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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

APR 13 1956

Mr. Harry E. Franks, Trustee
225 Washington Street
Boston 8, Massachusetts

Re: Docket No. DMEA-4089 (Uranium)
El Paso, Topsy Too, and Cherie Claims
San Juan County, Utah

Dear Mr. Franks:

Your application for aid in an exploration project and other information available to us in Washington concerning the above-named property 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 some low-grade uranium mineralization on your property, indicates to us that the probability of disclosing significant ore reserves is not sufficiently promising to justify Government participation in an exploration program. We regret to advise you that, under these circumstances, 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. O. Mittendorf

Administrator

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Mr. Ching
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Operating Committee
DMEA Field Team, Region III (2)
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SUMMARY OF PROPOSED PROJECT

Object: Denial of application for an exploration project.

Docket No.: DMEA-4089

Commodity: Uranium

Applicant: Harry E. Franks, Trustee
225 Washington Street
Boston 8, Massachusetts

Property: Three mining claims, El Paso, Topsy Too and Cherie (Fraction) No. 2, located in secs. 3 and 10, T. 30 S., R. 24 E., S.L.M., San Juan County, Utah. Applicant is the purchaser under contract.

Date of Application: December 6, 1955. Revised December 23, 1955

Amount of Application: Original estimate $318,660.00
Revised estimate $274,500.00

Work Proposed: (As Revised)

25,000 feet of plug drilling at $1.25 per foot and 75,000 feet of core drilling at $2.75 per foot. Applicant proposes to drill out the entire property on 5-foot centers.

Estimated Costs:

Drilling	$237,500.00	
Equipment	$ 8,000.00	
Buildings	$ 6,000.00	
Labor, Supervision & Consultants	$13,000.00	
Contingencies	$10,000.00	
Total		$274,500.00
Government Participation @ 75%		$205,875.00

Field Team Report: March 27, 1956
J. William Hasler, USGS & M. H. Salsbury, USBM

Information supplied by the Applicant is unsatisfactory for appraisal purposes.

The Field Team's recommendations are based upon the findings of the AEC area geologist in the Big Indian district. These findings contained in a memorandum dated March 20, 1956, by M. A. Lekas, are as follows:

1. El Paso Claim. Knows of at least 18 holes that have been drilled on this claim. Has information on 11 of the holes. They are barren to sub ore. The claim lies in an area of low-grade mineralization and has been adequately tested.

2. Topsy Too. This claim is located downdip from the favorable trend. Holes drilled on adjacent claims have pretty well condemned this claim.

3. Cherie Fractions 1 and 2. Located downdip from the favorable trend in a zone of barren holes. Five holes are known to have been drilled on the claim. Three are barren and one is sub ore.

The foregoing claims are not considered worthy of any additional drilling.

The Field Team concurs with the conclusions and recommendations of the AEC and, therefore, recommends that the subject application be denied without a field examination.

Commodity Group Comments:

USGS - W. P. Williams - April 4, 1956:

On the basis of information already possessed by the Government concerning the property, it seems that examination of the surface of the claims would add little, if anything, to the overall appraisal. Recommends that the application be denied because a new ore discovery is not likely to be made.

USBM - James Paone - April 10, 1956:

Discussed the Field Team memorandum with the AEC representative. Reaffirms recommendation of December 9, 1955, denying Federal assistance for the Applicant.

Rare & Miscellaneous Metals Division - Michael Ching - April 11, 1956:

The original application was incomplete and unsatisfactory. It was revised on December 23, 1955, but remained unsatisfactory. A series of letters to the Applicant failed to bring forth the basic preliminary information required in an application. The Field Team was then requested to contact the AEC regarding the results of drilling reported to have been done on the property. The AEC memorandum of March 20, 1956, contains sufficient information of an unfavorable nature to justify denial of the subject application without a field examination.

Conclusions and Recommendations:

The available information indicates that the chances of finding significant ore deposits on this property are poor. It is recommended that the application be denied without a field examination.

Ernest Wm. Ellis

Ernest Wm. Ellis, Chief
Rare and Miscellaneous Metals Division

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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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Memorandum

To: Ernest William Ellis, DMEA Member
Uranium Commodity Committee

From: James Paone, Bureau of Mines Alternate Member
Uranium Commodity Committee

Subject: Docket 4089 (Uranium) Harry E. Franks, El Paso, Topsy Too, and Cherie claims, San Juan County, Utah

I have reviewed the DMEA field team memorandum on Docket 4089, El Paso, Topsy Too, and Cherie claims, San Juan County, Utah, dated March 27 and received in this office April 3. I have also discussed it with Joseph O. Hosted, Washington representative of the Atomic Energy Commission.

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April 4, 1956

Memorandum

To: E. W. Ellis, Defense Minerals Exploration Administration

From: W. P. Williams, U. S. Geological Survey

Subject: Review of Field Team recommendation, DMEA 4089, Harry E. Franks, El Paso, Topsy Too, and Cherie claims, San Juan County, Utah.

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Denver 2, Colorado

Memorandum

To: Chairman, Operating Committee, DMEA

From: Field Team, Region III

Subject: DMEA Docket 4089 (Uranium), Harry E. Franks, El Paso, Topsy Too, and Cherie claims, San Juan County, Utah

Enclosed are the original and three copies of a memorandum from the Grand Junction office, DMEA, which is in reply to your letter of February 29, 1956.

Information obtained from the AEC indicates that further drilling on this property is not warranted. We concur in the recommendation that this application be denied without a field examination.

DMEA Field Team, Region III

By W. M. Traver
Executive Officer

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P. O. Box 360
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March 27, 1956

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To: Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region III

From: J. William Hasler
M. H. Salsbury
Through: E. N. Harshman EMH

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Grand Junction, Colorado

March 20, 1956

Memorandum

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District Geologist, Dist. 1

From: M. A. Lekas
Area Geologist, NW Area

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22h New Customhouse Building
Denver 2, Colorado

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Harry E. Franks
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San Juan County, Utah

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Pursuant to the request contained in your memorandum of February 17, 1956, we are enclosing the following documents:

1. Two copies of Applicant's letter, dated December 23, 1955, with attached letter from Applicant to the AEC and revised estimate of costs, both dated December 23, 1955.

2. Two copies of Applicant's letter, dated February 4, 1956.

3. Two copies of Applicant's letter, dated February 6, 1956, with attached letter, dated January 31, 1956, from the AEC to Applicant.

4. A single copy of an Option Agreement, dated September 10, 1955, between Carlton C. Johnston and Applicant.

You will note that we have had some difficulty in securing the basic information that is usually required with each application. Pending further word from Applicant in answer to our letter of February 9, it is suggested that you contact the AEC at Grand Junction regarding the results of drilling to date on the subject property. If such results justify further processing of this application despite Applicant's inability to supply some of the information requested, please so advise.

Sincerely yours,

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George C. Selfridge
Chairman, Operating Committee (24B)

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To: Secretary to the Operating Committee, DMEA

Attention: Ernest Wm. Ellis, Chief, Rare and Miscellaneous Metals Division

From: Field Team, Region III

Subject: Docket DMEA 4089 (Uranium), Harry E. Franks, El Paso, Topsy Too, and Cherie claims, San Juan County, Utah

Copies of your letters to the subject applicant dated January 3 and February 9, 1956 have been forwarded this office. May we please have copies of the applicant's letters to you dated December 23, 1955, February 4 and 6, 1956 to complete our files on this docket.

DMEA Field Team, Region III

W. M. Traver

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Boston 8, Massachusetts

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San Juan County, Utah

Dear Mr. Franks:

Reference is made to your letters of February 4 and 6, 1956, regarding the subject application.

We note that you were unable to secure any information from the AEC concerning the previous drilling that you indicate was done upon your property. We were under the impression that the work was done while the property was under your control, thus making the information available to you. Since that is not the case, this information will not be required of you.

We regret that you find our requirements in connection with an application for aid in an exploration project too stringent and, consequently, discouraging to you. In order that you may understand the bases for these requirements, we are enclosing a copy of DMEA Order-1 Amended, under which we operate, and a booklet of questions and answers. A careful study of these documents and of the application form should leave no doubt in your mind concerning the necessity of supplying adequate information with your application.

We are sure that you will appreciate the fact that a program estimated to cost the Government $205,500.00 is deserving of a thorough preliminary investigation before steps are taken to make a final appraisal of its merits.

If, after studying the enclosed literature, you are no longer interested in the processing of the application, please advise us so that the docket may be closed. On the other hand, if you believe that you can supply, in substantial form, the information outlined in the application, and requested in our previous letters, we shall be pleased to keep your application open. Kindly indicate, however, your desire in the matter, and the time that you will require.

Sincerely yours,

Ernest Wm. Ellis, Chief
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February 6th, 1956

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U. S. Dept. of the Interior,
DMEA
Washington, 25, D. C.

re;- Docket No. DMEA-4089 (Uranium)
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Dear Sir;-

Please find enclosed copy of letter rec'd this day from the AEC in Denver Colorado.

This should be helpful in clarifying part of the questions that you inquired about in your correspondence.

yours very truly,

Harry E. Franks.

Harry E. Franks.

Please note particularly the next to last paragraph.

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United States Atomic Energy Commission

Grand Junction Operations Office

Grand Junction, Colorado.

In reply refer to; ED:TMP

January 31,1956

Mr. Harry E. Franks,
225 Washington St.,
Boston, 8, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Franks,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 14,1956 in refernce to fri

drill logs on the claims El Paso, Topsy Too,and Cherie Fraction No. 2, San Juan County, Utah

In our letter of January 4, 1956, we pointed out that this drilling had not been done by the Atomic Energy Commission. It is our practise, when logging private hol holes, to give a courtesy copy of the logs to the owner or lessee authorizing the logging. Thereafter, those copies should be available to interested parties at the discretion of the property owner. Persons having proper authorization may inspect the logs at our office here or in the field, depending upon their whereabout at the moment, but we are not authorized to distribute additional copies.

All our data is available to DMEA, if needed in consideration of an application for a loan and the logs could be secured by that agency through established channels.

We trust that this information will help to clarify the matter for you.

very truly yours

signed S.C.Happ by JBM

Stafford C. Happ,
Chief, Geologic Reports, & Information sect
Geologic Branch, Exploration Division.

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Ernest Wm. Ellis, Chief,

Rare & Misc. Metals Div.,
U. S. Dept. of interior
Defense Minerals Exploration Adm.,
Washington, 25, D. C.

Re;- Docket # DMEA-4089 Uranium
El Paso, Topsy Too, and Cherie
Claims.
San Juan County, Utah

Dear Sir;-

In answer to your letter of Feb. 2nd.

I have gone ahead as far as what I can with the AEC in Grand Junction, Colorado. The Chief there advised me that they have nothing on record of any drilling having been done there on these three climams, yet, we do have the drill log charts with indications on these drill log charts that the AEC had something to do with them. It might be possible that the holes were drilled privately and not by the AEC, but that the AEC did probe the holes and that is what I have.

Inasmuch as the time involved before I would be able to arrange this financial assistance from you would take such a very long time,-- plus the fact that you want me to engage engineers and additional geoligists at this time to give you additional data, that is not necessary should I go ahead and go forward without you.

It is true that the government is offering assistance,-- but I find that the tremendous costs attached to obtaining such financial assistance and then PLUS the percentage required for this assistance is surely discouraging to an ordinary fellow like myself who would be willing to go ahead and is anxious to go ahead. BUT, your assistance requirements are most discouraging.

I don't believe that this is the thinking behind the act,-- and I certainly mean to discuss this with our Congressman .

Here , I have a perfect case that warrants financial assistance more than any other case that I could possibly think of, -- and the requirements from you for such assistnace are so expensive that I am surely discouraged and disgusted to go ahead on them. Surely one would hardly think that I would be willing to risk as much as I am risking, if I didn't think it worth while.

yours very truly,

Harry E. Franks.

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DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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225 Washington Street
Boston 8, Massachusetts

Re: Docket No. DMEA-4089 (Uranium)
El Paso, Topsy Too and Cherie Claims
San Juan County, Utah

Dear Mr. Franks:

Reference is made to our letter dated January 3, 1956, relating to the captioned docket.

Action on your application is pending receipt of the information requested in the above-mentioned letter. If you require more time or are no longer interested in the processing of this application, please advise us.

Sincerely yours,

SIGNED
Ernest Wm. Ellis, Chief
Rare and Miscellaneous
Metals Division

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Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of December 23, 1955, and enclosures in connection with the subject application.

Pending receipt of the information on the previous drilling on your property, we wish to point out some remaining deficiencies in your application and prepare you for certain requirements in the event an exploration project can be approved for your property.

1. To enable us to get a clearer picture of your property rights and any liens on the land, it is requested that you submit two copies each of the abstract of title provided for in the Option Agreement of September 10, 1955, and of the three mining deeds mentioned in the application. Also, kindly advise whether or not the titles have been accepted by you and the terms of the Option Agreement complied with to date.

We note that your application shows only a 12½ percent royalty lien against the property by Charles Steen, whereas the Option Agreement indicates that a similar lien may be held by Rose Shumaker. In any event, you should be prepared to furnish a Subordination Agreement (6 copies) such as the enclosed sample form, executed by all holders of royalty claims against the property, if and when your application reaches the contract stage. In addition, a Consent to Lien such as the enclosed sample form would be required of Carlton C. Johnston.

2. Your answer to item 3 of our letter of December 21 is not entirely satisfactory. Your plan of drilling out the entire property on five-foot centers does not appear to be justified by geological considerations, nor is it in accordance with accepted exploration procedure on the Colorado Plateau.

It is suggested that you engage someone who is competent in such matters to make an examination of the property; map the geological features; estimate the necessary drilling depths; and lay out a practicable drilling program. Your latest estimate of costs would necessarily be revised to conform to such a program. In this connection, bids by three independent drillers should be obtained to support your drilling cost estimates.

Sincerely yours,

Ernest Wm. Ellis, Chief
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Metals Division

Enclosures

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Dept. of Interior,
D M E A,
Washington, 25, D. C.

Re:- Docket No. D M E A - 4089
Uranium
El Paso, Topsy Too, and Cherie
Claims, San Juan, County, Utah

Dear Sir;-

In answer to your letter of the Dec. 21st. I am writing this morning direct to the AEC at Grand Junction, Colorado for the detailed information you require on the drillings, maps, and the interpretations thereof. -- copy of my letter enclosed. I'm asking that this be sent to you direct with a copy to me.

I am also enclosing revised estimates of the costs per your suggestions. Enclosed two photostatic copies of the purchase agreements.

Re your question #3, we intend under this drilling program to drill out the entire property on five foot centers,-- and for this reason, any diagrams or maps pertaining to such a prgram would be superfluous.

I'll very much appreciate a prompt reply on the above,-- and if necessary I could have my Washington Counsel call on you to ehlp expedite and process the above.-- or if necessary, I could shoot down to see you myself.

Thank you very kindly, and a very Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year to you.

Harry E. Franks.

Harry E. Franks

Enclosed 2 Copies Purchase Agreement.--also!

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December 23rd, 1955

Atomic Energy Commission,
Grand Junction, Colorado.

Gentlemen;-

I have made application with the U. S. Dept. of Interior in Washington, Defense Minerals Exploration Administration, for Financial help in the exploration of the three claims which I am acquiring and which your department has done some extensive drilling. I have been asked by the DMEA to obtain from you the complete results of your drilling on this property, including a map showing the position of each hole, geological and radiometric logs of each hole, and the AEC interpretation of the radiometric logs.

If you will be so kind as to direct same to

Ernest Wm. Ellis, Chief
Rare & Misc Metals Div.,
U. S. Dept. of the Interior,
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If you will be so kind as to direct copies of the above information to me here as well as to Washington.

Thank you very kindly.

Harry E. Franks.

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Docket No. DMEA - 4089

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OPTION AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into in duplicate this 10th day of September, 1955, by and between Carlton C. Johnston, Trustee, hereinafter referred to as "Johnston", and Harry E. Franks, Trustee, hereinafter referred to as "Franks",

WITNESSETH:

1. In consideration of the payment by Franks to Johnston of the sum of $10.00, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, Johnston hereby sells to Franks the option to purchase the following named unpatented mining claims and property in Big Indian Mining District, San Juan County, State of Utah, to-wit:

Name of Claim	Book Recorded	Page
El Paso	13	182
Topsy Too	17	184

That portion of the Cherie No. 2, as described in Mining Deed dated March 23, 1954, from Rose Shumaker to said Johnston, recorded March 25, 1954, in Book 71, page 458-459.

References are to Records in San Juan County, Utah, and reference to such records is hereby made for the complete descriptions of the El Paso and Topsy Too claims.

2. This Option is granted subject to the performance by the respective parties hereto of the terms, conditions and covenants hereinafter stated, to-wit:

(a) Johnston has submitted to Franks an incomplete abstract of title to said mining claims; within 10 days from the date hereof Johnston will procure and submit to Franks a complete abstract of title, certified at a date subsequent to the date of this agreement, by a licensed abstracter, showing good possessory title in Johnston, subject however, to retained royalty interests of 12-1/2% of the gross value of ores mined and marketed to be paid to grantors named in deeds of record in Book 17, page 303-4, Book 25, page 299, and Book 71, page 456-9, records of San Juan County, and to the paramount title of the United States of America, in and to the above described mining property; notwithstanding any other provisions in this agreement, Johnston agrees to obtain and submit this abstract.

(b) Franks shall have ten days after receipt of said completed abstract in which to accept or reject the titles.

(c) Within fifteen days after the date hereof Johnston will execute and deliver into escrow, as hereinafter provided, a good and sufficient deed to transfer said property to said Franks, with instructions to the Escrowee to deliver same to said Franks if, as and when said Franks shall have fully complied with and executed all of the terms and conditions herein stated on his part to be kept and performed.

(d) Concurrently with the deposit of said Deed from Johnston to Franks provided for in the preceding paragraph, Franks will deposit with the escrowee, his check for $5,000.00 payable to Johnston, or order, with instructions to the escrowee to deliver same to Johnston upon acceptance of titles by Franks; to enable Johnston to obtain delivery of said check Franks will notify Johnston and the escrowee of his acceptance of title.

(e) As additional consideration for the purchase of said property Franks agrees to form a corporation to take over and operate said mining properties, with shares of stock of the par value of $1.00 per share, all of the capital of said corporation to be paid up and non-assessable, and upon the formation of said corporation will issue, or cause to have issued, and delivered to Johnston, or his nominees 32,500 shares of said stock; within six months from the date hereof Franks shall pay to Johnston the additional sum of $14,000.00, and Franks shall then have the option, within said six months period, to redeem one half (1/2) of said stock by paying to Johnston the par value $1.00 thereof, or at Franks' option to redeem all of it at $1.50 per share.

3. Forthwith upon execution hereof, this agreement shall be deposited in escrow with Continental Bank & Trust Company of Salt Lake City, Utah, with instructions in conformity with this agreement.

4. Neither party hereto has any intention of waiving any prior rights in and to the subject matter of this agreement by any agreements heretofore entered in relation to such subject matter, either between them or other parties to which rights either of the parties hereto have succeeded, provided only, that upon full execution of this agreement such prior agreements shall be considered as cancelled.

5. Time is of the essence hereof, and this agreement in all things shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the successors, assigns and personal representatives of the respective parties.

WITNESS the due execution hereof this 10th day of September, 1955.

Carlton C. Johnston

Carlton C. Johnston, Trustee

Harry E. Franks

Harry E. Franks, Trustee

STATE OF UTAH)
) ss
County of Salt Lake)

On the 10th day of September, 1955 personally appeared before me Carlton C. Johnston, Trustee, and Harry E. Franks, Trustee, the signers of the foregoing instrument, and each ack owledged to me that he executed the same.

H Van Dam

Notary Public
Salt Lake City, Utah

My Commission expires Sept. 7, 1956.

H. VAN DAM
NOTARY PUBLIC
Salt Lake City, Utah
My Commission Expires Sept. 7, 1956

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Mr. Harry E. Franks
225 Washington Street
Boston 8, Massachusetts

Re: Docket No. DMEA-4089 (Uranium)
El Paso, Topsy Too, and Cherie Claims
San Juan County, Utah

Dear Mr. Franks:

We have reviewed your application for an exploration project and find it too incomplete for further processing at this time. In order that we may properly appraise the merits of your proposition, the following additional information is required:

1. Two copies of the contract under which you purchased the subject claims.

2. Complete results of the AEC drilling on your property, including a map showing the position of each hole, geological and radiometric logs of each hole, and the AEC interpretation of the radiometric logs.

3. As directed under 5(b) of the application form, describe fully the proposed work, including a map of the property showing the location, spacing, and pattern of the proposed drilling.

4. Revise your estimate of costs to a more realistic figure. In this connection, the costs should cover only the program of work outlined in response to item 3 above. Provisions should be made for exploration work only; no facilities should be included for development or mining of ore bodies.

It is important that you supply the above requirements in every detail. If you are unable to do so with respect to any particular item, please submit an explanation. Upon receipt of the required information we shall continue the processing of your application.

Sincerely yours,

Ernest Wm. Ellis, Chief
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To: E. W. Ellis, Defense Minerals Exploration Administration

From: W. P. Williams, U. S. Geological Survey

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Memorandum

To: Ernest William Ellis, DMEA Member
Uranium Commodity Committee, Room 4445

From: John E. Crawford, Bureau of Mines Member
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Re: Exploration Assistance
El Paso, Topsy Too, Cherie

Mr. Harry E. Franks
225 Washington Street
Boston 8, Massachusetts

My dear Mr. Franks:

The receipt of your application dated December 6, 1955, for exploration assistance under the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, is hereby acknowledged.

Your application has been assigned Docket Number DMEA-4089 and referred to the Rare & Misc. Metals Division.

Kindly identify all future correspondence relating to your application by this docket number.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Adams, Chief
Operations Control and
Statistics Division

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(Revised April 1952)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION

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Form Approved.
Budget Bureau No. 42-R1035.2.

APPLICATION FOR AID IN AN EXPLORATION PROJECT, PURSUANT TO DMEA ORDER 1, UNDER THE DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT OF 1950, AS AMENDED

Not to be filled in by applicant

Docket No. DMEA-4089
Metal or Mineral Uranium
Date Received 12-8-55
Estimated Cost $318,660.00
Participation (Government %)

INSTRUCTIONS

1. *Name of applicant.*—(*a*) State here your full legal name, in the form in which you will wish to contract, and your mailing address:

Harry E. Franks, Trustee,
225 Washington Street,
Boston, 8, Mass.

Trustee for
Harry E. Franks (same Address)
& J. B. Cunningham,
Salt Lake City, Utah

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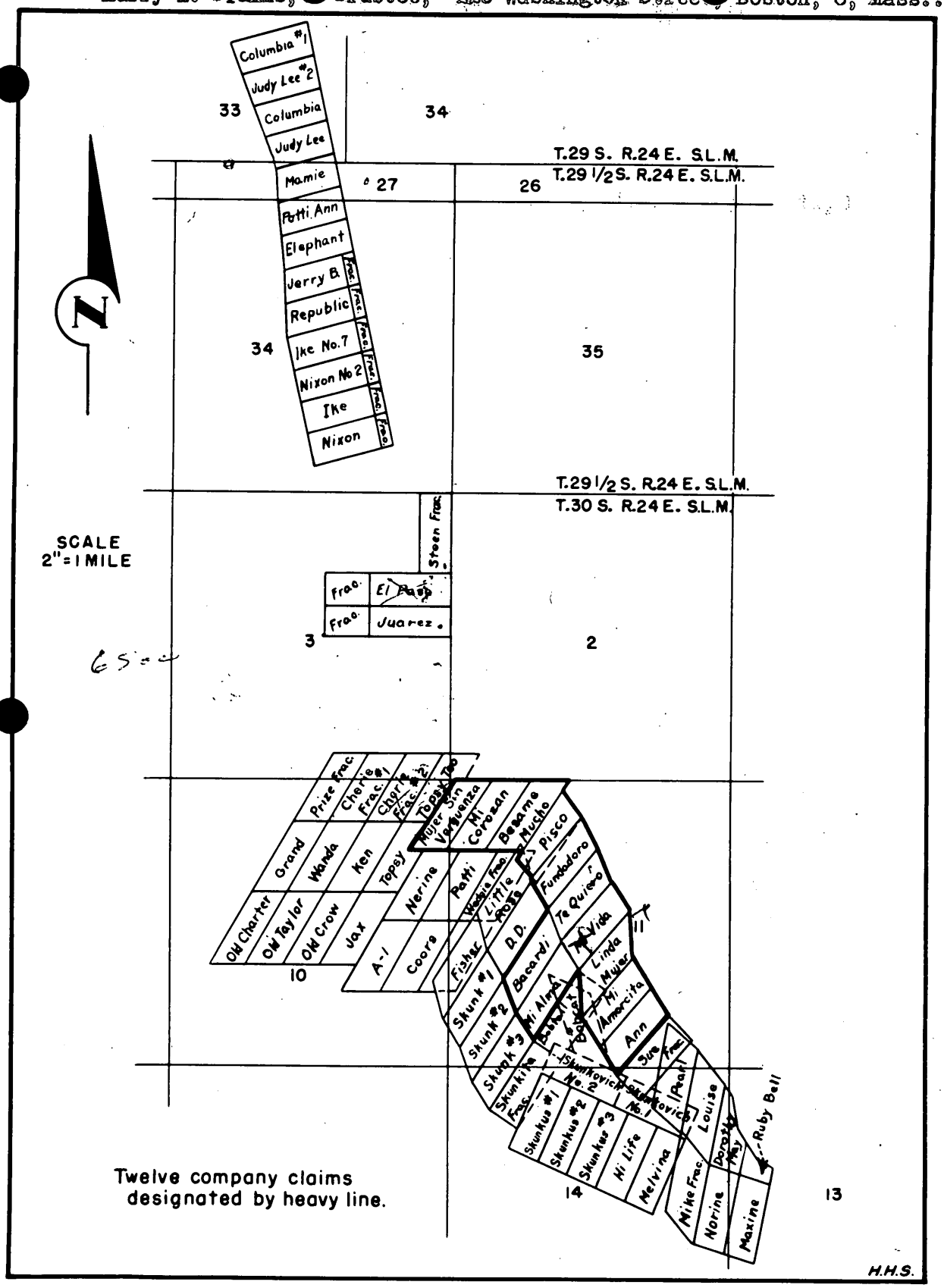

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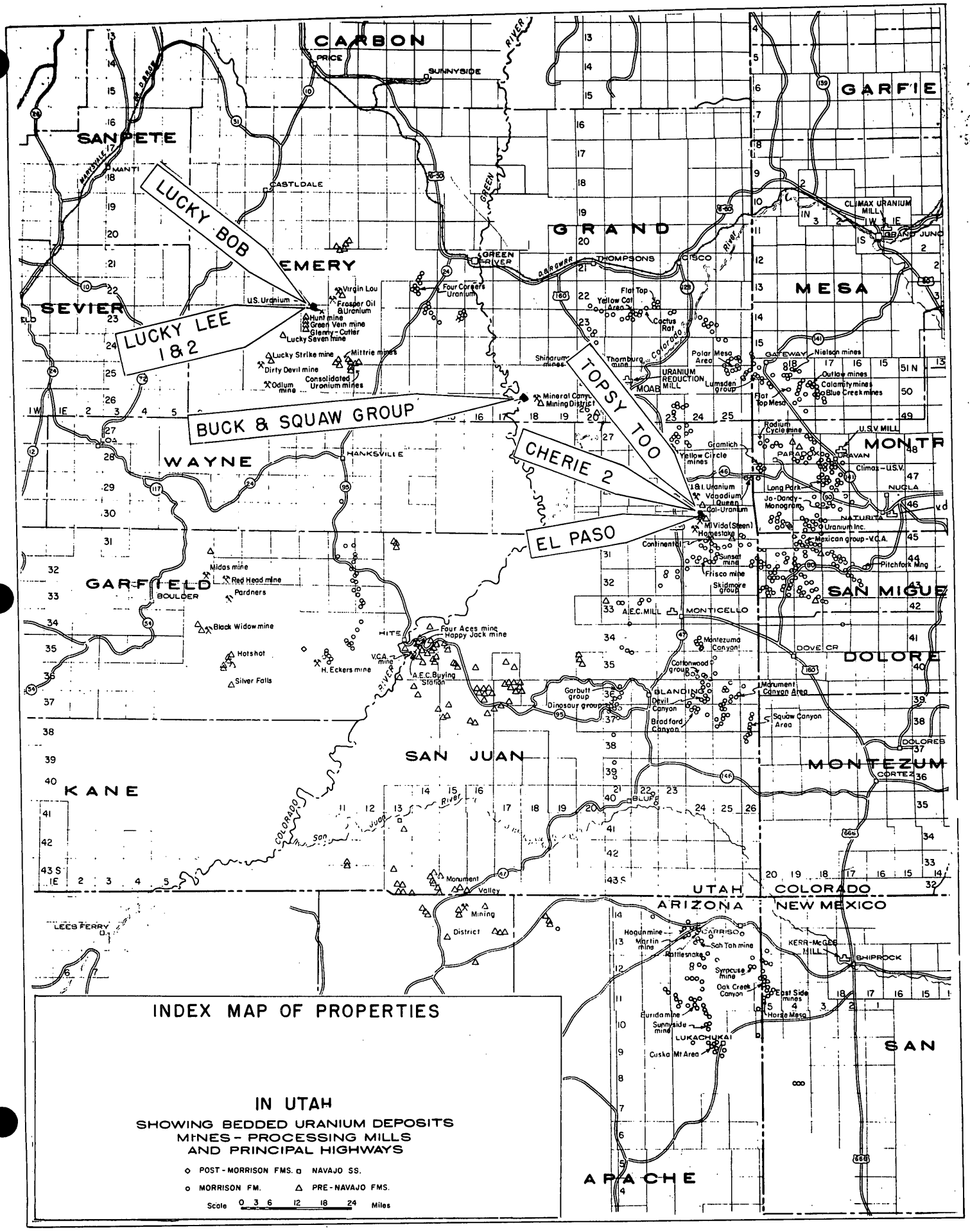

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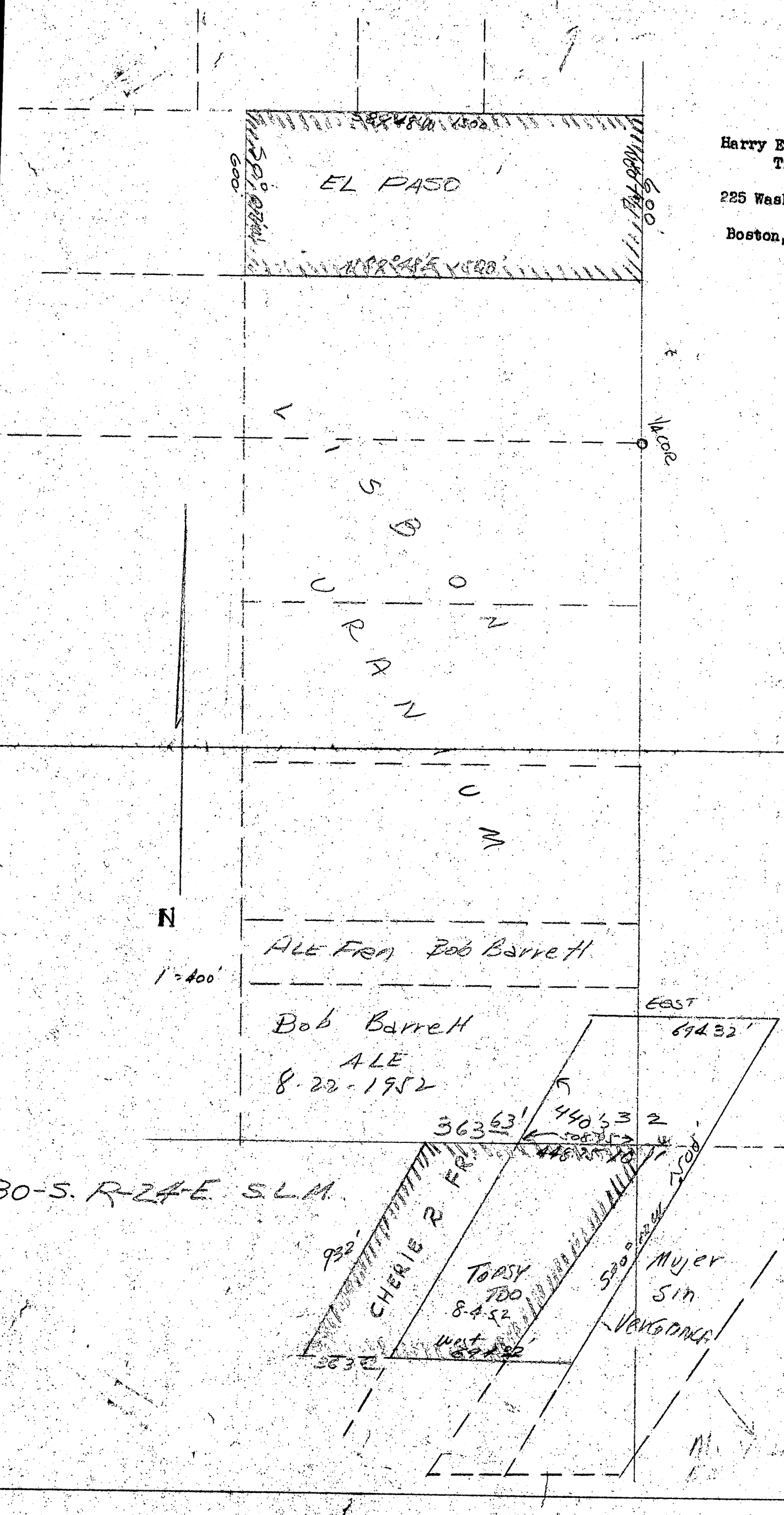

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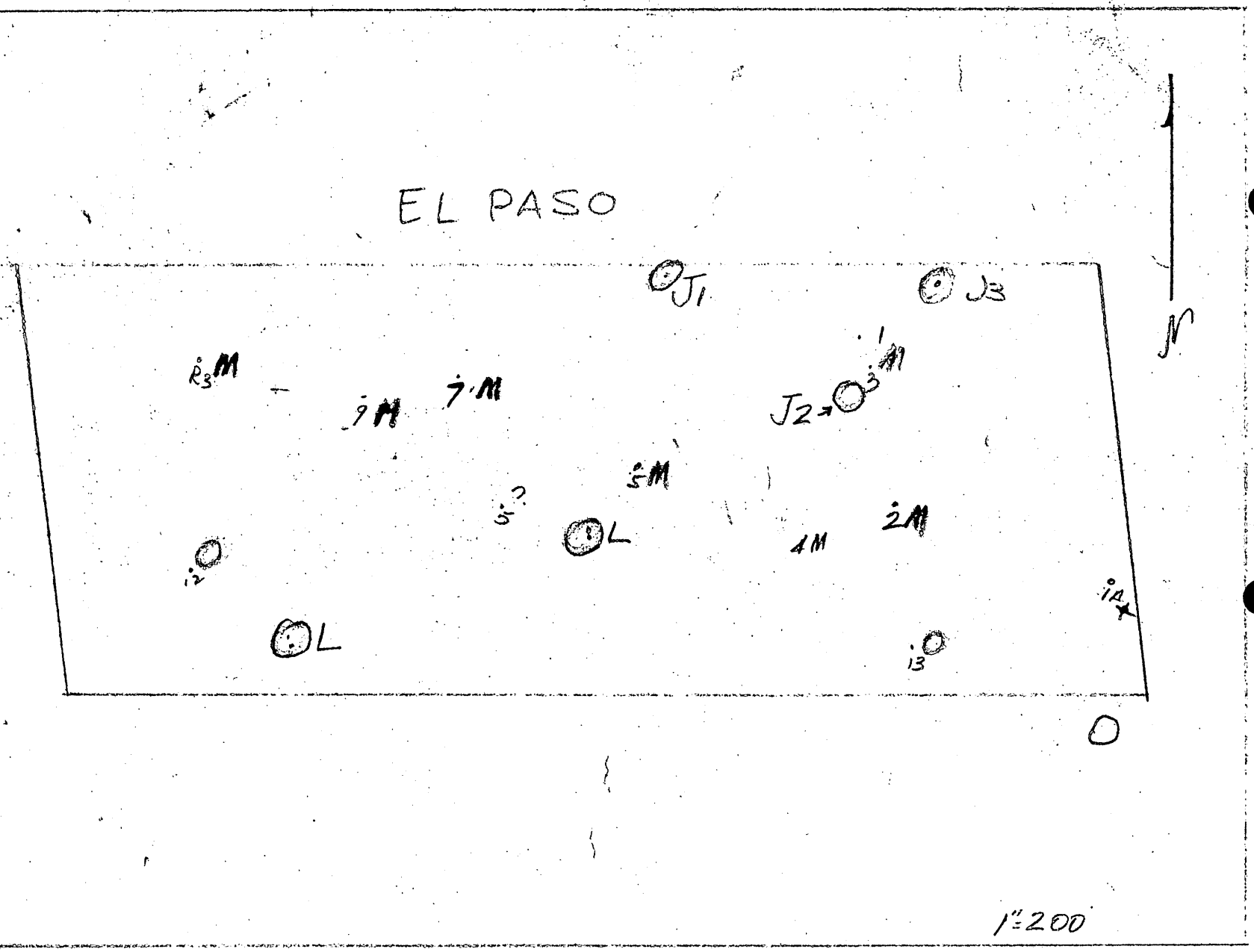

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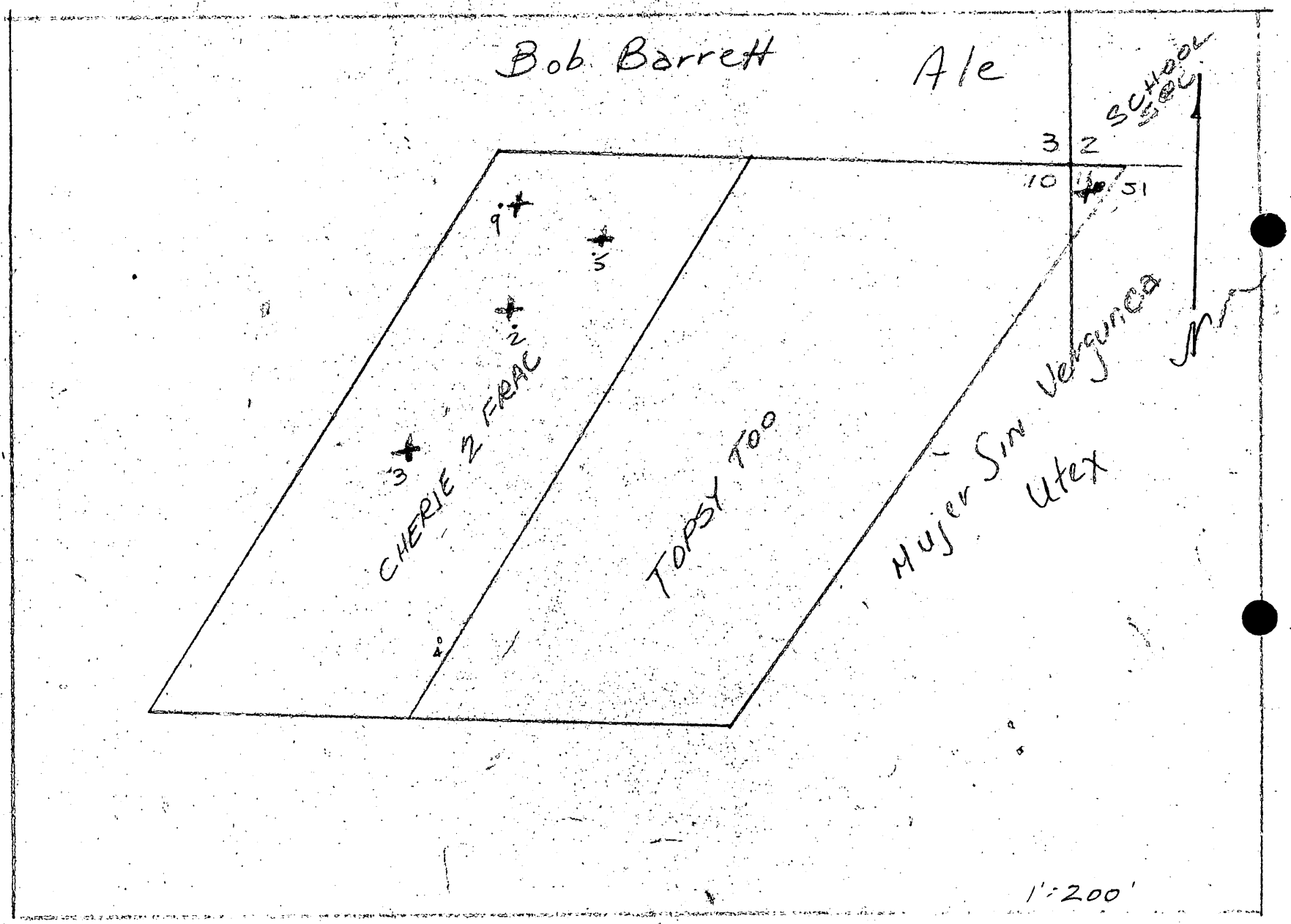

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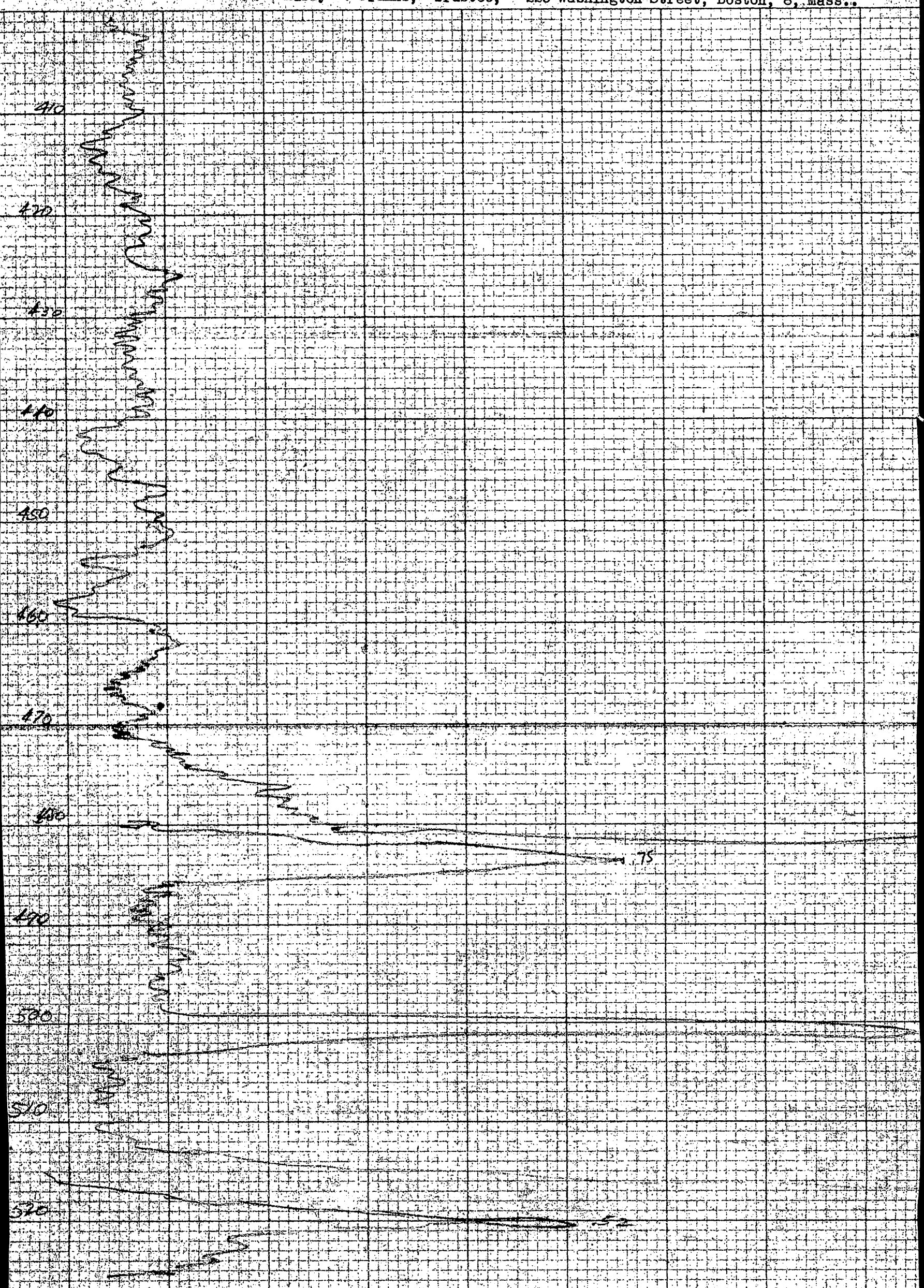

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Docket No. DMEA-4089
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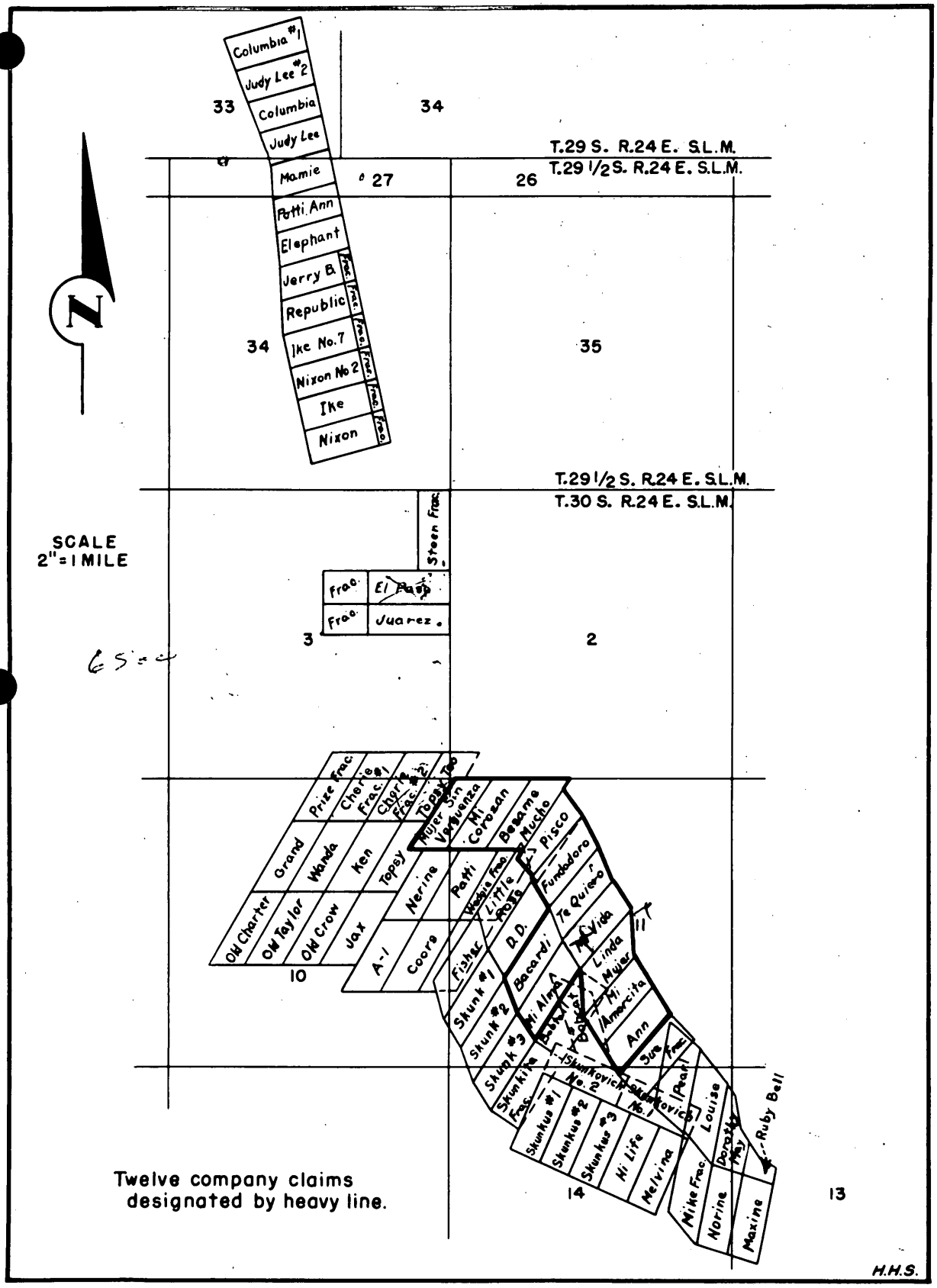

Twelve company claims designated by heavy line.

Figure 3. - Claim map showing Utex Exploration Company property, Big Indian mining district, San Juan County, Utah.

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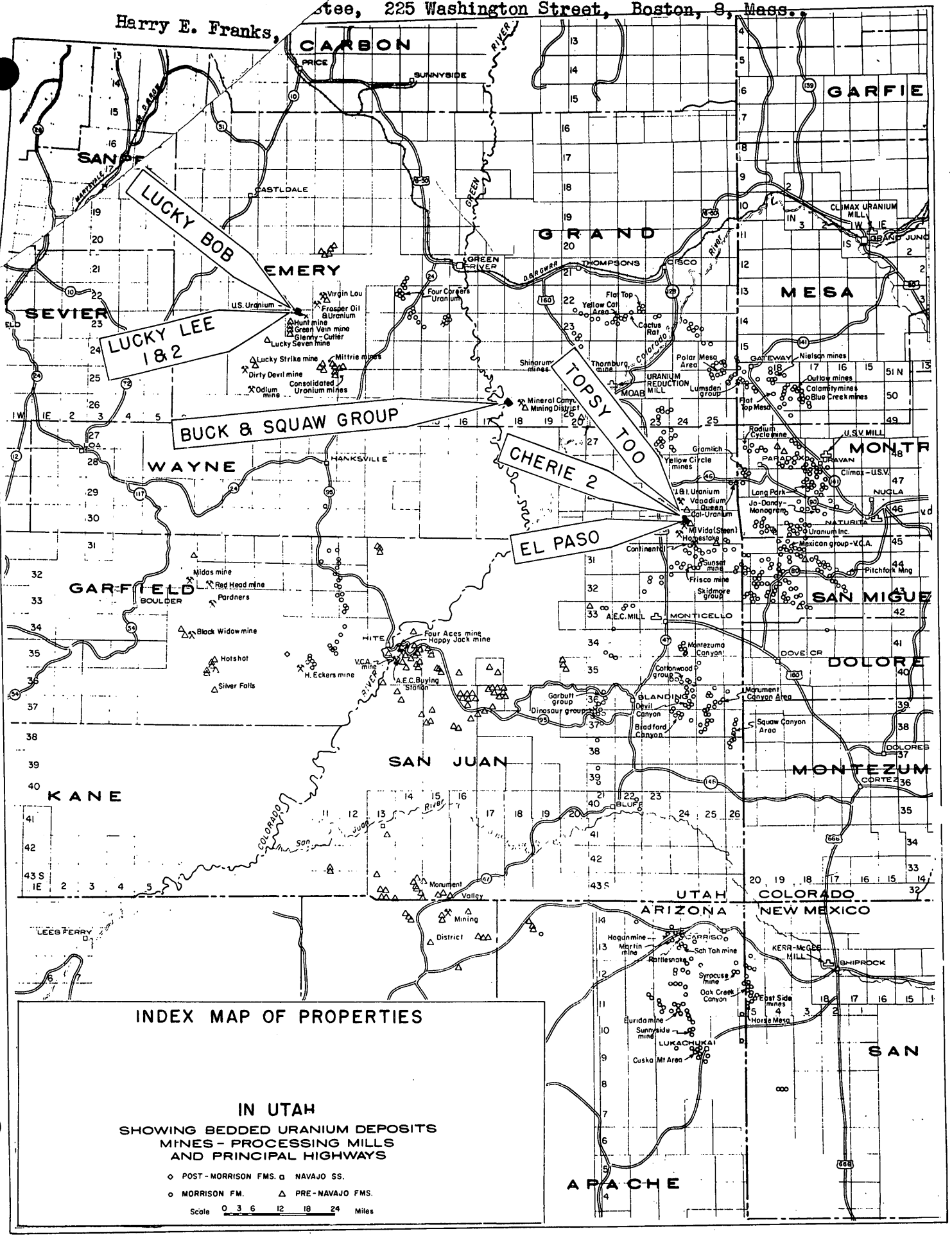

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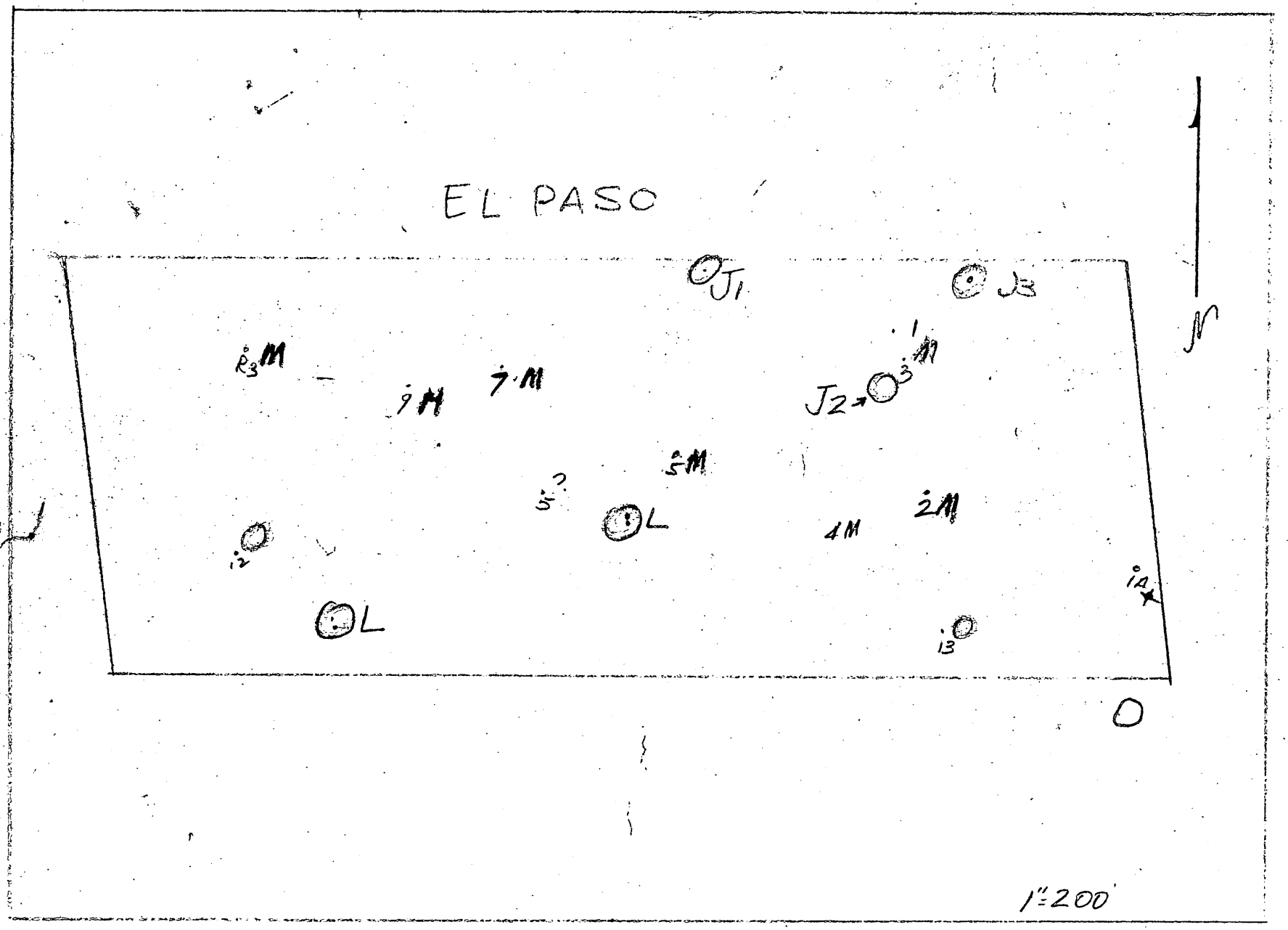

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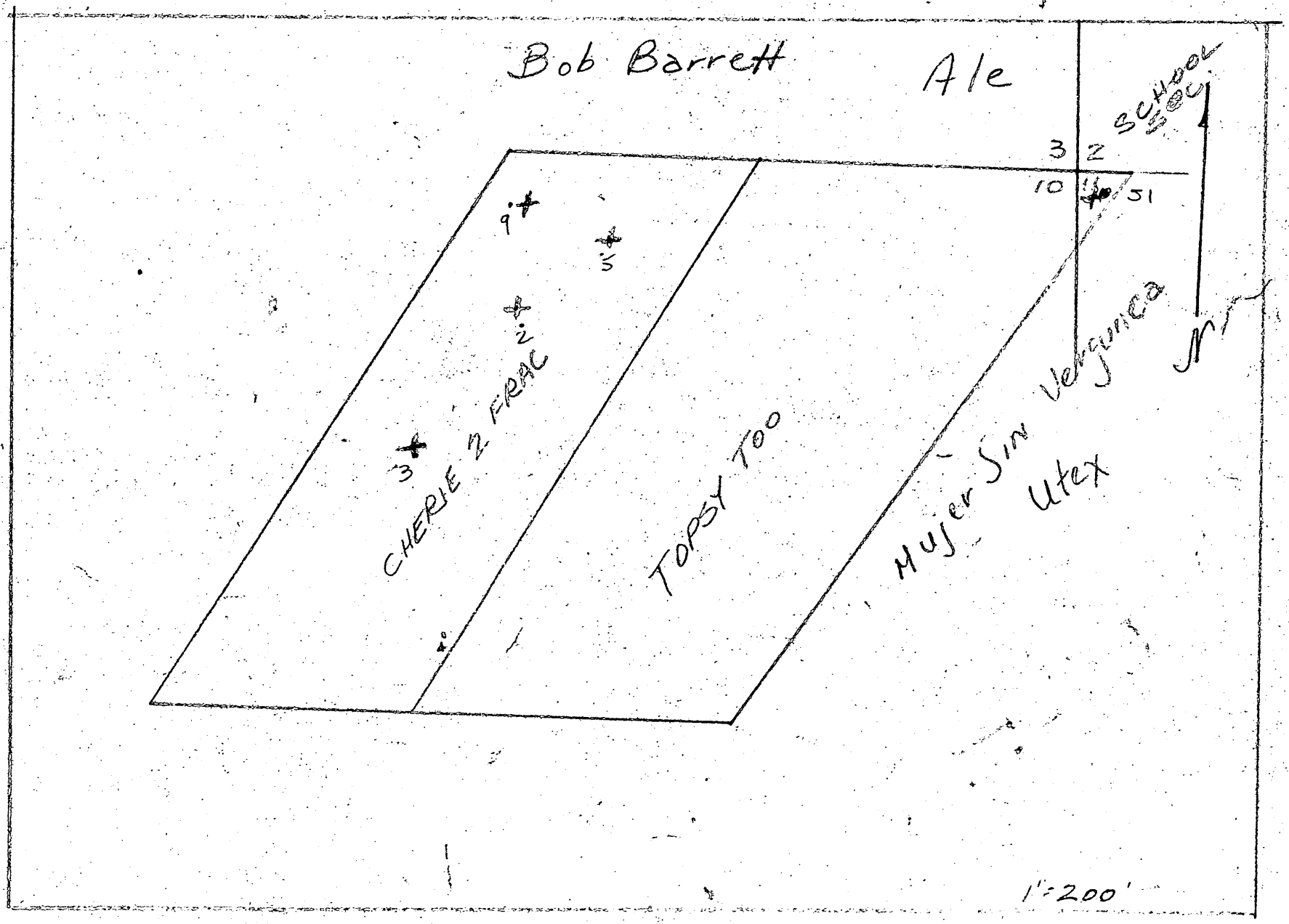

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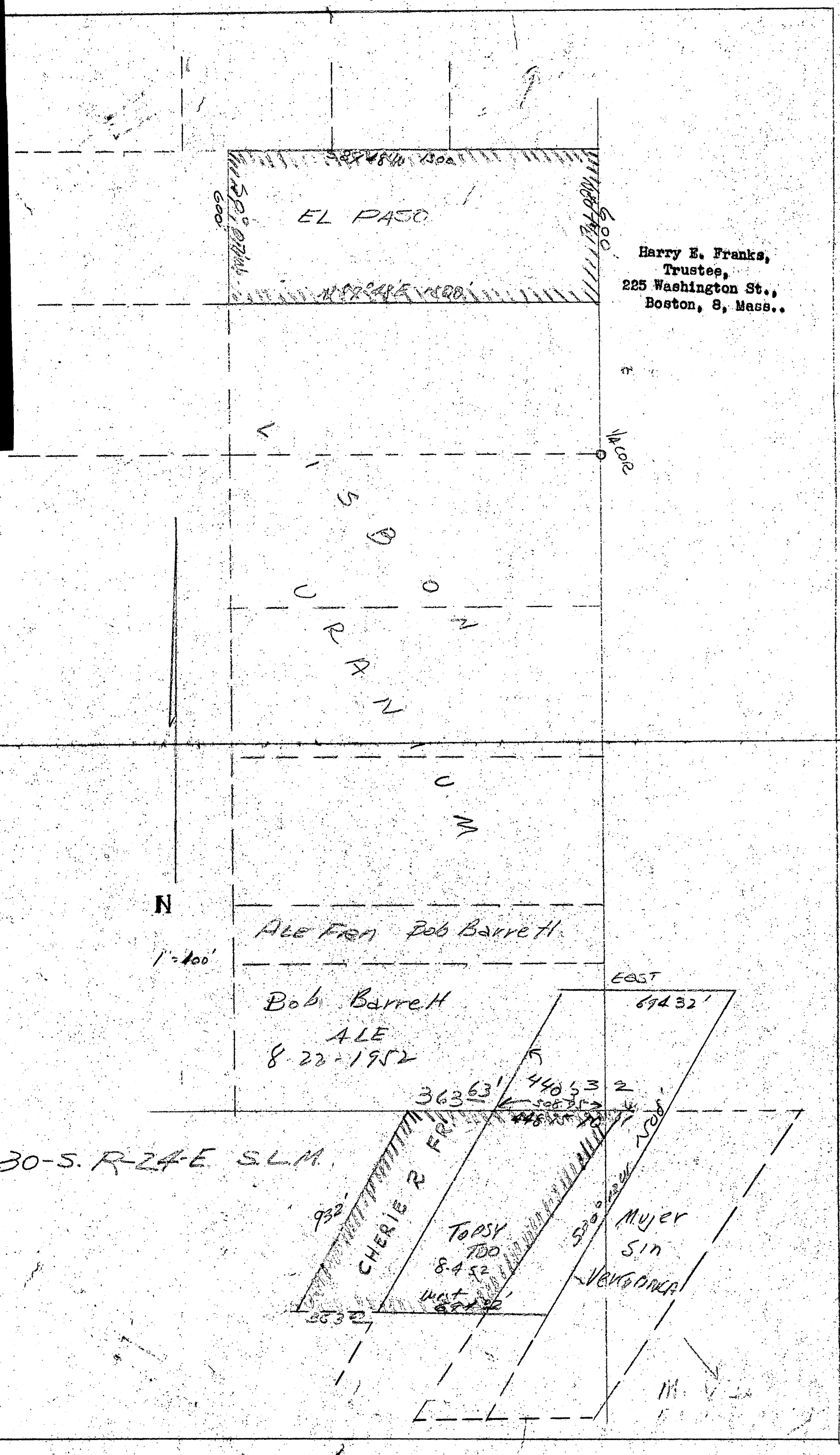
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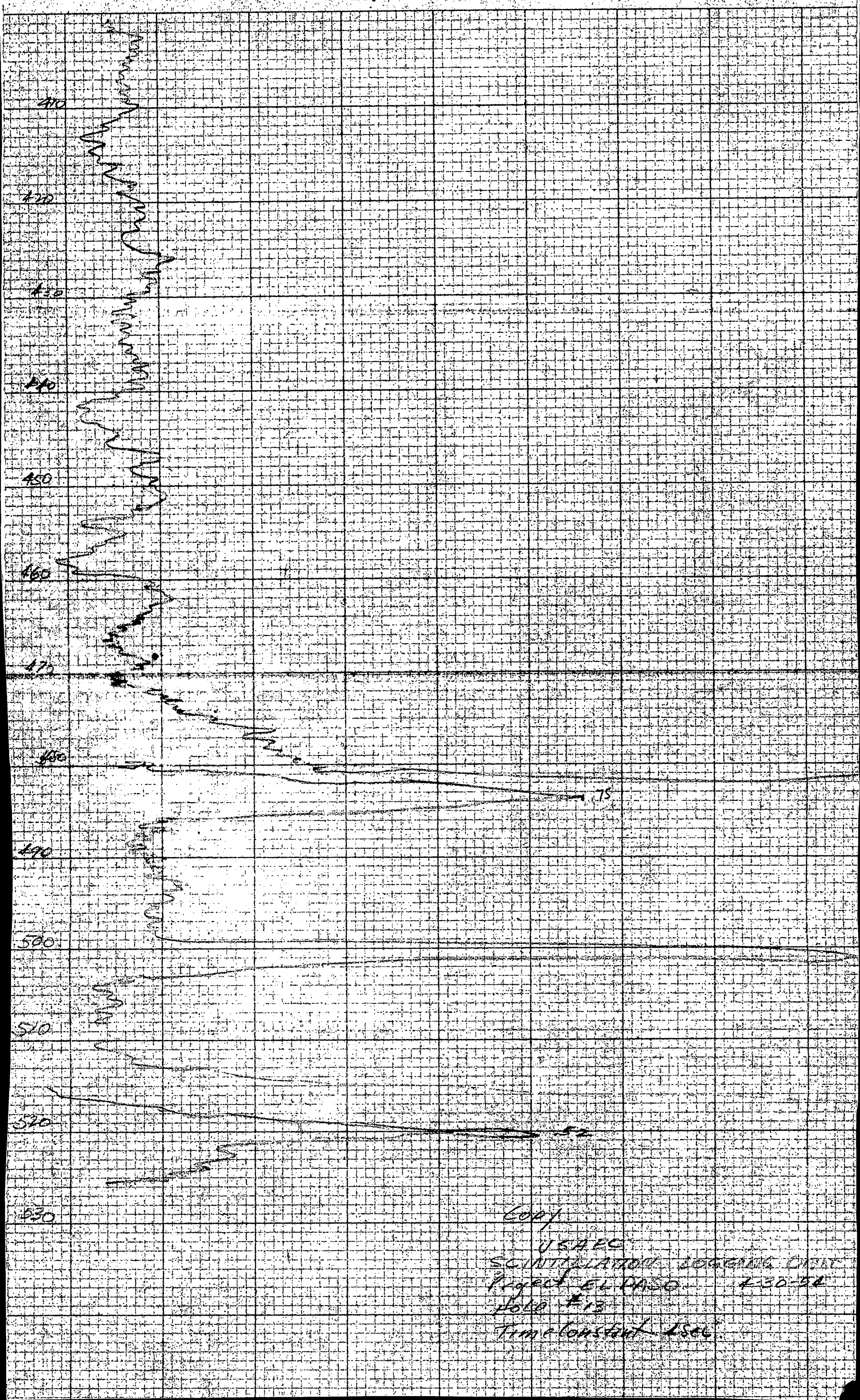
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