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Plainview, Texas, June 22, 1945.

Mr. Tom Atlees Austin, Texas.

Dear Mr. Atlee:

I am handing you herewith, for your personal use, a sketch illustrating why Mr. Foster and I called the same line a different course in a different Block.

Mr. Foster is intending to report Block M9 on the same Meridian as is used in Block M 8. I am planning on helping him later this summer and we will undertake to avoid any further

discrepancies.

Since the Meridians all pass through the same north pole and thus none of them are parallel, any course sompared to one meridian will not be the same as that referred to another. That is the reason the Co-Ordinate Law was needed. It is now possible for one surbeyor to make a report that another can take and follow. Before, it has always been that we were not sure what Meridian was the one the surveyor was calling "North".

The Meridian on the east side of the Panhandle is 1°44' to left of the one on the west side of the Panhandle. In the North Gentral Zone the difference between the east and west meridians is over 6° and the Difference in the Central Zone id about 7°

We can't use the same meridian throughout a Zone because the public wouldbe worried about a line being reported with such a large deflection. But the Co-Ordinates tell how to put a map

together.

As to the fieldnotes of Section No. 3, Block M 6, which I am returning, I plead guilty of allowing the difference of 0.4 varas to show as I did not get the notes to Block M 6 and compare them. I used the distances Mr. Swepston had on his note book to help him balance the surveys. If you can overlook the 0.4 varas difference, it will keep us from making several corrections. If we make the 0.4 varas correction, if will make the survey lack that much more of balancing unless we rewrite a whole tier of sections.

Thanking you personally for any consideration and suggestion

you care to make, I am

Yours truly,

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This sketch illustrates difference in Courses used in Blocks M6 and M8, Randall County- 45 Reported by MV. G.G. Footer, Gonty Surveyor June 21, 1945 Whelians Licensed State Land Surveyor File Clerk Black M6 - compared to (W.J.Williams) -89.0 NOº 02'10"W 1908.0 NO°02' 10"W. No.19-E 1900.6 Noº19'E 19265 Block M8 Compared % (J.E. Swepston) Principal Meridian of North Zone Texas Co-Ordinate System counter 34977

Sketch File No. 12 state of the N Randall Courses I'M whole in post corred Surveyors Statement BASCOM GILES, Com'r VE5 File Clerk Relative to resur. BIKS M6, M8 dated June 22, 1945 W.J. Williams JUN 25 1945
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