

United States Geological Survey in the absence of that officer.

(July 31, 1894, ch. 174, §1, 28 Stat. 197; Pub. L. 102-154, title I, Nov. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1000.)

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### § 33. Repealed. Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, § 53, 70A Stat. 641

Section, act June 16, 1880, ch. 235, 21 Stat. 274, authorized Secretary of War to detail officers of Ordnance Corps to serve with Geological Survey.

### § 34. Scientific employees

The scientific employees of the United States Geological Survey shall be selected by the Director, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior exclusively for their qualifications as professional experts.

(July 7, 1884, ch. 332, 23 Stat. 212; Pub. L. 102-154, title I, Nov. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1000.)

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### § 35. Repealed. Pub. L. 87-304, § 9(a)(2), Sept. 26, 1961, 75 Stat. 664

Section, act June 30, 1906, ch. 3914, §1, 34 Stat. 727, authorized scientific and other employees of the United States Geological Survey employed in the field to make assignments of pay, and that they be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the discharge of duty in the field and paid from personal funds. See section 5525 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

### § 36. Purchase of books

The purchase of professional and scientific books and periodicals needed for statistical purposes by the scientific divisions of the United States Geological Survey is authorized to be made and paid for out of appropriations made for the said Survey.

(June 28, 1902, ch. 1301, §1, 32 Stat. 455.)

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### § 36a. Acquisition of scientific or technical books, maps, etc., for library

The Director of the United States Geological Survey, under the general supervision of the Secretary of the Interior, is authorized to acquire for the United States, by gift or devise, scientific or technical books, manuscripts, maps, and related materials, and to deposit the same in the library of the United States Geological Survey for reference and use as authorized by law.

(May 14, 1940, ch. 190, 54 Stat. 212; Pub. L. 102-154, title I, Nov. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1000.)

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### § 36b. Acquisition of lands or interests therein for use in gaging streams or underground water resources

The Secretary of the Interior may, on behalf of the United States and for use by the United States Geological Survey in gaging streams and underground water resources, acquire lands by donation or when funds have been appropriated by Congress by purchase or condemnation, but not in excess of ten acres for any one stream gaging station or observation well site. For the same purpose the Secretary of the Interior may obtain easements, licenses, rights-of-way, and leases limited to run for such a period of time or term of years as may be required for the effective performance of the function of gaging streams and underground water resources: *Provided*, That nothing in this section shall be construed as affecting or intended to affect or in any way to interfere with the laws of any State or Territory relating to the control, appropriation, use, or distribution of water used in irrigation, or any vested right acquired thereunder, and the Secretary of the Interior, in carrying out the provisions of this section, shall proceed in conformity with such laws, and nothing in this section shall in any way affect any right of any State or of the Federal Government or of any landowner, appropriator, or user of water, in, to, or from any interstate stream or the waters thereof.

(Dec. 24, 1942, ch. 822, 56 Stat. 1086; Pub. L. 86-406, Apr. 4, 1960, 74 Stat. 14; Pub. L. 102-154, title I, Nov. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1000.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1960—Pub. L. 86-406 authorized Secretary of the Interior to acquire lands and interests in lands for observation well sites to gage underground water resources.