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File S. F. 14513 Abst 1733

HARRIS

423  
County

**SCHOOL LAND**

MILFORD BURRESS

(GOOD FAITH CLAIMANT)

MFG  
7-27-43  
MRP 102<sup>57</sup> Acres

Section No.

Block Tsp. Cert.

Field Note  
CORRECT ON MAP FOR 102<sup>57</sup> ACRES  
7-20-1943- Utter.

Approved as in #15, and  
valued by the Commissioner  
and the School Land Board  
at \$6.00 per acre. 7-27-43

Basson Liles  
Comm.

Pat: Original M/R 8-6-43 Darby

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Obligation

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5 mi Pro. Well 7-20-43 D.

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 No. 423 Vol. 902  
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AUG 4 1943

Pat fee 4<sup>00</sup>  
Rec fee 1<sup>00</sup>

Humble Oil & Refining Co.  
By Ralph B. Lee  
Legal Department  
Houston, Texas

9-21-43  
Co. Clk. Harris Co.  
advised to deliver  
patent to Mr. Lee personally Ed.H.K.

Paid in full for 102<sup>57</sup> Acres  
8-5-43 ajw

# 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 28 miles Northwest from Houston, the county seat, and is described as follows, to-wit:

Bounded on the North by the William Schoenmann and Henry Raaz Surveys; bounded on the East by the HT&B R.R. Co. Survey No. 1; bounded on the South by the J. W. Moody Survey and bounded on the West by the Mueschke road which is the boundary line between my lands and lands belonging to Ed. C. Smith, who obtained a patent covering a vacant strip lying just West of said Mueschke road.

3. I am a good faith claimant under the terms of said Act, as is fully shown by the attached instruments marked Exhibit A.
4. Remarks:\*

This applicant does not believe that the above described tract is a vacancy, but in view of the fact that a patent has been issued on adjoining land based upon the fact that there is a vacancy in the above described area, I am making this application for the purpose of protecting my title, and this application is not to be construed as an admission on my part that there is such a vacancy.

According to correspondence I have had with you, Mr. Stewart Boyles of Harris County, has filed field notes which cover the above described tract of land. If that is true, I desire to use such field notes in the event you determine that the above land is vacant land and subject to purchase by me under House Bill No. 9.

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*Milford Burrese*  
Milford Burrese

Good Faith Claimant

Post Office Cypress, 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 statement pertinent to the application to purchase may be included.

**CERTIFICATE**

I, H. C. Bishop, 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 27th day of July, A. D. 1943, the price at which the area of land described in the above application No. S.F. 14513, shall be sold, was fixed by the School Land Board at \$6.00 Dollars per acre, all of which is shown in Vol. \_\_\_\_\_, Page \_\_\_\_\_, of the Minutes of said Board.

Given under my hand this the 28th day of July, A. D. 1943, at Austin, Texas.

*H. C. Bishop*  
Secretary of the School Land Board

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G. H. COOKE, Receiver  
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GENERAL LAND OFFICE  
Austin, Texas

S. F. No. 14513

APPLICATION TO PURCHASE  
UNSURVEYED SCHOOL LAND  
(Good Faith Claimant)

of Melford Burrell

Cypress, Texas.

WITHOUT SETTLEMENT

acres

in Harris County, Texas.

Filed 6-28, 1943

Bascom Giles A.S.  
Commissioner

Approved 7-27, 1943  
Rejected

Bascom Giles  
Commissioner

as follows, to-wit:

\_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ the county seat, and is described

2. The said tract of land is situated in \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas, about \_\_\_\_\_ miles

other laws relating to the sale of unsurveyed school land.

1. I hereby apply to purchase under a preference right without condition of settlement the tract of un-

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

(Good Faith Claimant)

APPLICATION TO PURCHASE

*OK. A. 100*

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.

Grazing

2. Type and value of timber, if any.

None

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

\$7.50 per acre

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

Unable to contact Mr. J. Stuart Boyle, who made survey for me. I understand he valued adjoining land about \$6.00

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

Approximately \$ 6.00

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

Ogburn Field more than 5 miles

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

S. Van Sickle Survey Abstract # 822, Gas & Distillate Well

8. Distance and direction from nearest drilling oil well.

Above field

9. Distance and direction from nearest dry hole.

About 2000 ft S. East

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.

~~Oil & Gas rights were retained except 1/6th by Providence Oil Co. from whom I purchased the land.~~

**NOT UNDER LEASE TO ANYONE AT PRESENT**

(If there is oil or gas production on this tract, kindly give the following information.)

- (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 25 day of June, 1943.

*Milford Burrell*  
Milford Burrell.

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.

2. Type and value of timber, if any.

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

4. Surveyor's estimate of actual value without improvements, per acre. Unable to contact Mr. J. Stuart Boyle, who made survey for me. I understand he valued adjoining land about \$0.00.

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

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

7. Distance and direction from nearest oil or gas well producing or capable of producing.

8. Distance and direction from nearest drilling oil well.

9. Distance and direction from nearest dry hole.

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

(If there is oil or gas production on this tract, kindly give the following information.)

(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 production.

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

WITNESS my hand this 22 day of June 1943.

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*[Signature]*  
Hilford Burrows

THE STATE OF TEXAS, )  
COUNTY OF HARRIS. )

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Milford Burress, a resident of Harris County, Texas, known to me to be a credible person, who being by me duly sworn on his oath deposed and said:

I am the owner of all of the Western portion of the HT&B RR Company Survey No. 1 in Harris County, Texas. That said Western portion of this Survey was acquired by me by two deeds: (1) The first from E.A. Shewers and Providence Oil Co. et al, to Milford Burress dated the 13th day of September 1941, recorded in Volume 1221, page 275 of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas, the original of which is hereto attached and marked as exhibit A. (a) Deed from James C. Baldwin and Robert B. Baldwin to Milford Burress dated February 20, 1943, recorded in Volume 1271, page 132 of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas, the original of which is hereto attached and marked exhibit B.

I am now occupying and using and have occupied and used the following described land which may be vacant land and which is situated in Harris County, Texas, and is specifically described as follows:

Bounded on the North by the William Schoenmann and Henry Raaz Surveys; bounded on the East by the HT&B RR Company Survey No. 1; bounded on the South by the J. W. Moody Survey and bounded on the West by the Mueschke road which is the boundary line between my lands and lands belonging to Ed. C. Smith, who recently obtained a patent covering a vacant strip lying just West of said Mueschke road.

I have been occupying and using said land for purposes other than exploring for or removing oil, gas, sulphur or other minerals therefrom as a part of said survey since my purchases above referred to with a good faith belief that said land was included within the boundaries of said survey. That the boundaries of said survey have been recognized boundaries in the community in which same is situated and as so recognized in the community include the area hereinabove specifically described by metes and bounds.

I have been living on said land since I purchased same and have been using same for dairying and farming purposes.

My predecessors in title and I have had said area described above in our possession under definite recognized boundaries for a period of 10 years each with the good faith belief that he was the owner thereof and that same was included within said survey above described.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Milford Burress, a resident of Harris County, Texas, known to me to be a credible person, who being by me duly sworn on his oath deposed and said:

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I have been occupying and using said land for purposes other than exploring for or removing oil, gas, sulphur or other minerals therefrom as a part of said survey since my purchases above referred to with a good faith belief that said land was included within the boundaries of said survey. That the boundaries of said survey have been recognized boundaries in the community in which same is situated and as so recognized in the community include the area hereinabove specifically described by metes and bounds.

I have been living on said land since I purchased same and have been using same for dairying and farming purposes.

My predecessors in title and I have had said area described above in our possession under definite recognized boundaries for a period of 10 years each with the good faith belief that he was the owner thereof and that same was included within said survey above described.

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That there are no producing oil or gas wells  
within five miles of this property.

*[Handwritten signature]*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 23rd  
day of June, 1943.

*R. M. Dunson*  
Notary Public in and for Harris  
County, Texas.

R. M. DUNSON

Statement of B. F. O.

S. F. 14513

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Houston, Texas  
June 30th, 1943

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF HARRIS

FIELD NOTES of a survey of 102.57 acres of land made for Milford Burress by virtue of his application, filed with the Commissioner of the General Land Office, Austin, Texas, under the laws regulating the sale and lease of unsurveyed school land, as provided in Act approved June 19, 1939 and other laws relating to the sale of unsurveyed school land. Said land is situated in Harris County, Texas, about 20 miles North 55° West from the County Site and described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

BEGINNING at a stake set in the center of the Mueschke County Road, said stake being the Southeast corner of the Ed C. Smith 71.56 acres and being also in the North line of the J. W. Moody Survey;

THENCE with the North line of said Moody Survey North 89° 58' East 239.6 vs. to a 1" pipe in the South edge of a pond, said pipe being the Southwest corner of H.T. & B. R. R. Company Section No. 1. A church steeple brs. North 7° 49' East, a 6" Prickly Ash mkd. X, one hack above and below, brs. South 62° 38' East 62.9 vs., a 12" Sycamore mkd. the same brs. South 18° 31' West 293.4 vs.;

THENCE with the West line of H.T. & B. R. R. Section No. 1, North 00° 02' West; at 121.0 vs. leave pond; at 250.0 vs. cross center line of lane; at 268.4 vs. cross Houston Lighting & Power Company high line; at 513.0 vs. cross a ditch and in all 1213.46 vs. to a 3/4" galvanized pipe in a fence, the Northwest corner of H.T. & B. R. R. Co. Section No. 1 on the South line of the Henry Raaz Survey;

THENCE along fence and with the South line of the Henry Raaz Survey and Wm. Schoenmann Survey 715.45 vs. to a stake in the center of the Mueschke County Road, said stake being the Northeast corner of the Ed C. Smith 71.56 acres; South 89° 41' West;

THENCE with the center line of said Mueschke Road and the East or Northeastly line of the Ed C. Smith Survey South 21° 30' East 1300.12 vs. to the PLACE OF BEGINNING.

Surveyed August 1st, 1942. Variation 10° East.  
Map No. 5715 revised accompanying.  
W. R. Walker, Instrumentman

Tom Sanchez } Chainmen  
Wayne Robinson }

I, J. S. Boyles, Licensed State Surveyor of Harris County, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing survey was made on the ground according to law, that the limits, boundaries and corners together with the marks natural and artificial are truly described in the foregoing field notes.

Witness my hand and seal at Houston, Texas, this 30th day of June, 1943.

*J. S. Boyles*

I, A. C. Stimson, County Surveyor of Harris County, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing field notes were filed for records on the 10 day of July 1943, at 10:15 o'clock A.M., and are recorded in Vol. M Pg. 299 of the Surveyor's Records.

*A. C. Stimson*  
County Surveyor, Harris Co.,  
Texas

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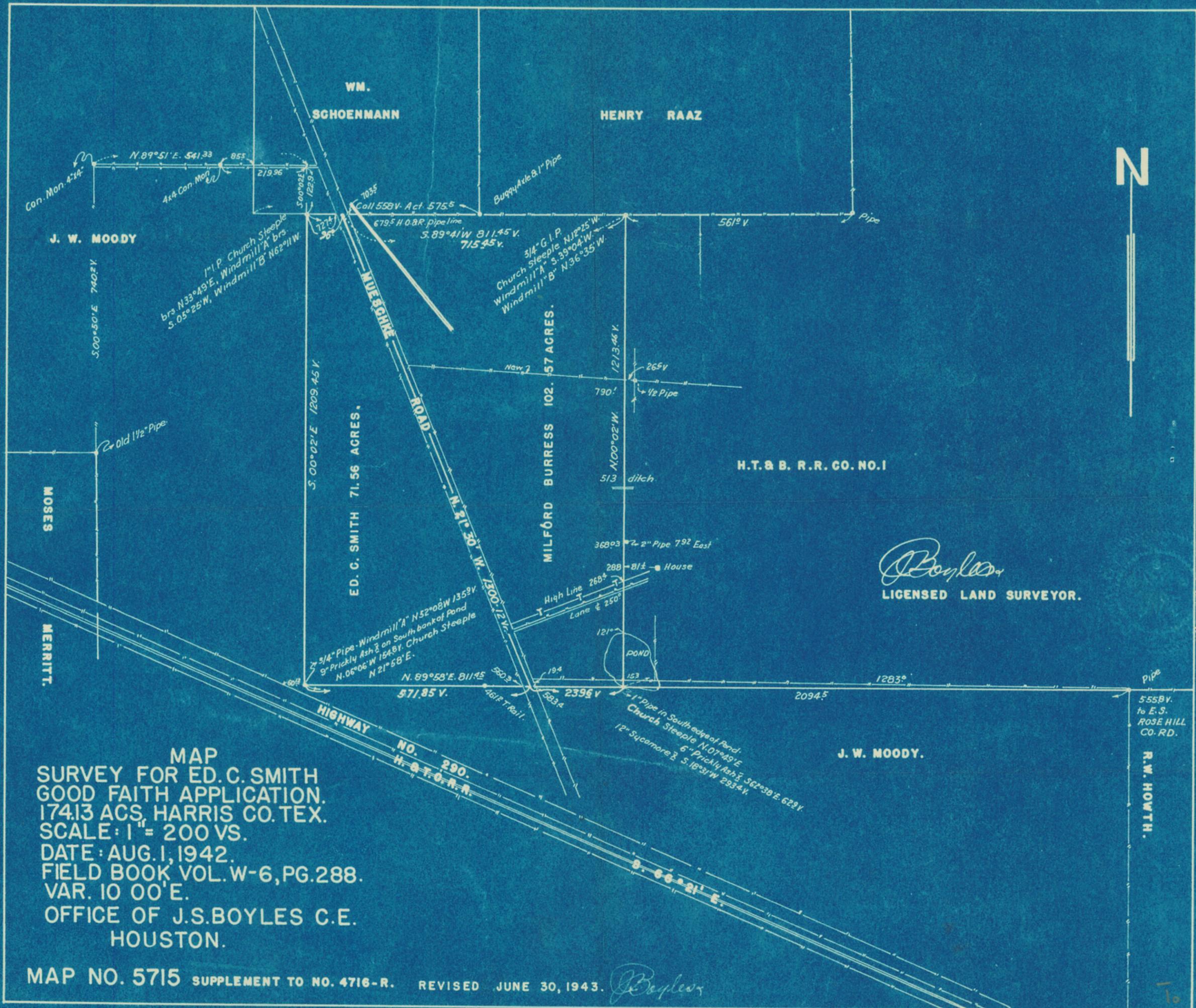
FIELD NOTES  
(BOOK WITH APPLICATION)

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AUSTIN, TEXAS

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COUNTY SURVEYOR  
HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS





**MAP**  
**SURVEY FOR ED. C. SMITH**  
**GOOD FAITH APPLICATION.**  
**174.13 ACS, HARRIS CO. TEX.**  
**SCALE: 1" = 200 VS.**  
**DATE: AUG. 1, 1942.**  
**FIELD BOOK VOL. W-6, PG. 288.**  
**VAR. 10 00' E.**  
**OFFICE OF J.S. BOYLES C.E.**  
**HOUSTON.**

*Boyles*  
**LICENSED LAND SURVEYOR.**

**MAP NO. 5715 SUPPLEMENT TO NO. 4716-R. REVISED JUNE 30, 1943.**

**R.W. HOWTH.**

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File No. SF-14513

Harris County

Surveyors Sketch

Filed July 15, 19 43

BASCOM GILES, Com'r

Atlee  
File Clerk

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REFERRED TO ~~MAP~~ Raw

MADE BY THE SURVEYOR TO THE COUNTY CLERK  
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK  
1000 N. W. 10th St.  
DALE, AUG 11, 1943  
SCALE = 1" = 500' AS  
GOOD LAYERS TO THE  
SOUTH OF THE  
HARRIS COUNTY  
SCHOOL DISTRICT

MERRILL MOSES

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ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS OF SALE  
OF UNSURVEYED SCHOOL LAND

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(Applicant or Good Faith Claimant)

Cypress, Texas, July 30 1943

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

I hereby accept the terms of sale of the tract of unsurveyed school land hereinafter described as stated in your letter dated July 27, 1943 and apply to complete my application to purchase under the terms of House Bill No. 9, passed at the Regular Session of the Forty-sixth Legislature and approved June 19, 1939, and other laws relating to the sale of unsurveyed school land without settlement.

The land is situated in Harris County, Texas, about 20 miles (give course) N. 55 deg. W. from the county seat, and is briefly described as follows:

<u>Survey No.</u>	<u>S. F. No.</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Classification</u>
	<u>S.F1 14513</u>	<u>102.57</u>	

I agree to pay for said land the price of \$6.00 Dollars per acre, and I hereby enclose the sum of \$615.42 Dollars as the full cash payment therefor.  
(Insert whether "full" or "one-fortieth")

I further agree that the sale to me is made upon the express conditions, to-wit:

reservation of 1/16 on all oil and gas production and 1/8 on sulphur and other minerals as a free royalty to the State of Texas.

I do solemnly swear (affirm) that I am over twenty-one (21) years of age.

Michael Burren  
Applicant or Good Faith Claimant  
Post Office Cypress Tex.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 30th day of July, 1943.  
R. M. Sunson  
Harris County, Texas

OBLIGATION

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ School Lands.

For value received, I, the undersigned, do promise to pay to the State of Texas the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars, with interest thereon as hereinafter specified, the same being for the remainder of purchase money for the following described tract of land purchased by me, of the State of Texas, in accordance with the provisions of

laws relating to the sale of unsurveyed public free school lands; to-wit: All of Survey No. \_\_\_\_\_, S. F. No. \_\_\_\_\_, Grantee \_\_\_\_\_, situated in \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas.

The annual interest of five per cent, upon all unpaid principal, together with one-fortieth of the original principal, I am to pay or cause to be paid to the General Land Office, at Austin, Travis County, Texas, on or before the first day of each November thereafter until the whole purchase money is paid. And it is expressly understood that I am to comply strictly with all the conditions, limitations and requirements, and am subject to and accept all the benefits and penalties contained and prescribed in the laws above referred to.

Witness my hand this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19 \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant or Good Faith Claimant  
Post Office \_\_\_\_\_

Post Office

Applicant or Good Faith Claimant

Witness my hand this

day of

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am subject to and accept all the benefits and liabilities contained and prescribed in the laws above referred to expressly understood that I am to comply exactly with all the conditions, limitations and requirements, and or before the first day of each November thereafter until the whole purchase money is paid. And if it is principal, I am to pay or cause to be paid to the General Land Office at Austin, Texas County, Texas on The annual interest of five per cent upon all unpaid principal, together with one-fourth of the original

County, Texas

Grantee

situated in

laws relating to the sale of unsurveyed public free school lands; to-wit: 57th of Survey No.

following described tract of land purchased by me, of the State of Texas, in accordance with the provisions of with interest thereon as hereinafter specified, the same being for the redemption of purchase money for the Dollars

For value received, I, the undersigned, do promise to pay to the State of Texas the sum of

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School lands

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GENERAL LAND OFFICE

County, Texas



Present to and subscribed before me, this the 30th day of

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Applicant or Good Faith Claimant

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I do solemnly swear (affirm) that I am over twenty-one (21) years of age.

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GENERAL LAND OFFICE  
Austin, Texas

S. F. No. 14513

ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS OF SALE  
OF UNSURVEYED SCHOOL LAND  
(Applicant or Good Faith Claimant)

of

Wilford Burress

Post Office Cypress, Texas

WITHOUT SETTLEMENT

102<sup>57</sup> acres in

Harris County, Texas.

Filed 8-4, 1943

Boscom Giles  
Commissioner By HCB

Awarded 8-4, 1943

Rejected \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_

Boscom Giles  
Commissioner By HCB

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On Market \_\_\_\_\_

Survey No.

S. F. No.

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(five copies) N. 22 deg. W. from the county seat, and is briefly described as follows:

The land is situated in Harris

County, Texas

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approved June 19, 1939, and other laws relating to the sale of unsurveyed school land without settlement, and apply to complete my application to purchase

I hereby accept the terms of sale of the tract of unsurveyed school and herein for described as stated

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

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ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS OF SALE  
OF UNSURVEYED SCHOOL LAND

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LAND AWARDS AND RECEIPT

File No. 14513

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Date of Award 8-4, 1943

GENERAL LAND OFFICE,  
AUSTIN, TEXAS

WHEREAS, Milford Burress

Cypress, Texas

of \_\_\_\_\_, Texas, has, in the manner and form prescribed by law, filed in this office an application and obligation to purchase the following land, to-wit:

SECTION	BLOCK	TOWNSHIP	CERTIFICATE	GRANTEE	ACRES	PRICE	COUNTY
			S.P. 14513	Milford Burress	102.57	\$	Harris

Date of Sale 8-4-43

Amount of Note \$

Rate of Interest \_\_\_\_\_ Per Cent

Due November 1st Annually  
SCHOOL LAND

The School land Board having fixed the price, and the State having received \$615.42 as the full payment thereon, I do hereby award to said applicant the survey of land described above with a reservation of 1/16 on all oil and gas production and 1/8 on sulphur and other minerals as a free royalty to the State of Texas.

*Bascom Giles*  
Commissioner General Land Office

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LAND AWARDS AND RECEIPT

Duplicate Award

8-4-43

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GENERAL LAND OFFICE  
AUSTIN, TEXAS

Date of Award

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WHEREAS, Milford Burgess

Cypress, Texas

of \_\_\_\_\_, Texas, has, in the manner and form prescribed by

law, filed in this office an application and obligation to purchase the following land, to-wit:

SECTION	BLOCK	TOWNSHIP	CERTIFICATE	GRANTEE	ACRES	PRICE	COUNTY
			14513	Milford Burgess	102.27	\$	Harris

Date of Sale 8-4-43

The School Land Board having fixed the price, and the State

having received \$612.42 as the full payment

thereon, I do hereby award to said applicant the survey of

land described above with a reservation of 1/16 on all

oil and gas production and 1/8 on sulphur

and other minerals as a free royalty to

the State of Texas.

Amount of Note \$

Rate of Interest Per Cent

Due November 1st Annually  
SCHOOL LAND

Commissioner General Land Office

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E. E. TOWNES,  
VICE-PRESIDENT AND  
GENERAL COUNSEL

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MOODY P. PEARSON  
LEE HILL  
CHARLES E. SHAVER  
D. E. SMITH, JR.  
DILLARD W. BAKER

# HUMBLE OIL & REFINING COMPANY

HOUSTON, TEXAS

LEGAL DEPARTMENT

June 25, 1943

Cash 1<sup>00</sup>

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AMT. REC'D \$ \_\_\_\_\_ REG. No. 21140  
AMT. TO SUSPENSE \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
ENTERED BY \_\_\_\_\_

JUN 28 1943

Mr. Bascom Giles  
Commissioner General Land Office  
Austin, Texas

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith an application to purchase, by Milford Burress as good faith claimant, a strip of land in Harris County, Texas, bounded on the East by the HT&B RR Company Survey No. 1 and on the West by a strip recently patented to Ed C. Smith more particularly described in said application.

To the application is attached a statement by applicant regarding the value of the land, an affidavit and two deeds referred to in the affidavit.

S.F.  
14513

You are referred to the file under which the said Ed C. Smith recently obtained his patent for the survey and field notes prepared by Stewart Boyles. I shall appreciate your taking this matter under your consideration at your earliest convenience and advising me when you have reached a decision. If there is any other information you desire, I shall be glad to attempt to get it for you.

I am also enclosing herewith \$1.00 filing fee.

Kindly return the original deeds enclosed when you have finished with them.

This letter is being written on behalf of Milford Burress, who is an uncle of mine by marriage, and does not relate to any business of the Humble Oil and Refining Company.

Thanking you for your consideration, I am

Very truly yours,

*Ralph B. Lee*

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HUMBLE OIL & REFINING COMPANY

Houston, Texas

LEGAL DEPARTMENT

June 28, 1943

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Mr. Barcom Giles  
 Commissioner General Land Office  
 Austin, Texas

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith an application to purchase by Milford Burruss as good earth claimant a strip of land in Harris County, Texas, bounded on the East by the H&B RR Company Survey No. 1 and on the West by a strip recently patented to Ed G. Smith more particularly described in said application.

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To the application is attached by applicant regarding the value of the land affidavit and two deeds referred to in the application. You are referred to the file the said Ed G. Smith recently obtained his interest in the survey and field notes prepared by Stewart Boyles. I shall appreciate your taking this matter under your consideration at your earliest convenience and advising me when you have reached a decision. If there is any other information you desire, I shall be glad to attempt to assist you.

I am also enclosing herewith \$1.00 filling fee.

Kindly return the original deeds enclosed when you have finished with them.

This letter is being written on behalf of Milford Burruss, who is an uncle of mine by marriage and does not relate to any business of Humble Oil and Refining Company.

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Thanking you for your consideration,  
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June 28, 1943

Mr. Ralph B. Lee  
c/o Humble Oil and Refining Co.  
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Lee:

This is in reply to your letter of June 25 in which you enclosed an application to purchase as a good faith claimant a tract of land in Harris County on behalf of Milford Burress.

For your information, this application has today been filed and assigned File No. S. F. 14513.

Mr. Boyles did not furnish us with field notes covering this tract of land. At one time, these submitted field notes covered both this tract and the tract of Mr. Smith's, but those later sent in cover Mr. Smith's part only. We have sufficient sketches and other information but it will be necessary for you to obtain the field notes.

I am returning the two deeds as you requested.

Sincerely yours,

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER  
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

LD:JW  
Enclosure

June 28, 1923

Mr. Ralph B. Lee  
c/o Lumber Oil and Refining Co.  
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Lee:

This is in reply to your letter of June 28 in which you enclosed an application to purchase as a good faith claimant a tract of land in Harris County on behalf of Milford Purman.

For your information, this application has today been filed and assigned File No. 2. 2. 14512.

Mr. Boyer did not furnish us with field notes covering this tract of land. As one line, these submitted field notes covered both this tract and the tract of Mr. Smith's, but these latter notes in cover Mr. Smith's part only. We have sufficient maps and other information but it will be necessary for you to obtain the field notes.

I am returning the two checks as you requested.

Sincerely yours,

BARON GILK, COMMISSIONER  
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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# HUMBLE OIL & REFINING COMPANY

HOUSTON, TEXAS

LEGAL DEPARTMENT

July 13, 1943

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In Re: Milford Burress Good Faith  
Application to Purchase 102.57  
acres lying between the H.T. &  
B. R.R. Co. Survey No. 1 on  
the East, J. W. Moody on the  
South, Ed C. Smith Survey on  
the West and William Schoenmann  
and Henry Razz Surveys on the  
North, Harris County, Texas.

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

Dear Mr. Giles:

I am enclosing herewith Mr. J. S. Boyles' field notes and plat covering the above property. The field notes have been recorded in the County Surveyor's office of Harris County, Texas, as is evidenced by the County Surveyor's certificate attached to the field notes.

I shall appreciate your advising me when action is taken on this matter. If this tract is held to be for sale, kindly advise upon what terms Mr. Burress will be able to purchase the land from the state.

If there is anything else that we should do in this connection, please advise. Thanking you, I am

Very truly yours,

*Ralph B. Lee*

Ralph B. Lee

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July 15, 1943

Mr. Ralph B. Lee  
c/o Humble Oil and Refining Company  
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Lee:

This is in reply to your letter of the 13th in which you enclosed field notes and plat covering application to purchase 102.57 acres of land in Harris County by Milford Burress, our file S.F. 14513.

We have checked these field notes and find same correct and will be able to proceed with this application just as soon as we receive a dollar filing fee for such field notes.

Sincerely yours,

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER  
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

LD : jw

July 12, 1943

Mr. [Name] [Address] [City] [State]

Dear Mr. [Name]:

This is in reply to your letter of the 12th in which you enclosed field notes and also covering application for purchase of land in Travis County, Texas, on the 2nd 1943.

We have checked these field notes and find same correct and will be able to proceed with the application for purchase as soon as we receive a letter from the land office.

Sincerely yours,

W. W. [Name] [Title]

ED : [Name]

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# HUMBLE OIL & REFINING COMPANY

## HOUSTON, TEXAS

### LEGAL DEPARTMENT

July 19, 1943

In Re: S.F. 14513, Milford Burress,  
Harris County, Texas.

Honorable Bascom Giles  
 Commissioner General Land Office  
 Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. Giles:

In response to your letter dated July  
 15, 1943, I am enclosing herewith \$1.00 in cash  
 as a filing fee in connection with the field  
 notes on the above file.

Thanking you for your prompt consider-  
 ation of this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

*Ralph B. Lee*  
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# HUMBLE OIL & REFINING COMPANY

Houston, Texas

LEGAL DEPARTMENT

July 19, 1943

In Re: S.F. 14513, Milford Burrese,  
Harris County, Texas.

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- WALTER B. LEE

Honorable Bascom Giles  
Commissioner General Land Office  
Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. Giles:

In response to your letter dated July 16, 1943, I am enclosing herewith \$1.00 in cash as a filing fee in connection with the field notes on the above file.

Thanking you for your prompt consideration of this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

*Ralph E. Lee*  
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Milford Burrese  
Harris County

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Ralph E. Lee

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July 27, 1943

Mr. Ralph B. Lee  
Legal Department  
Humble Oil and Refining Company  
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Lee:

The School Land Board at a meeting held in my office on the 27th day of July, 1943, took up for consideration the application of Milford Burress to purchase 102.57 acres of unsurveyed school land in Harris County, S.P. 14513, and fixed the price at which Mr. Burress may pay for same at \$6.00 per acre.

Since this area is more than five miles from production, the reservation of minerals therein to the State will be a free royalty of one-sixteenth of the oil and gas and one-eighth of the sulphur and other minerals.

Since this tract contains more than 80 acres, it may be paid for either on time by paying 1/5 down and the balance due in 40 years and bearing 5% interest, or it may be paid for in cash. Should Mr. Burress elect to pay for same on a cash basis, then he should forward a check in the sum of \$615.42. Also the patent fee on this area would amount to \$4.00. These amounts may be included in one check which should be made payable to the State Treasurer. Mr. Burress must also send a separate check made payable to the Commissioner of the General Land Office in the sum of \$1.04 as recording fee.

As I interpret the law, it contemplates the purchase of this area within 90 days from the date the Commissioner finally determines the existence of a vacancy, which in this case was July 27, 1943.

A form of acceptance is enclosed herewith for Mr. Burress' signature. Upon receipt of the acceptance properly signed together with the above sums, if he elects to pay all cash, patent will issue thereon and be sent to the County Clerk with instructions to forward to Mr. Burress when the same has been recorded.

Sincerely yours,

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER  
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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Encl.

Letter of Valuation

July 27, 1943

Mr. Ralph B. Lee  
Legal Department  
Humble Oil and Refining Company  
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Lee:

The School Land Board at a meeting held in my office on the 27th day of July, 1943, took up for consideration the application of Mr. Lee to purchase 102.27 acres of unswayed school land in Harris County, S. V. 14513, and fixed the price at which Mr. Lee should pay for same at \$6.00 per acre.

Since this area is more than five miles from production, the reservation of minerals therein to the State will be a free royalty of one-sixteenth of the oil and gas and one-eighth of the sulphur and other minerals.

Since this tract contains more than 80 acres, it may be paid for either on time by paying 1/2 down and the balance due in 40 years and bearing 2% interest, or it may be paid for in cash. Should Mr. Lee desire to pay for same on a cash basis, then he should forward a check in the sum of \$612.42. Also the patent fee on this area would amount to \$4.00. These amounts may be included in one check which should be made payable to the State Treasurer. Mr. Lee must also send a separate check made payable to the Commissioner of the General Land Office in the sum of \$1.04 as recording fee.

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Sincerely yours,

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER  
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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August 4, 1943

County Clerk of Harris County  
Mr. W. D. Miller  
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Miller:

This is to inform you that I have issued a Land Award and Receipt to Milford Burress, covering 102.57 acres, S.F. 14513, Harris County. A copy of the Award is enclosed.

Please make a notation of the issuance of this Award on your records.

Sincerely yours,

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER  
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

HCB:dt

Encl.

cc: Mr. Milford Burress  
Cypress, Texas

August 4, 1943

County Clerk of Harris County  
Mr. W. D. Miller  
Houston, Texas

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A copy of the Award is enclosed.

Please make a notation of the issuance  
of this Award on your records.

Sincerely yours,

BACON GILES, COMMISSIONER  
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

HCB:dt

Encl.

cc: Mr. Milford Burruss  
Cypress, Texas

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# General Land Office

BASCOM GILES, Commissioner  
DENNIS WALLACE, Chief Clerk

Austin, Texas, August 11, 1943

County Clerk Harris County  
Houston, Texas

Dear Sir:

The enclosed Receiver's check for \$ 1.00 is for recording the enclosed patent in

Harris County, issued to the Patentee shown therein.

The other check or checks, enclosed, if any, is the fee for the other county clerk, or clerks, as shown. When recorded by you, kindly forward patent, and this letter, with balance of fees, if any, to other proper county clerk, and when record is fully completed deliver to the owner or his agents, in person or by registered mail, as required by Chapter 47, Acts April 2, 1918.

Humble Oil & Refining Co. Attn. Ralph B. Lee, paid the fees as agent or owner.  
Legal Department, Houston, Texas

Patent No. 423

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File No. SF 14513

Sincerely,

Commissioner.

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File No. 26 14213  
 Vol. No. 607  
 Patent No. 453

Commissioner

Patent Office, Washington, Texas  
 My dear Mr. [Name]:

As registered with me, as required by Chapter 11, Act April 3, 1918, your company check, and when received is fully completed deliver to the owner or his agent, in person or through a registered agent, and this letter, with reference of fees, if any, to other. The other check or checks, enclosed, if any, is the fee for the other company check, or checks, as shown.

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Dear Sir:

Washington, Texas  
 Company Clerk

Washington, Texas

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
 PATENT OFFICE



Patent Office



# General Land Office

State of Texas

Austin

August 4, 1943

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER

~~ALVIG VANDYGRIFF, Chief Clerk~~  
DENNIS WALLACE, Chief Clerk

Mr. Milford Burress  
Cypress, Texas

Dear Mr. Burress:

Enclosed is the original Land Award and Receipt issued to you, covering 102.57 acres, S.F. 14513, Harris County, together with a copy of the notice to the County Clerk.

Patent will be issued within a few days and mailed to the County Clerk, who, in turn, will mail the patent to you.

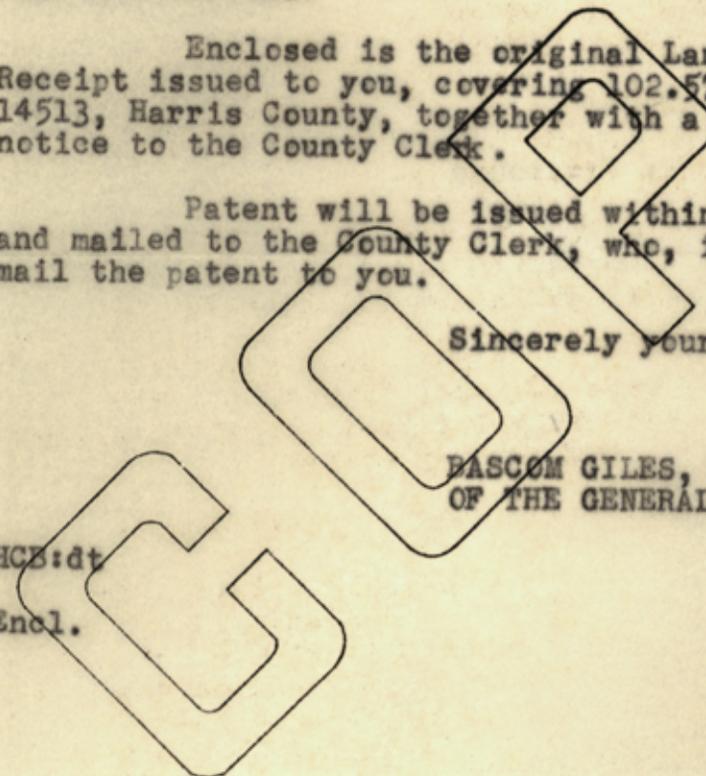
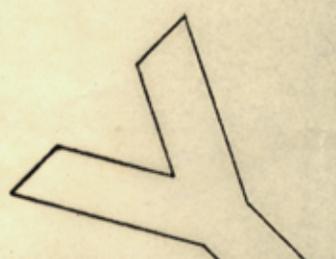
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BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER  
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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General Land Office

State of Texas

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August 4, 1943



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