

## NAME OF CLAIMANT

#270 - Finke, J. A.

Number of Acres: 338

Location: Lewis and Neck Runs. Entirely within the Park area.

Roads: Four miles via dirt road to Port Republic, the nearest shipping point.

Soil: Sandy loam, slope type. The tillable land on this tract is of a fair depth and fertility.

**History of Tract and condition of timber:** The merchantable saw timber has been removed. The remaining stand consists of small oaks and short leaf pine. All timber has been damaged by fire. About two cords wood per acre on 327 acres. 654 cords wood.

**Improvements:** Frame dwelling: -3x36', with 5 rooms, and two porches 8x24' and 8x9', shingle roof, brick flues, 1 story in height, 5 rooms plastered, poor condition, occupied by tenant, water supply is spring, solid foundation.  
Frame barn: 16x20', board roof, poor condition.  
Frame store room: 4x9', metal roof, fair condition.  
 25 fruit trees, poor condition.

## Acreage and value of types:

Types	Acreage	Value per acre	Total Value
Ridge:			
Slope:	327	@ \$4.00	\$1308.00
Cove:			
Grazing Land:			
Fields Restocking:			
Cultivated Land:	11	@ 25'	
Orchard:			275.00
Minerals:			\$1583.00
Value of Land:			\$ 1583.00
Value of Improvements:			\$ 145.00
Value of Orchard:			\$ 50.00
Value of Minerals:			\$
Value of Fruit:			\$
Value of Timber:			\$
Value of Wood:			\$50.00
Value per acre for tract:			\$ 7.18

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

Geo. H. Lewis

CLERK

claim #1

Claim of Beulah F. Horn, Jessie Finke, Gilbert Finke, Stanley Finke, heirs at law of J. A. Finke, deceased.  
In the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, Virginia, No. \_\_\_\_\_, At Law.  
The State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia, Petitioner, vs. Atkins et al

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

My name is Beulah F. Horn, Jessie Finke, Gilbert Finke, Stanley Finke, heirs at law of J. A. Finke, deceased.  
My post office address is Salem, 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 400 acres, on which there are the following buildings and improvements:

This land is located about 1 1/2 miles from Lynwood Virginia, in the Stonewall 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.)

**Fee Simple Title**

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

North \_\_\_\_\_

South \_\_\_\_\_

East John C. Wheat, formerly J. M. Alexander

West J. A. Alexander

I acquired my right, title, estate or interest to this property about the year 1927 in the following manner:

By deed of Oct. 25, 1927 from Thos. R. Nelson and Curry Carter,

Trustees

I claim that the total value of this tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$6,000.00. 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 \$\_\_\_\_\_.

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: This property was acquired through foreclosure proceedings. While the actual purchase price at the foreclosure was \$2,000.00, the amount of the purchase money lien on the property was for \$4,028.52.

(Continue remarks if necessary on the back).

Witness my signature (or my name and mark attached hereto) this 5<sup>th</sup> day of Dec., 1931. B. M. Finke, J. Finke, Jessie Finke, B. F. Horn

STATE OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF Roanoke To-wit: Beulah F. Horn, Jessie Finke, Gilbert Finke, Stanley Finke, heirs at law of J. A. Finke, deceased.  
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 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1931.

James B. Whitson  
Clerk of the Court or Special Investigator or Notary Public, or Justice of the Peace.  
James B. Conis in chfy for the Circuit Court of Roanoke County, Virginia

Filed in the Clerk's Office  
Rockingham County, Va.  
DEC 8 1931  
J. Robert Smith, Clerk

NAME OF CLAIMANT

#270 -I -- J. A. Fink -  
Lap on W. H. Bailey.

Number of Acres: 29

Location: Lewis Run. Entirely within the Park area.

Roads: Four miles via dirt road to Port Republic.

Soil: Sandy clay loam. Slope type of a fair depth and fertility. Moderate slopes and fairly smooth.

History of Tract and condition of timber: The merchantable saw timber has been removed from this tract. A part of tract has been burned over repeatedly.

Improvements:

None.

Acreage and value of types:

Types	Acreage	Value per acre	Total Value
Ridge:			
Slope:	29 @	\$5.00	\$145.00
Cove:			
Grazing Land:			
Fields Restocking:			
Cultivated Land:			
Orchard:			
Minerals:			
Value of Land:			\$ 145.00
Value of Improvements:			\$
Value of Orchard:			\$
Value of Minerals:			\$
Value of Fruit:			\$
Value of Timber:			\$
Value of Wood:			\$
Value per acre for tract:		\$ 5.00	

Total -- \$145.00

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

Geo. N. Lewis CLERK

NAME OF CLAIMANT

#270-II -- Fink, J. A.  
Lap on J. T. Heard

Number of Acres: 66

Location: Lewis Run. Entirely within the Park area.

Roads: Three and one-half miles via dirt road to Port Republic.

Soil: Sand and clay loam of a fair depth and fertility.  
Moderate slopes and fairly smooth.

History of Tract and condition of timber: This tract was cut over years ago. Light stand of merchantable saw timber consists of mixed white and chestnut oaks with a small amount of yellow pine. About 55 M. bd. ft. saw timber.

Improvements: None.

Acreage and value of types:

Types	Acreage		Value per acre	Total Value
Ridge:				
Slope:	52	@	\$5.00	\$260.00
Cove:	11	@	7.00	77.00
Grazing Land:				
Fields Restocking:				
Cultivated Land:	3	@	20.00	60.00
Orchard:				\$397.00
Minerals:				
Value of Land:	\$397.00			50.00
Value of Improvements:	\$			202.00
Value of Orchard:	\$ 50.00			\$649.00
Value of Minerals:	\$			
Value of Fruit:	\$			
Value of Timber:	\$ 202.00			
Value of Wood:	\$			
Value per acre for tract:	\$ 9.83			
Incidental damages arising from the taking of this tract:	\$ None.			

*Geo. N. Pen* CLERK

NAME OF CLAIMANT

#270-III - Fink, J. A.  
Lap on Sophronia Morris.

Number of Acres: 5

Location: Neck Run. Entirely within the Park area.

Roads: Three miles via dirt road to Port Republic, the nearest shipping point.

Soil: Sandy clay loam of a fair depth and fertility, moderate slopes and fairly smooth.

History of Tract and condition of timber: All saw timber has been removed from this tract, remaining stand consist of small oaks and some short leaf pine. About 2 cords of fuelwood per acre.

Improvements: None.

Acreage and value of types:

Types	Acreage	Value per acre	Total Value
Ridge:			
Slope:	5 @	\$5.00	\$25.00
Cove:			

Grazing Land:

Fields Restocking:

Cultivated Land: Total \$25.00

Orchard:

Minerals:

Value of Land: \$ 25.00

Value of Improvements: \$

Value of Orchard: \$

Value of Minerals: \$

Value of Fruit: \$

Value of Timber: \$

Value of Wood: \$

Value per acre for tract: \$ 5.00

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

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## NAME OF CLAIMANT

#270-IV - Fink, J. A.

Lap on Richard Morris.

Number of Acres: 1/2

Location: Neck Run. Entirely within the Park area.

Roads: Three miles via dirt road to Port Republic, the nearest shipping point.

Soil: Sandy clay loam, slope type of a fair depth and fertility, moderate slopes.

History of Tract and condition of timber: All saw timber removed about two cords of fuelwood per acre - 1 cord wood.--

## Improvements:

None.

## Acreage and value of types:

Types	Acreage		Value per acre	Total Value
Ridge:				
Slope:	1/2	⊙	\$5.00	\$2.50
Cove:				
Grazing Land:				
Fields Restocking:				
Cultivated Land:				
Orchard:				
Minerals:				
Value of Land:	\$ 2.50			Total \$2.50
Value of Improvements:	\$			
Value of Orchard:	\$			
Value of Minerals:	\$			
Value of Fruit:	\$			
Value of Timber:	\$			
Value of Wood:	\$			
Value per acre for tract:	\$ 5.00			
Incidental damages arising from the taking of this tract:	\$		None.	

*Geo. N. Pen* CLERK

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County: Rockingham  
District: Stonewall

# 270 J. A. Finke

Acreage Claimed: Assessed 400 Deed 400  
Value Claimed: " \$ 490. " No field sheet

Location: Lewis & Neck Runs. Entirely within the Park area.

Laps: The tract belonging to J. T. Heard, Sophronia Morris, Richard Morris, and W. H. Bailey lap on this tract.

Roads: 4 miles via dirt road to Port Republic, the nearest shipping point.

Soil: Sandy loam. Slope type. The tillable land on this tract is of a fair depth and fertility.

History: The merchantable saw timber has been removed. The remaining stand consists of small oaks and short leaf pine. All timber has been damaged by fire. About two cords wood per acre on 327 acres. 654 cords wood @ 25¢ per cd. \$ 163.50

<u>Improvements:</u>	Frame dwelling 8 x 36 ft. with 5 rooms and 2 porches 8 x 24 and 8 x 9ft. Shingle roof. Brick flues. 1 story in height. 5 rooms plastered. Poor condition. Occupied by tenant. Water supply is spring, solid foundation	\$500
	Frame barn 16 x 20ft. Board roof. Poor condition	40
	Frame store room, 4 x 9ft. Metal roof. Fair cond. value included in price of dwelling	
	28 fruit trees. Poor condition, 1.00 per tree	28
		568.00

Value of land by types;

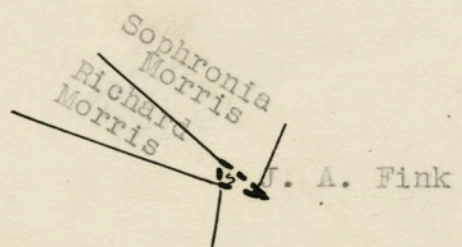
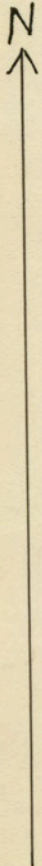
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slope	327	\$ 3.00	\$ 981.00
tillable	11	20.00	220.00
	338		1201.00

Total value of land	1201.00
Total value of timber	163.50
Total value of improvements	568.00
Total value of tract	1932.50
Average value per acre	5.72

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#270-IV J. A. Fink lap on Richard Morris.

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District: Stonewall



LEGEND

Slope

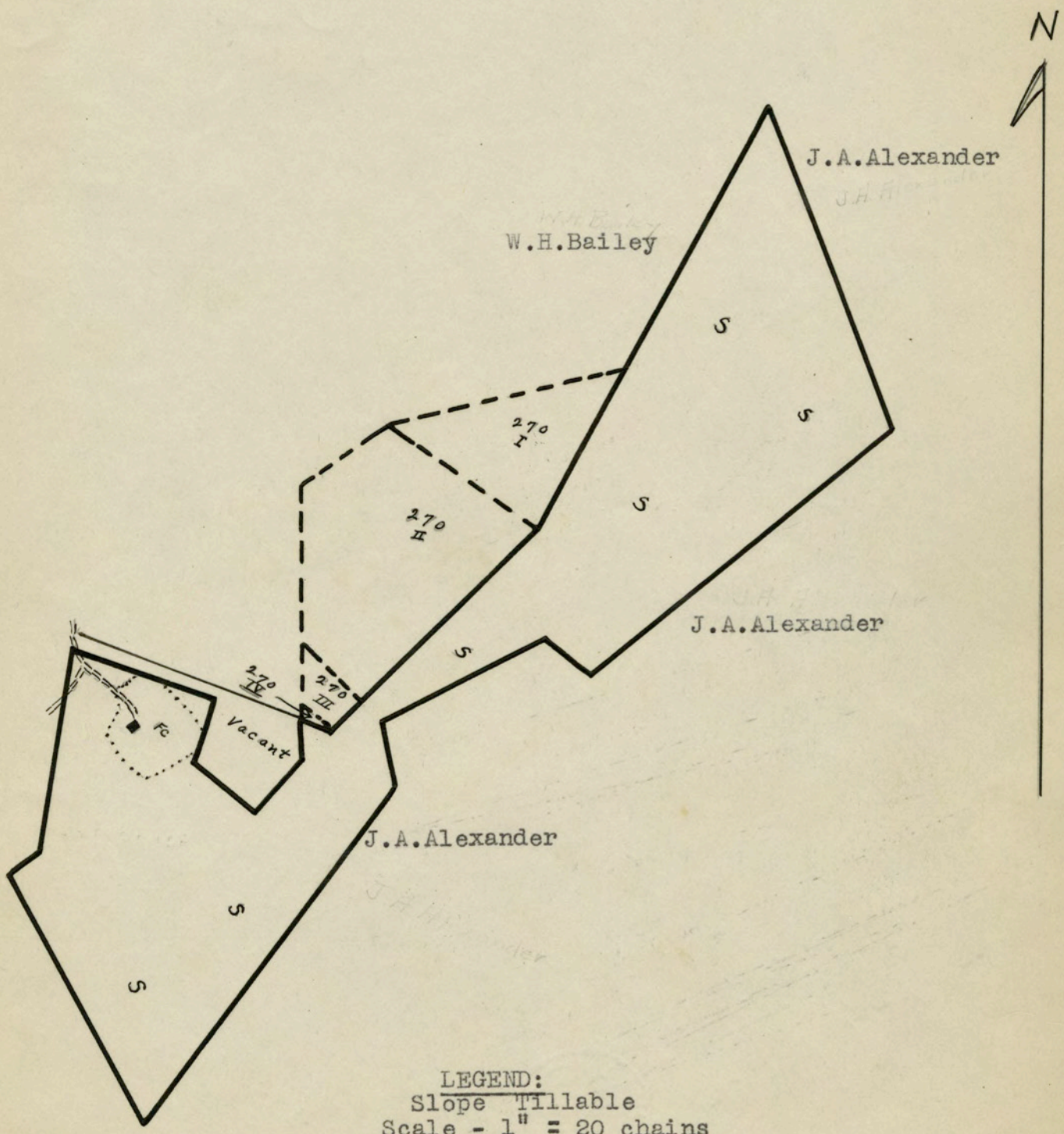
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#270- Finke, J.A.

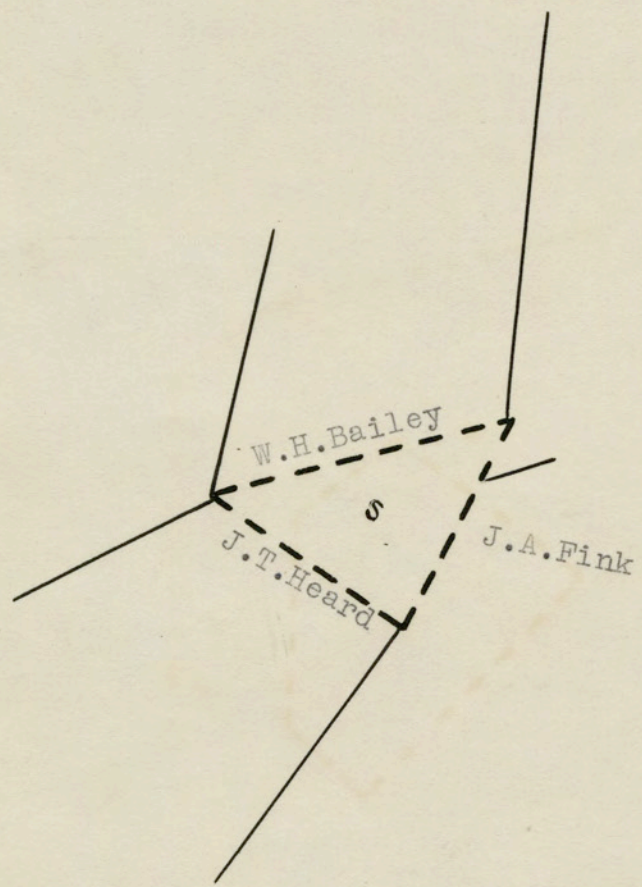
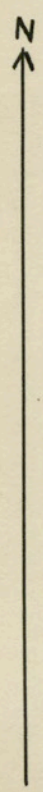
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LEGEND:  
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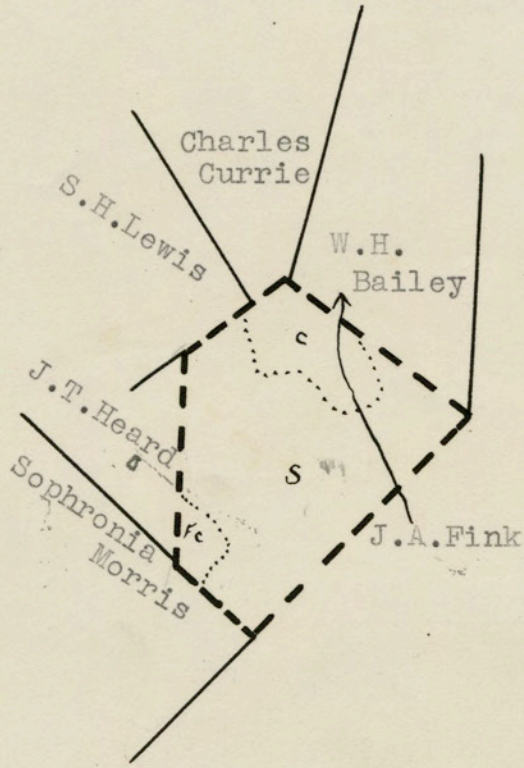
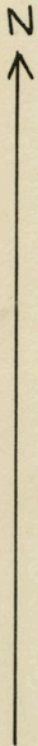
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LEGEND:  
Slope  
Scale - 1" = 20 chains

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#270-II - J.A.Fink Lap on J.T.Heard

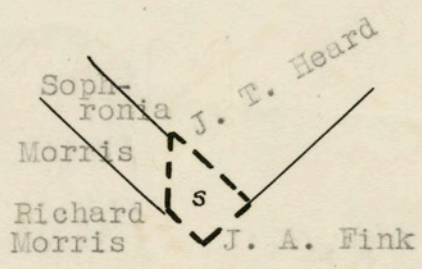
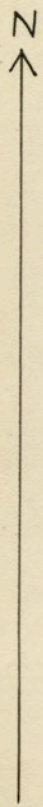


LEGEND:  
Slope      Cove  
Tillable  
Scale - 1" = 20 chains

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#270 III - J. A. Fink - Lap on Sophronia Morris.

County: Rockingham  
District: Stonewall



LEGEND  
 Slope  
 Scale - 1" = 20 chains

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County: Rockingham  
District: Stonewall

# 270-I J. A. Fink lap on W. H. Baily

Acreage Claimed: Assessed Deed

Value Claimed: " "

Location: Lewis Run. and Entirely within the Park area.

Laps: The calls and descriptions of the surveys of both J. A. Fink and W. H. Bailey cover this area.

Soil: Sandy clay loam. Slope type of a fair depth and fertility. Moderate slopes and fairly smooth.

Roads: 4 miles via dirt road. to Port Republic

History: The merchantable saw timber has been removed from this tract. A part of tract has been burned over repeatedly.

Improvements: None

Value of land by types:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Value per acre</u>	<u>Total value</u>
slope	29	\$3.00	\$87.00

Total value of land	<u>\$87.00</u>
Total value of tract	<u>87.00</u>
Average per acre	3.00

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County: Rockingham  
District: Stonewall

# 270II J. A. Fink lap on J. T. Herd

Acreage Claimed: Assessed Deed

Value Claimed: " "

Location: Lewis Run. Entirely within the Park area.

Laps: The calls and descriptions of the surveys of both J. A. Fink and J. T. Heard cover this area.

Soil: Sand and clay loam of a fair depth and fertility. Moderate slopes and fairly smooth.

Roads: 3 1/2 miles via dirt road to Port Republic.

History: This tract was cut over years ago. Light stand of merchantable saw timber consists of mixed, white and chestnut oaks with a small amount of yellow pine. About 55M bd.ft. saw timber @ \$3.50 per M bd.ft. \$202.50

Improvements: 18 apple trees. Good condition @ \$2.00 each \$36.00

Value of land by types: Type

Type	Acreage	Value per acre	Total value
Cove	11	\$ 5.00	\$ 55.00
slope	52	3.00	156. 00
tillable	3	25.00	75.00
	<u>66</u>		<u>286.00</u>

Total value of land \$ 286.00  
 Total value of improvements 36.00  
 Total value of timber 202.50  
 Total value of tract 524.50  
 Average value per acre 7.95

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County: Rockingham  
District: Stonewall

#270 III - J. A. Fink lap on Sophronia Morris

<u>Acreage Claimed:</u>	Assessed	Deed
<u>Value Claimed:</u>	"	"

Location: Neck Run. Entirely within the Park area.

Incumbrances, counter claims or laps: The calls and description of the surveys of both J. A. Fink and Sophronia Morris coverx this tract.

Soil: Sandy clay loam of a fair depth and fertility, moderate slopes and fairly smooth.

Roads: 3 miles via dirt road to Port Republic, the nearest shipping point.

History of tract and condition of timber: All saw timber has been removed from this tract, remaining stand consist of small oaks and some short leaf pine. About 2 cds. of fuel wood per acre. 10 cords wood @ 50¢ ----- \$5.00

Improvements: ---

Value of land by types:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Value per acre</u>	<u>Total Value</u>
Slope	5	\$3.00	\$15.00

Total value of land	\$15.00
Total value of improvements	
Total value of timber	5.00
Total value of tract	20.00
Average value per acre	4.00

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County: Rockingham  
District: Stonewall

#270 IV - J. A. Fink lap on Richard Morris

<u>Acreage Claimed:</u>	Assessed	Deed
<u>Value Claimed:</u>	"	"

Location: <sup>neck</sup> Neck Run. Entirely within the Park area.

Incumbrances, counter claims or laps: The calls and descriptions of the surveys of both J. A. Fink and Richard Morris cover this tract.

Soil: Sandy clay loam, slope type, of a fair depth and fertility. moderate slopes.

Roads: 3 miles via dirt road to Port Republic, the nearest shipping point.

History of tract and condition of timber: All saw timber removed about 2 cds. of fuel wood per acre. 1 cord wood @ 50¢ 50¢

Improvements: None.

Value of land by types:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Value per acre</u>	<u>Total Value</u>
Slope	$\frac{1}{2}$	\$3.00	\$1.50
Total value of land		\$1.50	
Total value of improvements			
Total value of timber		.50	
Total value of tract		2.00	
Average value per acre		4.00	



FURMAN B. WHITESCARVER  
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW  
COURT HOUSE BUILDING  
SALEM, VIRGINIA

December 7, 1931.

Clerk of Circuit Court,  
Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing herewith a claim of Beulah Finke Horn and others, heirs at law of J. A. Finke, deceased, in the matter of State Commission, etc. v. Atkin, et als, now pending in your court. This is marked claim number one, which I am filing in duplicate, and pertains to a tract of 400 acres of land in your county.

I am also inclosing herewith claim from Beulah F. Horn and others as heirs at law of J. A. Finke, deceased, marked claim number two, which pertains to a one-half undivided interest in a tract of 50 acres of land in your county.

I am also filing herewith claim of A. J. Burrows as to one-half interest in said tract of 50 acres.

If it is necessary and customary that an order be entered filing these claims, would you be kind enough to prepare this order, or else notify me so that I may prepare the same.

Very truly yours,

*Furman B. Whitescarver*

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*Claim 42*

Claim of Beulah F. Horn, Jessie Finke, Gilbert Finke, Stanley Finke,  
heirs at law of J. A. Finke, deceased,  
In the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, Virginia, No. \_\_\_\_\_, At Law.  
The State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia, Petitioner, vs. Atkins

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

My name is Beulah F. Horn, Jessie Finke, Gilbert Finke, Stanley Finke, heirs at law of J. A. Finke, Deceased  
My post office address is Salem, 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 fifty acres, on which there are the following buildings and improvements:

This land is located about 1 1/2 miles from Lynwood Virginia, in the Stonewall 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.)

one-half undivided fee simple title, the other one-half owned by A. J. Burrows

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 \_\_\_\_\_ in the following manner:

I claim that the total value of this tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$ 1,000.00. 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 \$ 500.00.

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 5<sup>th</sup> day of Dec, 1930.

STATE OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF Rockingham To-wit:

The undersigned hereby certifies that Beulah F. Horn, Jessie Finke, Gilbert Finke, Stanley Finke, heirs at law, 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 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1930.

James B. Whitescarver  
Clerk of the Court, or Special Investigator or Notary Public, or Justice of the Peace.  
Clerk in Chy for the Court of Rockingham County, Virginia

Filed in the Clerk's Office  
Rockingham County, Va.

DEC 8 1931

*Robert S. [unclear]*