An Act Providing for the sale of the remainder of the coal and asphalt deposits in the segregated mineral land in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, Oklahoma, and for other purposes.

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 sell the remainder of the coal and asphalt deposits in the segregated mineral land in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, Oklahoma, and belonging to said Indian nations, the sales to be made under such rules, regulations, terms, and conditions as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe not inconsistent with this Act.

SEC. 2. That said coal and asphalt deposits shall be offered for sale in tracts to conform to the descriptions of the legal subdivisions heretofore designated by the Secretary of the Interior, and except as otherwise herein provided the sales of the tracts shall be at public auction, after due advertisement, to the highest bidder at not less than the appraised value heretofore fixed by the Secretary of the Interior under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved February 22, 1921 (41 Stat. 1107): Provided, however, That in the discretion of the Secretary of the Interior, the tracts may be offered together as a whole and sold to the highest bidder for the aggregate at not less than the total appraised value, or any two or more of the tracts may be offered together and sold to the highest bidder for the block at not less than the aggregate appraised value of the tracts constituting such block: And provided further, That no limitation shall be placed upon the number of tracts any person, company, or corporation may acquire hereunder: And provided further, That in the event any sale of any tract or tracts of coal and asphalt deposits made hereunder or under the Act of February 8, 1918 (40 Stat. L. 433), or under the Act of February 22, 1921 (41 Stat. L. 1107), be canceled by the Secretary of the Interior and all rights of the purchaser at such sale be declared forfeited as to said tracts, such tracts may again be offered and sold by the Secretary of the Interior as provided herein until all such tracts finally shall have passed into private ownership.

SEC. 3. That where any tract of said coal and asphalt deposits has been heretofore or may be offered hereafter for sale at two or more public auctions after due advertisement and no sale thereof was made, the Secretary of the Interior may, in his discretion and under such rules and regulations and on such terms and conditions as he may prescribe, sell such tract at either public auction or by private sale at not less than the appraised value: Provided, however, That the Secretary of the Interior may, in cases where the tracts remain unsold and the facts are found to justify, cause reappraisements to be made of such tracts and reoffer and sell such tracts either at public auction or private sale at not less than the reappraised value.

SEC. 4. That when the full purchase price for any property sold hereunder is paid, the principal chief of the Choctaw Nation and the Governor of the Chickasaw Nation shall join in executing to the purchaser an appropriate patent conveying to the purchaser the property so sold, said patent to be subject to approval of the Secretary of the Interior.

SEC. 5. That in cases where tracts of the coal and asphalt deposits belonging to the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations have been sold subsequent to June 30, 1925, and prior hereto, under and in accordance with, or purporting to be under and in accordance with, the Act of February 8, 1918 (40 Stat. L. 433), and the Act of February 22, 1921
(41 Stat. L. 1107), and said sales have been approved by the Secretary of the Interior and the purchaser has paid or shall pay the full purchase price, the patents executed by the principal chief of the Choctaw Nation and governor of the Chickasaw Nation and approved by the Secretary of the Interior, conveying to the purchasers the tracts purchased and paid for by said purchasers, are hereby confirmed, approved, and declared valid.

Approved, June 19, 1930.

CHAP. 546.—An Act To amend section 91 of the Act entitled “An Act to provide a government for the Territory of Hawaii,” approved April 30, 1900, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 91 of the Act entitled “An Act to provide a government for the Territory of Hawaii,” approved April 30, 1900, as amended (U. S. C. title 48, sec. 511), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

"Provided, That when any such public property so taken for the purposes and purposes of the United States, if, instead of being used for public purpose, is thereafter by the United States leased, rented, or granted upon revocable permits to private parties, the rentals or consideration shall be covered into the treasury of the Territory of Hawaii for the use and benefit of the purposes named in this section."

Approved, June 19, 1930.

CHAP. 553.—An Act To amend the Act entitled “An Act authorizing the construction of a bridge across the Missouri River opposite to or within the corporate limits of Nebraska City, Nebraska,” approved June 4, 1872.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That effective upon Missouri River, the construction and opening for highway use of a bridge across the Missouri River at or near Nebraska City, Nebraska, under the provisions of an Act approved April 23, 1928, entitled “An Act authorizing the Interstate Bridge Company, its successors and assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Missouri River at or near Nebraska City, Nebraska,” or any amendments thereto, section 1 of an Act entitled “An Act authorizing the construction of a bridge across the Missouri River opposite to or within the corporate limits of Nebraska City, Nebraska,” approved June 4, 1872, be amended to read as follows:

“That it shall be lawful for the Nebraska City Bridge Company, a corporation having authority from the State of Nebraska and from the State of Iowa to build a railroad bridge across the Missouri River opposite to or in the immediate vicinity of Nebraska City, in the county of Otoe, and State of Nebraska, and that when constructed, all trains of all railroads terminating at the Missouri River at or near the location of said bridge shall be allowed to cross said bridge, for a reasonable compensation, to be paid to the owners thereof; and that said bridge shall not interfere with the free navigation of said river beyond what is necessary in order to carry into effect the rights and privileges hereby granted; and in case of any litigation arising from any obstruction or alleged obstruction to the free navigation of said river, the cause may be tried before the district or circuit court of the United States of any State in or opposite to which any portion of said obstruction or bridge may be.”