

Tennessee Valley Authority

Map and Surveys Division
Grave Removal Section
Bryson City, North Carolina

July 31, 1943

Mr. L.B. Cook
Marion
North Carolina

Dear Mr. Cook

The construction of Fontana Dam necessitates the flooding of the road leading to the Proctor Cemetery located in Swain County, North Carolina, and to reach this cemetery in the future will be necessary to walk a considerable distance until a road is constructed in the vicinity of the cemetery, which is proposed to be completed after the war has ended. We are informed that you are the nearest surviving relative of a deceased who is buried in this cemetery.

We have interviewed various relatives of the deceased who are buried in this cemetery and they have requested that the graves of their relatives remain undisturbed. We are enclosing a remain agreement for the grave of your relative and if it is your desire that this grave be left undisturbed, please sign, filling in where possible the items checked in red and return in the enclosed franked envelope, postage not required.

If it is your desire that the grave of your relative be moved to some neighboring cemetery which is accessible by road, please write us and we will immediately send you the proper papers to sign and the Tennessee Valley Authority will move this grave without cost to you and reinter it in any cemetery of your choice located in Swain County, provided we can secure permission to bury in that cemetery.

Your immediate attention to this matter will be appreciated and if there is any additional information you desire concerning the above state matter, please let us know.

Very truly yours,

Tennessee Valley Authority

H. H. Turner—Supv.
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