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HARRIS

County

SCHOOL LAND
G.F.C.

M. A. ROWE

8.54

Acres

Section No.

Block

Tsp.

Cert.

HARRIS S-126-F36644

According to the records of this office this is on patented land and is excess within a blk. and system of surreys 3-26-43 title.

Rejected - No Vacancy.
Alvin Handy Griff - Chief Clerk
Atty Gen's General Land Office
Aug. 10, 1949.

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APPLICATION TO PURCHASE

(Good Faith Claimant)

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TO THE COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE, AUSTIN, TEXAS:

1. I hereby apply to purchase under a preference right without condition of settlement the tract of unsurveyed school land hereinafter described, under the provisions of an Act approved June 19, 1939, and other laws relating to the sale of unsurveyed school land.

2. The said tract of land is situated in Harris County, Texas, about 29 miles ~~XXXXXXXX~~ miles Northwest from Houston, the county seat, and is described

as follows, to-wit: A tract of vacant land now under fence by the owners of the land to the East and North of this tract. The land is 205' wide and 1800' in depth; the South line of the property abutts the North line of the Freeman Road; The East line of the property is the West line of Section 19; the North line of the property is the South line of Section 20 and the West line of the property is the East line of Section 30, all in Block No. 2, H & T C R R Surveys, Harris County, Texas. Property was surveyed by J. S. Boyles, C.E., of Houston, Texas, on Feb. 13, 1943.

This application is accompanied by Surveyor's field notes.

3. I am a good faith claimant under the terms of said Act, as is fully shown by the attached instruments marked Exhibit ' A ' Copy of deed into applicant filed for record 3/4/1943. ' B ' Surveyor's field notes

4. Remarks:* The land in question has been under fence and used by the Williamson estate since 1908 and was incorporated in our purchase contract dated 1/23/1943. Our surveyor brought this to our attention before closing the transfer and deed was written not to included this vacant tract under the seller's general warranty. The County proposes an 80' road along West line of this property involved and along the West line of our property immediately to the North. This road will be an extension of the now existing Stockdick Road which now stops at the South line of the Freeman Road and the South side of this tract. If the road is carried through to completion the West side of our property in Section 19 would not front on it unless we acquired title to your strip. The road will be of more use to our land as an aid to better drainage than it will be for traffic purposes.

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M. A. Rowe

Good Faith Claimant

Post Office Box #2557, Houston, Texas.

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

- *NOTE: (1) The Good Faith Claimant should clearly indicate his position as to the existence of a vacancy.
- (2) If there should be no prior filing by an applicant, the good faith claimant should state whether application is accompanied by field notes or whether same will be filed within 120 days from date of filing of application with Commissioner of General Land Office.
- (3) Any other statement pertinent to the application to purchase may be included.

(OVER)

(3) Any other agreement pertaining to the land to be purchased may be included

CERTIFICATE

I, _____, Secretary of the School Land Board, do hereby certify that at a regular meeting of said board held in the General Land Office, Austin, Texas, on the _____ day of _____, A. D. 19____, the price at which the area of land described in the above application No. _____, shall be sold, was fixed by the School Land Board at _____ Dollars per acre, all of which is shown in Vol. _____, Page _____, of the Minutes of said Board.

Given under my hand this the _____ day of _____, A. D. 19____, at Austin, Texas.

[Handwritten Signature]
 Secretary of the School Land Board

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 Austin, Texas

S. F. No. 14485

APPLICATION TO PURCHASE
 UNSURVEYED SCHOOL LAND
 (Good Faith Claimant)

of
M. A. Rowe
Houston, Texas.

WITHOUT SETTLEMENT
8.54 acres
 in Harris County, Texas.

Filed 3-26, 1943
Bacon Giles
 Commissioner

Approved _____, 19____
 Rejected _____, 19____
 Commissioner

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The said tract of land is situated in _____ County, Texas, about _____
 other laws relating to the sale of unsurveyed school land.
 I hereby apply to purchase under a preference right without condition of settlement the tract of land
 TO THE COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE, AUSTIN, TEXAS:

(Good Faith Claimant)
 APPLICATION TO PURCHASE

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In addition to the information furnished in application to purchase and field notes, the following is required:

(This information should be forwarded with your application to purchase.)

- 1. Kind of soil and topography of surface and purpose for which it is adapted--agricultural or grazing.

Sandy soil; flat. Used for rice and grazing purposes during the last 25 years. Part used for peanuts last year.

- 2. Type and value of timber, if any.

- none -

- 3. Assessed value. (If not rendered for taxation, give last assessed value of adjoining lands.)

\$8.00 per acre.

- 4. Surveyor's estimate of actual value without improvements, per acre.

- 5. Claimant's estimate of actual value without improvements, per acre.

\$10.00 per acre.

- 6. Distance and direction from nearest oil or gas field, naming the field.

**About four miles West of the Ogburn Oil Field.
" seven miles East and North of the Katy Gas Field.**

- 7. Distance and direction from nearest oil or gas well producing or capable of producing oil or gas in commercial quantities.

same answer as No. 6

- 8. Distance and direction from nearest drilling oil well. **Katy field about seven to the West. Cities Service Oil Company plan a well in the near future about two miles West of this land.**

- 9. Distance and direction from nearest dry hole.

not known.

- 10. Is the land under oil and gas lease? If so, state amount of cash paid, rate of royalty, drilling obligation and to whom leased.

adjoining Yes - Form #88 lease with 5 year primary term. Rental \$1 per acre. Lease on adjoining lands held by Cities Service Oil Company.

(If there is oil or gas production on this tract, kindly give the following information.) **none**

(a) Number of producing oil wells and depth from which they produce.

(b) Number of producing gas wells and depth from which they produce.

(c) Name of Field in which the tract is located and how long producing.

I certify that the above information is true and correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WITNESS my hand this 8th day of March, 1943., 1943.

M. A. Rowe

**M. A. Rowe, P. O. Box #2557,
Houston, Texas.**

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10. Is the land under oil and gas lease? If so, state amount of each paid, rate of royalty, drilling obligation and to whom leased.
NO but land lease on adjoining lands held by Cities Service Oil Company. Form 88 lease with 5 year primary term. Rental \$1 per acre.

(If there is oil or gas production on this tract, kindly give the following information.)
none

(a) Number of producing oil wells and depth from which they produce.

(b) Number of producing gas wells and depth from which they produce.

(c) Name of field in which the tract is located and how long producing.

WITNESS my hand this 26th day of March 1943
I certify that the above information is true and correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.
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M. A. Howe, P. O. Box 42567, Houston, Texas.

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Questionnaire
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Exhibit 'A'

Copy of original
deed filed for
Record as # 129431
March 4, 1943

STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF HARRIS.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT I, Joseph Beehr, of Harris County, Texas,
for and in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars
(\$10.00) and other good and valuable considerations
paid by M. A. Rowe, R. J. Barry, T. T. Player, and
Thomson T. Player, Jr., the receipt and sufficiency of
which is hereby acknowledged, have GRANTED, BARGAINED,
SOLD, and CONVEYED, and by these presents do GRANT,
BARGAIN, SELL, and CONVEY unto the said M. A. Rowe an
undivided six-sixteenths (6/16th) interest; unto R. J.
Barry an undivided four-sixteenths (4/16th); unto
T. T. Player an undivided three-sixteenths (3/16th); and
unto Thomson T. Player, Jr., an undivided three-sixteenths
(3/16th) interest in the property covered by this deed,
subject to a one-thirty-second (1/32) mineral royalty
interest reserved by H. T. Williamson in the deed to
grantor, and subject to an additional 1/64th mineral
royalty interest hereinafter set out and reserved, the
property covered by this, deed being situated in Harris
County, Texas, and being in three parcels described as
follows, to-wit:

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DEED RECORDS
HARRIS COUNTY
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FIRST TRACT: One hundred sixty (160)
acres of land, more or less, out of the south-
east corner of H & T C R. R. Co. Survey,
Section No. Twenty-Nine (29), Block Two (2),
Harris County, Texas, described as follows,
to-wit:

BEGINNING at a stake set at the inter-
section of the center line of what is known
as the Porters Road, and the center line of
the proposed Stockdick Road. Said stake being
the southeast corner of said Section 29, the
northeast corner of Section 30, in the west
line of Section 20, H&TC R.R.;

THENCE west with the center line of said

Porters Road and the south line of Section 29 and north line of Section 30 H&TC R.R. 2640.0 ft. to a stake for corner;

THENCE north at 56.0 ft. cross a canal; at 630.0 ft. enter and at 800.0 ft. leave a pond; at 1062.0 ft. enter and at 1300.0 ft. leave another pond; at 1452.0 ft. cross a canal; in all 2640.0 ft. to a stake on a rice levee;

THENCE east at 314.0 ft. cross a canal; at 1483.0 ft. cross another canal; at 2390.0 ft. cross another canal; in all 2640.0 ft. to a stake for corner in the west line of H.& T.C. R.R. Section 20 and east line of H & T.C. R.R. Section 29;

THENCE south with the east line of said Section 29 and west line of Section 20, 2640.0 ft. to the PLACE OF BEGINNING, containing 160 acres, more or less, of which 1.81 acres is in the Porters Road;

SECOND TRACT: Three Hundred Twenty and three-tenths (320.3) acres, more or less, out of the south part of H & T.C. R.R. Co. Survey, Section Twenty (20), Block Two (2) Harris County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

BEGINNING at a 1½" pipe the southwest corner of said Section 20 in the east line of H&TC R.R. Section 30;

THENCE east at 205.6 ft. pass a 1½" pipe, the northwest corner of H & T.C. R.R. Section No. 19, and continuing east with the south line of said Section 20 and the north line of Section 19; in all 3685.9 ft. to a 1½" pipe, the southeast corner of said Section 20, the northeast corner of Section 19 in the west line of the Wm. Reeves Survey;

THENCE north along fence on the east line of said Section 20 and west line of said Reeves Survey; at 1470.0 ft. enter and at 1690.0 ft. leave a pond; at 2117.0 ft. pass fence corner and continue north; in all 3786.1 ft. to a 1½" and 1" iron pipe;

THENCE west along fence; at 1375.9 ft. enter and at 1710.9 ft. leave a pond; at 2295.9 ft. cross a canal and in all 3685.9 ft. to a stake in the west line of H & T C R.R. Section 20 and east line of Section 29;

THENCE south with the west line of said Section 20, the east lines of Section 29 and 30 and along the center line of the proposed Stockdick Road 3786.1 ft. to the PLACE OF BEGINNING, containing 320.3 acres, more or less, of which 3.47 acres are in the proposed stockdick Road;

THIRD TRACT: One hundred forty-three and eighty-one one-hundredths (143.81) acres, more or less, out of H & T. C. R.R. Co. Survey, Section 19, Block Two (2), Harris County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

BEGINNING at an iron pipe $1\frac{1}{2}$ " the northwest corner of said Section 19 in the south line of H&TC R.R. Section 20. Said pipe being 205.6 ft. east of the southwest corner of said Section 20;

THENCE east with the north line of Section 19 and the south line of Section 20, 3480.3 ft. to a $1\frac{1}{2}$ " pipe, the northeast corner of said Section 19, the southeast corner of Section 20 in the west line of the Wm. Reeves Survey;

THENCE south with the east line of said Section 19 and the west lines of the Wm. Reeves Survey and H & T C R.R. Section 33, at 238.5 ft. pass a $1\frac{1}{4}$ " pipe on the north side of the Freeman Road, at 268.5 ft. pass the northwest corner of said Section 33 H & T.C. R.R. and southwest corner of the Wm. Reeves Survey, continue south with the center line of the Freeman Road, in all 1800.0 ft. to the center line of said Freeman Road where the same turns west;

THENCE west with the center line of said Freeman Road 3480.3 ft. to the west line of said Section 19;

THENCE north with the west line of said Section 19; at 30.0 ft. a $1\frac{1}{2}$ " and $3/4$ " pipe, in all 1800.0 ft. to the PLACE OF BEGINNING, containing 143.81 acres, more or less, 3.45 acres of which are in the Freeman Road;

but reserving in and to the above described land the one-sixty-fourth ($1/64$ th) mineral royalty hereinabove set out and described.

Said lands are subject also to power line easement for power line as now located on the ground and to pipe line easement to Gulf Pipe Line Company and Gulf Production Company as now located upon the ground, and also to mineral leases now held by Cities Service Oil Company, recorded in Volume 345, page 493 and Vol. 355, page 614, Harris County Contract Records, respectively, all of which are now referred to.

Said land is further subject to a vendor's lien and deed of trust executed to Jno. H. Freeman, Trustee, to secure the payment of three (3) certain promissory notes of even date herewith, numbered from 1 to 3, each being in the principal sum of Three Thousand Eight Hundred

Dollars (\$3,800.00) bearing interest at the rate of five per cent per annum, interest payable semi-annually payable to the order of H. T. Williamson at the Union National Bank of Houston, Texas, payable in their numerical order on or before one, two, and three years after their date, and providing for acceleration of maturity and for attorneys' fees upon contingencies therein stated, with the understanding, nevertheless that the grantees have not and do not hereby assume or agree to pay the above described notes, this conveyance being made subject to the aforesaid liens securing the payment of said notes.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above described land and premises, together with all and singular the rights and appurtenances thereto in anywise belonging, unto the said grantees in the proportion of an undivided six-sixteenths (6/16th) interest to M. A. Rowe; an undivided four-sixteenths (4/16th) interest to R. J. Barry; an undivided three-sixteenths (3/16th) interest to T. T. Player; an undivided three-sixteenths (3/16th) interest to Thomson T. Player, Jr., and unto their heirs and assigns forever; and I do hereby bind myself, my heirs, executors and administrators to warrant and forever defend all and singular the title to said land and premises unto the Grantees, their heirs and assigns, against the claims of any person or persons whomsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof, except as to taxes for the year 1943, and except the mineral leases and interests herein referred to.

The grantor hereby expressly represents and covenants that the above described property and no part thereof has ever been used or claimed by him as a homestead.

It is expressly provided herein that the grantor reserves unto himself, his heirs and assigns, an undivided one-sixty-fourth ($1/64$ th), being one-eighth ($1/8$ th) of the customary $1/8$ th royalty, non-participating, perpetual royalty interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on or under and that may be produced and mined from the aforesaid property and premises conveyed hereby, together with the right of ingress and egress to take and recover the same. It is understood, however, that the grantor does not acquire or retain under this reservation any right to participate in the making of any oil, gas or mineral lease or leases on the property hereby conveyed or any portion thereof, nor of participating in the bonus or bonuses or anything else of value which grantees herein or their heirs or assigns may receive for any such mineral lease or leases, nor of participating in any rental that may be paid for the privilege of deferring commencement of a well under such lease or leases; but grantor shall be entitled to receive a free royalty of one-sixty-fourth ($1/64$ th) of all (meaning $1/64$ th of $8/8$ ths) of the oil, gas and other minerals produced and saved from the aforesaid property and premises, delivered to Grantor's credit free of cost into the pipeline or lines to which any well or wells upon such property may be connected. Nothing herein shall require or be construed as requiring grantees or their heirs or assigns to operate said land for the discovery, development or production of oil, gas or other minerals or to lease the same for oil, gas or mineral development, all of such matters being for the sole discretion of grantees, their heirs and assigns. In the event the title

and interest of grantor in and to the aforesaid land conveyed herein be less than the entire fee simple estate, then the mineral royalties herein retained shall be reduced proportionately.

Taxes against the aforesaid property for the current year of 1943 have been adjusted and prorated between the parties hereto, and under such adjustment such taxes are assumed and shall be paid by the grantees herein.

EXECUTED this 1st day of March, 1943.

STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Joseph Baehr, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office this _____ day of _____, 1943.

Notary Public, Harris County,
Texas.

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EXECUTED this 1st day of March, 1943.

STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF HARRIS.
Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Joseph Baker, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.
Given under my hand and seal of office this _____ day of _____, 1943.

J. H. COOKE, Notary Public,
GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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Notary Public, Harris County,
Texas.

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Copy of Transfer

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A.S.

THE STATE OF TEXAS:

COUNTY OF HARRIS:

FIELD NOTES 8.54 acres of land made for M. A. Rowe by virtue of his application filed with the Commissioner of the General Land Office, Austin, Texas, on the day of March 1943, (application to be filed with the Commissioner of the General Land Office, Austin, Texas) under the laws regulating the sale and lease of unsurveyed school land. Said land is situated in Harris County, Texas, about 25 miles North 70° West from Houston, the County Seat, and is described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

BEGINNING at a 1½" iron pipe, the Northwest corner of H. & T. C. Railroad Company Section No. 19, Block No. 2, in the South line of H. & T. C. Railroad Company Section No. 20;

THENCE South with West line of said H. & T. C. Railroad Company Section No. 19, 648.0 vs. to a stake in the center of the Freeman County Road, said stake being 1252.9 vs. West from the East line of H. & T. C. Railroad Sections Nos. 19 and 33 and 486.54 vs. South of the Northwest corner of said Section No. 33 and the Southwest corner of the Wm. Reeves Survey;

THENCE West 74.02 vs. to a stake in the center of the Freeman Road where the same turns South and being in the East line of H. & T. C. Railroad Company Section No. 30;

THENCE North with the East line of said H. & T. C. Railroad Company Section No. 30, 648.0 vs. to a 1½" pipe in a fence, being the Southwest corner of H. & T. C. Railroad Company Section No. 20;

THENCE East with the South line of said Section No. 20, 74.02 vs. to the PLACE OF BEGINNING.

Variation 10° East.

W. R. Walker - Instrumentman
Wayne Robinson
and - Chainmen
P. J. Meeker

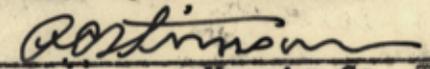
Surveyed February 9th, 1943. Map No. 2988.

H. J. S. Boyles, Surveyor of Harris County, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing survey was made by me on the ground, and according to law; that the limits, boundaries and corners, with the marks, natural and artificial, are truly described in the foregoing Plat and Field Notes, just as I found them on the ground; and they are recorded in Book M, Page 295, of the County Surveyor's Records of Harris County, Texas.

This 25 day of March 1943.


Licensed State Land Surveyor

I, A. C. Stimson, County Surveyor, Harris County, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing field notes were filed for record on the 25 day of March 1943, at 4:45 o'clock P.M., and are recorded in Vol. M pg. 295 of the Surveyor's Records.


County Surveyor, Harris Co. Tex.

Recorded in Vol. 108, Page 32 of the Surveyor's Records.
on the 22nd day of March 1943, at 11:40, clock A.M., and are
hereby certified that the foregoing field notes were filed for record
I. A. C. Stinson, County Surveyor, Harris County, Texas, do

County Surveyor, Harris Co., Tex.
[Signature]
Licensed State Land Surveyor
[Signature]
March 22, 1943.

I, J. S. Boyles, Surveyor
of Harris County, do here-
by certify that the character
and reasonable market value of
the land included within the
limits of the within field
notes are as follows:

Soil: Sandy loam.
Timber: None
Value: \$6.00 per acre

Surveyor

405 ac. to the PLACE OF BEGINNING.

THENCE East with the South line of said Section No. 30,

the Southwest corner of H. & T. C. Railroad Company Section No. 30;

THENCE North with the East line of said H. & T. C. Railroad

Company Section No. 30; to a 1 1/2" pipe in a fence, being

the East line of said H. & T. C. Railroad

Company Section No. 30; South and being in the East

corner of said Section No. 33

and being in the center of the

State of Texas, Harris County, Texas, do hereby

certify that the within field notes were filed for record

on the 22nd day of March 1943, at 11:40, clock A.M., and are

hereby certified that the foregoing field notes were filed for record

County Surveyor, Harris Co., Tex.

Licensed State Land Surveyor

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GENERAL LAND OFFICE
Austin, Texas

S. F. No. 14485

FIELD NOTES
(GOOD FAITH CLAIMANT)

Filed March 26-1943

Bascom Giles

Commissioner

Approved

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Commissioner

and is described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:
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of unurveyed school land. Said land is situated in Harris County,
Office, Austin, Texas) under the laws regulating the sale and lease
(application to be filed with the laws regulating the sale and lease
Land Office, Austin, Texas, on the _____ day of _____ 1943
virtue of his application filed with the Commissioner of the General
FIELD NOTES & 24 acres of land made for M. A. Rowe by
COUNTY OF HARRIS:
THE STATE OF TEXAS:

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W. O. Reeves.

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SF. 14485
Harris Co.

[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten notes and scribbles in pencil and red ink, including some numbers and names.]

Houston, Texas
March 25th, 1943

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

Dear Sir:

In connection with the M. A. Rowe application and field notes for 8.54 acres, lying between the West line of H. & T. C. Railroad Company Section No. 19 and the East line of H. & T. C. Railroad Company Section No. 30.

This property was formerly owned by W. I. Williamson and later Turner Williamson of Houston, Harris County, Texas. I have, on numerous occasions, notified them of this vacancy, which extends for the full length of Section No. 19 and suggested they cure their title by purchase from the State.

In the early part of 1943, after Mr. Rowe and associates had purchased the Williamson interests, I suggested that they follow the procedure necessary to acquire this land.

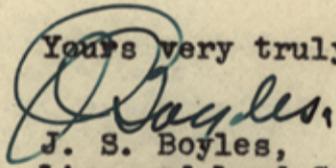
It has been in the Williamson enclosure for a great many years to my certain knowledge.

The land is a sandy loam, possibly suited for either pasturage or when canals are extended, the raising of rice.

There is a producing oil well just about three and one-half miles Northeasterly from this property. In my opinion, the land is not worth more than \$6.00 an acre, for the surface. There is no timber on the land.

Upon examination of the field notes of this area you will readily see that the area has not been patented, even though it is within a block of surveys. The situation here is very similar to the situation in the T. & N. O. Railroad Company block in Montgomery County, just East of the titled surveys.

Yours very truly,


J. S. Boyles,
Licensed Land Surveyor
601-4 Stewart Bldg.,
Houston, Texas

JSB:mc

Houston, Texas
March 25th, 1943

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

Dear Sir:

In connection with the M. A. Rowe application and
field notes for 8.54 acres, lying between the West line of H. & T.
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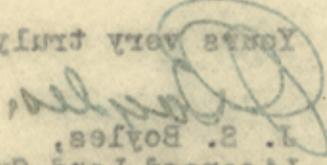
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L. S. Boyles,
Licensed Land Surveyor,
601 1/2 Stewart Bldg.,
Houston, Texas

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File No. SF-14485

HARRIS County

Surveyors Statement

Filed March - 26, 1943

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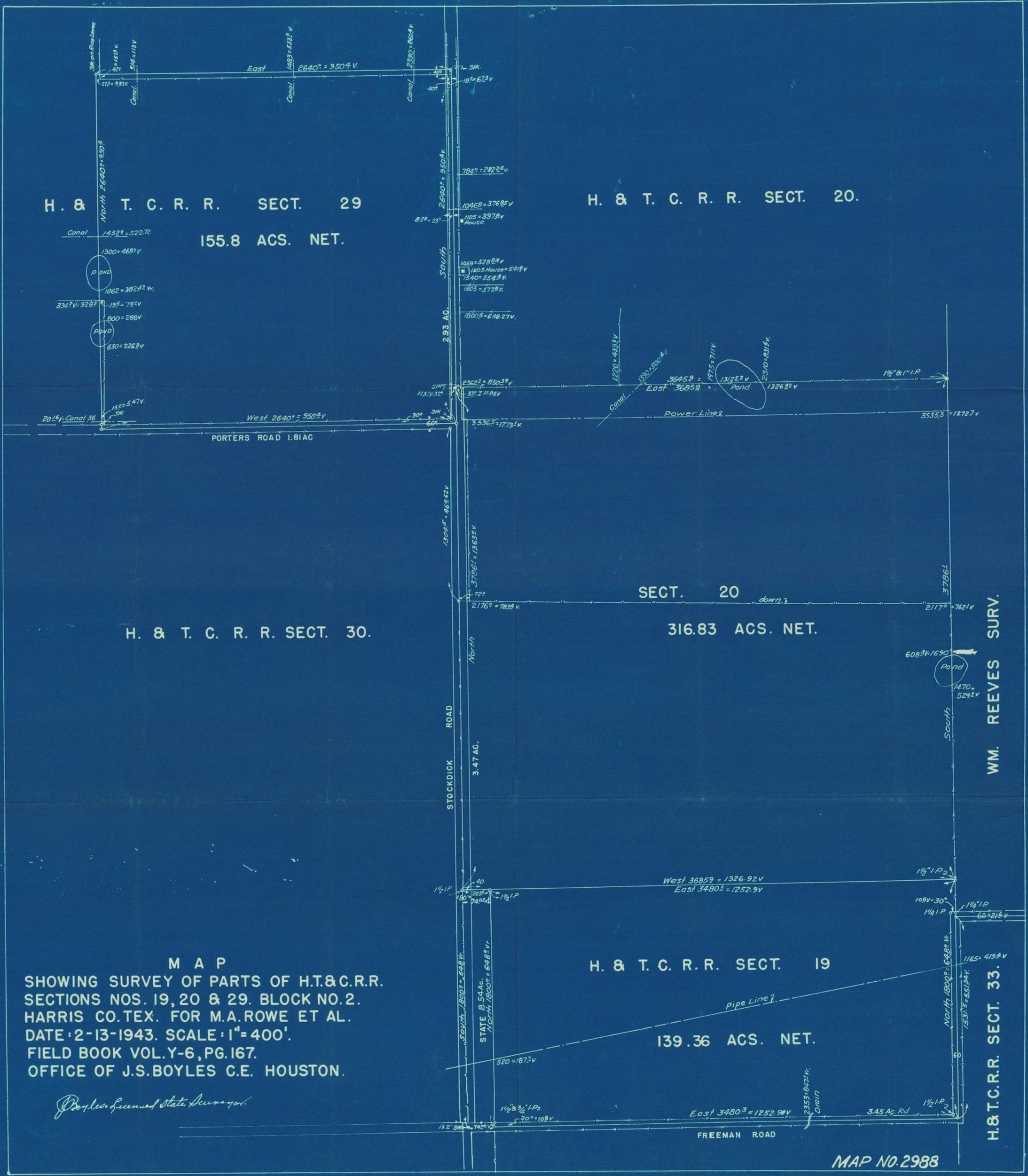
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May 1, 1944.

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MAY 4 - 1944

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

REFERRED TO LAW.

Re:- Application of M. A. Rowe to purchase
land owned by State in the North 1/4 of
Section 19, Block 2, H&TC RR Survey, Harris Co.

Your file # SF-14485

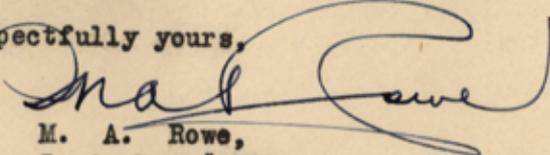
Dear Sir:-

Since receiving your letter of July 2, 1944, in the above captioned matter I have made five trips to this property to see a Mr. Hager who owns the land South of the tract that I have made application to purchase and has the balance of land land in question under fence. Mr. Hager does not seem inclined to do anything definite in the premises as he says that the land comprising the vacancy in that part lying South of the Freeman Road is his and he does not recognize any vacancy. I have tried to outline to him that no one is claiming at this time and that our course in getting the State to transfer this strip to us was in order put the records in order and prevent anyone from making a future claim against the land that ourselves and predecessors in title have had under fence and possession for thirty or forty years. I do not anticipate that Mr. Hager will do anything at all in the matter.

Several owners in this locality have been after the County to install a road and ditch over this particular tract and of course, the County takes the position that inasmuch as the this described vacancy is platted as belonging to the State they assume that it is owned by the State. I would like very much to have this matter cleared by getting a conveyance from the State on the area involved and if necessary I will make an offer for the whole strip on the same basis as my offer of the 8.54 acres and try and work a settlement out with Mr. Hager later if you cannot convey just the part I am interested in separately.

Thanks for your consideration in the premises and I trust that we may be able to get an early settlement in the matter.

Respectfully yours,


M. A. Rowe,
P. O. Box #2557,
Houston, Texas.

R/R

May 5, 1944

Mr. M. A. Rowe
P. O. Box 2557
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Rowe:

This is in reply to your letter of May 1 in regard to S. F. 14485, M. A. Rowe, Harris County.

Under the law we could not allow you to purchase as a good faith claimant any of this vacancy other than that part under your fence. You would have to file on this as an applicant, but this is a rather expensive procedure and I am sure it would cost you more than the land is worth.

If there is some way in which I can be of further help to you, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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May 2, 1944

Mr. M. A. Rowe
P. O. Box 2222
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Rowe:

This is in reply to your letter of May 1 in regard to S. F. 14485, M. A. Rowe, Harris County.

Under the law we could not allow you to purchase as a good faith claimant any of this acreage other than that part under your lease. You would have to file on this as an applicant, but this is a rather expensive procedure and I am sure it would cost you more than the land is worth.

If there is some way in which I can be of further help to you, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

BABCOX GILLES, COMMISSIONER
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

LD:jm

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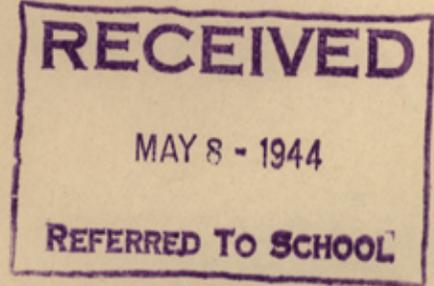
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HOUSTON, TEXAS

May 6th, 1944.

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



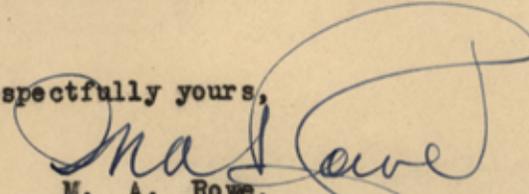
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Section 19, Block 2, H&TC RR Survey, Harris Co.
Your file # SF-14485.

Dear Sir:-

Thanks for your letter of May 5th, 1944, in regard to the above captioned matter. Buying just what is under our fence is just what I have been trying to do and I have spent about \$75 already for surveys, recording fees, documents, affidavits, etc., in order to complete the application on your forms. Everything that your office requested was sent you on March 25, 1943, together with \$1.00 filing fee and our only reason for contacting the other owner in this matter was your letter of July 2, 1943, requesting us to advise you whether or not these other owners would be interested in purchasing the part they had under fence.

I trust that we may get some result now as my only reason in trying to get the land is to square out our tract so that there will be no question as to the State's rights even if a vacancy did exist. Inasmuch as the area in question is platted as belonging to the State and appears on the County Surveyor's records as State land we should, if it can be done with the consent of the parties interested, be furnished with some legal clearance from the State. Thanks for your attention to this.

Respectfully yours,


M. A. Rowe,
P O Box #2557

Houston.

May 11, 1944

Mr. M. A. Rowe
P. O. Box 2557
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Rowe:

This is in reply to your letter of the 6th in reference to S. F. 14485, M. A. Rowe, Harris County.

As you know, this tract of land is located within a block and system of surveys. The Supreme Court in the Case of Gulf Oil Corporation vs. Outlaw 150 SW 2 117 holds that a vacancy cannot exist under these circumstances. It is for this reason that we hesitate to declare a vacancy unless you owned the entire strip. As you stated previously, some of these owners do not feel that a vacancy exists; if we allowed one, we would be clouding their title.

I wish I knew of some way in which to help you in this matter, Mr. Rowe, but under the circumstances this is very difficult. This file has been endorsed by our Drafting Department as follows:

"According to the records of this office this is on patented land and is excess within a block and system of surveys."

Sincerely yours,

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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File: S. F. 14485

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May 11, 1934

Mr. H. A. Rose
P. O. Box 2887
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Rose:

This is in reply to your letter of the 6th in reference to S. P. 14485, H. A. Rose, Harris County.

As you know, this tract of land is located within a block and system of surveys. The Supreme Court in the case of Gulf Oil Corporation vs. O'Neil 130 S.W.2d holds that a vacancy cannot exist under those circumstances. It is for this reason that we had to be careful to handle a vacancy when you owned the entire strip. As you stated previously, some of these owners do not feel that a vacancy exists; if we allowed one, we would be checking their title.

I wish I knew of some way in which to help you in this matter, Mr. Rose, but under the circumstances this is very difficult. This file has been endorsed by our Training Department as follows:

According to the records of this office this is an patented land and is exempt within a block and system of surveys.

Sincerely yours,

BARON BILLS, COMMISSIONER
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

ED:ja

File: S. P. 14485

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M. A. ROWE

FAIRFAX 2510—FAIRFAX 2131
501 KIRBY BUILDING
921 MAIN STREET

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

Re: Application of M. A. Rowe
to purchase State Land located
in the North 1/4 of Section 19,
Block 2, H & T C RR Survey,
Harris County, Texas.

O.K. accept
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6. Affidavit of the prospective purchaser containing information and general description of the land.

We trust that you find the enclosed all in order and we will appreciate any dispatch that you may give us in this matter.

Very respectfully yours,

M. A. Rowe,
P. O. Box # 2557,
Houston, Texas.

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M. A. ROWE

501 KIRBY BUILDING
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Real Estate

Houston, Texas

March 25th, 1943

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Very respectfully,
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M. A. Rowe

Houston, Texas
March 25th, 1943

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

Dear Sir:

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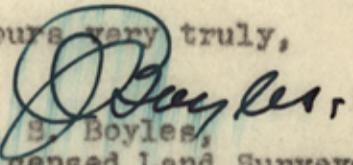
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Yours very truly,


J. B. Boyles,
Licensed Land Surveyor
601-4 Stewart Bldg.,
Houston, Texas

JSB:mc

Houston, Texas
March 25th, 1943

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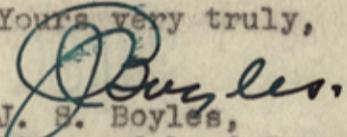
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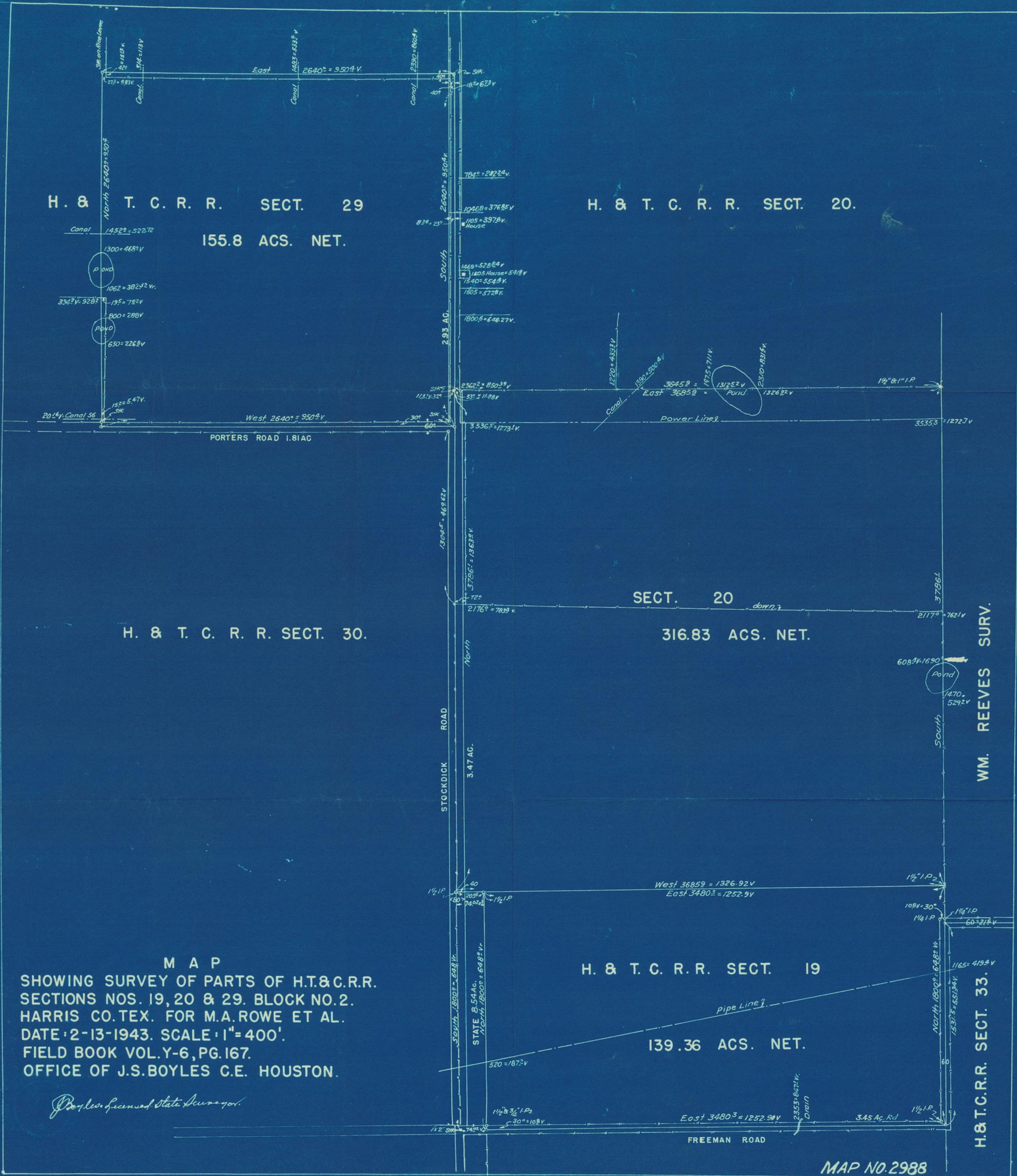
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OFFICE OF U.S. BOYLES C.E. HOUSTON
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SECTIONS NOS. 19, 20 & 21 BLOCK NO. 2
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to be returned
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March 26, 1943

Mr. M. A. Rowe
921 Main Street
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Rowe:

This is in reply to your letter of the 25th in which you sent in application, field notes, plat, written report, and proof, covering a tract of land in Harris County.

For your information, this application was filed and assigned a file number SF14485. The field notes will be examined by the drafting department, and if anything further is necessary, we will advise you.

Sincerely yours,

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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March 26, 1943

Mr. M. A. Lowe
221 Main Street
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Lowe:

This is in reply to your letter of the 25th in which you sent in application, field notes, plat, written report, and proof, covering a tract of land in Harris County.

For your information, this application was filed and assigned a file number 371485. The field notes will be examined by the drafting department, and if anything further is necessary, we will advise you.

Sincerely yours,

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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Houston, Texas,

July 1, 1943.

Mr. Bascom Giles, Commissioner,
General Land Office,
State of Texas,
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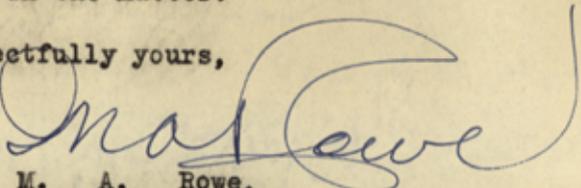
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File # S F 14485.

Dear Sir:-

I have had no word on the above application since filing it on the
25th of March, other than your acknowledgement of receipt of the necessary *papers*.
Would appreciate hearing from you in the matter.

Respectfully yours,



M. A. Rowe,
P. O. Box # 2557,
Houston, Texas.

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Houston, Texas,

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Mr. Bacon Hill, Commissioner,
General Land Office,
State of Texas,
Austin, Texas.

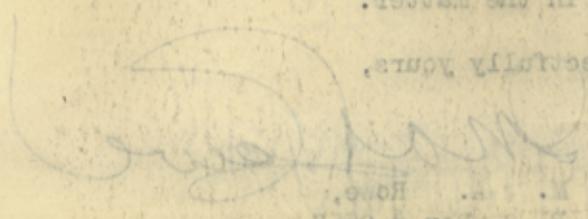
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land owned by State in the North 1/4 of Sec.
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File # S F 14485.

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Respectfully yours,



M. A. Howe,
Houston, Texas.

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July 2, 1943

Mr. M. A. Rowe
P. O. Box 2557
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Rowe:

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This is in reply to your letter of the 1st in regard to your application to purchase 8.54 acres of land in Harris County, S.F. 14485.

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This application has given us considerable trouble due to the following situation: This vacancy, if one does exist, is located within a block and a system of surveys. In a recent opinion of the Supreme Court, a vacancy cannot exist under these circumstances. This is the case of Outlaw Vs. Gulf, reported in 150 S.W. 2nd 777. In this case, however, we have a very peculiar situation; and we have been doing our best to reach a decision on the matter.

You will also notice that the part you claim is only the north end of the strip and should the same be claimed, it would also open up the strip to the south line of Section 19. I wish you would advise me whether or not the other owners in Section 19 would be interested in purchasing any part of this vacancy, if the same exists. From the sketch, it appears that their property would be located south of the Freeman Road.

Sincerely yours,

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

LD:JW

July 2, 1943

Mr. W. A. Ross
P. O. Box 8337
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Ross:

This is in reply to your letter of the 1st in regard to your application to purchase 8.04 acres of land in Harris County, S.F. 14485. This application has given us considerable trouble due to the following situation: This property, if our data is correct, is located within a block and a system of surveys. In a recent opinion of the Supreme Court, a vacancy cannot exist under these circumstances. This is the case of *Orin vs. Bell*, reported in 100 S.W. 2d 777. In this case, however, we have a very peculiar situation; and we have been doing our best to reach a decision on the matter.

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Sincerely yours,

WASCO DILLON, COMMISSIONER
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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