

of the Revised Statutes, as amended (U. S. C., title 46, sec. 467), is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 4474. When crude petroleum of a flash point not less than one hundred and fifty degrees Fahrenheit is carried in the double-bottom fuel tanks of steamers using the same for fuel, the crude petroleum carried in such tanks in excess of the necessities of the voyage may be discharged at terminal ports when no passengers are on board the ship. Crude petroleum carried and discharged under these conditions will not be considered stores or cargo within the contemplation of section 4472 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (U. S. C., title 46, sec. 170), and will be considered as only for use as fuel within the contemplation of section 4417a (1) of the Revised Statutes, as amended (U. S. C., title 46, sec. 391a (1))."

Approved September 23, 1950.

Discharge of petroleum at terminal ports.

[CHAPTER 1003]

AN ACT

To increase the amount of Federal aid to State or Territorial homes for the support of disabled soldiers and sailors of the United States.

September 23, 1950
[S. 3889]
[Public Law 823]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act to provide aid to State and Territorial homes for the support of disabled soldiers and sailors of the United States, approved August 27, 1888, as amended, is amended by striking out in the first paragraph thereof "June 30, 1951" and inserting in lieu thereof "June 30, 1956".

Approved September 23, 1950.

25 Stat. 450; 62 Stat. 237.
24 U. S. C., Sup. III, § 134.

[CHAPTER 1004]

AN ACT

Authorizing the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, North Carolina, to lease certain lands for business purposes for a period not exceeding twenty-five years.

September 23, 1950
[H. R. 4901]
[Public Law 824]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, North Carolina, is hereby authorized to lease, for business purposes, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, for a term not exceeding twenty-five years, any unassigned nonagricultural or timber tribal land located within an area not exceeding four hundred yards adjacent to United States Highway Numbered 19 and 19a, and State Highway 107 and the Blue Ridge Parkway on the Eastern Cherokee Indian Reservation, North Carolina.

Approved September 23, 1950.

[CHAPTER 1005]

AN ACT

To authorize the transfer of certain agricultural dry land and irrigation field stations to the States in which such stations are located, and for other purposes.

September 23, 1950
[H. R. 5679]
[Public Law 825]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized, at such times as he deems appropriate, to convey by appropriate conveyances, without consideration, the interest of the United States in the lands, including water rights, buildings, and improvements presently comprising or appurtenant to the following dry land and irrigation field stations, to the States in which such stations are located, when, in the opinion of the Secretary of Agriculture, the transfer of any such station will result in establish-

Dry land and irrigation field stations. Transfers to States.

Public-domain
land.

Conditions.

ing a more effective program in the cooperative agricultural experimental work of the Department of Agriculture and the respective State and the furtherance of agricultural experimental work on a national or regional basis will be better served by such transfer: Huntley, Montana; Mitchell, Nebraska; Fallon, Nevada; Tucumcari, New Mexico; Hermiston, Oregon; Sheridan, Wyoming: *Provided*, That when any or all of the land, including water rights, comprising any such station is public-domain land, only the Secretary of the Interior may by patent or other appropriate conveyance transfer such lands to the respective States: *Provided further*, That when any easement necessary to a station conveyed or patented hereunder is on public-domain lands, only the Secretary of the Interior may grant such easements to the State to which the station has been conveyed.

SEC. 2. Conveyances or patents hereunder shall be upon such conditions as in the opinion of the Secretary of Agriculture will assure the use of such station in the cooperative agricultural experimental work of the Department of Agriculture and the respective State. Any such conveyances of the land shall contain a reservation to the United States of all the minerals in the land together with the right to prospect for, mine, and remove the same under such regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe.

Approved September 23, 1950.

[CHAPTER 1006]

AN ACT

Relating to the furnishing of accommodations at Klamath Falls, Oregon, for the United States District Court for the District of Oregon.

September 23, 1950
[H. R. 5810]
[Public Law 826]

62 Stat. 898.
28 U. S. C., Sup. III,
§ 142.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 142 of title 28 of the United States Code (relating to accommodations at places for holding court) shall not apply to the holding of court at Klamath Falls, Oregon, by the United States District Court for the District of Oregon.

Approved September 23, 1950.

[CHAPTER 1007]

AN ACT

Authorizing the Housing and Home Finance Administrator to release the trustees of Columbia University, in the city of New York, and the Citizens' Veterans Homes Association of Rockland County, Incorporated, from obligations under their contracts for operation of veterans' temporary housing project, NY-V-30212.

September 23, 1950
[H. R. 8458]
[Public Law 827]

Veterans' temporary
housing project, N. Y.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, the Housing and Home Finance Administrator is authorized and directed—

(a) upon the request of the trustees of Columbia University, in the city of New York, to release said trustees from any and all covenants and obligations under contract numbered HA (V-30212) mph 20, dated August 1, 1946, entered into between said trustees and the Federal Public Housing Authority, and all amendments thereto; and

(b) upon the request of the Citizens' Veterans Homes Association of Rockland County, Incorporated, a nonprofit corporation, to release said corporation from any and all covenants and obligations under contract numbered HA (VN-30293) mph 1, dated March 14, 1947, entered into between said corporation and the