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Paint Rock, Texas,
March, 9th, 1936.

Hon. J. H. Walker, Com. G. L. O.,
Austin, Texas.

Dear Mr. Walker:

In the matter of the submission of Corrected Field Notes and Plat of Surveys Nos. 105 and 104, Hooper and Wade in Menard County, Texas, by Messrs. Hartgraves, Swain and Swain of Eden, Texas, - permit me to make the following explanations of my work on the ground at different times:

I was there on Feb. 21st, 1907. On that occasion, I connected with the S.E. Corner of E.L. & R.R. Ry. Co. Survey No. 143, - the rock mound being identified by witness trees as designated on plat herewith submitted. I then ran West 1948 varas to find the S.W. Corner as called for in the original field notes of survey No. 143, and found it on the ground, identified by two witness trees as shown on plat. This determined my variation for the rest of my work there at that time. The variation at that time was nine degrees and twenty five minutes East. Now it takes a variation of ten degrees and fifteen minutes to run the same line, the magnetic pole having moved Eastward that much since that time.

I went back to the S.E. Corner of 143 and ran South ~~KXX~~ 1926 varas to a stone mound at the corner of a pasture fence, known as the N.E. Corner of the old "Nigger Gap" Pasture. Here I found two witness trees as shown on plat, and marked with the same marks as called for in the original field notes of all the Hooper and Wade Surveys. These marks appeared to be just as old as the marks on the trees at the S.E. Corner of Section No. 143. Running South from this point along an old pasture four wire fence, at 1941 varas, I found an old stone mound pointed out to me by the owner of pasture, lying on the East side of the fence, as being the S.W. Corner of Section No. 105, and I accepted it as such. The owner of this pasture was not the owner of the Hooper and Wade lands nor of the E.L. & R.R. Ry. Co. Surveys, but the owner was Dr. Moses Jones of Brady, Texas, and now, I understand, if living, is a resident of Austin, Texas. From this point, I ran East 2009 varas to get to an old stone mound pointed out to me by the owner of the pasture, a Mr. Austin Jennings, as the S.E. Corner of Section No. 105. I struck 11 varas South of the corner. I accepted it as the S.E. Corner of 105. Ran North 1930 varas and made a stone mound for the N.E. Corner of Survey 105. At that time I did not run around Section No. 104 for the reason that Dr. Jones did not own it. From this point, I ran East on the North line of 104 to a stone mound under an old pasture fence, and had to go 1925 varas to reach it. I ran other lines at that time to the Northward and Westward as indicated by red dotted lines on Plat, and located the S.E. Corner of E.L. & R.R. Ry. Co. Survey No. 144 at an old stone mound 1926 varas North of the N.E. Corner of Hooper and Wade No. 105.

In the month of May, 1907, I was called on to locate the corners of Survey No. 1, L. Ramey and No. 2, M. Kimley. Accordingly, I connected with the S.W. Corner of E.L. and R.R. Ry. Co. 143 as designated on Plat. Running South along an old wire fence dividing the two pastures, I found an old stone mound at 1926 varas, - this being due West from the corner that I had previously found for the N.W. Corner of Section 105 and the N.E. Corner of Section No. 106, I accepted ^{it} as the S.W. Corner of 108, - Running West from this point 1900 varas for the S.W. Corner of the L. Ramey No. 1, - Running South from this point in search of the S.W. Corner of Section No. 111 and the N.E. Corner of the G.W.T. & P.R.R. Co. Survey No. 61, I found it at 1950 varas and 5 varas West of my line as noted on Plat herewith submitted. This data was furnished me by Judge J.D. Scruggs of Menard who had made surveys in that locality. However, I think that this corner was placed too far East.

I went back to the point formerly reached for the S.W. Corner of Survey No. 1 and moved it 5 varas West. From this point, I ran West 2008 varas to reach an old stone mound under the East pasture fence of the Fritz Willhelm Pasture. Running North along the old pasture fence 657 varas, I found an inner Corner of Thos. Green Survey No. 2 and the N.E. Corner of Survey No. 69, H. & O.B. R.R. Co. as noted on Plat. I then went back to the S.W. Corner of Ramey No. 1 and ran North locating corners as noted on Plat.

On Jan. 17th of this year, I was called upon by Hartgraves, Swaim and Swaim of Eden, Texas to make a survey of Hooper and Wade Sections Nos. 104 and 105 for acreage. Accordingly, I went on the ground and found the Corners^{and lines} of the Surveys in question and all the surrounding surveys just as I had found them 29 years before,- excepting the old barbed wire fences had been replaced by high wolf proof woven wire fences. All distances are designated on the plat. I began at the S.E. Corner of 104, the S.E. Corner of this pasture, and running West around the fences of both sections, 104 and 105 and found the distances as designated on the Plat herewith submitted,- and then made my report to them.

Then in compliance with your request for further information in a letter to Hartgraves Swaim and Swaim of Eden, Texas, dated Feb. 14, 1936,- I went on the ground again on March 4, inst., and connected with the Corner fence post for the S.E. Corner of Hooper and Wade Section No. 104. Running East at 1921 varas, I found an old stone mound 24 varas South of my line. The witness trees called for in the Dave Maddox Report, mentioned in your letter, are on the ground, but have no marks. I and my crew searched dilligently over a radius of 200 to 300 vars, but found no other indications of a land corner.

Taking every thing into consideration, the facts as they now appear, I am of the opinion that the surveyor who located the old pasture fences there, intended to run a straight line from the N.E. Corner of Section No. 9, A.B. & M. West to the N.E. Corner of Section No. 61, G.W.T & P.R.R.Co., leaving a stone mound for the S.W. Corner, at course and distance, Of Section No. 104,- and placing a stone mound due South of the S.E. Corner of E.L. & R.R.Ry.Co. Section No. 143, and also due South of the corner at the N.W. Corner of Section No. 105. for the S.W. Corner of 105, but some where in the jungle that existed at that time, the surveyor got off the true line. It may be that he was running East from the N.E. Corner of 61, as he had located it, and did not^{know} just where the N.E. Corner of No. 9 was located. I think that this was the proper thing to do in as much as all these surveys connect by their calls, but the surveyor made a poor job of it as you can see on Plat.

As to the excesses North and South in these Surveys, permit^{me} to say that they are now just as they were 29 years ago^{now}, fenced with substantial wolf proof woven wire fences on all dividing lines, and so far as I have been able to ascertain, there is no controversy over any lines in that locality.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wm. F. Jackson
State Surveyor.

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J. H. Walker, Comm.
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On Jan. 14th of this year, I was called upon by Hartergroves, Swain and Swain to make a survey of Hooper and Wade sections 104, 105 and 106 for acreage. Accordingly, I went on the ground and found the corners of the surveys in question and all the surrounding surveys just as I had found them 23 years before -- excepting the old barbed wire fences had been replaced by high wolf proof woven wire fences. All distances are designated on the plat. I began at the S.E. corner of 104, the S.E. corner of this pasture, and running West around the fences of both sections, 104 and the old barbed wire fences had been replaced by high wolf proof woven wire fences. All distances are designated on the plat. I began at the S.E. corner of 104, the S.E. corner of this pasture, and running West around the fences of both sections, 104 and the old barbed wire fences had been replaced by high wolf proof woven wire fences.

Sketch File No. 25 B
Menard County

T. F. Jackson Report

Hooper & Wade Surveys

Filed March 23rd, 1936.

J. H. Walker, Comm.

C. F. Blucher

File Clerk

Descriptive: 13 Mi. N 40° W. from

Menard.

For sketch, see File 25 A

I went on the ground again on Feb. 14, 1936. -- I found an old stone corner fence post for the S.E. corner of section No. 104, but found no other marks. I and my witness trees called for in the Dave Madgox plat, but have no marks. I am of the facts as they now appear. I am of the old pasture fences there, intended to be the S.E. corner of section No. 104, and also the S.E. corner of section No. 105, and also the S.E. corner of section No. 106, leaving a stone mound for the S.E. corner of section No. 104, and placing a stone mound due South of the S.E. corner of section No. 105. For the S.W. corner of section No. 104, and placing a stone mound due South of the S.E. corner of section No. 105. For the S.W. corner of section No. 104, and placing a stone mound due South of the S.E. corner of section No. 105. For the S.W. corner of section No. 104, and placing a stone mound due South of the S.E. corner of section No. 105.

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I think that this was the proper thing to do in as much as all these surveys of, as he had located it, and did not just where the N.E. corner of No. 3 was located off the true line. It may be that he was running East from the N.E. corner of corner of 105, but some where in the jungle that existed at that time, the surveyor due South of the corner at the N.W. corner of section No. 105. For the S.W. mound due South of the S.E. corner of section No. 104, and placing a stone S.W. corner, at course and distance, of section No. 104, and placing a stone mound due South of the S.E. corner of section No. 105, and placing a stone mound due South of the S.E. corner of section No. 105.

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