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Field Reports

DMEA-2800
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TONEY J. BERKMEYER, JASPER, GEORGIA. Denson Mine, Pickens County, Georgia.

Field Report recommending denial. The report was referred to the Commodity Group.

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DMEA-2800
Mica
Region VII

TONEY J. BERKMEYER, JASPER, GEORGIA. Berkmeyer Prospect, Pickens County, Georgia.

Letter to the applicant denying the application.

Mr. Tommy J. Berkmeyer
Route #3
Jasper, Georgia

APR 2 1953

Re: Docket No. DMA-2300 - Mica
Berkmeyer Prospect
Pickens County, Georgia

Dear Mr. Berkmeyer:

Your application for aid for an exploration project and other data available to us in Washington concerning the subject area have been reviewed.

Projects approved by the Defense Minerals Exploration Administration must, in its judgment, show definite promise of yielding materials of acceptable grade in quantities that will significantly improve the mineral supply position for the National Defense Program.

Careful study of all our information, although noting a small amount of mica on your property, indicates to us that the probability of disclosing minable ore reserves by your proposed program is not sufficiently promising to justify Government participation. We regret to advise you, under these circumstances, that your application for exploration assistance is denied.

We wish to thank you for your interest in the Defense Minerals Program and for bringing your property to our attention.

Sincerely yours,

C. U. Mitteider

Administrator

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Mr. Robert A. Laurence
Executive Officer, DMEA
Field Team, Region VII
Room 13, Post Office Building
Knoxville 2, Tennessee

Subject: Docket No. DMEa-2300 - Mica
Toney J. Berkmeyer
Pickens County, Georgia

Dear Mr. Laurence:

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ACTING Chairman, Operating Committee

Approved:

T. H. Hedges

Member, Bureau of Mines

A. R. Kinkel, Jr.

Member, Geological Survey

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Memorandum

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To: L. G. Houk, Defense Minerals Exploration Administration
From: J. J. Norton, U. S. Geological Survey
Applicant: T. J. Barkmeyer, Route 3, Jasper, Georgia.
Name of property: Denson.
Location of property: Southern Pickens County, Georgia.
Date of field team report: March 9, 1953.
Authorship of field team report: Teague and Shirley.
Field team's recommendation: Denial.
Comments: None.
ACTION SUGGESTED: Follow field team's recommendation.

J. J. Norton

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cc: Director's reading 4212
Branch reading 4212
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Norton G-230

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Mr. Toney J. Berkmeyer
Route #3
Jasper, Georgia

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Pickens County, Georgia

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Your interest in exploration for strategic mica is appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

C. C. Mittendorf

Administrator

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March 18, 1953

Memorandum

To: Nonmetallic Minerals Division
Defense Minerals Exploration Administration

From: Chief, Ceramic and Fertilizer Materials Branch

Subject: DMEA-2800, Mica, Denson Mine, Pickens County, Georgia

I concur in the field team's recommendation to deny subject application on the basis that the pegmatites on this property do not contain strategic mica.

Signed

W. F. Dietrich

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Memorandum

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To: L. G. Hook, Defense Minerals Exploration Administration
From: J. J. Norton, U. S. Geological Survey
Applicant: T. J. Berkmeyer, Route 3, Jasper, Georgia.
Name of property: Benson.
Location of property: Southern Pickens County, Georgia.
Date of field team report: March 9, 1953.
Authorship of field team report: Teague and Shirley.
Field team's recommendation: Denial.
Comments: None.
ACTION SUGGESTED: Follow field team's recommendation.

J. J. Norton

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APR 2 1953

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March 30, 1953

Memorandum

To: Administrator

From: Nonmetallic Minerals Division

Subject: Closing Review of Docket No. DMEA-2800 - Mica
Applicant: Toney J. Berkmeyer
C/o A. D. Carney
Rt. 3, Jasper, Georgia
Property: Near Denson Mine
Pickens County, Georgia
Amount applied for $4,835.00
Disposition: Denial

Closing letter: Denial of application attached.

Summary of docket:

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In view of the unfavorable report of the field team, the Nonmetallic Minerals Division of DMEA recommends denial of this application.

Stanley A. Feitler
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Nonmetallic Minerals Division

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To: Nonmetallic Minerals Division
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From: Chief, Ceramic and Fertilizer Materials Branch

Subject: DMEA-2800, Mica, Denson Mine, Pickens County, Georgia

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W. F. Dietrich

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Applicant: T. J. Barkmeyer, Route 3, Jasper, Georgia.
Name of property: Denson.
Location of property: Southern Pickens County, Georgia.
Date of field team report: March 9, 1953.
Authorship of field team report: Teague and Shirley.
Field team's recommendation: Denial.
Comments: None.
ACTION SUGGESTED: Follow field team's recommendation.

J. J. Norton

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To: Operating Committee, D M E A - Washington

From: Executive Officer, D M E A - Region 7

Subject: Field Team Examination Reports.

Transmitted herewith are four copies each of the field examination reports on:

DMEA-2800, Denson Mine (mica) Pickens Co. Georgia.

DMEA-2834, Painter Mine (mica) Jackson Co. N. C.

The Field Team concurs in the denial for assistance on the above two applications.

Robert A. Laurence
Robert A. Laurence
Executive Officer, DMEA
Region 7

Wm. A. Beck
Wm. A. Beck, for V. J. Lynch
U. S. Bureau of Mines

Reviewed by
DMEA OPERATING COMMITTEE
3-16-53
(date)

UNITED STATES

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION

REPORT OF EXAMINATION BY FIELD TEAM, REGION VII

(Mica)

DMEA-2800, DENSON MINE

Pickens County, Georgia

Kefton H. Teague, Geologist
U. S. Geological Survey

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James F. O'Neill, Mining Engineer
U. S. Bureau of Mines

March 9, 1953

Reviewed by
DMEA OPERATING COMMITTEE
3-16-53

Field Examination Report on

DMEA - 2800, DENSON MINE (Mica)

Applicant: Toney J. Burkmeyer, R#3, Jasper, Georgia

Recently Mr. Berkmeyer has dug shallow pits on two small scrap mica pegmatites. Neither contain mica of strategic size or quality. At present mining is in progress at the Old Denson Mine and strategic grade mica is being produced. No pegmatites were found on the property which would justify government aid in exploring, therefore, the application should be denied.

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The Denson mine is in southern Pickens County, 4.75 airline miles due west of Nelson, Georgia. Access to the mine is good at all seasons of the year.

Several pegmatites have been prospected and one mined to a considerable extent. This application was directed towards exploring two pegmatites recently prospected by shallow pits. These pits have exposed narrow pegmatite stringers which contain small broken and bent books of green muscovite. Only scrap quality mica has been found, therefore, no exploration is justified.

At the main Denson mine a pegmatite in excess of eight feet thick, striking about N. 20°E., and dipping 30° SE, is being worked from a shaft and inclined stope by underhand stopping. This pegmatite which is well zoned consists of a quartz core of unknown thickness with feldspathic pegmatite on the hanging wall which is quite rich in muscovite mica. The footwall zone is not exposed. Work is progressing in a "roll" and the heading is about 12 feet wide. In the interval, January 20 - March 5, 1953, ore broken contained an estimated $3.00 worth of mica per cu. ft. No exploration is justified on this pegmatite.

From the above it is apparent that no exploration is warranted on any of the known pegmatites on this property; therefore, the application should be denied.

March 9, 1953.

K. H. Teague, Geologist
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DEC 12 1952

Mr. Tomey J. Berkmeyer
Route 93
Jasper, Georgia

Subject: Docket No. DMEA-2800 - Mica
Tomey J. Berkmeyer
Pickens County, Georgia

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Sincerely yours,

C. O. Mittendorf (for)

Administrator

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ACTING Chairman, Operating Committee

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Approved:

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Member, Bureau of Mines

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Member, Geological Survey

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December 10, 1952

Memorandum

To: Nonmetallic Minerals Division
Defense Minerals Exploration Administration

From: Acting Chief, Ceramic and Fertilizer Materials Branch

Subject: DMEA-2800, Mica, Denson Mine,
Jasper, Georgia

No data are available in this office on subject property. It is suggested that the field team visit this property when they are in that vicinity to ascertain if an exploration program is justified.

Brooke L. Gunsallus

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Memorandum

REVIEW OF APPLICATION DMEA-2800 (mica and beryl)

To: L. G. Houk, Defense Minerals Exploration Administration.
From: J. J. Norton, U. S. Geological Survey.
Applicant: Toney J. Berkmeyer, Route #3, Jasper, Georgia.
Name of property: Property on which the Denson Mine is located.
Location of property: Pickens County, Georgia
Estimated cost of project: $4,835.00
Summary of applicant's proposal:

From the information given on the rough map and drawing and from the itemized cost estimate, it appears that the applicant plans to sink two 40' shafts and to bulldoze between a line connecting these two shafts and the currently producing Denson Mine.

Sources of information on applicant's property:

(1) Report by J. G. Olson on the Denson Mica Mine, Pickens County, Georgia, 6/12/48.
(2) Bulletin 48 of the Georgia Geological Survey, pg. 107.
(3) Colonial Mica Corporation records on the Denson Mica Mine, Pickens County, Georgia.

Comments:

(1) Applicant evidently wants to search for extension of the Denson deposit. On the other hand, he wants to exclude the Denson deposit itself from the contract, and presumably production of it would not be subject to repayment royalties. Such a procedure may be impracticable in an operation of this sort.
(2) Reports state that the mica from the Denson Mine is clear, rum in color, and of good quality. Some 12" by 18" sheets are reported to have been mined.
(3) Although Olson in his report seemed pessimistic, the applicant's claim to have recovered $2,400.00 of mica from May 1952 to October 15th, 1952, would indicate that new information concerning the merits of the Denson deposit can be obtained.
(4) According to figures of applicant, he will be bulldozing only one foot per hour.

RECOMMENDATION:

Refer to field team.

J. J. Norton
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December 4, 1952

Memorandum

To: Executive Officer, DMEA- Field Team, Region VII

From: Chief, Operation's Control and Statistics Division

Subject: Assignment of Docket Number

There is listed below the assigned Docket Number to an application recently received from Region VII.

DMEA-2800 - Berkmeyer, Toney J.

ROBERT E. ADAMS

Robert E. Adams, Chief
Operation's Control and
Statistics Division

December 4, 1952

Mr. Toney J. Berkmeyer
Route #3
Jasper Georgia

Subject: DMEA-2800
Re: Exploration Assistance
Denson Mine

My dear Mr. Berkmeyer:

The receipt of your application dated December 1, 1952 for exploration assistance under the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, is hereby acknowledged.

Your application has been assigned Docket Number DMEA-2800 and referred to the Nonmetallic Minerals Division.

Kindly refer to DMEA-2800 in any future correspondence relating to your application.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT E. ADAMS

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December 2, 1952

Memorandum

To: Operating Committee, D M E A - Washington

From: Executive Officer, D M E A Field Team, Region 7

Subject: Application from T. J. Berkmeyer (mica).

Enclosed herewith are three copies of form MF-103, with attachments, received today from T. J. Berkmeyer, for exploration on a tract of land near Jasper, Georgia.

I have written to Mr. Berkmeyer, requesting that he submit six signed copies of form MF-203.

Robert A. Laurence

Robert A. Laurence

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c/o A. D. Carney
Route 3
Jasper, Georgia

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Very truly yours,

Robert A. Laurence,
Executive Officer, DMEA
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DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION

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Budget Bureau No. 42-R1035.2.

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Metal or Mineral
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Estimated Cost
Participation (Government %)

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Route # 3 Jasper Georgia % of A.D.Carney

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(*c*) If a corporation, add to above statement, titles, names and addresses of officers.

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Plenty manpower available, Electricity right on property,

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Explain in detail on acompanying paper.

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Dated 1st, Day of December, 1952

T. J. Berkmeyer (Applicant)

By T. J. Berkmeyer

Route # 3 Jasper Georgia

% A.D.Carney

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Respectfully,

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Rough maps and drawings , on application of T.J.Berkmeyer.
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State of Georgia;

County of Pickens:

This Lease Agreement made, this 1st, day of December 1952, by and between A.D.Carney of the County of Pickens, State of Georgia, hereinafter sometimes referred to as the party of the first part, to T.J.Berkmeyer

Of the County of Pickens, State of Georgia, hereinafter referred to as the party of the second part.

WITNESSETH

That for and in consideration of the sum of $1.00 and other valuable consideration in hand paid to the party of the first part, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged and upon further consideration, agreement and covenants, hereinafter set forth to be performed by the parties of the second part, the party of the first part has bargained, leased and granted and does by these presents, bargin, lease and grant to the party of the second part, their, heirs, successors and assigns, all mining rights and privileges, for the period of time and under the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth in and to the following tract or parcel of land, situated in the County of Pickens, State of Georgia, and being more fully described as follows;

ALL that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the 13th, District and 2nd, Section of Pickens County, Georgia, and being a portion of Lot no. 203 and being more fully described as follows:

Starting at a large apple tree Approx, 17 ft South West of the barn, thence approx, 135 East to a road, thence 1800 ft, in a Northeast direction along the road, thence 620 ft, West thence approx, 300 ft, in a Southerly direction to where there is a fork in an upland ditch, at this point following the East ditch approx 500 ft, to where there is an old chimmeny, at this point going South Approx, 1280 ft, thence EAST, approx 506 ft, to a dim road, where there is a large peach tree, thence in a Nortlerly direction approx, 480 ft, to the point of begenning,

Less four acres more os less, which was leased to Harold Riddle and Dent Weatherman, on the 30th, day of September 1952 and now held by Harold Riddle & T.J.Berkmeyer, and being more fully described, as follows;

Starting at a post oak tree east of the shop, on a easterly course to an iron stobin the field back of the barn; thence a North west course down the hill to another iron stob; thence a south-west course to a marked pine; thence a Southeast course back to marked post oak tree or the beginning point. containing four acres, more or less.

To have and to hold said mining privilege unto them, the said party of the second part, their heirs, successors and assigns for a period of two, (2) years from the date of this instrument, ~~within the right~~ or as long as there are Mica or Minerals found in paying quantities.

IT IS UNDERSTOOD AND AGREEDby the parties to this agreement that the party of the second part shall have the right to use the above described land in the loffowing manner,;

1.To dig, quarry and serch for and obtain and kind of minerals, particularly Mica.

2. The party of the second part agrees to begin operation of the above described property within a period of 90 days from the date of this instrument.

3. It is understood and agreed that if the party of the second part should fail to operate the above dessribed property for a period of 30 continuous days after beginning operation, without the written consent of the party of the first part, this lease shall become null and void.

4. It is further understood and agreed that the party of the second part shall not have the right to the use of any timber of anyxkx kind or character, which may be located on the property described herein, but they may have the righth to erect any buildings, sheds, timber shafts, tunnels that may be deemed necessary by the party of ~~the~~ the second part in carring out the operations on the above described property;

5. It is further understood and agreed that the party of the second part shall have the right to egress and regress to and upon the above described property.

IT IS UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED that the party of the second part, their heirs, successors and assigns, shal pay to the party of the first part the following royalties;

Continuationn of Royalty agreement :

One Eight (1/8) of the selling price on all Mica mined and sold from said property.

The customary or prevaling royalty on any and all other minerals found and sold from said property.

It is further agreed that in the event of the sale of the rights herein conveyed in this contract, when sold, or transferred to another party, the party of the first part A.D.Carney, is to receive One Eight of the selling price of said property.

All royalty payments are due and must be paid on or before the Tenth day of each month following the sale of any and all minerals mined and sold from the above described property.

The party of the second part agrees to furnish the party of the ~~second part~~ first part a true copy of all sale tickets, and for all minerals mined and sold from the above described property. Mica is to be prepaired on this property ~~in as far as is practicable practical~~, (cut and prepaired for sale) A.D.C. A.D.C.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, The parties hereto have set their hands and Seals, the day and year first above written,

Ruthalee Cagle

R. L. Turner C.S.C.
Pickens County Ga

SEAL A D Carney
Party of the first Part

SEAL T. Bechmeyer
Party of the second part,

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Rough maps and drawings , on application of T.J.Berkmeyer.
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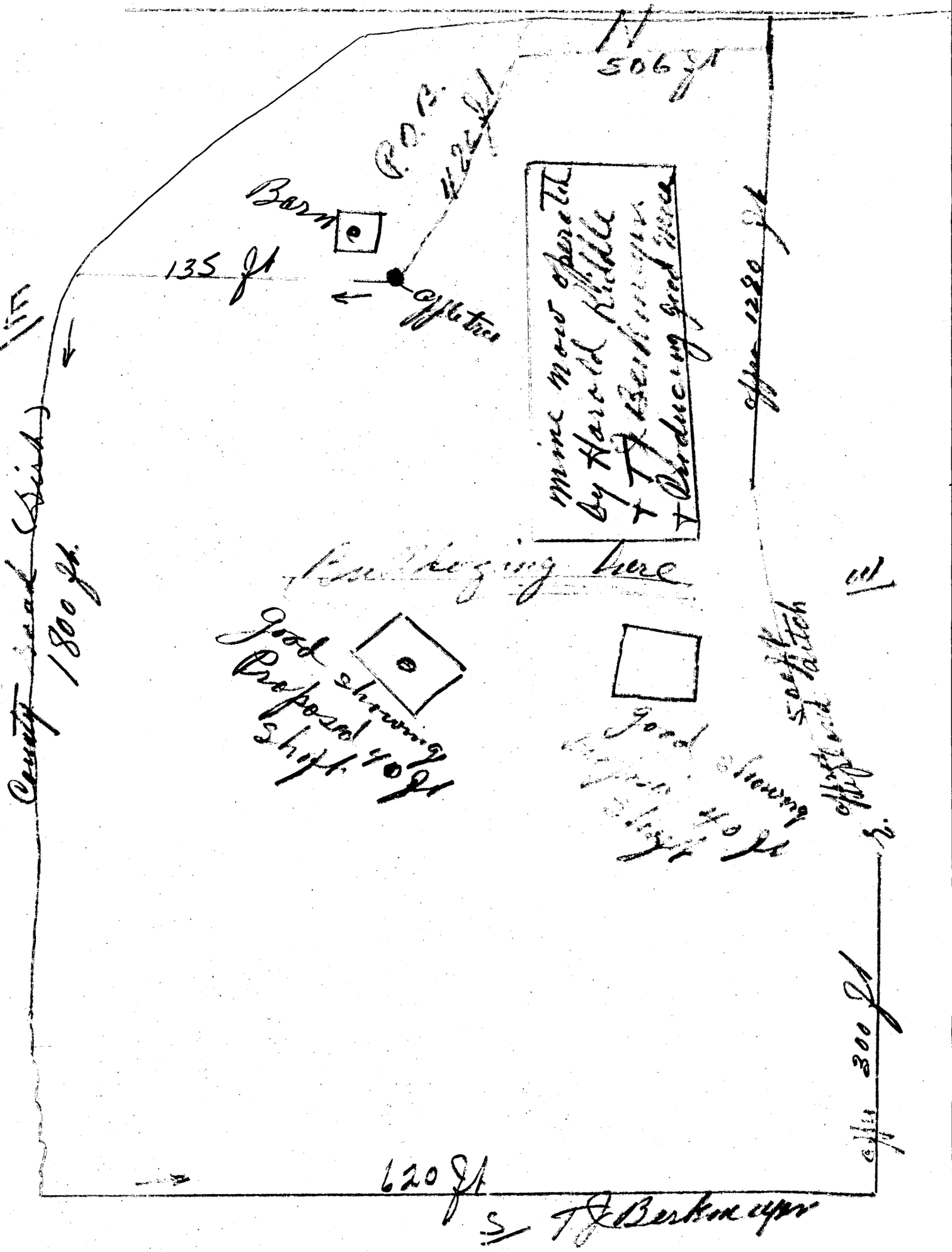

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