

Wichita Falls, Texas. October 3rd, A D 1911.

To the Hon. Commissioner of the General Land Office of the State of Texas,

Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Upon application of P J Duffy, P T O'Byrn, F L Mugus, W P Herran and Wm. N Bonner & J L Henry, for a survey of unsurveyed school land in the Western part of Wichita County, Texas. I have, with the assistance of Mr. A Devereux, County Surveyor of Wise County, Texas, run the following connecting lines in the Western part of Wichita County, Texas, in an attempt to locate certain surveys as they show on the record and we respectfully submit to you this report of our work, accompanied by a sketch for your consideration.

Beginning at the S W corner of Survey No. 1 in the name of H & G N R R Co. on the West boundry line of the Tarrant Co. school land at a point 3100 vrs. South of the W W corner of said Tarrant Co. school land. (After we had located same by running the entire West line of same and finding a stone marked S. W. C. T. C. S. L., which has been cenerally accented as the true S W corner of same.) Thence West Magnetic line ver. 9 degrees and 45 minutes E) 3871 vrs. a point. Thence North 2222 vrs. to the South line of A Day Land & Cattle Co. Survey. (The S W croner of the Chas. Roberts survey as fixed from Elm bearing tree bears North 80 vrs. and East 127 vrs.) Thence West at 3741 vrs. the South East corner of the G C & S F R R Co. Survey No. 7. (From this point we run North 1028 vrs. and find a pile of stones from which an Flm marked X. bears S 60 4 degrees E 333 vrs. the N E corner of G C & S F R R Co. No. 7) at 5669 vrs. a stone marked S E 8

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bears South 21 ½ vrs. GAI 11403 vrs. a point in the East fence line of No. 14 B S & F survey. Thence South 57 vrs. Thence West at 1999 vrs. a stone at 3899 vrs. a point in the East boundry line of the town site of Electra. Thence South at 1999 vrs. center of F W & D C R R track at 3162 to a point. Thence West 1845 vrs. set point for connection. Second Line,

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Beginning at the S E corner of Section 36 Block No. 5, H & T C R R Co. a stone from which a Cotton-Wood tree marked X bears S 32 W. 11 vrs. Thence N 18 W 114484 vrs. to a stone which we find to be an excess of 84 vrs. over the calls of Block 5. Thence N 72 E 1565 to the connection point previously set.

After locating the true W line of Section No. 14 H T & B R R and the true East line of Section No. 148 H & T C R R from these connections we find that they will not meet by a distance of 135 vrs.

Third Line,

Beginning at the N E corner of the Wm. or Red River Thorn survey No. 335, a double Cotton-Wood, one down but one standing and marked X bears S 70 W 40 vrs. the stump, the other bears S 69 W 40 vrs. Thence N 70 W 1011 vrs. to N W corner of Thorn survey. Thence South 3645 vrs. Thence West at 2354 pass N E_Aof R M High Survey as fixed from three prong Elm marked X, and Hackberry tree shown in sketch, in all 11307 vrs. West and South 4007 vrs. to the S E corner of No.1, H 2 G N P R. From this connection we fix G C 2 S F R P Co. survey No. 17, and the Jess Mumford survey, and find that after giving Nos.17, 18 and 20 G C 2 S F R R Co. their distance as called for in the corrected field notes as made by the late Mr. Jno. W Field that they will not actually reach S A 2 M G R R survey No. 2 and H T 2 R R Co. survey No. 14 as fixed by us from our connection with the Tarrant Co. School land,

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although the said field notes call for these surveys.

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With field note calls No. 17 beginning at S E GRAFF Worner of No. 1 H C H, No. 17 will not reach S A & M G R R Co. Survey No. 2 by a distance of 214 vrs. and will run West of same 52 vrs. and will not reach No. 14, H T & B by a distance of 214 vrs. These calls reversed will show the same discrepency on the North side of said Surveys. On the Surveyors Records of Wichita Co. there appears a set of field notes purp**d**rting to cover this discrepency, but dividing it and carrying a part of it North of Survey Nos. 17 and 18, G C & S F, and a part South.

We feel some hesitation in fixing this discrepency and would most respectfully refer this data to your Office for adjustment.

There also appears to be a space between the S. Hallaway and H & T C R R Co. Survey No. 148 but the Records being to some extent deficient we refer this matter to your Office and would be glad to have any help you can give us. We have not established and to set any monument or corner marking this apparent vacancy, deeming it best to await your opinion on its proper location.

Respectfully submitted,

H.M. Snoddy.

County Surveyor of Wichita County, Texas.

A. Devereux

County Surveyor of Wise County, Texas.

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Messrs. H. M. Snoddy & A. Devereux, Wichita Falls, Texas. Gentlemen:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 3rd instant setting out the field notes of certain connecting lines you have surveyed in the northwestern part of Wichita county, and enclosing a tracing cloth plat which shows the surveys situated in the vicinity of Electra.

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I beg to advise you gentlemen that this office does not recognize any vacant land as indicated by your plat. The field notes of Nos. 17, 18 and 20, GC&SF Ry. Co. call to close on No. 2, SA&MG Ry. Co. and No. 14, HT&B. There is doubtless a large excess in the areas of Nos. 17, 18, 20 and possibly the S. Holloway, but I do not think it is possible to establish a vacancy as you have indicated on your plat. Besides, if there be a tract of land, as indicated in red color on your plat, it is covered by a survey in the name of the Day Land & Cattle Company, located by virtue of Certificate 27/123, surveyed March 22, 1890 for W. A. McCutchen. The Land Office has heretofore declined to recognize any space for the Day Land & Cattle Company survey and has declined to issue a patent on it; but if it should develop that the land is there and not covered by Sections 17, 18, 20 and the Holloway, it is covered by this Day Land & Cattle Company survey and still would not be vacant school land subject to sale under Section 8 of the Act of April 15, 1905.

I am returning your plat under separate cover and most respectfully decline to offer any suggestions or advice as to how you may establish the boundary line of the surveys touching this supposed tract of vacant land shown in red color upon your plat, as the State in no event can claim the land referred to as school land. The adjustment of the boundary lines on the ground is entirely a private affair that does not come within the province of this office for consideration.

Yours truly,

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Commissioner.

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230 Wichita County Connecting times AM. Snoddy & A. Devereux Near Electra. Oct. 14- 1911. Bee B/P. Skett counter +0113