LAND MONOPOLY.

Opinion Expressed by the Los Angeles "Times."

The Laws Should Take Hold of the Evil and Deal With It Strongly.

[Los Angeles Daily Times, March 13th.]

In the Sacramento RECORD-UNION of recent date William H. Mills publishes a thoughtful and exhaustive article, seven columns in length, on the evils of large land-holdings in California. Mr. Mills takes the broad ground that no other form of monopoly usurps the opportunities of men to such an extent as the holding of lands in large private ownership.

Statistics cited show that the large land-holdings in the State, and principally those in the valleys of the Sacramento and the San Joaquin, have increased very rapidly in the past ten years, both in number and in acreage; and also that wherever this increase has taken place there has been a corresponding loss in population. For example, in the four great counties of Yolo, Colusa, Butte and Tehama there were in 1880 seventy-one holders, having 5,000 acres and upward, whose aggregate holdings amounted to 797,761 acres. In 1891 the number of this class of holders had increased to 106 and the aggregate amount of their lands to 1,479,104 acres. In 1890 the largest single holding in the four counties was 31,167 acres, and in 1890 the largest was 109,000 acres. In 1880 the four counties had a population of 52,582, and in 1890 a population of 55,179. The natural increase in the ten years should have been 10,583, whereas the increase shown by the census was only 3,049. A further consideration, however, shows the matter in a worse light still, for during the decade the five towns of Colusa County gained 1,116 in population, one town in Yolo gained 918, two towns in Tehama gained 641, and two towns in Butte gained 810, so that in the towns there was a gain of 366 more than the entire gain of the four counties, showing that the rural districts of these fertile counties have actually decreased in population.

Thus it is plainly shown that the tendency of large land-holdings is to drive the well-to-do classes into towns and cities, while the agricultural lands are tilled by hired laborers or tenant farmers. The evils of absenteeism are at once introduced, for the owners of these large estates have no fancy for living in the midst of the semi-barren wastes which their grain farms maintain. The proceeds of the lands do not go into local improvements, but are diverted to the luxurious centers of population. Thus the wealth of the lands is drawn away, and they are impoverished in a double sense. Mr. Mills says:

"A system like this, which is overcrowding the cities, depopulating the interior, eliminating the class of independent small holders, is fraught with danger to the perpetuity of republican institutions, and in the face of such a menace the natural question is, what is the remedy?"

The writer concludes that the increase of the large holdings is due to the rapid growth of accumulated wealth and the constantly augmenting volume of idle capital. This capital seeks safe investment. An acre of land that will pay $2 per annum is better than a Government bond for $100 with a 2 per cent. coupon attached, and, as loans are readily obtained on it, land has become a preferred savings deposit. Idle capital, therefore, is rapidly being invested in land, and the process will grow rather than diminish, unless checked by legislation. As to the best form of law to effect this purpose, Mr. Mills suggests several that would probably be beneficial, such as the limitation and restriction of the extent to which land may be used as a basis of security for the repayment of loans; a regulation that the interest accruing upon a mortgage should not go to the accumulation of the mortgage nor be collected out of the equity of redemption. These laws would prevent the large accumulation of land simply as an investment, and by withdrawing idle surplus capital from them would leave them in the hands of men who will cultivate and use them. As the statistics show, furthermore, that the death of the proprietor does not subdivide the landed estate, it is suggested that there should be a law absolutely prohibiting any man to devise in his will more than one thousand acres of land, and declaring that all in excess of that acreage shall be sold by the courts for the benefit of his estate, the sale to be made at the rate of one-fifth each year for five years, so as not to inflict loss.

Mr. Mills is doing excellent service for California in leading a campaign against these large land-holdings. They have long been recognized as an evil, and the fact that this evil shows little tendency to abate itself makes it manifest that the laws should take hold of the matter in a strong way.

Mr. Mills has exemplified the faith that is in him by inducing the Southern Pacific Railway Company, of which he is the Land Agent, to purchase large tracts, subdivide them into small farms and dispose of them to actual settlers on easy terms. This is the correct policy for the redemption of the semi-arid wastes of the State.

COMMERCIAL.

SACRAMENTO MARKET.

SACRAMENTO, March 15th.

FRUIT—Lemons—Sicily, $7@7 50 ₱ box; California, $3@5; Limes, $6 50@7 ₱ case; $1 25@1 50 ₱ 100; Bananas, $2 50@3 ₱ bunch or Island; Cocoanuts, $7@8; Oranges—Navels, $3 50@4 ₱ box; Riverside, $1 75@2 ₱ box; Los Angeles, $1 30@1 50 ₱ box; Pineapples, 60@75c each, $7 ₱ doz; Apples, $1@1 50 ₱ box; Cape Cod Cranberries, $10 50 ₱ bbl.

CANNED GOODS—Assorted table, $1 65@1 75; Apples, $1 60. Apricots, $1 60; Blackberries, $1 75@1 85; Cherries, $1 95@2 35; Currants, $2 25; Gooseberries, $1 80@1 90; Muscat Grapes, $1 40@1 50; Plums, $1 40; Quinces, $1 75; Strawberries, $2 50.

BREADSTUFFS—Flour, $5 25 ₱ bbl; Oatmeal, 10-lb sacks, 3¼c ₱ lb, $3 50 ₱ 100-lb sacks; Cornmeal, White, $2 60 ₱ 10-lb sacks; Yellow, $2 60 ₱ 25-lb sacks; Cracked Wheat, $3 15 ₱ 100-lb sacks, $2 85 ₱ 100-lb sacks; Hominy, $3 75 ₱ 100-lb sacks, $3 50 ₱ 100-lb sacks; Graham, $2 90 ₱ 100-lb sacks; $2 65 ₱ 100-lb sacks.

VEGETABLES—Onions, Silverskins, $1 35 ₱ cwt; Cabbage, 85c@$1 ₱ 100 lbs; Carrots, 70c@$1 ₱ 100 lbs; Turnips, new, 85c@$1 25 ₱ sack; bunch vegetables, 12½c ₱ dozen; Parsnips, $1@1 50; Beets, 75c@$1; Horse Radish, 10c ₱ lb; Garlic, 5@6c; Artichokes, $1 ₱ dozen; Dried Pepper, 20@25c; Potatoes, Early Rose, 60@65c; Peerless, 60@70c; Oregon Burbanks, 85c@$1; River Burbanks, 60@75c; River, 50@60c ₱ ctl; New Potatoes, 6c ₱ lb; Celery, 60@75c ₱ dozen; Cauliflower, 75c ₱ dozen; Red Cabbage, 3c ₱ lb; Spinach, 3c; Hubbard Squash, 2c; Asparagus, 7@9c; Peas, 9@11c; Mushrooms, 10@20c; Rhubarb, 12½c; Tomato Plants, 15c ₱ doz; Shives, 15c ₱ bunch.

DAIRY PRODUCTS—Butter, Valley, 24@25c ₱ lb; Fancy Petaluma, 30@32½c ₱ lb; Eastern Creamery, fancy, 25@27½c; packed in firkins, choice, 22@25c; pickled roll, 26½@27½c; common, 12½@13c ₱ lb; Cheese, California, 14@15c; Young America, 15@16c; Eastern Cream, 15c; Limburger, 18@20c; genuine Swiss, 2@31c; American Swiss, 21c; Martin's Cream, 17@18c; Eggs, 20c.

POULTRY—Dealers' prices: Live Turkeys, 12½c; dressed, 18c; full-grown Chickens, $5 50@6 per dozen; young roosters, $5@6 ₱ dozen; broilers, $4@5; tame Ducks, $6; Pekin, $7; Geese, $1 25@2 ₱ pair.

HAY, GRAIN AND FEED—Oat Hay, $12@15 ₱ ton; Alfalfa do, $10@12 ₱ ton; Bran, $21 ₱ ton; Middlings, $23 ₱ ton; Barley, whole, paying, $1 07½@1 22½; rolled, $1 30; Wheat, choice milling, paying, $1 70 ₱ cwt; Rye, $1 90; Tame Oats, $1 75; Corn, paying, $1 20@1 25 ₱ cwt.

MEATS—Beef, 7c; Mutton, 10c; Lamb, 12½c; Veal, large, 7c; small, 8½c; Hogs, 5@5½c; dressed Pork, 7@8c; Hams—Eastern, 13@14c; California, 10@11c; Eureka Hams, 11½c; Bacon—Light medium, 9½c; selected do, 10c; extra light, 12½@14c; extra light boneless, 13½@14c.

MISCELLANEOUS — Seeds — Alfalfa, new crop, 7@8c; Timothy, Eastern, 5@6c; Pop Corn, ear, 2@3c; shelled, 4@5c; Red Clover, 10@11c; Red Top, 6@7c ₱ lb; Nuts—Chile Walnuts, new, 11@12c; California Walnuts, 9@10c; Almonds, new, 11@13c; Peanuts, California, 5@6c; Eastern, 6@7c; Lard—California, cans, 10@11c; Eastern, 8¾@10c; Hides—Salt, light, 4c; medium steers, 4c; heavy steers, 7½c; heavy cows, 5c; dry, 9½c; Tallow, 3½c.

SAN FRANCISCO MARKET.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 15th.

FLOUR—Net cash prices for Family Extras, $5 05@5 15 ₱ bbl; Bakers' Extras, $4 90@5; Superfine, $3 20@3 40.

WHEAT—At the moment, $1 65 is considered a full figure for standard shipping wheat, while at this price, it must be understood, it is not easy to find customers. Parcels suited for milling uses hold up well, the selling range being $1 72½@1 75 ₱ ctl.

BARLEY—Very little doing in brewing on local account. We quote prices: Feed, 95@97½c for dark coast, $1 for good quality and $1 01½@1 02½ for choice; Brewing, $1 07½ to $1 12½ ₱ ctl.

OATS—Activity in wholesale way is not a feature of the oat market. We quote: Surprise, $1 50@1 60; good to choice feed, $1 32½ to $1 37½; off grades, $1 25@1 30; Gray, $1 20 to $1 25; Oregon Black, $1 22½@1 27½ ₱ ctl; California Black, $1 10@1 20 for common and $1 50@1 60 ₱ ctl for choice lots for seed.

CORN—Nothing of interest to report. Offerings are neglected, but there is steady holding, and values are unchanged. We quote: Large Yellow, $1 25@1 27½; Small Yellow, $1 26¼@1 27½; White, $1 27½ ₱ ctl.

CRACKED CORN—Quotable at $29@30 ₱ ton.

CHOPPED FEED—Quotable at $21 50@22 50 ₱ ton.

CORNMEAL—Millers quote Feed at $28 to $29 ₱ ton; fine kinds for the table, in large and small packages, 3½@3¾c ₱ lb.

OILCAKE MEAL—Quotable at $25 ₱ ton from the mills.

SEEDS—Market generally quiet. Mustard and alfalfa are both firm, stocks being small. We quote: Mustard, Brown, $2@3 25; Yellow, $3 25@3 75; Canary, imported, $2 75@3 12½; Hemp, 3¼@4c ₱ lb; Rape, $2@2 50; Timothy, 5¼@5½c; Alfalfa, 9½c ₱ lb; Flax, $1 75@2 ₱ ctl.

MIDDLINGS—Quotable at $20 50@21 ₱ ton.

HAY—Local trade is dull and slow on account of the rain. Moderate movement still prevails on export account. We quote: Alfalfa, $10@12; Wheat, $13@15 50; Wheat and Oat, $12 50@15; Barley, $11@13; Wild Oat, $12@14; Stock $8 50@10 ₱ ton.

STRAW—Quotable at 50@60c ₱ bale.

HOPS—Inactive. Stocks small. Quotable at 16 to 20c ₱ lb.

MILLSTUFFS—We quote: Rye Flour, 4c; Rye Meal, 3¼c; Graham Flour, 3¼c; Oatmeal, 4½c; Oat Groats, 5c; Cracked Wheat, 4c; Buckwheat Flour, 5c; Pearl Barley, 4@4½c ₱ lb.

BRAN—We quote: No. 1, $17 50@18 ₱ ton.

RYE—Quotable at $1 60@1 62½ ₱ ctl.

BUCKWHEAT—Quotable at $1 75 ₱ ctl.

GROUND BARLEY—Quotable at $23@24 ₱ ton.

POTATOES—Common qualities of old are still in excessive supply, and prices continue against sellers. We quote the following prices: New, 2@2½c ₱ lb; Early Rose, 20@30c; Burbanks, 30c to 40c for River and 85c@$1 for Salinas; River Red, 20@30c; Oregon Burbanks, 50c@$1 ₱ ctl; Oregon Garnet Chile, 40@50c ₱ ctl.

ONIONS—The general market is quotable at 50c@$1 ₱ ctl for common to good, though an article of choice quality will bring $1 20@1 25 ₱ ctl.

DRIED PEAS—We quote: Green, $1 50@2; Blackeye, $1 45@1 60; Niles, $1 35@1 40 ₱ ctl.

BEANS—Not much doing in this line. Stocks, however, are not large, and prices remain steady in consequence. A vessel that sailed for New York a few days ago took 3,100 bags, while the last Panama steamer had 3,700 bags on Eastern account. We quote: Bayos, $2@2 10; Butter, $2 50@3; Pink, $1 95@2; Red, $2 25@2 40; Lima, $1 75@1 90; Pea, $2 60@2 75; Small White, $2 40@2 60 ₱ ctl.

VEGETABLES—Asparagus now sells by the box, owing to increasing supplies, which to-day footed up 868 boxes. Rhubarb is also in liberal receipt, arrivals this morning amounting to 306 boxes. Green peas are plentiful, String beans make but light exhibit, while the quality of offerings is not choice. Green peppers come along occasionally. We quote as follows: Rhubarb, 3@5c ₱ lb; Asparagus, $1@1 50 for common and $1 75@2 for choice ₱ box; Cucumbers, 50@75c ₱ dozen; Los Angeles Green Peppers, 20@25c ₱ lb; Los Angeles String Beans, 15@25c ₱ lb; Los Angeles Summer Squash, — ₱ lb; Los Angeles Tomatoes, 75c@1 50 ₱ box; Green Peas, 3@5c ₱ lb; Turnips, 50@75c ₱ ctl; Beets, $1 ₱ sack; Carrots, feed, 40@50c; Parsnips, $1 25 ₱ ctl; Cabbage, 50c; Garlic, 2@3c ₱ lb; Cauliflower, 50@60c ₱ dozen; Dry Peppers, 10@12½c; Dry Okra, 15c ₱ lb Marrowfat Squash, $3@6 ₱ ton.

FRESH FRUITS—Market limited as to variety. With the clearing up of the present storm and the return of sunshine, there will likely be small shipments of strawberries. We quote: Apples, 50c@1 25 ₱ box for common to fair and $1 50@2 50 for good to fancy red.

CITRUS FRUITS—Market abundantly stocked with oranges. Mexican Limes, $4@4 50 ₱ box; California Limes, 60@75c ₱ box; Lemons, Sicily, $6@6 50 ₱ box; California Lemons, $1@1 25 for common and $1 50@3 ₱ box for good to choice; Los Angeles Seedlings, 75c@$1; Los Angeles Navels, $1 25@2 25 for common to choice; Riverside Seedlings, $1@1 75; Riverside and Duarte Navels, $1 50@3; San Bernardino Seedling, $2 25; San Bernardino Navels, $3@3 50; Bananas, $1 50@2 50 ₱ bunch; Pineapples, $6 ₱ dozen.

DRIED FRUIT—The market, generally, remains very quiet. Peaches, apples, plums and apricots are weak. Prunes are about the only description that show any firmness in price. We quote: Apricots, bleached, 5@7c; do, sun-dried, 3@4c; Peaches, sun-dried, 2½@3c; bleached, 4c to 6c; Apples, 5@6c for evaporated, 3@3½c for sliced and 2½@3c for quartered; pitted Plums, 4@4½; unpitted do, 2@2½c; Grapes, 1¼@1½c ₱ lb; Prunes, 4@7c ₱ lb; German Prunes, 4@5c; Pears, 7@8c for Evaporated, 3@5c for sliced and 2½@4c for quartered; Nectarines, 3@4c for red and 4@5c for white; Figs, 4½@5c for pressed and 3@4c for unpressed.

RAISINS—We quote: Layers, fancy, $1 20@1 35 ₱ box; good to choice, 90c@1 10, with the usual advance for fractional boxes; Muscatels, 60@75c ₱ box, and 2½@3c ₱ lb for sacks.

NUTS—We quote: California Walnuts, 4@6c for hard shell, and 7@8c for soft shell; Chile Walnuts, 8@9c; California Almonds, 10½@11½c for soft, —c for hard shell, and 12@13c for paper shell; Peanuts, 1¼@3c; Hickory Nuts, 7@8c; Filberts, 11@12c; Pecans, 11½@13c for small, and 15@16c for large; Brazil Nuts, 6½@8c ₱ lb; Pine Nuts, —@—c ₱ lb; Cocoanuts, $4 50@5 ₱ hundred.

HONEY—We quote: Extracted, 5¼@6c for amber, and 6½@6¾c for bright. Comb is quotable at 8@10c in 2-lb frames, and 10@13c for white in 1-lb frames.

BUTTER—Supplies that now come forward are not of the best keeping quality, and competition to realize causes the situation to shape in favor of buyers. Quotable at 21c ₱ lb for fancy, 19@20c for good to choice, and 17@18c for common grades.

CHEESE—Receipts are a little more liberal, but prices remain steady. We quote: Choice to fancy new, 13@14c; fair to good, old, 9@12c; Eastern, ordinary to fine, 11@13c; do, fancy creamery, 13@14c ₱ lb.

EGGS—The market is not overstocked, but prices do not improve, as Eastern shipments are on the way, and buyers are not inclined to purchase ahead of current wants. We quote: California ranch, 18c; store lots, 16½@17c ₱ dozen.

POULTRY—Trade is of moderate proportions, prices being light. We quote as follows: Live Turkeys—Gobblers, 14@17c; Hens, 15@17c; dressed Turkeys, 16@20c ₱ lb; Roosters, $6 50@7 for old, and $8@10 for young; Broilers, $5@7; Hens, $7@8; Ducks, $9@11; Geese, $2@2 50 ₱ pair.

GAME—Dull. We quote: Grey Geese, $2; Hare, 75c@$1; Rabbits, $1@1 50; Birds, 50c ₱ dozen.

EASTERN AND FOREIGN MARKETS.

NEW YORK, March 15th.

WHEAT—99½c for March, 99⅝c for April, 97⅝c for May, 96c for June and 95⅝c for July.

SUGAR—Cuba Centrifugal, 3⅝c.

CHICAGO, March 15th.

WHEAT—86c for cash and 81¼c for July.

LIVERPOOL, March 15th.

WHEAT—American advices cause depression. California spot lots, 8s 1d; off coast, 39s 3d; just shipped, 38s 6d; nearly due, 38s 9d; cargoes off coast, nothing offering; on passage, heavy; wheat on passage to Continent, 1,360,000 qrs; wheat and flour on passage to U. K., 3,489,000 qrs; weather in England, milder.

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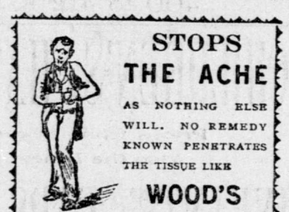

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Notice is hereby given that said Board of Directors will sell to the highest and best bidder the bonds of said irrigation district to the amount of $400,000, bearing interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, on the first day of January and July of each year on the presentation of the interest coupons at the office of the Treasurer of said district.

Said bonds are issued by the Board of Directors of Modesto Irrigation District in accordance with, and by the authority of an Act of the Legislature of the State of California, entitled "An Act to provide for the organization and government of irrigation districts, and to provide for the acquisition of water and other property, and for the distribution of water thereby for irrigation purposes," approved March 7, 1887.

Said bonds will be sold for cash, and for not less than ninety per centum of the face value thereof.

Sealed proposals and bids for the purchase of said bonds will be received by the said Board of Directors at their office, in the City of Modesto, County of Stanislaus, State of California, and may be addressed to or left with C. S. Abbott, the Secretary of said Board, at Modesto, Cal., at any time after the date of this notice and until 2:30