

7. (SALE OF VACANT SCHOOL LAND, APPLICATION NO. 10569, LOS ANGELES LAND DISTRICT, IMPERIAL COUNTY, CHARLES H. FLEURET - S.W.O. 5566.) An offer has been received from Charles H. Fleuret of Van Nuys, California, to purchase the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and E $\frac{1}{2}$ of Tract 60, T. 13 S., Rgs. 9 and 10 E., S.B.M., according to plat of resurvey approved January 5, 1923, being Section 36, T. 13 S., R. 9 E., S.B.M., according to plat of survey approved January 28, 1885, containing 600 acres in Imperial County. Mr. Fleuret made an offer of \$1,200, or \$2 per acre.

The Assessor of Imperial County advised that the subject land is assessed at \$1 per acre, thus indicating its appraised value to be \$2 per acre.

An inspection and appraisal by a member of the Commission's Staff on November 19, 1953, sets the value of the land at \$2 per acre. The land is mountainous, cut by canyons, contains no springs and is not suitable for agriculture without artificial irrigation. The soil is of third quality and supports sparse desert growth. The land is located on the crest of Fish Creek Mountains, consisting of dry, rough terrain. There are no existing roads providing access, and the closest approach, except by jeep, horseback or foot, is approximately nine miles distant from the property.

The land was advertised for sale with a stipulation that no offer of less than \$1,200 would be accepted. Mr. Fleuret bid \$1,200. No other application was received pursuant to the advertising.

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

The sale is authorized of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and E $\frac{1}{2}$ of Tract 60, T. 13 S., Rgs. 9 and 10 E., S.B.M., according to plat of resurvey approved January 5, 1923, being Section 36, T. 13 S., R. 9 E., S.B.M., according to plat of survey approved January 28, 1885, containing 600 acres in Imperial County, to the single bidder, Charles H. Fleuret, at a cash price of \$1,200, subject to all statutory reservations including minerals.

8. (SALE OF VACANT SCHOOL LAND, APPLICATION NO. 10586, LOS ANGELES LAND DISTRICT, SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, J. A. CRAWFORD - S.W.O. 5599.) An offer has been received from J. A. Crawford of Weldon, Kern County, California, to purchase Section 36, T. 29 S., R. 43 E., and Section 16, T. 30 S., R. 43 E., M.D.M., containing 1,280 acres in San Bernardino County. Mr. Crawford made an offer of \$2,560, or \$2 per acre.

The Assessor of San Bernardino County has assessed land in the vicinity at \$1.25 per acre, thus indicating its value to be \$2.50 per acre. The subject land is similar in character to contiguous land.

An inspection and appraisal by a member of the Commission's Staff on October 29, 1953, sets the value of Section 36, T. 29 S., R. 43 E., M.D.M., at \$2 per acre, and the value of Section 16, T. 30 S., R. 43 E., M.D.M., at \$3.50 per acre.

Section 36, T. 29 S., R. 43 E., M.D.M., is rough, rugged, mountainous land, cut by canyons. The soil is of second quality, supporting sagebrush and greasewood. It is poor grazing land, supports no springs or streams, and is not suitable for agriculture without artificial irrigation. The land is accessible by a desert road and is located about 21 miles from Johannesburg.