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Lower Prairie Creek Project Redwood National Park "Forest Owners"

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This file addresses forest ownerships, using deeds, patents, and maps in the Humboldt County Recorder’s Office, Eureka Courthouse. Pretty boring to wade through, these records, nonetheless, document how the public domain of northwestern California—the ancient redwood forests—came to be concentrated in the hands of timber companies. An earlier report on Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park (Van Kirk 2015) discussed how S.A.D. Puter, “the Looter,” transferred public domain land—land now within the state park—to timber speculators. Land in the Lower Prairie Creek Project area (plus much, much other forest lands) was obtained through fraudulent patents and deed transactions involving David Evans and his associates for transfer to Scottish investors and eventually to “legitimate” timber companies. The end result, of course, is that what once belonged to indigenous people and then the American public, illegally became the property of private timber companies. Ironically, when the public recognized the urgent need to reserve some portion of these magnificent forests in state parks and a national park, it paid dearly to restore these treasures to public ownership and protection.

Land patents in various forms and issued under different Congressional acts established the first legal title to a parcel, moving it from the public domain into private ownership and upon which all subsequent ownerships are based. Obtaining a patent to a piece of land generally followed a very simple process: the claimant filed entry papers at the local general land office, specifying a particular parcel of land, and, if not already filed upon, then paid the required fee and, in time, a patent was received from the United States. Several federal statutes provided the basis for patents in California.

The Act of 24 April 1820 (ch 51. 3 Stat 566) is the most frequently cited enabling legislation for the patents listed below: “An Act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands and the Acts supplemental thereto.” This act repealed a previous one that allowed for the purchase of public domain lands on credit or on an installment basis. The new law, effective 1 July 1820, required full payment at the time of purchase and registration, but to encourage more sales and make them more affordable, Congress also reduced the price from $2.00 per acre to $1.25 and the parcel size from 160 to 80 acres. At the time of this Act, the lands opened to settlement were on the frontier and in the far Northwest Territory in what was known as “The West.” Although the 1820 Act was good for the average American, it was also good for the wealthy investors who had sufficient money to buy these cheap lands (Wikipedia, “Land Act of 1820”).

The Homestead Act of 1862 opened up millions of acres to any adult over 21 years of age or the head of a household, who had never taken up arms against the United States, including
women, African-Americans and immigrants who intended to become citizens. A homestead was considered public land in the west, usually 160 acres, open to settlers who would build a dwelling and cultivate the land for five years, after which time, title could be issued (Wikipedia, “Homestead Acts”).

The Preemption Act of 1841 (27 Cong. Ch. 15; 5 Stat. 453) approved 4 Sept, was designed to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of public lands and to grant pre-emption rights to individuals who were already living on federal lands, commonly referred to as “squatters.” This act permitted acquisition of 160 acres at $1.25 per acre to the squatter before it was open to others (Wikipedia “Preemption Act of 1841”).

The Timber and Stone Act of 1878 (45th Congress, session 2, ch. 51, 20 Stat 89). This Act made 160 acres of forest lands available at $2.50 to entry men with two very significant conditions: first, the land had to be “unfit for farming,” meaning that the objective was for logging and mining; and secondly, the purchaser was to file an affidavit that he was entering the land “exclusively for his own use” and that no association was to hold more than 160 acres (Wikipedia, “Timber and Stone Act”). The reality, however, was something far different as wealthy companies fraudulently acquired thousands of acres of forest lands. Following somewhat the letter of the law, i.e., filing on land and paying the fees, the reality was a flagrant violation of the intent and spirit of the law and the concentration of the public’s resources in the hands of private companies.

Once northwestern California townships were surveyed in the late 1870s, and the plats filed in the United States Land Office at Eureka, they were officially opened to entry and patent. In 1883, the United States Land Office, Humboldt District, began publishing Timber Land Notices in the Humboldt Times, such as this one:

Notice is hereby given to whom it may concern that Rudolph Surben, Humboldt County, Cal., has made an application to the Government of the United States to purchase the following described tract of timber land, under the provisions of an Act for the sale of timber land in California, Oregon, and Nevada and in Washington territory, approved June 3, 1878, to wit: SW quarter section 2, 11N1E, 160 acres. All parties holding adverse claim, thereon, are hereby required to present the same before the Register and Receiver within sixty days from the date hereof, or the entry will be perfected under the provisions of said Act. C.F. Roberts, Register. (Daily Times Telephone 26 March 1883)

This particular application was cancelled and of the patents that were eventually filed in the Recorder’s Office as part of the Evans and Associates land grab, all were issued under the Act of 24 April 1820, not under the Timber and Stone Act. The patents were dated after the parcels were deeded to Evans and were recorded years after the fact, mostly by Harry L. Walden in 1907.

In some cases, patents were obtained through the State of California. An example of a State patent is found at Patents 18:119 (13 Aug. 1885).

State of California to Joseph P. Marks, under the provisions of the several Acts of the Congress of the United States, entitled “An Act to appropriate the proceeds of the Sales of Public Lands and to grant Pre-emption Rights” approved September 4, 1841, 500,000 acres of the Public
Lands were granted to the State of California, and an Act entitled “An Act to provide for the survey of the Public Lands in California, the granting of Pre-emption Rights therein and for the other purposes,” approved March 3d 1853, ten sections of land were granted for the erection of Public Buildings and 72 sections for a Seminary of Learning. Also that the 16th and 36th sections of each Township in said State, also an Act entitled, “An Act donating Public Lands to the several states and Territories which may provide Colleges for the benefit of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts,” approved July 2d 1862, 150,000 acres of the public lands also granted to said State, and Whereas, the Legislature of the State of California has provided for the sale and conveyance of said Lands by statutes enacted from time to time, and Whereas, it appears by the Certificate of the Register of the State Land Office No. 5871, issued in accordance with the provisions of law bearing date the 1st Aug. 1883, that this tract of Grant of 16th and 36th sections school lands hereinafter described have been duly and properly located in accordance with law and that Joseph P. Marks is entitled to receive a patent therefor....S half sec 36, 11N1E, 320 acres....

A separate file on the Scottish Syndicate and on S.A.D. Puter, author of *Looters of the Public Domain*, should be used in conjunction with this “Forest Owners” file.

**Recorder’s Office**

Deeds 7:94 (3 Nov. 1882) Charles E. Beach to David Evans, $1000, in 10N1E.
Deeds 7:102 (20 Nov. 1882) Arthur A. Marks to David Evans, 160 acres in 10N1E.
Deeds 7, Nov. 1882 to Feb. 1883; lands to Evans.
Deeds 9 to Evans, land in 5N2E, 6N2E.
Deeds 10 Aug 1883 to Nov. 1883, 4N1E, 3N1E.
Deeds 11, Jan. 1883, 10N1E.
Deeds 13:572 (28 Feb. 1883) William Ayers to David Evans, $500, lots 1 and 2, E half NW qt sec 19, 9N2E, 154.80 acres, Recorded at request of Robert Smith, 10 July 1884. Fred W. Bell, notary.
Deeds 13:573 (13 March 1883) James A. Archer to David Evans, $500, SE qt sec 20, 9N2E, 160 acres, recorded at request of Robert Smith, 10 July 1884, Fred W. Bell notary.
Many more such transactions similar to those listed above
Deeds 13:620 (1 May 1883) Thomas M. Brown to C.E. Beach in 7N2E.
Deeds 13:622 (10 May 1883) Nathaniel Brown to Charles E. Beach in 7N2E.
Deeds 13:623 (16 May 1883) Charles E. Beach to David Evans, 800 acres in 7N2E.

Deeds 7, 16 transactions to David Evans, beginning Nov. 1882
Deeds 8, zero transactions
Deeds 9, 19 transactions to David Evans
Deeds 10, 17 transactions to David Evans
Deeds 11, 23 transactions to David Evans
Deeds 12, zero transactions
Deeds 13, 166 transactions, Feb. to March 1883, David Evans as grantee.
Deeds 14, 185 transactions, Feb. to July 1883, David Evans as grantee. Land mostly in 9N1E, 9N2E, 10N1E, 10N2E, 11N1E, and 11N2E and others. Each for a consideration of $500. Mostly 160-acre patents.
Total of 426 transfers of ownership to David Evans from Nov.1882 to July 1883. Assuming each was for 160 acres, total acreage transferred to Evans was 68,160 acres.

**Transactions for land in 11N1E and in sections 6 and 7 in 11N2E**

**Project area in 11N1E: sections 3,9,10,11,12,14,15,16,20,21,22,23,27,28**

Deeds 7:96 (20 Nov. 1882) Charles E. Beach to David Evans, $500, N half SW qt, SW qt NW qt sec 33; SE qt NE qt sec 32, 11N1E, 160 acres.

Deeds 7:100 (4 Nov. 1882) Harry A. Marks to David Evans, $900, SE qt NE qt sec 34; S half NW qt, NE qt SW qt sec 35, 11N1E, 160 acres.

Deeds 7:402 (12 Jan. 1883) William W. Martin to Charles E. Beach, $500, lot 4, SW qt SE qt sec 32, 11N1E and lots in 10N1E.

Deeds 7:512 (16 Jan. 1883) Charles Beach to David Evans, $600, lot 4, SW qt SE qt sec 32, 11N1E and lots in 10N1E, 174.59 acres.


**Patents** 20:296 (10 April 1883) U.S.A. to William Ross, cert. 4835, SE qt SW qt, S half SE qt, NE qt SE qt sec 34, 11N1E, 160 acres, General Land Office (GLO) 10:372, recorded by H.L. Walden, 12/2/07.


Deeds 11:775 (25 May 1883) Joseph P. Marks to David Evans, $500, S half sec 36, 11N1E, 320 acres.


Deeds 13:637 (2 June 1883) Robert H. Bunten to David Evans, lots 1 and 2, S half NE qt sec 6, 11N2E, 160.88 acres.


Deeds 13:641 (6 June 1883) John A. Brown to David Evans, lots 3, 4, and 5, SE qt NW qt sec 6, 11N2E, 159.33 acres.

Patents 20:239 (20 Aug. 1884) U.S.A. to John A. Brown, cert. 5364, lots 3, 4, and 5, SE qt NW qt sec 6, 11N2E, 159.30 acres, GLO 11:64, recorded by H.L. Walden, 12/2/07. Act of 24 April 1820.

Deeds 13:644 (12 June 1883) Charles Beach to David Evans, $2000, land in 10N1E, also N half SE qt and S half NW qt sec 27, 11N1E, 160 acres, total 617.56 acres.


Deeds 13:650 (30 May 1883) John Caston to David Evans, lots 1 and 2, S half NE qt sec 3, 11N1E, 160 acres.


Deeds 13:682 (2 June 1883) Sterling Campbell to David Evans, NE qt sec 28, 11N1E, 160 acres.


Deeds 13:686 (2 June 1883) Robert Chapman to David Evans, NE qt sec 7, 11N2E.


Deeds 13:710 (2 June 1883) Eli Dean to David Evans, lots 3 and 4, S half NW qt sec 2, 11N1E, 159.88 acres.

Patents 20:335 (20 Aug. 1884) Eli Dean, cert. 5326, lots 3 and 4, S half NW qt sec 2, 11N1E, 159.88 acres, GLO 11:143, recorded by H.L Walden, 12/2/07.
Deeds 13:712 (2 June 1883) Joseph Dick to David Evans, S half NW qt, S half NE qt sec 24, 11N1E, 

Deeds 13:713 (2 June 1883) Edwin Dick to David Evans, E half NE qt, NW qt NW qt sec 11; NE qt NE qt sec 14, 11N1E, 160 acres. 

Deeds 13:716 (18 June 1883) William Dowling to David Evans, E half NW qt, NW qt NE qt sec 14, 11N1E, 120 acres.

Deeds 13:723 (18 May 1883) John Erola to David Evans, lots 6 and 7, E half SW qt sec 6, 11N2E, 


Deeds 13:725 (30 May 1883) Rolland E. Elliot to David Evans, N half SE qt, NE qt SW qt sec 28, 11N1E, 120 acres. 


Deeds 13:751 (14 March 1883) Frank A. Goble to David Evans, N half NW qt sec 34, 11N1E, 80 acres. 
Patents 20:298 (1 Nov. 1884) U.S.A. to Frank A. Goble, cert. 5085, N half NW qt sec 34, 11N1E, 80 acres, GLO 11:271, recorded by H.L Walden, 12/2/07. Act of 24 April 1820.

Deeds 13:755 (23 May 1883) Frederick Grant to David Evans, lots 3 and 4, SW qt NW qt, SE qt SW qt sec 1, 11N1E, 159.64 acres.
**Patents** 20:323 (1 Nov. 1884) U.S.A. to Frederick Grant, cert. 5285, lots 3 and 4, SW qt NW qt, SE qt SW qt sec 1, 11N1E, 159.64 acres, GLO 11:291, recorded by H.L. Walden, 12/2/07. Act of 24 April 1820.

**Patents** 20:345 (5 Feb. 1884) U.S.A. to James Gregory, cert. 5388, N half SW qt, W half NW qt sec 14, 11N1E, 160 acres, GLO 11:1, recorded by H.L. Walden, 12/2/07. Act of 24 April 1820.

Deeds 13:782 (23 May 1883) Hank Hall to David Evans, $500, lots 1 and 2, E half NW qt sec 7, 11N2E, 159.79 acres.
**Patents** 20:227 (20 Aug. 1884) U.S.A. to Hank Hall, cert. 5232, lots 1, and 2, E half NW qt sec 7, 11N2E, 159.79 acres, GLO 11:119, recorded by H.L. Walden, 12/2/07. Act of 24 April 1820.

Deeds 13:793 (6 June 1883) Emanuel Hanson to Charles Beach, N half SW qt, S half NW qt sec 27, 11N1E.

Deeds 14:13 (23 May 1883) Otto Johnson to David Evans SW qt sec 12, 11N1E, 160 acres.
Deeds 14:17 (6 June 1883) George E. Killen to David Evans, $500, NE qt sec 10, 11N1E, 160 acres.  

Deeds 14:19 (13 May 1883) Matts Knifsund to David Evans SW qt sec 10, 11N1E, 160 acres.  


Deeds 14:21 (23 May 1883) John Killen to David Evans, SE qt sec 12, 11N1E, 160 acres.  

Deeds 14:24 (23 May 1883) George R. Lawson, Jr., to David Evans, SE qt sec 7, 11N2E, 160 acres.  


Deeds 14:64 (23 May 1883) James T. Marsh to David Evans, N half SE qt, S half NE qt sec 14, 11N1E, 160 acres.  

Deeds 14:68 (23 May 1883) Harris T. Marsh to David Evans, SE qt sec 26, 11N1E, 160 acres.  

**Patents** 20:396 (1 Aug. 1883) U.S.A. to Wm. W. Martin, cert. 4776, lot 4, SW qt SE qt sec 32, 11N1E, GLO 10:401, recorded by H.L. Walden, 12/2/07. Act of 24 April 1820.


Deeds 14:70 (23 May 1883) Michael Mulligan to David Evans, SE qt sec 6, 11N2E, 160 acres.
Deeds 14:71 (30 May 1883) Joseph S. Marsh to David Evans, E half SW qt, SW qt SW qt sec 23 and SE qt SW qt sec 21, 11N1E, 160 acres.

Patents 20:333 (1 Nov. 1884) Joseph L. Marsh, cert. 5318, E half SW qt, SW qt SW qt sec 23; SE qt SW qt sec 21, 11N1E, 160 acres, GLO 11:293, recorded by H.L. Walden, 12/2/07.

Deeds 14:73 (30 May 1883) John A. Marsh to David Evans, NE qt sec 26, 11N1E, 160 acres.


Deeds 14:74 (2 June 1883) James M. Morrison to David Evans, NE qt sec 13, 11N1E, 160 acres.

Deeds 14:76 (26 June 1883) Harry A. and Lizzie Marks to David Evans, $3000, N half NE qt sec 34; SW qt NE qt, W half SE qt, SE qt SE qt sec 27, 11N1E, 240 acres.


Deeds 14:92 (16 June 1883) Harry B. McKenna to David Evans, S half SW qt sec 13; NE qt NW qt, NW qt NE qt sec 24, 11N1E, 160 acres.


Deeds 14:101 (23 May 1883) Archie McKendry to David Evans, NW qt sec 10, 11N1E, 160 acres.


Deeds 14:103 (23 May 1883) Richard McChristian to David Evans, N half NE qt sec 22, 11N1E, 80 acres.


Deeds 14:125 (23 May 1883) Samuel E. Nevers to David Evans, $500, N half SW qt sec 13, NW qt NW qt, NE qt NE qt sec 24, 11N1E, 160 acres.

Deeds 14:125 (23 May 1883) Charles Parker to David Evans, SW qt sec 26, 11N1E, 160 acres.  
**Patents** 20:309 (20 Aug. 1884) Charles Parker, cert. 5264, SW qt sec 26, 11N1E, 160 acres, GLO 11:117, recorded by H.L. Walden, 12/2/07.


Deeds 14:162 (23 May 1883) Frank Robertson to David Evans, NW qt sec 26, 11N1E, 160 acres.  


Deeds 14:189 (23 May 1883) Wesley Smith to David Evans, NE qt sec 21, 11N1E, 160 acres.  


Deeds 14:202 (2 June 1883) Joseph M. Stuart to David Evans, NW qt SW qt sec 23; SE qt SW qt sec 28; W half SW qt sec 3, 11N1E, 160 acres.  
**Patents** 20:337 (20 Aug. 1884) U.S.A. to Joseph M. Stuart, cert. 5331, pursuant to Act of 24 April 1820, NW qt SW qt sec 23; SE qt SW qt sec 28; W half SW qt sec 3, 11N1E, 160 acres, GLO 11:147, recorded by H.L. Walden, 12/2/07. Act of 24 April 1820.


Deeds 14:221 (23 May 1832) Howard Van Nest to David Evans, NW qt sec 25, 11N1E, 160 acres.


Deeds 14:243 (23 May 1883) Alexander Welch to David Evan, lots 3 and 4, E half SW qt sec 7, 11N2E, 159.88 acres.

Deeds 14:250 (23 May 1883) John Wright to David Evans, SW qt sec 15, 11N1E, 160 acres.


Deeds 14:252 (26 May 1883) Columbus C. Wolcott to David Evans, lots 1 and 2, S half NE qt sec 2, 11N1E, 159.64 acres.

**Patents** 20:330 (20 Aug. 1884) U.S.A. to Columbus C. Wolcott, cert. 5305, lots 1 and 2, S half NE qt sec 2, 11N1E, 159.64 acres, GLO 11:135, recorded by H.L. Walden, 12/2/07. Act of 24 April 1820.


Deeds 14:267 (18 Oct. 1883) Adolphus Harmon to Harry A. Marks, W half SW qt, NE qt SW qt, SE qt NW qt sec 1, 11N1E, 160 acres.


N half SW qt, SW qt SW qt, sec 34, 11N [no range given]

Lot 4 sec 3, 10N1E, 160.27 acres

SE qt NE qt sec 34; S half NW qt, NE qt SW qt sec 35, 11N1E, 160 acres.

E half SE qt sec 32, 11N1E and lot 1 and SE qt NE qt sec 5, 10N1E, 160 acres.

Recorded by Wells Fargo & Co. 7/27/1885


Deeds 17:83 (3 Feb. 1883) David Evans to James D. Walker, S.F., $2000, 775.75 acres in 10N1E, one-half interest in 320 acres in 9N1E. Recorded by Wells Fargo & Co., Fred W. Bell, notary, 7/27/1885


Deeds 17:99 (16 March 1883) David Evans to James D. Walker, $10,000, land in 8N2E, 9N1E, 9N2E, 10N1E, and NE qt sec 33, N half NW qt sec 34, N half NW qt, N half and SE qt NE qt sec 35, 11N1E. Entire acreage 7,112.67. Recorded by Wells Fargo Co., N. Bullock, notary, 7/27/1885.

Deeds 17:102 (23 March 1883) David Evans to James D. Walker, $5000, 9N1E, 9N2E, 10N1E, entire acreage 3,476.69. Recorded by Wells Fargo Co., N. Bullock, notary, 7/27/1885.

Deeds 17:104 (26 May 1883) David Evans to James D. Walker, $5000, 10N1E, 10N2E, 11N2E, and Lots 1 and 2, S half NE qt, SW qt sec 2, 319.64 acres
NE qt sec 12, 160 acres
NW qt sec 13, 160 acres
NE qt sec 15, 160 acres
SW qt sec 22, 160 acres
Sec 36, 640 acres, all in 11N1E.
Entire acreage 2,559.64. Recorded by Wells Fargo Co, 7/27/1885.

Deeds 17:106 (30 May 1883) David Evans to James D. Walker, $7000, 10N1E, 10N2E, 11N2E and SE qt sec 1, 160 acres
Lots 1 and 2, S half NE qt sec 3, 160.14 acres
SW qt sec 10, 160 acres
SE qt sec 15, 160 acres
SE qt SW qt sec 21, 40 acres
E half SW qt, SW qt SW qt sec 23, 120 acres
NE qt sec 26, 160 acres
N half SE qt, NE qt SW qt sec 28, 120 acres, all in 11N1E.

Deeds 17:108 (2 June 1883) David Evans to James D. Walker, $10,000, 10N2E, and
Lots 3 and 4, S half NW qt sec 2, 159.88 acres
Lot 3, SE qt NW qt, SW qt sec 3, 240.06 acres
NW qt NW qt, E half NE qt sec 11, 120 acres
NE qt sec 13, 160 acres
NE qt NE qt sec 14, 40 acres
NW qt sec 22, 160 acres
NW qt SW qt sec 23, 40 acres
S half NW qt, S half NE qt sec 24, 160 acres
SE qt SW qt, NE qt sec 28, 200 acres, all in 11N1E, and
Lots 1 and 2, S half NE qt sec 6, 160.88 acres
NE qt sec 7, 160 acres, all in 11N2E, plus other lands in 11N2E.

Deeds 17:110 (6 June 1883) David Evans to James D. Walker, $6000, 10N2E, and
NE qt sec 10, 160 acres
SE qt sec 13, 160 acres, all in 11N1E, and
Lots 3, 4, and 5, SE qt NW qt sec 6, 159.30 acres, all in 11N2E, plus other lands in 11N2E.
Entire acreage 1,905.84. Recorded by Wells Fargo Co., Fred W. Bell, notary, 7/27/1885.

Deeds 17:76 (11 June 1883) David Evans to James D. Walker, San Francisco, for $20,000. Total
land 8,818.94 acres in 10N1E, 10N2E, 11N1E, 11N2E, and
Lots 3 and 4, SW qt NW qt, SE qt SW qt sec 1, 159.64 acres
SE qt sec 3, 160 acres
NW qt, SE qt sec 10, 320 acres
S half, NW qt sec 12, 480 acres
N half SW qt sec 13, 80 acres
S half NE qt, N half SE qt sec 14, 160 acres
W half sec 15, 320 acres
E half sec 21, 320 acres
N half NE qt sec 22, 80 acres
E half sec 23, 320 acres
S half, NW qt NW qt, NE qt NE qt sec 24, 400 acres
Sec. 25, 640 acres
S half, NW qt sec 26, 480 acres
NW qt sec 28, 160 acres
W half SW qt, SE qt SW qt, SW qt SE qt sec 35, 160 acres, all in 11N1E, and
Lots 6 and 7; E half SW qt, SE qt sec 6, 319.75 acres
Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, E half NW qt, E half SW qt, SE qt sec 7, 478.84 acres, all in 11N2E, plus more in 11N2E.
Recorded by Page & Ellis, N. Bullock, notary, 7/27/1885.

Deeds 17:112 (13 June 1883) David Evans to James D. Walker, $2000, 10N1E and N half SW qt, S half NW qt sec 27, 160 acres, 11N1E.
Entire acreage 617.56. Recorded by Wells Fargo Co., Fred W. Bell, notary, 7/27/1885.

Deeds 17:113 (9 July 1883) David Evans to James D. Walker, 9N1E, 9N1W, 9N2E, 10N2E, 11N2E, and S half SW qt sec 13, 80 acres W half, S half SE qt, NW qt NE qt sec 14, 440 acres NW qt sec 23, 160 acres NE qt NW qt, NW qt NE qt sec 24, 80 acres SW qt NE qt, W half SE qt, SE qt SE qt sec 27, 160 acres N half NE qt sec 34, 80 acres, all in 11N1E.

Deeds 17:115 (25 Aug. 1883) David Evans to James D. Walker, $10,000, one-half interest in lands in 5N2E, 6N2E, 7N2E, 12N1E, entire acreage 7,842.56. Recorded by Wells Fargo Co., Fred W. Bell, notary, 7/27/1885.


Patents 20:328 (20 Aug. 1884) U.S.A. to William R. Harris, cert. 5301, pursuant to Act of 24 April 1820, NE qt sec 12, 11N1E, 160 acres, recorded 12/2/07.

**Total acreage from Evans to Walker, 51,277.65, plus one-half interest in 8,162.56 between Dec. 1882 and Aug. 1883.**

Deeds 17:118 (16 July 1885) James D. Walker of Marin County to H.W. Swift and Turlington Walker Harvey, both of Chicago, and Robert S. Walker of New York City, all real property in Humboldt County…10N1E, 10N2E, 9N1E, 9N2E, 9N1W, 5N2E, 6N2E, 7N2E, 12N1E, one-half interest, entire acreage 8,162.56, excepting 1/10 interest in certain of said lands granted by grantor to H.C. Putnam of Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

**11N1E:**
SE qt, SE qt SW qt, SW qt, N half NW qt sec 1 NE qt, NW qt, SW qt sec 2 NE qt SE qt, SW qt, E half NW qt sec 3 All sec 10
NW qt NW qt, E half NE qt sec 11 All sec 12 All sec 13 All sec 14
All sec 15
SE qt SW qt, E half sec 21
W half, NW qt NE qt sec 22
All sec 23
All sec 24
All sec 25
All sec 26
SE qt, W half SE qt, N half SW qt, SW qt NE qt, S half NW qt sec 27
N half SE qt, E half SW qt, N half sec 28
SE qt NE qt, NE qt SE qt, S half SE qt, lot 4, sec 32
SW qt NW qt, N half SW qt, NE qt sec 33
N half NW qt, N half, SE qt NE qt, SW qt, S half, NE qt SE qt, sec 34
NW qt, SW qt, N half, SE qt NE qt, SW qt SE qt sec 35
All sec 36

11N2E:
All sections 6 and 7 and other lands.

Deeds 17:473 (9 Oct. 1885) James D. Walker to W.H. Swift and Turlington Harvey both of Chicago, and Robert S. Walker of New York City, lands in 9N1E, 9N2E, 10N1E, entire acreage 4,155.32.

Total acreage 55,173.30 from Walker to Swift, et al., plus half interest in 8,162.56 acres and excepting one-tenth interest granted to H.C. Putnam.

Deeds 17:485 (19 Oct. 1885) James D. Walker of San Rafael to H.C. Putnam of Eau Claire, Wisconsin, 1/10 interest in lands in 10N1E, 9N2E, 10N2E, and in

11N1E:
SW qt SW qt, NE qt, W half NW qt sec 1
N half sec 2
NE qt, E half NW qt, S half sec 3
All sec 10
NW qt NW qt, E half NE qt sec 11
All sec 12
SE qt, W half sec 13
NE qt, S half NE qt, N half SE qt, N half SW qt, W half NW qt sec 14
All sec 15
SE qt SW qt, E half sec 21
W half, N half NE qt sec 22
NE qt, S half sec 23
All sec 24
All sec 25
Sec 26, N half, N half SE qt, E half SW qt sec 28
SW qt, E half SW qt sec 23
SE qt SW qt, SW qt E half SE qt sec 34

11N2E:
N half sec 6
N half, SE qt sec 7, and other land.


**11N1E:**
SE qt, SE qt SW qt, SW qt, N half NW qt sec 1
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NW qt, SW qt, N half, SE qt NE qt, SW qt SE qt sec 35
All sec 36

**11N2E:**
All sections 6 and 7 and other land.

Deeds 34:134 (20 Feb. 1889) Humboldt Redwood Company, organized and existing under laws of Great Britain, to the American Lumber Company, existing under the laws of State of Illinois for $455,000, land in 9N1E, 9N2E, 9N1W, 10N1E, 10N2E, 9N1E, one-half interest 9N1E, and

**11N1E:**
Lots 3 and 4, SW qt NW qt, SE qt SW qt sec 1
Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, S half NE qt, S half NW qt sec 2
Lots 1, 2, 3, SE qt, S half NE qt, SE qt NW qt E half SW qt, S half SW qt sec 3
All sec 10
E half NE qt, NW qt NW qt sec 11
All sec 12
N half SW qt, NW qt, SE qt, S half SW qt sec 13
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All sec 15
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All sec 36

11N2E:
Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, S half NE qt, SE qt NW qt sec 6
Lots 1 and 2, E half NW qt, SE qt, NE qt sec 7, and more land.

Deeds 50:503 (10 Oct. 1889) Henry O. Putnam of Eau Claire, Wis. to American Lumber Company, 1/10th, $45,000.


Patents 15:410 (30 April 1896) U.S.A. to David J. Dutch, cert. 8304, pursuant to Act of 24 April 1820, Lots 6 and 7, E half SW qt sec 6, 11N2E, 119.57 acres, recorded 12/28/1896.


Deeds 72:151 (15 June 1900) W.H.H. Heckman and Horace E. Love to S.A.D. Puter, Lot 4, SW qt NW qt sec 3; Lot 1, SE qt NE qt, E half SE qt sec 4, 11N1E.
Deeds 72:133 (18 June 1900) Edmond Bond to S.A.D. Puter, SW qt sec 2, 11N1E [other lands elsewhere]

Deeds 72:141 (20 June 1900) Gertrude A. Crane to S.A.D. Puter of Oregon, NE qt sec 13, 11N1E and parcel in 12N1E.


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Deeds 72:152 (19 June 1900) S.A.D. Puter of Oregon to Charles A. Smith, Minnesota, SW qt sec 2 (160 acres), Lot 4, SW qt NW qt sec 3 (80.08), Lot 1, SE qt NE qt, E half SE qt sec 4 (150.10), NE qt sec 13 (160), total 560.18 acres in 11N1E.

72:150 (20 June 1900) James B. Watkins to S.A.D. Puter, parcels in 12N1E and W half E half sec 9, 11N1E.

Deeds 72:160 (20 June 1900) John W. Janes to S.A.D. Puter, E half NE qt, E half SE qt sec 9, 11N1E.

Deeds 72:165 (22 June 1900) Obadiah Silkwood to S.A.D. Puter, Lots 3 and 4 sec 7, 12N2E, 99.20 acres.

Deeds 72:163 (23 June 1900) James B. Watkins to S.A.D. Puter, W half NE qt, W half SW qt sec 9, 11N1E.

Deeds 72:168 (23 June 1900) S.A.D. Puter to Charles A. Smith, E half sec 9, 11N1E, 320 acres, plus other land.

Deeds 72:383 (2 July 1900) Alfred Barnes to S.A.D. Puter E half SW qt, lots 3 and 4 sec 7, 11N2E, 128.45 acres.

Deeds 72:385 (5 Sept. 1900) S.A.D. Puter to Charles A. Smith, Lots 3 and 4, E half SW qt sec 7, 11N2E, 128.45 acres

Deeds 77:346 (15 May 1902) Agreement between American Lumber Company, 1st party, and Hammond Lumber company, William H. Gratwick and Clark L. Ring, 2nd party. American Lumber Co. agrees to sell timber lands at $24 per acre, one-third paid before 30 days from date hereof, the balance in five equal payments before expiration of 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 years with interest at 4% per annum. $10,000 was paid upon the first installment of purchase price on 30 April 1902. Total acres 35,241.60. Subject to trust deed 1 July 1889 made by American Lumber Co. to “Central Trust Co. of New York” for $300,000. Also subject to county roads and highways, taxes, etc. To Hammond of New Jersey, 50%; to William H. Gratwick of Buffalo, New York, 40% and to Clark L. Ring, of Saginaw, Michigan, 10%. Before timber is cut, 2nd party will pay 1st party $1.00 per 1000 feet stumpage. The American Lumber Company, W.H. Swift, secretary; Hammond Lumber Company, William B. Goodwin, president, William H. Gratwick and Clark L. Ring. Attachment to agreement listed parcel by parcel.

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4582  E half SE qt, sec 32  80.00
4776  Lot 4, SW qt SE qt sec 32  86.46
5082  NE qt sec 33  160.00
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1547  N half SW qt, SW qt SW qt sec 34  120.00
1567  S half NW qt, NE qt SW qt sec 35  120.00
5259  W half SW qt sec 35  80.00
State Lands  All sec 36  640.00

11N2E
5364  Lots 3, 4, and 5, SE qt NW qt sec 6  159.30
5328  Lots 1 and 2, S half NE qt sec 6  160.88
5235  SE qt sec 7  160.00
5232  Lots 1 and 2, E half NW qt sec 7  159.79
5333  NE qt sec 7  160.06

[Also land in sec. 18, 19, 20, 29, 30, 31, and 32]

DHT (17 May 1902) Immense Tract of Timber Land Sold; A special dispatch to the Call from New York, dated May 145h says:
“The largest transfer of timber lands ever made in California has just been consummated by the sale of the lands of the American Lumber company on Redwood Creek in the northern part of Humboldt county, to A.B. Hammond of San Francisco and his associates.

“This tract contains over 2,500,000,000 feet of standing timber and embraces an area of over 35,000 acres. In the amount of money involved and the stumpage conveyed, the transaction is, with the exception of the Weyerhaeuser syndicate purchase in 1899 from the Northern Pacific Railroad, the largest single transaction in timber ever consummated on the Pacific coast.

“This deal gives Mr. Hammond and his associates control of all available timber land in the northern part of Humboldt county.”

The exact amount of timber land involved in the deal was 36,314.27 acres and is located on Redwood and Prairie creeks in townships 9N1W, 9N1E, 9N2E, 10N1E, 10N2E, [11N1E] 11N2E, 13N2E. It contains some of the finest lot of trees in the entire redwood belt. This immense tract was gathered together some 18 years ago by the late David Evans of this city, H.C. Putnam of Chicago, and others, but since that time no attempt has ever been made to develop it.

Two abstracts of the land have been made out in this city within the last week or so, one by S.I. Allard and the other by the Belcher and Crane Company, and they are said to be about the largest instruments of their kind ever drawn up in this county to cover one transfer.

It is not known at present just what plans Mr. Hammond has for the future, but it is possible that this great tract will furnish timber for another big saw mill plant to be located on Humboldt Bay.

HT (30 March 1903) Transfer Their Timber Interest; Merrill & Ring Lumber co. Gets Valuable Land. Clark L. Ring and wife have agreed with the Merrill & Ring Lumber co. for the complete satisfaction of all moneys advanced and to release contracts given for the purchase of 35,000 acres of timber and situated on Redwood and Prairie creeks and the agreement which bears the date of Feb. 7, 1903, was recorded yesterday.

Deeds 89:197 (25 Feb. 1905) Robert and Annie Foster to C.A. Smith, Minnesota, SE qt SE qt sec 20; E half NW qt, NE qt SW qt, SW qt SW qt sec 21; E half NE qt sec 29, 11N1E, 280 acres, recorded 4 March 1905.

Deeds 102:143 (4 March 1908) Charles A. Smith and Johanna A. Smith of Minnesota to C.A. Smith Lumber Company, a corporation of Coos County, Oregon,

11N1E
SW qt sec 2
W half NW qt sec 3
E half E half sec 4
E half sec 9
NE qt sec 13
SE qt SE qt sec 20
E half NW qt, NE qt SW qt, SW qt SW qt sec 21
E half NE qt sec 29
Also timber and trees lying or standing in 9N2E, 10N2E, also fee title to land in 10N2E, 7N3E, 8N3E, 9N3E

11N2E
SE qt sec 6, SW qt sec 7, and other land.


11N1E, one-half interest
Lots 3 and 4, SW qt NW qt, SE qt SW qt sec 1
Lots 1-4, S half NE qt, S half NW qt sec 2
Lots 1-3, S half NE qt, SE qt NW qt, S half sec 3
All sec 10
E half NE qt, NW qt NW qt sec 11
All sec 12
NW qt, SW qt SE qt sec 13
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All sec 15
NE qt SE qt sec 20
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NE qt, SW qt SE qt sec 23
All sec 24
All sec 25
NW qt, SW qt, SE qt sec 26
SW qt, NE qt, NW qt SE qt, S half SE qt sec 27
NE qt, NW qt, E half SW qt, N half SE qt sec 28
Lot 4, SE qt NE qt, NE qt SE qt S half SE qt sec 32
NE at, SW qt NW qt, N half SW qt sec 33
N half NE qt, SE qt NE qt, N half NW qt, SW qt, NE qt SE qt, S half SE qt sec 34
S half NW qt, NE qt SW qt, W half SW qt sec 35
All sec 36
11N2E
Lots 1-5, S half NE qt, SE qt NW qt sec 6
Lots 1 and 2, NE qt, NE qt NW qt, SE qt NW qt, SE qt sec 7 and other land
Also land in 10N1E, 10N2E, 9N2E, 9N1W, total 35,881.60 acres
Also one-quarter interest in 320 acres in 9N1E. This conveyance is made in complete fulfillment of certain land contract of 5 Oct. 1905 between parties of first part and Wright-Blodgett Co., Ltd., and Arthur Hill of Saginaw. The one-half interest represent ¼ of Merrill and Ring and ¼ Wm. Gratwick, where ¼ is indicated by 1/8th each.

BLA (30 Jan. 1909) Good News for Humboldt; C.R. Smith to Operate Here Soon; He Owns Large Redwood Holdings; Railroad to Redwood Creek to Tap His Timber May be Built—C.A. Smith of Minneapolis, known as the largest and wealthiest individual lumber operator in the United States, has announced that he intends to operate his redwood holdings in Humboldt County this coming year. Mr. Smith owns 35,000 acres of redwood timber on Redwood Creek and Prairie Creek in the county, far up towards the headwaters of the streams and the tract is one of the finest in the county.
The *Times* relates that the news of Mr. Smith’s intention to operate his Humboldt holdings comes through Attorney W.F. Clyborne, the well-known land lawyer of Eureka who has been so informed by Mr. Smith with whom he is well acquainted. Mr. Smith has informed Mr. Clyborne that he intends to open up his property the coming season and make preparations to build a mill, construct rail communications with the outside world, and to otherwise make it possible to log his timber.

C.A. Smith is conceded to be the largest individual lumberman in this country and in addition to his immense Eastern holdings, he is possessed of heavy interests on Coos Bay, owning one of the largest saw mills there, while he has mills and timber in northern Oregon and Washington. The 35,000 acres of redwood on Redwood Creek and Prairie Creek in this county were acquired by him a few years ago.

Mr. Clyborne states that Mr. Smith had surveyors working on Redwood Creek in 1907 in an endeavor to find the best and most favorable grade for a railroad running either to this bay or to the Sacramento valley. The engineers had only made partial reports when they were called from the work at the time of the financial slump in that year.

There is, however, sufficient data on hand to begin active work and when Smith starts the ball rolling, it is assured that he will not stop until it has rolled as far as he wants it to go. A circumstance which should exert no little influence in favor of the shipping of the finished product to Humboldt harbor for shipment to the city and off-shore ports is the presence of the C.A. Smith mills on Coos Bar. A line of lumber carriers is now operated from that port to San Francisco by the Smith interest and it would be very advantageous to ship from this port on these steamers.

BLA (May 1909) Big Land Deal—The timber land deal, whereby the Hill-Davis Co., Limited, becomes the owner of an undivided one-half interest in the American Lumber Co. tract, develops to be one of larger importance than at first believed.

The land involved lies on Redwood Creek and Prairie Creek in the northern part of the county, while it is stated that the price paid for the half interest is between $800,000 and $1,000,000. The so-called American Lumber Company tract consists of 36,000 acres of the finest redwood land in northern Humboldt and was many years ago taken up by private parties, later coming into the possession of the American Lumber Co. Several years ago, the Hammond Lumber Co. acquired a one-half interest in the land, paying a large consideration for the same, while the remaining one-half interest was in the possession of the Merrill-Ring Lumber Co., a New York concern.

Rest Estate: Merrill and Ring Lumber Co., Wm. Gratwick, to Hill-Davis Co., half interest in American Lumber Co., tract of about 36,000 acres in townships 8, 10, and 11 N 1E.

BLA (4 Dec. 1909) Paid for What They Didn’t Get [Warren Timber Co. bought timber from Henry Brace but the patent Bruce had were cancelled by the government, so Warren didn’t get land but paid Bruce for it; there were 10 different entrymen; Brace playing same game as Evans, et al]


11N1E

SW qt sec 2
Lot 4, SW qt NW qt sec 3
Lot 1, SE qt NE qt, E half SE qt sec 4
E half sec 9
NE qt sec 13
SE qt SE qt sec 20
E half NW qt, NE qt SW qt, SW qt SW qt sec 21
E half NE qt sec 29
11N2E
SE qt sec 6
NE qt SW qt, lots 3 and 4, SE qt SW qt sec 7 and other land.

AU (19 Oct. 1916) More Redwood Is Purchased. The filing of a deed and mortgage last week was the proof of the closing of another large deal in Prairie Creek redwood timber lands says the Standard. This deed was from Henry and Jane Swartz of Marinette, Wis. to the Sage Land and Improvement Company of New York of the Swartz timber holdings in the northern part of the county, amounting to about 1,260 acres. The mortgage was from the buyer to the seller for the balance of the purchase price, the mortgage being for $117,000, which figure, taken with the estimated value of the land, would indicate that the deal involves about a quarter of a million dollars.

With this purchase, the Sage Company becomes the largest redwood timberland holder in the world, the possessions consisting of about 65,000 acres in Humboldt county and about 35,000 in Mendocino county. Only recently the Sage Company purchased of C.A. Smith, his Prairie Creek holdings amounting to about 35,000 acres for which in the neighborhood of two and a quarter million dollars was paid. The Swartz land just purchased, which is in the heart of the Prairie Creek timber, now all sold, contains the largest section of timber in the world, its measurement being one hundred million feet.

AU (9 Nov. 1916) Acquire More Redwood—What is said to complete the extensive dealings of the Sage Land and Improvement Co. and the C.A. Smith interests went on record in the county recorder’s office last week, when official transfer of approximately 11,000 acres of standing redwood timber on Redwood Slope was made from Smith and wife to Sage. The consideration was said to be in excess of $1,000,000.

The first big deal in which the two concerns figured was a tract on the Klamath and the second one was the Prairie Creek tract. It is said that the completion of the Redwood Slope deal makes the Sage Land and Improvement Company the largest holder of standing redwood timber.

11N1E
SE qt SE qt sec 20
E half NW qt, NE qt SW qt, SW qt SW qt sec 21
E half NE qt sec 29
280 acres
Also 798.52 acres in 10N1E, 753.64 acres in 10N2E, 720.50 acres in 9N1E, 2234.03 acres in 9N2E, 154.30 acres in 9N3E, 1,002.56 in 8N2E, also timber in 9N2E, 9N3E, 10N2E.
Henry Sage, vice-president.
AU (12 March 1925) Eastern Millionaire Lumberman Visits Humboldt—Henry M. Sage of Albany, New York, one of the largest lumbermen in the country and a holder of considerable acreage in Humboldt county, and his party arrived Thursday and registered at the Eureka Inn. In the Sage party are Mr. and Mrs. H.M. Sage, Albany, N.Y.; Mr. and Mrs. G.E. Holter, NY City; and Miss Betty Holter, also of NY City.

For just ten years, 1911 to 1920, Sage was a New York Senator representing Albany county….E.G. Holter, his brother-in-law, is an eminent N.Y. attorney and one of the leading members of the NY City bar.

Mr. Sage states that the sole purpose of their visit is to show the famous redwoods of Humboldt County to the members of the party….On Friday, the Sage party went up the coast to Orick and the Klamath river where the Sage Land and Development Co. owns thousands of acres of redwood timberland.

Deeds 174:5 (17 July 1925) Hammond Lumber Co. to Sage Land and Improvement Co.
SW qt NW qt sec 11, 11N1E, 40 acres
Lot 2, sec 33, 12N1E, 15.29 acres

Merrill and Ring Lumber Co., Richard Merrill, Timothy Jerome, Thomas D. Merrill, Clark L. Ring, Oscar Swanson (as administrator for Lizzie Ring, deceased and later Thomas Merrill, deceased) and State of California.

Judge ruled that Hill-Davis was owner in fee simple of one-half interest in much, much land, including land in 11N1E.

He also ruled that the individual plaintiffs also were owners in fee simple of their respective parcels.

11N1E
SE qt SE qt sec 20
E half NW qt, NE qt SW qt, SW qt SW qt sec 21
E half NE qt sec 29, 280 acres
Also 798.52 acres in 10N2E

Deeds 177:277 (30 March 1926) Hammond Lumber Co. to The Sage Land and Improvement Co.
11N1E
Lots 3 and 4, S half NW qt, SW qt sec 1
Lots 1-4, S half N half sec 2
Lots 1-3, SE qt NW qt, S half NE qt, S half sec 3
N half N half sec 10
NW qt NW qt sec 11, 1,399.26 acres.

**11N2E**
Lots 1-5, SE qt NW qt, S half NE qt sec 6, 289.14 acres.


NW qt NE qt, E half NW qt sec 14, 120 acres

John Blodgett, chairman Hill-Davis Co., Ltd.; Mark Norris, secretary.

Deeds 254:404 (20 March 1942) Indenture of Partition, Hammond to Hill-Davis, one-half interest

**11N1E**
S half N half, S half sec 10
E half NE qt, S half sec 11
All sec 12
NW qt, S half sec 13
N half, N half N half SW qt, SE qt, that part of S half N half SW qt and S half SW qt that lies east of center line of U.S. Highway 101 sec 14
N half, N half NE qt SE qt, N half N half NW qt SE qt sec 15
NE qt, S half sec 23
All sec 24
All sec 25
NW qt, S half sec 20
S half NE qt, SE qt sec 27
N half NE qt, NE qt NW qt sec 34
That part of S half NW qt and N half SW qt that lies on same side of Redwood Creek as the right bank thereof and to the thread of stream sec 35
All sec 36
Excepting:
A. land conveyed to William and Margaret Nyberg, being part of S half sec 11, 11N1E, 2 Nov. 1940 (Deeds 249:94)
B. Tract with right of way conveyed to Dept. of Natural Resources, Division of Fish and Game, being part of sections 14 and 23, 11N1E (Deeds 228:65, 29 July 1936)

**11N2E**
NE qt, E half NW qt, lots 1 and 2, SE qt sec 7 and other land
Land in 10N1E, 10N2E, 10N2E, 9N2E. Hammond to Hill-Davis lands bordering Redwood Creek, right bank being looking downstream in 10N1E, 9N1E, 9N2E.

Hill-Davis to Hammond

**11N1E**
That part of S half N half SW qt, S half SW qt that lies west of center line of U.S. Highway 101, sec 14
SW qt, S half NE qt SE qt, S half N half NW qt SE qt, S half NW qt SE qt, S half SE qt sec 15
E half SE qt sec 20
All sec 21
N half NE qt, W half, also all timberland and timber thereon in S half NE qt and W half SE qt sec 22, 107 acres, with rights of way for logging purposes, being same conveyed to James Cable by Arthur S. Davison and wife (76:101, 25 March 1901).

N half NW qt sec 27
N half, E half SW qt, N half SE qt sec 28
E half NE qt sec 29
SE qt NE qt, SW qt sec 34, excepting W half SW qt sec 34 lying west of the Trinidad and Crescent City wagon road, as constructed on west side Redwood creek in March 1917, which excepted parcel, 86 acres; also NE qt SE qt S half SE qt sec 34.
That part of S half NW qt, N half SW qt, SW qt SW qt sec 35 that lies on same side of Redwood creek as left bank, looking downstream.
10N1E, 10N2E, 9N1E, 9N2E, Hill-Davis to Hammond, ¼ interest in lands in 9N1E. Also lands on left bank Redwood Creek.

Other considerations, SW qt sec 34, 11N1E and NW qt sec 3, 10N1E become property of Hammond, devoted to or susceptible of farming.
That part of S half N half SW qt and S half SW qt sec 14, 11N1E, that lies westerly of U.S. highway. Hammond owner but Hill-Davis reserves right of way from S line of part of N half N half SW qt sec 14 that lies westerly of 101, southerly through land to highway. Hill-Davis becomes owner of S half NE qt and SE qt sec 27, 11N1E, but Hammond reserves right of way. PG&E line, Book 246:179 and 185….more regarding transmission lines, live trees and removal, taxes, highways, warranty of title, assignability, omnibus settlement and conveyance.
W.S. Burnett, vice-president, Hammond Redwood Co. James R Lowe, chairman, Hill-Davis Co., Ltd.

Deeds 277:314 (22 June 1942) The Sage Land and Improvement Co. to California Barrel Co., Ltd, sale of fir timber, 360,000 M feet fir timber on real property of seller, long list of townships and sections. Nothing in 11N1E

**11N2E, sec 6**
Lot 1, 43.59 acres, 620 M feet fir
Lot 2, 44.18 acres, 450 “
SW qt NE qt, 40 acres 400
SE qt NE qt, 40 acres, 930
Lot 3, 44.48 acres, 405
Lot 4, 18.63 acres, 165
Lot 5, 17.06 acres, 115
SE qt NW qt, 40 acres, 380
Piece between sec 1 and 6, 24 acres, 55
NE qt SE qt, 40 acres, 930
NW qt SE qt, 40 acres, 665
SW qt SE qt, 40 acres, 1,150
SE qt SE qt, 40 acres, 1,016
Total 423 acres, 7,281 M feet fir timber

**Sec. 7**
NE qt SW qt, 40 acres, 316
Lot 3, 23.69 acres, 210
Lot 4, 24.78 acres, 271
SE qt SW qt, 40 acres, 312
A wedge between the Haughn and Gilcrest surveys, 35 M ft.
Total 128.47 acres, 1,044 M ft.


Deeds 268:312 (7 June 1944) Quit Claim, Sage Land and Improvement Co. to Hill-Davis Co., sections 12,13, 24, 25, 36, 11N1E. Also beginning NE corner sec 7, 11N2E, th westerly along N line to E line of 11N1E, th southerly for 5 miles to SE cor sec 36, 11N2E, etc. E.O. Holter, Jr., President Sage, Dean Sage, secretary.

Deeds 268:312 (9 June 1944) Quitclaim Deed. The Sage Land & Improvement Co. to Hill-Davis Co., Ltd., whole of sections 12,13,24,25,36, 11N1E, according to official U.S. Government plat approved 15 Dec. 1882; survey by John Haughn. Also description for land in sec 7, 11N2E, according to Gilcrest survey, 30 July 1889.

OR 292:398 (10 April 1954) A.G. and Pearl Overpack to Arcata Redwood Company, S half SE qt sec 28, 11N1E.

OR 376:501 (21 Dec. 1955) John E. and Erminia Robinson to Arcata Redwood Company, S half SW qt, NE qt SW qt, SE qt NW qt sec 27, 11N1E. Also beginning at point on subdivision line 60 feet south of south center 1/16 corner sec 27….0.7 acres, excepting the 30 acres, 10 acres and 1.5 acres [per deed from Martha Thompson to Ellis Robinson, 10 Sept. 1923, Deeds 164:418]

OR 392:291 (15 March 1956) Nicholas and Elva Vulich and John Klobas and Annie Klobas to Arcata Redwood Co., E half sec 16, 11N1E.

OR 392:299 (1 May 1956) Arcata Redwood Co. to Hill-Davis, S half SE qt sec 28, 11N1E, 80 acres.

OR 292:301 (1 May 1956) Arcata Redwood Co. to Hill-Davis, S half SW qt, NE qt SW qt, SE qt NW qt sec 27, 11N1E, more described in sec 27 with exceptions and subject to lease agreement with Robinsons.

OR 292:312 (17 May 1956) Arcata Redwood Co. to Hill-Davis, E half sec 16 11N1E.

OR 413:226 (1 Oct. 1956) Hill-Davis to Arcata Redwood Co., E half sec 16, 11N1E.3


OR 516:364 (12 Dec. 1958) Hill-Davis Company, Ltd., a Michigan partnership association, authorized to transact business in California, as a corporation, hereby grants to Arcata Redwood
Company, a California Corporation, all of that certain real property situated in the County of Humboldt, State of California, and more particularly described in Exhibit A....

Hill-Davis Company, Ltd., has no officer with the title of president. Hi-Davis has an officer with the title of Chairman of the Board of Managers, whose power and duties are comparable to the office of president.

The deed is being executed in order to carry out a plan of reorganization which has been approved by Hill-Davis Company, Ltd., and Arcata Redwood Company, involving the transfer to Arcata Redwood Company of all of the assets of Hill-Davis Company, Ltd.

C.D. Weyerhaeuser, Chairman of Board of Managers

All real property and all rights and interests in real property of whatsoever kind or nature owned by the Hill-Davis Company, Ltd., at 5 o’clock p.m. on December 31, 1958, situated in the County of Humboldt, State of California, including in particular but not limited to any and all of the Grantor’s right, title and interest in and to any and all standing timber, timber agreements, cutting contracts, rights of way, easements, leases, and other rights affecting real property located in Humboldt County, California.

OR 623:523 (30 Dec. 1960) Arcata Redwood Company to Arcata Land Company, S half SW qt sec 27 11N1E. Also another parcel excepting from sec. 27 parcel conveyed to John E. and Erminia Robinson (OR 47:468 (27 Dec. 1957) 1.25 acres in SE qt SW qt sec 27. Excepting one acre on which water reservoir has been constructed shown on Arcata Redwood Tract Surveys 18:94, reserving private road being same referred to in Robinson conveyance. Also conveying portion of NW qt NW qt sec 34, 11N1E, 14 acres, reserving right of way. Surveys 18:44 (1 June 1960) Arcata Land Company Survey of Arcata Redwood Company Tract. This is a subdivision map, showing lots on top the hill, cemetery in very SE cor of SE qt SW qt sec 27; Robinson Road, Spruce Road, Water Reservoir. Surveys 14:170 (March 1956) For Arcata Redwood Co., no subdivision yet; shows Skunk Cabbage Creek and “old logging road.” Covers south half of section 27.