Eleven Tracts of Timber Sold by BLM At Oral Sale

Timber on 11 tracts throughout the Medford district of the bureau of land management was sold at an oral auction last week. One other tract received no bids.

The 30,575,000 board feet sold for a total price of $600,755.42. John Carnegie, operations forester who was in charge of the sale, noted that competition was heavy for three of the tracts, but was non-existent for the other eight.

The heaviest competition was for 4,192,000 board feet located on Chinquapin mountain in Jackson county near Hyatt lake. McGrew Brothers of Medford, with an offer of $55,019 was the highest bidder.

The high bid included a price of $26 per thousand board feet for Douglas-fir and $11 for white fir. The white fir made up almost two-thirds of the sale volume.

Unsuccessful Bidders

The six unsuccessful bidders who competed with McGrew Brothers were Cheney Forest Products, Richard Reynen, Thomas J. Parker and Associates, Klamath Lumber and Box company, Kogap Manufacturing company, and Estremado and Sons.

The other two sales located in Jackson county were purchased by Timber Products company of Medford without any competition.

They included 7,837,000 board feet on Rock creek which was purchased for $133,085.05 and 2,527,000 board feet on Bald mountain, which brought $41,601.85. Both of the tracts are located in the Evans creek area.

Douglas-fir, the major species in both sales, was priced at $17.40 per thousand board feet and $16.25 per thousand respectively.

Heavy Competition

In Josephine county, heavy competition developed for 5,817,000 board feet located on Holcomb peak in the Williams creek area. Southern Oregon Plywood, Inc., Grants Pass, offered the high bid of $35.50 per thousand board feet for the Douglas fir and a total price of $178,233.60. Smith and Smith Logging was the unsuccessful bidder.

Southern Oregon Plywood, Inc. purchased another Josephine county sale, 2,354,000 board feet on St. Paul mountain for $45,699.70 without any competition. The Douglas fir price was $18.95 for that sale.

Other Josephine county tracts were purchased without competition by Caveman Lumber company of Wolf Creek and S. H. and W. Lumber company of Grants Pass. The first was 1,618,000 board feet on Wolf Creek which sold for $34,944.92 and the other on Galice creek, was 1,336,000 board feet which sold for $21,271.25.

The one Klamath county sale, 1,500,000 board feet located south of Buck lake, also had considerable competitive bidding for it.

Successful Bidder

Modoc Lumber company of Klamath Falls, with an offer of $25,574.95 was the successful bidder. The sale was composed mostly of ponderosa pine, white fir and Shasta fir, which brought prices of $29, $12, and $12.50 per thousand board feet respectively in the high bid.

Klamath Lumber and Box company and Estremado and Sons were the unsuccessful bidders.

Three Douglas county tracts sold without competition. Glendale Timber company of Glendale bought one, with 1,101,000 board feet for $21,938.45 and another, with 252,000 board feet for $5,874.55. Both of the tracts were located near Ninemile mountain. The Robert Dollar company purchased 2,041,000 board feet located on Dutchman peak for $36,612.10.

Receives No Bid

The sale that received no bids was located in the Williams creek area of Josephine county. It consists of 4,000 board feet of dead Port-Orford cedar. Regulations authorize the bureau to accept bids for this timber for a period of 90 days, according to Carnegie.

Advertising is now in progress for the next bureau sale in the Medford district, Carnegie said. It wil be held May 10 and will consist of 18,745,000 board feet appraised for $348,145.50. It is located in six tracts two of which are located in Jackson county, two in Josephine county and one each in Klamath and Douglas counties.

Small Worlds Around Us

By Lynn W. Watkins

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Birds Find Safety in Their 'Tower of Babel'

Those wild things, always in danger from predators, have flight alone to escape, or chaos of their own making to confuse and bewilder an enemy. They attempt to confound by creating a mixture of voices and sounds. If their chorus of confusion is successful, the predator becomes discouraged and leaves, allowing them another day, hour, or even minute to live.

Some small birds become ventriloquists by throwing their voices, seemingly causing the sound to come from some source aside. The predator swoops to the place where the sound seems to be and finds only emptiness. The voice is there but the little victim isn't.

Varies Call

The small bird, too, can vary the calls it makes, sounding as if there were several birds in the thicket, thereby fooling the hunter. A flock of small birds hiding in leafy foilage seldom remain long in any one place. By constantly changing their positions they confuse still more the enemy that seeks to destroy them.

Even in flight a flock of small birds will seem to indicate uncertainty, by constantly changing their positions. The flock will wheel to the left, to the right, then fly upwards for a few yards, then descend back to the original level.

An uninformed observer might believe the flock does not know where they want to go, or even in what direction they are headed, or whether to fly high or fly low.

What the flock is actually attempting to do is to confuse any larger bird of prey that might be following or waiting to attack them.

The same flock landing in a tree or bush begins at once its twittering—seemingly useless chirping. The hawk who may have observed the flock taking refuge in the bush swoops in, headed for the sound or the place where it sees the bird enter the cover.

The small birds create a babble of voices, trying—and often successfully—to confuse the enemy by a discord of sounds. They recreate on a small scale, and in their own wild, instinctive way, a little "tower of Babel" . . . . a hubbub of many voices that confuses one that wants only to locate a single one. It's a Babel of distoriton—chorus of confusion.

STAR GAZER

By CLAY R. POLLAN

Your Daily Activity Guide According to the Stars.

To develop message for Sunday, read words corresponding to numbers of your Zodiac birth sign.

1 Undertake	31 Could	61 Reason	
2 Friendly	32 For	62 Usual	
3 Only	33 Form	63 You	
4 Duty	34 Incredible	64 Offering	
5 Get	35 Your	65 Gone	
6 What	36 A	66 With	
7 Together	37 Things	67 Haunts	
8 Be	38 Been	68 Go	
9 Cooperate	39 Hint	69 Today	
10 With	40 The	70 Are	
11 Should	41 Romance	71 Today	
12 Get	42 To	72 Yourself	
13 With	43 Public	73 A	
14 Some	44 And	74 Bashful	
15 The	45 A	75 Person	
16 Loose	46 Of	76 Against	
17 You	47 Relaxing	77 Confidence	
18 Can	48 Adventure	78 Deception	
19 Drop	49 To	79 Desires	
20 Reasonably	50 Time	80 Social	
21 Talk	51 Secret	81 Other	
22 Meet	52 Life	82 Conversation	
23 Away	53 With	83 Deals	
24 Tricky	54 Your	84 Hidden	
25 A	55 Hassle	85 Form	
26 Others	56 Plans	86 Or	
27 Good	57 Protect	87 What	
28 Arrange	58 Reputation	88 Ones	
29 On	59 Mode	89 Expectantly	
30 Be	60 By	90 Career	

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TAURUS APR. 21 – MAY 21	9-10-56-59-60-64-71
GEMINI MAY 22 – JUNE 22	5-7-13-26-29-45-80-87
CANCER JUNE 23 – JULY 23	19-25-39-42-73-74-75
LEO JULY 24 – AUG. 23	41-44-48-61-63-68-85-89
VIRGO AUG. 24 – SEPT. 23	14-24-51-57-72-76-78
LIBRA SEPT. 23 – OCT. 23	28-32-36-47-50-66-83-88
SCORPIO OCT. 24 – NOV. 22	15-27-37-46-52-70-81-84
SAGITTARIUS NOV. 23 – DEC. 22	8-11-30-38-49-65-79-82
CAPRICORN DEC. 23 – JAN. 20	16-21-31-34-54-58-86-90
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