

January 31, 1898.

**CHAP. 12.**—An Act To provide an American register for the steamer Navahoe.Steamer "Navahoe."  
American register  
for.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Commissioner of Navigation is hereby authorized and directed to cause the foreign-built steamer Navahoe, owned by B. F. Clyde, a citizen of the United States, to be registered as a vessel of the United States.

Approved, January 31, 1898.

February 3, 1898.

**CHAP. 13.**—An Act To amend and reenact section five of an Act entitled "An Act to authorize the mayor and city council of Monroe, and the police jury of the parish of Ouachita, Louisiana, to construct a traffic bridge across the Ouachita River, opposite said city," approved February eighth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

Bridge over Ouachita River, La.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section five of an Act entitled "An Act to authorize the mayor and city council of Monroe, and the police jury of the parish of Ouachita, Louisiana, to construct a traffic bridge across the Ouachita River, opposite said city," be, and the same is hereby, amended and reenacted so as to read as follows:

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Time for commencement and completion extended.

"SEC. 5. That this Act shall be null and void if actual construction of the bridge herein authorized be not commenced by the eighth day of August, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and completed within three years from the date of the approval hereof."

Approved, February 3, 1898.

February 9, 1898.

**CHAP. 14.**—An Act To provide an American register for the barkentine Sharpshooter, of San Francisco, California.Barkentine, "Sharpshooter,"  
American register for.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Commissioner of Navigation is hereby authorized and directed to cause the foreign-built barkentine Sharpshooter, owned by the J. F. Cunningham Company, organized under the laws of the State of California, to be registered as a vessel of the United States, under the name of Ruth.

Approved, February 9, 1898.

February 9, 1898.

**CHAP. 15.**—An Act To provide for the appointment of an additional district judge in and for the northern judicial district of the State of Texas.

Additional district judge, northern district of Texas.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That there shall be in the northern judicial district of the State of Texas an additional district judge, who shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice of the Senate, and shall possess the same qualifications and have the same power and jurisdiction now prescribed by law in respect to the present district judge therein.

No vacancy in office of existing district judge to be filled.

SEC. 2. That no vacancy in the office of the existing district judge of said northern judicial district of Texas shall be filled by appointment, and in case of such vacancy there shall be thereafter one district judge only for said district.

Approved, February 9, 1898.