thereof to the interested parties and a proper finding of facts, determine to be reasonable: Provided, That the Government shall in express terms reserve and shall provide in every lease of oil lands hereunder that the lessee, assignee, or beneficiary, if owner, or operator or owner of a controlling interest in any pipe line or of any company operating the same which may be operated accessible to the oil derived from lands under such lease, shall at reasonable rates and without discrimination accept and convey the oil of the Government or of any citizen or company not the owner of any pipe line, operating a lease or purchasing gas or oil under the provisions of this Act: Provided further, That no right-of-way shall hereafter be granted over said lands for the transportation of oil or natural gas except under and subject to the provisions, limitations, and conditions of this section. Failure to comply with the provisions of this section or the regulations and conditions prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior shall be ground for forfeiture of the grant by the United States district court for the district in which the property, or some part thereof, is located in an appropriate proceeding."

Sec. 2. (a) That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to issue new leases to lessees holding oil or gas leases under any of the provisions of this Act at the time this amendatory Act becomes effective, such new leases to be in lieu of the leases then held by such lessees and to be at a royalty rate of not less than 12 1/2 per centum in amount or value of the production and upon such other terms and conditions as the Secretary of the Interior shall by general rule prescribe: Provided, That no limitation of acreage not provided for under the law or regulations under which any such old lease was issued shall be applicable to any such new lease.

(b) Nothing contained in this amendatory Act shall be construed to affect the validity of oil and gas prospecting permits or leases previously issued under the authority of the said Act of February 25, 1920, as amended, and in existence at the time this amendatory Act becomes effective, or impair any rights or privileges which have accrued under such permits or leases.

Sec. 3. That nothing in this amendatory Act shall be construed as affecting any lands within the borders of the naval petroleum reserves and naval oil-shale reserves or agreements concerning operations thereunder or in relation to the same, but the Secretary of the Navy is hereby authorized, with the consent of the President, to enter into agreements such as those provided for under the Act of March 4, 1931 (46 Stat. 1523), which agreement shall not, unless expressed therein, operate to extend the terms of any lease affected thereby.

Approved, August 21, 1935.

[CHAPTER 600.] JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to the continuance on the pay rolls of certain employees in cases of death or resignation of Members of the House of Representatives, Delegates, and Resident Commissioners.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwithstanding the provisions of the third paragraph under the heading "Clerical assistance to Senators" of section 1 of the Legislative Appropriation Act for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1928 (U. S. C., Supp. V, title 2, sec. 92a), in case of the death or resignation of a Member of the House during his term of office, the clerical assistants designated by
him and borne upon the clerk hire pay rolls of the House of Representatives on the date of such death or resignation shall be continued upon such pay rolls at their respective salaries until the successor to such Member of the House is elected to fill the vacancy. In no case shall such clerical assistants be continued on said pay roll for a period exceeding six months after the date of death or resignation of a Member of the House.

Sec. 2. Any clerical assistants who continue on the House pay rolls under the provisions of this joint resolution shall, while so continued, perform their duties under the direction of the Clerk of the House, and he is hereby authorized and directed to remove from such pay rolls any such clerks who are not attending to the duties for which their services are continued.

Sec. 3. As used in this joint resolution the phrase "Member of the House" shall mean a Representative, Representative-elect, Delegate, Delegate-elect, Resident Commissioner, or Resident Commissioner-elect.

Sec. 4. This joint resolution shall be effective as of the beginning of the Seventy-fourth Congress, January 3, 1935.

Approved, August 21, 1935.

[CHAPTER 602.]

AN ACT

To fix the compensation of registers of district land offices.

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 fix the compensation of registers of local land offices, and for other purposes", approved May 21, 1928 (45 Stat. L., ch. 661, p. 684), is hereby amended to read as follows: "That from and after the 1st day of the month following the approval of this Act the compensation of registers of district land offices shall be a salary of $2,000 per annum each, and all fees and commissions now allowed by law to such registers, but the salary, fees, and commissions of such registers shall not exceed $3,600 each per annum: Provided, That the salary of the register of the Juneau land district, Alaska, shall be $3,600 per annum."

Approved, August 22, 1935.

[CHAPTER 603.]

AN ACT

To establish a new division of the northern district of Georgia with terms of court to be held at Newnan, Georgia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (b) of section 77 of the Judicial Code, as amended (U. S. C., Supp. VII title 28, sec. 150 (b)), is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(b) The northern district shall include four divisions, constituted as follows: The Gainesville division, which shall include the territory embraced on January 1, 1928, in the counties of Banks, Barrow, Dawson, Forsyth, Habersham, Hall, Jackson, Lumpkin, Rabun, Stephens, Towns, Union, and White; the Atlanta division which shall include the territory embraced on such date in the counties of Campbell, Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, De Kalb, Douglas, Fannin, Fulton, Gilmer, Gwinnett, Henry, Milton, Newton, Pickens, and Rockdale;