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Charles Hotel
Conroe, Texas
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Mr. Bascom Giles
Commissioner General Land Office
Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. Giles:

I am submitting herewith a report of the survey I have made of the Caddo Allen, and surrounding surveys:

I had with me in making this survey copies of the patents to the following surveys: William White, Caddo Allen, Henry Dunman, John Taylor, Harry Sigel, Wagers & Knight, H.G. Roach, Herman Pressler, Veannis M. Pressler, Blanche Foley, et al, Grogan-Cochran Lumber Company, and a copy of the Deed of Acquittance to Heirs of Henry Applewhite, Deceased.

I began at an old P.K. and I.P. set at the N E corner of the John Taylor survey as it has long been used and occupied, and ran S with the E line of said Taylor, as used, at 1437.5 vrs I passed the N W corner of the Walker County School Land Survey, and continued on S, passing over tract corners in both the Taylor and Walker County School Land Surveys, at 10136.3 vrs I was on Spring Creek. I did not find a corner here, but the land here and for 3835 vrs N in the Walker County School Land survey and the John Taylor is under common ownership.

I then went back to the N E corner of the John Taylor survey and ran W, at 1414.1 vrs I passed the I.P. set at the S E corner of the Henry Applewhite survey and at 2495.9 vrs I found a 4" iron pipe set at the N W corner of said John Taylor as it has long been used and occupied on the ground. I found the N line of the Taylor marked with marks of various ages, some of them very old.

I then ran S, at 1368 vrs I found the S E corner of the H.G. Roach survey as used and marked on the ground, with an old line extending W therefrom, at 4440.9 vrs I found the original N E corner of the Harry Sigler survey, a strap iron, witnessed by a stooping P.O. bearing S 21 1/2 E 10.5 vrs, at 9630.9 vrs I passed near the S E corner of said Sigler which stood just W of the E bank of an old slough. Its witness trees are still standing. I continued on S to 9746.6 vrs to Spring Creek and set an I.P. 7.2 vrs N of the center of the creek where I found a 24" S.G. mkd with an old X bearing N 18 1/2 E 23.8 vrs. I then meandered Spring Creek across John Taylor and the Walker County School Land survey. I did not meander the Creek across the Sigler survey.

I went back to the N E corner of the Harry Sigler survey at the strap iron and ran West along an old marked line 400 vrs and found an old P.K. and I.P. with a 16" P.O. N 5 E 3.2 vrs. We also found a number of newer marked trees at this point. This point is the used and recognized S E corner of the Caddo Allen survey.

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Thence we ran N $89^{\circ}18'$ W, with line as marked, passing several tract corners on the said Caddo Allen survey, at 1972 vrs we crossed Spring Creek, at 3065 vrs I found a railroad rail that has long been recognized as the S W corner of the Caddo Allen survey and the S E corner of the William White survey. This S line of the Caddo Allen was marked with very old, as well as newer marks.

Thence we ran N $0^{\circ}42'$ E along a very old marked line, crossing Spring Creek at 514.6 vrs, passing through Bedias Lake and over several tract corners on the Caddo Allen survey, at 2859.3 vrs we found an old P.K. with a 12" P.O. S $44^{\circ}W$ 3.4 vrs, mkd with an old X and a 5" S.G. S $61^{\circ}E$ 1 vr, not so old. This is the N W corner of the Caddo Allen and the S W corner of the Henry Dunman as used and recognized. I first saw this corner more than 15 years ago, and it was an old corner then. I checked on N, a total of 4436.3 vrs were I found an old P.K. and a concrete monument set at the recognized N E corner of the William White survey. This P.K. and monument has a number of witness trees, none of which are old enough to have been marked for original witnesses, but this corner has been recognized for many years. You will note that the Henry Dunman patent calls to go S on his W line 1317 to William White's N E corner and thence with the EBL of same 1569 vrs to Caddo Allen's N W corner. We found the distance between the recognized corners of the Caddo Allen and the William White to be 1577, instead of 1569 as per the Dunman call.

We then checked westward with the NBL of the William White as marked with marks of various ages, some of them very old, passing over various tract corners on the surveys to the N and S, at 4403.4 vrs we found an old P.K. and a concrete monument set at the recognized N W corner of said White, with a very old marked line running S therefrom.

I then went back to the N W corner of the Caddo Allen and ran the N line of same as it was marked S $89^{\circ}43'$ E, passing over tract corners in both the Caddo Allen and the Henry Dunman survey 3027.3 vrs to its intersection with the W line of the Wagers and Knight survey, 241.3 vrs S of its N W corner. There was an old P.K. and I.P. at the N W corner of the Wagers and Knight survey.

From the N E corner of the Caddo Allen I ran S $0^{\circ}3'$ E with the EBL of the Caddo Allen and the WBL of the Wagers and Knight surveys as marked with some very old marks, others newer, a distance of 2881.6 vrs to the S E corner of said Allen survey as described above.

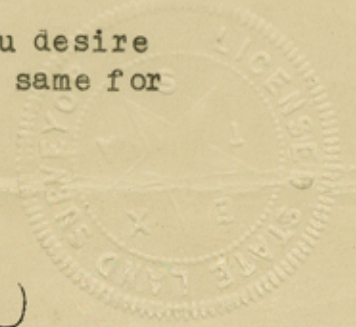
I then went back to the N E corner of the Caddo Allen and checked N, at 241.3 vrs passed the N W corner of the Wagers and Knight survey and the S E corner of the H.G. Roach, at 2522.7 vrs I passed the S W corner of the Herman Pressler, a truck axle with witness trees, at 2903.4 vrs I intersected a marked line going E and W, said point being the N E corner of the Henry Dunman and in the SBL of the Blanche Foley, et al and the Feannis M. Pressler surveys. I did not find a corner between the Foley and Pressler surveys, but ran E 402.7 vrs and found the 4" prion pipe and the elm witness called for in the Pressler patent at its S E corner and the N E corner of the H. Pressler survey. The B.G. called for is now down, but there was a B.G. stump hole that fits the patent call.

I then checked N 98.4 vrs to the SBL of the James Lee survey as marked and fenced on the ground.

If there is any additional information you desire with reference to this area I should be glad to get same for you.

Very truly yours,

R.B. Smitherman
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