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JACK F. POWERS,

Complainant,

VS. CERTAIN LANDS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA. IN EQUITY. NO. 2420.

TESTIMONY TAKEN IN OPEN COURT ON MAY 24, 1950

Jack F. Powers, being first duly and legally sworn, testified as follows:

ON DIRECT EXAMINATION

By Mr. J. B. Blackburn

Q. What is your name, please sir?

A. Jack F. Powers.

Q. Mr. Powers, you are the Complainant in this suit?

- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Are you over twenty-one years of age and a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama?

A. Yes sir.

Q. And were you such resident at the time this suit was filed?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Now, the parties named defendants in this suit, Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation; Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corporation; Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation; American Securities Corporation, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the American Securities Corporation, a Sossaman, Trustee; George A. Sossaman, Trustee; George A.

Corporation; George A. Sossaman, Trustee for Frank W. Boykin, H. S. Denniston and Bertha S. Wilsey, as Executrix of the Last Will of R. E. Wilsey, Deceased; Thomas P. Hamm; Lovonie Hamm; J. R. Duncan; Margaret Duncan; J. L. Tucker; C. B. Mitchell; S. P. Gaillard, Jr.; Mrs. Rosalie Disimone Orr; George A. Sossaman; P. G. Baker; D. A. Baker; George Asmus; Irene Christine Asmus; C. N. Souther; Floyd R. Perkins; T. J. Rester; George H. Berga; George H. Berge; C. C. Martin; P. W. King; Patrick Wilbert Kind; Gertrude King; Alson W. Hatch; 'Alson William Hatch; D. W. Cooke; Daniel W. Cooke; Mary L. Woodson; J. S. Garman; D. Baker; Daisy A. Baker; R. Knight; Denniston Company, a Corporation; Elberta Turpentine Company, a Partnership, composed of L. W. Brannan and L. W. Brannan, Jr.; L. W. Brannan; L. W. Brannan, Jr., et als, Mr. Powers, with the exception of the two Brannans, L. W. Brannan and L. W. Brannan, Jr., the Elberta Turpentine Company, J. R. Duncan, T. J. Rester, the respondents named in this Bill of Complaint, are they each living and over twenty-one years of age? That is, those individuals; but their post office addresses are unknown and cannot be ascertained after diligent inquiry, are they not?

A. That's right.

- Q. With reference to making a diligent effort to determine the corporation status, the residence and place of address of all of the respondents in this suit, what did you do?
- A. Made inquiry around the community and different places. I thought I might obtain some information as to their whereabouts.
- Q. Over what period of time did those inquiries cover?A. I have been working on it for the last two or three years.
- Q. In addition you had an abstract made covering the property? A. Yes sir.

Q. Employed attorneys to examine the abstract and the records? A. Yes sir.

Q. And the facts that you have been able to gather are truthfully

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set outin the Bill of Complaint?

- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Mr. Powers, I will ask you whether or not you were in the actual peaceable possession of all the property described in this proceeding, claiming to own it in your own right at the time suit was filed?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Explain to the Court just what your possession consisted of.
- Å. In Section Thirty, first, parcel South Half of Northwest of the Southeast of the Northwest Quarter - this was fenced in the fall of 1946 and cleared, cultivation commenced and it is all now in cultivation: The South Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, - this was fenced in the fall of 1946, clearing was commenced and it is all in cultivation at the present; The South Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, - This was fenced in the fall of 1946, and is cleared and in cultivation at present; The West Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, - This was fenced in December 1939, one half of it put in cultivation immediately thereafter, and it is all in cultivation at the present; The Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter was fenced in December, 1939 and put in cultivation immediately; The Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter was fenced in December and put Northeast Quarter in cultivation immediately; The Southeast Quarter of the/Northof the west Quarter was fenced in December 1939 and put incultivation immediately thereafter and has been in cultivation ever since; The North Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, - This was fenced in December. 1939 and put in cultivation immediately thereafter.
- Q. In Section 25, Six South 4 East?
- A. North Half of Northwest Quarter of Northwest Quarter, the virgin pine stumps removed in the fall of 1941, 1946 parts put in cultivation part not suitable for cultivation.

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The Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast quarter, the virgin pulpwood was sold and removed in the fall and winter of 1939 and 1940 and the pulp wood disposed of immediately, cleaned, piled and burned to facilitate as a natural grazing and growing timber. The North Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, virgin pine stumps sold and removed in the fall of 1939 and a building built thereon. My father lived here maintained the rest. - - - In 1946 eight acres cleared and put in cultivation and the remainder put under fence and used for grazing and timber raising. The North Half of the South Half of the Northwest Quarer of the Southwest Quarter all in the same parcel. The Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter was used for natural grazing until 1946 and it was put under fence with the other, the rest in cultivation at present. The South Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, the pulp wood was sold and removed in1941 and has since been used for natural grazing and growing timber, in 1946 it was put under fence with the other lands. That covers all of it.

- Q. Mr. Powers, have you regularly, you and those through whom you claim title, regularly assessed and paid taxes on all the property involved in this suit?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Has any persons, firms, corporations, other than you and those through whom you claim title, paid any taxes on the property or had any possession of any part of it or any interest in it for more than ten years prior to the time this suit was filed?
- A. No.
- Q. At the time suit was filed, I will ask you whether any other suit was pending to test your title to or possession of the said lands?
  A. No.
- Q. I believe you stated when this suit was filed you were in the
- actual possession of all of this property, claiming to own it? A. Yes sir.

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- MR. BLACKBURN: Now the Complainant offers in evidence the following under described deeds/which he claims title: Identified as Exhibits
- "A" Deed from Alabama Tobacco Company to Alson William Hatch, dated March 24, 1914, filed July 23, 1914 and recorded in Deed Book 21 at page 651.
- "B" Tax Deed from the State of Alabama to Powers Brothers, dated November 1, 1939, filed November 16, 1939 and recorded in Deed Book 70, page 509.
- "C" Deed from Land Holding Company, I<sub>n</sub>c., and S. P. Gaillard, Jr., to J. S. Lowrey, dated June 10, 1938, filed June 13, 1938 and recorded in Deed Book 65, page 176.
- J "D" Deed from J. S. Lowrey to Powers Brothers, dated September 25, 1941, filed September 26, 1941 and recorded in Deed Book 76, page 57.
  - "E" Tax Deed from State of Alabama to Powers Brothers, dated November 15, 1939, filed March 11, 1940 and recorded in Deed Book 71, page 265.
- "F" Tax Deed from State of Alabama to Powers Brothers, dated November 1, 1939, filed November 16, 1939, and recorded in Deed Book 70, page 510.
  - "G" Deed from J. L. Tucker to Mitchell Naval Stores Company, dated
- September 15, 1938, filed September 16, 1938 and recorded in
   Deed Book 65, page 527.
- "H" Deed from C. B. Mitchell, R. F. Mitchell, Jr., and J. L. Tucker, an unmarried man, doing business as Mitchell Naval Stores Company, and Jessie H. Mitchell, wife of C. B. Mitchell, and Dorothy F. Mitchell, wife of C. B. Mitchell, and R. F. Mitchell, Jr., to J. R. Duncan, dated January 24, 1941, filed January 24, 1941 and recorded in Deed Book 75, page 25.
- "I" Deed from J. R. Duncan and Margaret Duncan to Jack Powers, dated January 31, 1942, filed February 11, 1942, and recorded in Deed Book 76, page 566.

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- "J" Deed from Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company to George H. Berge, dated May 23, 1910, filed March 23, 1911 and recorded in Deed Book 17, page 375.
- "K" Tax Deed from State of Alabama to Powers Brothers, dated August 9, 1939, filed August 15, 1939 and recorded in Deed Book 70, page 199.
  - "L" Deed from Addison M. DeCoudres to Albert M. DeCoudres, dated January 25, 1932, filed February 3, 1932 and recorded in Deed Book 52, page 156.
  - "M" Deed from Albert M. DeCoudres and Mabel G. DeCoudres to Powers Beothers, dated September 16, 1940, filed October 22, 1940 and recorded in Deed Book 73, page 248.
  - "N" Deed from Walter J. Diehl and Estella M. Diehl to Ruth Winifred Diehl, dated September 21, 1932, filed October 3, 1932 and recorded in Deed Book 52, page 486.
  - "O" Deed from Ruth W. Diehl Coil and James H. Coil to Powers Brothers, dated July 18, 1941, filed October 24, 1941 and recorded in Deed Book 76, page 164.
  - "P" Deed from S. P. Gaillard, Jr. and Baldwin Land Holding Company, Inc. to J. L. Tucker and C. B. Mitchell, dated November 24, 1936, filed December 19, 1936 and recorded in Deed Book 61, page 58.
  - Y"Q" Deed from J. R. Duncan and Margaret Duncan to Jack F. Powers, dated January 31, 1942, filed Februaty 11, 1942 and recorded in Deed Book 76, page 567.
    - "R" Deed from C. B. Mitchell to Mitchell Naval Stores Company, dated September 15, 1938, filed September 16, 1938 and recorded in Deed Book 65, page 528.
    - "S" Deed from Southern Plantation Development Company to Baldwin County Land Association, dated April 30, 1918, filed May 13, 1918 and recorded in Deed Book 27, page 190.
- I "T" Deed from Baldwin County Land Association to Jack F. Powers, d dated March 20, 1944, filed June 2, 1944 and recorded in Deed Book 85, page 149.
  - "U" Deed from Southern Plantation Development Company to Daisy A. Baker, dated January 25, 1925, filed July 29, 1925 and recorded

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in Deed Book 36, page 415.

- "V" Tax Deed from State of Alabama to Powers Brothers dated November 1, 1939, filed November 16, 1939 and recorded in Deed Book 70, page 508.
- "W" Deed from Powers Brothers, consisting of Jack F. Powers, whose wife is Ivie Powers; James Powers, whose wife is Florence Powers; and Silas Powers, whose wife is Gwendolyn Powers, to Jack Powers, dated October 29, 1941, filed November 1, 1941 and recorded in Deed Book 76, page 195.
- "X" Deed from Jack F. Powers and Ivie Powers, to James R. Powers, dated July 12, 1949, filed July 20, 1949 and recorded in Deed Book 143, page 317.
- ("Y" Deed from Silas Powers and Gwendolyn Powers, Jack Powers and Ivie Powers, James Powers and Florence Powers, to Jack Powers, dated August 29, 1949, and filed September 7, 1949 and recorded in Deed Book 144, page 390.
- "Z" Deed from James R. Powers and Florence S. Powers to Jack F. Powers, dated July 18, 1949, filed September 16, 1949 and recorded in Deed Book 144, page 489.
  - Q. You have read over the Bill of Complaint which you filed in this cause?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. All the facts stated in it are true are they not?
  - A. Yes sir. That's all

Mr. James R. Powers, having been first duly and legally sworn, testified as follows:

- ON DIRECT EXAMINATION
- By Mr. Blackburn
- Q. Mr. Powers, first, what is your name?
- A. James R. Powers.
- Q. Mr. Powers, how far do you live from the lands involved in this suit?

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- A. About two miles.
- Q. How long have you been familiar with those lands?
- A. All my life.
- Q. Was your brother, Mr. Jack F. Powers in possession of this property at the time this suit was filed?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Was any suit pending at the time this suit was filed to test the title to or possession of this property?
- A. No sir.
- Q. You heard your brother testify relative to the possession he had of this various tracts and the payment of taxes thereon, are those facts true?
- A. Yes sir.

That's all.

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of the evidence as taken and transcribed by me on the hearing of the above styled cause on his date.

This 24th day of May, 1950.

Ora L. M. Reporte

### STATE OF ALABAMA, Baldwin County.

I, W. R. STUART, Judge of the Probate Court in and for said State and County, hereby certify

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as the same appears of record in my office in	Deed	Book No. 21
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Given under my hand and seal of office, this	20 day of Actor	<u>uary</u> , 19.50

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Judge of Probate.

No. 5077

# THE STATE OF ALABAMA Ora & Jelsan Court Reporter -

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT WHEREAS, on 30th day of July, A.D. 1934, the Probate Court of Baldwin County rendered a decree for the sale of lands hereinafter described and conveyed, for the payment of State and County taxes then due from Alson W. Hatch, the owner of said lands, and for the payment of the fees, costs, and expenses of and under said decree, and the sale had in execution thereof.

AND WHEREAS, thereafter, to-wit, on the 1st day of September, 1934, under and in pursuance of said decree, said lands were regularly offered for sale by the Tax Collector of Baldwin County for said taxes, fees, costs, and expenses, and no person having bid a sufficient sum for said lands to pay the same, said lands were bid in for the State for the sum of said taxes, fees, o costs, and expenses.

AND WHEREAS, the time allowed by law for the redemption of said lands has elapsed since said sale, and the same not having been redeemed, the title thereto under said sale is still in the State.

AND WHEREAS, said lands having been entered upon the books of the State Land Commissioner, and the State Land Commissioner of the State of Alabama, with the approval of the Governor, has fixed the price of said land, and ascertained that the sum of Twenty-three and No/100 (\$23.00) Dollars is sufficient to cover and satisfy all claims of the State and County against said lands for or on account of taxes, interest, fees and costs, and officers<sup>\*</sup> fees which were due upon or have accrued against said lands, as provided for by law.

AND WHEREAS, application has been made to the State Land Commissioner of the State of Alabama by Powers Brothers to purchase said lands, and said sum of Twenty-three and No/100 (\$23,00) Dollars therefor has been paid into the State Treasury.

NOW THEREFORE, The State Land Commissioner of the State of Alabama, by virtue of and in accordance with the authority in him vested by law, with the approval of the Governor of Alabama, and in consideration of the premises above set out, has this day granted, bargained, sold and conveyed, and by these presents does grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said Powers Brothers, without warranty or covenant of any kind on the part of the State, express or implied, all right and title of the State of Alabama in and to said lands, described as follows:

 $SW_{\pm}^{\pm}$  of  $SW_{\pm}^{\pm}$  of NE $_{\pm}^{\pm}$ , Section 25, Township 6S, Range 4E,

lying and being situate in said County and State, to have and to hold the same, the said right and title of the State in the lands aforesaid, unto Powers Brothers, and their heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 1st day of November, 1939

STATE LAND COMMISSIONER OF ALABAMA,

Approved:

BY: /s/ John C. Curry, State Land Commissioner.

/s/ Frank M. Dixon, Governor. THE STATE OF ALABAMA,

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

I, Mrs. Clay Willingham, a Notary Public in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that John C. Curry, whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance as State Land Commissioner and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of this conveyance, he, in his capacity as such State Land Commissioner, executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand this the 1st day of November, 1939.

/s/ Mrs. Clay Willingham, Notary Public.

Filed: November 16, 1939

Recorded: Deed Book 70 N.S., Pages 509-10

#### STATE OF ALABAMA, Baldwin County. \* ( PROBATE COURT

I, W. R. STUART, Judge of the Probate Court in and for said State and County, hereby certify Deals that the within and foregoing \_\_\_\_ pages contain a full, true and complete copy of the Deed Deel. as the same appears of record in my office in \_\_\_\_\_ Book No. 65 Page 176 Given under my hand and seal of office, this <u>20</u> day of <u>Inbruary</u> \_\_\_\_, 19<u>5</u>2

Judge of Probate.

JACK F. POWERS,

VS.

Complainants,

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA IN EQUITY. NO. 2420.

THE LANDS HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED and SOUTHERN PLANTATION DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, A Corporation, ET ALS., Respondents.

This cause coming on to be heard on this the 24th day of May, 1950, is submitted for final decree upon Complainant's verified Bill of Complaint, upon the Decree Pro Confesso rendered herein, and upon the testimony of Jack F. Powers and James R. Powers taken orally in open court, which is as noted by the Register, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the court: 1. That the Complaint is a

1. That the Complainant, Jack F. Powers, at the time of the filing of his Bill of Complaint in this cause, claimed in his own right a fee simple title to and also was in the actual peaceable possession of the following described lands lying in the County of Baldwin, State of Alabama, and more particularly described as follows:

South Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; South Half of the Southeast Quarter of the North-Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; West Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter eral lease dated August 22, 1940, and recorded in Deed Book 74, at

North Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, subject to that certain oil, gas and mineral lease dated August 22, 1940, and recorded in Deed Book 74, at Page 4; all in Section 30, Township 6 South, Range 5 East of St. Stephens Meridian;

ALSO, North Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter; North Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; North Half of the South Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest ter of the South Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quar-Range 4 East of St. Stephens Meridian.

2. That at the time of the filing of the said Bill of Complaint no suit was pending to test his title to, interest in, or the right to the possession of the said lands. 3. That his said Bill of Complaint was and is duly verified and was filed against said lands and against any and all persons claiming any title to, interest in, lien or encumbrance on said lands, or any part thereof, and was to establish the right or title to such lands or interest, and to clear all doubts or disputes concerning the same, and that said Bill of Complaint did in all respects comply with the provisions of the 1940 Code of Alabama Title 7, Section 1117.

4. That the present addresses of none of the parties Defendant are known to the Complainant, except J. R. Duncan, T. J. Rester, Denniston Company, Elberta Turpentine Company, L. W. Brannan and L. W. Brannan, Jr., each of which said Respondents were served with a Bill of Complaint, but the said J. R. Duncan, T. J. Rester, and Denniston Company failed to answer, plead to, or demur as required by law. The said Elberta Turpentine Company, a Partnership, composed of L. W. Brannan and L. W. Brannan, Jr., L. W. Brannan and L. W. Brannan, Jr. have heretofore filed a disclaimer to any right, title, interest or claim in the proberty involved in this suit. It further appears to the court that Complainant has exercised due diligence in trying to locate any other parties claiming any interest in the above described property.

5. That notice of the pendency of the said Bill of Complaint was signed by the Register of this Court, and said Register did have such notice published once a week for four successive weeks in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper having general circulation and published in Baldwin County, Alabama, as prescribed by rule of this Court.

6. That a copy of the said notice certified by the Register as being correct was recorded as a lis pendens in the office of the Probate Judge of said County, said notice being in strict accord and compliance with the 1940 Code of Alabama, Title 7, Section 1121.

7. That it has been more than sixty days since the first publication of said notice and the filing of a certified copy of said notice in the office of the Probate Judge of said County.

8. That no person has intervened in this cause.

9. That all of the allegations of fact contained in Complainant's Bill of Complaint are true.

It is, therefore, Ordered, Adjudged and Decreed,

1. That the Complainant is entitled to the relief prayed for in his Bill of Complaint and that the fee simple title claimed by Complainant in the above described lands has been duly proven.

That the Complainant is the owner of the said 2. lands and has a fee simple title thereto, free of all liens and encumbrances, and that his said title thereto be and it is hereby established and is forever quieted against the said Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation; Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corporation; Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation; American Securities Corporation, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the American Securities Corporation, a Corporation; Edwin F. Winegar, Trustee, George A. Sossaman, Trustee, George A. Sossaman, Trustee for Denniston-Boykin Company, Inc., a Corporation, George A. Sossaman, Trustee for Frank W. Boykin, H. S. Denniston and Bertha S. Wilsey, as Executrix of the Last Will of R. E. Wilsey, Deceased, Thomas P. Hamm, Lavonie Hamm, J. R. Duncan, Margaret Duncan, J. L. Tucker, C. B. Mitchell, S. P. Gaillard, Jr., Mrs. Rosalie Disimone Orr, George A. Sossaman, P. G. Baker, D. A. Baker, George Asmus, Irene Christine Asmus, C. N. Souther, Floyd R. Perkins, T. J. Rester, George H. Berga, George H. Berge, C. C. Martin, P. W. King, Patrick Wilbert King, Gertrude King, Alson W. Hatch, Alson William Hatch, D. W. Cooke, Daniel W. Cooke, Mary L. Woodson, J. S. Garman, D. Baker, Daisy A. Baker, and R. Knight, and all of the Respondents are without any right, title or interest in the said land, or any part thereof, and have and hold no encumbrance on the

said property or any part thereof, or any interest therein, and they are hereby perpetually enjoined from asserting or attempting to assert any claim to the said property or any part thereof, or any interest therein, or from claiming any lien on the said property or any part thereof, or any interest therein.

3. That a certified copy of this decree be recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama, within thirty days of the rendition of this decree, and that it be indexed in the name of Jack F. Powers on both the direct indexes and the indirect indexes of the records thereof.

4. That the Complainant pay the cost of these proceedings for which let execution issue.

Done this 24th day of May, 1950.

Jelfair J. maslibure, J.

QUIT CLAIM DEED.

Ora A. neerow. Court Reporter

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, )

BALDWIN COUNTY.

THIS DEED, made this 25th day of September, 1941, between J. S. Lowrey, a single man, of the first part, and Powers Brothers of the second part, WITNESSETH:

That the party of the first part, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other considerations to him in hand paid by the party of the second part, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, has remised, released and forever quit-claimed and by these presents does remise, release and forever quit-claim unto the said party of the second part, their heirs and assigns forever, all the real property in Baldwin County, Alabama, described as follows, to-wit:

South Half of Southeast of Northeast of Southwest Quarter ( $S_{2}^{\downarrow}$  of  $SE_{4}^{\downarrow}$  of  $NE_{4}^{\downarrow}$  of  $SW_{4}^{\downarrow}$ ) and North Half of Northwest of Northwest of Northwest Quarter ( $N_{2}^{\downarrow}$  of  $NW_{4}^{\downarrow}$  of  $NW_{4}^{\downarrow}$ of  $NW_{4}^{\downarrow}$ ), Section Twenty-five, Township Six (6) South, Range Four (4) East, Baldwin County, Alabama, containing ten (10) acres, more or less.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said released premises unto the said Powers Brothers, their heirs and assigns forever; so that neither the party of the first part, his heirs or assigns, nor any other person in trust for him, or in his name, shall or will, can or may, by any ways or means whatsoever, hereafter, have or claim any right or title thereto; BUT THAT the said party of the first part, his heirs and assigns, each and every one of them from all estate, right, title, interest or claim, and demand whatsoever, in or to the said premises, or any part thereof, are, is, and shall be by these presents, FOREVER EXCLUDED AND DEBARRED.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the party of the first part has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

SIGNED SEALED AND DELIVERED IN THE PRESENCE OF

/s/ J. S. Lowrey (SEAL)

STATE OF ALABAMA, ) BALDWIN COUNTY. )

I, G. Mac Humphries, a Notary Public, in and for said County and State, hereby certify that J. S. Lowrey, whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the conveyance, he executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal this 25th day of September, 1941.

/s/ G. Mac Humphries, Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

(SEAL) Filed: September 26, 1941 Recorded: Deed Book 76, Page 57-8 No. 5120

Fritit E. Relson

#### THE STATE OF ALABAMA

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT WHEREAS, on 8th day of June, A.D., 1931, the Pro-bate Court of Baldwin County rendered a decree for the sale of lands hereinafter described and conveyed, for the payment of State and County taxes then due from Owner Unknown #14, the owner of said lands, and for the payment of the fees, costs, and expenses of and under said decree, and the sale had in execution thereof.

AND WHEREAS, thereafter, to-wit, on the 8th day of July, 1931, under and in pursuance of said decree, said lands were regularly offered for sale by the Tax Collector of Baldwin County for said taxes, fees, costs, and expenses, and no person having bid a sufficient sum for said lands to pay the same, said lands were bid in for the State for the sum of said taxes, fees, costs and expenses.

AND WHEREAS, the time allowed by law for the redemption of said lands has elapsed since said sale, and the same not having been redeemed, the title thereto under said sale is still in the State.

AND WHEREAS, said lands having been entered upon the books of the State Land Commissioner, and the State Land Commissioner of the State of Alabama, with the approval of the Governor, has fixed the price of said land, and ascertained that the sum of Seventy and No/100 Dollars (\$70.00) is sufficient to cover and satisfy all claims of the State and County against said lands for or on account of taxes, interest, fees, and costs, and officers' fees which were due upon or have accrued against said lands, as provided for by law.

AND WHEREAS, application has been made to the State Land Commissioner of the State of Alabama by Powers Brothers to purchase said lands, and said sum of Seventy and No/100 Dollars (\$70.00) therefor has been paid into the State Treasury.

NOW THEREFORE, The State Land Commissioner of the State of Alabama, by virtue of and in accordance with the authority in him vested by law, with the approval of the Governor of Alabama, and in consideration of the premises above set out, has this day granted, bargained, sold and conveyed, and by these presents does grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said Powers Brothers, without warranty or covenant of any kind on the part of the State, express or implied, all right and title of the State of Alabama in and to said lands, described as follows:

NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, Section 25, Township 6S, Range 4E,

lying and being situate in said County and State, to have and to h hold the same, the said right and title of the State in the lands aforesaid, unto Powers Brothers and their heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 15th day of November, 1939.

STATE LAND COMMISSIONER OF ALABAMA

By: /s/ John C. Curry, State Land Commissioner.

Approved:

/s/ Frank M. Dixon, Governor.

STATE OF ALABAMA, ) MONTGOMERY COUNTY. )

I, Mrs. Clay Willingham, a Notary Public in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that John C. Curry, whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance as State Land Commissioner, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of this conveyance, he, in his capacity as such State Land Commissioner, executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand this the 15th day of November, 1939.

/s/ Mrs. Clay Willingham, Notary Public.

Filed: March 11, 1940

Recorded: Deed Book 71 N.S., Pages 265-6.

No. 5075

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT WHEREAS, on 9th day of May, A.D., 1932, the Probate Court of Baldwin County rendered a decree for the sale of lands hereinafter described and conveyed, for the payment of State and County taxes then due from R. Knight, the owner of said lands, and for the payment of the fees, costs, and expenses of and under said decree, and the sale had in execution thereof.

AND WHEREAS, thereafter, to-wit, on the 13th day of June, 1932, under and in pursuance of said decree, said lands were regularly offered for sale by the Tax Collector of Baldwin County for said taxes, fees, costs, and expenses, and no person having bid a sufficient sum for said lands to pay the same, said lands were bid in for the State for the sum of said taxes, fees, costs and expenses.

AND WHEREAS, the time allowed by law for the redemption of said lands has elapsed since said sale, and the same not having been redeemed, the title thereto under said sale isstill in the State.

AND WHEREAS, said lands having been entered upon the books of the State Land Commissioner, and the State Land Commissioner of the State of Alabama, with the approval of the Governor, has fixed the price of said land, and ascertained that the sum of Forty and No/100 Dollars (\$40.00) is sufficient to cover and satisfy all claims of the State and County against said lands for or on account of taxes, interest, fees, and costs, and officers' fees which were due upon or have accrued against said lands, as provided for by law.

AND WHEREAS, application has been made to the State Land Commissioner of the State of Alabama by Powers Brothers to purchase said lands, and said sum of Forty and No/100 Dollars (\$40.00) therefor has been paid into the State Treasury.

NOW THEREFORE, The State Land Commissioner of the State of Alabama, by virtue of and in accordance with the authority in him vested by law, with the approval of the Governor of Alabama, and in consideration of the premises above set out, has this day granted, bargained, sold and conveyed, and by these presents does grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said Powers Brothers, with out warranty or covenant of any kind on the part of the State, express or implied, all right and title of the State of Alabama in and to said lands, described as follows:

 $N_{2}^{1}$  of  $NW_{4}^{1}$  of  $SW_{4}^{1}$ ,  $N_{2}^{1}$  of  $S_{2}^{1}$  of  $NW_{4}^{1}$  of  $SW_{4}^{1}$ , Section 25, Township 6S, Range 4E,

lying and being situate in said County and State, to have and to hold the same, the said right and title of the State in the lands aforesaid, unto Powers Brothers, and their heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 1st day of November, 1939.

STATE LAND COMMISSIONER OF ALABAMA,

Approved:

By: /s/ John C. Curry, State Land Commissioner.

/s/ Frank M. Dixon, Governor. STATE OF ALABAMA, ) MONTGOMERY COUNTY. )

I, Mrs. Clay Willingham, a Notary Public in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that John C. Curry, whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance as State Land Commissioner and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of this conveyance, he, in his capacity as such State Land Commissioner, executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand this the 1st day of November, 1939.

/s/ Mrs. Clay Willingham,

Notary Public.

Filed: November 16, 1939

Recorded: Deed Book 70 N.S., Page 510

## STATE OF ALABAMA, Baldwin County.

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I, W. R. STUART, Judge of the Probate Court in and for said State and County, hereby certify

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# STATE OF ALABAMA, Baldwin County.

I, W. R. STUART, Judge of the Probate Court in and for said State and County, hereby certify that the within and foregoing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ pages contain a full, true and complete copy of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ contain a full, true and complete copy of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as the same appears of record in my office in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Book No. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Book No. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Book No. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Given under my hand and seal of office, this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 19.50

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QUIT CLAIM DEED

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STATE OF ALABAMA,

BALDWIN COUNTY.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That J. D. Duncan and Margaret Duncan, his wife, for and in consideration of One Dollar and other considerations, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged do remise, release, and quit claim unto Jack Powers, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, forever, the following described property, situated in the County of Baldwin, State of Alabama, to-wit:

> NE<sup>1</sup> of NE<sup>1</sup> of SW<sup>1</sup>, Section 25, Township 6 South, Range 4 East.

Together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining, free from all exemptions and right of homestead.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 31 day of January, A. D. 1942.

/s/ J. R. Duncan (SEAL)

/s/ Margaret Duncan (SEAL)

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of:

/s/ J. F. Crooke

/s/ J. D. Russ, Jr.

STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF ESCAMBIA.

This day, before the undersigned, personally appeared J. R. Duncan and Margaret Duncan, to me well known to be the individuals described in and who executed the foregoing Deed of Conveyance, and acknowledged that they executed the same for the uses and purposes therein expressed, and the said Margaret Duncan, wife of the said J. R. Duncan, upon a private examination by me, held separate and apart from her said husband, acknowledged and declared that she executed the same freely and voluntarily and witput fear or apprehension, compulsion or constraint, of or from her said husband, and for the purpose of relinquishing, renouncing and conveying all her rights of whatsoever kind in and to said property.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, this 31st day of January, A.D. 1942.

(SEAL)

Filed: February 11, 1942

/s/ J. J. Crooke, Notary Public, State of Florida at Large. My commission expires March 4, 1942.

Recorded: Deed Book 76, Page 566.

#### STATE OF ALABAMA, Baldwin County. { PROBATE COURT

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I, W. R. STUART, Judge of the Probate Court in and for said State and County, hereby certify Deed that the within and foregoing pages contain a full, true and complete copy of the Acch Nerdi as the same appears of record in my office in \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_Book No. \_\_\_\_7\_\_\_ Page. -day of Tebruary Given under my hand and seal of office, this \_\_\_\_\_ <u>رى 19 \_\_\_\_</u> Judge of Probate.

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#### THE STATE OF ALABAMA

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT WHEREAS, on 31st day of July, A.D., 1933, the Probate Court of Baldwin County rendered a decree for the sale of lands hereinafter described and conveyed, for the payment of State and County taxes then due from Geo. H. Berge, the owner of said lands, and for the payment of the fees, costs, and expenses of and under said decree, and the sale hadin execution thereof.

AND WHEREAS, thereafter, to-wit, on the 1st day of September, 1933, under and in pursuance of said decree, said lands were regularly offered for sale by the Tax Collector of Baldwin County for said taxes, fees, costs, and expenses, and no person having bid a sufficient sum for said lands to pay the same, said lands were bid in for the State for the sum of said taxes, fees, costs, and expenses.

AND WHEREAS, the time allowed by law for the redemption of said lands has elapsed since said sale, and the same not having been redeemed, the title thereto under said sale is still in the State.

AND WHEREAS, said lands having been entered upon the books of the State Land Commissioner, and the State Land Commissioner of the State of Alabama, with the approval of the Governor, has fixed the price of said land, and ascertained that the sum of Forty-two and No/100 (\$42.00) Dollars is sufficient to cover and satisfy all claims of the State and County against said lands for or on account of taxes, interest, fees, and costs and officers<sup>†</sup> fees which were due upon or have accrued against said lands, as probided for by law.

AND WHEREAS, application has been made to the State Land Commissioner of the State of Alabama by Powers Brothers to purchase said lands, and said sum of Forty-two and No/100 (\$42.00) Dollars therefor has been paid into the State Treasury.

NOW THEREFORE, the State Land Commissioner of the State of Alabama, by virtue of and in accordance with the authority in him vested by law, with the approval of the Governor of Alabama, and in consideration of the premises above set out, has this day granted, bargained, sold, and conveyed and by these presents does grant, bargain, sell, and convey unto the said Powers Brothers, without warranty or covenant of any kind on the part of the State, express or implied, all right andtitle of the State of Alabama in and to said lands, described as follows

NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>. Section 30, Township 6 S, Range 5 E,

lying and being situate in said County and State, to have and to hold the same, the said right and title of the State in the lands aforesaid unto Powers Brothers, and their heirs and assigns forever.

STATE LAND COMMISSIONER OF ALABAMA

Approved:

/s/ Frank M. Dixon, Governor. BY: /s/ John C. Curry, State Land Commissioner. THE STATE OF ALABAMA,

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

I, Mrs. Clay Willingham, a Notary Public, in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that John C. Curry, whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance as State Land Commissioner and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the conveyance, he, in his capacity as such State Land Commissioner, executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand this the 9th day of August, 1939.

/s/ Mrs. Clay Willingham, Notary Public.

Filed: August 15, 1939

Recorded: Deed Book 70 N.S., Page 199

#### STATE OF ALABAMA, Baldwin County.

I, W. R. STUART, Judge of the Probate Court in and for said State and County, hereby certify

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Given under my hand and seal of office, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of <u>Intercenty</u>, 19\_50

Judge of Probate.

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Exhibit "m

#### QUIT CLAIM DEED

STATE OF ALABAMA, BALDWIN COUNTY.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That Albert M. Decoudres and Mabel G. Decoudres, his wife, for and in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) to them in hand paid by Powers Brothers the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby remise, release, and forever quitclaim unto the said Powers Brothers, all their right, title, and interest in and to the following land, lying and being in the County of Baldwin, State of Alabama, and particularly described as follows, to-wit:

> South Half  $(S_{\frac{1}{2}})$  of Southwest Quarter  $(SW_{\frac{1}{4}})$  of Northeast Quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Northwest Quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Thirty (30), Township Six (6) South, of Range Five (5) East, containing five (5) acres.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above granted premises unto the said Powers Brothers, their heirs and assigns, forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, they have bereunto set their hands and affixed their seals this the 16 th day of September, 1940.

/s/ Albert M. DeCoudres (L.S.)

/s/ Mabel G. DeCoudres (L.S.)

Executed in the presence of:

/s/ Ida M. DeCoudres /s/ H. L. Pfeiffer

STATE OF ILLINOIS, ) COOK COUNTY.

I, William H. Gill, a Notary Public, in and for said County and State, hereby certify that Albert M. DeCoudres and Mabel G. DeCoudres, his wife, whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents of the conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand this 16th day of September, A.D., 1940.

/s/ Wm. H. Gill, Notary Public

(SEAL)

STATE OF ILLINOIS, ) COOK COUNTY.

I, William H. Gill, a Notary Public, in and for the County and State, aforesaid, do hereby certify that Ida M. DeCoudres a subscribing witness to the foregoing conveyance, known to me, appeared before me this day, and, being sworn, stated that Albert M. DeCoudres and Mabel G. DeCoudres, his wife, the grantors in the conveyance, voluntarily executed the same in his presence, and in the presence of the other subscribing witness, on the day the same bears date; that he attested the same in the presence of the grantbrs and of the other witness, and that such other witness sub-scribed his name as a witness in his presence. Given under my hand, this 16th day of September, A.D., 1940.

(SEAL)

/s/ Wm. H. Gill, Notary Public

STATE OF ILLINOIS, ) COOK COUNTY.

I, William H. Till, a Notary Public, in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that on the lóth day of September, 1940, came before me the within named Mabel G. De-Coudres, who, being examined separate and apart from the husband touching her signature to the within Deed, acknowledged that she signed the same of her own free will and accord, and without fear, constraint, or threats on the part of the husband.

In Witness Whereof, I hereunto set my hand, this the 16th day of September, 1940.

> /s/ Wm. H. Gill, Notary Public

(SEAL)

My Commission Expires May 17, 1943

Filed: October 22, 1940

Recorded: Deed Book 73 N.S., Pages 248-9.

#### STATE OF ALABAMA, Baldwin County.

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I, W. R. STUART, Judge of the Probate Court in and for said State and County, hereby certify

that the within and foregoing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ pages contain a full, true and complete copy of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Ceed

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Given under my hand and seal of office, this 20 day of *Achrusy*, 1950

Judge of Probate.



Exhibit "O "

#### DEED WITH WARRANTY.

THIS INDENTURE, Made the 18th day of July, 1941, between Ruth W. Diehl Coil and James H. Coil, her husband, parties of the first part, and Powers Brothers, parties of the second part, WITNESSETH, that the parties of the first part in consideration of One Dollar and other valuable considerations, hereby acknowledged to have been paid the parties of the first part by the parties of the second part, do grant, bargain, sell and convey unto said parties of the second part, their heirs, and assigns, all the real property in Baldwin County, described as follows:

Farm Lots two (2) and three (3), being the Northwest Quarter  $(NW_{\pm}^{1})$  of the Northeast Quarter  $(NE_{\pm}^{1})$ of the Northwest Quarter  $(NW_{\pm}^{1})$  of Section thirty (30), Township six (6) South, Range five (5) East of St. Stephen's Meridian, containing ten (10) acres, more or less.

Together with all the rights and appurtenances to said described premises in anywise belonging: To have and to hold the same forever.

And Ruth W. Diehl Coil and J. H. Coil, her husband, for them and their heirs, the said described premises and appurtenances, will forever Warrant and Defend unto the said parties of the second part, their heirs and assigns, against the lawful claims of all persons whatsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hand and seal the day and year first above written.

/s/ Ruth W. Diehl Coil (SEAL)

/s/ James H. Coil (SEAL)

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of:

/s/ Frank W. Blatchford /s/ Harold G. Allen

STATE OF ALABAMA, ) MOBILE COUNTY. )

I, Eleanor McFadyen, a Notary Public in and for said State and County, do hereby certify that Ruth W. Diehl Coil and James H. Coil, her husband, whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me, on this day that being informed of the contents of the conveyance they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand (if before a foreign notary add "notarial seal") this 21st day of July, 1941.

/s/ Eleanor McFadyen, N. P.

My Commission Expires October 1, 1942

Filed: October 25, 1941 Recorded: Deed Book 76, Pages 164-5

· · · · •  $\alpha \to \beta$ Filed in office this 19th day of December, 1936 at 8 A. M. and duly recorded in Decd Book No 51 N. S. pages 57-58 and I certify that  $\frac{1}{2}$ -cts 50 Deed tax his been paid as required by law. S. W. Robertson, Judge of Probate C. M.R. KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that B LDWIN LAND HOLDING COMPANY, INC., a corpora and S. P. GAILLARD, JR., hereinafter for convenience called parties of the first p in consideration of the sum of One (\$1.00) Dollar and other valuable consideration to them in hand paid by J. L. TUCKER and C. B. MITCHELL, hereinafter for convenien called parties of the second part, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, do mise, release, quitchaim and convey unto the said parties of the second part, thei and assigns, all their right, title, interest and claim in or to the following des real property situate, lying and being in the County of Baldwin, State of Alabama, 1. NWE of NEE of SWE. Section 14. Township 5 South. Range 4 Bast; 2. 3% of 3% of SE%, Section 29, Township 6 South, Bange 6 Bast: 3. SE4 of NW4 of SW4. Section 5. Township 6 South, Range 5 Bast; M<sup>2</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of SW<sup>2</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of NW<sup>2</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of SE<sup>2</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, Section 3, Township 5 South, Range 5 2 st; 5. No of Swit of NET of SWit, Section 6, Township 6 South, Range 5 East; 6. Sh of NWH of SHH of SWH, Section 6. Township 6 South, Range 5 East; 7. Shoof SET of NET of NWS. Section 5, Township 5 South, Range 5 Last; 8. Ng of NWg of SW3 of SE2. Section 6. Township 6 South, Range 5 Past; 9. Sr of SWR of NWR of SWR. Section 6. Township 6 South, Range 5 Bast; 10. E<sup>1</sup> of S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of NB<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of NB<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of NB<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of NB<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of NB<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of SW<sup>2</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, Section 7, Township 6 South, Bauge 5 East; 11. St of NET of NWT of NWT, Section 7, Township o South, Range 5 East; 12. No of SE2 of NE2 of NE2, Section 17, Township & South, Range 5 Ea t; 13. Sh of SEt of SEt of SWE, Section 21, Township 5 South, Hange 5 Last; 14. SW2 of SW2 of SW2, Section 28, Township 5 South, Bange 5 dast; 15. We of NWA of 123, Section 28, Township 6 South, Range 5 Just; I6. No of No of SW2 of SW2. Section 28. Township 6 South, Range 5 Bast; 17. Mt of SWE of SEE of SEE, Section 29, Township 6 South, Range 5 Mast: 18. No of Sec of Set of Set. Section 29. Township 6 South, Range 5 Mast; 19. By of NW2 of NE2, and NW2 of NE2 of NE2, Section 20, Township 6 South, Range 5 East; 20. St of NES of SEt of NWS. Section 30. Township & South. Range 5 28st; 21. SEF of NEE of SEE, Section 65, Township 6 South, Bange 5 East: 22. No of NWS of NES of SES, Section 33. Township 5 South, Range 5 East: STICR with all rights and appurtenances to the said described premi onging, TO HAVE AND TO HOLD to the said parties of the second part. igns forever. MAND REMAINS COMPANY, of a resolution of 1 procrate name, and 1 id 3. F. Gaillard, wember, 1.26.

### STATE OF ALABAMA, Baldwin County.

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I, W. R. STUART, Judge of the Probate Court in and for said State and County, hereby certify that the within and foregoing \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ pages contain a full, true and complete copy of the \_\_\_\_\_ as the same appears of record in my office in \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_Book No.\_\_6/\_\_\_\_ 58 Page\_ Given under my hand and seal of office, this \_\_\_\_\_day of\_\_\_ Stebrucary, 1950 Judge of Probate.

QUIT CLAIM DEED.

STATE OF ALABAMA,

BALDWIN COUNTY.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That J. R. Duncan and Margaret Duncan, his wife, for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other considerations, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do remise, release and quit claim unto Jack Powers, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, forever, the following described property, situated in the County of Baldwin, State of Alabama, to-wit:

South Half  $(S_2^{\downarrow})$  of NE<sup>1</sup> of SE<sup>1</sup> of NW<sup>1</sup>, and  $S_2^{\downarrow}$  of NW<sup>1</sup> of SE<sup>1</sup> of NW<sup>1</sup>, and  $S_2^{\downarrow}$  of SE<sup>1</sup> of NW<sup>1</sup>, Section 30, Township 6 South, Range 5 East.

Together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining free from all exemptions and right of homestead.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 31 day of January, A.D. 1942.

/s/ J. R. Duncan (SEAL)

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/s/ Margaret Duncan (SEAL) Signed, sealed and delivered in the

presence of:

/s/ J. J. Crooke /s/ J. D. Russ, Jr.

STATE OF FLORIDA, · ) COUNTY OF ESCAMBIA.)

This day, before the undersigned, personally appeared J. R. Duncan and Margaret Duncan, to me well known to be the individuals described in and who executed the foregoing Deed of Conveyance, and acknowledged that they executed the same for the uses and purposes therein expressed, and the said Margaret Duncan wife of the said J. R. Duncan, upon a private examination by me, held separate and apart from her said husband, acknowledged and declared that she executed the same freely and voluntarily and without fear or apprehension, compulsion or constraint, of or from her said husband, and for the purpose of relinquishing, renouncing and conveying all her rights of whatsoever kind in and to said property.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 31st day of January, A.D., 1942.

/s/ J. J. Crooke,

(SEAL)

Notary Public, State of Florida, at Large. My Commission Expires March 4, 1942.

Filed: February 11, 1942 Recorded: Deed Book 76, Page 567

### STATE OF ALABAMA, Baldwin County. { PROBATE COURT

I, W. R. STUART, Judge of the Probate Court in and for said State and County, hereby certify

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## STATE OF ALABAMA, Baldwin County.

I, W. R. STUART, Judge of the Probate Court in and for said State and County, hereby certify

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# WARRANTY DEED

STATE OF ALABAMA, BALDWIN COUNTY.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable considerations to us in hand paid by Jack F. Powers, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Baldwin County Lands Association does hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey unto said Jack F. Powers, the following described lands situate in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

The Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>) and the North Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>), all in Section Thirty (30), Township Six (6) South, Range Five (5) East, containing fifteen (15) acres, more or less.

"It is understood this land (with other lands) is now under lease to the Humble Oil and Refining Company of Houston, Tex., dated Aug. 22, 1940, and recorded in deed book 74, pages 4-7; and that any royalties which may accrue thereunder are hereby assigned to the grantee, Jack F. Powers, in so far as it affects the property hereby conveyed only."

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD to the said Jack F. Powers, his heirs and assigns forever, and the said Baldwin County Lands Association, a corporation, does hereby covenant with the said Jack F. Powers, that it is seized in fee of the above described premises; that it has the right to sell and convey the same; that the said premises are free from all incumbrance, and that it will and its successors and assigns will, forever warrant and defend the same to the said Jack F. Powers, his heirs and assigns against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Baldwin County Lands Association, a corporation, has caused these presents to be signed by its President and Secretary, duly authorized, and its corporate seal to be attached this 20th day of March A.D., 1944.

/s/ S. W. Hamm,

/s/ Warren W. Hamm, Secretary

President

(SEAL)

IN PRESENCE OF:

/s/ Betty B. Bangert

/s/ W. Motthre

STATE OF ILLINOIS, ) COUNTY OF COOK. )

I, Marie F. Blumenthal, a Notary Public, in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that S.W. Hamm and Warren W. Hamm, whose names as President and Secretary of the Baldwin County Lands Association, a corporation, are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the conveyance, they as such officers and with full authority, executed the same voluntarily for and as the act of said corporation.

Given under my hand and seal this 20 day of March, 1944.

(SEAL)

/s/ Marie F. Blumenthal, Notary Public, Cook County, Illinois

My Commission Expires July 19, 1945.

Filed: June 2, 1944 Recorded: Deed Book 85, Pages 149-50

10 1 01 LUB. COUNTY OF BALDWIN.)

INCH IN BY THESE BRISENTS, That for and in consideration of the sum of One (\$1.00) and other good and valuable considerations DOLLARS, to us in hand paid by baisy A. Baker the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the SOUTHARK FLANTATION DUVING ALLARS, is CLPANY, does hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said baisy h. Baker the following described lend situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

> The North One-half (N+) of the Northeast One-cuarter (N+1) o The North One-half  $(N_{2}^{+})$  of the Northeast One-cuarter  $(1,2_{1}^{+})$  of farm Seven(7) being the Southwest One-quarter of the North-east One-quarter (SW) of NE1) of Section Iwenty-seven(27) Township Five(5) South, Hange Five(5) Mast, also The North One-half  $(N_{2}^{+})$  of the Southwest One-quarter (SW2) of Farm Three(5) being the Northeast One-quarter of the North-west One-quarter (NE2 of NW2) of Section Thirty(30) Township Six(6) South, Hange Five(5) East, and containing Ten(10) acres more or less. All Oil, Gas and Lineral Rights have been re-served, except a 1/16 interest, the royalties on which will be divided pro rata among the purchasers of the 11,690 acres of Land. of lend.

The said SOUTHERN PLANTATION DEVELOPMENT COMPANY reserves the right to open at any time such highways as may be heccessary to give free access to the public to and from each Forty(40) some tract, same to be opened on either Section or half Section lines. To mave all TO note to the said baisy A. Sector her heirs and assigns forever, and the said SOUTHERN PLANTATIO, DEVELOPMENT Company, a comporation, does hereby dovenant with the said baisy A. Baker that it is seized in fee of the above described premises; that it has the right to sell and convey the same; that the said premises are free from all incombrance and that it will, and its successors and assigns will forever warrant of all persons whomspever. IN NITWERS WHEREOF the said SOUTHERN PLANTATION DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, a comporation, has caused these presents to be signed by its President and Secretary duly authorized therato, and its comporate seal to be attached this 25th day of January A. D., 1925. (Comporate Seal) IN PRESENCE OF

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5. V. geterson S. V. Lipschultz.

C. A. Souther ET aSid ex the 2. G. Paker Secretary.

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SOUNTY OF COCK I. Reginald P. Enights a botary Public in and for said Sounty in said State, hereby certify that C. Souther, and P. G. Baker whose manes as Pres. and see'y, of the Southern Plantation Development Company, a corporation, are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are shown to me, schowledged before he on this day that, being informed of the contents of the conveyance, they as such officers and with full authority, executed the same voluntarily for and as the act of said corporation. Given under my hand this the 25th day of January 1925.

reginald B. mights Notary Public. In and for Cook County, Illinois. wy commission expires warch 24, 1929.

STATE OF ALABAIN, ) BALD IN COUNTY. )

w. D. Stapleton, Judge of Probate, by J. L. Lessler, Jlerk.

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#### THE STATE OF ALABAMA

#### KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT WHEREAS, on 9th day of May, A.D. 1932, the Probate Court of Baldwin County rendered a decree for the sale of lands hereinafter described and conveyed, for the payment of State and County taxes then due from D. Baker, the owner of said lands, and for payment of the fees, costs, and expenses of and under said decree, and the sale had in execution thereof.

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AND WHEREAS, thereafter, to-wit, on the 13th day of June, 1932, under and in pursuance of said decree, said lands were regularly offered for sale by the Tax Collector of Baldwin County for said taxes, fees, costs, and expenses, and no person having bid a sufficient sum for said lands to pay the same, said lands were bid in for the State for the sum of said taxes, fees, costs and expenses.

AND WHEREAS, the time allowed by law for the redemption of said lands has elapsed since said sale, and the same not having been redeemed, the title thereto under said sale is still in the State.

AND WHEREAS, said lands having been entered upon the books of the State Land Commissioner, and the State Land Commissioner of the State of Alabama, with the approval of the Governor, has fixed the price of said land, and ascertained that the sum of Eight and 50/100 (\$8.50) Dollars is sufficient to cover and satisfy all claims of the State and County against said lands for or on account of taxes, interest, fees, and costs, and officers' fees which were due upon or have accrued against said lands, as provided for by law.

AND WHEREAS, application has been made to the State Land Commissioner of the State of Alabama by Powers Brothers to purchase said lands, and said sum of Eight and 50/100 (\$8.50) Dollars therefor has been paid into the State Treasury.

NOW THEREFORE, the State Land Commissioner of the State of Alabama, by virtue of and in accordance with the authority in him vested by law, with the approval of the Governor of Alabama, and in consideration of the premises above set out, has this day granted, bargained, sold, and conveyed and by these presents does grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said Powers Brothers, without warranty or covenant of any kind on the part of the State, express or implied, all right and title of the State of Alabama in and to said lands, described as follows:

 $N^{\frac{1}{2}}_{2}$  of SW1 of NE1 of NW1, Section 30, Township 6S, Range 5E,

lying and being situate in said County and State, to have and to hold the same, the said right and title of the State in the lands aforesaid, unto Powers Brother, and their heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 1st day of November, 1939.

STATE LAND COMMISSIONER OF ALABAMA

Approved:

By: /s/ John C. Curry, State Land Commissioner.

/s/ Frank M. Dixon, Governor. THE STATE OF ALABAMA,

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

I, Mrs. Clay Willingham, a Notary Public in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that John C. Curry, whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance, as State Land Commissioner, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of this conveyance, he, in his capacity as such State Land Commissioner, executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand this the 1st day of November, 1939.

/s/ Mrs. Clay Willingham,

Notary Public.

Filed: November 16, 1939

Recorded: Deed Book 70 N.S., Page 508-9

Exhibit "W"

#### QUIT CLAIM DEED

STATE OF ALABAMA, ) BALDWIN COUNTY. )

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That POWERS BROTHERS, consisting of Jack Powers, whose wife is Ivie Powers, James R. Powers, whose wife is Florence Powers, and Silas Powers, whose wife is Gwendolyn Powers, in consideration of the sum of ONE DOLLAR (\$1.00) and other valuable considerations to us in hand paid by JACK POWERS, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do remise, release, quit-claim and convey to the said JACK POWERS all our right, title, interest and claim; in or to the following described real estate, to-wit:

> The West  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the Northeast  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the Northwest Quarter ( $W_2^{1}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) and Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) Section Thirty (30), Township Six (6) South of Range Five East (5), consisting of Thirty (30) acres more or less; also, the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) and North Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (N $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) and North Half of Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (N $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) and North Half of the South Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (N $\frac{1}{2}$ of S $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) and South Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (S $\frac{1}{2}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-five (25), Township Six (6) South of Range Four (4) East, containing sixty-five (65) acres, more or less.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD to the said JACK POWERS, his heirs and assigns, forever.

Given under our hands and seals this 29th day of October, 1941.

/s/ Jack Powers (SEAL)

- /s/ Ivie Powers (SEAL)
- /s/ James R. Powers (SEAL)
- /s/ Florence Powers (SEAL)
- /s/ Silas Powers (SEAL)

/s/ Gwendolyn Powers (SEAL)

STATE OF ALABAMA, ) BALDWIN COUNTY. )

I, Orvis M. Brown, a Notary Public, in and for said County and State, hereby certify that Jack Powers and wife, Ivie Powers, James R. Powers and wife, Florence Powers, and Silas Powers and wife, Gwendolyn Powers, whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents of the conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date. Given under my hand and official seal this 29th day of October, 1941.

/s/ Orvis M. Brown,

Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

My Commission Expires April 2, 1943.

STATE OF ALABAMA, () BALDWIN COUNTY.

(SEAL)

I, Orvis M, Brown, a Notary Public, in and for said County and State, do hereby certify that on the 29th day of October 1941, came before me Ivie Powers, known to me to be the wife of the within named Jack Powers, Florence Powers, known to me to be the wife of the within named James R. Powers, and Gwendolyn Powers, known to me to be the wife of the within named Silas Powers, who, being examined separate and apart from the husbands, touching their signatures to the within conveyance, acknowledged that they signed the same of their own free will and accord and without fear, constraints or threats on the part of the husband.

Given under my hand and official seal this 29th day of October, 1941.

/s/ Orvis M. Brown,

(SEAL)

Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama My Commission Expires April 2, 1943.

Filed: November 1, 1941 Recorded: Deed Book 76 N.S., Page195

#### WARRANTY DEED

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STATE OF ALABAMA, )

BALDWIN COUNTY.

THIS INDENTURE, made and entered into on this the 12th day of July, 1949, by and between Jack F. Powers and Ivie S. Powers his wife, hereinafter referred to as the parties of the first part, and James R. Powers, hereinafter referred to as the party of the second part, WITNESSETH:

The parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration to them this day in hand paid by the party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have and by these presents do hereby GRANT, BARGAIN, SELL AND CONVEY unto the said party of the second part, the following described real property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

South Half of Northwest Quarter of Southeast Quarter of Northwest Quarter; Northeast Quarter of Southeast Quarter of Northwest Quarter; South Half of Southeast Quarter of Northwest Quarter; Northeast Quarter of Northwest Quarter; All in Section 30, Township 6 South, Range 5 East of St. Stephens Meridian, and

North Half of Northwest Quarter of Northwest Quarter; Southwest Quarter of Southwest Quarter of Northeast Quarter;

North Half of Northwest Quarter of Southwest Quarter; North Half of South Half of Northwest Quarter of Southwest Quarter;

Northeast Quarter of Northeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter:

South Half of Southeast Quarter of Northeast Quarter of

Southwest Quarter; All in Section 25, Township 6 South, Range 4 East of

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, forever.

The parties of the first part, for themselves, their heirs, executors and administrators, hereby covenant and warrant to and with the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, that they are seized of an indefeasible estate in and to the said property; that they have a good right to convey the same as herein contained; that they will guarantee the peaceable possession thereof; that the said property is free from all liens and encumbrances and that they will and their heirs, executors and administrators shall forever warrant and defend the same unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns against the lawful claims of all persons, subject to all existing oil, gas and mineral leases.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals on this the day and year first above wirtten.

/s/ Jack F. Powers (SEAL) /s/ Ivie S. Powers (SEAL)

STATE OF ALABAMA, ) BALDWIN COUNTY. )

I, J. B. Blackburn, a Notary Public, within and for said County in said State, hereby certify that Jack F. Powers and Ivie S. Powers, his wife, whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

I further certify that on the 12th day of July, 1949, came before me the within named Ivie S. Powers, known to me to be the wife of the within named Jack F. Powers, who, being examined separate and apart from her husband, touching her signature to the foregoing conveyance, acknowledged that she signed the same of her own free will and accord and without fear, constraints or threats on the part of her husband.

Given under my hand and seal on this the 12th day of

/s/ J. B. Blackburn,

Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

Filed: July 20, 1949

Recorded: Deed Book 143, Pages 317-8.

## QUIT-CLAIM DEED.

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STATE OF ALABAMA,

BALDWIN COUNTY.

THIS INDENTURE, made and entered into on this the 29th day of August, 1949, by and between Silas Powers and Gwendolyn Powers, his wife, Jack Powers and Ivie Powers, his wife, and James Powers and Florence Powers, his wife, hereinafter referred to as the parties of the first part, and Jack Powers, hereinafter referred to as the party of the second part, WITNESSETH:

The parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration to them this day in hand paid by the party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have REMISED, RELEASED AND QUIT CLAIMED and by these presents do REMISE, RELEASE AND QUIT CLAIM unto the said party of the second part, the following described real property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit

The West Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, and the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 30, Township 6 South of Range 5 East, consisting of 30 acres, more or less.

Also the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, and the North Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, and the North Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, and the North Half of the South Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, and the South Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 25, Township 6 South of Range 4 East, containing 65 acres, more or less.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, the said released premises unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, forever.

So that neither the parties of the first part, their heirs or assigns, nor any person in trust for them, or in their names, shall or will, can or may, by any ways or means whatsoever, hereafter have or claim any right or title thereto; but, that the said parties of the first part, their heirs and assigns, each and everyone of them, from all estate, right, title, interest or claim and demand whatsoever in or to the said premises or any part there-DEBARRED.

This deed is made for a nominal consideration to perfect the record title to the said property and to correct the defects in a deed dated October 29, 1941, and recorded in Deed Book 76, page 195.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals on this the day and year first above written.

- /s/ Silas Powers (SEAL)
- /s/ Gwendolyn Powers (SEAL)
- /s/ Jack Powers (SEAL)
- /s/ Ivie Powers (SEAL)
- /s/ James R. Powers (SEAL)
- /s/ Florence Powers (SEAL)

### STATE OF ALABAMA,

BALDWIN COUNTY.

I, Cecil G. Chason, a Notary Public, within and for said County in said State, hereby certify that Silas Powers and Gwendolyn Powers, his wife, whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

I further certify that on the 13th day of August, 1949, came before me the within named Gwendolyn Powers, known to me to be the wife of the within named Silas Powers, who, being examined separate and apart from her husband, touching her signature to the foregoing conveyance, acknowledged that she signed the same of her own free will and accord and without fear, constraints or threats on the part of her husband.

Given under my hand and seal on this the 13th day of August, 1949.

(SEAL)

/s/ Cecil G. Chason,

Notary Public, Baldwin County Alabama.

STATE OF ALABAMA, ) BALDWIN COUNTY.

I, Grady P. Gilbert, a Notary Public, within and for said County in said State, hereby certify that Jack Powers and Ivie Powers, his wife, whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

I further certify that on the 29th day of August, 1949, came before me the within named Ivie Powers, known to me to be the wife of the within named Jack Powers, who, being examined separate and apart from her husband, touching her signature to the foregoing conveyance, acknowledged that she signed the same of her own free will and accord and without fear, constraints or threats on the part of her husband.

Given under my hand and seal on this the 29th day of August, 1949.

(SEAL)

/s/ Grady P. Gilbert,

Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama. My Commission expires 4/9/52

STATE OF ALABAMA,) BALDWIN COUNTY. )

I, Gus Schultz, a Notary Public, within and for said County in said State, hereby certify that James Powers and Florence Powers, his wife, whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date. I further certify that on the 23rd day of August, 1949, came before me the within named Florence Powers, known to me to be the wife of the within named James Powers, who, being examined separate and apart from her husband, touching her signature to the foregoing conveyance, acknowledged that she signed the same of her own free will and accord and without fear, constraints or threats on the part of her husband.

Given under my hand and seal on this the 23rd day of August, 1949.

(SEAL)

/s/ Gus Schultz,

Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

Filed: September 7, 1949

Recorded: Deed Book/44, Pages 390-92

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#### WARRANTY DEED

STATE OF ALABAMA, ) BALDWIN COUNTY. )

THIS INDENTURE, made and entered into on this the 18th day of July, 1949, by and between James R. Powers and Florence S. Powers, his wife, hereinafter referred to as the parties of the first part, and Jack F. Powers, hereinafter referred to as the party of the second part, WITNESSETH:

The parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dolkr (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration to them this day in hand paid by the party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have and by these presents do hereby GRANT, BARGAIN, SELL AND CONVEY unto the said party of the second part, the following described real property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

East Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 30, Township 6 South, Range 5 East of St. Stephens Meridian, and

North Half of Northwest Quarter of Northwest Quarter; Southwest Quarter of Southwest Quarter of Northeast Quarter; North Half of Northwest Quarter of Southwest Quarter; North Half of South Half of Northwest Quarter of Southwest Quarter; Northeast Quarter of Northeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter; South Half of Southeast Quarter of Northeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter; All in Section 25, Township 6 South, Range 4 East of St. Stephens Meridian.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, forever.

The parties of the first part, for themselves, their heirs, executors and administrators, hereby covenant and warrant to and with the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, that they are seized of an indefeasible estate in and to the said property; that they have a good right to convey the same as herein contained; that they will guarantee the peaceable possession thereof; that the said property is free from all liens and encumbrances and that they will and their heirs, executors and administrators shall forever warrant and defend the same unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns against the lawful claims of all persons, subject to all existing oil, gas and mineral leases.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals on this the day and year first above written.

/s/	James R.	Powers	(SEAL)
/s/	Florence	S. Powers	(SEAL)

STATE OF ALABAMA, ) BALDWIN COUNTY. )

I, George K. Page, a Notary Public, within and for said State at Large, hereby certify that James R. Powers and Florence S. Powers, his wife, whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

I further certify that on the 18th day of July, 1949, came before me the within named Florence S. Powers, known to me to be the wife of the within named James R. Powers, who, being examined separate and apart from her husband, touching her signature to the foregoing conveyance, acknowledged that she signed the same of her own free will and accord and without fear, constraints or threats on the part of her husband.

Given under my hand and seal on this the 18th day of July, 1949.

/s/ George K. Page,

(SEAL)

Notary Public, State of Alabama at Large.

Filed: September 16, 1949

Recorded: Deed Book 144, Page 489-90

#### NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF BILL OF COMPLAINT

IN CINCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN EQUITY.

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#### JACK F. POWERS,

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Complainant,

THE LANDS HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED and, Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation, and the offi-cers, directors and stockholders of the Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation; Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corpora-tion, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corporation; Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stock-holders of the Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation; American Securities Corporation, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the American Securities Corporation, a the American Securities Corporation, a Corporation; Edwin F. Winegar, Trustee; George A. Sossaman, Trustee; George A. Sossaman, Trustee for Denniston-Boykin Company, Inc., a Corporation; George A. Sossaman, Trustee for Frank W. Boykin, H. S. Denniston and Bertha S. Wilsey, as Executrix of the Last Will of R. E. Wilsey, Deceased; Thomas P. Hamm; Lovonie Hamm; J. R. Duncan: Margarat Duncant J. L. Tuckar; J. R. Duncan; Margaret Duncan; J. L. Tucker; C. B. Mitchell; S. P. Gaillard, Jr.; Mrs. Rosalie Disimone Orr; George A. Sossaman; P. G. Baker; D. A. Baker; George Asmus; Irene Christine Asmus; C. N. Souther; Floyd R. Perkins; T. J. Rester; George H. Berge; George H. Berge; C. C. Martin; F. W. King; Petrick Wilbert King; Gertrude King; Alson W. Hatch; Alson William Hatch; D. W. Cooke; Daniel W. Cooke; Mary L. Woodson; J. 5. Garman; D. Baker; Daisy A. Baker; R. Knight; Denniston Company, a Corporation; Elberta Turpentine Company, a Partnership, composed of L. W. Brannan and L. W. Brannan, Jr.; L. W. Brannan; L. W. Brannan, Jr., ST ALS,

#### Reopondents.

Notice is hereby given to Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation; Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and Stockholders of the Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corporation; Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation; American Securities Corporation, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the American Securities Corporation; a Corporation; Edwin F. Winegar,

Trustee; George A. Sossaman, Trustee; George A. Sossaman, Trustee for Benniston-Boykin Company, Inc., a Corporation; George A. Sonsaman, Trustee for Frank W. Boykin, H. S. Denniston and Bertha S. Wilsey, as Executrix of the Last Will of R. E. Wilsey, Deceased; Thomas P. Hamm; Lavonie Hamm; J. R. Duncan; Margaret Duncan; J. L. Tucker; C. B. Mitchell; S. P. Gaillard, Jr.: Mrs. Rosalie Disimone Orr; George A. Sossaman; P. G. Baker; D. A. Baker; George Asmus; Irene Christine Asmus; C. N. Souther; Floyd R. Perkins; T. J. Rester; George H. Berga; George H. Berge; C. C. Martin; P. W. King; Patrick Wilbert King; Gertrude King; Alson W. Hatch; Alson William Hatch; D. W. Cooke; Daniel W. Cooke; Mary L. Woodson; J. S. Garman; D. Baker; Baisy A. Baker; R. Knight; Denniston Company, a Corporation; Elberta Turpentine Company, a Partnership, composed of L. W. Brannan and L. W. Brannan, Jr.; L. W. Brannan; L. W. Brannan, Jr., and the heirs, devisees and personal representatives of such of the said parties as may be dead, and any and all persons, firms or corporations claiming any title to, interest in, lien or encumbrance on the lands hereinafter described, that on the 26th day of January filed in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, Equity Side, a verified Bill of Complaint against the following described lands. situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

South Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; South Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; South Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; West Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, subject to that certain oil, gas and mineral lease dated August 22, 1940 and recorded in Deed Book 74, page 4;

North Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, subject to that certain oil, gas and mineral lease dated August 22, 1940 and recorded in Deed Book 74, page 4; All in Section 30, Township 6 South, Range 5 East of St. Stephens Meridian;

ALSO North Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter; North Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; North Half of the South Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; South Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest West Quarter,

All in Section 25, Township 6 South, Range & East of St. Stophens Meridian:

and against Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation: Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corporation; Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation; American Securities Corporation, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the American Securities Corporation, a Corporation; Edwin F. Winegar, Invetce; George A. Sossaman, Trustee; George A. Sossaman, Trustee for Denniston-Boykin Company, Inc., a Corporation; George A. Sossaman, Trustee for Frank W. Boykin, H. S. Denniston and Bertha S. Wilsey, as Executrix of the Last Will of R. E. Wilsey, Deceased; Thomas P. Hamm; Levonie Namm; J. R. Duncan; Margaret Duncan; J. L. Tucker; C. B. Mitchell; 5. P. Gaillard, Jr.; Mrs. Rosalie Disimone Orr; George A. Sossaman; P. G. Baker; D. A. Baker; George Asmus; Irene Christine Asmus; C.N. Souther; Floyd R. Porkins; T. J. Rester; George H. Berga; George H. Berge; C. C. Martin; P. W. King; Patrick Wilbert King; Gertrude King; Alson W. Hatch; Alson William Hatch; D. W. Cooke; Daniel W. Cooke; Mary L. Woodson; J. S. Garman; D. Baker; Daisy A. Baker; R. Knight; Denniston Company, a Corporation; Elberta Turpentine Company, a Partnership, composed of L. W. Brannan and L. W. Brannan, Jr.; L. W. Brannan; L. W. Brannan, Jr; and the heirs, devisees and personal representatives of such of the said parties as may be dead, and against any and all persons, firms or corporations claiming any title to, interest in, lien or encumbrance on the said lands, or any part thereof, the said Bill of Complaint having been filed for the purpose of establishing the title of the said Complainant to all of the said lands, for the purpose of quieting his title thereto and to clear up all doubts and disputes concerning the title to the said property.

The Complainant claims the absolute, fee simple title in and to all of the said lands under, by and through the following conveyance, all of which are recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama, the county where the said lands are situated, to-wit:

- A. Deed from Alabama Tobacco Company to Alson William Hatch, dated March 24, 1914, filed July 23, 1914 and recorded in Deed Book 21 at page 651.
- B. Tax Deed from State of Alabama to Powers Brothers, dated November 1, 1939, filed November 16, 1939 and recorded in Deed Book 70, page 509.
- C. Deed from Baldwin Land Holding Company, Inc. and S. P. Gaillard, Jr. to J. S. Lowrey, dated June 10, 1938, filed June 13, 1938 and recorded in Deed Book 65, page 176.
- D. Beed from J. S. Lowrey to Powers Brothers, dated September 25, 1941, filed September 26, 1941 and recorded in Deed Book 76, page 57.
- E. Tax Deed from State of Alabama to Powers Brothers, dated November 15, 1939, filed March 11, 1940 and recorded in Deed Book 71, page 265.
- F. Tax Deed from State of Alabama to Powers Brothers, dated November 1, 1939, filed November 16, 1939, and recorded in Deed Book 70, page 510.

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- Deed from J. L. Tucker to Mitchell Naval Stores Company, dated September 15, 1938, filed September 16, 1938 and recorded in Deed Rook 65, page 527.
- H. Deed from C. B. Mitchell, R. F. Mitchell, Jr. and J. L. Tucker, an unmarried man, doing Susimees as Mitchell Naval Stores Company, and Jessie H. Mitchell, wife of C. B. Mitchell, and Dorothy F. Mitchell, wife of R. F. Mitchell, Jr., to J. R. Duncan, dated January 24, 1941, filed January 24, 1941 and recorded in Deed Book 75, page 25.
- I. Deed from J. R. Duncan and Margaret Duncan to Jack Powers, dated January 31, 1942, filed February 11, 1942, and recorded in Deed Book 76, page 566.
- J. Deed from Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company to George H. Berge, dated May 23, 1910, filed March 23, 1911 and recorded in Deed Book 17, page 375.
- K. Tax Deed from State of Alabama to Powers Brothers, dated August 9, 1939, filed August 15, 1939 and recorded in Deed Book 70, page 199.
- L. Deed from Addison M. DeCoudres to Albert M. De-Coudres, dated January 25, 1932, filed February 3, 1932 and recorded in Deed Book 52, page 156.
- M. Beed from Albert M. DeCoudres and Mabel G. DeCoudres to Powers Brothers, dated September 16, 1940, filed October 22, 1940 and recorded in Beed Book 73. page 248.

N. Beed from Walter J. Dichl and Estella M. Dichl to

Ruth Winifred Diehl, dated September 21, 1932, filed October 3, 1932 and recorded in Deed Book 52,page486

- O. Beed from Ruth W. Diehl Coil and James H. Coil to Powers Brothers, dated July 18, 1941, filed October 24, 1941 and recorded in Deed Book 76, page 164.
- P. Deed from S. P. Gaillard, Jr. and Baldwin Land Holding Company, Inc. to J. L. Theker and C. B. Mitchell, dated November 24, 1936, filed December 19, 1936 and recorded in Deed Book 61, page 58.
- Q. Deed from J. R. Duncan and Margaret Duncan to Jack F. Powers, dated January 31, 1942, filed February 11, 1942 and recorded in Deed Book 76, page 567.
- R. Beed from C. B. Mitchell to Mitchell Naval Stores Company, dated September 15, 1938, filed September 16, 1938 and recorded in Deed Book 65, page 528.
- S. Beed from Southern Plantation Development Company to Baldwin Sounty Land Association, dated April 30, 1918, filed May 13, 1918 and recorded in Deed Book 27, page 190.
- T. Deed from Baldwin County Land Association to Jack F. Powers, dated March 20, 1944, filed June 2, 1944 and recorded in Deed Book 85, page 149.
- U. Beed from Southern Plantation Development Company to Daipy A. Baker, dated January 25, 1925, filed July 29, 1925 and recorded in Deed Book 36, page 415.
- V. Tax Deed from State of Alabama to Powers Brothers dated November 1, 1939, filed November 16, 1939 and recorded in Deed Book 70, page 508.
- W. Deed from Powers Brothers, consisting of Jack Powers whose wife is Ivis Powers; James Powers, Whose wife is Florence Powers; and Silas Powers, whose wife is Gwendolyn Powers, to Jack Powers, dated October 29, 1941, filed November 1, 1941 and recorded in Deed Book 76, page 195.
- X. Beed from Jack F. Powers and Ivie Powers, to James R. Powers, dated July 12, 1949, filed July 20,1949 and recorded in Deed Book 143, page 317.
- Y. Deed from Silas Powers and Gwendolyn Powers, Jack Powers and Ivie Powers, James Powers and Plorence Powers, to Jack Powers, dated August 29, 1949, and filed September 7, 1949 and recorded in Deed Book 144, page 390.
- 2. Deed from Jamës R. Powers and Plorence S. Powers to Jack F. Powers, dated July 18, 1949, filed September 16, 1949 and recorded in Deed Book 144, page 489.

The Complainant, in and by his said Bill of Complaint, alleges and avers that he owns the said lands in his own right, absolutely and in fee simple; that he is in the actual, peaceable possession of all of the said lands: that title to the said lands stands upon the records of Baldwin County, Alabama, the county where the said lands are situated, in the name of the Complainant; and that no suit is pending to test Complainant's title to, interest in or tight to the possession of the said lands, or any part thereof; that no persons, firms or corporations , other than the Complainant and those through whom he claims title, are known to the Complainant to have any possession of the said lands, or any part thereof, within ten years next prior to the filing of the said Bill of Complaint and that no persons, firms, or corporations, other than the Complainant and those through whom he claims title to the said lands, are known to the Complainant to have paid any taxes on the said lands, or any part thereof, or any interest therein, within ten years next prior to the filing of the said Bill of Complaint; and that the Complainant and those through whom he claims title to the said lands have been in actual, peaceable, open, notorious, continuous, and hostile possession of all of the said lands for more than three years next preceding the filing of this Bill of Complaint.

The said parties named above and all persons, firms or corporations claiming any title to, interest in, lies or encumbrance on the said lands, or any part thereof, must appear in this Court and plead, answer or demur to the said Bill of Complaint before March 28, 1950, or on the said date Decrees Pro Confesso will be taken against them, testimony willbe thereafter taken and the said cause submitted for a final decree quieting Complainant's title to the said lands.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, as Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity and affixed the seal of the said Court on this the 26th day of January, 1950.

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ALICE J. DUCK, Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity.

J. B. BLACEBURN, Solicitor for Complainant.

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VS.

Complainant,

THE LANDS HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED, and Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation; Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corporation; Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation; American Securities Corporation, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation; Edwin F. Winegar, Trustee; George A. Sossaman, Trustee; George A. Sossaman, Trustee for Denniston-Boykin Company, Inc., a Corporation; George A. Sossaman, Trustee for Frank W. Boykin, H. S. Denniston and Bertha S. Wilsey, as Executrix of the Last Will of R. E. Wilsey, Deceased; Thomas P. Hamm; Lovonie Hamm; J. R. Duncan; Margaret Duncan; J. L. Tucker;) C. B. Mitchell; S. P. Gaillard, Jr.; Mrs. Rosalie Disimone Orr; George A. Sossaman; P. G. Baker; D. A. Baker; George A.sossaman; P. G. Baker; D. A. Baker; George H. Berga; Jeorge H. Berge; C. C. Martin; P. W. King; Patrick Wilbert King; Gertrude King; Alson W. Hatch; Alson William Hatch; D. W. Cooke; Daniel W. Cooke; Mary L. Woodson; J. S. Garman; D. Baker; Daisy A. Baker; R. Knight; Denniston Company, a Corporation, ET ALS,

Respondents. )

MOTION FOR DECREE PRO CONFESSO.

IN CIRCUIT COURT OF

)BALDWIN COUNTY ALABAMA

IN EQUITY

NO. 2420.

Motion is hereby made for Decree Pro Confesso against the Respondents, Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation; Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corporation; Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation; Alabama Sumatra of the Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation; American Securities Corporation, a Corpora-

tion, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the American Securities Corporation, a Corporation; Edwin F. Winegar, Trustee; George A. Sossaman, Trustee; George A. Sossaman, Trustee for Denniston-Boykin Company, Inc., a Corporation; George A. Sossaman, Trustee for Frank W. Boykin, H. S. Denniston and Bertha S. Wilsey, as Executrix of the Last Will of R. E. Wilsey, Deceased; Thomas P. Hamm; Lavonie Hamm; J. R. Duncan; Margaret Duncan, J. L. Tucker; C. B. Mitchell; S. P. Gaillard, Jr.; Mrs. Rosalie Disimone Orr; George A. Sossaman; P. G. Baker; D. A. Baker; George Asmus; Irene Christine Asmus; C. N. Souther; Floyd R. Perkins; T. J. Rester; George H. Berga; George H. Berge; C. C. Martin; P. W. King; Patrick Wilbert King; Gertrude King; Alson W. Hatch; Alson William Hatch; D. W. Cooke; Daniel W. Cooke; Mary L. Woodson; J. S. Garman; D. Baker; Daisy A. Baker; R. Knight; Denniston Company, a Corporation; and the heirs, devisees and personal representatives of such of the said parties as may be dead, and against any and all persons, firms or corporations claiming any title to, interest in, lien or encumbrance on the following described property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

South Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; South Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; South Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; West Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, subject to that certain oil, gas and mineral lease dated August 22, 1940, and recorded in Deed Book 74, at Page 4;

North Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, subject to that certain oil, gas and mineral lease dated August 22, 1940, and recorded in Deed Book 74, at Page 4; all in Section 30, Township 6 South, Range 5 East of St. Stephens Meridian;

ALSO-North Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter; North Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; North Half of the South Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; South Half of the Southeast Quarter of the N rtheast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, all in Section 25, Township 6 South, Range 4 East of St. Stephens Meridian,

on the ground that the Respondents, J. R. Duncan, Denniston Company and T. J. Rester were personally served with a copy of the Bill of Complainant more than thirty days before the filing of this motion;

the Respondent, Elberta Turpentine Company, a Partnership, composed of L. W. Brannan and L. W. Brannan, Jr., L. W. Brannan and L. W. Brannan, Jr., have filed a disclaimer to any part of the said property involved in this suit; the addresses of the other parties being unknown and the Notice of Pendency of the Bill of Complaint, filed in this cause on the 26th day of January, 1950, which is dated January 26, 1950, was published once a week for four successive weeks in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper published at Bay Minette, in Baldwin County, Alabama, the first of which said notices appeared in the issue of the said paper published on January 26, 1950, and that on the said date a copy thereof was posted at the front door of the courthouse of Baldwin County, Alabama, and another copy was filed for record in the office of the Judge of Probat of Baldwin County, Alabama, and each and all of the said parties have failed to appear and plead, answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint filed against them in this cause.

WHEREFORE, the Complainant moves the Register to make and enter a Decree Pro Confesso against each and all of the above named Respondents.

DATED this the 27 day of April, 1950.

L. TS. Blacklin Solicitor for Complaianant.

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JACK F. POWERS, Complainant,

VS.

THE LANDS HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED, and Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation, and the offi-cers, directors and stockholders of the Southern Plantaion Development Company, a Corporation; Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corpora-tion, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corporation; Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stock-holders of the Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation; American Securities Corporation, a Corporation, and the Corporation, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the American Securities Corporation, a Corporation; Edwin F. Winegar, Trustee; George A. Sossaman, Trustee; George A. Sossaman, Trustee for Denniston-Boykin Company, Inc., a Corporation; George A. Sossaman, Trustee for Frank W. Boykin, H. S. Denniston and Bertha S. Wilsey, as Executrix of the Last Will of R. E. Wilsey, Deceased; Thomas P. Hamm: Levonie Hamm; J. R. Duncan: Margaret Duncan; J. L. Tucker; J. R. Duncan; Margaret Duncan; J. L. Tucker; C. B. Mitchell: S. P. Gaillard, Jr.; Mrs. Rosalie Disimone Orr; George A. Sossaman; P. G. Baker; D. A. Baker; George Asmus; Irene Christine Asmus; C. N. Souther: Floyd R. Perkins; T. J. Rester; George H. Berga; George H. Berge; C. C. Martin; P. W. King; Patrick Wilbert King; Gertrude King; Alson W. Hatch; Alson William Hatch, D. W. Cooke; Daniel W. Cooke; Mary L. Woodson; J. S. Garman; D. Baker; Daisy A. Baker; R. Knight;

### DECREE PRO CONFESSO.

Respondents.)

In this cause it being made to appear to the Register that the Respondents, J. R. Duncan, Denniston Company, and T. J. Rester were personally served with a copy of the Bill of Complaint more than thirty days before the filing of the motion for this decree; that the Respondents, Elberta Turpentine Company, a Partner ship, composed of L. W. Brannan and L. W. Brannan, Jr., L. W. Brannan and L. W. Brannan, Jr. have filed a disclaimer to any part of the said property involved in this suit; that the Respondents, Edwin F. Winegar, Trustee, George A. Sossaman, Trustee, George A. Sossaman, Trustee for Denniston-Boykin Company, Inc., a Corporation,

IN CIRCUIT COURT OF

(BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN EQUITY

NO. 2420.

George A. Sossaman, Trustee for Frank W. Boykin, H. S. Denniston and Bertha S. Wilsey, as Executrix of the Last Will of R. E. Wilsey Deceased, Thomas P. Hamm, Levonie Hamm, J. R. Duncan, Margaret Duncan, J. L. Tucker, C. B. Mitchell, S. P. Gaillard, Jr., Mrs. Rosalie Disimone Orr, George A. Sossaman, P. G. Baker, D. A. Baker, George Asmus, Irene Christine Asmus, C. N. Souther, Floyd R. Perkins, T. J. Rester, George H. Berga, George H. Berge, C. C. Martin, P. W. King, Patrick Wilbert King, Gertrude King, Alson W. Hatch, Alson William Hatch, D. W. Cooke, Daniel W. Cooke, Mary L. Woodson, J. S. Garman, D. Baker, Daisy A. Baker and R. Knight are, if living, over twenty-one years of age, and that their respective places of residence and post office addresses are unknown and cannot be ascertained after diligent inquiry, or are non-residents of the  $\mathrm{S_t}$ ate of Alabama, whose exact places of residence and post office addresses are unknown; that the Respondents, Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation and the officers, directors and stock holders of the Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation, Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corporation, Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation, and the American Securities Corporation, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stock holders of the American Securities Corporation, a Corporation, if still in existence, their respective places of doing business and post office addresses are unknown and cannot be ascertained after diligent inquiry, or are nonresidents of the State of Alabama, whose exact places of residence and post office addresses are unknown; that a copy of the Notice of Pendency of the Bill of Complaint filed in this cause, dated the 26th day of January, 1950, was published once a week for four successive weeks in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper published at Bay Minette, in Baldwin County, Alabama, the first of said notices being published on January 26,

1950, the second of said notices being published on February 2, 1950, the third of said notices being published on February 9, 1950, and the fourth of said notices being published on February 16, 1950, and that copies thereof were on the said date posted at the front door of the courthouse in Baldwin County, Alabama, and filed for record in the office of the Judget of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama, and that to date hereof each of the said Respondents and the heirs, devisees and personal representatives of such of said parties as may be dead and any or all persons, firms or corporations claiming any title to, interest in, lien or encumbrance on the following described property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

South Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; South Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; South Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; West Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, subject to that certain oil, gas and mineral lease dated August 22, 1940, and recorded in Deed Book 74, at Page 4;

North Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, subject to that certain oil, gas and mineral lease dated August 22, 1940, and recorded in Deed Book 74, at Page 4; all in Section 30, Township 6 South, Range 5 East of St. Stephens Meridian;

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have failed to appear and plead, answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint filed against them in this cause.

It is, therefore, on motion of the Complainant, Ordered, Adjudged, and Decreed by the Register that the Said Bill of Complaint be and it hereby is, in all things, taken as confessed against each and all of the above named Respondents and the heirs, devisees and personal representatives of such said parties as may be dead, and against any or all persons, firms or corporations claiming any title to, interest in, lien or encumbrance on the land above described or any part thereof.

ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED this 23 day of April, 1950.

Register.



JACK F. POWERS,

VS.

Complainant,

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA IN EQUITY NO. 2420.

THE LANDS HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED, SOUTHERN PLANTATION DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, A Corporation, ET ALS.

Respondents.

STATE OF ALABAMA,) BALDWIN COUNTY. )

I, Alice J. Duck, Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, do hereby certify that a copy of the Notice of Pendency of the Bill of Complaint in the above styled cause was published once a week for four successive weeks in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper published at Bay Minette, in Baldwin County, Alabama, the first of which said notices appeared in the issue of said paper published on January 26, 1950.

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Register of Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity.



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Now come the Respondents, Elberta Turpentine Company, a Partnership, composed of L. W. Brannan and L. W. Brannan, Jr., L. W. Brannan and L. W. Brannan, Jr., and disclaim any right, title interest or claim in the property involved in this suit.

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NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF BILL OF COMPLAINT

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Respondents.

Notice is hereby given to Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation; Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corporation; Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation; American Securities Corporation, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the American Securities Corporation, a Corporation; Edwin F. Winegar,

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Trustee; George A. Sossaman, Trustee; George A. Sossaman, Trustee for Denniston-Boykin Company, Inc., a Corporation; George A. Sossaman, Trustee for Frank W. Boykin, H. S. Denniston and Bertha S. Wilsey, as Executrix of the Last Will of R. E. Wilsey, Deceased; Thomas P. Hamm; Lavonie Hamm; J. R. Duncan; Margaret Duncan; J. L. Tucker; C. B. Mitchell; S. P. Gaillard, Jr.; Mrs. Rosalie Disimone Orr; George A. Sossaman; P. G. Baker; D. A. Baker; George Asmus; Irene Christine Asmus; C. N. Souther; Floyd R. Perkins; T. J. Rester; George H. Berga; George H. Berge; C. C. Martin; P. W. King; Patrick Wilbert King; Gertrude King; Alson W. Hatch; Alson William Hatch; D. W. Cooke; Daniel W. Cooke; Mary L. Woodson; J. S. Garman; D. Baker; Daisy A. Baker; R. Knight; Denniston Company, a Corporation; Elberta Turpentine Company, a Partnership, composed of L. W. Brannan and L. W. Brannan, Jr.; L. W. Brannan; L. W. Brannan, Jr., and the heirs, devisees and personal representatives of such of the said parties as may be dead, and any and all persons, firms or corporations claiming any title to, interest in, lien or encumbrance on the lands hereinafter described, that on the 26th day of \_, 1950, the said Complainant, Jack F. Powers, filed in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, Equity Side, a verified Bill of Complaint against the following described lands, situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

South Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; South Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; South Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; Northeast Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; Northeast Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Quarter, subject to that certain oil, gas and mineral lease dated August 22, 1940 and recorded in Deed Book 74, page 4;

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The Complainant claims the absolute, fee simple title in and to all of the said lands under, by and through the following conveyance, all of which are recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama, the county where the said lands are situated, to-wit:

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The Complainant, in and by his said Bill of Complaint, alleges and avers that he owns the said lands in his own right, absolutely and in fee simple; that he is in the actual, peaceable possession of all of the said lands; that title to the said lands stands upon the records of Baldwin County, Alabama, the county where the said lands are situated, in the name of the Complainant; and that no suit is pending to test Complainant's title to, interest in or tight to the possession of the said lands, or any part thereof; that no persons, firms or corporations , other than the Complainant and those through whom he claims title, are known to the Complainant to have any possession of the said lands, or any part thereof, within ten years next prior to the filing of the said Bill of Complaint and that no persons, firms, or corporations, other than the Complainant and those through whom he claims title to the said lands, are known to the Complainant to have paid any taxes on the said lands, or any part thereof, or any interest therein, within ten years next prior to the filing of the said Bill of Complaint; and that the Complainant and those through whom he claims title to the said lands have been in actual, peaceable, open, notorious, continuous, and hostile possession of all of the said lands for more than three years next preceding the filing of this Bill of Complaint.

The said parties named above and all persons, firms or corporations claiming any title to, interest in, lien or encumbrance on the said lands, or any part thereof, must appear in this Court and plead, answer or demur to the said Bill of Complaint before March 28, 1950, or on the said date Decrees Pro Confesso will be taken against them, testimony willbe thereafter taken and the said cause submitted for a final decree quieting Complainant's title to the said lands.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, as Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity and affixed the seal of the said Court on this the 26th day of January, 1950.

J. B. BLACKBURN, Solicitor for Complainant.

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STATE OF ALABAMA, BALDWIN COUNTS Wild 1-2.7-50 Judge of Probate

Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity

ALICE J. DUCK,

#### BILL OF COMPLAINT

TO THE HONORABLE TELFAIR J. MASHBURN, JR., JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, IN EQUITY:

Your Complainant, Jack F. Powers, presents this Bill

of Complaint against the following described real property situated

in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

South Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; South Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; South Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; West Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, subject to that certain oil, gas and mineral lease dated August 22, 1940 and recorded in Deed Book 74, page 4;

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and against Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Southern Plantation Development Company, a Corporation; Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Alabama Sumatra and Havana Tobacco Company, a Corporation; Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the Alabama Tobacco Company, a Corporation; American Securities Corporation, a Corporation, and the officers, directors and stockholders of the American Securities Corporation, a Corporation; Edwin F. Winegar, Trustee; George A. Sossaman, Trustee; George A. Sossaman, Trustee for Denniston-Boykin Company, Inc., a Corporation; George A. Sossaman, Trustee for Frank W. Boykin, H. S. Denniston and Bertha S. Wilsey, as Executrix of the Last Will of R. E. Wilsey, Deceased; Thomas P. Hamm; Lavonie Hamm; J. R. Duncan; Margaret Duncan; J. L. Tucker; C. 'B. Mitchell; S. P. Gaillard, Jr.; Mrs. Rosalie Disimone Orr; George A. Sossaman; P. G.

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l. Your Complainant is over the age of twenty-one years and is a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama.

2. The Respondents are, if living, over the age of twenty-one years, but their places of residence and post office addresses are unknown and cannot be ascertained after diligent effort and inquiries to ascertain the facts with regard thereto, except the following: J. R. Duncan's address is Seminole, Alabama; T. J. Rester's address is Post Office Box 1101, Mobile, Alabama; Denniston Company's address is 912 First National Bank Building, Mobile 13, Alabama; Elberta Turpentine Company's address is Foley, Alabama; L. W. Brannan's address is 107 South Georgia Avenue, Mobile, Alabama; L. W. Brannan, Jr's. address is Foley, Alabama.

3. Your Complainant is in the actual, peaceable possession of the above described real property and owns and claims to own the said property in his own right, absolutely and in fee simple; title to all of the said lands stands upon the records of Baldwin County, Alabama, the county in which the lands are situated, in the name of this Complainant; no suit is pending to test your Complainant's title to, or the right to possession of the said lands, or any part thereof. No persons, firms or corporations, other than your Complainant and those through whom he claims title to the said property, are known to your Complainant to have had any possession of the said lands or any part thereof within ten years next preceding the filing of this Bill of Complaint; and no persons, firms or corporations, other than your Complainant and those through whom he claims title to the said lands, have paid any taxes on the said lands, or any part thereof, or any interest therein, within ten years next preceding the filing of this Bill of Complaint.

The Complainant and those through whom he claims title to the said lands have been in the actual, peaceable, open, notorious, continuous and hostile possession of all of the said lands for more than three years next preceding the filing of this Bill of Complaint.

4. Your Complainant has and claims to have the absolute, unencumbered fee simple title to all of the said property hereinabove described by and through the following instruments of writing all of which are recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Baldwin County, Alabama, the county where the said lands are situated, to-wit:

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Your Complainant has made and has caused a diligent search to be made in the community where the said property is located and in Baldwin County, Alabama to ascertain the names, ages and places of residence of all persons, firms or corporations claiming any title to, interest in, lien or encumbrance on the said lands, or any part thereof. These inquiries have continued faithfully and diligently for the past eighteen months and more than a year ago your Complainant employed an abstractor to make an examination of the records of Baldwin County, Alabama for the purpose of securing all possible information about the title to the said property. He employed an attorney to examine the records of Baldwin County, Alabama and to make inquiry about the title to the said property and all persons claiming any interest therein, their ages and places of residence. All information having any bearing on the title to the said property and all information so secured as to prior ownership and possession of the said property, the ages and places of residence of the individual Respondents named herein is as hereinabove set out.

### PRAYER FOR PROCESS

Your Complainant prays that the lands hereinabove described, the Respondents named herein and the unknown heirs, assigns, devisees, personal representatives and next of kin of the Respondents named herein who are dead and all persons, firms or corporations claiming any title to, interest in, lien or encumbrance on the said lands, or any part thereof, be made parties Respondent to this Bill of Complaint and brought into court by the usual and proper process.

#### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Your Complainant prays that each and all of the Respondents named herein, the unknown heirs, assigns, devisees, legal representatives and next of kin of such of the Respondents named herein who are dead and any and all persons, firms and corporations

who claim to own the said lands, or any part thereof, or any interest therein, or any lien or encumbrance thereon, be required to set forth and specify such claim, right, title, interest, lien or encumbrance and how and by what instrument the same is derived and created; that on the final hearing of this cause it be Ordered, Adjudged and Decreed that your Complainant has the fee simple title to all of the above described lands and that none of the Respondents herein specifically named, or any person, firm or corporation has any right or title to, interest in, lien or encumbrance thereon; that all doubts and disputes concerning the said property be cleared up and that your Complainant's title to the said lands be fully and completely quieted. Your Complainant prays for such other, further and general relief as he may be equitably entitled to, the premises considered.

Blackle officitor for Complainant.

STATE OF ALABAMA

Before me, the undersigned authority, within and for said County in said State, personally appeared Jack F. Powers, who, after being by me first duly and legally sworn, deposes and says: That he has read over the foregoing Bill of Complaint and that the facts stated therein are true.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_

Notary Public, Baldwin County, Plabama. My Commerpices 3/3//53

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#### PETITION

TO THE HONORABLE TELFAIR J. MASHBURN, JR., JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, SITTING IN EQUITY:

Now comes the Complainant by his Solicitor and respectfully represents that he desires to remove from the Court file in this case, all original deeds which have been offered in evidence in this cause and substitute copies therefor in order that the said original deeds can be kept and preserved by him.

WHEREFORE, Complainant prays that the Court will enter a proper order or decree authorizing removal of the said original deeds from the Court file and substitution of the copies therefor.

JACK F. POWERS.

As his Solicitor.

STATE OF ALABAMA, ) BALDWIN COUNTY. )

The foregoing petition having been presented to me on this date, it is Ordered, Adjudged and Decreed by the Court that the Complainant shall, and he is hereby authorized and empowered to remove from the Court file in this suit, all original deeds that have been introduced as evidence in this cause and substitute therefor copies thereof.

ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED this 23 day of June, 1950.

Jelfair J. Maslebury Jr

JACK F. POWERS,

vs.

Complainant,

CERTAIN LANDS and SOUTHERN PLANTATION DEVELOPMENT COM-PANY, a Corporation, ET AL, IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA. IN EQUITY.

Respondents.

## ORDER

This cause being at issue and ready for hearing, it is Ordered, Adjudged and Decreed by the Court that the testimony of the witnesses for the Complainant, namely, Jack F. Powers and James R. Powers, shall be given orally, as provided by Equity Rule Number 56, as amended, before the Judge of this Court at 9:30 A. M. on May 24, 1950 and the said testimony as delivered shall be taken down by the Court Reporter, transcribed by her, certified and filed in this cause.

ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED on this the 24th day of May, 1950.

## ORDER

JACK F. POWERS,

Complainant,

# VS.

CERTAIN LANDS and SOUTHERN PLANTATION DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, a Corporation, ET AL,

## Respondents.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

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White J. Dillek, Register

IN EQUITY.

-000000000000000000000000000 State of Alabama,<br/>County of Baldwin)Warranty Deed.#140.Know All Men By These Presents, That for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar(\$1.00) and<br/>other good and valuable consideration to us in hand paid by Alson William Hatch the receipt of which is<br/>hereby acknowledged, the Alabama Tobacco Company-does hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said<br/>Alson William Hatch the following described lands situate in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:-<br/>Farm Lots six(6) and Seven(7) in Farm seven(7) as per plat on file in the office of the Alabama Tobacco<br/>Company being the southwest quarter (SW1) of the southwest quarter(SW1) of the Mortheast quarter(NE1) of<br/>Section twenty-five(25), Township six(6) South, Range four(4) East of St. Stephen's Meridian containing ten(10)<br/>acres.more or less.-<br/>To Have And To Hold to the said Alson William Hatch his heirs and assigns forever, and the said Alabama<br/>foe of the alabem Villiam Hatch his heirs and assigns forever, and the said Alabama<br/>fee of the above described premises; that it has the right to sell and convey the same; that the said Alabama<br/>fee of the above described premises; that it will, and its successors and assigns will, forever warrant<br/>and defend the same to the said Alson William Hatch his heirs and assigns against the lawful claims of<br/>all persons whomscever. State of Alabama, Warranty Deed.

all persons whomscever. In witness whereof the said Alabama Tobacco Company a corporation, has caused these presents to be signed by its Vice President and Secretary, duly authorized, and its corporate seal to be attached this Twenty-fourth day of March A.D; 1914.

(Corporate Seal) In Presence Of: William R.Bullion. J.Margroff.

Alabama Tobacco Company, By

Thomas A.Moran,Vice President. J.I.Cochran,Secretary.

#### State of Illinois,)SS

State of Illinois,)SS County of Cook....) I,C.A.Periolat a Notary Public in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that Thos.A.Moran and J.I.Cochran whose names as Vice-President and Secretary of the Alabama Tobacco Company a corporation, are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the conveyance, they as such officers and with full authority, executed the same voluntarily for and as the act of said corporation. Given under my hand this Twenty-fourth day of March 1914. (Seal) C.A.Periolat, Notary Public. Cook County, Illinois. My Com.Exp.October 3, 1917.

Filed for record July 23rd 1914, Recorded July 23rd 1914. J H H Smith, Judge of Probate.,

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any other piece, parcel, bot or tract of land owned by the BalfWIS LAND HOLDING I HUC., or in which they have any claim, right or lien ac uired by the Said Baldwin bloin Company Lic., under tax deeds from the State of Alapama, dated March 28, 1927. Said deed be recorded or not, it bein the intention to, by this deed, convey bt, title or interest of the Baldwin Land Holding Company Lic., in or to any land lyin County, Alabama, whether said barcels, tracts, pieces or lots are s ecifically bed in this conveyance or not. Then with all rights and appuretnances to the said bremises in anywise belongias, AND TO HOLE to the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, forever. e undersigned S. P. GALLANL, JR., joins in this conveyance for the purpose of sa-ig or cancelling any mortgage or other lien which he has against any of the afore-

ALLAND, JR. Net Secretary.

I, CATHERINE C. CANTRELL, a Notiry Public in and for said State and Annty, hereby certify that S. P. GAILLARD, JR., whose name individually and is President and Secretary of the Baldwin Land Holding Company, Inc., a corporation, is signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day, that, being informed of the contents of the conveyance, he, individually and as such officers and with full auth rity, executed the same voluntarily for and as the act of said cor-





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TO EVE AND TO HOLD to the said Mitchell Navel Stores Company, its successors and assigns forever.

Given under my hand and seal this the 15th day of September, 1938.

Executed in the presence of: J. A. S. THORSEN CHRIS A. JOHNSON

STATE OF FLORIDA ESCAMBIA COUNTY

I, A. S. THORSEN, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, do hereby certify certify that J. L. Tucker, whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me, on this day, that being informed of the contents of the said conveyance he executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal this 16th day of September, 1938.

A. S. THORSEN Notary Bublic Otary Public, c Large. My commission ex

MATE OF ALABAMA ALDWIN COUNTY PROBATE COURT

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STATE OF FLORIDA ) ESCAMBIA COUNTY. ) I, J. J. Grocke, a Notery Public in and for seld of I, J. J. Grocke, a Notery Public in and for seld of	ounty, in and State, do hereb certify that
<ul> <li>I. J. J. Grocke, a Notary Public in and for said P</li> <li>C. D. Mitchell and Jessie H Mitchell, his wife, R. F.</li> <li>wife, and J. L. Tucker, unmarried, whose names are sign known to me, achnowledged before me on this day that be ance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the And I do further certify that on the 24th day of J</li> <li>named Jessie H. Mitchell and Dorothy F. Mitchell, know C. B. Mitchell and R. F. Mitchell Jr., respectively, we their husband touching their signatures to the within the same of their own free will and accord and without the same of their own free will and accord and without the same of their own free will and accord and without the same of their own free will and accord and without the same of the s</li></ul>	ned to the foregoing conveyance, and who are eing informed of the contents of the convey- same bears date. anuary, 1941, came before me the within in to me to be the wives of the within named the being examined separate and apart from the being examined separate and apart from
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(Notary Seal¢ My Commission Expires Mar 4, 1942.	J. J. Crooke, Notary Public, Escambia County, Florida. State of Florida at Large

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IE STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY I, a Notary Public in and for said County and State hereby certify OK nat Addison M. DeCoudres, whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who known to me, acknowledged before me on this day, that, being informed of the contents the conveyance, he executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date. Given under my hand this 25th day of January, A. D., 1932. (seal) Ray Willes, Notary Public. My commission expires Feb. 26, 1935. (seal) HE STATE OF ILLINOIS I, a Notary Public, in and for the said County and State aforesaid COUNTY DOK o hereby certify that Mabel G. DeCoudres, a subscribing witness to the foregoing onveyance, known to me, appeared before me this day, and being sworn, stated that ddison M. DeCoudres, a widower, the grantor in the conveyance, voluntarily executed he same in his presence and in the presence of the other subscribing witness, on he day the same bears date; that he attested the same in the presence of the grantor nd of the other witness, and that such other witness subscribed his name as a witness n his presence. Given under my hand this 25th day of January, A. D., 1932. Ray Willes, Notary Public. My commitssion expires Feb 26,1935 (seal)

HE STATE OF ALABAMA ALDWIN COUNTY PROBATE COURT. iled in office this 3 day of Feb., 1932 ':00 A. M., and duly recorded in Deed Book 2 N. S. page 157; and I certify that \$ cts 50 license or privilege tax paid as equired by an Act of the Legislature, approved September 14, 1923. G. W. Humphries, Judge of Probate By J. L. Kessler, Clk.

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acco, Company does hereby grant, barra owing described lands situated in Fa Town Lots Five(5) and Six(6) in ion to Town of Summerdale. . To have and to hold to the said aid Alabama Sumatra & Havana Tobacco aid Goorge H Berge, that it is seized ight to sell and convey the same, tha hat it will and its successors and a aid Goorge H Berge, his heirs and ass In Witness Whereof the said Alab aused these presents to be signed by o and its corporate seal attached th

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## State of Illinois) ss

I, Marcella A Goonre hereby cortify that E 3 Condit, whose n Company, a corporation, is signed to the edged before me on this day that being officer and with full atthority, execut

Given under my hand this Twenty-1

Filed for record March 23rd 1911 Recorded March 30th 1911 J E H Smith, Judge of Probate,

STATE OF ALAEAMA BALDWIN COUNTY KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That Addison M. DeCoudres, a widower, of Cook County, Illinois for and in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00), to him in hand paid by Albert M. DeCoudres, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged do hereby remise, release, and fofe wer quit-claim unto the said Albert M. DeCoudres all his right, title and interest in and to the following land, lying and being in the County of Baldwin, State of Alabama, and particularly described as follows, to-wit: The south half of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section thirty, township six south of the northwest quarter of section 14, township 1 south quarter of the northwest quarter of section 14, township 1 south ange 4 east, containing in all twenty acres, all in Baldwin County, Alabama. To HAVE AND TO HOLD the above granted premises unto the said Albert M. DeCoudres, his heirs and assigns forever. In witness whereof, he has hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal this the 25th day of January, 1932. Executed in the presence of Mabel G. DeCoudres Addison M. DeCoudres L. S. Cyrdon DeCoudres. esents that for and in consideration of the sum of ble considerations, Dollars, to us in hand paid by eby acknowledged, the Alabama Sumatra & Favana To-11 and convey unto the said George H Berge, the fol-County, Alabama, to-wit:-Fifty ora [5]) of Tobacco Company's Factors (ddi

The H Berge, his heirs and assigns forever, and the bany, a corporation, does haveby covenant with the fee of the above described premises, that it has the e said premises are free from all incumbrance and as will forever warrant and defend the same to the against the lawful claims of all persons whomscover Jumatra & Havana Tobacco Company, a corporation, has Vice-President and Scoretary duly authorized thereventy-third day of Nav A D 1910.

> Alabama Sumatra & Havana Tobacco Company, By W S Harvey,Vice-President, E S Condit,Secretary.

Notary Public in and for said County,in said State, as Secretary of the Alabama Sumatra & Havana Tobacco regoing conveyance and who is known to me,acknowlformed of the contents of the conveyance,he as such the same voluntarily for and as the act of said cor-

> ay, 1910. Narcella A Goonrey, Notary Publi In and for Gook County, Illinois

THIS INDENTURE, made the 21st day of September 1932, between Walter J. Diehl and Estella M. Diehl, his wife, parties of the first part, and Ruth Winifred Diehl, party of the second part: Witnesseth, that the parties of the first part in consideration of One Dollar and other valuable considerations, hereby acknowledged to have been paid the parties of the first part by the party of the second part, do grant, bargain, sell and convey unto said party of the second part, their heirs and assigns, all the real prop-erty in Baldwin County, Ala. described as follows:

Farm Lots two (2) and three (3), being the Northwest quarter  $(NW_{2}^{1})$  of the Northeast quarter  $(NE_{4}^{1})$  of the Northwest quarter  $(NW_{4}^{1})$  of Section thirty (30), Township six (6) South, Range five (5) East of St. Stephens Meridian, containing ten (10) acres more or less.

The Northwest quarter  $(NW_4^1)$  of the Northwest quarter  $(NW_4^1)$  of the Southeast quarter  $(SE_4^1)$  of Section nineteen (19), of Township six (6) South, Range five (5) East of St. Stephen's Meridian, containing ten (10) acres more or less.

Town Lots nineteen (19) and twenty (20) and twenty one (21) and twenty two (22) in Block forty three (43) in Alabama Tobacco Company's Factory Addition to the Town of Summerdale, Alabama.

Together with all the rights and appurtenances tosaid described premises in anywise belonging; To have and to hold the same forever. And Walter J. Diehl and Estalla M. Diehl, his wife, for them and their heirs, the said described premises and appurte-nances, will forever Warrant and Defend unto the said party of the second part, her heirs and assigns, against the lawful claims of all persons whatsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hand and seal the day and year above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of

Walter J. Diehl Estella M. Diehl (SEAL) (SEAL)

P E Keller L. G. Marlin

50¢ U. S. I. R. Stamp attached. Cancelled W.J.D. 9-21-32.

STATE OF MISSOURI CITY OF ST. LOUIS

I, A. Primo a Notary Public in and for said State and City. do hereby certify that Walter J. Diehl and Estella M. Diehl whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me, on this day that being informed of the contents of said conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and seal, this 21st day of September 1932.

A. Primo My commission expires April 24th, 1934

SEAL

STATE OF MISSOURI CITY OF ST. LOUIS

I, A. Primo, Notary Publicin and for said State and City, do hereby certify that on the 21st day of September 1932, came before me the within named Estella M. Diehl, known to me to be the wife of the within named Walter J. Diehl, who being examined separate and apart from the husband, touching her signature to the within conveyance, acknowledged that she signed the same of her own free will and accord without fear, constraint or threats on the part of the husband.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, this 21st day of September 1932.

SEAL

A. Primo

My commission expires April 24th, 1934.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA) BALDWIN COUNTY ) PROBATE CCURT. Filed in office this 3 day of Oct., 1932, 8:00 A. M. and duly recorded in Deed Book No. 52 N. S., page 486; and I certify that \$-- cts 50' license or privilege tax, paid No. 52 N. S., page 486; and I certify that \$-- cts 50' license or privilege tax, paid as required by an Act of the Legislature, approved September 14, 1923. G. W. Humphries, Judge of Probate By J. L. Kessler, Clerk. G. W. Humphries, Judge of Probate

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ATTEST	
S. P. GAILLARD, JR. As its Secretary.	S. P. GAILLARD (SEAL)
STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF MOBILE	
fy that S. P. GAILLARD, Jr., Land Holding Company, Inc., a who is known to me, acknowled tents of the conveyance. he.	otary Public in and for said County and State, hereby certi- whos name individually and as "resident of the Baldwin copporation, is signed to the foregoing conveyance, and ged before me on this day that, being informed of the con- individually and as such officer and with full authority, for and as the act of said corporation.
Given under my hand and offic	ial notarial seal, this 24th day of November, 1936.
SEAL	FANNY KNIGHT GAILLARD Notary Public, Mobile County, Ale.
STATE OF ALABAMA BALDWIN COUNTY PROB	ATE COURT
DOOK NO OL N. S. pages 28-29	of December, 1936 at 8 A. M. and duly recorded in Deca and I certify that \$cts 50 Deed tax has been paid as re-
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#### State of Alabama, County of Baldwin)

County of Baldwin) Know all men by these presents, That for and in consideration of the sum of One(\$1.00) Dollar and other good and valuable considerations to us in hand paid by Baldwin County Lands Association the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Southern Plantation Development Company does hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said Baldwin County Lands Assoc-iation the following described lands situate in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit: The South Half(S<sup>±</sup>) of Southwest quarter(SW<sup>±</sup>) of southwest quarter(SW<sup>±</sup>) and North Half of North Half(N<sup>±</sup> of N<sup>±</sup>) of Southwest quarter(SW<sup>±</sup>) of Southwest quarter(SW<sup>±</sup>) of Section One(1) Township Seven(7)South, Range Three(3)East; and The Southeast Quarter(SE<sup>±</sup>) of Northwest quarter (NE<sup>±</sup>) of Southwest quarter(SW<sup>±</sup>) of Northeast quarter(NE<sup>±</sup>) of Northwest quarter(NW<sup>±</sup>) and The North half of North half(N<sup>±</sup> of N<sup>±</sup>) of Southeast quarter(SE<sup>±</sup>) of Northwest quarter(NW<sup>±</sup>) and The North half of North half(N<sup>±</sup> of N<sup>±</sup>) of Southeast quarter(SE<sup>±</sup>) of Northwest quarter(NW<sup>±</sup>) and The North half of North half(N<sup>±</sup> of N<sup>±</sup>) of Southeast quarter(SE<sup>±</sup>) of Northwest quarter(NW<sup>±</sup>) and The North half of North half(N<sup>±</sup> of N<sup>±</sup>) of Southeast quarter(SE<sup>±</sup>) of Northwest quarter(NW<sup>±</sup>) and The North half of North half(N<sup>±</sup> of N<sup>±</sup>) of Southeast quarter(SE<sup>±</sup>) of Northwest quarter(NW<sup>±</sup>) of Section Thirty(30) Township Six(6) South, Range Five(5) East. Containing Sixty(60) acres, more or less.

less. To have and to hold to the said Baldwin County Lands Association their successors heirs and assigns forever, and the said Southern Plantation Development Company a corporation, does hereby covenant with the said Baldwin County Lands Association that it is seized in fee of the abave described premises; that it has the right to sell and convey the same; that the said premises are free from all incumbrance and that it will, and its successors and assigns will, forever warrant and defend the same to the same Baldwin County Lands Association their successors heirs and assigns against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever. In witness whereof the said Southern Plantation Development Company a corporation, has saused these presents to be signed by its President and Secretary, duly authprized, and its corporate seal to be attached this 30th day of April A.D., 1918. (Corporate Seal) In presence of Diga C.Wille. (U S I R Stamp 50 Cts.)

(U S I R Stamp 50 Cts,) (Can by S P D Co.4-30-18)

State of Illinois,)ss. County of Cook. ) I,Lillian F Kinnucan a Notary Public in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that C.N.Souther and P.G.Baker whose names as President and Secretary of the Southern Plantation Development Company, a corporation, are signed to the foregoing convey-ance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the conveyance, they as such officers and with full authority, executed the same voluntarily for and as the act of said corporation.

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I, A. S. THORSER, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, dohereby cettify that J. L. Tucker and C. F. Mitchell, whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the said conveyance they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date. Filed in office this 16th day of Sept, 1958 at 2:00 PM and duly recorded in Deed Book 65 N. S. page 527 and I certify that 4--, cts 50 Head tax, has been paid as required





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#### Lundberg 's Day

Violin Solo "Dream of the Shepherdess" by Mr. G. Lundberg acers Day Dincompanied by Mrs. Lundberg. ess in every "The P.-T.A. Hutshot Band" undred peo-

ld. The pro- by P.-T.A. Ladies. and unique. Song "The Star Spangled Banattractively ner" by Audience.

auditorium The following played in the fairy land Baldwin County Student Orchesthe windows ra; Liela Carson, Lucy and Saraleach table yn Lee, Deloris Morevic, Fred ble ran the Raber, Harold Ratliff, Carolyn middle of Ratliff (nianist), and Mr. G. Lundberg (director), representing Elacross the berg (director), representing El-a beautiful sanor, Robertsdale, Marlow, Sil-

verhill.

The local Junior High girls, lfessed in dainty pastel shade vening gowns, Roberta Linden, Dorothy Davis, Dolores and Alviandell assisted in the serving. The Hospitality Committee was s follows the Mesdames A. Olon, J. Jordon, R. Richardson, G. IcKibbon, E. Wigstrom, J. Hiedlberg, B. Sandell, I. Curtiss, J. Costelecky, F. Sturma, and Ar Vigstrom.

The Hostesses for the tables vere January, Mrs. Albert Pearon, February Mesdames E. Kinnan and E. Johnson, March Mrs. Forsman, April Mesdames G tarr and J. Davis, May Mrs. C. pp, June Mrs. H. Linden, July rs. J. Sykora, August Mrs. A. indquist, September Mrs. Eric allberg, October Mrs- L. Hanak, vember Mrs. J. Heidelberg and s. F. White, December Mrs. J. nicky, P.-T.A. Mesdames O. R. anson, F. Nitteberg, G. L. indler, and A. Chandler.

Music Club

he Baldwin County Junior ic Club, with Juvenile and or sections, had a very good ram and meeting on last San-

dons and to all their friends wh have contributed so much to mak ing their visit so pleasant. Me rill, who has a very pleasing voic sang a solo at the Mission Youn Beoples Service on last Sunda night. They left on Monday fo Birmingham to visit relatives be fore returning to Nebraska, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Gates an family of Tampa, Fla., visited hi parents, Mr. and Mrs E. T. Gate and "Aunt Letty" over the weel end.

Mr. Willard Brantley enjoyed birthday this past week. Mrs. Helen Johnson, of Chicago who has been the guest of the cousin, Mr. O. Soelberg returned to her home in Chicago, affér : delightful visit with friends in

Silverhill Rev. O. R. Swanson left fo Chicago on last Sunday, to attend the Mid-winter Mission Covenant a Pearson, Mary Melvin, Cathers Flome Mission session. In his ab ne Craig, Barbara Wright, Beat- sence on last Sunday night, the ice Vitous, Doloris Novak, Ahn Covenant Young, Peoples" had charge of the service, with Beatrice Vitous as leader and Mrs. O R. Swanson bringing the message. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Anderson, of Pensacola, called at the Lundberg home on Sunday.

# **Orange Beach News**

By Mrs. Neil Lauder • Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Smith and son, from Eaton Rapids, Mich., are visiting relatives here. Their aunt, Mrs. A. E. Shenk, from Vestaburg, Mich., came ; with them and will remain here with Mr. Shenk until spring. Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Kregar from Eaton Rapids, Mich. spent last week here.

Mr., and Mrs. Ray Clark, from Cassopolis, Mich., are spending some time at C. D. Walkers.

Gov. and Mrs. Folsom and family have been vacationing in the Bagwell Cottage here.

Mrs. R. J. Lauder is visiting her George H. Bergar, George H. Sitting Rer Martin, P. W. King, Pathick Wilbert King, Gerfrinde King, Alson W. Hetch, Alson William Hatch D. W. Cooke, Daniel W. Cooke, Mary L. Woodson; J. S. Garman, Cooke, Mary L. Woodson; J. S. Garman, D. Baker; Daisy A. Baker; R. Knight;

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