

mountainous and level areas with soil of second quality which supports sagebrush and chaparral. There is fair graze. The land is not suitable for agriculture without artificial irrigation and has no possible reservoir site. Access is provided by an existing dirt road which traverses the land.

Before the land was advertised for sale, Mr. Shaw was advised that the minimum appraised value was \$6 per acre. He posted the necessary amount to meet the appraised value of \$1,920.

Before the land was advertised for sale, the application (10601, Los Angeles Land District, S.W.O. 5626) of Ronald C. Kemp of Campo, California, to purchase the subject land was received and filed. Mr. Kemp made an offer of \$2 per acre, and subsequent to the appraisal increased his offer to \$2,720, or \$8.50 per acre.

The land was advertised for sale with a stipulation that no offer of less than \$2,720 would be accepted. No other applications for the land were received pursuant to the advertising. Mr. Shaw, as the first applicant, has the right, within 20 days after notice, to deposit the amount necessary to meet the price fixed by the Commission.

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, IT WAS RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

THE SALE IS AUTHORIZED OF THE E $\frac{1}{2}$ OF TRACT 69 (SECTION 36), T. 17 S., R. 5 E., S.B.M., CONTAINING 320 ACRES IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY, TO THE FIRST APPLICANT, LELAND L. SHAW, AT A CASH PRICE OF \$2,720, SUBJECT TO ALL STATUTORY RESERVATIONS INCLUDING MINERALS. IN THE EVENT THE FIRST APPLICANT, MR. SHAW, FAILS TO EXERCISE HIS RIGHT TO MEET THE PRICE FIXED BY THE COMMISSION, THE SUBJECT LAND IS TO BE SOLD TO THE SECOND APPLICANT, MR. KEMP, WHO IS THE HIGH BIDDER, AT \$2,720, SUBJECT TO ALL STATUTORY RESERVATIONS INCLUDING MINERALS.

11. (PROPOSED PURCHASE OF FEDERAL LANDS, INYO COUNTY, JOHN GRANT - S.W.O. 5618.) On April 29, 1953, Mr. John Grant of Los Angeles, California, made application to purchase through this office the N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 17, T. 19 S., R. 37 E., M.D.M., containing 160 acres in Inyo County. The applicant deposited the minimum acceptable deposit of \$5 per acre, pending appraisal, together with the required expense deposit of \$100 and the filing fee of \$5.

Following discussions between a member of the Staff and the Regional Officer of the Bureau of Land Management, it was determined that the most expeditious manner in which to acquire the land for Mr. John Grant was through the medium of an exchange under Section 8 of the Taylor Grazing Act. Therefore, an exchange application was made under the provision of said Section 8 of the Taylor Grazing Act, using as base the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 16, T. 31 S., R. 35 E., M.D.M.

On November 12, 1953, the Bureau of Land Management at Washington, D. C., advised that the selected lands are available for exchange and that the values of the selected and offered lands are approximately equal for the purpose of the exchange; that there are no outstanding contests or protests of record; that the requirements pertaining to the application have been met, and that publication of the exchange is therefore authorized pursuant to Order 473 of August 27, 1952 (17 F.R. 7884). The notice of the exchange application, describing both the Government lands and the State lands, was published as required.

It is now necessary for the State to convey to the Federal Government, by grant deed, the 160 acres of State lands offered in exchange.

The Assessor of Inyo County has assessed land in the immediate vicinity of those lands selected at \$2.50 per acre, thus indicating its appraised value to be approximately \$5 per acre.

An inspection and appraisal by a member of the Commission's Staff sets the value at \$5 per acre. Mr. Grant deposited the full amount of the appraised value of \$800. The subject land is located approximately one mile from Olancho. It is level and sandy with soil of third quality, which supports sagebrush and sparse desert growth. There are no springs or water holes and no possible reservoir site exists. The land is not suitable for agriculture without artificial irrigation, and is considered poor for grazing purposes. Access is provided by an existing private road. The only value of the land, if reclaimed, would be for grazing.

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, IT WAS RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS AUTHORIZED TO CERTIFY TO THE GOVERNOR, ON BEHALF OF THE STATE LANDS COMMISSION, AND UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 6444 OF THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE, THAT IT IS TO THE ADVANTAGE OF THE STATE TO EXCHANGE WITH THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT THE NW $\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 16, T. 31 S., R. 35 E., M.D.M., CONTAINING 160 ACRES IN KERN COUNTY, FOR THE N $\frac{1}{2}$ OF NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ OF NE $\frac{1}{4}$ AND NE $\frac{1}{4}$ OF SE $\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 17, T. 19 S., R. 37 E., M.D.M., INYO COUNTY, OF EQUAL AREA AND VALUE; UPON ACQUISITION FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF THE N $\frac{1}{2}$ OF NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ OF NE $\frac{1}{4}$ AND NE $\frac{1}{4}$ OF SE $\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 17, T. 19 S., R. 37 E., M.D.M., THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS AUTHORIZED TO SELL IT TO THE APPLICANT, MR. JOHN GRANT, AT THE APPRAISED CASH VALUE OF \$800, SUBJECT TO ALL STATUTORY RESERVATIONS INCLUDING MINERALS.

12. (SALE OF VACANT SCHOOL LAND, APPLICATION NO. 10614, LOS ANGELES LAND DISTRICT, SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, W. E. MATTHEWS - S.W.O. 5653.) An offer has been received from W. E. Matthews of San Bernardino, California, to purchase the W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 16, T. 4 N., R. 4 E., S.B.M., containing 80 acres in San Bernardino County. W. E. Matthews made an offer of \$400, or \$5 per acre.

The Assessor of San Bernardino County has assessed land in the vicinity at \$1.25 per acre, thus indicating its appraised value to be \$2.50 per acre.

An inspection and appraisal by a member of the Commission's Staff on October 30, 1953, sets the minimum value of the subject land at \$5 per acre.

The subject land, located at an elevation of 2,700 feet, is level, covered with sparse desert growth, and is inaccessible by two-wheel-drive car. The soil is of third quality, composed principally of sand, and provides poor grazing. It is not suitable for agriculture without artificial irrigation, contains no springs or water holes, and has no possible reservoir site. No access roads exist.

The land was advertised for sale with a stipulation that no offer of less than \$400 would be accepted. Mr. Matthews bid \$400. No other application was received pursuant to the advertising.

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