Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to grant the Société des Femmes de France à New York permission to erect on public grounds of the United States in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, other than those of the Capitol, the Library of Congress, and the White House, a copy of the statue of Jeanne d'Arc by Paul Dubois: Provided, That the site chosen and the design of the pedestal shall be approved by the National Commission of Fine Arts, and that the United States shall be put to no expense in or by the erection of the said memorial.

Approved, March 20, 1922.

CHAP. 112.—An Act To amend an Act entitled "An Act to authorize the President to provide housing for war needs," approved May 16, 1918.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 5 of an Act entitled "An Act to authorize the President to provide housing for war needs," approved May 16, 1918, as amended by an Act approved July 19, 1919, be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 5. That the power and authority granted herein shall cease with the termination of the present war as formally proclaimed by the President, except the power and authority to care for, rent, operate, and sell such property as remains undisposed of; to conclude, execute, settle, and adjust all contracts or other obligations made or incurred during the war, or in carrying out the provisions of this Act, including contracts or other obligations made or incurred with municipalities or other political subdivisions for the furnishing of services and facilities to the property of such corporations, and for the construction of public utilities by such municipalities or other political subdivisions in pursuance to the terms of said contracts or other obligations; to collect the principal and interest of loans made or other sums due under obligations entered into under this Act; and to take such other steps as are necessary to protect the interests of the Government and to fulfill the obligations duly incurred in carrying out the powers granted by said Act. All property shall be sold at its fair market value as soon as can be advantageously done, and a reasonable effort shall be made to sell the houses direct to prospective individual home owners for their own occupancy before they are offered for sale in bulk or to speculative investors. Full power and authority is hereby given to sell and convey all of such property remaining undisposed of after the termination of the present war. All deeds, contracts, or other instruments of conveyance executed by the United States Housing Corporation by its duly authorized officer or officers where the legal title to the property in question is in the name of the said corporation, and by the United States of America by the Secretary of Labor where the title to the property in question is in the name of the United States of America, shall be conclusive evidence of the transfer of title to the property in question according to the purport of such deeds, contracts, or other instruments of conveyance, and in no case shall any purchaser or grantee thereunder be required to see to the application of any purchase money: Provided, That no sale or conveyance shall be made hereunder on credit without reserving a first lien on such property for the unpaid purchase money: Provided further, That in no case shall any such property be given away; nor shall rents be furnished free, but the rental charges shall be reasonable and just as
between the tenants and the Government. The United States Housing Corporation (a corporation organized by authority of the President of the United States, pursuant to the provisions of an Act approved May 10, 1918, entitled 'An Act to authorize the President to provide housing for war needs,' and an Act approved June 4, 1918, entitled 'An Act making appropriations to supply additional urgent deficiencies in appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1918, on account of war expenses, and for other purposes') shall wind up its affairs and dissolve as soon as it has disposed of said property and performed the duties and obligations herein set forth: And provided further, That the corporation shall report to Congress on December 31, 1919, and on June 30, 1920, all sales made and the amounts received therefrom, together with a detailed statement of receipts and expenditures on account of the other activities authorized by law, and said corporation shall report to Congress from time to time all settlements or adjustments made under the authority hereof."

Approved, March 21, 1922.

CHAP. 113.—Joint Resolution Extending the term of the National Screw Thread Commission for a period of five years from March 21, 1922.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the term of the National Screw Thread Commission, created by an Act approved July 18, 1918, as amended by an Act approved March 3, 1919, is hereby extended for a period of five years from March 21, 1922.

Approved, March 21, 1922.

CHAP. 114.—An Act Providing for a grant of land to the State of Washington for public park purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the title and fee to all of the land comprising the military reservation situated on Fidalgo Island, in Skagit County, State of Washington, in township thirty-four north, range one east of the Willamette meridian, north of the entrance to Deception Pass, including the two islands in the pass, containing about five hundred and fifty acres, and to the land comprising the military reservation situated on the northern end of Whidby Island, in Island County, State of Washington, in township thirty-four north, range one east of the Willamette meridian, south of the entrance to Deception Pass, containing about six hundred and thirty acres, and to the land comprising the military reservation situatate on Whidby Island (north point of) in township thirty-four north, ranges one and two east of the Willamette meridian, containing about six hundred and six acres, and to the land comprising the military reservation situatate east of Deception Pass in said township thirty-four north, range two east of the Willamette meridian, consisting of Hope Island and Skagit Island, containing about two hundred acres, be, and the same are hereby, granted, subject to the conditions and reversion hereinafter provided for, to the State of Washington for public park purposes, subject, however, to the right of the United States to at any and all times and in any manner assume control of, hold, use, and occupy without license, consent, or leave from said State any or all of said lands for any and all military, naval, or lighthouse purposes, free from any conveyances, charges, encumbrances, or liens made, created, permitted, or sanctioned thereon by said State: Provided, That the United States shall not be or become liable for any damages or compensation whatever to the said State of

Dissolution of Housing Corporation on disposal of property, etc.

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Term further continued.

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Use for military, etc., purposes retained.

Previous. No liability to State for damages, etc.