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September 6, 1961

Commissioner Jerry Sadler General Land Office Austin 14, Texas

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Re: Wanda Hanks lands Upton County, Texas

Dear Commissioner Sadler:

Enclosed are corrected field notes for Surveys No. 6 and 8, in name of grantee M. Samson, Jr. (G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co.), Block 1, in said Upton County, Texas, as surveyed by me at request of Miss Wanda Hanks of San Angelo, Texas. It is my understanding that she wishes patents to be issued on said Surveys, so please send Final Payment Statement and other required papers (in the event that said field notes and acreages are in proper form, and meet with your approval).

The problems of this area are many, as reflected by your records and files; we have filed maps, field notes, reports, etc., on much of this area in years past. Note that patents wexre issued on basis of our surveying Surveys No. 2 and 4 of this Block 1, as well as Secs. 56, 76 and 96 of Blks. C and D, CCSD&RGNGRRCo. Much depends on location of the T. & P. Ry. Co. Blocks (39 and 40) just north of said Surveys 6 and 8, along with marked corners at NW Sur. 15, Blk. H, and NW corner of Sur. 20, Block ¥, etc.

The accompanying corrected field notes of said Survey No. 8, by me, are in agreement with patented position of said Survey No. 56 (we showed N-S distance of 1900.8 varas for said Sur. No. 56, at that time, not having the knowledge and connections to above said marked corners ((Surs. 15 and 20)), but are in general agreement with E-W position of the patemted Sec. 56).

Said Survey No. 6 is complicated by fact that east part of the NE part of Survey No. 52, said Blk. C, as patented (on basis of surveying by J. J. Goodfellow), is in conflict with proper location of said Survey No. 6. We found that Mr. Goodfellow "gave" Surveys No. 52 and 54, Blk. C, 1915 varas E-W distances, while marked position of south line of said T. & P. R. R. Co. Block 40, Township 5 South, measures 1901.4 varas per mile (for its 6 miles length). We found that eastwest distances of some "T. & P" surveys west of said Blk. 40 were more excessive, and I am reasonably sure that Mr. Goodfellow assumed those Sections south of Blk. 40 would have this excess (we find no record that he surveyed south line of said Blk. 40, and his "1915 varas" are more than the actual 1901.4 varas, causing him to place east corners of said Secs. 52 and 54 too far east).

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Enclosed corrected field notes for said Survey No. 6, by me, recognize the patented position of said Sec. No. 52. Actually, I have omitted the west part of the south 1/3rd of Sur. No. 6 in my field notes because of this conflict, but it is my understanding that this is a requirement of your office as well as being required by law. If I am in error in this matter, please advise me, because we do not wish to "leave out" any part of Survey No. 6 unless so required (it is my understanding, also, that the land owner would be permitted to apply for patent on entire area of Sur. No. 6, including the strip patented in error along with Sec. 52 patent, if the owner presented you with proper court decision showing that court recognized fact that Sec. 52 is patented in position too far east and in conflict with Sur. No. 6; however, my client does not wish to go to such expense and trouble, even if I am correct that this can be done).

In summation: My corrected field notes for said Surveys 6 and 8, GC&SFRRCo. Blk. 1, are in agreement with previously approved corrected field notes for Surveys No. 2 and 4 of said Blk. 1, and are in agreement with my corrected field notes for said Sec. 56, Blk. "C" (having the extensive connections over a larger area now, I know that we should have allowed 1915.4 varas N-S on Sec. 56, but this does not affect the main problem, which is our finding that Sec. 52 is patented in position too far east; even though I did show Sec. 56 to be "course and distance" of 1900.8 varas, I did not call for a monument, but for "adjoinders" which should "hold" it to its "full" position). There are admitted problems in this area, though not unusual; however, there is less problem for these Surveys (No. 6 and 8) because they are so near the main control, i. e., the T. & P. R. R. Co. Blocks. The other recognized main controls are at a great distance and have little effect on said Surs. No. 6 and 8, especially on their east-west positions. Naturally, I hope and feel that this meets with your approval, because we have spent more time and dollars on surveying this area than usual in order to present an acceptable "picture". If there are questions, please let me know; I have writtenk at great length and in detail, hoping to answer most questions concerning this area.

Accompanying this report is detailed map of area; a map of larger area, including this part, by me, is on file in your office, and reference is here made to last said map.

Sincerely yours,

cc:W. Hanks jka:x encl:map(tracing) ( 2 cor. f/n James K. Avera, Licensed State Land Survyr. San Angelo, Texas

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