

- Fireproof building. "That upon the present site, when so enlarged, or upon the new site, when acquired, the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to cause to be erected a suitable and commodious fireproof building for the use and accommodation of the United States courts, post-office, and other Government offices in said city of Los Angeles, at a total cost of not to exceed eight hundred and fifty thousand dollars, inclusive of the cost of additional land or a new site.
- Limit of cost. "That the unexpended-balance of the appropriation of one hundred thousand dollars contained in section three of the Act of Congress approved March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, entitled 'An Act to increase the limit of cost for the erection of a public building at Stockton, California, and making provision for the acquisition of additional land, or a new site therefor, and to provide for an addition to the public building at Los Angeles, California, and appropriating money therefor,' together with the unexpended balance of the appropriation for 'court-house and post-office at Los Angeles, California; for completion of addition to present building under present limit, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars,' are hereby covered into the Treasury as miscellaneous items. Authority is hereby given to the Secretary of the Treasury to settle and adjust any claims for damages due to the abrogation of certain contracts under former appropriations for a public building at Los Angeles, provided the amounts thereof can be liquidated for such sums as in his opinion are just and reasonable, and a sum of money sufficient to cover such adjustments and settlements shall be paid from the amount herein authorized. The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby further authorized and empowered to enter into contracts for the erection of the building herein authorized within the limit of cost hereby fixed."
- Unexpended balances covered into the Treasury. Vol. 30, p. 1354.
- Adjustment of damages.
- Contracts
- Approved, April 22, 1904.

April 22, 1904.  
[H. R. 7634.]  
[Public, No. 136.]

**CHAP. 1413.**—An Act To establish a life-saving station in Sussex County, State of Delaware.

Sussex County, Del.  
Life-saving station  
established in.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to establish a life-saving station on the coast of Delaware between Indian River Inlet and Fenwicks Island life-saving station at such point as the General Superintendent of the Life-Saving Service may recommend.

Approved, April 22, 1904.

April 22, 1904.  
[H. R. 10956.]  
[Public, No. 137.]

**CHAP. 1414.**—An Act To amend sections twenty-five hundred and sixty-six and twenty-five hundred and sixty-seven of the Revised Statutes of the United States, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, so as to remove the port of entry for the district of Pearl River from Shieldsboro to Gulfport, and for other purposes.

Customs.  
Mississippi collec-  
tion districts.  
R. S., secs. 2566, 2567,  
p. 507, amended.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section twenty-five hundred and sixty-six of the Revised Statutes of the United States, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 2566. There shall be in the State of Mississippi three collection districts, as follows:

Gulfport made port  
of entry.  
Ship Island, Scran-  
ton and Horn Island,  
ports of delivery.

"First. The district of Pearl River, which comprises all the waters and shore of the Gulf of Mexico and of Lake Borgne, within the State, in which Gulfport shall be the port of entry, and Ship Island, Scran-ton, and Horn Island ports of delivery.

“Second. The district of Natchez, to comprise all the waters and shores of the Mississippi River within the State of Mississippi south of the range line between townships thirteen and fourteen, in which Natchez shall be the port of entry and Grand Gulf a port of delivery.

“Third. The district of Vicksburg, to comprise all the waters and shores of the Mississippi River within the State of Mississippi north of the range line between townships thirteen and fourteen, in which Vicksburg shall be the port of entry.”

SEC. 2. That section twenty-five hundred and sixty-seven of the Revised Statutes of the United States, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

“SEC. 2567. There shall be in the collection districts in the State of Mississippi the following officers:

“First. In the district of Pearl River, a collector who shall reside at the port of Gulfport, a deputy collector who shall reside at Bay Saint Louis (Shieldsboro), a deputy collector who shall reside at Scranton or Pascagoula, as the Secretary of the Treasury shall designate, and a deputy collector who shall reside at Biloxi, together with such other officers as may be necessary for the proper performance of the business of the district, who shall be designated and appointed by the Secretary of the Treasury: *Provided*, That the Secretary of the Treasury shall have the right to fix the compensation of such deputy collectors and of such other officers as he is by this bill authorized to designate.

“Second. In the district of Natchez, a collector who shall reside at Natchez.

“Third. In the district of Vicksburg, a collector.”

SEC. 3. That this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, April 22, 1904.

Officers.  
Residence of.

*Provido.*  
Compensation.

Effect.

CHAP. 1415.—An Act For the reappraisalment and sale of the undisposed lands within the Fort Walla Walla Military Reservation, in the State of Washington.

April 22, 1904.  
[H. R. 12885.]

[Public, No. 138.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the lands originally embraced within the Fort Walla Walla Military Reservation, in the State of Washington, remaining undisposed of shall be reappraised, under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, by legal subdivisions, and the appraisers, in their report, shall note the character of each legal subdivision and state whether it is chiefly valuable for stone, mineral, timber, agricultural, or grazing purposes, and if any of the legal subdivisions of said land is improved the appraiser shall appraise separately the improvements on said land and the land independently of such improvements, and they shall describe generally the character of such improvements, and also report the names of the persons who made such improvements and the parties claiming to own the same.

SEC. 2. That upon the approval of such reappraisalment by the Secretary of the Interior said lands shall be offered for sale to the highest bidder, for cash, at such times and under such regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may determine: *Provided*, That the land and improvements shall not be sold at less than the appraised value: *Provided further*, That if the highest bidder shall be the person who made the improvements upon such land, or his assigns, the appraised value of the improvements shall be deducted from his bid, and he shall be required to pay only the remainder to the United States, and if the highest bidder is some one other than the party who made such improve-

Fort Walla Walla  
Military Reservation,  
Wash.  
Reappraisalment  
and sale of undisposed  
lands in.  
Vol. 17, p. 335.

Improvements.

Sale.

*Providos.*  
Minimum price.

Deduction for im-  
provements.