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Mr. Bascom Giles, Commissioner,  
General Land Office,  
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir;

I am sending you herewith Blue Print, "Val Verde County Texas, Connection from S.W. Corner Survey No. 8, Block A-1, G.H.&H. Ry. Co. at Willow Springs to N.E. Corner Survey No. 104, Block D-7, E.L.&R.R. Ry. Co." Dated and Certified by myself June 1st 1940. The object of the connection line was to get the location of Block D-7 over which there has been dispute for some years.

My connection line is shown in dotted black on the print (-----), beginning at a Rk. Md. which most Surveyors since the time of Pierce have recognized as the S.W. cor. Survey No. 8, Blk. A-1. The line from this beginning runs N. for 7822 vrs. before finding any land marks. Thus in the four miles we find 222 vrs. excess, between the only Rk. Mds. located. Continuing N. we failed to locate other land marks. However you will note that we run along the S. line of 37, the W. line of 37, the S. line of 47 and 46, the W. line of 46 to the S.W. cor. 53 finding Rk. Mds. that in my opinion were original.

Also we show the Pierce line of 1891 in green. We are confident that Mr. Pierce used the same Rk. Md. at Willow Springs (as we used), however he seems to have gotten into trouble in trying to make a connection with MO. 3 in Blk. D-8. The Red line on the Blue Print indicates a line run by Mr. John Almond and starts at a very large Rk. Md. situated a little N.W. of the middle of Survey No. 8, Blk. A-1. I understand other Surveyors have used this Rk. Md. for the S.W. cor. of Survey No. 8, Blk. A-1. The original field notes do not fit this mound as well as they do the one at the beginning of my line, however Willow Spring could have been a water hole N.37° 30' W. from said mound about 450 vrs. as at this point there are the remains of some old stone houses. Also two willow trees near a depression in the creek bed (now dry) brs. N.37° 30' W. about 600 vrs. from the Rk. Md.

There would be doubt in my mind as to which of these two mounds was the original starting point at Willow Springs had it not been for the relation of the mounds located farther north, to the two mounds. All this evidence influenced me in accepting the mound shown on the print as my starting point.

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I have indicated in YELLOW the location of Survey No. 15, Blk. D-8, and Survey No. 1038, No Blk. as surveyed by Mr. Hope, who states that he found a Rk. Md. mkd. S.E. 15, in December 1927. I have seen this mound and it seems to be very old, however it is without doubt in conflict with the Surveys in Blk. A-1. I have also indicated in YELLOW Surveys 165 and 166 as located by myself from the Hope location of 1038 and the mound for the S.E. of Survey No. 15 I was also influenced in this survey by the Twitchell Survey under court order.

I have sketched in the location of the Surveys in Blk. D-7 as it seems they should be located in view of my findings in running this connection line from Willow Springs to the N.E. cor. of Survey No. 104, Blk. D-7.

You will note we did not find the S.P. Ry. located as the field notes would indicate. Also the fence shown just S. of the S. Blk. line of H., G.C.&S.F. Ry. Co. was thought by many previous to the Bob Estus Survey to be on the actual Block line. The fence which corners in Survey No. 103, Blk. D-7 was located by Mr. Hope and his intentions was to place this corner in the middle of the N. line of 103, and the fence was supposed to run south with the W. line of Survey No. 105 and the E. line of Survey No. 165.

You will also note that there is excess or vacency, in 1038 or between 1038 and 165 amounting to 825 vrs. east and west, following out the two groups of Surveys as the field notes read.

I do not know just what the results of this Survey will start locally, however we wish to file this certified Blue Print in your records. Of course I will be happy to furnish you with any other information possible.

Yours truly,

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Licensed Land Surveyor,  
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I have indicated in YELLOW the location of Survey No. 15, Blk. D-8, and Survey No. 1038, No. 1038, as surveyed by Mr. Hope, who states that he found a Blk. D-8, in December 1937. I have seen this mound and it seems to be very old, however it is without doubt in conflict with the survey to Blk. A-1. I have also indicated in YELLOW Survey 103 and 108 as located by myself from the Hope location of 1038 and the mound for the S.E. of Survey No. 15. I was also influenced in this survey by the Mitchell survey under court order.

I have sketched in the location of the survey in Blk. D-7 as it seems they should be located in view of my findings in running this connection line from Willow Springs to the N.E. cor. of Survey No. 104, Blk. D-7.

You will note we did not find the S.P. Ry. located as the field notes would indicate. Also the fence shown just S. of the S. Blk. line of H., G.C. & S.P. Ry. Co. was thought by my predecessors to the Bob Evans survey to be on the S.P. Ry. line and his intention was to place this corner in the S. line of Survey No. 103, and the fence was supposed to run south from the S. line of Survey No. 103 and the E. line of Survey No. 103.

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You will also note that the survey of agency, in 1038 or between 1038 and 1039, following out the two groups of surveys as the field notes read.

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