Whereas said additional facilities afforded by the said hospital are now needed and in the immediate future will be needed in the proper care of veterans assigned to said Federal hospital: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the purchase of said city hospital by the Director of the Veterans' Bureau at a sum of not exceeding $150,000, and the appropriation of $150,000 for that purpose is hereby authorized; the price to be paid therefor to be agreed upon by and between said Director of the Veterans' Bureau and the city of Muskogee: Provided, That this money shall be taken out of any lump sum appropriated after March 1, 1925, for hospital purposes.

Approved, March 4, 1925.

CHAP. 560.—Joint Resolution To provide for the expenses of delegates of the United States to the Pan American Congress of Highways

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States is hereby authorized to appoint delegates to enable the United States to participate in the Pan American Congress of Highways to meet at Buenos Aires in 1925, and for the expenses of the United States in participating in such conference, including the compensation of employees, travel, and subsistence expenses (notwithstanding the provisions of any other Act), and such miscellaneous and other expenses as the President shall deem proper, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of $15,000.

Approved, March 4, 1925.

CHAP. 561.—Joint Resolution For the relief of special disbursing agents of the Alaskan Engineering Commission, authorizing the payment of certain claims, and for other purposes, affecting the management of the Alaska Railroad.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the General Accounting Office is hereby authorized and directed to credit in the accounts of special disbursing agents of the Alaskan Engineering Commission the several payments made by them to the Swedish Hospital (Seattle, Washington), Doctor H. V. Wurdemann, A. B. Funk, Saint Joseph's Hospital, Fairbanks, Alaska, and Doctor J. R. Bowen, amounting to $1,433.60, heretofore disallowed by the General Accounting Office, covering medical, surgical, and hospital services and subsistence furnished under the hospital regulations of said commission to contractors who were injured or taken sick while engaged in the performance of their work in the construction of the railroads in Alaska, and said payments are hereby validated.

SEC. 2. That the General Accounting Office is hereby authorized and directed to credit in the accounts of R. D. Chase, special disbursing agent of the Alaskan Engineering Commission, the sum of $1,197.10, covering payments made to C. F. Clasen, F. H. Coney, W. A. McDonald, Lief Strand, Tom Tellefsen, Walter Wright, and Soter Chamis, employees of said commission, on account of the destruction of their personal effects by fire October 2, 1920, and March 10, 1922, respectively, said payments having been disallowed by the General Accounting Office, and the said payments are hereby validated.