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**NAME OF CLAIMANT**

Fincham, Jno. R.

**Number of Acres:** 240

**Location:** On east slopes of Pignut Mountain, near head of Gid Brown Hollow, and partially outside the Park area.

**Roads:** The tract is approximately three and one-half miles from the Lee Highway over a rough County road; thence it is 20 miles to Luray, the nearest shipping point.

**Soil:** The soil is a clay loam with some sand in places. It has fair depth and fertility where the land is being cultivated. The slopes are moderate with a reasonably smooth surface and east exposure.

**History of Tract and condition of timber:** The entire timbered portion of this tract has been cut over and approximately seventy acres is now or has been under cultivation. All the chestnut oak timber was cut about thirty years ago and the best trees of other species cut later. There are approximately 104 acres which are estimated to cut an average of 915 bd.ft. per acre, or a total of 95,000 bd.ft. in all. --The saw timber is of low grade; it is more or less scattered and will be expensive to skid.

**Improvements:** --One 7-room frame and log, all metal roof. 1 stable, metal roof, meat house, metal, hen house, board roof, corn house, all in good condition.

**Acreage and value of types:**

Types	Acreage	Value per acre	Total Value
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**Ridge:**

Slope:	170	@ \$3.00	\$510.00
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**Cove:**

Grazing Land:	64	@ 6.00	384.00
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**Fields Restocking:**

Cultivated Land:	6	@ 15.00	90.00
			\$984.00

**Orchard:**

**Minerals:**

Value of Land: \$ 984.00	850.00
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Value of Improvements: \$ 850.00

Value of Orchard: \$

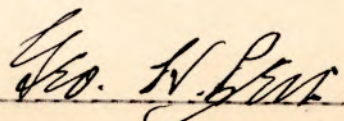
Value of Minerals: \$

Value of Timber: \$ 285.00	285.00
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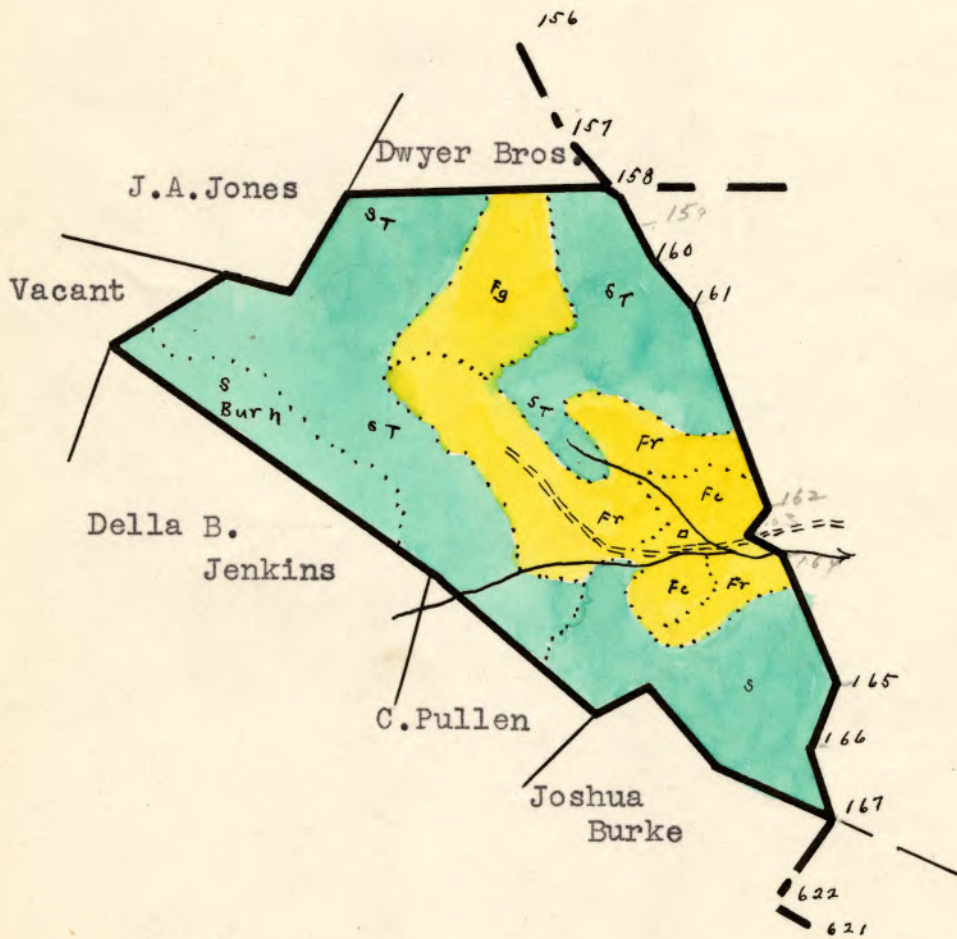
Value of Wood: \$	\$2119.00
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Value per acre for tract: \$ 8.83

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

  
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LEGEND:

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| Cove  | Orchard           |
| Slope | Grazing Land      |
| Ridge | Tillable Land     |
|       | Fields restocking |

Scale - 1" = 20 chains

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Acreage Claimed: Assessed: 236 A. Deed: ) No. A.  
 ) complete  
 ) data.  
Value Claimed: Assessed: \$1430.00 Deed: \$

Location: On east slopes of Pignut Mountain, near head of Gid. Brown Hollow, and partially outside the Park area.

Encumbrances, counter claims or laps. None so far as known.

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History of tract and condition of timber: The entire timbered portion of this tract has been cut over and approximately seventy acres is now or has been under cultivation. All the chestnut oak timber was cut about 30 years ago and the best trees of other species were cut later. There are approximately 104 acres which are estimated to cut an average of 915 Bd. ft. per acre, or a total of 95,000 Bd. ft. in all, valued at \$3.00--- \$285.00

The saw timber is of low grade; it is more or less scattered and will be expensive to skid.

Improvements: The improvements on the tract are as follows:  
 One dwelling, 7 rooms, 2 story 14x24 frame with log ell 14 x 18', ceiled with metal roof-- \$600.00  
 1 stable, 14' x 20' with metal roof-- 150.00  
 1 corn house, 12' x 14' 50.00  
 1 hen house, 12x12-- Board roof. 25.00  
 1 meat house, 10 x 12", metal roof----- 25.00  
 \$850.00

In addition to the above improvements, there are 30 old fruit tress, which are of no value as a commercial orchard.

<u>Acreage and value of land by types:</u>		<u>Value</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Types:</u>	<u>Acreage:</u>	<u>Per A.</u>	<u>Value</u>
Slope	170	\$3.00	\$510.00
Grazing Land	20	7.00	140.00
Fields restocking	44	4.00	176.00
Tillable land	6	12.00	72.00
	<u>240</u>		<u>898.00</u>

Value of land---- \$898.00  
 " " timber 285.00  
 " " improvements 850.00  
 " " tract--- \$2033.00

Average value per acre for tract: - \$8.47

Claim of John R. Guicham  
In the Circuit Court of Naples County, Virginia, No. 149, At Law.  
The State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia, Petitioner, vs. Clifton Dyke et al & 37,400  
acres

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

My name is John R. Guicham  
My Post Office Address is Washington, Va. U.S.

I claim a right, title, estate or interest in a tract or parcel of land within the area sought to be condemned, containing about 280.50 acres, on which there are the following buildings and improvements: 1 - 6 room part tin & shingle roof house - 1 - 6 room wood house - 1 - 6 room house - Other out buildings around a farm  
This land is located about 6 1/2 miles from Nashington Virginia, in the Hayton 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).

Park does not take all of this land

The land owners adjacent to the above described tract or parcel of land are as follows:  
North John R. Guicham  
South William Thurman  
East Frank Compton  
West Josh Burke

I acquired my right, title, estate or interest to this property about the year 1928 in the following manner: Bought from Bill Houghton Nathan Dyke, from Monroe Hart the Seasing Estate

I claim that the total value of this tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$                     . 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: if considering damages, great & pay land not taken - I also have a house with 4 rooms & tin roof. I have some of charact on this land. I will have to talk with you to assess the price. (Continue remarks if necessary on the back).

Witness my signature (or my name and mark attached hereto) this 28 day of July, 1930.

STATE OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF Naples, To-wit: John R. Guicham

The undersigned hereby certifies that John R. Guicham 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 28 day of July, 1930.

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

