

Mrs. Memory McClellan ( R.H.) Walker,  
No. E. Washington Street,

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Madam:

At the hearing at Athens on September 29, 1934, of the proposed purchase by Mrs. Rogers of the store-house at \$9,500.00, it was suggested that the residence property be subdivided for the purposes of sale; in that event, each fragment would be offered separately and then the entire premises offered as a whole, and then the Court would confirm, and the auctioneer accept the bid or bids aggregating the largest amount. On viewing the premises, counsel thought the rear portion of the residence tract, which is vacant and uninclosed and uncultivated, should be offered separately from the residence property. Quite a number suggest dividing this rear portion into lots. The way is open for any party at interest to file a petition with the Court suggesting a plan and a plat for such subdividing. I will not oppose any plan of that sort as to the rear portion of the lot unless it is impracticable and fantastic. If two separate plans are projected, I reserve the right to favor either.

If all parties interested should think that some sort of subdivision scheme be tried out, then I feel it would be better for some one other than the administrator to take the lead. Any heir has just as much right to have the Court act on such a proposition as I have.

In case anyone should file such petition, immediate notice should be given by the petitioner to all the others interested.

I fear it will be hard to satisfy all parties as to any single plan that may be proposed. It may be well, however, to make the attempt. I shall continue to do everything I can to get the biggest sum. I feel that my procuring a purchaser for \$9,500.00 caused another party to offer \$10,000.00, which now seems to be the up-set price for the store.

The home premises present a painful spectacle of dilapidation and even of desolation. I am advised that I am justified in having the back porch repaired in time for the sale. That will probably be crowded with articles offered for sale, and by spectators; also that the premises should be cleared of weeds, rank grass, bushes and undergrowth generally; and that I should employ a number of competent assistants to act as clerks, watchers and cashiers at the sale, which is to be October 22nd.

I trust you will be present, and in the meantime, talk the matter up among your friends and acquaintances.

Whatever, is done, must be done quickly.

Very truly yours,

  
W.S. Peebles, Administrator,  
Estate of Miss Frances Snow Pryor, Deceased.