

[CHAPTER 418]

AN ACT

To amend an Act entitled "An Act to authorize the Secretary of War to proceed with the construction of certain public works in connection with the War Department in the District of Columbia", approved June 15, 1938.

September 24, 1941
[H. R. 5146]
[Public Law 256]

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 Secretary of War to proceed with the construction of certain public works in connection with the War Department in the District of Columbia", approved June 15, 1938, is hereby amended to read as follows: "That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized to construct in the District of Columbia a building with the utilities, accessories, and appurtenances thereto to replace the present Army Medical Library and Museum Building now located in the District of Columbia, and to acquire by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise a suitable site: *Provided*, That the location and design of such building shall be subject to the approval of the National Capital Park and Planning Commission: *Provided further*, That the total cost of the construction and acquisition of a suitable site hereby authorized shall not exceed the sum of \$4,750,000."

Army Medical Library and Museum, D. C.

52 Stat. 684.
Construction of building, etc.

Acquisition of site.
Provisos.

Approved, September 24, 1941.

[CHAPTER 419]

AN ACT

To authorize the sale of certain Indian lands to the city of Cut Bank, Montana.

September 24, 1941
[S. 1725]
[Public Law 257]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior, under such regulations as he may prescribe, is authorized to sell to the city of Cut Bank, Montana, all right, title, and interest of the United States and of certain individual Indians of the Blackfeet Tribe of Indians, upon obtaining the consent of such individual Indians to such sale, in and to the following-described lands within the Blackfeet Indian Reservation, Montana:

Cut Bank, Mont.
Sale of certain Indian lands.

Southwest quarter southwest quarter section 14; southwest quarter and south half southeast quarter and northeast quarter southeast quarter section 15; southwest quarter northwest quarter, northeast quarter northwest quarter, northeast quarter, northwest quarter southeast quarter section 22; and the west half northwest quarter section 23, all in township 33 north, range 6 west, M. M., Montana.

Description.

SEC. 2. Such portion of the proceeds derived from such sale as represents the value of the right, title, or interest of any such individual Indian in any such lands shall be paid to the Superintendent of the Blackfeet Indian Agency for deposit to the credit of such individual Indian.

Deposit of proceeds.

SEC. 3. Any patent or other instrument conveying to such city of Cut Bank any of the above-described land shall expressly exclude from such conveyance any oil, gas, or other mineral deposits therein: *Provided*, That the development of any mineral deposits so reserved, which would in any manner interfere with the use of such lands for airport purposes, shall not be permitted or indulged in so long as the lands herein described are needed for airport purposes.

Reservation of minerals.

Proviso.

Approved, September 24, 1941.

[CHAPTER 421]

AN ACT

September 25, 1941
[H. R. 4826]
[Public Law 258]

To amend section 8 of the Copyright Act of March 4, 1909, as amended, so as to preserve the rights of authors during the present emergency, and for other purposes.

Copyright Act of
1909, amendment.
35 Stat. 1077.
17 U. S. C. § 8.

Authors, copyright
owners, etc.
Extension of time
for compliance with
copyright laws.

Proclamation.

Lawful uses, acts,
etc., prior to effective
date of proclamation.

Termination, exten-
sion, etc.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 8 of the Act entitled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Acts respecting copyright", approved March 4, 1909, as amended, is hereby amended by striking out the period at the end of the section, inserting a colon and adding "*Provided,*", followed by the following paragraphs: "That whenever the President shall find that the authors, copyright owners, or proprietors of works first produced or published abroad and subject to copyright or to renewal of copyright under the laws of the United States, including works subject to ad interim copyright, are or may have been temporarily unable to comply with the conditions and formalities prescribed with respect to such works by the copyright laws of the United States, because of the disruption or suspension of facilities essential for such compliance, he may by proclamation grant such extension of time as he may deem appropriate for the fulfillment of such conditions or formalities by authors, copyright owners, or proprietors who are citizens of the United States or who are nationals of countries which accord substantially equal treatment in this respect to authors, copyright owners, or proprietors who are citizens of the United States: *Provided further,* That no liability shall attach under the Copyright Act for lawful uses made or acts done prior to the effective date of such proclamation in connection with such works, or in respect to the continuance for one year subsequent to such date of any business undertaking or enterprise lawfully undertaken prior to such date involving expenditure or contractual obligation in connection with the exploitation, production, reproduction, circulation, or performance of any such work. "The President may at any time terminate any proclamation authorized herein or any part thereof or suspend or extend its operation for such period or periods of time as in his judgment the interests of the United States may require."

Approved, September 25, 1941.

[CHAPTER 422]

AN ACT

September 25, 1941
[H. R. 4946]
[Public Law 259]

Relating to the manning of certain seagoing barges.

Able seamen on sea-
going barges.

38 Stat. 1169.
46 U. S. C. § 672.
Qualifications.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding any provision of section 13 of the Act of March 4, 1915, as amended (U. S. C., 1934 edition, Supp. V, title 46, sec. 672), every person may be rated as an able seaman for the purpose of serving on seagoing barges who is nineteen years of age and upward, and who has had at least twelve months of service on deck at sea or on the Great Lakes or on the bays and sounds connected directly with the seas.

Approved, September 25, 1941.