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Honorable Bascom Giles Commissioner General Land Office Austin, Texas

> RE: Special Statement of connecting lines run in connection with the J. H. Tippett work in Crockett County.

Dear Sir:

In response to your request, of April 15 for a certified statement of lines actually run on the ground and describe original corners which I identified on the ground, also asking for a connection with the "Pontoon Bridge" if I made such connection, will say that in my work there was no necessity for locating or connecting with the Pontoon Bridge. My nearest work, on N. Side of Pecos River, to the Bridge was on Survey 46, Blk. 31, H&TCRyCo.

Having found the back or North corners on the ground, as made by Neyland, I concluded to run lines S 40°W from these corners, to the bank of Pecos River, would enable me to correctly locate the corners of this survey on the River bank, regardless of what conditions might occur further down the River.

My first efforts were to locate the back corners of River Surveys in said Block 31, which I did on Survey from 28 to 46, inclusive, in this Block. I found each and every back corner of these surveys as described in the working sketch furnished by your office, purporting to have been made by M. W. Neyland, excepting the N.W. corners of Surveys 37 and 43, which corners I made **TO** effort to locate, in as much as my work was to make a Survey and field notes of the School Section only, in this Block.

I found a few of the original River Corners as made by Neyland in Block 31, the corners found were these: the S.E. corner 28-S.W. & S.E. corner of Surveys 40 and 42 and the S.W. corner 44; I found what I believed to be S.W. corner 46, but not positive as to identity.

The North corners of Surveys 29-30-31-32-42-43-45 and 46, called to have stone md bearings, a given course and distances from the corners; having found these stone mds, with their bearings as called for, I report the corners of these surveys as "Identified".

In making this survey I ran transit lines on all work except after locating the back lines of the River Surveys and carrying transit lines to the river, and across each survey, near the River, to get correct width of each survey and get corners on bank of River, I then used a compass with needle bearings to meander the river.

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I found Neyland's work in Blk. 31 and 36 to be well done, so far as corners are concerned, but I found an excess in practically every one of his lines between his corners, this excess was in an average of about 20 vrs. to the mile, the map presented with the corrected field notes will show the exact measurements.

After running the back lines, and locating the original back corners of Surveys in Block 31, I then ran some connecting lines between Block, as follows: Beginning at the NW or N. corner Survey 46 Blk. 31, H.& T.C.Ry.Co. whence an old md of stone brs. N. 40 E. 79 vs; Thence North at 671 vs passed 16 vs W. of S.W. corner of a fence. in all 1621 vs to a point 16 vs West of the S.W. corner of Survey 15, Block 14, U. of T. land which corner is a md of earth and rock, about $2\frac{1}{2}$ vs wide and 1/2 vs high, in the center of which is a pipe, near the center a fence post, and in the N.E. edge, one vs from center, a concrete post with copper plate in the top, this plate mkd : "U-T-B14-15". Using the concrete post set, as above described, for the SW corner of Survey 15, Blk, 14, U. of T. lands, I ran; thence North 3847 vs to another concrete post with copper plate in top set for N.W. cor. 16.Blk.14, U. of T. lands. Again I commenced at the S.W. corner said 15 Bk. 14, as above described; Thence West at 1900 vs set pipes mkd "S.W. 5-S.E.6-J.J.G." in md stone--Thence West at 1799 vs passed 1 vs. S. of a pipe in md of stone, set by Estes, in all 1900 vs & set pipe mdk "S.W.6-S.E.7-J.J.G" in md of stone for S.W. cor. 6 Blk. P.P. Thence West 1383 vs to a point in S. line 7. Thence South 1716 vs to a point in N. line Survey 41, Blk. 31-Thence S. 50 E. 20 vs to the N.E. corner said 41 Again commenced at the point in S. line 7 Blk. P.P. 1383 vs W. of its S. E. corner. Thence North 524 vs to a point- Thence West at 419 vs passed a pipe in md stone, set by Estes, in all 517 vs & set pipe mkd "S.E. 8-N.E.4-J.J.G." in md stone for S.E. corner 8 Blk. P.P. Thence from point 517 vs East of S.E.cor. 8, North 1416 vs, and West 517 vs & set car axle mkd "N.W.7-S.W.2-J.J.G." in md stone for N.W. cor. said 7 and S.W. cor. 2 Blk B. Thence from point 517 vs E. of S.W.cor. 2 ran North 1907 vs and West 517 vs to get N.W. cor. said 2. Thence from N.W.Cor. 2, West 529 vs to point in E. line 4 as surveyed by Estes -- Thence North 529 vs to pipe mkd "Estes" in a md of stone, set by Estes for N. E. or E. corner 22 Blk 36, H.& T.C. Ry.Co. on W. mt side, about 100 feet below cap rock of said mt. Thence from said Estes corner, S 85 E 69 vs to md stone on top of W. point of highest ridge of mts .-- Thence N 50 W. 1983 vs to an old md stone, the original N.W. or N. corner of said survey 22 whence large rock in wash of mt brs N 68-3/4 W- S. pt. mt. S 35°W. Commenced at the N.E. corner said 22 Bk 36, a md stone on top of W. point of highest ridge of mts. Thence S 40 W. at 1929 vs passed 42 vs S 50 E of pipe set by Estes for S.W. cor. 22, in all 1960 vs to a large old md stone in valley,

the original S.W. corners said 22 and S.E.cor. 23, Blk.36.

Thence S 40 W at 1789 vs top of rim rock at N edge of mt.in all

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1914 vs to a large old md stone on top of mt. the original S.W. corner 23 and N.E. cor. 24 Blk. 36, whence a pipe in a new md stone bs S 40 W. 16 vs.

Having previously run the S.line of Surveys 9 and 2 in Blk.36, H.& T.C.Ry.Co. to the S.W. cor. 2 which is also the S.E. corner 80 Blk. 35, an old md stone, whence S. Pt. mt. bs. S. 73 E. N.pt. mt. N 67 E. -- Thence I ran N 40 E. 1910 vs to an old md stone for N.W.cor. 2 & S.W. cor. 3- S. end Mt. S 63 E-N pt. mt. N $73\frac{1}{4}$ E (orig. call N 73 E). Thence N 40 E. at 1900 vs no corner found, in all 3830 vs to an

old md stone, the original N.W.cor. 4 and S.W.cor. 5 whence N. pt Mt. brs S 84 E -S end Mt. S40-3/4 E.

Thence N 40 E. 1917 vs to an old md stone, the N.W.cor. 5 Bk.36 and N.E.Cor.77 Blk 35, whence N.E. end mt. bs. S. $63\frac{1}{2}$ E. W. end mt. S 45 E.

This I think will be sufficient to show how I made the preliminary survey to locate the relative positions of the blocks of Surveys under investigation. After this preliminary Survey, I continued to survey the lines inside of the blocks necessary to locate original corners. I found all the original corners as made by Neyland in Block 36 insofar as my work extended.

To make more clearly my preliminary Survey, I am attaching, or rather presenting herewith a Blue Print map with my principal preliminary lines marked in yellow. On this map, original corners found are marked with a yellow circle.

I found that it required a var. of $1l_4^{\frac{1}{2}OE}$ to follow the work North of Pecos River, while on Block 12, S. of the River, as surveyed by Girand, it required a var. of $12\frac{1}{2}OE$.

South of the Pecos River. In surveying Block 12, H. & G. N. Ry. Co. as surveyed by Girand, I used a var. of $12\frac{10}{2}$ to follow his lines-- I found Girand's work on the ground, to be as near in keeping with his field notes as any old work I have occasion to follow in the State.

Most of the original corners as set by Girand in said Block 12, from Survey 13 to 36 are still in correct position on the ground. The N.E. corners of Surveys 21, 25 and 29 were not found, apparently had been washed into the river. The S. of back corners of Surveys 31 and 33 were in rough rock grounds and the pipes called for were not found, but old md of stone from which it appeared pipes had been removed, were found for these corners. The Pontoon Bridge was not called for in Girand's Field Notes. Direct measurement across Pecos River to show connection between Block and N of the River could not be made, but I made the following observations: Honorable Bascom Giles Page # 4

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From point on S.bank river 120 vs S $80\frac{1}{2}$ E from N.W.Cor. 29 Blk. 12, the S.W. cor. 44 Blk 36 brs. N. $43\frac{1}{4}$ and from said point on S. bank of river S 86 E 57 vs to a point whence said S.W.cor. 44 brs N $2\frac{1}{2}$ W.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this the 20th day of May, 1940.

Respectfully Submitted,

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