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San Diego County,
Cal.
Sale of land to.

CHAP. 45.—An Act Authorizing the sale of certain land to the county of San Diego, State of California, for public watering purposes.

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 and directed to sell at \$1.25 per acre and issue to the county of San Diego, State of California, a patent for the southeast quarter of section twenty-four, in township seventeen south, of range eight east, San Bernardino base and principal meridian, containing one hundred and sixty acres, said land to be used exclusively for public purposes, and the spring or springs of water contained therein to be maintained and kept in good condition for free public use: *Provided,* That the said patent shall contain the provision that the land shall revert to the United States whenever it shall not be used and maintained for the purposes mentioned in this Act: *Provided further,* That the Government of the United States of America reserves the right to operate and maintain any telegraph or telephone line over and upon said land, which is in operation at the passage of this Act, or which it may see fit to establish thereafter.

Provisos.
Reversion for non-user.

Easement reserved.

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Five Civilized Tribes,
Oklahoma.
Drainage assessments against lands of allottees, may be paid from tribal funds.

CHAP. 46.—An Act To provide for drainage of Indian allotments of the Five Civilized Tribes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever a drainage district is organized in any county in the Five Civilized Tribes of the State of Oklahoma, under the laws of that State, for the purpose of draining the lands within such district, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized, in his discretion, to pay from the funds or moneys arising from any source under his control or under the control of the United States, and which would be pro rated to such allottee, the assessment for drainage purposes against any Indian allottee or upon the lands of any allottee who is not subject to taxation or whose lands are exempt from taxation or from assessment for taxation under the treaties or agreements with the tribe to which such allottee may belong, or under any Act of Congress; and such amount so paid out shall be charged against such allottee's pro rata share of any funds to his credit under the control of the Secretary of the Interior or the United States: *Provided,* That the Secretary of the Interior, before paying out such funds, shall designate some person with a knowledge of the subject of drainage, to review the schedules of assessment against each tract of land and to review the land assessed to ascertain whether such Indian allottee, or his lands not subject to taxation, have been assessed more than their pro rata share as compared with other lands located in said district similarly situated and deriving like benefits. And if such Indian lands have been assessed justly when compared with other assessments, then, in that event, said funds shall be paid to the proper county in which such drainage district may be organized, or, in the option of the Secretary of the Interior, to the construction company or bondholder shown to be entitled to the funds arising from such assessment: *Provided further,* That in any event such assessment on any Indian allotment shall not exceed \$15 per acre, and no such assessment shall be made unless the Indian allottee affected, or his legal guardian, shall consent thereto: *And provided further,* That nothing in this Act shall be so construed as to deprive any allottee of any right which he might otherwise have individually to apply to the courts for the purpose of having his rights adjudicated.

Provisos.
Review of assessment, etc.

Payments.

Maximum.

Consent of allottee.

Legal rights not impaired.

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