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State of Texas  
Austin

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Feb. 4, 1921.

Mr. Willis W Barker, Surveyor,  
Carrizo Springs, Texas.

Dear Sir:

This office is in receipt of your favor of the 31st ultimo enclosing copy of order by the Commissioners Court of Dimmitt County, corrected field notes and sketch of the Jesus Cardenes grant in Dimmitt and LaSalle Counties.

The object of forwarding these papers for filing in this office appears to be to have the State abstract corrected and the acreage of this tract reduced to conform to the amount rendered for taxation by the owners thereof. Such reduction cannot be made in the absence of an actual survey of the land giving the meanders of the Nueces River so that accurate calculation of it's area may be made. The present abstract acreage of 31533 acres appears to be based upon a decree of court in the case of the State of Texas vs Francis Smith filed in this office in 1899. No corrected field notes for the grant were filed at that time by the decree which sets out the exact acreage for taxation purposes which states that same is based upon an actual survey of the land and meander of the river.

*closed* The W. L. Barnard and W. L. Burns scrap surveys which were surveyed and sold in 1914 are not supposed to have ever been a part of the Cardenes grant but in the survey of them, *is they were* located ~~the~~ SW ~~line~~ of said grant that were ~~described~~ as vacancies lying SW of and outside of the Cardenes grant line. If there has not been an actual survey of the grant and meander of the river since said suit was tried and judgment rendered it is not known upon what authority the owners of the Cardenes grant now render only 28201 acres. According to the present record of said

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survey they are 3332 acres short of a full rendition and until an actual survey of the land is made and corrected field notes furnished showing a decreased acreage the abstract acreage of the State in conformity with the decree of court above referred to will have to stand. Enclosed please find Commissioners Court order, sketch and memorandum of field notes returned.

Yours truly,

JW Hawkins-wb  
encl.

Commissioner

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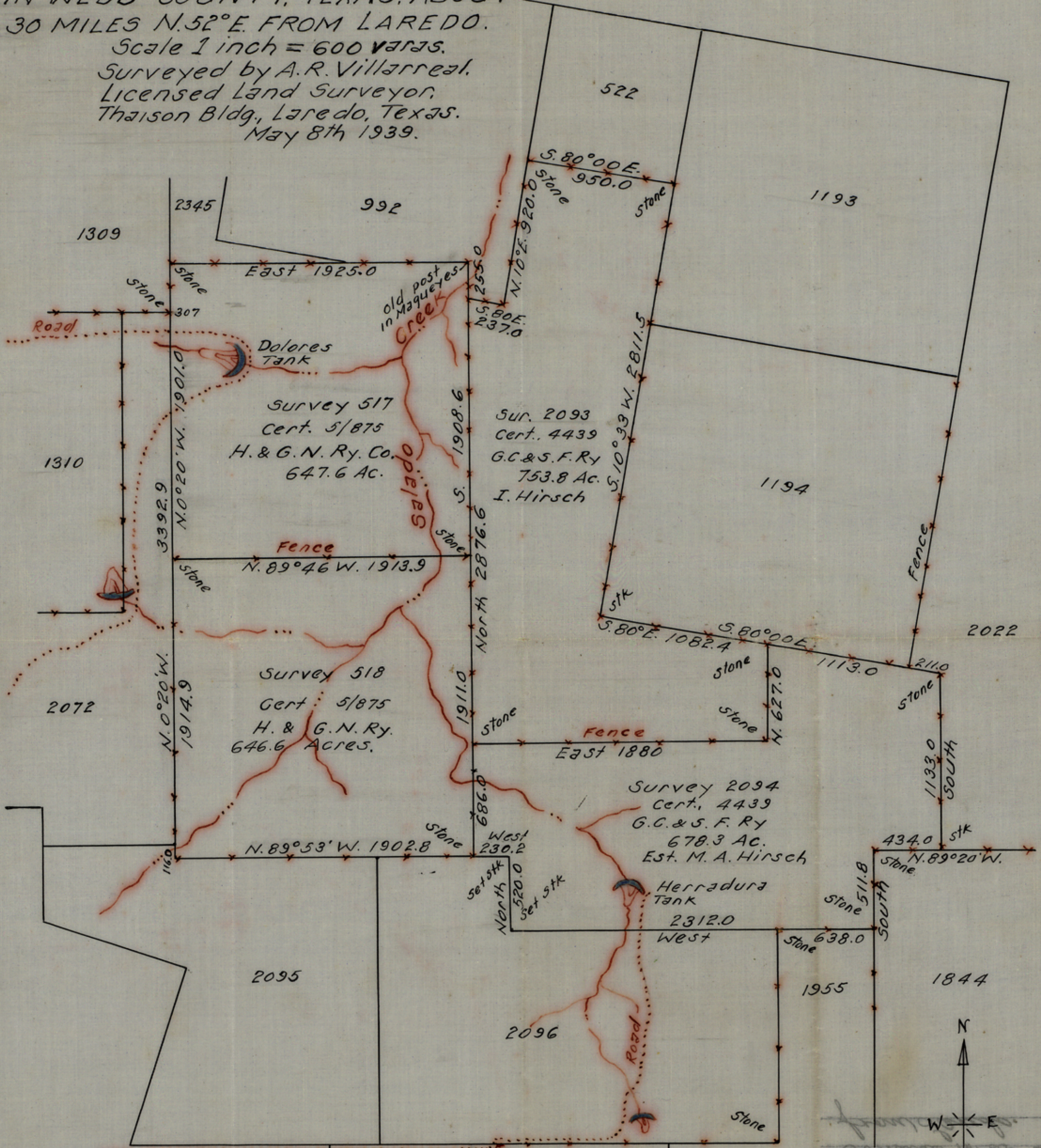


# SKETCH

SHOWING SURVEYS SITUATED  
IN WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS, ABOUT  
30 MILES N. 52° E. FROM LAREDO.

Scale 1 inch = 600 varas.  
Surveyed by A.R. Villarreal,  
Licensed Land Surveyor,  
Thaison Bldg., Laredo, Texas.  
May 8th 1939.

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State of Texas,  
County of Webb.

I, A.R. Villarreal, a Licensed Land Surveyor, do hereby certify that the foregoing correctly represents results of surveys made by me on the ground on April 21st - May 1st A.D. 1939, and is true and correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Witness my hand this the 8th day of May A.D. 1939.

*A.R. Villarreal*  
Licensed Land Surveyor,  
County 39894

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Licensed Land Surveyor

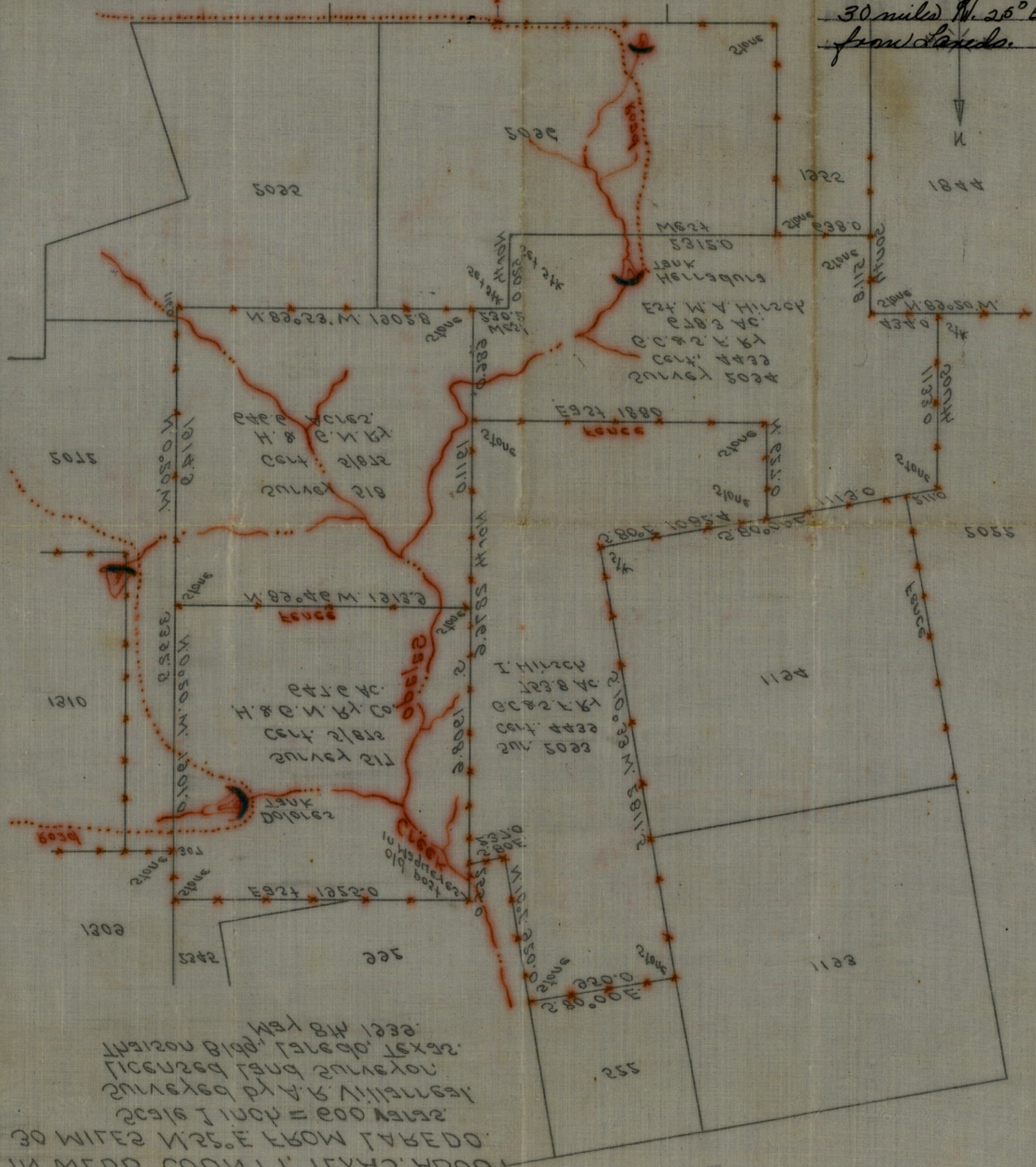
*W. H. ...*

Sketch File No. **54** Box **4**  
**Webb** County

Date: **October 13** 193**9**  
**Brown** *Wiles* **Co.**  
**Cal**  
File Clerk

Descriptive: *Survey about*  
**30 miles N. 25° E**  
**from Laredo.**

*Witness to the fact that the said ...  
according to the best of my knowledge and belief  
I A. V. ...  
County of Webb  
State of Texas*



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DATA AND SURVEY SHOWING  
IN WEBB COUNTY TEXAS ABOUT  
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