

PUBLIC ACTS OF THE SIXTY-SECOND CONGRESS

OF THE

UNITED STATES

Passed at the second session, which was begun and held at the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Monday, the fourth day of December, 1911, and was adjourned without day on Monday, the twenty-sixth day of August, 1912.

WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT, President; JAMES SCHOOLCRAFT SHERMAN, Vice President; CHARLES CURTIS, President of the Senate *pro tempore*, December 5 to 12, 1911; AUGUSTUS O. BACON, President of the Senate *pro tempore*, January 15 to 17, March 11 and 12, April 8, May 10, 30, and 31, June 1 to 3, June 13 to July 5, August 1 to 10, and from end of session to December 16, 1912; JACOB H. GALLINGER, President of the Senate *pro tempore*, February 12, 13, and 14, April 26 and 27, May 7, July 6 to 31, and August 12 to end of session; FRANK B. BRANDEGEE, President of the Senate *pro tempore*, March 25 and 26, 1912; HENRY CABOT LODGE, President of the Senate *pro tempore*, May 25, 1912; CHAMP CLARK, Speaker of the House of Representatives; JOSHUA W. ALEXANDER, Speaker of the House of Representatives *pro tempore*, July 1, 1912.

CHAP. 1.—An Act To provide a suitable memorial to the memory of the North American Indian.

December 8, 1911.
[H. R. 1671.]

[Public, No. 46.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there may be erected, without expense to the United States Government, by Mr. Rodman Wanamaker, of New York City, and others, on a United States reservation, in the harbor of New York, in the State of New York, and upon a site to be selected by the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy, a suitable memorial to the memory of the North American Indian.

North American Indian.
Memorial to, authorized in New York Harbor.

SEC. 2. That for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act a commission, consisting of the chairman of the Committee on the Library of the United States Senate, the chairman of the Committee on the Library of House of Representatives, the Secretary of War, and the Secretary of the Navy, and Mr. Robert C. Ogden, of the city of New York, shall be created, with full authority to select a suitable design, and to contract for and superintend the construction of the said memorial, the design of the memorial to be subject to the approval of the Commission of Fine Arts.

Commission created.
Composition, etc.

Approved, December 8, 1911.

CHAP. 2.—An Act Providing for the punishment of persons in possession of stolen property in the District of Columbia, having stolen the same in any other State or Territory.

December 21, 1911.
[S. 1081.]

[Public, No. 47.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Subchapter II, Chapter XIX, of the Code of Law for the District of Columbia be, and the same is hereby, amended by adding thereto a new section, to be known as section eight hundred and thirty-six a, which shall read as follows:

District of Columbia Code.
Vol. 31, p. 1325, amended.

“**SEC. 836 a.** Any person who by the commission outside of the District of Columbia of any act which, if committed within the District of Columbia, would be a criminal offense under the laws of said District, thereby obtains any property or other thing of value, and is

Punishment for bringing stolen property into the District.

afterwards found with any such property or other such thing of value in his possession in said District, or who brings any such property or other such thing of value into said District, shall, upon conviction, be punished in the same manner as if said act had been committed wholly within said District."

Approved, December 21, 1911.

December 21, 1911.
[S. 2365.]

[Public, No. 48.]

Masonic Orphanage, Okla.
Vol. 36, p. 191, amended.
Time extended for payment on lands for.

CHAP. 3.—An Act Extending the time for payment of balance due on purchase price of a certain tract of land.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the balance due the United States for the land purchased by the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Oklahoma, under the provisions of the Act approved January thirty-first, nineteen hundred and ten (Public, Numbered Twenty-nine), may be paid in five equal annual installments, beginning at the time the second annual payment, under the original purchase, shall become due, with interest at five per centum per annum.

Approved, December 21, 1911.

December 21, 1911.
[S. 2877.]

[Public, No. 49.]

Judicial Code.
Vol. 36, p. 1105, amended.
United States courts.

Present circuit court officials may be appointed to district court positions.

CHAP. 4.—An Act Amending section sixty-seven of the Act approved March third, nineteen hundred and eleven, to codify, revise, and amend the laws relating to the judiciary.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section sixty-seven of the Act approved March third, nineteen hundred and eleven, to codify, revise, and amend the laws relating to the judiciary be amended by adding at the end of said section the following:

"*Provided,* That no such person at present holding a position or employment in a circuit court shall be debarred from similar appointment or employment in the district court succeeding to such circuit court jurisdiction."

Approved, December 21, 1911.

December 21, 1911.
[S. 3842.]

[Public, No. 50.]

Judicial Code.
Vol. 36, p. 1094, amended.
Jurisdiction of district courts.

Indian allotments suits.

Effect of decrees.

Lands excepted.

Proviso.
Appeals.

CHAP. 5.—An Act To amend and reenact paragraph twenty-four of section twenty-four of Chapter Two of an Act entitled "An Act to codify, revise, and amend the laws relating to the judiciary," approved March third, nineteen hundred and eleven.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraph twenty-four of section twenty-four of Chapter Two of an Act entitled "An Act to codify, revise, and amend the laws relating to the judiciary," approved March third, nineteen hundred and eleven, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"Of all actions, suits, or proceedings involving the right of any person, in whole or in part of Indian blood or descent, to any allotment of land under any law or treaty.

"And the judgment or decree of any such court in favor of any claimant to an allotment of land shall have the same effect, when properly certified to the Secretary of the Interior, as if such allotment had been allowed and approved by him; but this provision shall not apply to any lands now or heretofore held by either of the Five Civilized Tribes, the Osage Nation of Indians, nor to any of the lands within the Quapaw Indian Agency: *Provided,* That the right of appeal shall be allowed to either party as in other cases."

Approved, December 21, 1911.