

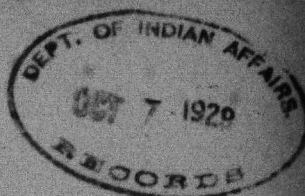
DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
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OFFICE OF
INDIAN AGENT

Broadview, Sask.,

3rd October, 1929.



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Sir:

I beg to inform you that I have an offer from Mr. P. Dupont of Broadview, for the purchase of the east half of 22 and the west half of 23-17-5, W 2nd. He offers \$5.00 per acre and \$7.00 per acre, respectively, for these two half-sections. This land is very poor and there is not a great deal of land in the whole section which can be cultivated to advantage, but it is all good pasture land and there are a few good hay sloughs on it. The prospective purchaser intends to use it for ranching purposes and it is quite suitable for this. However, I do not strongly recommend the sale at this price. I have told him that I would recommend the sale if he would make an offer of \$7.00 per acre for the whole section, but he does not seem inclined to offer this much.

I beg to refer you to Department letter of the 7th January, last, No. 108B-1-7, in which it is stated that the upset price of the east half of section 22 is \$9.00 per acre. I replied under date of the 14th January, stating that I considered the upset price too high, but was unable to make a valuation owing to the fact that there was too much snow on the ground. Since writing I have seen the land and would consider \$7.00 per acre a fair valuation. Mr. Dupont's offer makes an average price of \$6.00 per acre for a whole section and I presume the Department would be glad to dispose of this land, even at a price of slightly less than it may bring if held for some time, therefore I am submitting his offer, without recommendation, for the Department's consideration.

The Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Your obedient servant,

P. B. Ostrander
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Indian Agent.

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