

7. (SALE OF VACANT SCHOOL LANDS, APPLICATION 4780, SACRAMENTO LAND DISTRICT, SISKIYOU COUNTY, RODNEY GREGG - S.W.C. 5323.) An offer has been received from Mr. Gregg of Casselle, Siskiyou County, California, to purchase the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 36, T. 41 N., R. 8 W., and all of fractional Section 16, T. 45 N., R. 7 W., M.D.M., containing 785.84 acres in Siskiyou County.

Mr. Gregg made an offer of \$10 per acre for the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 36, T. 41 N., R. 8 W., M.D.M., containing 160 acres, and \$5 per acre for all of fractional Section 16, T. 45 N., R. 7 W., M.D.M., containing 625.84 acres.

The Assessor of Siskiyou County assesses contiguous lands at from \$1 to \$2.25 per acre, and advises that contiguous lands assessed at \$2.25 per acre have water available. An appraisal by the Commission's staff indicates that the offer as made is adequate.

The lands in T. 41 N., R. 8 W., M.D.M., are sandy, level to rolling; the soil is of second quality; the land supports ponderosa pine, and is fair grazing land. The SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 36 is accessible by an existing road. The subject lands are of about the same character as contiguous lands, except that contiguous lands have water.

The lands in T. 45 N., R. 7 W., M.D.M., are rocky, and contain very steep mountains; the soil is shallow and of about third quality; the land supports dense chaparral, and is poor grazing land. It is accessible by an existing road from Yreka, which is about two miles distant. Subject land is inferior to contiguous land. The only value is for grazing, and its proximity to the town of Yreka.

The lands were advertised for sale with a stipulation that no offer of less than \$4,729.20 would be accepted. Mr. Gregg bid \$4,729.20.

No other applications for said lands were received pursuant to the advertising.

A protest as to the consummation of the sale of Section 16, T. 45 N., R. 7 W., M.D.M., was received by letter, dated December 10, 1951, from State Senator Collier. The basis of the protest was mining claims purported to be held by George Wacker, Louis Wacker, Judith Coulson, Matilda Rausch (Spring Gulch Tunnel Company).

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, A RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO REQUEST THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR AN INFORMAL OPINION WITH RESPECT TO THE VALIDITY OF THE MINING CLAIMS AGAINST THIS LAND.

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, A FURTHER RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF THE SW $\frac{1}{4}$ OF SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ OF NE $\frac{1}{4}$ AND E $\frac{1}{2}$ OF SE $\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 36, T. 41 N., R. 8 W., M.D.M., TO THE SINGLE BIDDER, MR. RODNEY GREGG, AT A CASH PRICE OF \$10 PER ACRE OR \$1600, SUBJECT TO ALL STATUTORY RESERVATIONS INCLUDING MINERALS.