A regular meeting of the State Lands Commission was held in Room 5102 State Capitol, Sacramento, California, on February 1, 1952, at 10 a.m.

Present: Honorable James S. Dean, Chairman  
Honorable Thomas H. Ruchel, Member

Absent: Honorable Geo. in J. Knight, Member

Staff Members in Attendance:  
Rufus W. Putnam, Executive Officer  
A. P. Ireland, Supervising Land Title Abstracter  
Elsie Latta, Acting Secretary

Visitors in Attendance:  
Representatives for Associated Press

1. UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF JANUARY 4, 1952, WERE APPROVED AND CONFIRMED AS SUBMITTED.

2. UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, IT WAS DECIDED TO DEFER SETTING A DATE FOR THE NEXT COMMISSION MEETING.

3. (SALE OF VACANT SCHOOL LAND, APPLICATION 10505 (OF RALPH C. DILLS, OF COMPTON, CALIFORNIA - S.W.O. 5402), AND 10510 (OF HERLE A. RICKERT AND ROYAL K. HUNTLEY, OF SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA - S.W.O. 5414), LOS ANGELES LAND DISTRICT, SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY.)

An offer was received from Ralph C. Dills of Compton, California, to purchase Lot 1 of Section 36, T. 4 N., R. 7 W., S.B.M., containing 39.43 acres in San Bernardino County.

On December 5, 1951, Mr. Dills made an offer of $80, being $2.03 per acre. The Assessor of San Bernardino County advised that contiguous lands were assessed at $3.25 per acre, indicating a market value for the land of $2.50 per acre. The subject land is of about the same character as contiguous lands, except that contiguous lands have some improvements.

An appraisal by the Commission's staff made on December 1, 1951, indicated that the offer of $80 was adequate. The land is sandy, mountainous, covered with dense chaparral, with soil of third quality, cut by canyons, at an elevation of 4600 to 4800 feet. There is no water on the land. The land is accessible by an existing road one-half mile north at quarter corner of Sections 25 and 26. The only value of the subject land is for a mountain cabin site and the proximity to metropolitan centers.

The land was advertised for sale on December 8, 1951, with the stipulation that no offer of less than $80 would be accepted. Pursuant to the advertising and prior to the expiration of the 30-day period, the application (10510, Los Angeles Land District) of Herle A. Rickert and Royal K. Huntley of San Bernardino, California, was received and filed. Messrs. Rickert and Huntley made an offer of $165, or $4.18 per acre. No other applications for said land were received pursuant to the advertising.