agreement between the States of Washington, Idaho, Oregon, and Montana respecting the disposition and apportionment of the waters of the Columbia River and its tributaries, and for other purposes," and the Act of April 13, 1926, entitled "An Act authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to cooperate with the States of Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington in allocation of the waters of the Columbia River and its tributaries, and for other purposes, and authorizing an appropriation therefor," be continued and extended in all their provisions to December 31, 1930.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 383.—Joint Resolution Providing for the return of funds belonging to World War National Guard organizations that are not reconstituted.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and directed to transfer to the governors of the respective States and Territories and to the commanding general of the District of Columbia such funds as he may now hold in trust for World War units of the National Guard which have not been reconstituted: Provided, That in the cases of States and Territories the legislatures thereof first pass acts enabling their respective governors to act as trustees for said funds.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 384.—Joint Resolution Authorizing the use of a portion of that part of the United States National Cemetery Reservation at Chattanooga, Tennessee, lying outside the cemetery wall, for a city pound, animal shelter, and hospital.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and hereby is, authorized upon request made by the mayor and board of commissioners of the city of Chattanooga, Tennessee, to grant permission to the Humane Educational Society of Chattanooga, Tennessee, a corporation, to occupy and use, for the purpose of establishing and operating thereon a city pound, animal shelter, and hospital, such portion of the National Cemetery Reservation at Chattanooga, Tennessee, lying outside of the cemetery inclosure on the west side of Central Avenue as may be designated by the Secretary of War and upon such conditions and subject to such regulations and restrictions as he may prescribe: Provided, That this resolution shall not be construed to pass any title to property or rights in the said land and that the ownership and control thereof shall remain in the United States and the land shall be subject to such uses for military or other purposes of the United States as the Secretary of War may direct.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 385.—Joint Resolution To provide for the expenses of the participation of the United States in the work of a preparatory commission to consider questions of reduction and limitation of armaments.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in compliance with the recommendation of the President contained in his message of January 7, 1927, the sum of $75,000 or so much thereof as may be
necessary is hereby authorized to be appropriated for the expenses of further participation by the United States in the work of the preparatory commission at Geneva, Switzerland, for the purpose of making preliminary studies and preparations for a conference on the reduction and limitation of armaments; and for each and every purpose connected therewith, including compensation of employees, travel, subsistence or per diem in lieu of subsistence in amounts authorized in the discretion of the Secretary of State (notwithstanding the provisions of any other Act); and such other expenses as the President shall deem proper, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of State.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 386.—Joint Resolution Amending the joint resolution entitled “Joint resolution directing the Secretary of the Interior to withhold his approval of the adjustment of the Northern Pacific land grants, and for other purposes,” approved June 5, 1924, and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the joint resolution entitled “Joint resolution directing the Secretary of the Interior to withhold his approval of the adjustment of the Northern Pacific land grants, and for other purposes,” approved June 5, 1924, be, and the same is hereby, amended as follows: “That where in said joint resolution there appears the word and figures ‘March 4, 1926,’ the same shall be amended to read ‘June 1, 1928.”’

SEC. 2. That the present members of the joint committee appointed under said resolution shall continue to act until the termination of the Seventieth Congress: Provided, however, That where a vacancy will occur among the Senate members of said committee due to their retiring from Congress on March 4, 1927, the President of the Senate may fill such vacancy.

SEC. 3. That the Attorney General of the United States be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to advise the said joint committee as to what legal or legislative action should, in his judgment, be taken in the matter of the adjustment of the said Northern Pacific land grants.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 387.—Joint Resolution For the relief of special disbursing agents of the Alaskan Engineering Commission or of the Alaska Railroad.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the General Accounting Office is hereby authorized and directed to credit in the accounts of the special disbursing agents of the Alaskan Engineering Commission sums heretofore disallowed by that office on account of payments made to certain Army officers by Army pay officers, and the payments made to the said officers as officers of the Army are hereby validated covering the period from July 1, 1921, to February 28, 1922.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 488.—An Act To amend the Act approved June 4, 1897, by authorizing an increase in the cost of lands to be embraced in the Shiloh National Military Park, Pittsburg Landing, Tennessee.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act