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Construction Division,  
Quartermaster General, U. S. Army,  
7th and B Sts.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sirs:

Attention Major Gibbes.  
Subject: Additional land at Camp Sevier.

Following my letter of August 26th. I intended to leave this afternoon for Washington, but will be detained until tomorrow. I hope to have the pleasure of calling on you Friday morning to give you additional data regarding the above subject.

I wish to say, however, that we have made good progress toward obtaining the options for the land. On the north side of the Southern Railway we have options covering three-fourths of the land, so that we may safely say that the rental per acre will be about \$10. or less.

On the south side of the track we have obtained an option for 65 acres at \$10.

I enclose you copy of statement of the City Water Commission. I have already sent you copy of Mr. Knox's letter referred to therein.

Yours very truly,

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September 2, 1918.

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Major Gibbes,  
Construction Division,  
Quartermaster General's Office,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Subject: Additional Land at Camp Sevier.

Following my conversation with Capt. F. B. Smith yesterday. I went out to Camp Sevier this morning with a majority of the landowners interested and secured from them a statement of what would be a satisfactory payment for damages to crops, fruit trees and wood. At my request Lieut. Collins was present, and while he did not commit the government in any way, I understand from what he said to me afterward that the figures given were approximately correct, but in one or two instances should be scaled down slightly. In correspondence with you as to the things growing on the land, I overlooked a peach orchard belonging to Dr. Carlisle. The destruction of this orchard would increase the damage, of course. I herewith enclose you a sketch showing the acreage of each owner. The one acre adjoining W. T. Henderson and J. P. Carlisle, shown on the plat of belonging to Mose Young, may be more or less than that. Young is a negro, and as this is Labor Day we were not able to get the boundaries of his property from the Register's office. Mr. Bedell will check over the sketch from additional data which will be obtained tomorrow, and will send you a revised blue-print.

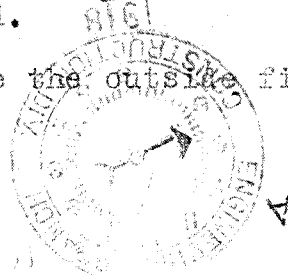
In regard to the four acres reserved by O. M. Watson, we were not able to see him today, but his wife said she would not care to remain in the house if the government builds up close around her. I think we will be able to get this reservation cancelled.

There is a small V-shaped tract of several acres lying along the P. & N. belonging to J. E. Guinn, who lives in the country. I got word to him today and he telephoned me, but I missed him. He will be in tomorrow. There is nothing planted on his land.

The following are the outside figures for damages, in my opinion.

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J. P. Carlisle:	10 bales cotton (figured at 30¢)	\$1,500.
	<del>20</del> bushels corn,	40.
	<u>923 peach trees,</u>	<u>1,800.</u>
	Total,	\$3,340.
Mose Young:	Small damage (Have not seen him)	
W. T. Henderson:	7 bales cotton,	1,050.
	220 bushels corn,	440.
	<u>peach trees,</u>	<u>150.</u>
		\$1,590.
O. M. Watson:	Cotton & corn (estimated in his absence)	\$125.
Octavia W. Johnson:	Cotton & corn,	\$150.
Bessie W. Mayo:	10 acres woodland, estimated 12 cords to acre (government gets wood)	\$300.
Samuel Zimmerman:	Cotton & corn,	200.
	<u>15 acres wood,</u>	<u>450.</u>
		\$650.
S. Zimmerman and R. G. Williams:	7 bales cotton,	1,050.
	50 bushels corn,	100.
	<u>15 acres wood,</u>	<u>450.</u>
		\$1,600.
W. R. Gason:	Total rental of land and removal cheap building (estimated in his absence) (Have not seen him)	\$600.
B. O. Woodward:	Small value (Have not seen).	
J. E. Quinn:	(Have not seen). Small value	

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Removal of trees

Yours truly,

P. S. The Q. A. Green land we have already under option for this year at \$100, with the understanding that if the government uses it he is to receive \$5 per acre and \$2.50 per acre for wood. I do not know how much of it is wooded, but will give it in my revised estimate.

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