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April 19, 1944

File 251-041

Hon. Bascom Giles, Commissioner General Land Office Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. Giles:

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Mr. S. A. Colwell has recently made some surveys in Block 71, Tsp. 2, T & P RR Surveys, Hudspeth County, for the purpose of preparing field notes for patent on certain even numbered sections and parts of sections in that block. Mr. Colwell has furnished us with a copy of the map of these Surveys. I do not know whether he has filed the map in the General Land Office yet or not.

The NE corner of Survey No. 1, the NE corner of Survey No. 5, the NE corner of Survey No. 6 and the NW corner of Survey No. 6, Block 71, Tsp. 1, on the State line are established by original corners set by Jacob Keuchler in 1879. These original corners were found and identified and monumented on our resurvey of 1930-31. According to the construction of surveys agreed upon by the General Land Office at the time we undertook said resurvey, the original corners above mentioned fixed the lines running south through those corners, all the way through Tsps. 1 and 2.

In 1933 Mr. Frank Friend, University Lands Surveyor, surveyed Blocks J, K and L, University Lands and Public School Block JKL tying his work into the southern corners of T & P Blocks 71 and 72, Tsp. 2; but Mr. Friend made no attempt to subdivide the T. & P. RR blocks.

Mr. Colwell has followed and checked with Mr. Friend's Survey but he has ignored the original corners on the State line and has made a construction inside of Block 71, Tsp. 2, which doe s not agree with the approved construction. For this reason, we cannot approve or accept Mr. Colwell's Survey with respect to the odd numbered sections in that block and we would appreciate your comments on this matter.

With kindest regards, I am

Very truly yours,

W. J. Powell

WJP/KW cc: Mr. Ray McDowell

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File 251-041 - BLOCK 71, TSP. 2 HUDSPETH COUNTY

Hon. Bascom Giles, Commissioner General Land Office Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. Giles:

On April 19, 1944 I wrote you concerning a survey made by Mr. S. A. Colwell in Block 71, Tsp. 2, T & P RR surveys, Hudspeth County, and called your attention to the apparent fact that Mr. Colwell proposed to ignore certain original Kuechler corners in the construction of his map of the survey. Copy of my letter was sent to Mr. Colwell but we have heard nothing from either you or Mr. Colwell in regard to this matter.

Our only interest in the matter is to prevent, if possible, an incorrect construction and we would appreciate your advising us whether or not any action has been taken on Mr. Colwell's survey.

With kindest regards, I am

Very truly yours,

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W. J. Powell

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cc: Mr. Ray McDowell Mr. S. A. Colwell

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