

R. 9 E., S.B.M., containing 159.86 acres in Imperial County, to Mr. Raymond H. Clithero at the appraised cash price of \$799.30, subject to all statutory reservations including minerals, upon the listing (conveyance) of said lands to the State by the Federal Government.

9. (SALE OF VACANT FEDERAL LAND, OBTAINED THROUGH USE OF BASE, SCRIP APPLICATION NO. 10489, LOS ANGELES LAND DISTRICT, IMPERIAL COUNTY, RAYMOND H. CLITHERO - S.W.O. 5311.) An offer has been received from Mr. Raymond H. Clithero of Long Beach, California, to purchase Tract 74 (Sections 31 and 36), T. 16 S., Ranges 9 and 10 E., S.B.M., containing 75.23 acres in Imperial County. This land may be obtained by the State from the Federal Government through use of base. The minimum price for scrip for this type of land has been set heretofore at \$5 per acre. Mr. Clithero has made an offer of \$376.15, or \$5 per acre.

The Assessor of Imperial County has assessed contiguous lands at \$1 per acre, thus indicating the appraised value of the land applied for to be \$2 per acre. The subject land is of about the same character as the contiguous lands.

The subject land was appraised by a member of the Commission's Staff at \$5 per acre.

The subject land is largely sandy and partially covered by scattered rock. The soil is of third quality and supports a very sparse growth of Chollo Cactus, Ocotillo and some greasewood. The land is poor for grazing, but water would probably be available if a well were dug. The land is not accessible by an existing road, but a graded desert road passes the land at a distance of 200 to 300 feet to the south. The San Diego and Arizona Eastern Railway crosses the land. A railway well, water tank and service building, and an electric transmission line are also on the land.

The State's application to select the subject land on behalf of the State applicant, Raymond H. Clithero, has been accepted by the Bureau of Land Management, subject to future approval and listing.

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

The sale is authorized of Tract 74 (Sections 31 and 36), T. 16 S., Ranges 9 and 10 E., S.B.M., containing 75.23 acres in Imperial County, to Mr. Raymond H. Clithero at the appraised cash price of \$376.15, subject to all statutory reservations including minerals, upon the listing (conveyance) of said land to the State by the Federal Government.

10. (APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT OF LEASE P.R.C. 419, TIDE WATER ASSOCIATED OIL COMPANY, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY - W.O. 1432.) Tide Water Associated Oil Company, holder of Lease P.R.C. 419 covering tide and submerged land in Suisun Bay at Avon, Contra Costa County, has applied for an increase of 0.91 acres in the area now under lease. The additional area lies waterward but not adjacent to land of the United Towing Co., which company has given its consent. Rental due on July 26, 1953, under terms of Lease P.R.C. 419 is \$363.97. The added area applied for will increase this rental by \$21.03, the total rental of the

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amended lease being \$385 annually. Bond under terms of Lease P.R.C. 419 in the amount of \$35,000 has been furnished. No increase of bond is considered necessary.

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

The Executive Officer is authorized to amend Lease P.R.C. 419, issued July 26, 1949, to Tide Water Associated Oil Company, such amendment increasing the area under lease by 0.91 acres, being 400 feet in length and 100 feet in width, the area under lease to be 51.07 acres instead of 50.16 acres, and increasing the annual rental by \$21.03, from \$363.97 to \$385, all other terms and conditions to remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

11. (AMENDMENT OF LEASE P.R.C. 708, SAUSALITO, MARIN COUNTY, MADDEN & LEWIS CO. - W.O. 1386, P.R.C. 708.) Madden & Lewis Co., holder of Lease P.R.C. 708 covering 9.2 acres of tide and submerged lands in Richardson Bay at Sausalito, Marin County, has applied for an amendment of that lease by which 1.9 acres will be added to the area under lease. The purpose of the increase in area is to permit construction of a breakwater or similar structure to protect the boat harbor operated by the applicant from storms and high waves. Similar lands adjoining the requested enlargement have been appraised by Walter S. Ries at \$1100 per acre, the increase in rental therefor being an additional \$115.97 from April 25, 1953, to the anniversary date of February 25, 1954, and \$137.94 from February 25, 1954. The total rental due February 25, 1954, and annually thereafter is to be \$874.50 instead of \$736.56. No increase in bond is necessary. Approval has been given by the City of Sausalito.

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

The Executive Officer is authorized to amend Lease P.R.C. 708, such amendment to revise the description of the area under lease in such manner as to increase the area by 1.9 acres, more or less; to increase the rental \$115.97 from April 25, 1953, to February 25, 1954, being the prorated rental between these dates at an annual increase of rental of \$137.94; and to increase the rental due February 25, 1954, and annually thereafter from \$736.56 to \$874.50, all other terms and conditions to remain in full force and effect without change.

12. (REVISION OF AUTHORIZATION FOR PROSPECTING PERMIT, SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, WILLIAM R. LAW - W.O. 1304, P.R.C. 1308.2.) On March 24, 1953 (Minute Item 22, Pages 1778-79), the Commission authorized the issuance of a prospecting permit to Mr. William R. Law for 40 acres of vacant State school land in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 16, T. 6 N., R. 4 E., S.B.B.&M., San Bernardino County, with royalty payable under any preferential lease issued upon discovery of commercially valuable deposits of minerals to be in accordance with the following schedule for any production of nonprecious metallic minerals:

$$R = 1.50 + 0.20 (C-20.00)$$

This schedule is applicable to nonprecious metallic minerals with an estimated

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