

and distributed in per capita payments as authorized by section 2 of the Act of August 25, 1937, Public, Numbered 375, Seventy-fifth Congress.

50 Stat. 811.

The construction, maintenance, and operation of any airport on the land covered by said lease shall conform to such requirements as may be prescribed by the Civil Aeronautics Authority.

Approved, July 15, 1941.

[CHAPTER 302]

AN ACT

To authorize the construction of Coast Guard cutters necessary in the interest of national defense and for performance of Coast Guard duties, and for other purposes.

July 15, 1941
[H. R. 4887]
[Public Law 178]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in the interest of national defense, and to provide necessary facilities for the Coast Guard for the performance of its prescribed duties, the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to construct and equip thirteen Coast Guard cutters, three of which shall be especially designed for ice breaking in the Arctic regions.

Coast Guard.
Construction of cutters.

SEC. 2. The President is authorized and empowered, in the interest of the national defense, through the Commandant of the Coast Guard, to purchase, charter, requisition the use of, or the possession of, for the use of the Coast Guard in the training of Coast Guard cadets and merchant marine personnel, any foreign vessel designed as a merchant marine training ship, which is lying idle in waters within the jurisdiction of the United States: *Provided*, That the provisions of the Act of Congress approved June 6, 1941 (Public, Numbered 101, Seventy-seventh Congress), except the third and fourth provisos of section 1 thereof, applicable to foreign merchant vessels shall be applicable to any foreign vessel acquired under this section.

Acquisition of foreign vessel for training cadets.

Proviso.
Ante, p. 242.

SEC. 3. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such amount as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Appropriation authorized.

Approved, July 15, 1941.

[CHAPTER 303]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Making an additional appropriation for the Tennessee Valley Authority for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1942.

July 16, 1941
[H. J. Res. 194]
[Public Law 179]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of \$40,000,000 is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, as an additional amount for the Tennessee Valley Authority Fund, fiscal year 1942, for (1) beginning construction of two additional hydroelectric projects and two additional storage projects on the Hiwassee River and its tributaries, (2) installing additional electric generating units in existing hydroelectric projects owned by the Authority, and (3) building the transmission facilities needed to connect these projects and units to the existing transmission system of the Authority and to deliver the power produced by these projects and units to the market; such sum to be available for the objects and subject to the conditions specified under the caption "Tennessee Valley Authority" in the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1942.

Tennessee Valley Authority.
Additional appropriation, fiscal year 1942.
Purposes.

Ante, p. 118.

SEC. 2. The third proviso clause appearing under the head of Expediting Production in the Military Appropriation Act, 1942

Military Appropriation Act, 1942, amendment.

Ante, p. 366.

Contract obligations.
Public Law 422, 77th Congress.

(Public Law Numbered 139, Seventy-seventh Congress), and reading as follows: "Provided further, That no obligations shall be incurred for or on account of objects appropriated for under this head to the Military Establishment except in pursuance of specific appropriations." is hereby amended to read as follows: "Provided further, That with respect to the \$500,000,000 provided by this Act which is not for payments under the aforesaid contract authorizations, no obligations shall be incurred for or on account of the objects specified under this head except in pursuance of said specific appropriation."

Approved, July 16, 1941.

[CHAPTER 304]

AN ACT

Providing for the rank of officers ordered to perform special or unusual duty, and of commanders of special naval units afloat.

July 17, 1941
[H. R. 4823]
[Public Law 180]

Navy.
Officers performing special duty.

Number.

Rank, pay, etc.
Application of provisions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in addition to those officers who may be serving in the grade of vice admiral by virtue of the provisions of section 18 of the Act of May 22, 1917 (40 Stat. 89; U. S. C., title 34, sec. 212), naval officers, not to exceed a total of nine at any one time, designated by the President to perform special or unusual duty, or to command naval units afloat organized for the purpose of performing a special or unusual mission may, within the discretion of the President, have the rank, pay, and all allowances of a vice admiral while so serving. In time of war or national emergency the provisions of this Act shall be applicable only to officers on the active list of the rank or grade of captain and above. At all other times the said provisions shall apply only to officers of the rank or grade of rear admiral.

Approved, July 17, 1941.

[CHAPTER 305]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Requesting the President to proclaim February 11, 1942, as Edison Day, in commemoration of the birthday of Thomas Alva Edison.

July 17, 1941
[H. J. Res. 63]
[Public Law 181]

Thomas Alva Edison Day.
Proclamation authorized.
7 F. R. 685.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States is hereby authorized and requested to issue a proclamation designating February 11, 1942, as Thomas Alva Edison Day and calling upon officials of the Government to display the flag of the United States on all Government buildings on said date and inviting the people of the United States to observe the day in schools and churches, or other suitable places, with appropriate ceremonies.

Approved, July 17, 1941.

[CHAPTER 307]

AN ACT

To grant pension for disability or death resulting from service in the United States Coast Guard before July 2, 1930, and for other purposes.

July 18, 1941
[H. R. 1094]
[Public Law 182]

Coast Guard.
Extension of pension laws to.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of the laws administered by the Veterans' Administration granting pension and other benefits to veterans and their dependents are hereby extended to the officers and enlisted men of the United States Coast Guard and their dependents for disability resulting from personal injury or disease contracted in line of duty, or