of the United States and in its behalf, any and all contracts, con-veyances, or other instruments necessary to effectuate such sale; the proceeds of the sale of the property hereinbefore designated to be deposited in the Treasury to the credit of the fund known as the military post construction fund: Provided, That the Secretary of War shall have the said tract appraised: And provided further, That the Secretary of War shall not sell said tract of land for a less consideration than the appraised value thereof.

Approved, March 10, 1934.

[CHAPTER 53.]

AN ACT

To authorize the Department of Agriculture to issue a duplicate check in favor of Department of Forests and Waters, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the original check having been lost.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwithstanding the provisions of section 3646, as amended, of the Revised Statutes of the United States, the disbursing clerk of the Department of Agriculture is authorized and directed to issue, without the requirement of an indemnity bond, a duplicate of original check numbered 2675700, drawn November 19, 1931, in favor of Department of Forests and Waters, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for $345, the original check having been lost.

Approved, March 10, 1934.

[CHAPTER 54.]

AN ACT

To establish fish and game sanctuaries in the national forests.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the purpose of providing breeding places for game birds, game animals, and fish on lands and waters in the national forests not chiefly suitable for agriculture, the President of the United States is hereby authorized, upon recommendation of the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of Commerce and with the approval of the State legislatures of the respective States in which said national forests are situated, to establish by public proclamation certain specified and limited areas within said forests as fish and game sanctuaries or refuges which shall be devoted to the increase of game birds, game animals, and fish of all kinds naturally adapted thereto, but it is not intended that the lands included in such fish and game sanctuaries or refuges shall cease to be parts of the national forests wherein they are located, and the establishment of such fish and game sanctuaries or refuges shall not prevent the Secretary of Agriculture from permitting other uses of the national forests under and in conformity with the laws and the rules and regulations applicable thereto so far as such uses may be consistent with the purposes for which such fish and game sanctuaries or refuges are authorized to be established.

Sec. 2. That when such fish and game sanctuaries or refuges have been established as provided in section 1 of this Act, hunting, pursuing, poisoning, angling for, killing, or capturing by trapping, netting, or any other means or attempting to hunt, pursue, angle for, kill, or capture any wild animals or fish for any purpose whatever upon the lands of the United States within the limits of said fish and
game sanctuaries or refuges shall be unlawful except as hereinafter provided, and any person violating any provision of this Act or any of the rules and regulations made under the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall upon conviction in any United States court be fined in a sum of not exceeding $100 or imprisonment not exceeding six months, or both.

Sec. 3. That the Secretaries of Agriculture and Commerce shall execute the provisions of this Act, and they are hereby jointly authorized to make all needful rules and regulations for the administration of such fish and game sanctuaries or refuges in accordance with the purpose of this Act, including regulations not in contravention of State laws for hunting, capturing, or killing predatory animals, such as wolves, coyotes, foxes, pumas, and other species destructive to livestock or wild life or agriculture within the limits of said fish and game sanctuaries or refuges: Provided, That the present jurisdiction of the States shall not be altered or changed without the legislative approval of such States.

Approved, March 10, 1934.

[CHAPTER 55.]

AN ACT

To promote the conservation of wild life, fish, and game, 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 Agriculture and the Secretary of Commerce are authorized to provide expert assistance to and to cooperate with Federal, State, and other agencies in the rearing, stocking, and increasing the supply of game and fur-bearing animals and fish, in combating diseases, and in developing a Nation-wide program of wild-life conservation and rehabilitation.

Sec. 2. The Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of Commerce are authorized to make such investigations as they may deem necessary to determine the effects of domestic sewage, trade wastes, and other polluting substances on wild life, with special reference to birds, mammals, fish, and shellfish, and to make reports to the Congress of their investigations with recommendations for remedial measures. Such investigations shall include studies of methods for the recovery of wastes and the collation of data on the progress being made in these fields for the use of Federal, State, municipal, and private agencies.

Sec. 3. (a) Whenever the Federal Government through the Bureau of Reclamation or otherwise, impounds water for any use, opportunity shall be given to the Bureau of Fisheries and/or the Bureau of Biological Survey to make such uses of the impounded waters for fish-culture stations and migratory-bird resting and nesting areas as are not inconsistent with the primary use of the waters and/or the constitutional rights of the States. In the case of any waters heretofore impounded by the United States, through the Bureau of Reclamation or otherwise, the Bureau of Fisheries and/or the Bureau of Biological Survey may consult with the Bureau of Reclamation or other governmental agency controlling the impounded waters, with a view to securing a greater biological use of the waters not inconsistent with their primary use and/or the constitutional rights of the States and make such proper uses thereof as are not inconsistent with the primary use of the waters and/or the constitutional rights of the States.