Sec. 2. That the Secretary of War is hereby further authorized to dispose of the remainder of said reservation in accordance with and under the applicable provisions and conditions of the Act approved March 12, 1926 (44 Stat. 203), and may also include in such disposition that portion of the reservation covered by section 1 of this Act, if the Eagle Pass and Piedras Negras Bridge Company shall not elect to acquire said portion or, having made such election, shall not consummate the purchase or accept tender of the deed and pay the consideration within such time as may be fixed by the Secretary of War.

Approved, July 26, 1935.

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[CHAPTER 419.]

AN ACT

To further extend the period of time during which final proof may be offered by homestead and desert land entrymen.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 of the Act entitled "An Act to extend the period of time during which final proof may be offered by homestead entrymen", approved May 18, 1922, as amended, is amended by striking out "December 31, 1934" and inserting in lieu thereof "December 31, 1935".

Approved, July 26, 1935.

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[CHAPTER 420.]

AN ACT

To amend the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act of 1920.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 202 of an Act entitled "Hawaiian Homes Commission Act of 1920", approved July 9, 1921, be amended to read as follows:

"Hawaiian Homes Commission; Members, Officers, Compensation.—(a) There is hereby established a Commission to be known as the 'Hawaiian Homes Commission', and to be composed of five members. The members shall be appointed by the Governor and may be removed in the manner provided by section 80 of the Act entitled 'An Act to provide a Government for the Territory of Hawaii' approved April 30, 1900. All of the members shall have been residents of the Territory of Hawaii at least three years prior to their appointment and at least three of the members shall be descendants of not less than one-fourth part of the blood of the races inhabiting the Hawaiian Islands previous to 1778.

(b) Any vacancy in the office of an appointed member shall be filled in the same manner and under the limitations of this Act.

(c) One of the members shall be designated by the Governor as chairman. An executive officer and such clerical assistants as may be necessary shall be appointed by the Commission to serve at its pleasure. The executive officer shall receive an annual salary not to exceed $5,000 and shall reside habitually at the major Hawaiian Homes Settlement. Clerical assistants shall be paid in accordance with territorial practice for such services. The members of the Commission shall serve without pay, but shall receive actual expenses incurred by them in the discharge of their duties as such members. Of the originally appointed members one shall be appointed for a term of one year, one for a term of two years, one for a term of three years, one for a term of four years, one for a term of five years. Their successors shall hold office for terms of
five years except that any member appointed to fill a vacancy shall be appointed only for the unexpired term of the member whom he succeeds. A member may also be removed by the Governor for cause after due notice and public hearing."

Sec. 2. The Hawaiian Homes Commission Act of 1920 is further amended by adding a new section thereto to read as follows:

"Sec. 224. The Secretary of the Interior shall designate from his Department some one experienced in sanitation, rehabilitation, and reclamation work to reside in the Territory of Hawaii and cooperate with the Commission in carrying out its duties. The salary of such official so designated by the Secretary of the Interior shall be paid by the Hawaiian Homes Commission while he is carrying on his duties in the Territory of Hawaii, which salary, however, shall not exceed the sum of $6,000 per annum."

Approved, July 26, 1935.

[CHAPTER 421.]

AN ACT

To amend the Act entitled "An Act authorizing the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to make loans to nonprofit corporations for the repair of damages caused by floods or other catastrophes, and for other purposes", approved April 13, 1934.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

That the first aid for flood, etc., damages. paragraph of the Act entitled "An Act authorizing the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to make loans to nonprofit corporations for the repair of damages caused by floods or other catastrophes, and for other purposes", approved April 13, 1934 (48 Stat. 589), is hereby amended by striking out the words "year 1933, and in the months of January and February 1934" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "years 1933, 1934, 1935, and 1936".

Approved, July 26, 1935.

[CHAPTER 422.]

AN ACT

To promote the efficiency of national defense.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter the promotion list of the Regular Army and Philippine Scouts shall include all officers on the active list in the grades of second lieutenant to colonel, inclusive, except officers of the Medical Department, chaplains, and professors of the United States Military Academy; promotion-list colonels shall be placed immediately above the lieutenant colonels on the promotion list provided for in section 24a of the Act of June 4, 1920 (U. S. C., 10: 553, 41 Stat. 771), in the order of their standing on the relative rank list of colonels on the date of this Act; officers on the promotion list as above defined shall be known as promotion-list officers; all other officers, except general officers, shall be known as non-promotion-list officers: Provided, That nothing in this Act shall be so construed as to change the respective relative positions held by officers on the promotion list, hereinafter prescribed, nor the method of determining the position of officers on that list as prescribed by the Act of June 4, 1920, as amended, except as hereinbefore provided.

All promotions provided for in this Act shall be subject to the examination prescribed by existing law.