

SUPERINTENDENT OF IRRIGATION.

Subject:

Irrigation-

Moki Reservation DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

Blackrock, N. M., June 25, 1908

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The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 19th instant - Field work 32089-1908, I will say that I have done nothing regarding water development and irrigation on the Moki Reservation since taking charge excepting making inquiries regarding the country from persons familiar with the situation.

I have scheduled a trip to and over the reservation as soon as I can get away from some of the larger projects now claiming my entire attention and time.

This will receive my attention as soon as practicable.

Very respectfully,

A. J. Robinson
Superintendent of Irrigation.

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Moqui Reservation.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

WASHINGTON.

June 19, 1908.

Superintendent in Charge,

Moqui Agency,

Keams Canon, Arizona.

Sir:

In response to the last paragraph of your letter of May 4, you are advised that H. F. Robinson, Superintendent of Irrigation, Blackrock, New Mexico, has been directed to take up the unfinished work of the late Superintendent Harper. He has also been requested to give the Moqui Reservation attention as soon as practicable.

Very respectfully,

J. M. Conner
Chief Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

WASHINGTON.

June 19, 1908.

H. F. Robinson, Esq.,
Supt. of Irrigation,
Blackrock, New Mexico.

Sir:

If you have not already done so, please give the matter of water development and irrigation on the Moqui Reservation your attention as soon as practicable.

Very respectfully,

Acting Commissioner.

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Trans to J.W.



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

Subject: Well boring machine. UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

MOQUI AGENCY, KEAMS CANON, ARIZONA.

May 4, 1908.

The Honorable
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of February 6, 1908, "Education," relative to the report of Inspector Chubbuck, regarding a well-boring machine procured by a former Superintendent, at the instance of Mr. Chubbuck, which was found diverted by me to other use; getting out coal or some thing of the sort, I have the honor to state that the last time Inspector Chubbuck visited the Moqui Reservation, former Superintendent Lemmon was in charge of the agency, and I understand that the apparatus was purchased by him.

The engine, belonging to the well-boring machine, was in use at the Moqui School getting out coal, when I assumed charge of the school, but as the manner of handling the coal did not appear satisfactory, the engine was relieved from that work soon after I took charge, and since then the engine, which is badly worn, has not been in use.

The boiler and other parts of the well-boring machine are at the Oraibi Day School, where a well was put down about two years ago to a depth of 300 feet without finding water.

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I understand only one well was bored with the machine, because it was thought unnecessary to try another experiment in that vicinity with a machine that did not have a capacity of

boring to a greater depth than 300 feet.

A good supply of water is obtained from dug wells, 25 to 30 feet deep, about one mile from the Oraibi School. I have not investigated the conditions in other parts of the reservation as to the advisability of boring wells, for the reason that there has not been a suitable man available to place in charge of this work. Other work that was under way before I came has been given the preference, in order that some of it might be completed.

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If a Superintendent of irrigation is available for work on this reservation, I suggest that one be sent to investigate and develop the water on the reservation.

Very respectfully,

Horton H. Mills
Superintendent.

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