

shall acquire the same by mortgage foreclosure or otherwise, is hereby authorized and empowered to exercise the same as fully as though conferred herein directly upon such corporation or person.

Amendment.

SEC. 6. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, July 3, 1926.

July 3, 1926.
[H. R. 12264.]
[Public, No. 513.]

CHAP. 792.—An Act To facilitate and simplify the work of the National Park Service, United States Department of the Interior, and for other purposes.

National Park Service.
Sale of food, etc., at cost, to aid visitors in national parks and monuments.

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 hereby authorized to aid and assist visitors within the national parks or national monuments in emergencies and when no other source is available for the procurement of food or supplies, by the sale, at cost, of food or supplies in quantities sufficient to enable them to reach safely a point where such food or supplies can be purchased: *Provided,* That the receipts from such sales shall be deposited as a refund to the appropriation or appropriations current at the date of covering in of such deposit and shall be available for the purchase of similar food or supplies.

Proriso.
Receipts available for further purchases.

Medical assistance, etc., to employees at isolated stations.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Interior, in his discretion, is authorized to provide, out of moneys appropriated for the general expense of the several national parks and national monuments, medical attention for employees of the National Park Service located at isolated situations, including the moving of such employees to hospitals or other places where medical assistance is available, and in case of death to remove the bodies of deceased employees to the nearest place where they can be prepared for shipment or for burial.

Attention in cases of death.

Approved, July 3, 1926.

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[H. R. 12211.]
[Public, No. 514.]

CHAP. 793.—An Act To amend section 4009 of the Revised Statutes.

Postal Service.
R. S., sec. 4009, p. 774, amended.
Foreign mail transportation.
Compensation for, in American vessels.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 4009 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 4009. (a) Except as provided in subdivision (b), for transportation of the mails, (1) between the United States or its Territories or possessions and any foreign country, (2) between the United States and its possessions or its naval or military forces abroad, or (3) between any such possession or naval or military forces and any other such possession or naval or military forces, the Postmaster General may allow, in the case of a vessel of the United States, compensation not in excess of the amount of the postage collected on the mail transported on such vessel, and in the case of a foreign vessel, compensation not in excess of the sea transit rates prescribed from time to time by the Universal Postal Union Convention.

Foreign vessels.

Contract transportation.

“(b) The provisions of subdivision (a) of this section shall not limit the compensation for transportation of mail which the Postmaster General may pay under contracts entered into in accordance with the provisions of section 4007 of the Revised Statutes or section 24 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1920.

R. S., sec. 4007, p. 774. Vol. 41, p. 998.

Designated mails payable from foreign mails appropriation.

“(c) In the case of mails transported between the United States or its Territories or possessions and any foreign country and in the case of mails transported between the United States and its possessions or its naval or military forces abroad, or between any such possession or naval or military forces and any other such possession

or naval or military forces, payment for such transportation shall be made out of the appropriation for the transportation of foreign mails."

Approved, July 3, 1926.

CHAP. 794.—An Act Providing for an additional building for the use of the police court of the District of Columbia.

July 3, 1926.
[H. R. 11943.]
[Public, No. 515.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia be authorized and instructed to enter into contracts for the erection of a building for the use of the police court of the District of Columbia: *Provided,* That the location, plans, and specifications for such building shall be approved by the Fine Arts Commission and by the chief justices of said police courts and Supreme Court of the District of Columbia.

District of Columbia.
New building for police court, authorized.

Provided.
Approval of location, plans, etc.

SEC. 2. That there is hereby authorized an appropriation for the erection of said building to be appropriated in like manner as other expenses of the District of Columbia.

Authorization of appropriation.

Approved, July 3, 1926.

CHAP. 795.—An Act To increase the clothing and cash gratuity furnished to persons discharged from prisons.

July 3, 1926.
[H. R. 11944.]
[Public, No. 516.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That on the discharge from any prison of any person convicted under the laws of the United States on indictment he shall be furnished with transportation to the place of conviction or place of bona fide residence within the United States at the time of his commitment under sentence of the court, or to such place within the United States as may be authorized by the Attorney General; and if the term of his imprisonment shall have been six months or more he shall also be furnished with such suitable clothing as may be authorized by the Attorney General, and, in the discretion of the Attorney General, an amount of money not to exceed \$20. For the furnishing of such clothing and money charge shall be made and allowed in the accounts of the said prison with the United States.

United States courts.
Discharged prisoners to be furnished transportation to place of conviction.

Clothing and cash gratuity allowed.

Allowance for, in prison accounts.

Approved, July 3, 1926.

CHAP. 796.—An Act To provide for an examination and report on the condition and possible development and reclamation of the swamp lands on the Yazoo, Tallahatchie, and Coldwater Rivers in Mississippi.

July 3, 1926.
[H. R. 11713.]
[Public, No. 517.]

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 be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to have an examination and investigation made of the swamp and overflow lands on the Yazoo, Tallahatchie, and Coldwater Rivers in the State of Mississippi, with a view to determining the area, location, and general character of the swamp and overflow lands in the valley of the Yazoo River and its said tributaries, which can be developed and reclaimed at a reasonable cost, and the character, extent, and cost of a reclamation and development system of the swamp and overflow lands along the Yazoo River and its said tributaries.

Yazoo River, etc., Miss.
Investigation of swamp lands on, for reclaiming, etc.

SEC. 2. That the said Secretary shall report to Congress as soon as practicable the results of his examination and investigation, together

Report to Congress of feasibility, etc.