

Conditions, etc.

being approximately twenty-four acres, for a free public bathing beach, under conditions which will allow the fullest use of the land for recreational purposes. Such permit shall remain in full force and effect as long as the county complies with the conditions therein and maintains such land as a free public bathing beach. Such land shall not be subject to the mining laws of the United States, in the absence of an express order of the Secretary of the Interior restoring the land to such laws with such restrictions and limitations as the said Secretary may prescribe.

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Public lands.
Oil and gas permits granted further additional time for drilling, etc.

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CHAP. 107.—An Act To grant extensions of time under oil and gas permits.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any oil or gas prospecting permit issued under the Act entitled "An Act to promote the mining of coal, phosphate, oil, oil shale, gas, and sodium on the public domain," approved February 25, 1920, or extended under the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to grant extensions of time under oil and gas permits, and for other purposes," approved January 11, 1922, may be extended by the Secretary of the Interior for an additional period of two years, if he shall find that the permittee has been unable, with the exercise of reasonable diligence, to begin drilling operations or to drill wells of the depth and within the time required by existing law, or has drilled wells of the depth and within the time required by existing law, and has failed to discover oil or gas, and desires to prosecute further exploration.

Extension of expired permits.

SEC. 2. Upon application to the Secretary of the Interior, and subject to valid intervening rights and to the provisions of section 1 of this Act, any permit which has already expired because of lack of authority under existing law to make further extensions, may be extended for a period of two years from the date of the passage of this Act.

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United Confederate Veterans.

Loan of tents, etc., for reunion at Birmingham, Ala.

Provision.
No Government expense, etc.

Bond required.

CHAP. 108.—Joint Resolution Authorizing the Secretary of War to lend tents and camp equipment for the use of the reunion of the United Confederate Veterans, to be held at Birmingham, Alabama, in May, 1926.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to lend, at his discretion, to the reunion committee of the United Confederate Veterans, for use in connection with the Thirty-sixth Annual Reunion of the United Confederate Veterans, to be held in Birmingham, Alabama, on May 18 to 21, 1926, such tents and other camp equipment as may be required at said reunion: *Provided,* That no expense shall be caused the United States by the delivery and return of said property, the same to be delivered to said committee at such time prior to the holding of said reunion as may be agreed upon by the Secretary of War and Val J. Nesbitt, general chairman of said reunion committee: *And provided further,* That the Secretary of War, before delivering said property, shall take from said Val J. Nesbitt a good and sufficient bond for the safe return of said property in good order and condition, and the whole without expense to the United States.

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