## Trust Operation Gets On-Spot Inspection As 16 Remainees Go On Field Trip



Remaining members going on the field trip of Sept. 15 got a good view (top picture) of Wocus Bay, retained out of Klamath Marsh as part of the management area. At bottom remaining members Dibbon Cook, Marvin Davis, and Elnathan Davis, left to right, view the unique machine used by Bly Logging Co. in conducting the general salvage operation. The machine can do dozer, hauling, loading work and is capable of rapid movement through the woods in salvaging the widely-scattered wind-blown and high-risk timber.

Sixteen remaining members got a first-hand look at their trust operation Sept. 15 when they went on a field trip conducted by trust management officials. Using a bus provided by Bly Logging Co. and the Klamath Education Office in Chiloquin as a point of departure, the group first visited Agency Farm and saw the reclamation work now under way towards bringing some 1000 acres of marsh into cattle and hav production. Extensive ditching and diking and eventual installation of a pumping plant are involved. Trust officials provided the group with some interesting Farm figures, including:

1. The cattle herd now totals 669, from a start of 206 when the U. S. Bank took over as trustee;

 Approximately 350 yearling steers will be ready for market this fall, with a hoped-for price of at least 22c per pound;

3. 642 tons of hay have been harvested from Agency Farm fields this summer—more than enough for winter needs.

Next stop was Collier Park and a picnic lunch - compliments of the trustee. The group then entered the big, central unit of the remaining area at a point near Solomon Butte in the heart of the Cave Mountain burn. Stops were made at the 30-acre experimental tract machine-planted to pine seedlings last March and on a slope of Solomon Butte where results of last fall's seeding-byhelicopter project were in evidence. In both places numerous, vigorous seedlings were found. Bank officials stated that an estimated 500 seedlings per acre were thriving on the reseeded area on July 1, with relatively little mortality since then. Helicopter planting costs were calculated at \$9.10 per acre.

Travelling out of the burn and into the comparative cool of the unscathed remaining forests, the bus made its way to Wocus Bay. Here the members saw the choice grazing land, totalling about 1,000 acres, which was retained for them out of Klamath Marsh. Trust officials advised that this

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rights retained by the remainees, it was noted that such rights are not alienable or inheritable and also that they are applicable only to those lands continuing in tribal ownership and not to such lands as are sold.

Jesse Kirk observed that over one - quarter million acres of Klamath reservation lands have passed into non-Indian ownership and that extensive tribal lands are now awaiting sale. "The Indian once owning lands which have been sold has no more to say about them," he pointed out. He emphasized, however, that the remaining members have a perfect right to safeguard the wildlife on the remaining area, which belongs to them. Citing examples of game waste, Kirk felt that a committee should be set up to protect remainees' rights. As a step in this direction, he recommended that a meeting of the full executive committee be held to consider hunting and fishing problems pertinent to the tribe as a whole.

land was under a grazing lease to Ora Summers.

The general salvage operation, directed to the salvage of windblown and high-rish timber, was next on the itinerary. It was explained that Bly Logging Co. had undertaken the logging phase of the salvage operation on a 5-year contract. The contract calls for the logging of 2 million board feet per year. The trustee pays \$25 per thousand for the logging. The salvage logs are processed by Klamath Lumber and Box, which pays on the basis of lumber actually milled, as ascertained at the end of the year. Meanwhile Klamath Lumber disburses \$49 per thousand, which price will be adjusted at the end of the year according to lumber recovery.

Prior to the long trek back to Chiloquin the group stopped at Buckhorn Spring for a cool drink and a perusal of water and erosion control work in the vicinity.

Remaining members and their families making the trip were Mr. and Mrs. Dibbon Cook, Elnathan Davis and son Marvin, Mr. and Mrs. John Effman, Fanny Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Kirk, Laura Martin, Mary Reyes and daughter Nanette, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Sabin, daughter Alward and son Guy Warren, and Mrs. Frank Summers. Others making the trip were Bennett Foster, R. H. Lung, and Bob Mezger of the U. S. Nat'l Bank; Bill Sweetland of the Klamath Falls Herald and News; and Bill Norval of the Klamath Education Program.

# Personalty Sale Nets 78 Bids, No Cash

KTP-5-60, the fifth tribal personal property sale of the year, was held at the council house at Klamath Agency Thursday, Sept. 22.

Seventy-eight items were offered for sale including a grader, several pickups, two sedans, and assorted office machinery. All items were purchased by tribal members as eight non-member bids were pre-empted. Auctioneers again had no cash to show for the sale as all items were acquired by withdrawees applying their pro rata shares.

Total bid price on the 78 items was \$29,199.50, compared with an appraised value of slightly over \$13,000. Approximately 125 persons attended the sale.

It is anticipated that the next personalty sale, KTP-6-60, will be held on October 20 at the council house.

### -NOTICE-

#### **Burning Permits Required**

Burning Permits will be required to burn grass, grain, stubble, or debris on or within 1/8 of a mile of forest land until the fire season is officially closed by the Governor.

Persons wishing to burn within the exterior boundaries of the Klamath Agency District should contact the fire dispatcher at the Klamath Agency Headquarters (phone Chiloquin 783-2728 or 783-2219) or the local Wardens at any of the following Guard Stations; Beatty, Sprague River, Yamsay G. S., Wocus Bay G. S., or Three Creeks G. S.

It would be appreciated if those persons wishing to burn in areas further than 1/8 mile of forest land would notify the Klamath Agency fire dispatcher or local warden. This saves much time and expense otherwise spent to check these smokes.

Landowners and logging operators having logging slash to dispose of within the KASD Boundaries can contact Earl Brown at the Klamath Agency Headquarters. This should be done in advance of actual burning in order that prior inspections can be made and burning instructions prepared.

Some of the most critical fire weather of the current season has been experienced in the past two weeks. Continued cooperation of the local residents is needed to keep fire costs and damages to a minimum.

Bob Madsen, District Warden