

"BURNING OF COURTHOUSE"

(seal) THE DEMING INVESTMENT COMPANY  
Attest: T.W. Stout By D.S. Waskey -- Vice-President.

State of Kansas )  
County of Labette ) Before me, a Notary Public, in and for Labette County, Kansas, on this day personally appeared D.S. Waskey, known to me to be the Vice President of The Deming Investment Company, and known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, and in the capacity therein stated, and as the act and deed of said The Deming Investment Company.

Given under my hand and seal of office this the 21st day of March, 1924.

(seal) James B. Draper.  
My Commission expires Sept. 24. 1924. Notary Public, Labette County, Kansas.

Filed for record this the 29th day of March A.D. 1924 at 1 O'clock P.M.

H.M. Roark, Clerk of the County Court of Milam County, Tex.

T.G. Sampson et al

To: Affidavit The State of Texas )  
The Public County of Milam ) Before me, L.E. Laurence Jr., a Notary Public, in and for Milam County, Texas, on this day personally appeared T.G. Sampson and J.M. Tucker, each well known to me to be credible citizens of Milam County, Texas, also known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed hereto, and after each being duly sworn by me, upon their oaths depose and say.

That our names are T.G. Sampson and J.M. Tucker; That we have resided in and near Cameron, Milam County, Texas, since the year of 1854 and 1854 \_\_\_\_\_ respectively that we are well acquainted with the events that transpired from the above years up to the present time in and around Cameron, Texas, and of our own personal knowledge we swear as follows:

That The Court House of Milam County, Texas, situated in Cameron, Texas, was destroyed by fire on the night of April 9th, 1874; that it has been and is still the common knowledge that all records of every kind and character as well as the Court House its self, was completely destroyed by fire on the night of April 9th, 1874; that it has been our knowledge and is still our knowledge and belief, that there was nothing saved from the Court house or its records.

Owing to the fact that those among us that were living here at the time is fast passing from this earth, we make this affidavit in order that proof positive shall be made and perpetuated so that in after years the exact date and the facts relating there to, of the Burning and destruction of the court house and its records might and will be had.

We swear further that Hon . W.T. Hefley, who has practiced law in Cameron for many