_ 21.

*John S. Booher*  
United States Commissioner.  
(Official designation of officer.)

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE AT \_\_\_\_\_ Pueblo, Colorado.

SEP 3 6 1922

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing application is for surveyed land of the class which the applicant is legally entitled to enter under the act of December 29, 1916; that there is no prior valid adverse right to the same, and has this day been allowed.

*Frank E. Simon*  
Register.

UNITED STATES CRIMINAL CODE.

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Pueblo, Colorado,

043612

May 20, 1921.

Ralph L. Sanford,

Branson, Colorado.

stock-raising homestead entry

SE1SW1,

make additional

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32 S.

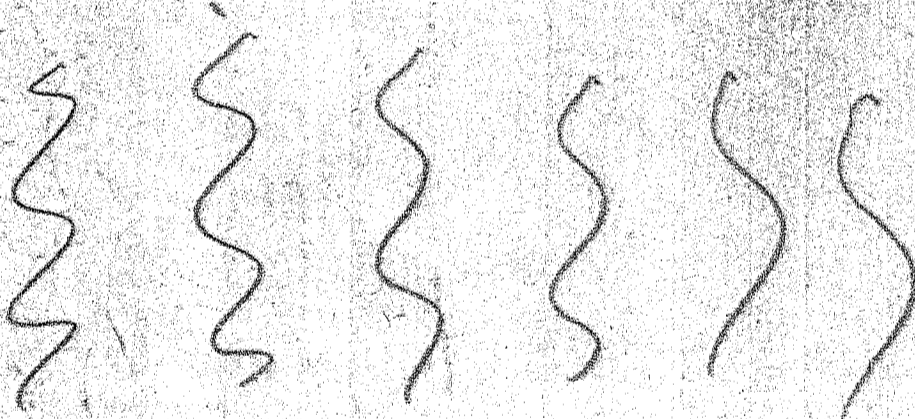
58 W.

6th P.

this date

suspended

neither your original entry nor the land applied for under this application has been designated under the stock-raising homestead act, and you will be required to file petitions for designation therefor, in triplicate.



*B a.m by M.B. Willey*

U. S. LAND OFFICE  
PUEBLO, COLO. ✓

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR Filed *10 a.m.* JUN 1, 1921  
UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE *M. B. Willey*  
PUEBLO COLORADO

Serial 043612

State of Colorado, )  
                          : ss:  
County Las Animas )

Affidavit as to there being no  
open, un-appropriated, unreserved,  
public lands adjacent to Original  
Entry No. 041289

Now comes Ralph L. Sanford,  
who being first duly sworn deposes and says: That he is the  
same person who made Original HE 041289 for SE4 Sec 17;  
NE4 Sec 20, T. 32 S. R. 58 W. 6th P.M.,

That he is now applying for non-contiguous lands as shown  
on his accompanying Additional Application for \_\_\_\_\_  
SE4SW4 Sec 5, 32-58,

That there is no open, un-appropriated and un-reserved pub-  
lic lands adjacent to his said Original Homestead Entry.

*Ralph L. Sanford*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st. day of June  
A. D. 1921.

*John S. Booher*  
United States Commissioner.

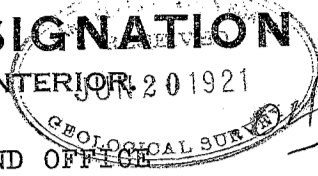
Pueblo 041289

4-016 C

THIS PETITION MUST BE FILED IN DUPLICATE.  
(If additional application is for non-contiguous land, file two sets.)

# PETITION FOR DESIGNATION

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR



BEFORE THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

State of Colorado }  
County of Las Animas } ss.

Petition for the designation  
of certain lands under the  
Act of December 29, 1916.

Comes now Ralph L. Sanford

whose post office address is Branson, Colorado,  
who deposes and says:

That he is the same person who on even date herewith has  
made application to enter as a homestead the

SE1/4 Sec. 6 T. 32 S R. 58 W  
6th P. Meridian, containing 40 acres. That his original home-  
stead entry is Serial No. 041288 Made December 21, 1920  
(Give year and month)  
at Pueblo Land Office for the SD4 Sec 17; SD4  
Section 30 T. 32 S R. 58 W, 6th Principal

Meridian. That he has examined each legal subdivision;  
that the tract contains no merchantable timber, is not susceptible  
of irrigation from any known source of water supply, does not con-  
tain any water hole or any body of water needed or used by the  
public for watering purposes, is chiefly valuable for grazing and  
raising forage crops, and is of such character that 640 acres are  
reasonably required for the support of a family, all of which is  
more fully set forth below and covers both the original entry, if  
any, and the land applied for.

Carded  
Botcher

First: Give character of surface of each legal subdivision.  
(A legal subdivision is a 40-acre tract or lot)

### ORIGINAL

The original entry is rolling land, broken and rough in places  
with very little land upon it suitable for plowing but all covered  
with a fair growth of grasses and other native grasses and especially  
adapted for pasture purposes; that there is no merchantable timber  
upon any part of said entry but there are scattered patches of scrub  
cedars of no commercial value; that no part thereof can be irrigated  
from any known source of water supply;

### ADDITIONAL

this forty is of the same general character as the lands embraced  
in the original entry and all of the land, both original and additional  
are of the character contemplated in the act of December 29, 1916;

JAN 26 1922  
JAN 24 1922  
S. R. design No. 36 approved  
Record informally referred to G. L. O. for filing only

Orig. Pt. to G.L.O.

Second: Surface Water Supply: State what streams, springs, or other bodies of water are on the land or in the vicinity thereof, the depth to water, volume, etc., and how stock water is to be obtained. ~~no water upon the land; stock water will be obtained from wells.~~

Third: Underground Water Supply: Give location of well or wells, if any, upon the land, depth of well, depth of water, and yield, if none, those in the vicinity of the land. *No wells on the land, except well on original 40 ft. deep. Yield water for about 50 head of stock.*

Fourth: Irrigability: State what part, if any, is irrigated or can be, and from what ditches, wells or streams. ~~no, none.~~

Fifth: Timber and Vegetation: Describe any timber on the land and locate it by legal subdivisions and give value. Describe tree and plant growth. This includes land under cultivation or in crop. ~~a few scattered scrub cedars. Crops ??~~ *30 acres of the E 1/2 & E 1/4 Sec. 17, all in fall wheat.*

Sixth: Agricultural value: State the number of acres in each legal subdivision that will produce agricultural or forage crops and the number of acres which have been actually cultivated. *E 1/2 & E 1/4, Sec. 17, will produce agricultural or forage crops. All of the other subdivisions are too broken for cultivation.*

Seventh: Give the number of acres cultivated and kind and value of crops grown each year upon the original entry.

Season.	Acres planted.	Kind of crop raised.	Yield.	Value.
For the year 1919?	75 acres	Wheat & corn		\$ 200.
" " "	30 "	Wheat, corn & clover		\$ 250.
" " "	19			\$
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Eighth: Grazing value: Give grazing character of all the lands involved and number of acres used for that purpose and that can be used, with estimate of number of cattle or livestock that can be maintained throughout the year. this land in my original entry will pasture about 70 and the additional forty about 4 head the year round.

Ninth: State location of corners of the public surveys by which you determined the situation or legal description of this land. Government survey corners are well established and known.

Tenth: Give any additional facts regarding these lands not covered by the above, as for instance, altitude of land and length of growing season.

The map on the reverse side hereof and the matters thereon shown are hereby made a part hereof.

That he believes that these lands are of the character contemplated by "An Act to provide for stock raising homesteads and for other purposes," approved December 29th, 1916, and asks that they be so designated, and that his application to enter the same be accepted.

(Signature of applicant) Ralph L Sanford

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st. day of June 1921.

John S. Booher  
United States Commissioner.

CORROBORATIVE AFFIDAVIT.

Also appeared at the same time and place Charles D. Johnson,  
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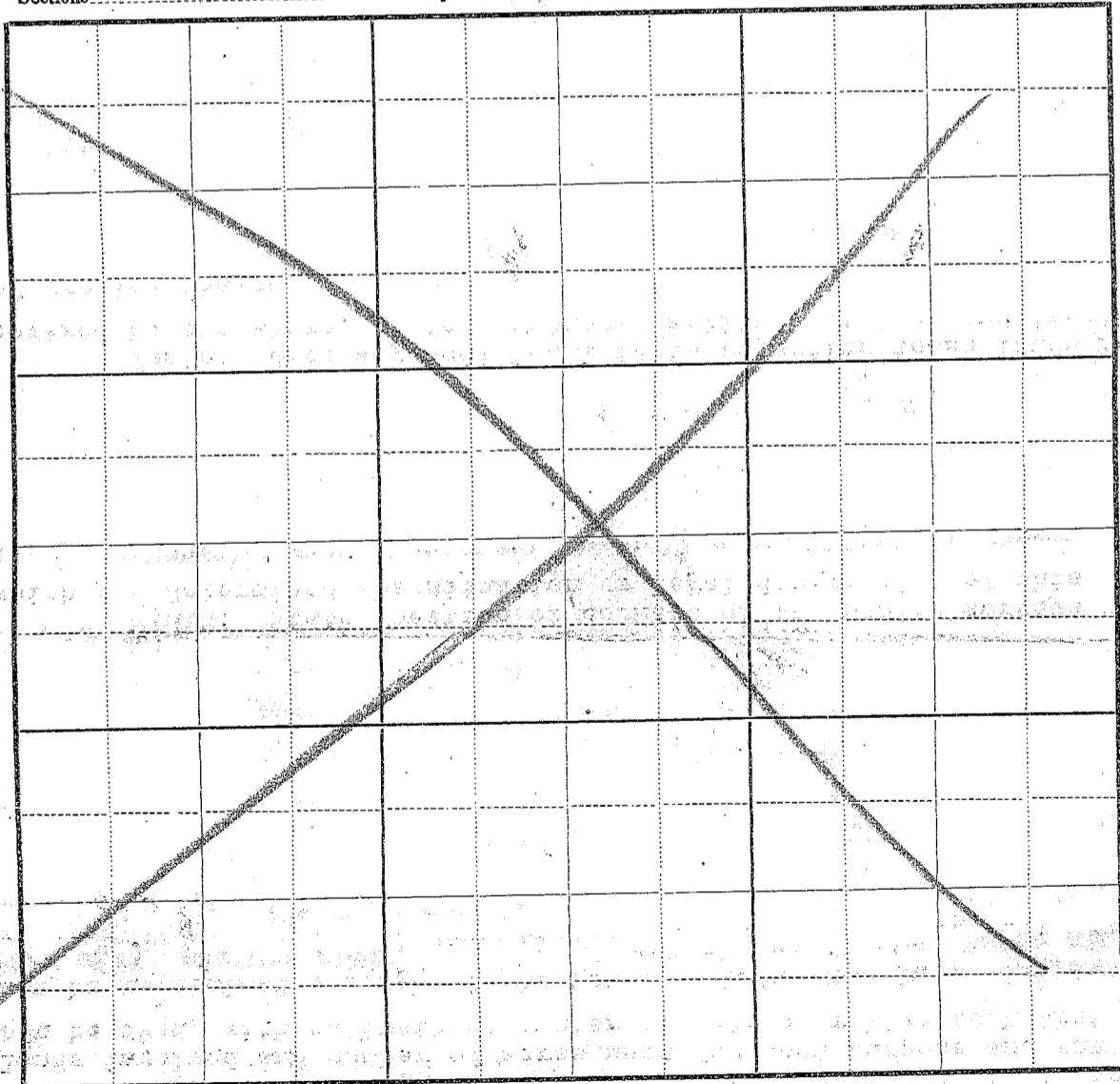
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Sections

Township No.

Range No.

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U. S. LAND OFFICE  
PUEBLO, COLO.

THIS PETITION MUST BE FILED IN DUPLICATE  
(If additional application is for non-contiguous land, file two sets.)

Filed *10 d* JUN 1 1921

# PETITION FOR DESIGNATION

*M. B. Kelley*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

*043617*

BEFORE THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Orig. Pt. to G.L.O.

State of Colorado }  
County of Las Animas } ss. Petition for the designation  
of certain lands under the  
Act of December 29, 1916.

Comes now Ralph L. Sanford

whose post office address is Branson, Colorado,  
who deposes and says:

That he is the same person who on even date herewith has  
made application to enter as a homestead the

SE1SW4 Sec. 5 T. 32 S R. 55 W  
6th P. Meridian, containing 40 acres. That his original home-  
stead entry is Serial No. 041289 Made December 24, 1920  
at Pueblo Land Office for the SE4 Sec 17; NE4  
Section 20 T. 32 S R. 55 W, 6th Principal

Meridian. That he has examined each legal subdivision;  
that the tract contains no merchantable timber, is not susceptible  
of irrigation from any known source of water supply, does not con-  
tain any water hole or any body of water needed or used by the  
public for watering purposes, is chiefly valuable for grazing and  
raising forage crops, and is of such character that 640 acres are  
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more fully set forth below and covers both the original entry, if  
any, and the land applied for.

First: Give character of surface of each legal subdivision.  
(A legal subdivision is a 40-acre tract or lot).

### ORIGINAL

The original entry is rolling land, broken and rough in places  
with very little land upon it suitable for plowing but all covered  
with a fair growth of grama and other native grasses and especially  
adapted for pasture purposes; that there is no merchantable timber  
upon any part of said entry but there are scattered patches of scrub  
cedars of no commercial value; that no part thereof can be irrigated  
from any known source of water supply;

### ADDITIONAL

this forty is of the same general character as the lands embraced  
in the original entry and all of the land, both original and additional,  
are of the character contemplated in the act of December 29, 1916;

Second: Surface Water Supply: State what streams, springs, or other bodies of water are on the land or in the vicinity thereof, the depth to water, volume, etc., and how stock water is to be obtained. no water upon the land; stock-water will be obtained from wells.

Third: Underground Water Supply: Give location of well or wells, if any, upon the land, depth of well, depth of water, and yield, if none, those in the vicinity of the land. No wells on the land, except well on original 40 ft. deep. Yield water for about 50 head of stock.

Fourth: Irrigability: State what part, if any, is irrigated or can be, and from what ditches, wells or streams. no, none.

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Seventh: Give the number of acres cultivated and kind and value of crops grown each year upon the original entry.

Season.	Acres planted.	Kind of crop raised.	Yield.	Value.
For the year 1919	75 acres	Wheat + Corn		\$ 700.
" " "	30 "	Wheat, Corn + Cane		\$ 750.
" " "				\$
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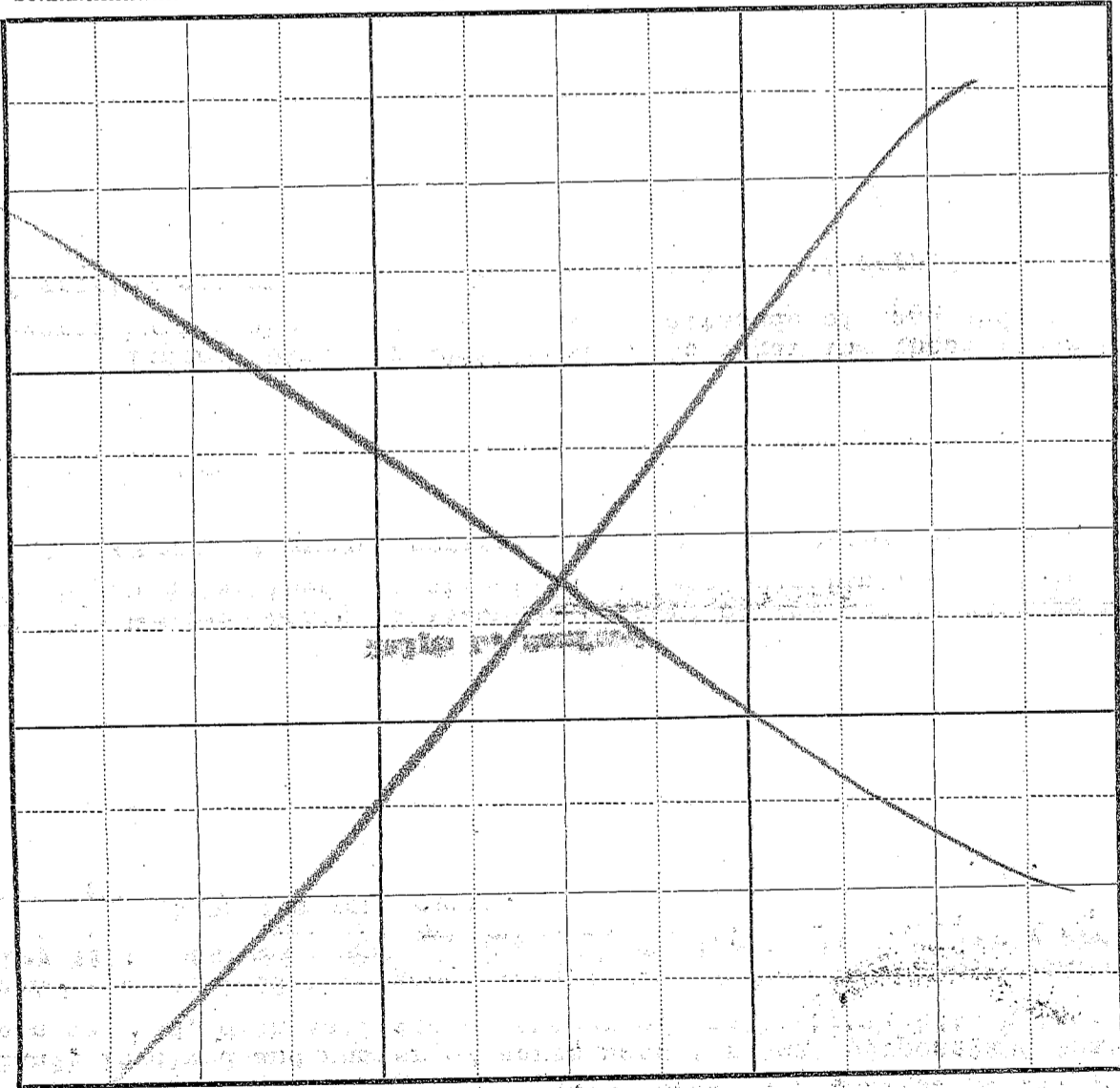
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Township No.

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Orig. Pt. to G.L.O.



4-007a

TO BE ATTACHED TO THE FACE OF EACH PETITION FOR DESIGNATION.

(Not to be Furnished in Duplicate.)

----- Pueblo, Colorado. -----  
(Office.)

Name of petitioner ----- Ralph L. Sanford, ----- Branson, Colorado. -----

Description of land which petitioner asks be designated: SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 5, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 17,  
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 20,  
 ----- Section -----

Township ----- 32 S. -----, Range ----- 58 W. -----, ----- 6th P. ----- Meridian.

Serial number of suspended application: ----- 043612 ----- Embracing  
 ----- SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , -----  
(If the same as above, insert "Same.") Section ----- 5 -----

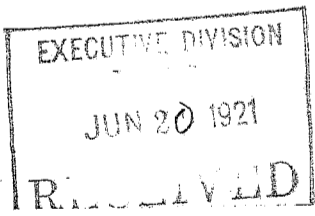
Township ----- 32 S. -----, Range ----- 58 W. -----, ----- 6th P. ----- Meridian.

Serial number of original entry, if above describes an application for additional entry: ----- 041289 -----

Embracing ----- SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 17, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , -----  
 ----- Section ----- 20 -----

Township ----- 32 S. -----, Range ----- 58 W. -----, ----- 6th P. ----- Meridian.

If the application is for a second entry, it should be forwarded with the petition for designation. 6-4863



Duplicate P'ts. to Geo. Survey

4-007d

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(Not to be Furnished in Duplicate.)

Pueblo, Colorado,  
(Office.)

Name of petitioner Ralph L. Sanford, Branson, Colorado.

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NE $\frac{1}{2}$ , Sec. 20,

Section \_\_\_\_\_,  
Township 32 S., Range 58 W., 6th P. Meridian.

Serial number of suspended application: 043612 Embracing

SE $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  
(If the same as above, insert "Same.")

Section 5,  
Township 32 S., Range 58 W., 6th P. Meridian.

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Embracing SE $\frac{1}{2}$ , Sec. 17, NE $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  
Section 20,

Township 32 S., Range 58 W., 6th P. Meridian.

If the application is for a second entry, it should be forwarded with the petition for designation. 6-4821

*Posted 7-21-21. J.B.B.*

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JUN 1 1921

4-016 C

THIS PETITION MUST BE FILED IN DUPLICATE  
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Filed at Pueblo Mo. JUN 1 1921  
By M. B. Hilley

# PETITION FOR DESIGNATION

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

043612

BEFORE THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE  
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at Pueblo Land Office for the SE4 Sec 17; NE4 (Give year and month)

Section 20 T. 32 S R. 58 W, 6th Principal

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(Signature of applicant)

*Ralph L. Sanford*

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*John J. Booker*  
United States Commissioner.



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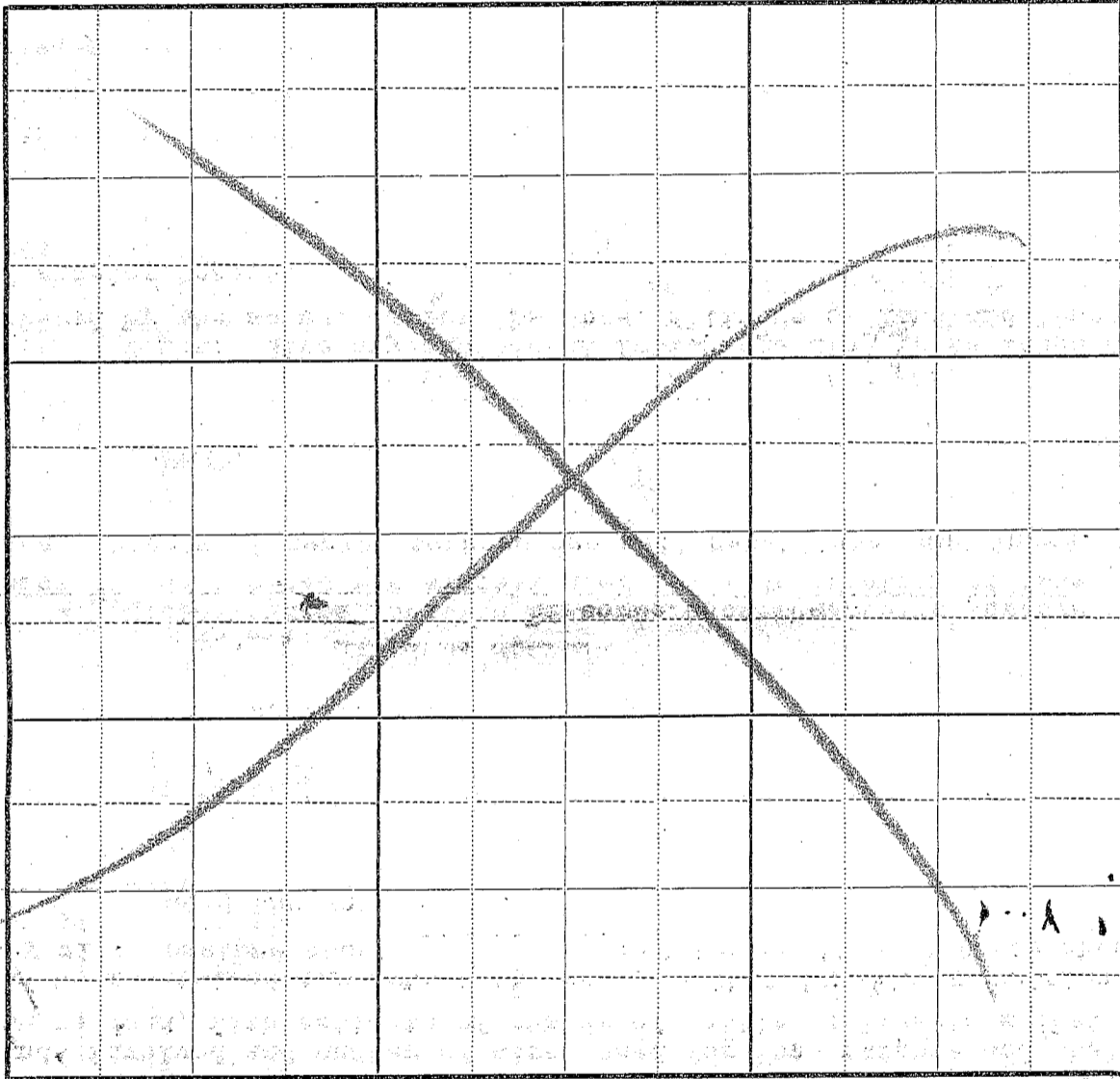
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Sections \_\_\_\_\_ Township No. \_\_\_\_\_ Range No. \_\_\_\_\_ Mer. \_\_\_\_\_





DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

U. S. LAND OFFICE

PUEBLO, COLO.

FEB 20 1920

Filed at

By *R. A. Rafter*

Serial No. 041289

Receipt No. *2461239*

# HOMESTEAD ENTRY.

(Act of February 19, 1909.)

Pueblo, Colorado,

Fees \$ *10.00*  
 Comm (Orig) \$ *12.00*  
 Excess \$ *1.00*  
 Comm (Fin.) \$ *1.00*  
 Pur Mon \$ *1.00*  
 Test Fees \$ *1.00*  
 Interest \$ *1.00*

## APPLICATION AND AFFIDAVIT.

*20 off*

*In accordance with 6-12-11-20*  
 I, Ralph L. Sanford, *male*, a resident of Branson, Las Animas County, Colorado, do hereby apply

to enter, under the act of February 19, 1909 (35 Stat., 639), the

SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 17, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section *20*,

Township 32 S., Range 58 W., 6th Prin. Meridian, containing

320 acres, within the Pueblo, Colorado land district;

and I do solemnly swear that I am not the proprietor of more than 160

acres of land in any State or Territory; that I am a native born

(Applicant must state whether native born, naturalized, or has filed declaration of intention to become a citizen. If not native born, certified copy of naturalization or declaration of intention, as case may be, must be filed with this application.)

citizen of the United States, and

am the head of a family, married,

(State whether the head of a family, married or unmarried, or over twenty-one years of age, and if not over twenty-one, applicant must set forth the facts which constitute him the head of a family.)

that my post-office address is Branson, Colorado;

that this application is honestly and in good faith made for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation, and not for the benefit of any other person, persons, or corporation; that I will faithfully and honestly endeavor to comply with all the requirements of law as to settlement, residence, and cultivation necessary to acquire title to the land applied for; that I am not acting as agent of any person, corporation, or syndicate in making this entry, nor in collusion with any person, corporation, or syndicate to give them the benefit of the land entered, or any part thereof, or the timber thereon; that I do not apply to enter the same for the purpose of speculation, but in good faith to obtain a home for myself, and that I have not directly or indirectly made, and will not make, any agreement, or contract, in any way or manner, with any person or persons, corporation, or syndicate whatsoever, by which the title which I may acquire from the Government of the United States will inure in whole or in part to the benefit of any person except myself. I have not heretofore made any entry under the homestead, timber and

stone, desert land, or preemption laws (except Filed 120 acres in (H.E. 09533))

Arkansas, at Harrison, in 1912. Relinquished same.

(Here describe former entry or entries by section, township, range, land district, and number of entry; how perfected, or if not perfected state that fact.)

that I am well acquainted with the character of the land herein applied for and with each and every legal subdivision thereof, having personally examined same; that there is not to my knowledge within the limits thereof any vein or lode of quartz or other rock in place bearing gold, silver, cinnabar, lead, tin, or copper, nor any deposit of coal, placer, cement, gravel, salt spring, or deposit of salt, nor other valuable mineral deposit; that no portion of said land is claimed for mining purposes under the local customs or rules of miners, or otherwise; that no portion of said land is worked for mineral during any part of the year by any person or persons; that said land is essentially nonmineral land, and that my application therefore is not made for the purpose of fraudulently obtaining title to mineral land; that the land is not occupied and improved by any Indian; that the lands applied for do not contain

merchantable timber, and no timber except None.

(Here fully describe amount and kind of timber, if any.)

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*1st H. 09533 Relin. 23/165 Ark.*  
*Posted 3-12-21 28/140*  
*B.W.*

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and that it is not susceptible of successful irrigation at a reasonable cost from any known source of water supply except the following areas:

None.

(Give the subdivision and area of the lands, if any, susceptible of irrigation.)

*Ralph L. Sanford*  
(Sign here, with full Christian name.)

NOTE.—Every person swearing falsely to the above affidavit will be punished as provided by law for such offense. (See Sec. 125, U. S. Criminal Code, below.)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing affidavit was read to or by affiant in my presence before affiant affixed signature thereto; that affiant is to me personally known (or has been satisfactorily identified before me by \_\_\_\_\_);

(Give full name and post-office address.)

that I verily believe affiant to be a qualified applicant and the identical person hereinbefore described; and that said affidavit was duly

subscribed and sworn to before me, at my office, in \_\_\_\_\_ Coloflats, \_\_\_\_\_

Las Animas County, Colorado, \_\_\_\_\_, within the \_\_\_\_\_ Pueblo, \_\_\_\_\_

(County and State.)

Colorado, \_\_\_\_\_ land district, this \_\_\_\_\_ 18th \_\_\_\_\_ day

of \_\_\_\_\_ February \_\_\_\_\_, 19 20.

*John S. Butler*  
United States Commissioner.  
(Official designation of officer.)

We, Archie H. Horn, \_\_\_\_\_ of Branson, Colorado, \_\_\_\_\_,

and Edgar O. Hancock, \_\_\_\_\_ of Branson, Colorado, \_\_\_\_\_,

do solemnly swear that we are well acquainted with the above-named affiant and the lands described, and personally know that the statements made by him relative to the character of the said lands are true.

*Archie H. Horn*  
*Edgar O. Hancock*

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing affidavit was read to or by affiants in my presence before affiants affixed signatures thereto; that affiants are to me personally known (or have been satisfactorily identified before me by \_\_\_\_\_); and that said

affidavit was duly subscribed to before me at \_\_\_\_\_ Coloflats, Colorado, \_\_\_\_\_

this \_\_\_\_\_ 18th \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ February \_\_\_\_\_, 19 20.

*John S. Butler*  
United States Commissioner.  
(Official designation of officer.)

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE at \_\_\_\_\_

*Pueblo, Colorado*  
*Dec 24*, 19 20

I HEREBY CERTIFY That the foregoing application is for surveyed land of the class which the applicant is legally entitled to enter under the act of February 19, 1909; that there is no prior valid adverse right to the same, and has this day been allowed.

*Geo. W. ...*  
Register.

UNITED STATES CRIMINAL CODE.—CHAP. 6.

SEC. 125. Whoever, having taken an oath before a competent tribunal, officer, or person, in any case in which a law of the United States authorizes an oath to be administered, that he will testify, declare, depose, or certify truly, or that any written testimony, declaration, deposition, or certificate by him subscribed, is true, shall willfully and contrary to such oath state or subscribe any material matter which he does not believe to be true, is guilty of perjury, and shall be fined not more than two thousand dollars and imprisoned not more than five years. (Act, March 4, 1909. 35 Stat., 1111.)

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Feb 17 1920

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

GENERAL LAND OFFICE

WASHINGTON

APR 1920

December 11, 1920.  
Second homestead entry  
allowed.

Ralph L. Sanford

Act February 3, 1909.

Register and Receiver,  
Pueblo, Colorado.

Sirs:

On February 20, 1920 the party named above filed an application (Serial 041289) to make a second homestead entry for  $3\frac{1}{2}$  Sec. 17 NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 20, T. 32 S., R. 4 W; 6th P.M.

The tract applied for embraces 320 acres.

The showing made is deemed sufficient under the provisions of the act of September 8, 1914 (38 Stat., 712), and you are directed to allow the application herewith enclosed should no objection appear noting thereon the initial and date of this letter.

Very respectfully,

*[Signature]*  
Assistant Commissioner

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U. S. LAND OFFICE  
PUEBLO, COLO.

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(Form approved by the Secretary of the Interior October 31, 1914)

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

By Wainaut

APPLICATION FOR SECOND ENTRY

(To accompany application for a specific tract)

(Act of September 5, 1914—Public, No. 194—63d Congress)

U. S. LAND OFFICE, Pueblo, Colorado, No. 041289

I, Ralph L. Sanford, of Branson, Colorado,  
(Give post-office address.)

being an applicant for second Homestead entry, do hereby make

under oath the following statements regarding my former Homestead entry, or entries, which I failed to perfect:

QUESTION 1. Give the number and series of the prior entry (or entries); also a description of the tract (or tracts) by legal subdivisions, section, township, and range.

SE 1/4, Sec. 2, N 1/2, Sec. 11, Twp 20 Range 14, made at Harrison, Arkansas in 1912.

HE. 09533 (Sept. 19, 1914 relinquished)

QUESTION 2. What examination of the land, and what inquiries as to its character, did you make before filing your former application (or applications) for entry? If you are referring to a desert-land entry (or entries), state what reason you had to believe that the required proportion of the tract, or tracts, could be reclaimed by you through irrigation.

I made inquiry as to its value for stock-raising purposes.

QUESTION 3. If reference is had to a homestead entry, state whether you established residence on the land, how long you lived there, and what cultivation and improvements you had; if reference is had to a desert-land entry, state whether you took possession of the land, and, if so, how long you continued to exercise acts of ownership thereover.

I did not establish residence on the land nor improve it in any manner.

QUESTION 4. State what improvements, if any, you made upon the land, describing in detail their nature and cost.

Made no improvements on the land.

QUESTION 5. State when you abandoned the claim, and your reasons for that action, and whether you ever executed a relinquishment of the entry, giving the date thereof as nearly as possible, and stating to whom the paper was delivered.

I gave up the place about 1914 and executed a relinquishment to the land and gave it to the County Clerk of Baxter County, Arkansas, to be sent into the Land Office.

QUESTION 6. State what consideration, if any, you received for the abandonment or relinquishment of your claim; also whether you sold the improvements on the land. If such a sale was made, give full details thereof, including its date, the consideration received, and its precise relation to the relinquishment of your entry.

I did not receive anything for the relinquishment of the place.

QUESTION 7. State any other facts regarding your first entry or entries which may have a bearing upon the question of your right to make entry under your present application.

I took this entry when the country was an open range and it was soon all fenced up, leaving me with only my 120 acres, in the Ozark hills, which was valueless for any use other than for the grazing of stock, and as the tract was too small for me to make a living on in this way I relinquished it without consideration.

*Ralph L. Sanford*  
(Sign here, with full Christian name.)

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*John S. Booker*  
United States Commissioner.

(Official designation of officer.)

AFFIDAVITS OF WITNESSES.

(There need be only one witness, if his testimony is fully corroborative. Affidavits of witnesses may be executed before any officer authorized to administer oaths and having an official seal.)

I, Robert M. Hancock, of Branson, Colorado

do state on oath that the above testimony of Ralph L. Sanford,

an applicant for second Homestead entry, has been read to me; that I know of no facts which should disqualify him from making said entry, other than such as appear in his affidavit or are now stated by me; that this affidavit is made solely from my own knowledge of the facts.

I know that

*Robert M Hancock*  
(Sign here with full Christian name.)

State of Colorado }  
Las Animas County. } ss:

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th, day of April, 19 20.

*John A. Booker*  
United States Commissioner.  
(Official designation of officer.)

NOTE.—Every person swearing falsely to the above affidavit will be punished as provided by law for such offense. See section 125, United States Criminal Code (over).

I, \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_

do state on oath that the above testimony of \_\_\_\_\_

an applicant for second \_\_\_\_\_ entry, has been read to me; that I know of no facts which should disqualify him from making said entry, other than such as appear in his affidavit or are now stated by



me; that this affidavit is made solely from my own knowledge of the facts.

I know that

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(Sign here, with full Christian name.)

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State of

County.

ss:

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ... day of ... , 19...

(Official designation of officer.)

Pueblo, Colorado.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE at

Aug 31, 1920

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing application is for surveyed land and that there is no prior valid adverse right to the same. We recommend that the application be favorably considered.

(If rejection is recommended, set out reasons therefor.)

[Signatures: G. W. ... Register. Florence ... Receiver.]

UNITED STATES CRIMINAL CODE

SEC. 125. Whoever, having taken an oath before a competent tribunal, officer, or person, in any case in which a law of the United States authorizes an oath to be administered, that he will testify, declare, depose, or certify truly, or that any written testimony, declaration, deposition, or certificate by him subscribed, is true, shall willfully and contrary to such oath, state or subscribe any material matter which he does not believe to be true, is guilty of perjury, and shall be fined not more than two thousand dollars and imprisoned not more than five years.

# GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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Serial No. 111289

(Grand Office)  
Mineral Hd., Act May 20, 1868

Revised Hd. Act Feb. 19 1900  
Act June 6, 1912 (Public = 179)

Stock-Raising  
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other minerals, and conditions and limita-  
tions as provided by Act of Dec. 29, 1910  
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