of the water pipe line easement excluded from and revested in the said Irvine Company, a corporation, in said judgment.

Approved June 25, 1949.

[CHAPTER 248]

AN ACT

To amend section 312 of the Officer Personnel Act of 1947, as amended, so as to provide for the retention of certain officers of the Medical and Dental Corps of the Navy.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Officer Personnel Act of 1947, as amended, is hereby further amended by deleting in the third proviso to subsection (b) of section 312 the words "twenty-two in the Medical Corps," and the words "and twelve in the Dental Corps"; by inserting in the said proviso after the comma following the words "Civil Engineer Corps" the words "in the Medical Corps and in the Dental Corps a number as determined necessary by the Secretary of the Navy to meet the needs of the service"; by deleting in the said subsection the words "And provided further" and substituting in lieu thereof the words "Provided further"; and by adding at the end of the said subsection the following proviso: "And provided further, That until June 30, 1952, no captain of the Medical Corps or of the Dental Corps shall be subject to involuntary retirement pursuant to this subsection prior to reaching the age of sixty-two."

Approved June 25, 1949.

[CHAPTER 255]

AN ACT

To authorize completion of construction and development of the Eden project, Wyoming.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to complete the construction, including any necessary preconstruction surveys and investigations, of the irrigation features of the Eden project, Wyoming, as approved by the President on September 18, 1940 (Senate Document Numbered 18, Seventy-seventh Congress, first session (1941), page 29), with such modification in physical features as the Secretary of the Interior may find will result in greater engineering and economic feasibility: Provided, That of the construction costs of the irrigation features of the project not less than $1,500,000 for the project of twenty thousand irrigable acres, or a proportionate part thereof based on the actual irrigable area as determined and announced by the Secretary of the Interior upon completion of the project, shall be reimbursable by the water users in not to exceed sixty years, and provision for the recovery thereof and for payment of the operation and maintenance costs of the irrigation features of the project shall be made by a contract or contracts satisfactory to the Secretary of the Interior: Provided further, That construction costs of the irrigation features of the project which are not hereby made reimbursable by the water users shall be set aside in a special account against which net revenues derived from the sale of power generated at the hydroelectric plants of the Colorado River storage project in the Upper Basin shall be charged when such plants are constructed.

Sec. 2. That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to complete the land development and settlement features of the project in accordance with the general plan approved by the President on September 18, 1940, including the acquisition of such lands, or interests in lands,
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AN ACT

To provide for the collection and publication of cotton statistics.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the Act of April 2, 1924 (43 Stat. 31), be amended to read as follows: “That the statistics of the quantity of cotton ginned shall show the quantity ginned from each crop prior to August 1, August 16, September 1, September 16, October 1, October 18, November 1, November 14, December 1, December 13, January 16, and March 1: Provided, That the Director of the Census may limit the canvasses of August 1 and August 16 to those sections of the cotton-growing States in which cotton has been ginned. The quantity of cotton consumed in manufacturing establishments, the quantity of baled cotton on hand, the number of active consuming cotton spindles, the number of active spindle-hours, and the statistics of cotton imported and exported shall relate to each month, and shall be published as soon as possible after the close of the month. The Director of the Census shall furnish to the Department of Agriculture, immediately prior to the publication of each report of that Department regarding the cotton crop, the latest available statistics hereinbefore mentioned, and the said Department of Agriculture shall publish the same in connection with each of its reports concerning cotton.”

Sec. 2. That the last sentence of section 6 of the Act of April 2, 1924 (43 Stat. 31), be amended to read as follows: “When such date of release falls on Sunday, a legal holiday, or other day which pursuant to statute or Executive order is a nonworkday in the Department of Commerce at Washington generally, the reports shall be issued at 11 o’clock antemeridian of the next succeeding workday.”

Approved June 28, 1949.

[CHAPTER 257]

AN ACT

To continue a system of nurseries and nursery schools for the day care of school-age and under-school-age children in the District of Columbia through June 30, 1950.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the Act entitled “An Act to authorize and direct the Board of Public

as may be necessary, and the extension of technical advice and assistance to settlers in matters of farm practice, soil conservation, and efficient land use: Provided, however, That the total reimbursable cost of the land development and settlement features of the project shall be not less than $373,000 for the project of twenty thousand irrigable acres with proportionate adjustment, if necessary, based on the actual irrigable area as determined upon completion of the project.

Sec. 3. To carry out the purposes of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture are hereby authorized to allot any moneys available from appropriations heretofore made to the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture, respectively, for “water conservation and utility projects” and “water conservation and utilization projects”, and there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture, respectively, such sums of money as may be necessary to complete the project.

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