

necessary to the proper adjustment of any claim hereunder, and shall prepare and keep all needful tables and records required for carrying out the provisions of this Act, including data showing the mortality experience of the employees in the service and the percentage of withdrawal from such service, and any other information that may serve as a guide for future valuations and adjustments of the plan for the retirement of employees under this Act.

The Commissioner of Pensions shall make a detailed comparative report annually showing all receipts and disbursements on account of refunds, allowances, and annuities, together with the total number of persons receiving annuities and the amounts paid them.

SEC. 14. That none of the moneys mentioned in this Act shall be assignable, either in law or equity, or be subject to execution, levy, or attachment, garnishment, or other legal process.

SEC. 15. That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, from any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$100,000 for salaries and for clerical and other services, the purchase of books, office equipment, stationery, and other supplies, and all other expenses necessary in carrying out the provisions of this Act, including traveling expenses and expenses of medical and other examinations as provided in section 5 hereof.

The Secretary of the Interior shall submit annually to the Secretary of the Treasury estimates of the appropriations necessary to continue this Act in full force and effect.

SEC. 16. That the Commissioner of Pensions, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, is hereby authorized and directed to select three actuaries, one of whom shall be the Government actuary, to be known as the Board of Actuaries, whose duty it shall be to annually report upon the actual operations of this Act, with authority to recommend to the Commissioner of Pensions such changes as in its judgment may be deemed necessary to protect the public interest and maintain the system upon a sound financial basis. It shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Pensions to submit with his annual report to Congress the recommendations of the Board of Actuaries. It shall be the duty of the Board of Actuaries to make a valuation of the "civil-service retirement and disability fund" at the end of the first year following the passage of this Act and at intervals of every five years thereafter, or oftener, if deemed necessary by the Commissioner of Pensions. The compensation of the members of the Board of Actuaries, exclusive of the Government actuary, shall be fixed by the Commissioner of Pensions with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior.

SEC. 17. That all laws and parts of laws inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed.

Approved, May 22, 1920.

Annual report of receipts, disbursements, etc.

Moneys nonassignable, subject to attachment, etc.

Appropriation for salaries, and all other expenses hereunder.
Post, pp. 910, 1030.

Ante, p. 616.

Estimates to be submitted annually.

Board of Actuaries. Selection of, by Commissioner of Pensions. Duties.

Report of recommendations to Congress.

Valuation of retirement fund by Board.

Compensation.

Inconsistent laws repealed.

May 25, 1920.
[H. R. 9781.]

[Public, No. 216.]

Criminal Code.

Vol. 35, p. 1131, amended.

Postal offenses. Poisons, explosives, disease germs, etc., nonmailable.

CHAP. 196.—An Act To amend section 217 of the Act entitled "An Act to codify, revise, and amend the penal laws of the United States," approved March 4, 1909.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 217 of the Act entitled "An Act to codify, revise, and amend the penal laws of the United States," approved March 4, 1909 (Thirty-fifth Statutes at Large, page 1131), is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 217. That all kinds of poison, and all articles and compositions containing poison, and all poisonous animals, insects, and reptiles, and explosives of all kinds, and inflammable materials, and infernal machines, and mechanical, chemical, or other devices or compositions which may ignite or explode, and all disease germs

or scabs, and all other natural or artificial articles, compositions, or materials, of whatever kind, which may kill or in anywise hurt, harm, or injure another or damage, deface, or otherwise injure the mails or other property, whether sealed as first-class matter or not, are hereby declared to be nonmailable matter, and shall not be conveyed in the mails or delivered from any post office or station thereof, nor by any letter carrier; but the Postmaster General may permit the transmission in the mails, from the manufacturer thereof or dealer therein to licensed physicians, surgeons, dentists, pharmacists, druggists, and veterinarians, under such rules and regulations as he shall prescribe, of any articles hereinbefore described which are not outwardly or of their own force dangerous or injurious to life, health, or property: *Provided*, That all spirituous, vinous, malted, fermented, or other intoxicating liquors of any kind are hereby declared to be nonmailable, and shall not be deposited in or carried through the mails. Whoever shall knowingly deposit or cause to be deposited for mailing or delivery, or shall knowingly cause to be delivered by mail, according to the direction thereon or at any place at which it is directed to be delivered by the person to whom it is addressed, anything declared by this section to be nonmailable, unless in accordance with the rules and regulations hereby authorized to be prescribed by the Postmaster General, shall be fined not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned not more than two years, or both; and whoever shall knowingly deposit or cause to be deposited for mailing or delivery, or shall knowingly cause to be delivered by mail, according to the direction thereon or at any place to which it is directed to be delivered by the person to whom it is addressed, anything declared by this section to be nonmailable, whether transmitted in accordance with the rules and regulations authorized to be prescribed by the Postmaster General or not, with the design, intent, or purpose to kill or in anywise hurt, harm, or injure another, or damage, deface, or otherwise injure the mails or other property, shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than twenty years, or both."

Transmission to licensed physicians, etc., permitted.

Proviso.
Intoxicating liquors nonmailable.

Punishment for unauthorized mailing.

Punishment for mailing articles with injurious intent.

Approved, May 25, 1920.

CHAP. 197.—An Act Authorizing certain railroad companies, or their successors in interest, to convey for public-road purposes certain parts of their rights of way.

May 25, 1920.
[H. R. 9825.]
[Public, No. 217.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all railroad companies to which grants for rights of way through the public lands have been made by Congress, or their successors in interest or assigns, are hereby authorized to convey to any State, county, or municipality any portion of such right of way to be used as a public highway or street: *Provided*, That no such conveyance shall have the effect to diminish the right of way of such railroad company to a less width than fifty feet on each side of the center of the **main track** of the railroad as now established and maintained.

Public lands.
Railroad companies may convey portion of rights of way on, for highways, etc.

Proviso.
Limit.

Approved, May 25, 1920.

CHAP. 198.—An Act To authorize the purchase by the city of Myrtle Point, Oregon, of certain lands formerly embraced in the grant to the Oregon and California Railroad Company and reverted in the United States by the Act approved June 9, 1916.

May 25, 1920.
[H. R. 10285.]
[Public, No. 218.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior shall be, and is hereby, authorized to issue a patent to the city of Myrtle Point, Oregon, for the following described lands, being

Myrtle Point, Ore.
Granted land in reverted Oregon-California Railroad grant.