CHAP. 3519.—An Act To amend an Act entitled “An Act to establish a port of delivery at Salt Lake City, Utah.”

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section two of an Act entitled “An Act to establish a port of delivery at Salt Lake City, Utah,” approved March eighteenth, nineteen hundred and four, be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 2. That there shall be appointed a surveyor of customs to reside at said port, whose salary shall be one thousand five hundred dollars per annum, in lieu of all fees and commissions of every kind whatsoever.”

Approved, June 23, 1906.

CHAP. 3520.—An Act To promote the efficiency of the Revenue-Cutter Service.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That on and after the passage of this Act the number of officers on the active list in the grade of third lieutenant in the Revenue-Cutter Service shall not exceed thirty-seven: Provided, That until such time as the grade of third lieutenant shall be filled as provided in this Act there may be advanced to that grade any cadet of the line who has served not less than two years as such cadet, and is recommended for advancement by the Secretary of the Treasury.

Sec. 2. That hereafter the number of cadets of the line allowed in the Revenue-Cutter Service shall be such as to provide for filling the vacancies that may occur in the grade of third lieutenant in said Service: Provided, That a person to be eligible for appointment as a cadet of the line shall produce satisfactory evidence of good moral character, shall be not less than eighteen nor more than twenty-four years of age at the time of appointment; and shall pass a satisfactory physical examination by a board of officers of the Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service, and a satisfactory educational examination, which must in all cases be written and strictly competitive, by a board of commissioned officers of the Revenue-Cutter Service, both examinations to be conducted under such regulations as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury:

Provided, That no person who has been dismissed or compelled to resign from the Military Academy or from the Naval Academy of the United States for hazing, or for any other improper conduct, shall be eligible for appointment as a cadet in the Revenue-Cutter Service: Provided, That no person shall become a cadet of the line who does not obligate himself, in such manner as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe, to serve at least three years as an officer in said Service after graduation, if his services be so long required: And provided further, That the Secretary of the Treasury may summarily dismiss from the Service any cadet who, during his probationary term, is found unsatisfactory in either studies or conduct, or may be deemed not adapted for a career in the Service.

Sec. 3. That hereafter appointments into the grade of second assistant engineer in the Revenue-Cutter Service shall be as at present, except that, before being commissioned, the candidate who has successfully passed the required examinations shall serve a probationary term of not less than six months as a cadet engineer to determine his fitness for a commission in said Service, and during which probationary term he shall receive a salary of seventy-five dollars per month and one ration per day: Provided, That no person shall be commissioned a second assistant engineer who is less than twenty-one or more than twenty-six years of age, nor until he shall have served the probationary term herein required.
SEC. 4. The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to employ two civilian instructors in the Revenue-Cutter Service, one at a salary of two thousand dollars per annum and one at a salary of one thousand eight hundred dollars per annum.

SEC. 5. That hereafter it shall not be necessary for any commissioned officer of the Revenue-Cutter Service to make oath to his pay accounts.

SEC. 6. That a chief engineer of the Revenue-Cutter Service, to be selected for his special ability in naval construction from the present list of chief engineers by the Secretary of the Treasury, may be commissioned a constructor for engineering duty in said Service with the rank, pay, and emoluments now provided by law for a chief engineer: Provided, That the vacancy created in the list of chief engineers by such transfer shall not be filled by promotion or otherwise, but the number of chief engineers now authorized by law shall be reduced by one, and that no additional expense shall be incurred by reason of commissioning such chief engineer a constructor.

Approved, June 23, 1906.

CHAP. 3521.—An Act To amend an Act approved March second, nineteen hundred and three, entitled “An Act to establish a standard of value and to provide for a coinage system in the Philippine Islands.”

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, with the approval of the President of the United States, the government of the Philippine Islands is hereby authorized, whenever in its opinion such action is desirable, in order to carry out the provisions of section six of the Act approved March second, nineteen hundred and three, entitled “An Act to establish a standard of value and to provide for a coinage system in the Philippine Islands,” to change the weight and fineness of the silver coins authorized by said Act, and may in its discretion provide a weight and fineness proportionately less for subsidiary coins than for the standard Philippine pesos, and may also in its discretion coin any of the existing coins of the Philippine Islands at the new weight and fineness when such coins are received into the Treasury or into the gold standard fund of the Philippine Islands: Provided, That the weight and fineness of the silver peso to be coined in accordance with the provisions of this section shall not be reduced below seven hundred parts of pure silver to three hundred of alloy.

SEC. 2. That section eight of an Act of Congress approved March second, nineteen hundred and three, entitled “An Act to establish a standard of value and to provide for a coinage system in the Philippine Islands,” as amended by section ten of an Act approved February sixth, nineteen hundred and five, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 8. That the treasurer of the Philippine Islands is hereby authorized, in his discretion, to receive at the treasury of the government of the said islands or any of its branches deposits of the standard silver coins of one peso authorized by this Act to be coined, in sums of not less than twenty pesos, Philippine currency, and to issue certificates therefor in denominations of not less than two pesos nor more than five hundred pesos, and coin so deposited shall be retained in the treasury and held for the payment of such certificates on demand, and used for no other purpose. Such certificates shall be receivable for customs, taxes, and for all public dues in the Philippine Islands, and when so received may be reissued, and when held by any banking association in said islands may be counted as a part of its lawful reserve: Provided, That the treasurer of the Philippine Islands, with the approval of the governor-general, may substitute for any part of such silver pesos hereafter deposited, gold coin of the United States