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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).

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

Option by Arizona.

Vol. 36, p. 558.

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[S. 4619.]
[Public, No. 710.]

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

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.

Vol. 41, p. 809.
U. S. C., p. 239.

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.

Filing of claims for proceeds.

SEC. 3. (a) Claims for the net proceeds of effects may be filed with the General Accounting Office at any time prior to the expiration of six years from date of death of such deceased for action as authorized by law in the settlement of the accounts of deceased officers and enlisted men of the Army (Act of June 30, 1906; 34 Stat. 750; U. S. C., title 10, sec. 868), and, if not so filed, are barred from being acted on either by the courts or the accounting officers.

Vol. 34, p. 750.
U. S. C., p. 201.

Payment of claims allowed.

(b) All claims for the net proceeds of such effects which are allowed by the General Accounting Office shall be certified to the treasurer of the home for payment by check, in the amount thus found due and accrued interest thereon, from the fund "Soldiers' Home permanent fund (trust fund)," hereby appropriated therefor in such amount as necessary. No claim thus allowed or paid shall exceed the net proceeds and accrued interest derived from the particular estate and covered into the Treasury as aforesaid.

Not to exceed proceeds and interest.

Transfer of effects for safekeeping.

SEC. 4. That the containers now in the possession of the General Accounting Office, in which are stored the effects enumerated in section 1 hereof, shall be transferred therefrom to the Soldiers' Home to provide for the protection and safekeeping of such effects.

Conflicting laws repealed.

SEC. 5. All laws and parts of laws, in so far as in conflict herewith, are repealed.

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CHAP. 269.—An Act To amend the Act of May 23, 1930 (46 Stat. 378).

Western Navajo Indian Reservation.
Lands added to, eliminated from Tusayan National Forest, Ariz.
Ante, p. 378, amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 of the Act of May 23, 1930 (46 Stat. 378), entitled "An Act to eliminate certain lands from the Tusayan National Forest, Arizona, as an addition to the Western Navajo Indian Reservation," be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to include the following-described lands subject to all the conditions and provisions of said Act: Sections 10 to 15, inclusive, sections 22 to 27, inclusive, sections 34 to 36, inclusive, township 27 north, range 6 east, all of township 27 north, range 7 east; sections 4 to 9, 16 to 21, 29 to 32, all inclusive, in township 27 north, range 8 east; sections 1 and 2, the east half of section 3, the east half of section 10, sections 11 and 12, township 26 north, range 7 east; sections 5 to 8, inclusive, township 26 north, range 8 east, Gila and Salt River meridian, Arizona.

Description.

Full credit allowed for value of improvements.

SEC. 2. That for the purpose of arriving at the values and areas of lieu lands to which private landowners are entitled under the Act of May 23, 1930, as hereby amended, the value of the improvements on all privately owned lands to be conveyed or relinquished to the United States for the benefit of the Indians shall be taken into consideration and full credit in the form of lands shall be allowed therefor: *Provided*, That the State of Arizona may relinquish such lands as it sees fit, acquired pursuant to the Enabling Act of June 20, 1910 (36 Stat. L. 557), which may be desired as lieu land, and the State shall have the right to select other unreserved and undisposed of nonmineral public lands within the State of Arizona equal in area to that relinquished, the lieu selections to be made by the State in the same manner as is provided for in said Enabling Act.

Proviso.
Relinquishment of lands by Arizona.
Vol. 36, p. 557.
Right to select others.

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