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(Claim of Rachel Lindsey,)
Campobello, S. C.)
File No. 391 L/C)
Wrapper Indorsement.

War Dept., Office of the Director of the Real Estate Service, Munitions Bldg.,
Washington, D. C. December 6, 1919 - To Director of Finance, attention
Major Hartley.

1. Synopsis made of the claim of Rachel Lindsey RFD #2, Campobello,
S. C. File No. 391 L/C.
2. In order that our files may be completed, it is requested that you
advise this office when payment is made on this claim.

By authority of the Director, Real Estate Service:

J. C. WHITAKER,
Lt. Col., Q.M.G.,
Fiscal Assistant.

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War Department Board of Appraisers, Purchase, Storage & Traffic Division,
General Staff, Munitions Building, Washington, D. C. December 1, 1919.
To the Director of Finance (Through the Director of Real Estate Service).

1. The attached claim is being forwarded for the action of the Director of Finance, in compliance with Paragraph 3, General Orders No. 102, War Department, 1919.
2. The report of the Board of Appraisers and the records in the claim are herewith inclosed.
3. The report of the Board of Appraisers recommends that an award in the sum of \$105.00 issue in favor of the claimant, Rachel Lindsey, R.F.D. 2, Campobello, S.C., in full settlement for all claims for loss or damage of the said claimant arising under said claim.

WAR DEPARTMENT BOARD OF APPRAISERS,

By

F. M. CALDWELL,
Colonel, Cavalry,
Chairman.

Incls.

WAR DEPARTMENT BOARD OF APPRAISERS
MUNITIONS BLDG., 19TH & B STS.,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

File No. 391 L/O.
Case under G.O. 102, W.D.1919.

November 15, 1919.

In the matter of the claim of Rachel Lindsey, RFD 2, Campobello, S. C., for damages to property.)
R E P O R T.

This is a claim of Rachel Lindsey, in the amount of \$105.00, itemized as follows;

\$100.00 damage to buildings,
5.00 damage to ground,
\$105.00

in connection with a certain tract of 125 acres of land, leased by claimant to the Chamber of Commerce, Spartanburg, S. C., and leased by the said Chamber of Commerce, under blanket lease, to the United States, for the purpose of an Artillery and Small Arms Target Range, which land is more particularly described as being in Glassy Mountain Township, Greenville County, S. C., and adjoining lands of J. A. Center on the North, Seth Lee and J. M. Moon on the East, J. M. Moon on the South and J. M. Moon on the West.

This claim was considered by a Board of Officers, convened pursuant to paragraph 9, Special Orders No. 22, Headquarters, Camp Wadsworth, S. C., dated January 22nd, 1919.

By physical examination, the Board ascertained that there were two sets of buildings on this land; that the lessor claimed that, when she was notified to leave the Range, she was informed by one Captain Wickersham, General Staff, that she might leave certain farm tools and machinery in her buildings, and that they would not be molested; that she left in the buildings 1 cultivator, 1 harrow, 2 plows, 1 briar cutter, 4 hoes, 1 mattock, certain peas and fodder of a value of \$20.00, 1 bureau, 1 stove, 1 shotgun, 1 Iver-Johnson pistol and numerous other articles; that she found, however, that both her houses had been broken into, as well as a house that had been left empty; that all of the above mentioned property had been carried away. Her testimony is corroborated by that of one O. T. Baynard, who was a caretaker on the Range, and who stated that he knew that soldiers had broken into the houses, and also he knew that the fodder had been fed to Artillery horses.

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The damage to the buildings was itemized by Major Johnson, President of the Local Board, as follows:

2 doors @ \$2.00,	\$4.00
100 feet of lumber @ \$2.00,	2.00
2 window sash @ \$2.00,	4.00
4 hinges,	.50
2 locks @ 50¢	1.00
carpenter, 1 day @ \$4.50,	4.50
Total	\$15.50

The value of items stolen was fixed as follows:

1 Cultivator,	\$20.00
1 Harrow,	5.00
2 Plows,	10.00
1 Spring Cutter,	5.00
4 Hoes,	1.20
1 Mattock,	.75
1 Bureau,	2.00
1 Stove,	10.00
1 Shotgun,	13.00
1 Pistol,	15.00
Total	\$83.95

Fodder, 30 bundles @ 15¢	\$ 4.50
15 bundles of peas @ \$1.00,	15.00
Total	\$19.50

The above items of loss, amounting to about \$119.00, were compensated at \$105.00. Major Johnson further certifies that there was some evidence in this case that troops entered upon the land prior to actual leasing of the property; that Mrs. Lindsey was notified to move and was not given time or facilities to move her furniture, and was thus forced to leave it to be subsequently moved, but was not given an opportunity to re-enter and obtain her property.

Claimant has agreed in writing to accept \$105.00 in full of damages to her land, by reason of the occupancy of her land by troops, or any other act of the Government.

In view of the above facts, the writer is of the opinion that Mrs. Lindsey's claim for \$105.00 is a just claim; that her losses were due directly to the act of the Government in sending soldiers upon the land before the lease began to run, and in ordering claimant off her land; that the fodder taken was fed to Government horses, and the Government obtained the benefit therefrom; that the other property lost by claimant was taken by a soldier, or soldiers, whose identity cannot be ascertained, and who are now no longer in the service.

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In view of the above facts I recommend that an award issue in the sum of \$105.00 in favor of Rachel Lindsey, in full and complete satisfaction of her claim.

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W. S. VALENTINE,
Colonel, Cavalry,
Member.

Adopted November 28, 1919.
WAR DEPARTMENT BOARD OF APPRAISERS.

By

F. M. CALDWELL,
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Chairman.

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