enforced or upon payment of all such irrigation charges assessed against such land may be released by the Secretary of the Interior. Delivery of water to such land may be refused, within the discretion of the Secretary of the Interior, until all dues are paid; Provided, That no right to water or to the use of any irrigation ditch or other structure on said reservation shall vest until the owner of the land to be irrigated shall comply with such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe, and he is hereby authorized to prescribe such rules and regulations as may be deemed reasonable and proper for making effective the foregoing provisions; Provided, however, That in no case shall any allottee be required to pay either construction, operation, or maintenance charges for such irrigation privileges, or any of them, until water can be actually delivered to his allotment; Provided further, That the Secretary of the Interior shall cause to be made immediately, if not already made, an itemized statement showing in detail the cost of the construction of the several irrigation systems now existing on the Crow Indian Reservation separately, the same to be placed at the Crow Agency, and with the Government farmers of each of the districts of the reservation, for the information of the Indians affected by this section.

"Sec. 18. That the sum of $10,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, of the tribal funds of the Crow Indians of the State of Montana is hereby appropriated to pay the expenses of the general council, or councils, or business committee, in looking after the affairs of said tribe, including the actual and necessary expenses and the per diems paid its legislative committee when visiting Washington on tribal business at the request of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs or a committee of Congress, said sum and the actual and necessary expenses to be approved by and certified by the Secretary of the Interior, and when so approved and certified to be paid."

Approved, May 26, 1926.

CHAP. 404.—Joint Resolution Authorizing the Treasury Department to participate in the South Jersey Exposition to be held in the city of Camden New Jersey.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be authorized to furnish an exhibit of coin-stamping press for exhibit at the South Jersey Exposition, at Camden, New Jersey, during the duration of the exposition in July, August, and September, 1926, consisting of a coin-stamping press from the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to demonstrate the process of turning out coins: Provided, That the loan of such exhibit shall be without expense to the United States.

Approved, May 26, 1926.

CHAP. 405.—An Act To authorize certain alterations to the six coal-burning battleships for the purpose of providing better launching and handling arrangements for airplanes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in addition to the alterations authorized in paragraph 1 of the Act approved December 18, 1924, entitled "An Act to authorize alterations to certain naval vessels and to provide for the construction of additional vessels," the installation of improved appliances for launching and handling airplanes on the six battleships, New York, Texas, Florida, Utah, Arkansas, and Wyoming, is hereby authorized and the limit of
cost of the alterations for such ships is hereby increased by the sum of $1,350,000: Provided, That the funds appropriated or to be appropriated for "alterations to naval vessels" may be utilized for the work hereby authorized.

Approved, May 27, 1926.

CHAP. 406.—An Act To amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States," approved July 1, 1898, and Acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 (a), subdivisions 6, 8, and 24 of an Act entitled "An Act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States," approved July 1, 1898, and Acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, be, and the same hereby are, amended as follows:

“(6) ‘Corporations’ shall mean all bodies having any of the powers and privileges of private corporations not possessed by individuals or partnerships and shall include limited or other partnership associations organized under laws making the capital subscribed alone responsible for the debts of the association, joint-stock companies, unincorporated companies and associations, and any business conducted by a trustee, or trustees, wherein beneficial interest or ownership is evidenced by certificate or other written instrument.

“(8) ‘Courts of bankruptcy’ shall include the district courts of the United States and of the Territories and possessions to which this Act is or may hereafter be applicable, the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, and the United States Court of Alaska.

“(24) States shall include the Territories and possessions to which this Act is, or may hereafter be, applicable, Alaska, and the District of Columbia.”

Sec. 2. That the introductory provision preceding subdivision 1 of section 2 of said Act, as so amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended to read as follows:

“That the courts of bankruptcy as hereinbefore defined, namely, the district courts of the United States in the several States, the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, the district courts of the several Territories and possessions to which this Act is, or may hereafter be, applicable, and the United States Court in the District of Alaska, are hereby made courts of bankruptcy, and are hereby invested, within their respective territorial limits as now established, or as they may be hereafter changed, with such jurisdiction at law and in equity as will enable them to exercise original jurisdiction in bankruptcy proceedings, in vacation in chambers and during their respective terms, as they are now or may be hereafter held.”

Sec. 3. That section 3 (a) of said Act, as so amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended to read as follows:

“(a) Acts of bankruptcy by a person shall consist of his having (1) conveyed, transferred, concealed, or removed, or permitted to be concealed or removed, any part of his property with intent to hinder, delay, or defraud his creditors, or any of them; or (2) transferred, while insolvent, any portion of his property to one or more of his creditors with intent to prefer such creditors over his other creditors; or (3) suffered or permitted, while insolvent, any creditor to obtain a preference through legal proceedings, and not having at least five days before a sale or other disposition of any property affected by such preference vacated or discharged such preference;