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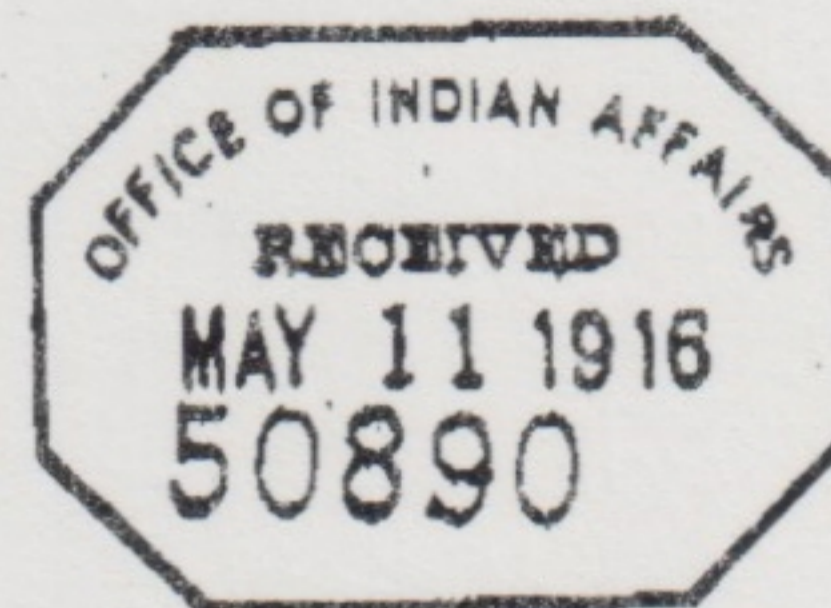
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

WASHINGTON

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The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Interior.

Sir:

From our records it appears that there are eleven cases involving the purchase of lands for homeless California Indians, pending in the Department. These cases and the dates upon which they were referred to the Solicitor for the Interior Department for examination and opinion, may be identified from the following table:

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NAME OF BAND.	GRANTORS.	PRICE	DATE REFERRED.
Sebastopol	George Schelling	\$1,500.00	Apr. 4, 1915
Meerstown	San. Pac. Ry. Co.	700.00	Dec. 9, 1915
Enterprise (1)	Central Pac. Ry. Co.	160.00	Dec. 9, 1915
Enterprise (2)	Central Pac. Ry. Co.	132.56	Dec. 18, 1915
Montgomery Creek	Southern " " "	400.00	Nov. 29, 1915
Henderson Pitt River	J. J. Henderson	1,000.00	Dec. 18, 1915
Dick Harry et al.	Central Pac. Ry. Co.	160.18	Mar. 31, 1916
Colfax	W. W. Haffy	500.00	Jan. 7, 1916
Cedarville	Wm. A. Mickis & wife	1,000.00	Nov. 8, 1915
Eldorado	Mrs. L. E. Thomas	1,500.00	Feb. 8, 1916
Sulphur Bank & Lower Lake	Furves Brothers	1,600.00	Apr. 11, 1916

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The procedure required by law to consummate these purchases is long and necessitates the lapse of considerable time between the inception of a purchase and payment to the grantors, who in many cases are in need of the money and can not understand the delay in making payment.