

February 21, 1931.
[H. R. 16215.]
[Public, No. 708.]

CHAP. 266.—An Act Authorizing the sale of surplus power developed under the Grand Valley reclamation project, Colorado.

Grand Valley reclamation project, Colo.

Sale of power privileges by Water Users' Association authorized.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever a development of power is necessary for the irrigation of lands under the Grand Valley reclamation project, Colorado, or an opportunity is afforded for the development of power under said project, such development of power to be without expenditure of money from the reclamation fund or from the Treasury of the United States, the Grand Valley Water Users' Association, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, is authorized to enter into a contract or contracts for a period of not exceeding twenty-five years for the sale or development of any surplus power or power privileges in said Grand Valley reclamation project, Colorado.

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[S. 2231.]
[Public, No. 709.]

CHAP. 267.—An Act To reserve certain lands on the public domain in Arizona for the use and benefit of the Papago Indians, and for other purposes.

Public lands.
Reservation of, for use of Papago Indians, Ariz.

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Requisition of privately owned lands.

Provisos.
Valid rights and claims unaffected.
Lands not subject to allotment.

Subject to disposition under mining laws.

Sum authorized for acquisition, etc., of certain private lands.

Limitation.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all vacant, unreserved, and undisposed of public lands within townships 11, 12, and 13 south, range 1 east; townships 11 and 12 south, range 2 east; township 11 south, range 3 east; township 11 south, range 4 east; townships 11 and 12 south, range 5 east; townships 12 and 13 south, range 1 west; townships 12, 13, and 14 south, range 2 west; townships 13 and 14 south, range 3 west; and townships 14 south, range 4 west; townships 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16 south, range 7 east; townships 14, 15, and 16 south, range 6 east; and townships 14 and 15 south, range 8 east, of the Gila and Salt River meridian, in Arizona, be, and they are, exclusive of a tribal right to the minerals therein, hereby reserved for the use and occupancy of the Papago Indians as an addition to the Papago Indian Reservation, Arizona, whenever all privately owned lands except mining claims within said addition have been purchased and acquired as hereinafter authorized: *Provided,* That all valid rights and claims which have attached to the lands prior to approval hereof shall not be affected by this Act: *Provided further,* That lands acquired hereunder shall remain tribal lands and shall not be subject to allotment to individual Indians under the General Allotment Act: *And provided further,* That all such lands shall be subject to disposition under the mining laws as provided in the Executive order of February 1, 1917, creating the Papago Indian Reservation.

SEC. 2. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, from any funds in the Treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$165,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be used by the Secretary of the Interior in his discretion in the purchase and acquiring of title to certain privately owned lands, improvements, and equipment located within the area described in section 1 hereof; and also in sections 25, 35, and 36, townships 17 south, range 4 east, of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, in Arizona, no part of said amount to be available unless all the privately owned lands except mining claims within said addition shall be acquired for not more than said amount together with the \$9,500 authorized to be appropriated to purchase lands for an addition to the Papago Indian Reservation, Arizona, by the Act of June 28, 1926 (44 Stat.

775): *Provided*, That in the event title to any privately owned land is acquired by purchase, the land so purchased shall become part of the Papago Indian Reservation: *And provided further*, That the State of Arizona may relinquish such tracts within the townships referred to in section 1 of this Act as it may see fit in favor of the Papago Indians, and shall have the right to select other unreserved and nonmineral public lands within the State of Arizona equal in area to that relinquished, said lieu selections to be made in the same manner as is provided for in the Enabling Act of June 20, 1910 (36 Stat. L. 558).

Proviso.
To be part of Papago
Indian Reservation,
Ariz.

Option by Arizona.

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CHAP. 268.—An Act To authorize the disposition of effects of persons dying while subject to military law.

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[S. 4619.]

[Public, No. 710.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the effects in the possession of the General Accounting Office of persons dying while subject to military law, including papers of value, sabers, insignia, decorations, medals, watches, trinkets, manuscripts, and other articles valuable chiefly as keepsakes, including those of deceased inmates of the Soldiers' Home dying in any United States military hospital, where sent from said home for treatment, and similar effects hereafter received by the War Department under the provisions of the Act of June 4, 1920 (41 Stat. L. 809; U. S. C., title 10, sec. 1584), as amended, shall be delivered to the Soldiers' Home; that wills or other papers involving property rights shall be promptly delivered to proper courts of record; that the remaining effects, if the heirs or legal representatives can not be ascertained, shall be retained by the home intact until three years from the date of the death of the person on whose behalf they were received shall have expired (in the event said period shall not have already elapsed), for the purpose of delivery to the widow or legal representative of the deceased, or to the son, daughter, father (provided the father had not abandoned the support of his family), mother, brother, sister, or the next of kin in the order named, or beneficiary named in the will of the deceased, upon the establishment to the satisfaction of the home of a right thereto.

Army.
Disposition of effects
of persons dying while
subject to military law.

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Wills.

Remaining effects.

SEC. 2. (a) That after the expiration of three years from date of death of said deceased, the Soldiers' Home may sell, either at public or private sale, as deemed most advantageous, all or any of such effects to which a right thereto shall not have been established on behalf of said deceased, his heirs, or legal representatives: *Provided*, That decorations, medals, and citations shall not be sold, but shall be disposed of as in section (b) following.

Sale after three years.

Proviso:
Decorations, medals,
etc.

(b) That such of said effects as at the expiration of five years from date of death of deceased have neither been sold nor a right thereto established on behalf of the deceased shall be finally disposed of by said home in such manner as in the interest of the public it deems most fitting, helpful, and appropriate, either by permanent retention thereof, distribution to the Veterans' Administration, State or other military homes, museums, or other appropriate institutions, or by their destruction, if, in the opinion of the board of commissioners thereof, they no longer possess any value.

Effects not sold, etc.,
after five years.

(c) That the net proceeds received by the home from the sale of such effects shall be covered into the Treasury to the benefit of the fund "Soldiers' Home permanent fund (trust fund)," and such principal fund as thus augmented shall draw interest at 3 per centum per annum, payable quarterly to the treasurer of the home.

Proceeds to Soldiers'
Home permanent fund.