CHAP. 596.—An Act To transfer Willacy County in the State of Texas from the Corpus Christi division of the southern district of Texas to the Brownsville division of such district.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Willacy County, in the State of Texas, is hereby detached from the Corpus Christi division of the southern judicial district of the State of Texas, and attached to and made a part of the Brownsville division of the southern judicial district of such State: Provided, That no civil or criminal cause commenced prior to the enactment of this Act shall be in any way affected by it.

Approved, June 24, 1930.

CHAP. 597.—An Act To extend hospital facilities to certain retired officers and employees of the Lighthouse Service and to improve the efficiency of the Lighthouse Service.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hospital and out-patient facilities of the Public Health Service shall be available at the same cost applicable to retired officers and men in other branches of the Government service, under joint regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of Commerce, to light keepers and assistant light keepers (who during their active service were entitled to medical relief at hospitals and other stations of the Public Health Service), and officers and crews of vessels of the Lighthouse Service, who have been or who may hereafter be retired under the provisions of section 6 of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize aids to navigation and for other works in the Lighthouse Service, and for other purposes," approved June 20, 1918 (U. S. C., title 33, sec. 763), and of Acts amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto, notwithstanding any other provision of law.

Approved, June 24, 1930.

CHAP. 598.—Joint Resolution For the participation of the United States in an exposition to be held at Paris, France, in 1931.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the invitation extended by the Government of France to the United States to participate in an international exposition of colonial and overseas countries to be held at Paris, France, in 1931, is hereby accepted.

Sec. 2. The President is authorized to appoint a commissioner general and one commissioner to represent the United States in the exposition, the amount of the compensation of each of whom, not to exceed $10,000 per annum, shall be determined by the Secretary of State. The commissioner general shall prescribe the duties of the commissioner and shall under the direction of the Secretary of State, (1) make all needful rules and regulations relative to the exhibits from this country and its oversea territories, and for the expenditures incident to the installation of such exhibits, and for the preparation of reports of the exposition and the general results thereof; (2) furnish such information to private exhibitors and prospective exhibitors as he may deem requisite and feasible; (3) make all proper arrangements for the preparation, transportation, installation, display, and care of the exhibits from this country and its over-
Cooperation of executive departments.

No extra compensation.

Clerks, etc.

Construction of building.

Exhibits by executive departments, etc.

Transfer of exhibits to commissioner general authorized.

Return thereof at close of exposition.

Disposition, if return impracticable.

sum authorized.

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Expenditures to be approved by Secretary of State.

Limitation.

Acceptance of contributions, authorized.

Of materials.

Disposition of excess.

Sea territories; (4) with reference to such exhibits from this country and its overseas territories, and reports, cooperate with and secure the assistance of the various executive departments and branches of the Government participating in the exposition, which departments and branches may, with the approval of the Secretary of State, designate officials or employees of their departments or branches to assist the commissioner general, but no such official or employee so designated shall receive a salary in excess of the amount which he has been receiving in the department or branch where employed, plus such reasonable additional allowance for expenses as may be deemed proper by the Secretary of State; (5) employ such clerks, stenographers, and other assistants as may be necessary and fix their reasonable compensation; and (6) purchase such material, contract for such labor and services, and cause to be constructed such building as may be necessary to carry out the general purpose of this Act. The heads of the various departments and branches of the Government are authorized, in cooperation with the Secretary of State, to collect and prepare suitable exhibits for display at the exposition, accompanied by appropriate descriptions in the French and English languages.

Sec. 3. Officers and employees of the executive departments or branches of the Government in charge of or responsible for the safekeeping of any property of this country and its overseas territories which is proposed to be exhibited, may permit such property, on the request of the commissioner general, to pass from their possession for the purpose of being transported to and from and exhibited at the exposition. At the close of the exposition, or when the connection of the Government of the United States therewith ceases, if practicable, the commissioner general shall cause all such property to be returned to the respective departments and branches from which taken; and if the return of any such property is not practicable, he may, with the knowledge of the department or branch from which it was taken, and with the approval of the Secretary of State, make such disposition thereof as he may deem advisable and account therefor.

Sec. 4. In order to defray the expenses hereinbefore specified and all and singular expenses necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act, the sum of $250,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is authorized to be appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to remain available until expended. All expenditures shall be subject to approval by the Secretary of State and payable upon his certification, but shall not be subject to the provisions of any law other than this Act regulating or limiting the expenditure of public money, but this provision shall not be construed to waive the submission of accounts and vouchers to the General Accounting Office for audit or permit any indebtedness to be incurred in excess of the amount authorized to be appropriated.

Sec. 5. The commissioner general, with the approval of the Secretary of State, may receive from any source contributions to aid in carrying out the general purpose of this Act, but the same shall be expended and accounted for in the same manner as any appropriation which may be made under authority of this Act. The commissioner general is also authorized to receive contributions of material to aid in carrying out the general purpose of this Act, and at the close of the exposition or when the connection of the Government of the United States therewith ceases, under the direction of the Secretary of State, shall dispose of any such portion thereof as may be unused, and any building which may have been constructed and account therefor.
SEC. 6. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to transmit to Congress within six months after the close of the exposition a detailed statement of all expenditures, together with the reports hereinbefore specified and such other reports as he may deem proper, which reports shall be prepared and arranged with a view to concise statement and convenient reference.

Approved, June 24, 1930.

CHAP. 604.—An Act To amend section 5153 of the Revised Statutes, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 5153 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (United States Code, title 12, section 90), is amended by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph to read as follows:

"Any association may, upon the deposit with it of public money of a State or any political subdivision thereof, give security for the safe-keeping and prompt payment of the money so deposited, of the same kind as is authorized by the law of the State in which such association is located in the case of other banking institutions in the State."

Approved, June 25, 1930.

CHAP. 605.—An Act To make a correction in an Act of Congress approved February 28, 1929.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act entitled "An Act to recognize the high public service rendered by Major Reed and those associated with him in the discovery of the cause and means of transmission of yellow fever," approved February 28, 1929, is hereby amended by striking out the name "James A. Andrus" wherever it appears therein and inserting in lieu thereof "John H. Andrus."

Approved, June 25, 1930.

CHAP. 606.—An Act Creating the Great Lakes Bridge Commission and authorizing said commission and its successors to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Saint Clair River at or near Port Huron, Michigan.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in order to facilitate international commerce, the Great Lakes Bridge Commission, hereinafter created, and hereinafter referred to as the commission, and its successors and assigns, be, and are hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Saint Clair River, at or near the city of Port Huron, Michigan, and the city of Sarnia, Canada, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, in accordance with the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906, subject to the conditions and limitations contained in this Act, and subject to the approval of the proper authorities in the Dominion of Canada. For like purposes said commission and its successors are hereby authorized to purchase, maintain, and operate all or any ferries across the Saint Clair River within five miles of the location which