

General Land Office  
State of Texas  
Austin

October 19, 1916

I, J. T. Robison, Commissioner of the General Land Office of the State of Texas, do hereby certify that the papers, documents and records of said office show the following:

The total number of certificates issued to each railroad company under the laws of Texas; the total acres issued; the total number of acres located and field notes returned to said office for each railroad company, and the total number of acres barred for non-return of the certificates and field notes within the time required by law:

<u>GRANTEE</u>	<u>TOTAL SCRIP</u>	<u>TOTAL ACRES ISSUED</u>	<u>TOTAL ACRES RETURNED</u>	<u>TOTAL ACRES BARRED</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
B.B.B.&C. Ry. Co.	1401	896,640	887,021	9,619	
H.&T.C. Ry. Co.	7452	4,769,280	4,764,160	5,120	
W.&N.W. Ry. Co.	752	481,280	481,280		
Indianola Ry. Co.	281	179,840	171,520	8,320	
C.T. Ry. Co.	77	49,280	49,280		
H.E.&W.T. Ry. Co.	1312	839,680	787,840	51,840	
H.&G.N. Ry. Co.	3611	2,311,040	2,307,200	3,840	
I.&G.N. Ry. Co.	5238	3,352,320	3,339,520	12,800	
Georgetown Ry. Co.	161	103,040	98,560	4,480	
T.T.Ry.Co.(Tyler T)	735	470,400	458,240	12,160	
R.T. Co.	124	79,360	76,800	2,560	
G.H.&S.A. Ry. Co.	2239	1,432,960	1,432,960		
E.L.&R.R. Ry. Co.	1850	1,184,000	1,164,160	19,840	
H.&O. Ry. Co.	240	153,600	143,360	10,240	
L.&S.V. Ry. Co.	170	108,800	108,800		
G.W.T.&P. Ry. Co.	473	302,720	299,520	3,200	

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E.B.&C.N.G. Ry. Co.	248	158,720	157,440	1,280	
G.C.&S.F. Ry. Co.	5683	3,637,120	3,259,520	377,600	
T.C. Ry. Co.	2822	1,806,080	1,471,360	334,720	
C.&M. Ry. Co.	436	279,040	263,040	16,000	
✓ C.C.S.D.&R.G.N.G. Ry. Co.	1440	921,600	855,680	65,920	
M.E.P.&P. Ry. Co.	410	262,400	258,399	4,001	
S.P. Ry. Co.	889	568,960	562,560	6,400	
T.&P. Ry. Co.	8083	5,173,120	5,167,360	5,760	
D.&S.E. Ry. Co.	337	215,680	214,400	1,280	
D.&P. Ry. Co.	666	426,240	426,240		
W.T. Ry. Co.	182	116,480	113,920	2,560	
M.K.&T.E. Ry. Co.	508	325,120	272,000	53,120	
S.A.&M.G. Ry. Co.	432	276,480	264,898	11,582	
S.H.&H. Ry. Co.	956	611,840	610,560	1,280	
D.&W. Ry. Co.	647	414,080	411,520	2,560	
H.T.&B. Ry. Co.	800	512,000	500,480	11,520	
Eastern Texas Ry. Co.	460	294,400	291,840	2,560	
East Texas Ry. Co.	361	231,040		231,040	None Ret.
W.C. Ry. Co.	383	245,120	236,160	8,960	
T.&N.O. Ry. Co.	1920	1,228,800	1,226,880	1,920	
T.W.N.G. Ry. Co.	673	430,720	428,160	2,560	
T.&St.L. Ry. Co.	2522	1,614,080	942,080	672,000	
S.&E.T. Ry. Co.	676	432,640		432,640	None Ret.
C.T.M.C. Ry. Co.	547	350,080	225,280	124,800	
A.&N.W. Ry. Co.	613	392,320	382,720	9,600	

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T.M.R. Co.	1165	745,600	556,800	188,800	
T.T. (Texas Trunk Ry Co.)	549	351,360	107,520	243,840	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>60,524</b>	<b>38,735,360</b>	<b>35,777,038</b>	<b>2,958,322</b>	

The foregoing embraces 60,524 certificates of 640 acres each issued by the State of Texas to the several railroad companies from Sept. 23, 1853, to April 18, 1882, being all of the certificates issued as far as disclosed by the records of the General Land Office, aggregating 38,735,360. From this amount the following items should be deducted:

- (1) Amount barred for non-return of Certs. 2,958,322.
- (2) Amount lost by reason of conflict with older valid surveys, 908,800.
- (3) Amount lost by reason of location in Greer County, 273,280.
- (4) Amount lost by reason of location within the T.&P. eighty mile reserve after it lapsed, 293,447.
- (5) Amount lost by reason of location upon lands reserved by the Act of July 14, 1879, amended by Act of March 11, 1881, 589,440.
- (6) Amount located upon Mexican grants, lying between the Nueces and Rio Grande Rivers, subject to legal adjudication, 241,810.
- (7) Amount recovered from the G.H.&S.A. Ry. Co., the H.&T.C. and T.&P. Ry. Co's. since 1876 and given to the permanent School Fund by the Act approved April 18, 1899, 1,316,383.

Total number barred and lost as shown by the above is 6,581,482 acres.

Total number of acres land acquired by railroad companies is 32,153,878 acres.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I hereunto set my hand and affix the impress of the seal of said office on the day and date first above written.

(Signed)

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Commissioner.

CURRENT MIS<sup>CL</sup> INFORMATION NUMBER 69

The Total Number of Certificates  
Issued to Each Railroad - Dated  
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script of these titles. In 1873 John L. Haynes was employed under an Act of the Legislature to make copies and translations which were filed in the Land Office and have been given the same force and effect as originals. The valid grants by the former governments were respected by the Republic of Texas and in the treaty of Guadalupe-Hidalgo between the United States and Mexican governments, Mexicans were guaranteed the same rights as Americans. The area of these grants is computed now to be 26,280,000 acres.

### Distribution

	Acres
Grants by Spain and Mexico	26,280,000
The State University, by the republic	221,400
The State University, (1876) Constitution	1,000,000
The State University, (1883) Legislature	1,000,000
Kiamasha Road	27,000
To build the capitol	3,050,000
Parker County courthouse	320
Palo Pinto County courthouse	320
San Jacinto Veteran Donation	1,169,382
Disabled Confederates	1,979,852
To pay public debt	1,660,936
Homestead donations (preemption)	4,847,136
Internal Improvements (irrigation, etc.)	4,061,000
Counties for school purposes	4,229,166
Headright and bounties	36,876,492
Colonies (Peters, Mercer et al)	4,494,806
Railroads	32,153,878
Asylums	500,000
Public Free School	42,400,556

More than half the foregoing grants were made with a reservation of the minerals to the government extending them, but the constitution of the State effective April 18, 1876, relinquished to the owners of the soil all mines and minerals therein, and by legislative Act effective September 1, 1895, (code of that year) the reserved minerals were again released. The State has no interest in the minerals in lands granted prior to September 1, 1895. The State owns the minerals in approximately ten million acres which includes the unsold University and the unsold School land, and the sold School land in which the minerals are reserved, and the submerged coastal areas and islands.

### Grants to Railroads.

All locations for railroads were made prior to September 1, 1895. The total acreage of the surveys made and returned by the various railroads are as follows:

1928-1930  
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Grantee	Acres	
B. B. B. & C. Ry Co.	887,021	
H. & T. C. Ry. Co.	4,764,160	
W. & N. W. Ry Co.	481,280	
Indianola Ry. Co.	171,520	
C. T. Ry. Co.	49,280	
H. E. & W. T. Ry. Co.	787,840	
H. & G. N. Ry. Co.	2,307,200	
I. & G. N. Ry. Co.	3,339,520	
Georgetown Ry. Co.	98,560	
T. T. Ry. Co. (Tyler Tap)	458,240	
R. T. Co.	76,800	
G. H. & S. A. Ry. Co.	1,432,960	
E. L. & R. R. Ry. Co.	1,164,160	
H. & O. B. Ry. Co.	143,360	
L. & S. V. Ry. Co.	108,800	
G. W. T. & P. Ry. Co.	299,520	
G. B. & C. N. G. Ry. Co.	157,440	
G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co.	3,259,520	
T. C. Ry. Co.	1,471,360	
C. & M. Ry. Co.	263,040	
C. C. S. D. & R. G. N. G. Ry. Co.	855,680	
M. E. P. & P. Ry. Co.	258,399	
S. P. Ry. Co.	562,560	
T. & P. Ry. Co.	5,167,360	
D. & S. E. Ry. Co.	214,400	
D. & P. Ry. Co.	426,240	
W. T. Ry. Co.	113,920	
M. K. & T. E. Ry. Co.	272,000	
S. A. & M. G. Ry. Co.	264,898	
G. H. & H. Ry. Co.	610,560	
D. & W. Ry. Co.	411,520	
H. T. & B. Ry. Co.	500,480	
Eastern Texas Ry. Co.	291,840	
East Texas R. Co.		(none returned)
W. C. Ry. Co.	236,160	
T. & N. O. Ry. Co.	1,226,880	
T. W. N. G. Ry Co.	428,160	
T. & St. L. L. Ry. Co.	942,080	
S. & E. T. Ry. Co.		(none returned)
C. T. & M. C. Ry. Co.	225,280	
A. & N. W. Ry. Co.	382,720	
T. M. Ry. Co.	556,800	
T. T. (Texas Trunk) Ry. Co.	107,820	
Total	35,777,038	
Lost by reason of conflicts and recovery by State	3,623,160	
Net acreage received	32,153,878	