[CHAPTER 269]

AN ACT
To provide for a Deputy Chief of Staff, 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 first paragraph of section 5 of the National Defense Act of June 3, 1916 (39 Stat. 166), as amended by the Act of June 3, 1938 (52 Stat. 610), be, and the same is hereby, amended by inserting in line 4 of said paragraph, after the words “Chief of Staff”, a comma followed by the words “the Deputy Chief of Staff” and a comma; by striking out the word “four” appearing in line 4 of said paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof the word “five”; and by striking out the word “eighty-eight” in line 6 of said paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof the words “one hundred and two”.

Approved, July 14, 1939.

[CHAPTER 270]

AN ACT
To amend the Taylor Grazing Act.

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 stop injury to the public grazing lands by preventing overgrazing and soil deterioration, to provide for their orderly use, improvement, and development, to stabilize the livestock industry dependent upon the public range, and for other purposes”, approved June 28, 1934, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

“Sec. 18. (a) In order that the Secretary of the Interior may have the benefit of the fullest information and advice concerning physical, economic, and other local conditions in the several grazing districts, there shall be an advisory board of local stockmen in each such district, the members of which shall be known as grazing district advisers. Each such board shall consist of not less than five nor more than twelve members, exclusive of wildlife representatives, one such representative to be appointed by the Secretary, in his discretion, to membership on each such board. Except for such wildlife representatives, the names of the members of each district advisory board shall be recommended to the Secretary by the users of the range in that district through an election conducted under rules and regulations prescribed by the Secretary. No grazing district adviser so recommended, however, shall assume office until he has been appointed by the Secretary and has taken an oath of office. The Secretary may, after due notice, remove any grazing district adviser from office if in his opinion such removal would be for the good of the service.

“(b) Each district advisory board shall meet at least once annually at a time to be fixed by the Director of Grazing, or by such other officer to whom the Secretary may delegate the function of issuing grazing permits, and at such other times as its members may be called by such officer. Each board shall offer advice and make a recommendation on each application for such a grazing permit within its district: Provided, That in no case shall any grazing district adviser participate in any advice or recommendation concerning a permit, or an application therefor, in which he is directly or indirectly interested. Each board shall further offer advice or make recommendations concerning rules and regulations for the administration of this Act, the establishment of grazing districts and the modification of
the boundaries thereof, the seasons of use and carrying capacity of the range, and any other matters affecting the administration of this Act within the district. Except in a case where in the judgment of the Secretary an emergency shall exist, the Secretary shall request the advice of the advisory board in advance of the promulgation of any rules and regulations affecting the district."

Approved, July 14, 1939.

[CHAPTER 271]

AN ACT

To authorize appropriation for the construction of a medical school building at Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated not to exceed $375,000 to be expended for the construction, rehabilitation, and installation at Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania, of a medical field service school, and such utilities and appurtenances thereto as may be necessary.

Approved, July 14, 1939.

[CHAPTER 272]

AN ACT

To prescribe rules for the enrollment of Menominee Indian children born to enrolled parents, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, regardless of the Act of June 15, 1934 (48 Stat. L. 965), upon receipt of proper birth certificates the names of unenrolled living Menominee Indian children born prior to that date of an enrolled parent or parents residing on the reservation at the time of their birth, and the names of children born thereafter otherwise qualified under section 4 of said Act but irrespective of the derivation of their Menominee blood, shall be automatically placed upon the official roll approved on December 27, 1935; and such children shall be entitled to participate in any tribal payments made between the time of their birth and enrollment.

Sec. 2. The Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and directed on or before June 30, 1941, to investigate and determine the correct degree of Menominee Indian blood of every person whose name appears on the basic official roll as originally approved December 27, 1935. The determination made by the Secretary of the Interior shall be final and conclusive for enrollment purposes under the Act of June 15, 1934, as modified herein, and any changes necessary to conform to such determination shall be made in the appropriate column of said roll.

Approved, July 14, 1939.

[CHAPTER 273]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing the President to invite foreign countries to participate in the San Diego-Cabrillo Quadricentennial Celebration, to be held in 1942.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President is authorized to invite by proclamation, or in such other manner as he may deem proper, foreign countries to send naval (or merchant) vessels to San Diego, California, to participate in the San Diego—