

14. (PROPOSED PURCHASE OF FEDERAL LANDS, KERN COUNTY, ROBERT H. THOMPSON - S.W.O. 5400.) On November 23, 1951, Mr. Robert H. Thompson of Inyokern, California, made application to purchase through this office the $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 7, and $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 18, T. 26 S., R. 37 E., M.D.M., containing 160 acres in Kern 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.

The State indemnity application to select said lands on behalf of Mr. Thompson was rejected by the Bureau of Land Management for the reason that the lands were embraced in Stock Driveway Withdrawal No. 235, dated January 21, 1933. On December 9, 1952, Stock Driveway Withdrawal No. 235 was reduced and the subject land was restored to entry.

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. Thompson was through the medium of an exchange under Section 8 of the Taylor Grazing Act. Therefore, an exchange application, which is the subject of the following calendar item, was made under the provisions of Section 8 of the Taylor Grazing Act.

On October 1, 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 publication of the exchange is therefore authorized pursuant to Order No. 473 of August 27, 1952 (17 F.R. 7884).

In accordance with instructions from the Bureau of Land Management, the notice of the exchange application describing both the Government lands and the State lands was published for the required period in the newspaper designated by the Bureau of Land Management.

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 Kern County has assessed lands in the vicinity at \$1.50 per acre. An inspection and appraisal was made by a member of the Staff on April 19, 1953. This appraisal, on file with the Commission, sets the value of the land at \$5 per acre.

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

THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS AUTHORIZED TO CERTIFY TO THE GOVERNOR THAT IT IS TO THE ADVANTAGE OF THE STATE TO EXCHANGE WITH THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT THE $NE\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 16, T. 27 S., R. 37 E., M.D.M., CONTAINING 160 ACRES IN KERN COUNTY, FOR THE $W\frac{1}{2}$ OF $SE\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 7, AND $N\frac{1}{2}$ OF $NE\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 18, T. 26 S., R. 37 E., M.D.M., CONTAINING 160 ACRES IN KERN COUNTY, OF EQUAL AREA AND VALUE: THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS FURTHER AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE ON BEHALF OF THE STATE LANDS COMMISSION A CERTIFICATE

PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 6444 OF THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE; AND THE STATE, UPON ACQUISITION FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF THE $\frac{1}{2}$ OF $\text{SE}\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 7, AND $\text{N}\frac{1}{2}$ OF $\text{NE}\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 18, T. 26 S., R. 37 E., M.D.M., IS AUTHORIZED TO SELL IT TO THE APPLICANT, ROBERT H. THOMPSON, AT THE APPRAISED CASH VALUE OF \$800, WITHOUT ADVERTISING, SUBJECT TO ALL STATUTORY RESERVATIONS INCLUDING MINERALS.

15. (SALE OF VACANT FEDERAL LAND, OBTAINED THROUGH USE OF BASE, SCRIP APPLICATIONS NOS. 4946-A AND 4946-B, SACRAMENTO LAND DISTRICT, LAKE COUNTY, EDNA A. ASHCRAFT - S.W.O. 5634.) An offer has been received from Edna A. Ashcraft of Sacramento, California, to purchase the $\text{NE}\frac{1}{4}$ of $\text{NW}\frac{1}{4}$, $\text{N}\frac{1}{2}$ of $\text{NE}\frac{1}{4}$ and $\text{SE}\frac{1}{4}$ of $\text{NE}\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 21, $\text{N}\frac{1}{2}$ of $\text{NW}\frac{1}{4}$, $\text{W}\frac{1}{2}$ of $\text{NE}\frac{1}{4}$, $\text{SE}\frac{1}{4}$ of $\text{NE}\frac{1}{4}$, $\text{N}\frac{1}{2}$ of $\text{SE}\frac{1}{4}$ and $\text{SE}\frac{1}{4}$ of $\text{SE}\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 22, and Lots 5, 6, 7 and 8 (or $\text{SW}\frac{1}{4}$) and $\text{W}\frac{1}{2}$ of $\text{SE}\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 23, T. 14 N., R. 7 W., M.D.M., containing 722.58 acres in Lake County. This land may be obtained by the State from the Federal Government through use of base. Mrs. Ashcraft made an offer of \$3,612.90, or \$5 per acre.

The Assessor of Lake County has assessed contiguous land at \$1.50 per acre, thus indicating its appraised value to be \$3 per acre.

An inspection and appraisal was made by an independent appraiser on June 1, 1954. This appraisal, on file with the Commission, established a value of \$5 per acre on 160 acres, \$3 per acre on 320 acres and \$2.50 per acre on 242.58 acres.

The State's application to select the land has been accepted by the Bureau of Land Management and was listed to the State on May 10, 1954.

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

THE SALE IS AUTHORIZED OF THE $\text{NE}\frac{1}{4}$ OF $\text{NW}\frac{1}{4}$, $\text{N}\frac{1}{2}$ OF $\text{NE}\frac{1}{4}$ AND $\text{SE}\frac{1}{4}$ OF $\text{NE}\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 21, $\text{N}\frac{1}{2}$ OF $\text{NW}\frac{1}{4}$, $\text{W}\frac{1}{2}$ OF $\text{NE}\frac{1}{4}$, $\text{SE}\frac{1}{4}$ OF $\text{NE}\frac{1}{4}$, $\text{N}\frac{1}{2}$ OF $\text{SE}\frac{1}{4}$ AND $\text{SE}\frac{1}{4}$ OF $\text{SE}\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 22, AND LOTS 5, 6, 7 AND 8 (OR $\text{SW}\frac{1}{4}$) AND $\text{W}\frac{1}{2}$ OF $\text{SE}\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 23, T. 14 N., R. 7 W., M.D.M., CONTAINING 722.58 ACRES IN LAKE COUNTY, TO EDNA A. ASHCRAFT AT THE APPRAISED CASH PRICE OF \$3,612.90, SUBJECT TO ALL STATUTORY RESERVATIONS INCLUDING MINERALS.

16. (SALE OF VACANT FEDERAL LAND, OBTAINED THROUGH USE OF BASE, SCRIP APPLICATION NO. 4700, SACRAMENTO LAND DISTRICT, KERN COUNTY, KENNETH EDWARD KEILLOR - S.W.O. 5179.) An offer has been received from Kenneth Edward Keillor of Kernville, Kern County, California, to purchase the $\text{N}\frac{1}{2}$ of east 80 acres of $\text{NW}\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 18, T. 26 S., R. 33 E., M.D.M., containing 40 acres in Kern County. This land may be obtained by the State from the Federal Government through use of base. Mr. Keillor made an offer of \$200, or \$5 per acre.

The Assessor of Kern County has assessed contiguous land at \$2.25 per acre, thus indicating its appraised value to be \$4.50 per acre.

An inspection and appraisal was made by a member of the Commission's Staff on July 26, 1954. This appraisal, on file with the Commission, establishes the value at \$5 per acre.