

the said State of Maryland and the District of Columbia, including any future allocation of Federal-aid highway funds or grants to the said States of Pennsylvania, Maryland, and to the District of Columbia. The passage of this Act does not commit the United States to build the said highway or boulevard at Federal expense, and if authorized the Federal funds for the construction of the said highway or boulevard will be the allocations that may accrue to the said States and the District of Columbia in future appropriations of Federal-aid highway and grant funds. Any appropriations under the authority of this Act shall be deducted from the next regular apportionment or allocation of Federal-aid highway funds or Federal-grant highway funds, under existing or future authorizations as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture to Pennsylvania, Maryland and the District of Columbia.

SEC. 7. That the term of Commission hereby created shall expire within one year after the completion of the proposed boulevard or highway.

SEC. 8. This joint resolution shall take effect immediately.

Approved, May 20, 1935.

No Federal expense.

Payment from certain State, etc., allocated funds.

Duration of Commission.

Effective date.

[CHAPTER 135.]

AN ACT

Granting a leave of absence to settlers of homestead lands during the year 1935.

May 22, 1935.
[S. 1776.]
[Public, No. 64.]

Public lands. Homestead entrymen; leaves of absence, calendar year 1935.

Absence added to statutory life of entry.

Proviso. Installment payment extension.

Interest payment.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any homestead settler or entryman who, during the calendar year 1935, should find it necessary, because of economic conditions, to leave his homestead to seek employment in order to obtain the necessaries of life for himself and family or to provide for the education of his children may, upon filing with the register of the district, his affidavit, supported by corroborating affidavits of two disinterested persons showing the necessity of such absence, be excused from compliance with the requirements of the homestead laws as to residence, cultivation, improvements, expenditures, or payment of purchase money, as the case may be, during all or any part of the calendar year 1935, and said entries shall not be open to contest or protest because of failure to comply with such requirements during such absence; except that the time of such absence shall not be deducted from the actual residence required by law, but a period equal to such absence shall be added to the statutory life of the entry: *Provided,* That any entryman holding an unperfected entry on ceded Indian lands may be excused from the requirements of residence upon the conditions provided herein, but shall not be entitled to extension of time for the payment of any installment of the purchase price of the land except upon proof satisfactory to the Secretary of the Interior that the entryman is acting in good faith and is financially unable to make the payments due, and upon payment of interest, in advance, at the rate of 4 per centum per annum on the principal of any unpaid purchase price from the date when such payment or payments became due to and inclusive of the date of the expiration of the period of relief granted hereunder.

Approved, May 22, 1935.

[CHAPTER 136.]

AN ACT

To amend section 21 of the Interstate Commerce Act, as amended, with respect to the time of making the annual report of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

May 23, 1935.
[H. R. 4005.]
[Public, No. 65.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first sentence of section 21 of the Interstate Commerce Act, as amended, is amended to read as follows: "The Commission shall, on or before the 3d day of January of each year, make a report which shall be transmitted to Congress and copies of which shall be distributed as are the other reports transmitted to Congress."

Interstate Commerce Commission.
Time for making annual report.
Vol. 24, p. 387; Vol. 25, p. 862.
U. S. C., p. 2233.

Approved, May 23, 1935.

[CHAPTER 137.]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To authorize the acceptance on behalf of the United States of the bequest of the late Major General Fred C. Ainsworth for the purpose of establishing a permanent library at the Walter Reed General Hospital to be known as the "Fred C. Ainsworth Endowment Library."

May 23, 1935.
[S. J. Res. 98.]
[Pub. Res., No. 20.]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the adjutant Walter Reed General Hospital be, and is hereby, authorized to accept the bequest of the late Major General Fred C. Ainsworth, or such amount thereof as is available, as contained in his last will and testament, and such interest as may have accrued on the funds covered by such bequest, and to receipt therefor on behalf of the United States, and to deposit the funds so received in the Treasury of the United States as a special fund dedicated to the purpose of establishing a permanent library at the Walter Reed General Hospital, to be known as the "Fred C. Ainsworth Endowment Library", said fund to be subject to disbursement for such purpose upon vouchers submitted by the adjutant Walter Reed General Hospital and to be available until expended: *Provided*, That the Treasurer of the United States, upon the written request of the adjutant Walter Reed General Hospital so to do, is authorized to invest and reinvest any part or all of the corpus of this bequest, as well as any income therefrom, in interest-bearing United States Government bonds, and retain custody thereof, if, in the judgment of the adjutant it will best serve the objects of the bequest: *Provided further*, That the Treasurer of the United States, upon the written request of the adjutant Walter Reed General Hospital so to do, is authorized to dispose of, for cash, any part or all of any bonds in which such funds may be invested, and redeposit the proceeds thereof, as well as all interest received from time to time upon any such bonds, to the credit of such special fund and subject to withdrawal and disbursement and reinvestment, as above provided for: *And provided further*, That the administration, control, and expenditure of this fund and its application to the purposes intended shall be according to the sole discretion of the adjutant Walter Reed General Hospital, and the exercise of his discretion and authority in regard thereto and his decision thereon shall not be subject to question or review except by the Secretary of War and courts of competent jurisdiction.

Walter Reed General Hospital.
Bequest of Maj. Gen. Fred C. Ainsworth; acceptance authorized.

Special fund; dedication.

Disbursement.

Provisos.
Investment authorized.

Credits and withdrawals.

Administration, control, etc., of fund.

Sec. 2. The necessary space or a separate room in any building at the Walter Reed General Hospital is authorized to be set aside for the purpose of establishing the said library.

Space to be provided.

Approved, May 23, 1935.