

Increase Noted in BLM Collections During First 3 Months in District



PROFESSOR ELECTED - Prof. Frederick Seitz, 50, of the University of Illinois, is shown after his election as president of the National Academy of Sciences at Washington, D.C. He succeeds Dr. Detley W. Bronk who has headed the academy since 1950. Seitz, a native of San Francisco, is an authority on crystals. (UPI)

Some \$935,169.36 were collected during the first three months of 1962 by the local office of the bureau of land management. It is approximately \$400,000 more than collected during the same period last year, BLM officials noted.

The bulk of the collections for the quarter were from the sale of timber. This amounted to \$882,771.98. Collections from the rent of land totaled \$11,954.38 with the most of this amount coming from grazing leases and road use fees.

These collections are split by the O and C formula and returned to the O and C counties in lieu of tax payments.

Non-reimbursable collections amounted to \$39,443. The bulk of these collections came from road maintenance fees and is used to maintain bureau access roads.

Timber Sold

The Medford district sold 37,631,000 board feet of timber at a sale price of \$721,274.60 during the quarter. Of the total amount sold, 293,000 board feet was negotiated. The majority, or 37,338,000 board feet was sold at competitive oral auction bids.

The appraised price for the total volume sold was \$684,260.85.

GRANTED LICENSE

West Super Mare, England - Mrs. Joan Hockin was granted a betting license Wednesday to become Somerset county's first woman bookie. Bookmaking is legal in England.

The amount bid for the timber showed a light downward trend in comparison with this same period one year ago, officials noted. The high bid for Douglas fir so far in 1962 was \$31.35 and \$28.70 for ponderosa pine. The average bid price was \$19.17. The volume sold was in ten tracts, five of them were in Jackson county, four in Josephine county and one in Douglas county. The average volume per tract tallied out at 3,734,000 board feet.

The Medford district did not make its timber sale plan commitment for the first quarter of 1962. The district had planned to sell 52,500,000 board feet, but actually only sold 37,631,000 board feet, officials said.

Heavy Snowfall

District Manager Ross A. Youngblood points out that there were several reasons for this, all mostly due to the extremely heavy snowfall. It hampered BLM field crews from doing actual timber cruising and appraisal work and made it impossible for interested buyers to look at the timber.

All timber committed in the 1962 fiscal year sale plan, according to Youngblood, will be offered in April, May and June.

Nine Timber Appraisers

The Medford district currently has nine timber appraisers who do the cruising and appraising of tracts offered on the market. Two of them, Hugh Shera and Alvin Schmitt, were recently promoted.

A two-day appraising school was held during the quarter which was attended by district appraisers and their helpers. The school was conducted by District Appraiser Floyd Fogelquist, assisted by Cecil Smith, Portland, chief appraiser from the BLM state office.

Shera and Schmitt were given special land appraisal training at a school for this purpose held in the Portland office.

Reforestation

Activity in reforestation was fairly heavy during the quarter with 1,272 acres aerial seeded in January. Some 942 pounds of endrin-treated Douglas fir seed was used on this project. The endrin treatment of the seeds should keep the seed from being eaten by field mice.

The Medford district also planted 1,210 acres with 591,000 seedlings by procurement contractors. The bureau's own crew planted 140 acres using 80,000 seedlings, placed paper mulch around 6,000 seedlings and thinned an acre in a seed-production area near Butte Falls.

Some 2,600 snags were felled on 231 acres to reduce the fire hazard.

Aetna, Calif. Helicopters, Inc., were awarded an aerial spraying contract totaling 683 acres in Josephine county. This area will be sprayed with herbicide to effect the release of existing reproduction.

Road Construction

In the activity of road construction, bureau timber sale operators built 1.9 miles of road, costing \$19,000. Some rock work, mostly drilling, readying the Alameda rd. area near Galice for blasting was accomplished.

Presently, the Medford district has six roads under construction by the bureau of public roads.

These roads are the Deer creek access in southwestern Josephine county, and the Keno access in Jackson and Klamath counties, the Rock creek in Jackson county, the Alameda in Josephine county, and the Powell creek access which is also located in Josephine county. This road will open up a large area of BLM timber in the Powell creek drainage. Powell creek runs into Applegate river near Applegate.

The bureau of public roads is presently working on the Mt. Reuben access road in northwest Josephine county. Snow pack has delayed the advertising for the construction of the sub grade on the East fork of Evans creek in north-central Jackson county. It is planned that the nine mile road job can be completed during this summer season.

The BPR bridge survey for Hawk bridge located in the Upper Cow creek drainage area of southeast Douglas county was completed. The district has a BPR survey crew making an analysis of the Grave Creek rd., which is to be completed this month.

Basic Engineering

A training school in basic engineering was held during the quarter for all engineering employees of the Medford district.

The school and others planned grew out of inquiry from industry as to whether BLM construction standards were the same for all sections of the Medford district.

Also in this same activity, the Medford district was host to a meeting of the timber committee of the Southern

Oregon Conservation and Tree Farm association. At the session operators and district personnel, and personnel from other federal services discussed road construction problems encountered in government timber sales.

Twelve easements were acquired. Five were quit-claim deeds across mining claims, five were perpetual easements, and possession on two areas were result of condemnation action. Four right-of-way permits were issued to applicants and 37 separate road locations were filed in the land office.

During the period seven new timber trespass cases were discovered and six cases were closed. The volume of timber involved in the closed cases amounted to 144,000 board feet valued at \$2,562.40.

Currently the Medford district has about 425,000 acres of BLM land under lease for grazing purposes. On this land there are about 175 active grazing leases. Two leases were issued during this period for 87 animal unit months of forage on an area of 655 acres. The annual rental for this was \$114.37.

Carroll Brown, blister rust technician for the local office, and Jack Thomsen, staff assistant, attended a training session conducted by the U.S. Forest service at Shelton, Wash., on seed orchards and tree breeding. Brown was one of the instructors on controlled pollination of rust resistant sugar pine.

Some 256,500,000 board feet of timber are expected to be offered for sale during the 1963 fiscal year by the bureau.

The proposed timber sale plan was discussed with the Medford O and C Advisory board and presented during a public meeting. No objections were raised on the proposed plan submitted by Plans Forester Assistant Robert D. Hostetter of the Medford office.

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Movie Shown

The BLM movie, "The Rogue River Country," is being shown in the Medford district schools and Grants Pass schools.

The 28-minute color sound movie was filmed in the Rogue valley last summer. It emphasizes outdoor recreation, a white-water boat trip

down the Rogue river, and other land activities on the Medford district's 905,000 acres.

During the quarter BLM officials discussed plans for administering the public recreational use of federal lands around Hyatt lake with the Jackson county court and the bureau of reclamation. The county has undertaken the management of the recreational facilities at the lake.

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