

# EUCALYPTUS

## POSSIBILITIES

**Conservative Estimates of Its Worth Flattering. Its Values Many**

The cultivation of eucalyptus trees is attracting more and more attention in California as its many values are learned. Some extensive eucalyptus experiments are to be tried soon in Imperial Valley and many forestry experts predict that it will be one of the important products of this region. D. C. Burson, writing for the Los Angeles Times answers various questions in regard to the care and uses of the trees as follows:

"What kind of soil, and how should it be prepared for the successful growing of the eucalyptus?"

Any good land free from alkali or hardpan. In fact, it is a tree adapted to a great variety of soils, yet the better the land the greater the growth. The preparation of the land depends largely upon the condition of the soil, but in all cases I would advise deep plowing. And should there be a clay or tough subsoil, I would use a subsoil plow. Work the surface until it is perfectly pliable.

"How often and how long should the young trees be irrigated?"

That also depends upon conditions, High, dry land, where water is a long way from the surface, requires pretty thorough irrigating, sufficient at least, to keep the root moist through the hot dry season, for at least two summers. Low moist land would not require more than one season of irrigation.

"Is 6x6 feet far enough apart to plant the eucalyptus for all practical purposes?"

I would say if your object is poles or spares, it is, but if the object is saw timber (which is doubtless the most profitable part of eucalyptus growing) I would give more room on account of having it grow several years longer before cutting; 8x8 will give sufficient space for growing large trees.

"What other values, except for poles, spares, ties and wood, does the eucalyptus possess?"

In answer to this question I am led to believe from recent investigations that these should be classed among its minor values, for it has been discovered that eucalyptus lumber is susceptible to a very fine finish and as the different varieties possess various shades and colors, it has an untold value for furniture, office work or inside of cars, or fine houses. Numerous samples of this wood, polished, can be seen in Los Angeles. It requires an expert to see the difference between the E. Rostsata (red gum) and San Domingo mahogany. And it is well known that mahogany commands an enormous price in our eastern markets.

It would therefore, (from present investigations and discoveries) be impossible to place a future value upon the lumber of this important tree. And yet from our experience of over thirty years in growing other timber trees we are inclined to make a conservative estimate of possible profits to be derived in growing the eucalyptus as a combination of saw timber and poles. Saw the butt and use the top for poles and wood.

With this object in view, and by planting less than 700 trees to the acre with a probable future stand of 500, the expense

would naturally be greater per tree than when planting exclusively for poles, but, supposing it would double that amount, say 10 cents per tree all told, there is no other expense except the land, which may be almost any price, but we are convinced that good eucalyptus land can be bought in Southern California at prices ranging from \$20 to \$50 an acre, according to location.

We can, therefore, safely place the cost of a eucalyptus grove with 500 trees to the acre at \$100 per acre. That would include first-class land, well located. The results would, of course, be governed by the length of time the trees are left standing and the price of lumber at that time, which doubtless would be much higher than at present, as fifteen or twenty years hence we shall be close on the heels of a timber famine.

The older the tree the better the sawed timber; but by placing the time of cutting fifteen years from the time of planting, we are warranted by experience and observation in saying that the first sixteen feet of each tree will cut 150 feet of inch boards. As we are making a very conservative estimate, we will place the cut at only 100 feet, with the supposition that it will take half of that to cut and saw it, which will leave but fifty feet to each tree, or 25,000 feet to the acre.

As to its future value we will make no prediction—it may be worth 10.20 or even 30 cents per foot, but we will estimate it at the present price of common pine lumber—3 cents per foot, or \$1.50 per tree. As the trees would probably be over 100 feet in height at the time of cutting, the balance of the trees would easily bring \$1 for poles and wood. This would place each tree at the low price of \$2.50, or \$1260 per acre, or \$125,000 for a 100-acre grove costing less than \$10,000.

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**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**  
Department of the Interior, Land Office at Los Angeles, California, Oct. 2, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that Elmer H. Mitchell of Holtville, Cal., has filed notice of his intention to make final commutation proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No 10802 made April 11, 1905, for the North 1-2 of SE 1-4 Sec. 21, Township 14 S. Range 15 E., and that said proof will be made before U. S. Land Office, at Los Angeles, California on Dec. 13, 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz: R. M. Thstcher, Lulu M. Mitchell of Los Angeles, Cal. H. W. Allen, S. Dupuy of Ocean Park.

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**DESERT LAND, FINAL PROOF—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**  
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Los Angeles, California, Oct. 2, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that Edward N. Hertsberg of Holtville, Cal., assignee of Susie Thayer, assignee of Rosie Fenton, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No 2357, for the SE 1-4 of NW 1-4 Sec. 5, Tp. 15 S., R. 15 E., S. B. M. before U. S. Land Office at Los Angeles, California, on Monday, the 25th day of November, 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land:

Albert E. Wright, Robert Boyd, Luther Asbury, Frank N. Chaplin of Holtville, Cal. George Ross, Sierra Madra, Cal. Katie Hertzberg Yountville, Cal.

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**DESERT LAND, FINAL PROOF—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Los Angeles, California, Oct. 2, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that Mary E. Stratton of El Centro, Cal., has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No 2423, for the S. E. 1-4 of SW 1-4 Sec 31, Tp. 15 S. R. 13 E., S. B. M. before Clerk of the Superior Court of Imperial Co. Cal., at his office at El Centro, Imperial Co., Cal., on Friday, the 22d day of Nov., 1907.

She names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land:

Frederick S. Webster of El Centro, Cal. Ernest Thornquest, Ullis S. Handley Charles Henderson of Silsbee California.

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**DESERT LAND, FINAL PROOF—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**  
United States Land Office, Los Angeles Calif. August 16th, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that Frank M. Burger, of San Diego, Calif., assignee of Charles H. Vance assignee of Nannie White, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No. 2315, for the N 1-2 NE 1-4 and SW 1-4 NE 1-4 Sec. 23 Tp. 16 S. R. 14 E. S. B. M. before Register and Receiver at Los Angeles, Calif. on Friday, the 22nd day of November, 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land:

R. E. Jauman, C. G. Smith of El Centro, Calif. R. H. Portis of Heber, Ed. W. Burger of San Diego, Calif.

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**DESERT LAND, FINAL PROOF—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**  
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Los Angeles, California, Oct. 2, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that Archibald Edgar of Imperial, Cal. has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert land claim No. 2429, for the N 1-2 S. W. 1-4 Sec 26, T. 15 S. R. 13 E., S. B. M., before Clerk of the Superior Court of Imperial Co., Cal. at his office at El Centro, on Tuesday, the 19th day of Nov., 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land:

E. E. Forrester, J. A. Marshall, Arthur Edgar of Imperial, Cal. Monroe Eady of Holtville, Cal.

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**DESERT LAND, FINAL PROOF—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**  
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 2, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that Stella Ferguson of Holtville, California assignee of Irving P. Sillman, assignee of Helen M. Looking assignee of Fannie S. Wooley has filed notice of intention to make proof on her desert-land claim No. 2418, for the N 1-2 of the NE 1-4 of Sec. 21 T. 15 S. R. 15 E. S. B. M. before the County Clerk of Imperial Co. at El Centro the Co. seat of said Imperial Co. on Wednesday the 4th day of Dec. 1907.

She names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land:

F. M. Ferguson, Purdy Hart, Albert C. Ferguson, George Kendall of Holtville, Cal.

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**DESERT LAND, FINAL PROOF—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**  
Department of the Interior, United States Land office, Los Angeles, California, Oct. 2, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that Ida Becker of Chicago, Ill., assignee of Hamlin B. Sackett, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No. 2340, for the NE 1-4 Sec. 12, Tp. 16 S. R. 13 E., S. B. M., before U. S. Land Office at Los Angeles, California on Wednesday the 4th day of Dec. 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land:

J. B. Parazette, T. P. Banta, E. R. Baker, W. A. Edgar, W. A. Thayer of Imperial, Cal.

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**DESERT LAND, FINAL PROOF—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**  
Department of the Interior, United States Land office at Los Angeles Calif. September 5, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that Thomas Kellogg of Brawley Calif., assignee of William R. Ramsdell, has filed notice of his intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No. 2370, for the NW 1-4 of Sec. 13, T. 16 S. R. 13 E., S. B. M. before the clerk of the Superior Court of Imperial County Calif., at El Centro Cal. on Saturday, the 14th day of December, 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land:

W. E. Wilsie, Roscoe Abbott, Henry Ramsdell, Joseph D. Ramsdell all of El Centro, California.

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**DESERT LAND, FINAL PROOF—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**  
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Los Angeles, California, Oct. 2, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that Eppa E. Langford of Colton, formerly of Highland, Cal., has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No. 2364, for the N 1-2 NE 1-4 Sec. 15 Tp. 15 S. R. 14 E., S. B. M. before Clerk of the Superior Court of Imperial Co., Cal. at his office at El Centro, Imperial Co. Cal. on Thursday the 21 day of Nov. 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land:

Nels Jacobson, Mary Jacobson, Charles Carson of Imperial Cal., D. Applin of Highlands, Cal.

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