At this time (12:15 P.M.) the Commission recessed for luncheon.

At 2:30 P.H., the Commission reconvened its meeting.

27. (ACQUISITION OF FOREST LANDS IN HUMBOLDT COUNTY BY UNITED STATES - W.O. 801) The Commission was informed that the United States, through the Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, had applied to the State Lands Commission for approval of the acquisition of privately owned lands in Humboldt County for incorporation in the Six Rivers National Forest. The federal law pertaining to such acquisition, the Act of Congress of March 1, 1911, 36 Stat. 961, otherwise known as the "Weeks Act", requires approval by the legislature of the State in which the lands are located in advance of any acquisition. The California legislature has delegated such approval to the State Lands Commission under the provisions of Section 126 of the Government Code.

On October 23, 1950, the Commission authorized the Executive Officer to conduct the requisite hearing in this case and directed him to report the findings to the Commission for final consideration and action.

The hearing on this case was held at the City Council Chambers, Eureka, California, at 9:30 A.M., November 20, 1950. The findings of the Executive Officer were as follows:

- 1. The property involves some 120 acres of land in Sections 17 and 18, T. 12 N., R. 2 E., H.M., in northern part of Humboldt County, California. To comply with the provisions of the "Weeks Act" and of Section 126, this acquisition must be "for the establishment, consolidation and extension of national forests". Evidence presented at the hearing was affirmative in this respect.
- 2. The acquisition is to be accomplished by exchange, under the provisions of applicable U. S. statutes which require publication of notice of exchange in newspapers in the counties affected. Affidavits of publication in Humboldt County have been presented; those for Del Norte County are expected shortly.
- 3. The United States, through the Secretary of Agriculture, has assented to acceptance of jurisdiction and to full compliance with all the provisions of Section 126 of the Government Code, State of California.
- 4. Evidence was presented to the effect that the acquisition is in the interest of the State.
- 5. All requirements of Section 126 of the Government Code of the State of California and of the applicable portions of the Act of Congress of March 1, 1911 (36 Stat. 961), as amended, are being complied with.

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THE STATE LANDS COMMISSION DETERMINES, WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN LANDS TO BE ACQUIRED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ACRICULTURE OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCORPORATING THEM INTO A UNIT OF THE SIX RIVERS NATIONAL FOREST, HUMBOLDT COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, SAID LANDS BEING DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

NW1 OF SECTION 17 AND FRACTIONAL $\frac{1}{N2}$ OF SECTION 18, T. 12 N., R. 2 E., H. M., SOMETIMES KNOWN AS THE "AH PAH TRACT" OR PRACEL "A" OF THE BLUE CREEK REDWOOD COMPANY LANDS,

THAT THE CONDITIONS PRESCRIBED IN SUB-DIVISIONS a, b AND c OF SECTION 126 OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HAVE BEEN FOUND TO HAVE OCCURRED AND TO EXIST AND THAT SUCH ACQUISITION IS IN THE INTEREST OF THE STATE; THE COMMISSION DIRECTS THAT THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS FINDING AND DECLARATION SHALL BE THE DATE OF ITS FILING WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE; THE COMMISSION FURTHER DIRECTS THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO FILE A CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS FINDING IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND HAVE ONE RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

28. (DISCUSSION OF THE TIDELANDS AND OTHER LITTCATION - N-5048 AND W. O. 721) A brief discussion was had of recent events relating to tidelands controversy with the United States and other matters in which the Commission was involved in litigation.

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, A RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED TO THE EFFECT THAT THE ATTORNEY GENERAL ELECT, BE INVITED TO APPEAR AT HIS CONVENIENCE AT A LANDS COMMISSION MEETING, EITHER BEFORE OR AFTER THE FIRST OF THE YEAR, IN CONNECTION WITH THESE AND OTHER MATTERS PECULIAR TO THE STATE LANDS COMMISSION WORK.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned.