

An. Code, 1924, sec. 45. 1912, sec. 25C. 1916, ch. 506, sec. 25C.

45. The county board of education shall divide the county into appropriate school districts, shall keep full records of the boundaries thereof, and shall locate and maintain schools, as needed, within each district. They are authorized and empowered with the approval of the state superintendent of schools, to purchase grounds, school sites or buildings, or to sell the same; to rent, repair, improve and construct school buildings, or approve contracts for so doing, when the plans conform to the rules and regulations of the state board of education, and are approved by the state superintendent of schools, as provided for in section 30 of this Article. They shall employ an architect or architects on the recommendation of the county superintendent of schools to assist in the preparation of plans and specifications for remodelling old buildings and for constructing new buildings. They may sell, with the approval of the state superintendent of schools, school grounds, school sites and school buildings when no longer needed for educational purposes.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 46. 1912, sec. 25D. 1916, ch. 506, sec. 25D.

46. The county board of education may receive donations of school grounds or school sites, or of houses already built suitably located and adapted to school purposes, but in no case shall any site be built upon, or any house be occupied, until a good and sufficient title has been obtained for the same in the corporate name of the Board.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 47. 1912, sec. 25E. 1916, ch. 506, sec. 25E. 1931, ch. 157.

47. When land shall be required for the site of a school-house, or for enlarging a school-house lot, or for playgrounds or other school purposes, and the county board of education shall for any cause be unable to contract with the owner or owners thereof upon what they deem to be a fair valuation thereof, the county board of education may institute proceedings for the acquisition of such lands, in accordance with Article 33A of the Annotated Code; but no lot so taken or enlarged shall exceed, in the whole, ten acres, including the land occupied by the school building.

The limitation imposed by this section does not preclude the condemnation of an easement subject to which the land was acquired, not being an enlargement thereof. *Davis v. Board of Education*, 166 Md. 118.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 48. 1912, sec. 25F. 1916, ch. 506, sec. 25F.

48. Schools on or near the dividing line of two counties shall be free to the children of each county; and the county board of education of the respective counties shall have power to provide jointly for the maintenance of said schools.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 49. 1912, sec. 25G. 1916, ch. 506, sec. 25G.

49. The county boards of education in every county of the State shall provide sanitary, hygienic, suitable and convenient water-closets or out-houses for each of the schools under their official jurisdiction, not less than two for each school or building, when both sexes are in attendance, in their respective school districts, with separate means of access for each; and unless placed at a remote distance, one from the other, the approaches or walks thereto shall be separated by a substantial closefence, not less than seven feet high; and it shall be the duty of the said boards to make