June 22, 1936.
[Public, No. 701.]  
[CHAPTER 701.]  
AN ACT  
To withdraw certain public lands from settlement and entry.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the public lands of the United States within the boundaries hereinafter described are hereby withdrawn from settlement, location, sale, and entry under the public land laws of the United States for a local park, recreational purposes, and for securing favorable conditions of water flows subject to and with a reservation of the right of the United States or its permittees or licensees, upon payment only for damages to improvements made by the Board of Supervisors of Butte County, California, to enter upon, occupy, and use any part or all thereof necessary, in the judgment of the Federal Power Commission, for the purposes of the Federal Water Power Act. The lands herein referred to are located in the State of California and more particularly bounded and described as follows:

The east half section 32, township 20 north, range 5 east, Mount Diablo base and meridian, containing three hundred and twenty acres: Provided, That the Board of Supervisors of Butte County, in which said lands are located, shall make and enforce all such local, police, sanitary, and other rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the rights of the United States therein, as may be necessary for the preservation and use of said lands by the public as a local public park and recreation ground and for the preservation of animal life thereon, for the preservation of order thereon, and for the purpose of securing favorable conditions of water flows therefrom, including the right to construct roads and trails thereon and a conduit or ditch for conveying water for the public-park uses existing law.

Provided further, That this Act shall not defeat or affect any lawful right which has already attached under the public land or mining laws: Provided further, That the Secretary of the Interior may, when in his judgment the public interest would be best served thereby, restore any of said lands to settlement, location, sale, or entry, subject to and with a reservation of the right of the United States or its permittees or licensees, upon payment only for damages to improvements made by said Board of Supervisors, to enter upon, occupy, and use any part or all of such land necessary, in the judgment of the Federal Power Commission, for the purposes of the Federal Water Power Act, which right shall be expressly reserved in every patent issued for such lands.

Approved, June 22, 1936.

[CHAPTER 702.]  
AN ACT  
To amend section 36 of the Emergency Farm Mortgage Act of 1933, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first two sentences of section 36 of the Emergency Farm Mortgage Act of 1933, as amended, are amended to read as follows:

"The Reconstruction Finance Corporation is authorized and empowered to make loans as hereinafter provided, in an aggregate amount not exceeding $125,000,000, including commitments and disbursements heretofore made, to or for the benefit of drainage districts, levee districts, levee and drainage districts, irrigation districts, and similar districts, mutual nonprofit companies and incorporated water-users' associations duly organized under the laws of
any State or Territory, and to or for the benefit of political subdivisions of States and Territories which have or propose to purchase or otherwise acquire projects or portions thereof devoted chiefly to the improvement of lands for agricultural purposes. Such loans shall be made for the purpose of enabling any such district, political subdivision, company, or association (hereafter referred to as the "borrower") to reduce and refinance its outstanding indebtedness incurred in connection with any such project; or, whether or not it has any such indebtedness, to purchase, acquire, construct, or complete such a project or any part thereof, or to purchase or acquire additional drainage, levee, or irrigation works, or property, rights, or appurtenances in connection therewith, and to repair, extend, or improve any such project or make such additions thereto as are consonant with or necessary or desirable for the proper functioning thereof or for the further assurance of the ability of the borrower to repay its loan: Provided, That the terms of this Act shall not permit additional or new land to be brought into production outside of the present boundaries of any established or reorganized irrigation district."

Sec. 2. Such section is further amended by striking out the sentence therein which reads as follows: "When any loan is authorized pursuant to the provisions of this section and it shall then or thereafter appear that repairs and necessary extensions or improvements to the project of such district, political subdivision, company, or association are necessary or desirable for the proper functioning of its project or for the further assurance of its ability to repay such loan, and if it shall also appear that such repairs and necessary extensions or improvements are not designed to bring new lands into production, the Corporation, within the limitation as to total amount provided in this section, may make an additional loan or loans to such district, political subdivision, company, or association for such purpose or purposes."

Approved, June 22, 1936.

[CHAPTER 703.] AN ACT

Authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to convey a right-of-way over certain lands situated in Solano County, California, to the State of California for State highway purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby granted to the State of California, under such terms and conditions as the Secretary of the Navy may prescribe, an easement of right-of-way for highway purposes only and for no other purposes, over a strip of land one hundred and fifty feet in width and lying and being seventy-five feet on either side of the center line of a certain privately operated toll road known as the Sears Point Toll Road, as said road is now laid out, used, and operated, and running from the Napa River in the county of Solano, State of California, to Sonoma Creek in said county and State.

Said grant is for the purpose of permitting the State of California to locate and maintain at its expense along the route hereinbefore mentioned a free public highway, which shall be a portion of the State highway system of the State of California: Provided, however, That upon abandonment of said highway by the State of California for the purposes aforesaid the easement granted to the said State of California under this Act shall cease and terminate.