Jan. 18, 1933

Mr. H. B. Fall, Houston, Texas. Box 1883

Dear Sir:

Answering yours of the 15th inst., in reference to certain maps and surveys in Jefferson county, beg to advise that there are two maps of said county, both dated 1840 by Delano. One of these maps appears to have been used as the official map until June 1862 when it was superfeded by the Land Office map of that date. The old map of 1840 is in such a worn and delapidated condition that it is doubtful if a legible copy can be made of same.

There was filed in this office on Sept. 26th, 1862 a sketch and statement by James Ingalls, surveyor of Jefferson district, showing the P. Humphreys, J W Bullock, and John A Veatch leagues, indicating a space or vacancy between the Humphreys and Veatch leagues (Sketch file 12, Jefferson county).

On Oct. 7th, 1862, Mr Ingella was advised by the Commissioner of the Land Office, in addition to other matters, that "The facts set forth by you as represented by the sketch sent up, will I think, be sufficient to make a vacancy Jno A Veatch and R H Humphreys surveys."

The field notes of the James Ingalls survey are dated Feb. 24th, 1863, filed in the Land Office March 18th, 1863 and passed correct according to said sketch file No 12 on March 23, 1863.

The field notes of the John Douthitt survey show date of survey Oct. 20th, 1866, filed in the Land Office Jan. 10th, 1867 and passed correct Jan. 21st, 1867.

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The Land Office file numbers of these two surveys are shown on the map of 1862, which were placed thereon, possibly just prior to or at the time the field notes were passed correct.

All subsequent maps have shown these surveys.

Photostatic copies of that part of the maps of 1840 and 1862 covering the area in question, can be furnished for \$2.00 each; copy of Ingells sketch and statement for \$2.00 and copy of Land Office letter to Ingalls for \$1.00. The statutory fee for copy of any field note is \$1.00.

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