

time asked TVA to buy, appraise or survey my property. On one occasion the TVA threatened to get the US Marshall. In a letter to Senator Thruston Morton dated September 2, 1966 the Chairman of TVA stated that I had requested TVA to buy my property and that the threat of the US Marshall "was not intended in this case". I know this to be untrue.

TVA's offer for my property was \$6,000. I consider this a most unfair price. The exterior of my house was aluminum siding. I had made 15 payments on the siding as it was on a time payment plan. The TVA attorney informed me when he delivered my check that I was due a refund of \$172.33 because the bill for the siding was paid off early. I waited several months and then wrote to the company. A TVA attorney showed up in few days and said it was all a mistake and that I am due no refund.

The check I got from TVA for all my holdings was just slightly over \$5,000. I could not replace my property for that amount, in this area where I have always lived due to inflated land values. I am now living in a trailer on a lot. I do not consider my circumstances to be as good or better.

JAMES A. PETTY.

A COMPLAINT LODGED THIS 5TH DAY OF APRIL A.D. 1968, BY J. B. ROWLAND,
AGAINST TVA

NATURE OF COMPLAINT

I live on and have an interest in land that has been in my family for over 150 years. My family forebearers the Brune, Duncan, Rowland and Barnett families were settlers here in this area before 1800.

I have a wife and six children. One son has served a year in Viet Nam. One son has served in Germany 19 months.

I have an interest in and own 126 acres of which approximately one-half is lake front or lake view property. I also own 42 acres in addition to the above amount.

For the past two hundred years we have never locked a door. Since TVA has come in this community has been opened up to looters from the surrounding area and even adjoining states. The cemeteries and even homes still occupied have been vandalized. I owned a barn that I had hay stored in. I went down to that field to feed and found a truck with Illinois license and the drivers were tearing down the barn. They had already disassembled part of the barn siding and had it loaded on the truck. I told them they were taking private property. A cousin of mine bought some fencing from TVA to be removed from a farm that had been bought by TVA. In talking down the fence he discovered a big pile of leaves in a fence corner. He raked the leaves back and found a pair of glass sliding doors which had been hidden by looters.

J. B. ROWLAND.

A COMPLAINT LODGED THIS 4TH DAY OF APRIL A.D. 1968, BY HUGH COTHRAN,
AGAINST TVA

NATURE OF COMPLAINT

I own approximately 200 acres individually plus an interest in my Father's estate, in the Land Between the Lakes. I consider TVA's offer ridiculous. I allowed the TVA appraisers on my land and treated them respectfully when they came the first time. After I refused their offer the TVA men came back repeatedly trying to get me to accept the price. I do not consider that the appraisers walked over the land and looked at it sufficiently to arrive at a decent evaluation. The TVA men even came to the place of my employment and urged me to accept the price. Later they came to my home with an attorney who suggested that I would be better off to go ahead and accept their price. I refused to sign for the price offered for my father's estate. The TVA man told me that I was the only one in the family who had not signed. I later learned that this was an untruth, my sister had not signed and one of my brothers had not signed. I was told by the TVA appraiser that they just make one price, would not raise it. Later they came back and told me they wanted me to go with them to reappraise but that the price might be raised or it might be lowered.