CHAP. 418.—An Act To authorize the Secretary of War to convey to the States in which located Government owned or controlled approach roads to national cemeteries and national military parks, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he hereby is, authorized in his discretion, subject to such conditions as may seem to him proper, to convey by proper quitclaim deed to any State, county, municipality, or proper agency thereof, in which the same is located, all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to any Government owned or controlled approach road to any national cemetery or national military park: Provided, That prior to the delivery of any conveyance under this Act the State, county, or municipality to which the conveyance herein authorized is to be made shall notify the Secretary of War in writing of its willingness to accept and maintain the road or roads included in such conveyance: Provided further, That upon the execution and delivery of any conveyance herein authorized, the jurisdiction of the United States of America, which has been heretofore ceded to the United States by a State over the roads conveyed, shall thereby cease and determine and shall thereafter vest and be in the particular State in which such roads are located.

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CHAP. 419.—An Act To authorize the collection and editing of official papers of the Territories of the United States now in the national archives.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Chief of Division of Publications of the Department of State (hereinafter referred to as the editor), under the direction of the Secretary of State, and upon the request of the Governor of any State or of any organization duly authorized by him, is authorized and directed to have collected, edited, copied, and suitably arranged for publication, the official papers of the Territory from which such State was formed, now in the national archives, as listed in Parker’s “Calendar of Papers in Washington Archives Relating to the Territories of the United States (to 1873),” being publication numbered 148 of the Carnegie Institution of Washington, together with such additional papers of like character that may be found. The heads of the several executive departments and independent establishments are directed to cooperate with the editor in such work by giving access to the records and by providing facilities for having them copied. The editor is authorized to employ such clerical assistants as may be necessary, and, under the direction of the Secretary of State and without regard to the Classification Act of 1923 and the civil service laws and regulations made thereunder, to engage the services of not more than five persons who are specially qualified for the editorial work necessary in arranging such Territorial papers for publication. For the salaries of such persons and assistants and all other expenses incurred in connection with such work, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of $20,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1926, and the same sum for each of the two succeeding fiscal years.

Sec. 2. The Secretary of State shall, upon application, furnish without charge to the proper authorities of the several States for publication, a copy of such papers, or any part thereof, as arranged by the editor.

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