

with an attorney or attorneys under such terms and conditions as they may deem advisable, not inconsistent with the terms of this Act.

SEC. 10. The proceeds of all amounts, if any, recovered for said Indians shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the Indians decreed by said court to be entitled thereto, and shall draw interest at the rate of 5 per centum per annum from the date of the judgment or decree. The costs incurred in any suit hereunder shall be taxed against the losing party; if against the United States such costs shall be included in the amount of the judgment or decree, and if against said Indians shall be paid by the Secretary of the Treasury out of the funds standing to their credit in the Treasury of the United States.

Amounts recovered to be deposited to credit of the Indians.

Costs taxed against losing party.

Approved, May 14, 1926.

CHAP. 301.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to deliver to the State of Georgia the silver service presented to the United States for the battleship Georgia.

May 17, 1926.  
[S. 952.]  
[Public, No. 229.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Navy is authorized, in his discretion, upon request from the Governor of the State of Georgia, to deliver to such Governor as custodian for such State, the silver service presented to the United States for the battleship Georgia by citizens of the State of Georgia; but no expense shall be incurred by the United States for the delivery of such silver service.

"Georgia," Battleship.  
Silver service presented to, by citizens of Georgia, to be delivered to the State.

No expense.

Approved, May 17, 1926.

CHAP. 302.—An Act To provide for forfeiture of pay of persons in the military and naval services of the United States who are absent from duty on account of the direct effects of the intemperate use of alcoholic liquor or habit-forming drugs or because of venereal disease.

May 17, 1926.  
[S. 2828.]  
[Public, No. 230.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That hereafter no person in active service in the military or naval service who shall be absent from his regular duties for more than one day at any one time on account of the effects of a disease, as distinguished from injury, which is directly attributable to and immediately follows his own intemperate use of alcoholic liquor or habit-forming drugs, shall, except as hereinafter provided, be entitled to any pay, as distinguished from allowances, for the period of such absence.

Army and Navy.  
No pay to person in active service absent more than a day from use of intoxicants or habit-forming drugs.

SEC. 2. That hereafter no person in active service in the military or naval service who shall be absent from his regular duties for more than one day at any one time on account of the direct effects of a venereal disease due to his own misconduct, shall, except as hereafter provided, be entitled to any pay, as distinguished from allowances, for the period of such absence: *Provided,* That such absence is within a period of one year following the appearance of the initial symptoms of such venereal disease and regardless of whether the appearance of the initial symptoms occurs prior or subsequent to the date of entry into the service.

No pay to person in active service absent more than a day from effects of a venereal disease.

*Propiso.*  
Period of absence.

SEC. 3. That for all purposes within the scope of this Act the period of absence and the cause thereof shall be determined under such procedure and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of War or the Secretary of the Navy, and such determination shall be final and conclusive for all purposes.

Regulations to be prescribed.

Allowance for personal expenses if forfeiture in excess of one month.

SEC. 4. That each person whose pay, as distinguished from allowance, is forfeited for a period in excess of one month at any one time pursuant to the provisions of this Act shall be paid for necessary personal expenses the sum of \$5 for each full month during which his pay is so forfeited.

Previous provisions repealed.

Vol. 38, p. 353; Vol. 39, p. 580; Vol. 40, p. 717.

SEC. 5. That the Acts approved April 27, 1914 (Thirty-eighth Statutes at Large, pages 353 and 354), August 29, 1916 (Thirty-ninth Statutes at Large, page 580), and July 1, 1918 (Fortieth Statutes at Large, page 717), so far as relates to forfeiture of pay on account of absence from duty due to injury, sickness, or disease resulting from the intemperate use of drugs or alcohol liquors, or other misconduct, are hereby repealed.

Approved, May 17, 1926.

May 17, 1926.  
[H. R. 6239.]  
[Public, No. 231.]

CHAP. 303.—An Act To authorize acting registers of United States land offices to administer oaths at any time in public land matters.

Public lands.  
Department employee acting as register of land office may administer oaths.  
Vol. 42, p. 208.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That a qualified employee of the Department of the Interior who has been designated to act as register of any United States land office pursuant to the provisions of the Act of October 28, 1921, "An Act for the consolidation of the offices of register and receiver in certain cases and for other purposes" (Forty-second Statutes at Large, page 208), may at all times administer any oath required by law or the instructions of the General Land Office in connection with the entry or purchase of any tract of public land, but he shall not charge or receive, directly or indirectly, any compensation for administering such oath.

Approved, May 17, 1926.

May 17, 1926.  
[H. R. 8534.]  
[Public, No. 232.]

CHAP. 304.—An Act To amend an Act entitled "An Act to authorize the purchase by the city of McMinnville, Oregon, of certain lands formerly embraced in the grant to the Oregon and California Railroad Company and revested in the United States by the Act approved June 9, 1916," approved February 25, 1919 (Fortieth Statutes, page 1153).

Oregon-California railroad grant lands.  
Lands excluded from sale of, granted to McMinnville, Oreg.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the purchase by the city of McMinnville, Oregon, of certain lands formerly embraced in the grant to the Oregon and California Railroad Company and revested in the United States by the Act approved June 9, 1916," approved February 25, 1919 (Fortieth Statutes at Large, page 1153), be amended by eliminating therefrom the lands described as follows:

Vol. 40, p. 1153, amended.

"Southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section 3, and north half of the southeast quarter of section 15, all in township 3 south, range 6 west of Willamette meridian in the State of Oregon."

Description.

Approved, May 17, 1926.

May 17, 1926.  
[H. R. 9351.]  
[Public, No. 233.]

CHAP. 305.—An Act Extending the period of time for homestead entries on the south half of the diminished Colville Indian Reservation.

Colville Indian Reservation, Wash.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the period provided by law for the filing of homestead entries upon the lands