

Fees chargeable for grading, forms, etc.

culture is hereby authorized to establish. Said funds may be used for the grading of wool, and for such grading or other service rendered hereunder reasonable fees may be charged, and provided further that hereafter reasonable charges may be made for practical forms of grades for wool.

Rules to be made.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture may make such rules and regulations as he deems advisable for carrying out any of the provisions of this Act. All receipts hereunder shall be deposited in the Treasury to the credit of miscellaneous receipts.

Deposit of receipts.

Approved, May 17, 1928.

May 17, 1928.
[H. R. 8337.]
[Public, No. 410.]

CHAP. 603.—An Act To amend the Air Mail Act of February 2, 1925, as amended by the Act of June 3, 1926.

Air Mail Act.
Vol. 43, p. 806, amended.
U. S. Code, p. 1264.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3 of the Air Mail Act of February 2, 1925 (United States Code, Title 39, section 463), as amended by the Act of June 3, 1926, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Postage rate reduced.

“SEC. 3. That the rates of postage on air mail shall not be less than 5 cents for each ounce or fraction thereof.”

Vol. 43, p. 806, amended.

SEC. 2. That after section 5 of said Act (United States Code, Title 39, section 465) a new section shall be added as follows:

U. S. Code, p. 1264.

Air mail route certificates.

“SEC. 6. That the Postmaster General may by negotiation with an air mail contractor who has satisfactorily operated under the authority of this Act for a period of two years or more, arrange, with the consent of the surety for the contractor and the continuation of the obligation of the surety during the existence or life of the certificate provided for hereinafter, for the surrender of the contract and the substitution therefor of an air mail route certificate, which shall be issued by the Postmaster General in the name of such air mail contractor, and which shall provide that the holder shall have the right of carriage of air mail over the route set out in the certificate so long as he complies with such rules, regulations, and orders as shall from time to time be issued by the Postmaster General for meeting the needs of the Postal Service and adjusting air mail operations to the advances in the art of flying: *Provided,* That such certificate shall be for a period not exceeding ten years from the beginning of carrying mail under the contract. Said certificate may be canceled at any time for willful neglect on the part of the holder to carry out such rules, regulations, or orders; notice of such intended cancellation to be given in writing by the Postmaster General and sixty days provided to the holder in which to answer such written notice of the Postmaster General. The rate of compensation to the holder of such an air mail route certificate shall be determined by periodical negotiation between the certificate holder and the Postmaster General, but shall never exceed the rate of compensation provided for in the original contract of the air mail route certificate holder.”

Arrangement authorized with present satisfactory contractors to substitute, for former contracts.

Rights acquired thereby.

“SEC. 6. That the Postmaster General may by negotiation with an air mail contractor who has satisfactorily operated under the authority of this Act for a period of two years or more, arrange, with the consent of the surety for the contractor and the continuation of the obligation of the surety during the existence or life of the certificate provided for hereinafter, for the surrender of the contract and the substitution therefor of an air mail route certificate, which shall be issued by the Postmaster General in the name of such air mail contractor, and which shall provide that the holder shall have the right of carriage of air mail over the route set out in the certificate so long as he complies with such rules, regulations, and orders as shall from time to time be issued by the Postmaster General for meeting the needs of the Postal Service and adjusting air mail operations to the advances in the art of flying: *Provided,* That such certificate shall be for a period not exceeding ten years from the beginning of carrying mail under the contract. Said certificate may be canceled at any time for willful neglect on the part of the holder to carry out such rules, regulations, or orders; notice of such intended cancellation to be given in writing by the Postmaster General and sixty days provided to the holder in which to answer such written notice of the Postmaster General. The rate of compensation to the holder of such an air mail route certificate shall be determined by periodical negotiation between the certificate holder and the Postmaster General, but shall never exceed the rate of compensation provided for in the original contract of the air mail route certificate holder.”

Approved, May 17, 1928.

Proviso.
Period of certificate.

Canceled for neglect.

Determination of compensation periodically.

May 17, 1928.
[H. R. 12383.]
[Public, No. 411.]

CHAP. 604.—An Act To amend section 11 of an Act approved February 28, 1925 (Forty-third Statutes, page 1064, United States Code, title 39, section 823), granting sick leave to employees in the Postal Service, and for other purposes.

Postal Service.
Reclassification of salaries.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first paragraph of section 11 of the Act entitled “An Act reclassifying

the salaries of postmasters and employees of the Postal Service, readjusting their salaries and compensation on an equitable basis, increasing postal rates to provide for such readjustment, and for other purposes," approved February 28, 1925 (Forty-third Statutes, page 1064, United States Code, title 39, section 823), is amended to read as follows:

"Employees in the Postal Service shall be granted fifteen days' leave of absence with pay exclusive of Sundays and holidays, each fiscal year, and sick leave with pay at the rate of ten days a year, exclusive of Sundays and holidays, to be cumulative, but no sick leave with pay in excess of six months shall be granted during any one fiscal year. Sick leave shall be granted only upon satisfactory evidence of illness in accordance with the regulations to be prescribed by the Postmaster General."

SEC. 2. This Act shall become effective July 1, 1928.

Approved, May 17, 1928.

Vol. 43, p. 1064,
amended.
U. S. Code, p. 1286.

Leaves of absence to
employees.

Sick leave cumula-
tions extended to six
months.

Effective July 1, 1928.

CHAP. 605.—An Act Providing for the confirmation of grant of lands formerly the United States barracks at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, to the board of supervisors of the Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College.

May 17, 1928.

[H. R. 11852.]

[Public, No. 412.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the patent issued by the United States General Land Office to the board of supervisors of the Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College in trust for the Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College under date of February 20, 1903, by virtue of the authority conferred by an Act of Congress approved April 28, 1902, entitled "An Act providing for the transfer of the title to the military reservation at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, to the Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College," which conveyed full and complete title to the buildings and grounds of the United States barracks at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, for the purpose of said university and college, being sections 44 and 71 of township 7 south, range 1 west, Saint Helena meridian, State of Louisiana, containing two hundred and eleven and fifty-six one-hundredths acres, be, and the same is hereby, approved and confirmed; and the right of the board of supervisors of the Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College to sell or lease any of the said grounds or buildings in its development of said university is fully recognized, the proceeds to form part of the funds of the said Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College and to be used for the purposes of said university and college, excepting from the force and effect of this Act the parcel of ground containing about two and forty-five one-hundredths acres granted to the Roman Catholic congregation of Saint Joseph's Church of the city of Baton Rouge, by Act of Congress approved September 30, 1890 (Twenty-sixth Statutes, page 503); and further excepting that portion of land that lies westward of a line one hundred feet east of the center of the railroad tract of the Louisville, New Orleans, and Texas Railroad Company: *Provided*, That if the said railroad company shall cease to use and occupy such land it shall thereupon become subject to all the provisions of this Act.

Louisiana State Uni-
versity, etc.
Patent to, of lands of
former Baton Rouge
barracks, confirmed.

Vol. 32, p. 172.

Right to sell, etc.,
recognized.

Parcels excepted.
To Saint Joseph's
Church.
Vol. 23, p. 503.
Post, p. 751.
Used by railroad
company.

Provido.
Disposal when occu-
pation of railroad ceases.

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