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Report on Corrections of Preliminary Survey in Block 1 , I.& G.N.Ry.Co. Pecos Co.Texas, made to determine area and location of a certain tract of unsurveyed Pract of Public Free School Land, for H.C.Noelke, Applicant.

Hon J.T.Robison, Commissioner General Land Office Austin , Texas,

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Referring to yours of Jun 19, page 1,9th line from bottom, I have placed the N.W.corner of sur 37 770 varas cast of where we had made it, at 2300 vrs from the original N.E.cor 37 at Pecos Spring, described in earlier report.

Running South from this point 950 vrs and east to the river will make the south line of 37,847 varas short of distance given in fieldnotes. But as shown on plat by dotted line, and from statements made by Mr. Canon

(owner) and others , there has been considerable erosion on the east of 37. All of the east end of sur 32 is a flat of loose, friable soil. Part of this east end of 37 was put in cultivation to be irrigated by water from Pecces spring and the river, but was not a success, partly on account of the looseness of the soil and lack of foundation.

It is claimed that the N.E. cor of sur 36, S.E. 37, was at one time on the ground, but was later washed away. Signs of heavy erosion are found all along the northeast line of 37 and upper part of east line of 36. My instructions are to put in 535, 536, 536 1/2 according to their field

notes. Of course it is understood that an unidentified point on the present bank of the Pecce River is too indefinite to be used as a starting point, as it is liable to be moved from ten to 300 varas in one flood. Consequently the original meander line wan not be used; and evidence on the ground , sspe-cially on surveys 43 & 42, shows conclusively that the meanders called for were not always actually run.

Consequently the only field notes we have are the courses and dist-ances of the north, south the set fines. The south line of survey 565 calls

for 2688 varas west from the original Fecos spring corner, which places it 388 varas west of N.W.37, where I have placed it. Thence North 672 varas as per field notes , thence East 2688 varas , actu al distance to present river bank is 2619.5, but east of this point is a flat orisscrossed by tracings of former channels of the river, so that the

river very probably was further east when originally surveyed. Sur 536 calls for 2658.5 varas west from N.E.565, which beings it's S.W. corner 29.5 varas east of N.W.536, where I have placed it.

Thence North 672 varas , thence east 2719.5 varas called for, actual dis-tance to present river 1s 2485 vrs, a shortage of 234 vrs. But the channel could have been this far east, and probably was, as Mr. Williams in his sur-vey of 536 1/2 found the river way cast , as shown by dottedline on plat. > I have no field notes for 536 1/2 but Williams sketch shows that he put the S.W.cor 1034 varas west of N.W. 536, where I place it subject to correct

Between the north line of 536 and south line of sur 38 there are only 244 varas.Williams sketch shows 294.

The above fin surveys are put in from their field notes as instructed

The old rock mound identified as S.E. 38, is on a bank some 8' above the Mat.no signs of river channel west of it. The present river runs in a limes marshy bottom, about 50 varas east of the corner, the bottom land extend: still further east. River has evidently cut deeply into the west bank behad this corner. If we were to attempt to take the original meanders of the fire er by Kuechler from the well defined N.E.43 to this S.E.cor 38, we would be

The river at this point meves over the bottom changing channel at every rise.but the rock mound gives us a definite point of the original survey. Hence, as instructed on page 2, top line et seq.of letter of June 19, I moved the S.W.cor sur 38, 2042 varas east to a point 3753 varas from this old rock mound Ordinarily we would not consider a rock mound without here in moved the S.M. cor sur St, 1043 varas east to a point 5753 varas from this old rock mound.Ordinarily we would not consider a rock mound without bear-ings as sufficiently capable of identification to be accepted as an origi-if and corner in place, but we have to take into consideration the fact that that the greater number of the I.K. rocks and rock made set by Keuchler fid not call for bearings, and further the position on the right bank of the Pecce,

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I have placed sur 42 in this position on the map subject to correction. This covers the corrections noted as far as the bounds of Mr.Noelkes application is conserned and as Mr.Noelke is very anxiuos to get his land evaluated as soon as possible, and his application has been pending for seveval years, I enclose the Plat with corrected field notes so that if they

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Please make this latter call read "Thence West 1259 varas to the N.W. cor sur 536", in order to close.

Please also add 93 3/4 acres to the sum of the area of land applied for and contained in the bounaries given by the field notes , in order to cover area included in the above corrections.

Please have these corrections made on Plat and field notes and consider this letter as your authority to make such changes in my report, if they are approved by your Office.

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Reference to Map

Dear Sir, I enclose Plat and field notes for the H.C.Noelke Application to purchase, corrected according to your instructions in your favor of Jun. 19 1919. The return of these field notes was delayed by my being in the field Pecces Co. under your instructions.

Referring to yours of Jun 19, page 1,9th line from bottom, I have placed the N.W.corner of sur 37 770 varas east of where we had made it, at 2500 vrs from the original N.E.cor 37 at Peccs Spring, described in earlier report. Running South from this point 950 vrs and east to the river will make the south line of 37,847 varas short of distance given in fieldnotes. Put as shown on plat by notted line, and from statements made by Mr.Canon (owner) and others , there has been considerable erosion on the east of 37. All of the east end of sur 32 is a flat of loose, frieble soil.Part of this east end of 37 was put in cultivation to be irrigated by water from Pecce spring and the river, but was not a success, partly on account of the icoseness of the soil and lack of foundation. It is claimed that the N.E.cor of sur 36, S.E.37, was at one time on the ground, but was later washed away.Signs of heavy erosion are found all along the northeast line of 37 and upper part of east line of 36. Ay instructions are to put in 535, 536, 536 1/2 according to their field notes. Of course it is understood that an unidentified point on the present bank of the Pecce River is too indefinite to be used as a starting point, as it is liable to be moved from ten te 300 varas in one flood.Consequently bank of the Pecos River is too indefinite to be used as a starting point, as it is liable to be moved from ten to 300 varas in one flood. Consequently the original meander huite, might be used, and evidence on the ground , espe-cially on survey 43 for on the sively that the meanders called for for 2d ind the river 914 varas to the term is have are the courses and dist-388 weys on the 345 whrat as per field not south line of survey 555 courses al distance to present river bank is 2619.5, min former, which places the flat orisecrossed by tracings of former channels of the survey of the S.W.

flat orisecrossed by tracings of former channels of the place the river very probably was further east when originally surveyed. Bur 536 calls for 2658.5 varas west from N.E.565, which beings it's S.W. corner 29.5 varas east of N.W.536, where I have placed it. Thence North 672 varas thence east 2719.5 varas called for, actual dis-tance to present river is 3485 vrs, a shortage of 234 vrs.But the channel could have been this far east, and probably was, as Mr.Williams in his sur-could have been this far east, and probably was, as Mr.Williams in his sur-vey of 536 1/2 found the river way east , as shown by dottedline on plat. > I have no field notes for 536 1/2 but Williams sketch shows that he put the S.W.cor 1034 varas west of N.W.536, where I place it subject to correct tion.

Between the north line of 536 and south line of sur 38 there are only tion. varas.Williams sketch shows 294. The above fix surveys are put in from their field notes as instructed 244

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and not so prominent. Of course there was nothing certain about this, but it seemed probable that they ran from Pontcon down the river, and I hoped that by following their actual run I might stumble on some explanation of the confusion in the field notes. And if they did run down the river, the upper corners were those from which their courses were taken. If any further obsanges or correctione are necessary please netify If any further obsanges or correctione are necessary please netify