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Albuquerque, N. M., June 6, 1917.

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

WASHINGTON.

Sir:

I am sending you herewith copy of a letter just received from Mr. Lorenzo Hubbell of Keams Canon, Arizona, in which he states that Mr. Thomas E. Thacker and himself own and operate a trading store on the Hopi reservation, at Bekibahotsano, this being on the southwest slopes of Black Mountain, some 40 miles north of Keams Canon, and that this is about 6 miles from the present location of Well rig No4 that they are interested in getting a well near the store that they may have the use of water, and ask that this rig be allowed to put down a well there, and that he will pay all expenses of doing this, both for hauling and operating the rig and for material used. He agrees to put in an engine to pump the water and will allow the Indian Service or any Indian to use all surplus water.

As this would give the Indians of this section another well from which they could water at least a limited amount of stock at no expense to the Department I believe that it would be a good idea, and would recommend that it be done if possible.

Very truly,

H. F. Robinson

Supt. of Irrigation.

Respectfully forwarded to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, with the recommendation that it be approved.

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I think the Indians would be benefitted at a cost equal only to plant depreciation — Cornell

Chief Engineer.

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