

foremen, sewer tappers, skilled laborers, mechanics, laborers, special policemen stationed at street-railway crossings, one inspector of gas fitting, two janitors for laboratories of the Washington and Georgetown Gas Light Companies, market master, assistant market master, watchman, horses, carts, and wagons, and to incur all necessary expenses incidental to carrying on such work and necessary for the proper execution thereof, such services and expenses to be paid from said appropriation account.

SEC. 6. That the commissioners shall not make requisitions upon the appropriations from the Treasury of the United States for a larger amount during the fiscal year nineteen hundred and fifteen than they make on the appropriations arising from the revenues, including drawback certificates, of said District.

Limit on requisitions.

SEC. 7. That all persons in the employment of the government of the District of Columbia having, as a result of such employment, custody of or chargeable with property, other than real estate, belonging to the District of Columbia, shall, at such times and in such form as the Commissioners of the District of Columbia shall require, make returns to said commissioners of all such property remaining in their possession, and the condition thereof, and, with reference to all property that may have come into their custody that shall have been consumed in use, a statement showing the quantity thereof and the purpose for which used. No part of any money appropriated by this Act shall be used for the payment to the Washington Gas Light Company for any gas furnished by said company at a rate in excess of 70 cents per one thousand cubic feet of gas so furnished for use in any of the public buildings of the United States or the District of Columbia.

Custodians of property to make returns thereof to Commissioners.

Washington Gas Light Company. Price of gas for public buildings fixed.

SEC. 8. That all laws and parts of laws to the extent that they are inconsistent with this Act are repealed.

Inconsistent laws repealed.

Approved, July 21, 1914.

CHAP. 192.—An Act For the approving and payment of the drainage assessments on Indian lands in Salt Creek drainage district numbered two, in Pottawatomie County, Oklahoma.

July 21, 1914.  
[H. R. 13133.]  
[Public, No. 146.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized, in his discretion, to approve the assessments, together with maps showing right of way and definite location of proposed drainage ditches, made under the laws of the State of Oklahoma upon the allottees in Salt Creek drainage district numbered two, in Pottawatomie County, Oklahoma.

Oklahoma. Drainage assessments on certain Indian allotments in, approved.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized, in his discretion, to pay the amount assessed against each of said allotments: *Provided*, That said assessment shall not exceed \$15 per acre on any allotment or portion thereof; and there is hereby appropriated for said purpose, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$21,183.39, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be immediately available, the said sum to be reimbursable from the rentals of said allotments, not to exceed fifty per centum of the amount of rents received annually, or from any funds belonging to the said allottees, in the discretion of the Secretary of the Interior.

Payment.  
Proviso. Appropriation.

Repayment from rentals, etc.

SEC. 3. That in the event any allottee shall receive a patent in fee to an allotment of land in any lawfully constituted drainage district within the State of Oklahoma before the United States shall have been wholly reimbursed as herein provided, the amount remaining unpaid shall become a first lien on such allotment, and the fact of such lien

Unpaid assessment to become a lien.

Satisfaction.

shall be recited on the face of each patent in fee issued and the amount of the lien set forth thereon, and the receipt of the Secretary of the Interior, or of the officer, agent, or employee duly authorized by him for that purpose, for the payment of the amount assessed against any allotment as herein provided shall, when duly recorded by the recorder of deeds in the county wherein the land is located, operate as a satisfaction of such lien.

Adoption of rules,  
etc.

SEC. 4. That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to perform any and all acts and to make such rules and regulations as may be necessary and proper for the purpose of carrying the provisions of this Act into full force and effect.

Approved, July 21, 1914.

July 22, 1914.  
[H. R. 11317.]

[Public, No. 147.]

**CHAP. 205.**—An Act To increase the limit of cost of the United States post-office building at Newcastle, Indiana.

Newcastle, Ind.  
Limit of cost in-  
creased, public build-  
ing at.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the limit of cost of the United States post-office building at Newcastle, Indiana, be, and the same is hereby, increased \$15,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary to meet the additional cost of construction of said building by the substitution of stone instead of brick with stone trimmings, as specified in the existing specification.

Approved, July 22, 1914.

July 23, 1914.  
[H. R. 1694.]

[Public, No. 148.]

**CHAP. 206.**—An Act To amend an Act approved October first, eighteen hundred and ninety, entitled "An Act to set apart certain tracts of land in the State of California as forest reservations."

Yosemite National  
Park, Cal.  
Leases of land for  
hotel purposes, etc.,  
authorized.  
Vol. 28, p. 651.

Number limited.

Appraisalment, etc.,  
on termination.

Mortgages allowed.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and empowered to grant leases, for periods of not exceeding twenty years, at annual rentals, and under terms and conditions to be determined by him, to any person, corporation, or company he may authorize to transact business in the Yosemite National Park, for separate tracts of land, not exceeding twenty acres each, at such places, not to exceed ten in number, to any person, corporation, or company in said park, as the comfort and convenience of visitors may require, for the construction and maintenance of substantial hotel buildings and buildings for the protection of motor cars, stages, stock and equipment, and so forth. Such leases may, at the option of the Secretary of the Interior, contain appropriate provisions for the appraisalment, at the expiration of the lease, of the value of such hotel and other buildings (or portions thereof) as may be constructed by the lessees, respectively, and the payment of the same to the lessees in case a new lease be made to persons other than said lessees, such payments to be made by such new lessees, respectively.

That any person or corporation or company holding a lease or leases within said park for the purposes above described is hereby authorized, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, to execute mortgages upon his or its rights and properties, including his or its contract or contracts with the Secretary of the Interior; such mortgages shall be executed in duplicate and delivered to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval, and upon his approval thereof he shall retain one of said duplicates and file the same for record in his office.