[CHAPTER 47.]

AN ACT

March 6, 1934.
[8. 2766.]
[Public, No. 116.]

To extend the period during which direct obligations of the United States may be used as collateral security for Federal Reserve notes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the second paragraph of section 16 of the Federal Reserve Act, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"Any Federal Reserve bank may make application to the local Federal Reserve agent for such amount of the Federal Reserve notes hereinbefore provided for as it may require. Such application shall be accompanied with a tender to the local Federal Reserve agent of collateral in amount equal to the sum of the Federal Reserve notes thus applied for and issued pursuant to such application. The collateral security thus offered shall be notes, drafts, bills of exchange, or acceptances acquired under the provisions of section 13 of this Act, or bills of exchange indorsed by a member bank of any Federal Reserve district and purchased under the provisions of section 14 of this Act, or bankers' acceptances purchased under the provisions of said section 14, or gold certificates: Provided, however, That until March 3, 1935, or until the expiration of such additional period not exceeding two years as the President may prescribe, the Federal Reserve Board may, should it deem it in the public interest, upon the affirmative vote of not less than a majority of its members, authorize the Federal Reserve banks to offer, and the Federal Reserve agents to accept, as such collateral security, direct obligations of the United States. On such date or upon the expiration of such period so prescribed by the President, or sooner should the Federal Reserve Board so decide, such authorization shall terminate and such obligations of the United States be retired as security for Federal Reserve notes. In no event shall such collateral security be less than the amount of Federal Reserve notes applied for. The Federal Reserve agent shall each day notify the Federal Reserve Board of all issues and withdrawals of Federal Reserve notes to and by the Federal Reserve bank to which he is accredited. The said Federal Reserve Board may at any time call upon a Federal Reserve bank for additional security to protect the Federal Reserve notes issued to it." Approved, March 6, 1934.

[CHAPTER 48.]

AN ACT

March 6, 1934.
[8. 1768.]
[Public, No. 116.]

To revive and reenact the Act entitled "An Act granting the consent of Congress to the Mill Four Drainage District in Lincoln County, Oregon, to construct, maintain, and operate dams and dikes to prevent the flow of waters of Yaquina Bay and River into Nutes Slough, Boones Slough, and sloughs connected therewith", approved June 17, 1930.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act approved June 17, 1930, granting the consent of Congress to the Mill Four Drainage District, in Lincoln County, Oregon, to construct, maintain, and operate dams and dikes to prevent the flow of waters of Yaquina Bay and River into Nutes Slough, Boones Slough, and sloughs connected therewith", approved June 17, 1930, revised and reenacted: Provided, That this Act shall be null and void unless the actual construction of the dams and dikes herein referred to be commenced within one year and completed within three years from the date of approval hereof.
SEC. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.
Approved, March 8, 1934.

[CHAPTER 49.]

AN ACT
To amend an Act entitled “An Act to give the Supreme Court of the United States authority to prescribe rules of practice and procedure with respect to proceedings in criminal cases after verdict.”

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of February 24, 1933 (ch. 119), entitled “An Act to give the Supreme Court of the United States authority to prescribe rules of practice and procedure with respect to proceedings in criminal cases after verdict” (U.S.C., title 28, sec. 723a), be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

“That the Supreme Court of the United States shall have the power to prescribe, from time to time, rules of practice and procedure with respect to any or all proceedings after verdict, or finding of guilt by the court if a jury has been waived, or plea of guilty, in criminal cases in district courts of the United States, including the District Courts of Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, Canal Zone, and Virgin Islands, in the Supreme Courts of the District of Columbia, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico, in the United States Court for China, in the United States Circuit Courts of Appeals, in the Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia, and in the Supreme Court of the United States: Provided, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to give the Supreme Court the power to abridge the right of the accused to apply for withdrawal of a plea of guilty, if such application be made within ten days after entry of such plea, and before sentence is imposed.

“Sec. 2. The right of appeal shall continue in those cases in which appeals are now authorized by law, but the rules made as herein authorized may prescribe the times for and manner of taking appeals and applying for writs of certiorari and preparing records and bills of exceptions and the conditions on which supersedeas or bail may be allowed.

“Sec. 3. The Supreme Court may fix the dates when such rules shall take effect and the extent to which they shall apply to proceedings then pending, and after they become effective all laws in conflict therewith shall be of no further force.”

Approved, March 8, 1934.

[CHAPTER 52.]

AN ACT
To authorize the Secretary of War to sell to the Plattsburgh National Bank and Trust Company a tract of land comprising part of the Plattsburgh Barracks Military Reservation, New York.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby authorized, in his discretion, to sell upon such terms and conditions as he considers advisable, a tract of land containing approximately one-half acre, comprising a part of the Plattsburgh Barracks Military Reservation, New York, and situated in the northwest corner thereof, which said tract is no longer needed for military purposes, and to execute and deliver in the name