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KLAMATH TRIBUNE

Personal Property Sales Held, Slated; Sizeable Amount Remains To Be Sold



All one-hundred and ten items put up for sale at the personal property sale on Nov. 5 were successfully sold.

Although non-members bid on twenty-six of the items, tribal members met or exceeded their bids, and all one-hundred ten items went to tribal members. The total amount bid was \$6,235-.25, with \$6,144.25 of this being pledged by withdrawing members from their pro-rata shares.

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buting one pound of ponderosa seed per acre. They then reflew the 1.800 acres of ponderosa area in a north-south direction, distributing one pound of ponderosa seed per acre. Finally, the 320acre mixed area was reflown, distributing one pound of fir seed per acre.

The reforestation program is to be completed over a five year period, according to the trust officers. They report that by far the largest cost of reforestation is the seed itself, while actual application involves only about 20% of the cost.

A new addition to the management staff, Dell Overton, is also reported. Overton is employed on the Agency Farm. He has extensive experience in cattle ranching, both in Lake County and during the past five years with Bill Owens on a year around operation in the Klamath Marsh and Red Bluff areas. Overton will be directly in charge of operations on the Agency Farm, overseeing haying, cattle feeding, irrigation, etc. Residence has been obtained for him at Klamath Agency. Cash in the amount of \$91.00 was paid in addition to the pledged amounts.

It was reported by Earle Wilcox, tribal sales manager that bid invitations were mailed to approximately 835 persons and firms. About one-hundred persons turned out for the sale.

Another personal property sale, listing 130 items, was held on Nov. 23. It was reported that all items were sold to tribal members, with only one bid being received from a non-member. 125 of the items were purchased through application of the prorata share, and cash was received on 5 of the items. The total sales price was \$13,131.25.

The next personal property sale is slated for Dec. 17, at the Klamath Agency Council House, starting at 10 a. m., with 130 items being listed.

Viewing the personal property sales to date Earle Wilcox tribal sales officer, advises that somewhat less than half the total personal property has been sold. Nevertheless, after the Dec. 17 sale, "the sales will slack off for several months". This is because much of the remaining personal property is fire-fighting equipment the sale of which will be held up until it is certain how much will be needed during the next fire season, Wilcox explains. Other personal property remaining to be sold includes hospital equipment and furniture in houses still occupied at the Agency, v

Exec-Committee Meets; Non-Withdrawing Sub - Committee Resolution Passed

A resolution that would create a non-withdrawing sub-committee of the executive committee was passed by the executive committee by a vote of 5-0 on Nov. 5, 1959.

Executive committee members questioned whether the Bureau of Indian Affairs would approve the payment of expenses from tribal funds for the operation of such a sub-committee. The final adoption of the resolution was therefore made "subject to reconsideration" by the executive committee.

The resolution, introduced for discussion by Ray Lung, trust officer for the U. S. National Bank, would establish a sub-committee "to have the same power and authority as the tribal executive committee to act on all matters that pertain only to the property conveyed to the United States National Bank of Portland in

Sustained Yield Plans Submitted By Firms

With the deadline occurring during October for submission of plans on the first group of sustained yield units advertised, plans were received during that month by the Forest Service from three companies. The group contains 4 of the total of 11 sustained yield units to be sold on behalf of the withdrawing members. The names of the companies submitting plans were not disclosed by the Forest Service. Bids on this first group of units are scheduled to be opened Jan. 20, Bids on the 2nd group, involving 3 units, are scheduled to be opened April 1, and bids on the final 4 units are to be opened Aug. 1, 1960.

BIA officials point out that information relating to submission of plans on the units must be on a very general basis. Specific advance information obtained by a prospective bidder about the character and amount of competition on a given unit might cause such a bidder to submit a different bid than he would otherwise have submitted, they observe. As a result, the names of the companies submitting plans for the different units were not divulged. trust for the non-withdrawing members for whom that property is being managed".

Other provisions of the resolution specified that "the nonwithdrawing sub-committee shall be comprised of the five executive committee members who are non-withdrawing tribal members" and that action by this subcommittee to be valid "must be recorded at a meeting of the said sub - committee at which a quorum of at least three of the designated non - withdrawing members are in attendance". The resolution further provided that all members of this sub-committee are entitled to receive the same compensation as is received by the executive committee.

At this committee meeting a resolution was also passed by a vote of 4-0 with one abstention approving and authorizing the payment of the voucher of Henry T. Murray in the amount of \$5,000. Murray, an appraiser, was hired by the Wilkinson firm for appraisal services in connection with Klamath tribal claims against the United States.

Earle Wilcox, who is presently manager of the Klamath Sales Office and who has been designated officer in charge of the Klamath Agency, was asked to clarify certain questions. Wilcox explained that as officer in charge "he has the same power and authority as a superintendent". As for the funds appropriated in the budget for tribal government expenses, Wilcox stated that "any funds left over after payment of the tribal government expenses will be apportioned to the credit of the withdrawing and remaining members in the same percentage as the number of members in each group".

The staff of the Klamath Education Program also presented a report of the educational program progress and problems.

Notice Concerning Loans

The next loan payment has been advanced from its previously scheduled date of payment of January, 1960 to the early part of December, 1959. This advance in the date for making the loans has been made in order to provide withdrawing members with money prior to Christmas at approximately the same time that they have received per capita payments in the past. Requests for loans are presently being accepted at Klamath Indian Agency.

Without a doubt, the loudest noise in the world is the first rattle in your new car. The girls were sitting about after luncheon, discussing their husbands. "My husband would never chase after a nother woman," said one matron. "He's too fine—too decent—too old."