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3 per centum per annum from the respective dates of the debits, additional credits in said special account shall be made by the Secretary, in the manner determined by him, the basis of corresponding credits to the construction cost obligations of the district or districts entering into contracts under section 2 hereof.

Ratification, etc., by State of Washington.

"SEC. 7. No water shall be delivered for irrigation within the project until the State of Washington, by appropriate legislation, shall have adopted, authorized, ratified, and consented to all the provisions of this Act insofar as such provisions or any of them, in whole or in part, may come within the scope of State jurisdiction or authority or be applicable to State lands.

Effective legislation. School and other public lands.

"Legislation otherwise conforming to the standards above stated in this section will meet the requirements of the section even though, by reason of limitations in the State constitution, the contracts required under subsection 2 (c) cannot be executed pursuant to such legislation as to the State's school and other public lands. As to such lands, the provisions and requirements of subsection 2 (c) shall remain effective, but if these constitutional limitations have not been removed at least six months prior to the expiration of the time provided for the execution of the contracts the time is hereby extended for a period ending six months after the removal of the limitations.

Administration. *Ante*, p. 18.

"SEC. 8. The Secretary is authorized to perform such acts, to make such rules and regulations, and to include in the contracts hereinbefore provided for such provisions as he deems proper for carrying out the provisions of this Act; and in connection with sales or exchanges under the Act, he is authorized to effect conveyances without regard to the law governing the patenting of public lands. Wherever in this Act functions, powers, or duties are conferred upon the Secretary, said functions, powers, or duties may be performed, exercised, or discharged by his duly authorized representatives.

Delegation of functions.

Consent to sale of public lands of State.

"SEC. 9. The consent of the United States is hereby given to the sale of school lands and any other public lands of the State of Washington comprising a part of the lands within the project at prices not to exceed their appraised values, determined as provided in subsection 2 (a) hereof.

Separability of provisions.

"SEC. 10. If any provision of this Act or the application of such provision to any person or circumstances shall be held invalid, the remainder of the Act and the application of such provision to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid shall not be affected thereby.

Short title.

"SEC. 11. This Act may be cited as 'The Columbia Basin Project Act'."

Approved March 10, 1943.

[CHAPTER 15]

March 11, 1943
[H. R. 1501]
[Public Law 9]

AN ACT

To extend for one year the provisions of An Act to promote the defense of the United States, approved March 11, 1941.

An Act To Promote the Defense of the United States. Time extension. 55 Stat. 32, 33. 22 U. S. C., Supp. II, §§ 412 (c), 415 (b).

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (c) of section 3 of An Act to promote the defense of the United States, approved March 11, 1941, is amended by striking out "June 30, 1943" wherever it appears therein and inserting in lieu thereof "June 30, 1944"; by striking out "July 1, 1946" and inserting in lieu thereof "July 1, 1947"; and by striking out "July 1, 1943" and inserting in lieu thereof "July 1, 1944"; and subsection (b) of section 6 of such Act is amended by striking out "June 30, 1946" and inserting in lieu thereof "June 30, 1947".

Approved March 11, 1943.