

CHAP. 91.—An Act To authorize T. H. Friel or assigns to construct a dam across Mulberry Fork of the Black Warrior River.

March 16, 1908.
[H. R. 16746.]

[Public, No. 59.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That T. H. Friel or assigns be, and they are hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a dam across the Mulberry Fork of the Black Warrior River, at a point within ten miles north and within two miles south of its junction with the Sipsey Fork, in Walker County, in the State of Alabama, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of dams across navigable waters," approved June twenty-first, nineteen hundred and six.

Mulberry Fork of
Black Warrior River,
Ala.
T. H. Friel may
dam.

Location.
Vol. 34, p. 386.

SEC. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Amendment.

Approved, March 16, 1908.

CHAP. 92.—An Act To amend an Act entitled "An Act to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Monongahela River in the State of Pennsylvania by the Liberty Bridge Company," approved March second, nineteen hundred and seven.

March 16, 1908.
[H. R. 16749.]

[Public, No. 60.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section two of an Act entitled "An Act to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Monongahela River in the State of Pennsylvania by the Liberty Bridge Company," approved March second, nineteen hundred and seven, be, and is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Monongahela River.
Time extended for
bridging by Liberty
Bridge Company, at
Pittsburg, Pa.
Vol. 34, p. 1235,
amended.

"SEC. 2. That this Act shall be null and void if actual construction of the bridge herein authorized be not commenced within one year and completed within three years from March fifteenth, nineteen hundred and eight."

Time of construction.
Post, p. 638.

Approved, March 16, 1908.

CHAP. 93.—An Act To establish a United States land district in the Territory of New Mexico to be known as the Tucumcari land district.

March 16, 1908.
[H. R. 16860.]

[Public, No. 61.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all that portion of the Territory of New Mexico bounded and described as follows: Commencing at the intersection of the fourth standard parallel north with the boundary line of the Territory of New Mexico and the State of Texas; thence west along said fourth standard parallel north to its intersection with the third guide meridian east of New Mexico; thence south along said third guide meridian east to its intersection with the first standard parallel north; thence east along said first standard parallel north to its intersection with the boundary line of the Territory of New Mexico and the State of Texas; thence north along said boundary line to the place of beginning, be, and is hereby, constituted a new and separate land district, to be called the Tucumcari land district, the land office of which shall be located in the town of Tucumcari, county of Quay, in the Territory of New Mexico.

Public lands.
Tucumcari land dis-
trict, N. Mex., estab-
lished.
Description.

Office at Tucumcari.

SEC. 2. That the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint a register and a receiver of public moneys for said district, and said officers shall reside in the place where said land office is located, and shall have the same powers and shall discharge similar duties and receive the same fees and emoluments as officers discharging like duties in the other land offices of the Territory of New Mexico.

Register and re-
ceiver.

Powers.
Fees, etc.

Approved, March 16, 1908.

March 24, 1908.
[S. 4877.]

[Public, No. 62.]

Preamble.

Post, p. 1854.

Hospital ships ex-
empted from taxes,
etc., in time of war.

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President to design-
ate ships, etc.

CHAP. 96.—An Act To carry into effect the international convention of December twenty-first, nineteen hundred and four, relating to the exemption in time of war of hospital ships from dues and taxes on vessels.

Whereas a convention providing for the exemption of hospital ships in time of war from the payment of all dues and taxes imposed for the benefit of the State was signed at The Hague on December twenty-first, nineteen hundred and four, by the plenipotentiaries of the United States of America, Germany, Austria-Hungary, Belgium, China, Korea, Denmark, Spain, Mexico, France, Greece, Italy, Japan, Luxemburg, Montenegro, The Netherlands, Peru, Persia, Portugal, Roumania, Russia, Servia, Siam, and Switzerland; and

Whereas the said convention was duly ratified by the Government of the United States of America by and with the advice and consent of the Senate thereof, and was proclaimed by the President of the United States May twenty-first, nineteen hundred and seven: Therefore

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hospital ships, concerning which the conditions set forth in articles one, two, and three of the convention concluded at The Hague on July twenty-ninth, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, for the adaptation to maritime warfare of the principles of the Geneva convention of August twenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, are fulfilled, shall, in the ports of the United States and the possessions thereof, be exempted, in time of war, from all dues and taxes imposed on vessels by the laws of the United States, and from all pilotage charges.

SEC. 2. That the President of the United States shall by proclamation name the hospital ships to which this Act shall apply, and shall indicate the time when the exemptions herein provided for shall begin and end.

Approved, March 24, 1908.

March 26, 1908.
[H. R. 17710.]

[Public, No. 68.]

Life-Saving Service.
District superin-
tendents, etc.
Compensation in-
creased.

Rations.

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Death of keeper or
member of crew.
Two years' pay to
widow and children.
Dependent mother
added.

CHAP. 99.—An Act To increase the efficiency of the personnel of the Life-Saving Service of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this Act the compensation of district superintendents in the United States Life-Saving Service shall be as follows: For the superintendents of the first, second, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, tenth, eleventh, twelfth, and thirteenth districts, two thousand two hundred dollars per annum each; for the superintendents of the third and ninth districts, two thousand dollars per annum each; for the superintendent of the eighth district, one thousand nine hundred dollars per annum. That the pay of keepers of life-saving stations shall be one thousand dollars per annum each, and that the pay of the number one surfman in each of the crews of the life-saving stations shall be at the rate of seventy dollars per month.

SEC. 2. That every keeper of a life-saving station and every surfman in the Life-Saving Service of the United States shall be entitled to receive one ration per day or, in the discretion of the Secretary of the Treasury, commutation therefor at the rate of thirty cents per ration.

SEC. 3. That section eight of the Act of May fourth, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, entitled "An Act to promote the efficiency of the Life-Saving Service and to encourage the saving of life from shipwreck," is hereby amended to read as follows:

SEC. 8. That if any keeper or member of a crew of a life-saving station shall hereafter die by reason of perilous service or any wound or injury received or disease contracted in the Life-Saving Service in