[CHAPTER 716.]

AN ACT

Relating to conveyance of letters by private hands without compensation, or by special messenger employed for the particular occasion only.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 186 of the Act of March 4, 1909 (35 Stat. 1124) (U.S.C., title 18, sec. 309) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prohibit the conveyance or transmission of letters or packets by private hands without compensation, or by special messenger employed for the particular occasion only: Provided, That whenever more than twenty-five such letters or packets are conveyed or transmitted by such special messenger, the requirements of section 3933 of the Revised Statutes (U.S.C., title 39, sec. 500) shall be observed as to each piece."

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[CHAPTER 717.]

AN ACT

To amend section 392 of title 5 of the United States Code.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That that part of the Act of June 16, 1921 (42 Stat. 63), incorporated in the United States Code as section 392 of title 5, is amended to read as follows:

"When any damage is done to person or property by or through the operation of the Post Office Department in any branch of its service and such damage is found by the Postmaster General upon investigation to be a proper charge against the United States, the Postmaster General is invested with power to adjust and settle any claim for such damage when his award for such damage in any case does not exceed $500, and this authority shall hereafter be construed as extending to cases caused by the negligence of any officer or employee of the Post Office Department or Postal Service acting within the scope of his employment."

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[CHAPTER 718.]

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to amend the contract for sale of post-office building and site at Findlay, Ohio.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to agree to an amendment to the existing contract between the city of Findlay, Ohio, and the United States of America for the sale of the old post-office site and building at Findlay, Ohio, for the sum of $50,000, negotiated on the basis of one fourth cash and the balance in equal installments payable in three, six, nine, and twelve months with interest on deferred payments payable quarterly at 5 per centum per annum; the amended contract to provide that payment may be made in five annual installments of $10,000 each, with interest at the rate of 5 per centum per annum on the unpaid balance: Provided, That such extension of time for payment shall be effective upon date of execution of amended contract between the city of Findlay and the United

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States of America; *Provided further*, That the provisions of the original contract between the city of Findlay, Ohio, and the United States of America shall not be modified, except as herein specified.

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[CHAPTER 719.]

AN ACT

Granting the consent of Congress to the State Highway Commission to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge across Eleven Points River in the northwest half of section 31, township 25 north, range 3 west, eight miles northeast of Alton, on Route B in Oregon County, Missouri.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to the State Highway Commission of Missouri to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge and approaches thereto across Eleven Points River in the northwest half of section 31, township 25 north, range 3 west, eight miles northeast of Alton, on Route B in Oregon County, Missouri, 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.*

SEC. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

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[CHAPTER 720.]

AN ACT

To grant to the city of Monterey, California, an easement for street purposes over certain portions of the military reservation at Monterey, California.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War is authorized and directed to grant to the city of Monterey, California, an easement over certain parcels (to be used in widening Lighthouse Road in such city) of the military reservation at Monterey, California, described as follows:*

Parcel 1. Beginning at a point on the southwesterly line of Lighthouse Road (sometimes called "Lighthouse Avenue"), distant south sixty-seven degrees seventeen and one half minutes east, one hundred forty and forty-three one hundredths feet from the point of intersection of the north line of the United States military reservation, Monterey, Monterey County, California, and the southwesterly line of Lighthouse Avenue, said point of intersection being distant south eighty-nine degrees thirty minutes west, seven hundred thirty-two and ninety-two one-hundredths feet from a stone monument at the northeast corner of said United States military reservation; and running thence from said point of beginning south sixty-two degrees twenty-six minutes east, five hundred eighty-six and six tenths feet to a point; thence southeasterly (following the arc of a circle whose radius is four hundred feet, and the center of which circle bears south twenty-seven degrees thirty-four minutes west, four hundred feet distant from the last-mentioned point) five hundred thirty and eight tenths feet; thence south thirteen degrees thirty-six minutes west, five hundred and sixty-eight feet to a point distant north thirteen degrees thirty-six minutes east, fifty-eight feet from the point of intersection of the south line of said United States military reservation with the west line of said Lighthouse Road; thence north twenty-nine degrees forty minutes east, fifteen and seventy-five one-hundredths feet to a point on said west line of Lighthouse Road; thence along said west line of Lighthouse Road the following