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HOUSTON, TEXAS

February 17, 1931. PLEASE ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO POST-OFFICE DRAVER DE HOUSTON, TEXAS

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1/2637 Hon. J.H.Walker, Commissioner of General Land Office, Austin, Texas.

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Dear Sir:

Our Engineering Department has recently done some surveying in Jim Wells County, Texas, and has had occasion to make a survey on the ground of Hooper and Wade Survey #2. We are enclosing to you herewith field notes of this survey as the same is found on the ground by our Engineering Department; that is, these field notes show where the boundary lines should be if Hooper and Wade Survey #2 were to take up all the vacant lands not occupied by surrounding surveys. We also enclose a plat prepared by our Engineering Department showing the location of this survey on the ground and the location of the fence line along the north and west boundary lines which are called for in the corrected field notes approved by your office.

It appears that while the north line of Hooper & Wade Survey #2 calls to go along the south line of Hooper & Wade Survey #1 and Nicholson Survey #15, it also calls for the fence which is shown on the accompanying map. If the call for the fence is to be controlling, then there would be a vacancy between the north line of the survey and the south line of Hooper & Wade Survey #1 and the south line of Nicholson Survey #15 as indicated on the map; and also there would be a vacancy between the fence row, which according to your corrected field notes is the west line of the survey, and where the true west line ought to be; that is, where the true southerly east line of Hooper & Wade Survey #1 lies on the ground.

Our engineers advise us that the surveyor who prepared the corrected field notes for this survey states he did not go on the ground. Although his field notes call to go with the fence and locates the northwest corner as a fence post and also the fence and the fence post called for can be located on the ground, still if the surveyor did not in fact make an exact survey on the ground, I think there will be no requirement that his footsteps be followed. In fact, it would be impossible to follow his footsteps; and I see no reason why you should be required to reject

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the call for joinder to the east and south lines of Hooper & Wade Survey #1 and the call for joinder to the south line of Nicholson Survey #15.

I further see no reason why it would not be possible for you to have another survey of this Hooper & Wade Survey #2 made on the ground and corrected field notes prepared and returned to your office and then approve the same after taking up the possible vacancy pointed out above.

Our engineers advise us that there can be no question as to the northeast corner of Nicholson Survey #15 being actually located on the ground as the stone mound is there and the postoak called for as a bearing at this corner is there although it is now dead. They also say that there is an old mesquite tree which marks the southeast corner of Nicholson Survey #15. The only doubt about this corner is that it is possibly not marked, at any rate, it is the only tree in the vicinity that could possibly fulfill the locative call for the southeast corner of Nicholson Survey #15.

After you have considered these facts, we would be grateful to you if you would advise us what steps, if any, you think should be taken to cure the trouble pointed out above.

We believe that in view of the calls for joinder of the west and north lines of Hooper and Wade Survey #2 to the corres-ponding lines of Hooper and Wade #1 and Nicholson Survey #15 and in view of the fact that the surveyor who prepared the corrected field notes did not go on the ground, you can have corrected field notes prepared and can approve them so as to take up any possible vacancy.

If there is any further information that we have which would be of assistance to you, we would be glad to furnish it upon request.

Yours very truly, Rev. J. Baker.

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## CORRECTED FIELD NOTES FOR HOOPER AND WADE #2.

JIM WELLS COUNTY, TEXAS.

BEGINNING at a fence corner, the accepted and recognized NE corner of the W.A.O. Wadsworth 1920 acre survey for an inner corner of this survey;

THENCE N. 79°18' W with the NBL of the said Wadsworth survey 1050 varas to a fence corner for the northerly SW corner of this survey and the most southerly SE corner of Hooper and Wade #1 (213);

THENCE N. 9° 23' E with the line of the said Hooper and Wade #1 Survey, 490 waras to an inner corner of the said Hooper and Wade #1;

THENCE S. 80° 37' E with the south line of the Hooper and Wade #1 Survey, 1199 waras, the SE corner of Hooper and Wade #1 and the SW corner of Nicholson survey #15, and continuing with the SBL of said Nicholson survey, 2252 waras, in all, to a fence corner, the SE corner of said Nicholson survey for the NE corner of the survey. This point is also on the WBL of the W.F. Rice Survey #3;

THENCE S 9: 11° W 2466 varas with the WBL of said Rice Survey to the SW corner of same, a stake for the SE corner of this survey; said point being on the NBL of the Basillio Aguire 320 acre survey;

THENCE N 80° 37' W with the NBL of the said Aguire Survey, 1204 vrs. to the NW corner of same and on the BBL of the W.A.O. Wadsworth survey, a stake for the SW corner of this survey.

THENCE N 9° 11' E with the EBL of said Wadsworth survey 1952 varas to the place of BEGINNING, containing 622.7 acres, more or less.

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