

<p>Vol. 35, p. 448.</p> <p>Payments by purchasers of expired allotments. Vol. 35, p. 444.</p>	<p>posal of all surplus lands after allotment," as amended by section fifteen of the Act of May twenty-ninth, nineteen hundred and eight (Thirty-fifth Statutes at Large, page four hundred and forty-eight), shall be made as herein provided: <i>Provided further</i>, That nothing contained in the Act of May twenty-ninth, nineteen hundred and eight (Thirty-fifth Statutes at Large, page four hundred and forty-four), shall be construed to exempt the purchaser of any Indian allotment purchased prior to the expiration of the trust period thereon from any charge for construction of the irrigation system incurred up to the time of such purchase, except such charges as shall have accrued and become due in accordance with the public notices herein provided for, or to relieve the owners of any or all land allotted to Indians in severalty from payment of the charges herein required to be made against said land on account of construction of the irrigation systems; and in carrying out the provisions of said section the exemption therein authorized from charges incurred against allotments purchased prior to the expiration of the trust period thereon shall be the amount of the charges or installments thereof due under public notice herein provided for up to the time of such purchase.</p>
<p>Exemptions authorized.</p>	<p>For continuing construction of the irrigation systems on the Fort Peck Indian Reservation, in Montana, \$100,000 (reimbursable), which shall be immediately available: <i>Provided</i>, That the proportionate cost of the construction of said systems required of settlers and entrymen on the surplus unallotted irrigable land by-section two of the Act of May thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eight (Thirty-fifth Statutes at Large, page five hundred and fifty-eight), shall be paid as herein provided: <i>Provided further</i>, That nothing contained in said Act of May thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eight, shall be construed to exempt the purchaser of any Indian allotment purchased prior to the expiration of the trust period thereon from any charge for construction of the irrigation system incurred up to the time of such purchase, except such charges as shall have accrued and become due in accordance with the public notices herein provided for, and the purchaser of any Indian allotment to be irrigated by said systems purchased upon approval of the Secretary of the Interior before the charges against said allotment herein authorized shall have been paid shall pay all charges remaining unpaid at the time of such purchase, and in all patents or deeds for such purchased allotments, and also in all patents in fee to allottees or their heirs issued before payment shall have been made of all such charges herein authorized to be made against their allotments, there shall be expressed that there is reserved upon the lands therein described a lien for such charges, and such lien may be enforced, or upon payment of the delinquent charges may be released by the Secretary of the Interior.</p>
<p>Fort Peck Reservation. Construction of irrigation systems. <i>Proviso</i>. Payment of cost by settlers. Vol. 35, p. 558.</p>	<p>For continuing construction of the irrigation systems on the Blackfeet Indian Reservation, in Montana, \$25,000 (reimbursable), which shall be immediately available: <i>Provided</i>, That the entryman upon the surplus unallotted lands to be irrigated by such systems shall, in addition to compliance with the homestead laws, before receiving patent for the lands covered by his entry, pay the charges apportioned against such tract as herein authorized, and a failure to make any two payments when due shall render the entry subject to cancellation, with the forfeiture to the United States of all rights acquired under the provisions of this act, as well as of any moneys paid on account thereof. The purchaser of any Indian allotment to be irrigated by such systems, purchased upon approval of the Secretary of the Interior, before the charges against said allotment herein authorized shall have been paid, shall pay all charges remaining unpaid at the time of such purchase and in all patents or deeds for such purchased allotments, and also in all patents in fee to allottees or their heirs issued before payment of all such charges herein author-</p>
<p>Payments by purchasers of expired allotments.</p>	<p>Lien reserved in patents.</p>
<p>Blackfeet Reservation. Construction of irrigation systems. <i>Proviso</i>. Payment of charges by entrymen.</p>	<p>Forfeiture, etc.</p>
<p>Purchasers of allotments to pay all expenses.</p>	<p>Lien reserved in patents.</p>

ized to be made against their allotments, there shall be expressed that there is reserved upon the lands therein described a lien for such charges, and such lien may be enforced, or, upon payment of the delinquent charges, may be released by the Secretary of the Interior.

The work to be done with the amounts herein appropriated for the completion of the Blackfeet, Flathead, and Fort Peck projects may be done by the Reclamation Service on plans and estimates furnished by that service and approved by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs: *Provided*, That not to exceed \$15,000 of applicable appropriations made for the Flathead, Blackfeet, and Fort Peck irrigation projects shall be available for the maintenance, repair, and operation of motor-propelled and horse-drawn passenger-carrying vehicles for official use upon the aforesaid irrigation projects: *Provided further*, That not to exceed \$7,500 may be used for the purchase of horse-drawn passenger-carrying vehicles, and that not to exceed \$1,500 may be used for the purchase of motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles.

That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to announce, at such time as in his opinion seems proper, the charge for construction of irrigation systems on the Blackfeet, Flathead, and Fort Peck Indian Reservations in Montana, which shall be made against each acre of land irrigable by the systems on each of said reservations. Such charges shall be assessed against the land irrigable by the systems on each said reservation in the proportion of the total construction cost which each acre of such land bears to the whole area of irrigable land thereunder.

On the first day of December after the announcement by the Secretary of the Interior of the construction charge the allottee, entryman, purchaser, or owner of such irrigable land which might have been furnished water for irrigation during the whole of the preceding irrigation season, from ditches actually constructed, shall pay to the superintendent of the reservation where the land is located, for deposit to the credit of the United States as a reimbursement of the appropriations made or to be made for construction of said irrigation systems, five per centum of the construction charge fixed for his land, as an initial installment, and shall pay the balance of the charge in fifteen annual installments, the first five of which shall each be five per centum of the construction charge and the remainder shall each be seven per centum of the construction charge. The first of the annual installments shall become due and payable on December first of the fifth calendar year after the initial installment: *Provided*, That any allottee, entryman, purchaser, or owner may, if he so elects, pay the whole or any part of the construction charges within any shorter period: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Interior may, in his discretion, grant such extension of the time for payments herein required from Indian allottees or their heirs as he may determine proper and necessary, so long as such land remains in Indian title.

That the tribal funds heretofore covered into the Treasury of the United States in partial reimbursement of appropriations made for constructing irrigation systems on said reservations shall be placed to the credit of the tribe and be available for such expenditure for the benefit of the tribe as Congress may hereafter direct.

The cost of constructing the irrigation systems to irrigate allotted lands of the Indians on these reservations shall be reimbursed to the United States as hereinbefore provided, and no further reimbursements from the tribal funds shall be made on account of said irrigation works except that all charges against Indian allottees or their heirs herein authorized, unless otherwise paid, may be paid from the individual shares in the tribal funds, when the same is available for distribution, in the discretion of the Secretary of the Interior.

Irrigation construction work by Reclamation Service.

*Previous.*  
Maintenance of passenger vehicles.

Purchase of passenger vehicles.

Irrigation construction charges to be announced.

Assessment ratio.

First payment.

Subsequent installments.

*Previous.*  
Prepayments.

Extension of time to Indian allottees.

Tribal funds used for construction to be returned.

Reimbursement of construction cost.

Charges against Indian allottees.

Payment of operation and maintenance charges.

Use of fund.

*Proviso.*  
Refusal of water for nonpayment.

Water rights for Indian lands continued.

Rules, etc., to be prescribed.

*Proviso.*  
Furnishing available water prior to announcement.

That in addition to the construction charges every allottee, entryman, purchaser, or owner shall pay to the superintendent of the reservation a maintenance and operation charge based upon the total cost of maintenance and operation of the systems on the several reservations, and the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to fix such maintenance and operation charge upon such basis as shall be equitable to the owners of the irrigable land. Such charges when collected shall be available for expenditure in the maintenance and operation of the systems on the reservation where collected: *Provided*, That delivery of water to any tract of land may be refused on account of nonpayment of any charges herein authorized, and the same may, in the discretion of the Secretary of the Interior, be collected by a suit for money owed: *Provided further*, That the rights of the United States heretofore acquired, to water for Indian lands referred to in the foregoing provision, namely, the Blackfeet, Fort Peck, and Flathead Reservation land, shall be continued in full force and effect until the Indian title to such land is extinguished.

That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized to prescribe such rules and regulations and issue such notices as may be necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this Act, and he is hereby authorized and directed to determine the area of land on each reservation which may be irrigated from constructed ditches and to determine what allowance, if any, shall be made for ditches constructed by individuals for the diversion and distribution of a partial or total water supply for allotted or surplus unallotted land: *Provided*, That if water be available prior to the announcement of the charge herein authorized, the Secretary of the Interior may furnish water to land under the systems on the said reservations, making a reasonable charge therefor, and such charges when collected may be used for construction or maintenance of the systems through which such water shall have been furnished.