

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

The sale is authorized of the E $\frac{1}{2}$ of Lot 1 of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ (or SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section 5, T. 5 N., R. 12 E., S.B.M., containing 40 acres in San Bernardino County, to Melvyn M. Stephens at the appraised cash price of \$2,000, subject to all statutory reservations including minerals.

19. (SCRIP APPLICATIONS BY REDLOCK CORPORATION - S.W.O. NO. 5592 AND S.W.O. NO. 5604.) On March 11, 1953, applications were filed by the Sacramento Office of the Division of State Lands with the Office of the Los Angeles Land District, U. S. Bureau of Land Management, for the allowance of an exchange of lands listed on Indemnity Selection Lists No. 10583 and 10583-A. These applications were submitted on behalf of the Redlock Corporation, and involved the ultimate sale to that corporation of the S $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 26, the N $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 34, the N $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 22, and the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 24, all in T. 11 N., R. 13 W., S.B.M., and comprising 1,120 acres in Kern County. On April 7, 1953, additional applications were filed by the Sacramento Office of the Division of State Lands, on behalf of the Redlock Corporation, covering the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 18, T. 11 N., R. 12 W., the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 28, T. 11 N., R. 13 W., and all of Section 14, T. 11 N., R. 13 W., except the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$, all S.B.M., containing 959.39 acres in Kern County. Subsequent to the filing of these applications, objections to this transaction were filed with each member of the Commission by Congressman Harlan Hagen, on the basis that the lands applied for by the State were also being applied for by a number of residents of Los Angeles and Kern Counties under the Small Tract Act of 1938. Objections were also filed with the Bureau of Land Management, not only by Congressman Hagen, but also by representatives of the alleged applicants for small tracts, and more recently objections have been filed with the Governor of the State of California. Investigation shows that some of the objections filed are based upon what appears to be incorrect information. Also, allegations are made that the State applicant, the Redlock Corporation, does not intend to use the applied-for lands for the purposes set forth in its application.

In view of the controversy existing, which seems to be growing in strength, it is believed advisable to hold a Public Hearing as near the location of the lands as possible, at an early date, with a view to arriving at a more accurate determination of the facts involved.

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The Executive Officer is authorized to conduct a Public Hearing on the matter of the State applications for lands located in Kern County in Sections 14, 22, 24, 26, 28, and 34, in Township 11 North, Range 13 West, S.B.M.; in Section 18, Township 11 North, Range 12 West, S.B.M.; and other lands in the immediate vicinity over which, in the opinion of the Executive Officer, a controversy appears to exist; and thereafter make a full report to the State Lands Commission for such action as may be appropriate.