SYNOPSIS OF COMMUNICATION RECEIVED AND INDORSED OUT.

DATED: Sept. 24,1917.

DATE RECEIVED IN Sept. 25,1917.

FROM: Scott

TO: Adjutant General, War Pept., Washington, D.C.

A. G. 684 Greenville MFS

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Adjutant General

Reference communications your office of ragust second and sevent enth have secured options on tract of land for artillery target range of approximately ten square miles located twenty miles from this camp which can be leased for not to exceed nine thousand dollars per year period also have selected site within the miles this camp consisting of about four thousand acres suitable for small arms all kinds and reduced artillery range which can be leased for about twenty thousand dollars per year period Request authority to close leases for these two tracts as they are absolutely necessary for training of troops.

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684 S. E. Dept. (Mis. Div.)

1st Ind.

War Dept., A. G. O., Sept. 25,1917. To the Quartermaster General for remark.

By order of the Secretary:

R. K. CROWN.,

Adjutant General.

684. S.E. Dept. CR-E/(Greenville)MMS

2nd Ind.

Cantonment Division, War Dept., Sept. 30, 1917 .- To the quartermaster General. War Dept., Washington, D.C.

1. This office is of the opinion that the leasing of the tract of land 10 miles square for artillery target range at Camp Sevier at a price not to exceed \$9,000.00 per year is desirable, also the site selected for small arms range consisting of about four thousand (4,000) acres, which can be leased for \$20,000.00 per year.

By authority of the Secretary of Wars

I. W. Littell,

Colonel, Quartermaster Corps, In Charge of Cantonment Construction.

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Major, Quartermaster, U. S. R.

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481-CR (Greenville, S.C.)

Sept. 29, 1917.

To the

Cantonment Division.

In connection with their 4th indorsement, to the Quartermaster General, dated September 6, 1917 (684-CR-E-General), "Plans and instructions for the construction of target ranges are today being sent to all constructing quartermasters at National Army Cantonments and National Guard Camps. Plans, specifications and Target Manual have been retained for file in Cantonment Division."

In view of the above facts, it is thought that the Cantonment Division should handle the leasing of land for target ranges.

The files of this division do not show receipt of the original papers referred to in first indorsement hereon.

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Major, A.M. Corps.

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1st Ind.

War Dept., A. G.O., September 29, 1917, - To the Quartermaster General, in connection with original papers referred to him on September 25, 1917, with request that the matter be expedited.

By order of the Secretary of War:

Adjutant deneral.

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684 Greenville, (M.F.S.)

SYNOPSIS OF COMMUNICATION RECEIVED AND INDORSED OUT.

DATED: Camp Sevier, GreenvilleDATECRECEIVED IN

Oct. 7,1917

FROM: Scott.

TO: A.G.O.

Wires:

Ref. your tel. 6th concerning leases artillery and infantry target ranges attention invited to the following comma, constructing quartermaster has unexpended funds under appropriation shooting galleries and ranges of \$95,200. A study of the phraseology of appn. acts indicates that part of these funds can be used for acquisition of target ranges by lease Therefore in order to meet extraordinary conditions now existing request following insts. be issued to constg. Q.M. namely purchase of all materials leasing of land comma to be paid by him utilizing as much above funds as may be necessary for the purpose.xx The site for infantry target range also embraces area required for immediate construction of trenches for important and necessary instruction of troops per od The early training of this division in target practice and trench building is considered all important and the above scheme submitted for your consideration with request for early approval as existing situation very seriously hampers training of this division period. Specifically answering your telegram the desired site embraces approximately 4,000 acres comma, the lease alone will cost approximately \$20,000.

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Wer Department, A. G. C., Oct. S. 1917-To colonel Littell, for remark and recommendables. The return of this paper in this office by 2 o'clock this efternoon is requested.

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termaster for the purpose of constructing ranges, but in view of the fact that the necessary ranges can be constructed and the Land Leased for the amount of money which has been allotted, it is recommended that this office be authorized to use its funds in the minner requested.

By authority of the Secretary of War.

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War Department, A.G.O., Oct. 12, 1917. - To General, I. W. Littell, in Charge Centenment Construction, 15th and M Sts., Washington, D. O., for remark and recommendation. The original telegram was referred to him on October 8, but no record can be found of its receipt back in this office.

By order of the Secretary of War:

Adjutant General.

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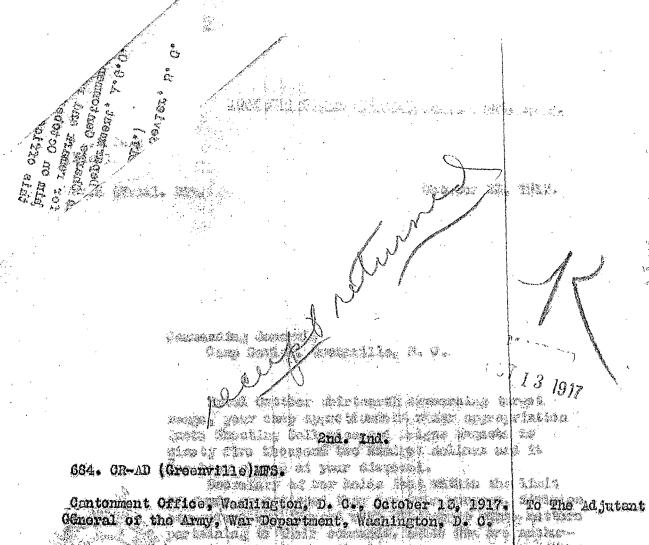
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Returned. The case mention in the preceding indersement was acted upon by this office on October 8th, 1917 in second indorsement thereon, copy of which follows:

2nd. Ind. . W 684.CR-O Greenville (MFS) 0.0.M.G., Oct. 8, 1917. To The Mijutant General of the Army.

Returned, recommending that this office be instructed to lease the lands for artillory and infantry target ranges in accordance with recommendation in telegram herewith at an annual rental of approximately \$9,000 for artillary range and \$20,000 for small arms and reduced artillery range, appropriation "Shooting Galleries and Ranges.

Funds have already been allotted to the Constructing Quartermaster for the purpose of constructing ranges, but in view of the fact that the necessary ranges can be constructed and the land leased for the amount of money which has been allotted, it is recommended that this office be

authorized to use its funds in the manner requested.

By authority of the Secretary of War:

I. W. Littell.

Brigadier General, martermester Corps. ROM/J. In Charge of Cantorment Construction.

By authority of the Secretary of War:

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October 25, 1917.

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