

NAME OF CLAIMANT

#41 and ~~#41-a~~ --- Putney, Irene B.

Number of Acres: 60

Location: On west slopes of Nixon's Arm and southeast of the Peak.

Roads: --3 miles of ordinary country road to Flint Hill and 13 miles of macadam road to Front Royal, the nearest shipping point.

Soil: Sandy clay loam of average fertility. Slopes are gentle and smooth on Tract No. 41, but steep and rocky on Tract 41-a, which extends to the top of Nixon's Arm. The exposure is towards the southwest.

History of Tract and condition of timber: Entire tract is timbered. Apparently culled for saw timber for local use, but not operated for tan bark.

TIMBER: The estimated stand of merchantable timber is as follows:
87 tons Chestnut oak bark and 135 M. B.M. of saw timber.

Improvements: None.

Acreage and value of types:

Types	Acreage		Value per acre	Total Value
Ridge:				
Slope: --	40	@	\$3.00	\$120.00
Cove: --	20	@	5.00	100.00
				<u>\$220.00</u>

Grazing Land:

Fields Restocking:

Cultivated Land:

Orchard:

Minerals:

Value of Land: \$ 220.00

Value of Improvements: \$

Value of Orchard: \$

Value of Minerals: \$

Value of Fruit: \$

Value of Timber: \$
Wood-----\$710.00

Value of Wood: \$

Value per acre for tract: \$ 15.50

Incidental damages arising from the taking of this tract: \$ NONE

Geo. H. Pen.

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Claim of Irene B. Putney
In the Circuit Court of Rappahannock County, Virginia, No. 149, At Law.
The State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia, Petitioner, vs. Clifton Caylor et al and 37400 ac-

more or less, of land in Rappah County, Virginia, Defendants.
The undersigned, in answer to the petition of the State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia, and in response to the notice of condemnation awarded upon the filing of said petition and published in accordance with the order of the Circuit Court of Rappah County, Virginia, asks leave of the Court to file this as his answer to said petition and to said notice.

My name is Irene B. Putney
My Post Office Address is 1633 Washington St. Charleston W. Va

I claim a right, title, estate or interest in a tract or parcel of land within the area sought to be condemned, containing about 73 acres, on which there are the following buildings and improvements: There are 77 acers of Lantana in this tract upon which I pay taxes.

This land is located about 3 miles from Washington Virginia, in the Hampton Magisterial District of said County.

I claim the following right, title, estate or interest in the tract or parcel of land described above: (In this space claimant should say whether he is sole owner or joint owner, and if joint owner give names of the joint owners. If claimant is not sole or joint owner, he should set out exactly what right, title, estate or interest he has in or to the tract or parcel of land described above).
Sole owner -

The land owners adjacent to the above described tract or parcel of land are as follows:
North Jno. R. Moore
South Misses Deatherage
East Chas & Warner Miller
West Edward Foster

I acquired my right, title, estate or interest to this property about the year 1890 in the following manner:
by will of my father Robert S. Bell -

I claim that the total value of this tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$ 7,700. I claim that the total value of my right, title, estate or interest, in and to this tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$ 7,700.

I am the owner of 77 acres of land adjoining the above described tract or parcel of land but lying outside the Park area, which I claim will be damaged by the proposed condemnation of lands within the Park area, to the extent of \$ _____.
(In the space below should be set out any additional statements or information as to this claim which claimant desires to make; and if practicable he should also insert here a description of the tract or parcel of land by metes and bounds).

Remarks: If they are taking only 73 acers there will be left 4 acers. And if I am cut off from it, and cannot get into it, I shall claim damage.
(Continue remarks if necessary on the back).

Witness my signature (or my name and mark attached hereto) this 12th day of July, 1930. Irene B. Putney
STATE OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF _____, To-wit:

The undersigned hereby certifies that _____ the above named claimant personally appeared before him and made oath that the matters and things appearing in his above answer are true to the best of his knowledge and belief, this _____ day of _____, 1930.

Clerk of the Court, or Special Investigator or Notary Public, or Justice of the Peace.

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If you are buying only 13 acres, there will be left 4 acres and if 2 are cut off from it, I cannot get into it. I shall claim damages for it. I am giving Mr. W. Masie authority to adjust any damages.

In selling Mountain to you necessitates my hunting & buying materials to furnish my home with fire wood, rails to up and fence same, to repair buildings & other needs. Now, Mr. you can see the price I set is low. In talking with Government officials they say they will buy as much as the Lee Highway and the Capitol, Washington enhanced the value of property many times. And I shall retain fee mineral rights on said land for myself & heirs.

Truly Yours B. Putney.

#41 & 41a, Putney Estate

Acreage Claimed:

Value Claimed:

Location: On west slopes of Nixon's Arm and southeast of the Peak.

Incumbrances, counter claims or laps: None so far as known.

Roads: Three miles of ordinary country road to Flint Hill and 13 miles of macadam road to Front Royal, the nearest shipping point.

Soil: Sandy clay loam of average fertility. Slopes are gentle and smooth on Tract No. 41, but steep and rocky on Tract No. 41 a, which extends to the top of Nixon's Arm. The exposure is towards the southwest.

History of Tract and condition of Timber: Entire tract is timbered. Apparently celled for saw timber for local use, but not operated for tan bark.

Improvements: None

Timber: The estimated stand of merchantable timber is as follows:

87 tons Chestnut oak bark at \$2.00	\$174.00
155 M feet B.M. of saw timber @ \$3.00	405.00
	<u>\$579.00</u>

Acreage and value by types:

<u>Type:</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Value Per Acre</u>	<u>Total Value</u>
Cove	20	5.00	\$100.00
Slope	40	3.00	120.00
	<u>60</u>		<u>\$220.00</u>

Value of land	\$220.00
Value of timber	579.00
	<u>\$799.00</u>

Value per acre for tract \$13.31

Virginia: In the Circuit Court of Rappahannock County

The State Commission on Conservation and Development of
the State of VirginiaPetitioner

vs.

Clifton Ayler and others and acres
of land in Rappahannock County , Virginia, Defendants..

This day came the Petitioner by Counsel and exhibited to the Court the record of the above styled proceeding, from which it appears that Mrs. Evelyn Tyler Miller, Julia M. Settle, N. M. Booth, C. B. Miller, Geo. Tyler Miller, Henry T. Miller, William Arthur Miller, B. F. Miller, Frank H. Cox, Harrison Jenkins, Judith Carter, Edith M. Harper, W. P. Slaughter, May D. Slaughter, Jeremiah Atkins, L. F. Swindler, J. W. Atkins, Addie Frank Clark, James A. Estes, J. Walton Wood, H. C. Atkins, B. L. Atkins, E. G. Brumback, E. G. & J. F. Brumback, Maurice Clark Williams, Taylor, Cheatham & Priest, Frank Compton, S. H. & W. D. Kendall, Oklahoma Bowen, E. H. DeJarnette, H. M. DeJarnette, H. E. Boyer and Irene Putney have filed in writing with the record herein, objections to the findings of facts of value by the Board of Appraisal Commissioners as shown by the report of said Board heretofore filed herein, with reference to lands of which they respectively claim to be owners, or in which they respectively claim some right, title, estate, or interest, within the area described in the petition and sought to be condemned;- which objections may be treated as motions by said above named objecting parties, respectively, praying the Court to decline to accept, or to disapprove such findings of facts of value by the said Board of Appraisal Commissioners, as provided in Section 4588(33) of the Code of Virginia (Section 33 of the Public Park Condemnation Law);-

And, thereupon, it appearing from the record that the Special Investigators and the Board of Appraisal Commissioners appointed herein have filed with their report and the exhibit sheets attached thereto, a map of the land described in the petition, subdivided into, and purporting to delineate

and show all the tracts or parcels of land of diverse ownership included within the area sought to be condemned, and setting forth specifically in said report and the attached exhibit sheets, read together with said map their findings as to the identity and location of the various tracts or parcels of land as to which the said objectors have severally filed claims of record, or in which they claim or appear to have an interest, together with their findings as to the value of each of said tracts or parcels of land and as to claims of incidental damages which will arise from the proposed condemnation thereof:

And it not appearing affirmatively from the said written objections and motions whether the tracts or parcels of land to which they refer, and in which the said objectors claim an interest, are the same tracts or parcels of land as those valued by the Appraisal Commissioners, and found by them to be the tracts or parcels of land owned by the said objectors or in which the said objectors claim to have or appear to have an interest.

And it further appearing to the Court that in order intelligently to consider and pass upon the questions raised by said several objections and motions, and to enable the Court to identify the lands owned or claimed by the said objectors or in which they claim an interest, it will be useful and necessary, as provided in Section 7 of the Public Park Condemnation Act, to require said objectors to amplify the description of the tracts or parcels of land claimed by them or in which they claim an interest, so as to show whether or not the said objecting parties accept the findings of the said Apecial Investigators and Board of Appraisal Commissioners as to the location of said tracts or parcels of land within the said area; and if not, so as to show by relation to said map the location of the several tracts or parcels of land severally claimed by the said objectors, or in which they severally claim an interest:

Upon motion of petitioner, by Counsel, it is adjudged, ordered and decreed that the above named objectors and each of them do, within fifteen days from the entry of this order, file in the Clerk's Office of this Court, with the

record of this proceeding, a written statement, as follows:-

1. Setting forth whether or not the several tracts or parcels of land within the area sought to be condemned, ownership of which is claimed by them or in which they claim an interest, and with reference to which they have severally filed their objections are the same tracts or parcels which were found by the Appraisal Commissioners to be the lands severally owned by them or in which they claim or appear to have an interest, as shown and delineated on said map, read together with said report and exhibit sheets; and
2. If not, showing by reference to said map, the boundary lines of the tracts or parcels severally claimed by said objectors or in which they severally claim an interest, and setting forth in detail by reference to said map and the numbered tracts or subdivisions shown thereon, the precise location of the tracts or parcels of land severally claimed by them, or in which they severally claim an interest.

It is further ordered that upon the filing of this order the Clerk of the Court shall mail forthwith, a copy thereof to each of said objectors to their several addresses filed with the record as provided in Section 7 of the Public Park Condemnation Act, and also to their respective Attorneys of record, to the addresses of said Attorneys filed with the record or otherwise known to said Clerk, and to file with the record a report of the manner in which he has complied with this order.

J. W. Alexander
Judge.

VIRGINIA: Clerk's Office of Rappahannock Circuit Court, August 30th, 1932. The foregoing order, signed by the Judge of said Court, was this day received in said office and entered upon the current common law order book of said court.

Teste: Jas. M. Settle, Clerk.

The State Commission on Conservation & Development of the State of Virginia, Petitioner,

v.

Clifton Ayler and others,
and _____ acres of land in
Rappahannock County, Va.
Defendants.

ORDER

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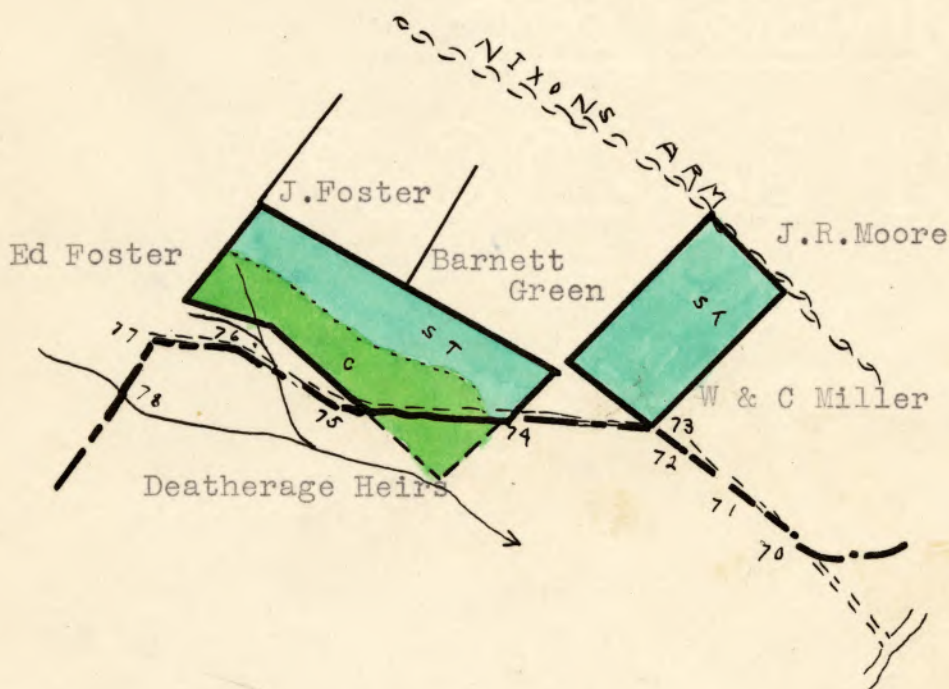
WEAVER & ARMSTRONG

FRONT ROYAL, VA.

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County: Rappahannock
District: Wakefield

#41 & 41a, Putney Estate



LEGEND:

Cove	Orchard
Slope	Grazing Land
Ridge	Tillable Land

Scale - 1" = 20 Chains

1626 Washington Street,
Charleston, Kanawha County, West Va.

October 27, 1932.

Mr. S. H. Marsh, Supervisor,
State Commission on Conservation
and Development,
Shenandoah National Park Division,
Front Royal, Virginia.

Dear Sir:-

In re: RAPPAHANNOCK COUNTY
Tract #41
Putney, Irene B.

We have your letter of the 24th inst in reply to an inquiry of Oct 15th in the above matter.

We desire to advise you that on Oct 23, 1932 that our mother Mrs Irene Bell Putney, died here in Charleston, West Virginia, leaving the undersigned Robert Sherrard Bell Putney and (Mrs) Alethea Gertrude Putney Steinmetz as the only surviving heirs, and as such heirs we desire to withdraw any objections that she might have filed declining to accept the \$930.00 awarded by the Park Commission, and to assure you that we prefer that you let your original survey and appraisal and award remain as originally made, and pay this amount to her estate. We shall advise you further who is appointed Administrator of her estate.

We shall also furnish you with a sworn withdrawal of her objections, if required.

Kindly acknowledge.

Yours very truly,

ROBERT SHERRARD BELL PUTNEY,

Robert S. B. Putney

(MRS) ALETHEA GERTRUDE PUTNEY STEINMETZ

Gertrude Putney Steinmetz

FILED IN
CLERK'S OFFICE
RAPPAHANNOCK COUNTY

Oct. 5th 1933 at 2:20 P.M.

Teste: Jan. M. Settle Clerk

Charleston

1633 - Washington St; W Va.

Mr Wade H. Massey

Dear Sir

Your letter of the 7th July 1932 just received, and I thank you very much for your great kindness in offering to look after my interest in this "Part, tract".

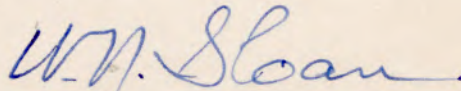
I have been slow in returning the paper sent me to fill out, & in some way mistakes have just found it; and will fill out and enclose in this to you & you will have it & can deliver it; to whom it should go. I would like to see Mr Wilbur, because I have not seen the mountain land for so many years & really did not know its condition or value of timber on it or the little cabins which were on it years ago. But suppose these are gone - Now my tax tickets call for 79 acres of mountain land on which I pay tax. This paper sent me mentions 73, which is 4 acres less than I own; see to this please. Then if they cut me off ^{from} or cause me damage from the remaining 4 acres, please take note of this. The selling or cutting of all timber will necessitate my having to buy if I can get it; more wood land to furnish me wood for fire & fencing - also for timber to repair buildings on the farm, all this will cause me expense & I know not how much. Then too from talking with officials (Government) here, they say that building on this High Way and so near Washington (The Capitol) will enhance the value of the land.

REPORT ON THE ACREAGE
OF THE
PUTNEY ESTATE TRACTS #41 & 41-a.

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Part of the Putney Estate land lies outside
of the Park boundary.

A careful computation of the part inside the
Park, as located by ties made on the ground and calls of
adjoining tracts, gives 60 acres as the total for tracts
41 and 41-a.



W. N. Sloan

Chief Engineer, Park Service.