

County: Madison  
District: Roberson

Claimant #31 - Nicholson, J. Rust.

Acreage Found: 130 A. *by survey* Assessed 50 Deed 20 A.

Location: Hughes River west of Bush Mt. Run.

Incumbrances, counter claims or laps: Son claims 15 acres and buildings on the southend, but he has only a verbal understanding and his claim is denied by his father.

Soil: Fertile, but rocky loam. The slopes on the cleared land is gentle; on timbered land, gentle to very steep.

Roads: Twenty five miles to Culpeper, first five miles being extremely rough mountain road.

History of tract and condition of timber: Pine, oak, chestnut stand with locust, hickory and other hardwoods. Varies from pine, dead chestnut up to young yellow pine. Much has been cleared and gone back to forest and some is covered with locust, sassafras, etc, in the process of going back.

Improvements: House: Log, 16x19', fair condition, occupied by tenant.  
Hen house: Log, 7x8', good condition.  
Hen house: Log, 17x22x8', good condition.  
Cow shed: Log, 6x10', fair condition.  
Spring house: Log, fair condition.  
House: Log, 17x27', fair condition.  
Barn: Log, 17x21x8', fair condition.  
Hen house: Log, 17x25', good condition.  
Corn crib: Log, 6x9'.  
Store house: 11x17', fair condition.  
Spring house: Log, 6x8x7', fair condition.  
Cow shed: Log, 10x14x6'.

Value of Improvements on father's tract. \$535.00  
Improvements built & claimed by son. \$305.00  
\$840.00.

Value of land by types:

Type	Acreage	Value per acre	Total Value
Slope	86	\$2.25	\$193.50
Fr	9	\$4.00	\$36.00
Fc	33	\$10.00	\$330.00
Orchard	2	\$70.00	\$140.00
	<u>130</u>		<u>\$559.50.</u>

Summary:

Total value of land. \$559.50  
Total value of orchard \$140.00 ✓  
Total value of improvements \$840.00  
Total value of timber \$98.00 ✓  
Total value of tract. \$1637.50.

L. W. Furrman, Sec.

County: Madison  
 District: Roberson

#31 - Nicholson, J. Rust

Acreage Claimed: 120 A. Assessed 50 Deed 20 A. -  
Value Claimed: \$4640.00 " \$225.00 -\$66. - 1897; 100 A.  
 1885; 170 \$35. - 1909; 50 A.

Location: Hughes river west of Bush Mt. run.

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Improvements: House: Log, 16x19', fair condition, occupied by tenant -- (\$225.00)  
 See yellow sheet Hen house: Log, 7x8', good condition -- 10.00  
 Hen house: Log, 17x22x8', good condition -- \$305 25.00  
 Cow shed: Log, 6x10', fair condition -- 15.00  
 Spring house: Log, fair condition -- 5.00  
 House: Log, 17x27', fair condition -- (325.00)  
 Barn: Log, 17x21x8', fair condition -- 60.00  
 Hen house: Log, 17x25', good condition -- 40.00  
 Corn crib: Log, 6x9', -- 15.00  
 Store house: 11x17', fair condition -- \$535 40.00  
 Spring house: Log, 6x8x7', fair condition -- 15.00  
 Cow shed: Log, 10x14x6', -- 15.00  
 \$790.00

Value of land by types:

Type	Acreage	Value per acre	Total Value
Slope	86	\$1.25	\$107.50
Fr	9	1.50	13.50
Fc	33	8.00	264.00
Orchard	2	70.00	--
	130 (By Survey)		\$385.00

Total value of land \$385.00  
 Total value of orchard 140.00  
 Total value of improvements 790.00  
 Total value of timber 98.00  
 Total value of tract \$1413.00  
 Average value per acre 10.90

Claim of Albert Michelson  
In the Circuit Court of Madison County, Virginia, No. 82, At Law.  
The State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia, Petitioner, vs. W. S. Anderson et al

more or less, of land in Madison 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 Madison County, Virginia, asks leave of the Court to file this as his answer to said petition and to said notice.

My name is Albert Michelson  
My Post Office Address is Victoria

I claim a right, title, estate or interest in a tract or parcel of land within the area sought to be condemned, containing about 20 acres, on which there are the following buildings and improvements: House, barn & other outbuildings

This land is located about 4 miles from Victoria Virginia, in the Roberts 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).

The land owners adjacent to the above described tract or parcel of land are as follows:

North John Rust Michelson  
South Geo. J. Carbin  
East E. A. Michelson  
West Geo. J. Carbin

I acquired my right, title, estate or interest to this property about the year 1922 in the following manner:

Gift (no deed)

I claim that the total value of this tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$ 800.00. 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 \$ 800.00.

I am the owner of \_\_\_\_\_ 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: \_\_\_\_\_

(Continue remarks if necessary on the back).

Witness my signature (or my name and mark attached hereto) this 18 day of April, 1934.

STATE OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF Madison, To-wit:

The undersigned hereby certifies that Albert Michelson 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 18 day of April, 1934.

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

Claim of *Albert Michelson*  
In the Circuit Court of *Westchester* County, Virginia, No. *82* At Law.  
The State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia, Petitioner, vs. *U.S. Suburban*

more or less of land in *Westchester* 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 *Westchester* County, Virginia, asks leave of the Court to file this as his answer to said petition and to said notice.  
My name is *Albert Michelson*  
My Post Office Address is *Westchester*

I claim a right title, estate or interest in a tract or parcel of land within the area sought to be condemned, containing *2* acres, on which there are the following *improvements:*

*1. 2000 sq ft (see back)*  
*2. 1951 - 1952 Dist. on road*

The land over which the above described tract or parcel of land are as follows:  
*John Michelson*  
*1951 - 1952 Dist. on road*

I acquired my right title, estate or interest in this property about the year *1952* in the following manner:  
*Gift (see back)*

I claim that the total value of this tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$ *8000*. 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 \$ *8000*.  
I am the owner of *2* 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 \$ *8000*.  
(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:

(Continue remarks if necessary on the back.)  
Witness my hand and seal (attached hereto) this *18* day of *April* 1951.  
STATE OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF *Westchester*.  
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 *18* day of *April* 1951.  
Clerk of the Court or Special Commissioner or Notary Public or Justice of the Peace.

*John Michelson*  
*1951 - 1952 Dist. on road*  
*1951 - 1952 Dist. on road*  
*1951 - 1952 Dist. on road*

Claim of John Russ Nicholson  
In the Circuit Court of Madison County, Virginia, No. 82, At Law.  
The State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia, Petitioner, vs. W-D Anderson & Others

more or less, of land in Madison 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 Madison County, Virginia, asks leave of the Court to file this as his answer to said petition and to said notice.

My name is John Russ Nicholson  
My Post Office Address is Nethers, 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 1.20 acres, on which there are the following buildings and improvements: 2 dwelling houses, 2 hen houses with scratching sheds, 2 spring houses, 2 corn cribs, 1 cow stable, 1 Barn, 1 Cellar, 1 hog pen, 1 young orchard, improved fruit.  
This land is located about five miles from Nethers, Virginia, in the Roberson 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).

I am sole owner

The land owners adjacent to the above described tract or parcel of land are as follows:  
North \_\_\_\_\_  
South \_\_\_\_\_  
East \_\_\_\_\_  
West \_\_\_\_\_

I acquired my right, title, estate or interest to this property about the year 1897 in the following manner:

Bought 2.0 acres of my Bros. see deed book 35, page 49. my Father gives me 50 acres, I bought 50 of H.F. Pallack, see

I claim that the total value of this tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$ 4.640.00 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 \$ 4.640.00

I am the owner of \_\_\_\_\_ 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: See other side for complete information.

(Continue remarks if necessary on the back).

Witness my signature (or my name and mark attached hereto) this 14 day of July, 1930.

STATE OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF Madison, To-wit:

The undersigned hereby certifies that John Russ Nicholson 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 14 day of July, 1930.

L.P. Rider  
witness to mark

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

Deed book 40 page 1476c

1 dwelling house,	Price	\$ 600.00
1 Barn,	"	100.00
1 hen house with scratching shed.		090.00
1 Cellar, 1 Corn crib, 1 Hog pen		100.00
1 Cow stable,		010.00
1 Spring house		015.00
100 Apples trees		1000.00
120 Acres of land by deeds.		2300.00

total 4,215.00

U give 5 acres to the park  
which would be \$100.00

John Ross Nelson  
 J. Ross Nelson  
 1950

Tenant house

1 small dwelling house,	price	\$ 350.00
1 Hen house with scratching shed		050.00
1 corn crib, 1 little spring house, 1 hog pen		025.00
	total	\$ 425.00

STATE OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF ...  
 1930

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**Virginia: In the Circuit Court of Madison County at Madison, Virginia**

The State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia . . . PETITIONER.

V. At Law No. 82

D. F. Anderson and others, and Fifty-Five Thousand (55,000) Acres, more or less, of land in Madison County, Virginia . . . . . DEFENDANTS

Comes now the undersigned and shows to the Court:

That a judgment in rem has heretofore been entered in this proceeding condemning to the use of the Petitioner the fee simple estate in the tract(s) of land numbered as follows: Tract No. 31-----: Tract No. -----: Tract No. -----;

and described in the report of the Board of Appraisal Commissioners appointed herein and shown, numbered, and delineated on the County Ownership Map filed therewith, upon payment into the custody of the Court of the sum(s) set out in the said judgment as constituting the award(s) therefor, as follows:

Award on Tract No. 31----- \$ 1637.50 on Tract No. ----- \$-----; on Tract No. ----- \$-----;

That the report of the said Board sets forth that the following named persons claim, or appear to have a claim to an interest in the said tract(s) of land or in the proceeds arising from the condemnation thereof;

J. Rust Nicholson  
Albert Nicholson

That the Petitioner has paid into the custody of the Court the said sum(s) set out in said judgment as constituting the award(s) for the fee simple estate in the said tract(s) of land;

That your undersigned, on the date of the said judgment in rem condemning the said tract(s) of land, owned or was (were) entitled to the following interest in the said tract(s) or in the proceeds arising from the condemnation thereof:—

By reason of Contribution pledge, obligating the owners, J. Rust Nicholson and Albert Nicholson to give 5 acres of their land within the Park Area to the Park Project.

That no other person or persons than the undersigned are entitled to share in the distribution of the said award(s) except the following named persons whose interest in said tract(s) or in the proceeds arising from the condemnation thereof on the date of entry of said judgment was as follows:

Wherefore, your undersigned pray(s) that [he (they) be made a party (parties) herein under the provisions of Section 21 of the Public Park Condemnation Act, and that] an order be entered for the distribution of said sum(s) set forth in said judgment in rem as constituting the award(s) for the fee simple estate in the said tract(s) condemned as aforesaid, and for the payment to the undersigned of the said award(s) or of as much thereof as the Court may find that the undersigned is (are) entitled to receive, and which the undersigned aver(s) is as follows: Tract No. 31----- \$ 6.25-----: Tract No. ----- \$-----: Tract No. ----- \$-----;

The undersigned further aver(s) that: (Leave this space blank unless there is some other pertinent matter to be brought specially to the attention of the court)

NAME

P. O. ADDRESS

STATE COMMISSION ON CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT

BY Bessie Mayhall

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Filed 1/9/34  
Jesse: [Signature]

Virginia: in the Circuit Court of Madison County at Madison, Virginia  
The State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia . . . PETITIONER  
V. At Law No. 82  
D. E. Anderson and others and Fifty-Five Thousand (\$25,000) Acres more or less of  
land in Madison County, Virginia . . . . . DEFENDANTS  
That a judgment in favor of the petitioners has been entered in this proceeding condemning to the use of the  
Commission now the undersigned and shows to the Court:  
Petitioner for the simple estate in the tract(s) of land numbered as follows: Tract No. 31

STATE OF VIRGINIA )  
COUNTY OF WARREN ) SS

Personally appeared before me the undersigned Notary  
Public in my said State and County, E.K. Stokes, who being  
duly sworn, deposed and said that she is an employee of the  
State Commission on Conservation and Development in immediate  
charge of the records of the Shenandoah National Park Division  
thereof having to do with claims of the Commission for dis-  
tributive shares of condemnation awards in the Shenandoah  
National Park condemnation proceedings pending in the Circuit  
Courts of Virginia, by reason of contracts and agreements en-  
tered into with the owners of lands sought to be condemned in  
these proceedings, and that the within claim is just and cor-  
rect.

Witness my signature this 8th day of January, 1934.

[Signature: Charles F. Good]

NOTARY PUBLIC Notary Public

My Commission Expires Sep. 8, 1934



The undersigned further avers(s) that: (Leave this space blank unless there is some other parti-  
cular which the undersigned avers(s) is as follows: Tract No. 31 . . . . . 82  
No. . . . . Tract No. . . . .  
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STATE COMMISSION ON CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT  
BY [Signature]

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In the Circuit Court of Madison County, Virginia:

The State Commission on Conservation and  
Development of the State of Virginia,

Petitioner -

Vs

D. F. Anderson and others, and 55,000 acres of  
land in Madison County, Virginia,

Defendants -

On this, the 29 day of March, 1934, came John Russ Nicholson and John T. Nicholson, owners, and on their motion, leave is given them to file their application for the sum of \$1637.50, the amount of the award set out in the judgment of condemnation for Tract No. 31 and heretofore paid into Court. And it appearing from the report of the Board of Appraisal Commissioners heretofore filed in this cause and in the petition for judgment and condemnation entered herein on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of December 1933, that, in the opinion of petitioner the said John Russ Nicholson and John T. Nicholson, owners, are invested with a superior or better right or claim of title in and to the said Tract No. 31 and that the record of this cause does not disclose any denial or dispute by any party or person in interest as to the title to said Tract No. 31 or to the proceeds arising from the condemnation thereof, and are therefore entitled to receive the proceeds arising from the condemnation of said Tract No. 31, and it further appearing to the Court that all taxes due or payable upon said Tract No. 31 have been paid except for the year 1912, upon consideration whereof it is considered and ordered by the Court that said sum of \$1637.50 paid into Court by petitioner as just compensation for Tract No. 31 be paid out and distributed as follows:

	Madison, Va.	
(1) To A.H.Cave, Clerk, for delinquent taxes		\$ 3.99
(2) To State Commission on Conservation and Development, Richmond, Va. donation		6.25
(3) To N.G.Payne, Madison, Va. fee and costs		12.00
(4) To John Russ Nicholson and John T. Nicholson, Nethers, Virginia		1615.26

And the Clerk of this Court is directed to transmit a certified copy of this order to the Treasurer of Virginia, who shall pay out said fund as above provided, the items above set forth aggregating the award set out in the judgment of condemnation for Tract No. 31, taking from said parties to whom the fund is payable as aforesaid receipts therefor, and certifying such payment to the Clerk of this Court for appropriate entry thereof, as provided by law.

entry thereof, as provided by law.

certifying such payment to the Clerk of this Court for appropriate parties to whom the fund is payable as aforesaid receipts therefor, and out in the judgment of condemnation for Tract No. 31, taking from said as above provided, the items above set forth aggregating the award set of this order to the Treasurer of Virginia, who shall pay out said fund

And the Clerk of this Court is directed to transmit a certified copy

- (4) To John Russ Nicholson and John T. Nicholson, 1616.28
- (3) To W.C. Payne, Madison, Va. fee and costs 12.00
- (2) To State Commission on Conservation and Development, Richmond, Va. donation 8.25
- (1) To A.H. Gave, Clerk, for delinquent taxes \$ 3.99

distributed as follows:

by petitioner as just compensation for Tract No. 31 be paid out and ered and ordered by the Court that said sum of \$1837.50 paid into Court paid except for the year 1912, upon consideration whereof it is consid- Court that all taxes due or payable upon said Tract No. 31 have been condemnation of said Tract No. 31, and it further appearing to the and are therefore entitled to receive the proceeds arising from the Tract No. 31 or to the proceeds arising from the condemnation thereof,

State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia

(Order for the Distribution of the award - Tract No. 31 -)

D. F. Anderson and others -

Enter *[Signature]* Judge

*Claim by Son for 15 acres*

*212 1/2*

On this, the 29 day of March, 1934, came John Russ Nicholson and John T. Nicholson, owners, and on their motion, leave is given them

and in Madison County, Virginia, D. F. Anderson and others, and an 80,000 acres of

Development of the State of Virginia, The State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia, Petitioner -

This receipt is to certify that I, Albert A. Nicholson, and Mamie Nicholson, my wife, has this the 24th day of Dec. 1932, received of John Russ Nicholson, and John T. Nicholson, (his representative) the sum of eighty dollars, (80.00) cash in hand paid, as part payment, for which we sell all of what we claimed to be our intrest in the buildings on the land of John Russ Nicholson, and his representative, and assigns away now and for ever all our intrest in the buildings where we live at, in the State of Virginia, Madison County, on the parcel or tract of land of John Russ Nicholson, situated in Nicholson Hollow, on the North Side of Hughes River.

It is also thoroughly understood and agreed upon, that the balance yet due, is fifty dollars (\$50.00) which shall be paid when the said John Russ Nicholson, or John T. Nicholson, receives the money for their property. It is also agreed upon that, in case the proposed National Park fails to become a reality in Virginia, then this sum of fifty dollars shall be paid not later than six months after the deceased of John Russ Nicholson. The receipt of which is here by acknowledged in the following signature and seals, and witnesses.

Albert A. Nicholson ..... (Seal)  
Mamie X Nicholson  
mark ..... (Seal)

We, the following signatures, witness the above signature and Seals the each witness being in presence of each other, this the 24th day of Dec. 1932.

John Russ X Nicholson .....  
John T. Nicholson .....  
Hilton X Nicholson .....  
George T. Martin .....  
Walt Nicholson .....  
.....

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and described in the report of the Board of Appraisal Commissioners appointed herein and shown, numbered, and delineated on the County Ownership Map filed therewith, upon payment into the custody of the Court of the sum(s) set out in the said judgment as constituting the award(s) therefor, as follows:

Award on Tract No. 31 \$ 1637.50; on Tract No. \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_; on Tract No. \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_;

That the report of the said Board sets forth that the following named persons claim, or appear to have a claim to an interest in the said tract(s) of land or in the proceeds arising from the condemnation thereof;

That the Petitioner has paid into the custody of the Court the said sum(s) set out in said judgment as constituting the award(s) for the fee simple estate in the said tract(s) of land;

That your undersigned, on the date of the said judgment in rem condemning the said tract(s) of land, owned or was (were) entitled to the following interest in the said tract(s) or in the proceeds arising from the condemnation thereof:—

That no other person or persons than the undersigned are entitled to share in the distribution of the said award(s) except the following named persons whose interest in said tract(s) or in the proceeds arising from the condemnation thereof on the date of entry of said judgment was as follows:

Wherefore, your undersigned pray(s) that [he (they) be made a party (parties) herein under the provisions of Section 21 of the Public Park Condemnation Act, and that] an order be entered for the distribution of said sum(s) set forth in said judgment in rem as constituting the award(s) for the fee simple estate in the said tract(s) condemned as aforesaid, and for the payment to the undersigned of the said award(s) or of as much thereof as the Court may find that the undersigned is (are) entitled to receive, and which the undersigned aver(s) is as follows: Tract No. \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_: Tract No. 31 \$ 1637.50; Tract No. \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_;

The undersigned further aver(s) that: (Leave this space blank unless there is some other pertinent matter to be brought specially to the attention of the court)

NAME	P. O. ADDRESS
<u>John T. Michelson</u>	<u>Kethers, Va.</u>
<u>John Russ Michelson</u>	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

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This is to certify that there are *no* 1933 taxes of record  
in my office to the amount of \$ *0* against the tract of land  
owned by *J. Rust Nicholson*  
..... which is  
designated as Tract No. *31* ; Tract No. .... ; Tract No. ....  
on the County Ownership Map filed in my Office in the action  
at Law pending in the name and style of the Commission on  
Conservation &c., vs. W. D. Anderson, and others.

Given under my hand this *2<sup>nd</sup>* day of *March*, 193*4*

*B. S. Utz*  
.....  
Treasurer, Madison County, Virginia

By *J. B. Fray* ..... Deputy  
Treasurer

This is to certify that there are ..... delinquent taxes of record in my office to the amount of \$ # . 3,99 . against the tract of land owned by ... John Rust Nicholson .....

..... which is designated as Tract No. 31.....; Tract No.....; Tract No..... on the County Ownership Map filed in my Office in the action at Law pending in the name and style of the Commission on Conservation &c., vs. W. D. Anderson, and others.

Given under my hand this .5th day of ... March ....., 1934..

..... *A. H. Case* ..... Clerk..  
Circuit Court, Madison County, Virginia

By *Bertha N. Patten* ..... Deputy  
Clerk

This is to certify That I, Albert A. Nicholson, has this the 24th day  
of Dec. 1932, rented of John Russ Nicholson, and John T. Nicholson,  
the house and lot for one year where I live at, near the River,  
to use the house and lot as heretofore. The sum of which cash in  
hand paid <sup>is</sup> \$1.00.

*Albert A. Nicholson* .....

Witness by *Walt Nicholson* .....

This is to acknowledge <sup>the</sup> above that I Albert A.  
Nicholson, has rented the same house and  
lot for 1934 this the 20th day Feb. on the same  
terms. <sup>\$1.00</sup> *Albert A. Nicholson*

Mr. *Jos Ross Madison* Dr. Robertson District  
 To F. P. SMITH, Treasurer of Madison County,

1913  
 TAXES AND LEVIES

	STATE TAXES					Total County Levies 80c.	TOTAL ALL TAXES AND LEVIES
	State Tax Support Gov. at 20c. on \$100 R. E. and P. P. Sched. B.	State Tax Support Gov. at 25c. on \$100 P. P. Sched. C.	State School Tax at 10c. on \$100 R. E. and P. P. Sched. B. and C	State Taxes for Pensions at 5c. on \$100 R. E. and P. P. Schedule B.	Total State Taxes		
Real Estate:							
Acres <i>50</i> Val. \$ <i>100</i>	<i>21</i>		<i>10</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>35</i>	<i>80</i>	
Acres Val. \$							
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Personal Property:							
Schedule B, Val. \$ <i>40</i>	<i>8</i>		<i>4</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>32</i>	
" C, Val. \$							
Income, Val., \$ @ 1%							
Capitation Tax					<del><i>1.50</i></del>		
Total	<i>28</i>		<i>14</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>1.99</i>	<i>1.12</i>	<i>31.1</i>
5 per cent. penalty							<i>1.6</i>
Dog Tax, <i>3</i> Male, at							<del><i>1.50</i></del>
" " Female, at							<i>8</i>
Penalty, 25c.							
							<i>48.5</i>

*July 1,* 191*4* Received Payment *H. H. Hitt* Dept., Treasurer



Recd May twenty 1913. of  
Mrs J. Nicholson. one  
dollar and twenty five cts  
on 50 A Land -

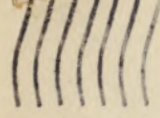
Recd May 3/1912 of  
Geo B. Nicholson one  
Dollar & twenty cts for  
on 50 A Land

1911 Geo B Nicholson To A W Berry  
for \$50 A from G. F. Pollock \$1.00  
Paid A W Berry Com-

Handwritten text on a yellowed, lined paper strip at the top left corner. The text is written in cursive and appears to be a name or address, possibly "Niedel" and "L. 100 R".

Receipts for Taxes  
paid —

offer 5 days return to  
John T. Nicholson,  
others, Va.



Mr. H. G. Payne,

Madison, Va.  
Madison County.

April 4 - 1934  
Nethers, Va.

Mr. N. G. Payne,  
Madison, Va.

My Dear Sir:

I have often thought over  
the way you talked to me  
about the tax bill receipts  
I gave you yesterday.

Mr. Payne, if I pay you  
a bill for something in  
1934 and you give me  
a receipt for it, you would  
not write it for 1933 or  
1935 would you? It must  
be for the year 1934.

And just so with the  
receipt for 1912. My father  
paid that bill, and if it  
was like you said, may be  
it was not paid until

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in 1913, would not the receipt have to be dated for 1912, or there would be nothing to show that the year 1912 had been paid for?

Otherwise I just as well not to brought it out to you. Take now the tax bill you have for 1913, this bill shows that the tax on 50 acres of land has been paid, you nor no body else would question this. Then the receipt for 1913 shows that the tax on this same 50 acres of land has been paid again. If this receipt, 1913 was for the year 1912's tax



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as you said, it being dated to correspond with the tax bill 1913, where there is any proof to show that the year 1912 had been paid at all? My father is absolutely certain that he paid this bill for 1912. And also paid a nother bill for 1913 which had been already paid according to the tax bill and receipt of that date. And now trying to get it again, which according to the tax bill 1913 and the receipts 1912 and 1913 this would make four, times it would have been paid. Mr. Payne,

I do not say you are trying to do this knowingly. I have a far better opinion of you than this. This is why I am writing you, trying to make it clear to you that it has been paid. And he do not want to pay it again, neither would you want to pay again that which you had paid. Mr. Payne, I do not say that you had any thing to do with this false bill being brought out against us. This is no way for those who tends to the collecting of taxes to do. They are paid thousands of dollars a year to look after this and

to keep things straight,  
If this was a true and  
honest bill, why did they  
not present this long  
ago for payment instead  
of letting it lie still  
behind the curtain  
for 22 long years  
growing in interest?  
Is this the way to treat  
tax payers? I consider  
it a shame and a dis-  
grace to do so, and I  
believe after a little  
thought on your part as  
an honest Christian I  
hope you will do like  
you told me before  
I brought you the  
bill and receipts.

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mark out that \$3.99¢  
which you have charged  
against us for taxes which  
we do not honestly owe.

So I shall close, hoping  
you will cancel the  
\$3.99¢ and send the  
papers in so we can  
soon get the check, so  
we can pay off all our  
debts. You know I payed you  
like I promised. I feel very  
grateful towards <sup>you</sup> for such  
kindness loaning me \$50.00

May God bless you Mr. Payne,  
is my prayer on your behalf.  
Sow all those papers I left  
with you. Sincerely yours.

John T. Nicholson,  
c/o Russ Nicholson,