

38. (SALE OF VACANT SCHOOL LAND, APPLICATION NO. 10912, LOS ANGELES LAND DISTRICT, SAN DIEGO COUNTY, FRANCES E. CAIN - S.W.O. 6347.) The following report was presented to the Commission:

"An offer has been received from Frances E. Cain of South Pasadena, California, to purchase the  $W\frac{1}{2}$  of  $NW\frac{1}{4}$  and  $SE\frac{1}{4}$  of  $NW\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 16, T. 17 S., R. 7 E., S.B.M., containing 120 acres in San Diego County. The applicant made an offer of \$240, or \$2 per acre.

"The Assessor of San Diego County has assessed contiguous land at \$3 to \$9.75 per acre.

"An inspection and appraisal by a member of the Commission's staff on July 27, 1956 establishes the value of the subject land at \$10 per acre.

"Before the land was advertised for sale the applicant was advised of the appraised value, whereupon she posted the necessary amount to meet the appraised value of \$1,200.

"The land was advertised for sale with a stipulation that no offer of less than \$1,200 would be accepted.

"Prior to advertising, the application (10992, Los Angeles Land District, S.W.O. 6465) of Clarence E. Turpin of Los Angeles, California, was received and filed. The applicant made an offer of \$240, or \$2 per acre. Said offer was not increased pursuant to advertising."

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

THE SALE IS AUTHORIZED OF THE  $W\frac{1}{2}$  OF  $NW\frac{1}{4}$  AND  $SE\frac{1}{4}$  OF  $NW\frac{1}{4}$  OF SECTION 16, T. 17 S., R. 7 E., S.B.M., CONTAINING 120 ACRES IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY, TO THE FIRST APPLICANT, FRANCES E. CAIN, AT THE APPRAISED CASH PRICE OF \$1,200, SUBJECT TO ALL STATUTORY RESERVATIONS INCLUDING MINERALS.

39. (SALE OF VACANT SWAMP AND OVERFLOWED LAND, LOCATION NO. 4266, TULARE COUNTY, CHARLIE M. MATHIAS AND LILLIAN E. MATHIAS - S.W.O. 6374.) The following report was presented to the Commission:

"An offer has been received from Charlie M. Mathias and Lillian E. Mathias of Tulare, California, to purchase Lot 3 and that portion of Lot 4 lying within the  $SW\frac{1}{4}$  of  $SW\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 19, T. 20 S., R. 25 E., M.D.M., containing 2.98 acres, more or less, in Tulare County. The applicants made an offer of \$149, or \$50 per acre.

"The Assessor of Tulare County has assessed unimproved land of a similar nature at \$120 per acre.

"An inspection and appraisal by a member of the Commission's staff on September 18, 1956 establishes the value of the subject land at \$150 per acre. Said appraisal also indicates that said land is suitable for cultivation without artificial irrigation.

"The applicants were advised of the appraised value, whereupon they posted the necessary amount to meet the appraised value of \$447.

"Said parcels have been cultivated and otherwise occupied by the applicants and their predecessors for a number of years."

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

THE COMMISSION FINDS THAT THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED LAND IS SUITABLE FOR CULTIVATION, THAT THE APPLICANTS ARE ACTUAL SETTLERS ON THE LAND, AND AUTHORIZES THE SALE OF LOT 3 AND THAT PORTION OF LOT 4 LYING WITHIN THE SW $\frac{1}{4}$  OF SW $\frac{1}{4}$  OF SECTION 19, T. 20 S., R. 25 E., M.D.M., CONTAINING 2.98 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, TO THE SINGLE APPLICANTS, CHARLIE M. MATHIAS AND LILLIAN E. MATHIAS, WITHOUT ADVERTISING, AT THE APPRAISED CASH PRICE OF \$447, SUBJECT TO ALL STATUTORY RESERVATIONS INCLUDING MINERALS.

40. (SALE OF VACANT SCHOOL LAND, APPLICATION NO. 5281, SACRAMENTO LAND DISTRICT, KERN COUNTY, JEANETTE L. TURPIN - S.W.O. 6483.) The following report was presented to the Commission:

"An offer has been received from Jeanette L. Turpin of Gardena, California, to purchase the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  and E $\frac{1}{2}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 16, T. 29 S., R. 32 E., M.D.M., containing 240 acres in Kern County. The applicant made an offer of \$800, or \$20 per acre for the E $\frac{1}{2}$  of E $\frac{1}{2}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and \$1,600, or \$8 per acre for the balance of the land.

"The Assessor of Kern County has assessed contiguous land at \$1.75 to \$7.75 per acre.

"An inspection and appraisal by a member of the Commission's staff on March 8, 1956 establishes the value of the subject land at an average of \$10 per acre, or a total value of \$2,400.

"The land was advertised for sale with a stipulation that no offer of less than \$2,400 would be accepted.

"Pursuant to advertising, the application (5289, Sacramento Land District - S.W.O. 6510) of Helen C. Rankin of Caliente, California, was received with a letter of protest dated September 24, 1956. Mrs. Rankin made a bid of \$3,600, or \$15 per acre. Mrs. Rankin's application stated that the land is presently occupied by herself and that all water on the land has heretofore been appropriated by her family and predecessors-in-interest for about 100 years. The inspection by a member of the staff does not reveal that there is any water upon this parcel of land. However, the inspection does reveal that the 'Rutherford Knotty Pine Sawmill' is on the State land, and that the operator of the sawmill placed the mill at that location under the impression that it was property being leased from the Rankin Estate.