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CHAP. 318.—An Act To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to cause to be appraised and to sell the Boise and Arrowrock Railroad, and for other purposes.

Reclamation Service.
Sale of railroad in Boise project, Idaho, constructed by.
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever in the opinion of the Secretary of the Interior the Boise and Arrowrock Railroad, constructed by the Reclamation Service under the provisions of the Act of Congress of June seventeenth, nineteen hundred and two (Thirty-second Statutes, page three hundred and eighty-eight), for use in connection with the construction of the Arrowrock Dam, Boise project, is no longer needed for said construction purpose,

Property included.

the said Secretary of the Interior may cause said railroad, together with the right of way on which the same is located, and such part of the equipment and appurtenances used in connection therewith as he shall deem most profitable or economical to sell in connection with said railroad, to be appraised by three disinterested persons, to be appointed by him, and thereafter to sell the same for not less than the appraised value, at public auction, to the highest bidder, after giving public notice of the time and place of sale by posting upon the premises and by publication once a week for not less than four weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the city of Boise, Idaho, and in three other publications such as may, in the judgment of the Secretary of the Interior, give adequate publicity to the proposals of the Government, the proceeds of such sale to be covered into the reclamation fund and credited to the Boise project, and such credit applied upon the features of said project against which the cost of the construction of said railroad was charged: *Provided*, That said Secretary may reject any or all bids: *Provided further*, That after said railroad has once been offered for sale at public auction and not sold the Secretary may, in his discretion, sell said railroad, together with the equipment and appurtenances aforesaid, at private sale on such terms and conditions, and at such price as he may deem to be to the best interest of the Government. Any sale hereunder shall be subject to the terms and conditions of two certain agreements, one dated March second, nineteen hundred and eleven, between the United States and the Barber Lumber Company, and the other dated November eighteenth, nineteen hundred and fifteen, between the Oregon Short Line Railroad Company and the United States.

Auction sale.

Proceeds to irrigation project.

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Rejection of bids.
Private sale.

Terms, etc.

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CHAP. 319.—An Act To promote the reclamation of arid lands.

State irrigation districts.
Public lands within, subject to State laws.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That when in any State of the United States under the irrigation district laws of said State there has heretofore been organized and created or shall hereafter be organized and created any irrigation district for the purpose of irrigating the lands situated within said irrigation district, and in which irrigation district so created or to be created there shall be included any of the public lands of the United States, such public lands so situated in said irrigation district, when subject to entry, and entered lands within said irrigation district, for which no final certificates have been issued, which may be designated by the Secretary of the Interior in the approval by him of the map and plat of an irrigation district as provided in section three, are hereby made and declared to be subject to all the provisions of the laws of the State in which such lands shall be situated relating to the organization, government, and regulation of irrigation districts for the reclamation and irrigation of arid lands for agricultural purposes, to the same extent and in the same manner in which the lands of a like character