or employee who has completed less than twenty years' civilian service may elect to forfeit his right to such annuity and elect to receive in lieu thereof the amount credited to his individual account together with interest compounded on December 31 of each year at the rate of 4 per centum to the date of his separation or December 31, 1947, whichever may be the earlier, and at the rate of 3 per centum for any period thereafter before April 1, 1948: Provided further, That if the separation of such officer or employee was involuntary, not by removal for cause on charges of misconduct or delinquency, the total amount of deductions, with such interest, shall be returned."

Approved June 10, 1949.

[CHAPTER 195]

AN ACT

To provide for more effective conservation in the arid and semiarid areas of the United States, and for other purposes.

June 10, 1949 [H. R. 3181] [Public Law 99]

Arid and semiarid

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in order to provide for more effective accomplishment of the purposes of the Act entitled "An Act to promote conservation in the arid and semiarid areas of the United States by aiding in the development of facilities for water storage and utilization", approved August 28, 1937, as amended (50 Stat. 869; 16 U. S. C. 590r-x; 54 Stat. 1124, 16 U. S. C. 590z-5), section 7 of the Act relating to water conservation and utilization projects in the Great Plains and the arid and semiarid areas of the United States approved October 14, 1940 (54 Stat. 1124; 16 U. S. C. 590z-5), is hereby amended by striking the figures "\$50,000" and inserting in lieu thereof the figures "\$100,000".

Approved June 10, 1949.

[CHAPTER 196]

AN ACT

Authorizing the transfer of a certain tract of land in the Robinson Remount Station to the city of Crawford, Nebraska, and for other purposes.

June 13, 1949 [S. 314] [Public Law 100]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Agriculture is hereby authorized to transfer by quitclaim deed to the city of Crawford, Nebraska, the following-described tract of land lying within the Robinson Remount Station, Fort Robinson, Dawes County, Nebraska: Beginning at the northwest corner of the tract of land conveyed to the city of Crawford for public-park purposes by the Act of Congress approved June 25, 1906 (34 Stat. 461); thence west along the north line of the said station a distance of one thousand one hundred and seventy-five feet; thence south three hundred and six feet; thence south twenty-seven degrees fifty-two minutes east to the westerly boundary line of the present park, the point of intersection being approximately two thousand six hundred and fifteen feet south of the starting point; thence north two thousand six hundred and fifteen feet to point of beginning, containing an area of approximately forty-three and fifty-seven one-hundredths acres: Provided, That the city of Crawford shall pay 50 per centum of the appraised fair market value of the property as determined by the United States Department of Agriculture.

Sec. 2. Said Secretary is hereby authorized to grant to the city of Crawford, Nebraska, a permanent easement across the lands of the United States comprising the Robinson Remount Station, Fort Robinson, Dawes County, Nebraska, for a pipe line to carry water from

Crawford, Nebr. Transfer of land.

Easement for pipe line.