SEC. 4. If any provision of this Act, or the application thereof to any person or circumstances, is held invalid, the remainder of this Act, and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected thereby.

Approved April 9, 1948.

[CHAPTER 181]
AN ACT

To authorize the Houston Council, Navy League of the United States, to construct a reflecting pool at the United States naval hospital, Houston, Texas.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized to permit the Houston Council, Navy League of the United States, to construct a reflecting pool on the grounds of the United States naval hospital, at Houston, Texas.

Sec. 2. The site of the reflecting pool and its design and construction shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Navy. The design and construction of the reflecting pool shall be without cost to the United States.

Sec. 3. Upon completion of the construction of the reflecting pool, the Secretary of the Navy is authorized to accept it as an unconditional gift to the United States from the Houston Council, Navy League of the United States.

Approved April 9, 1948.

[CHAPTER 183]
AN ACT

To authorize the States of Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Washington to lease their State lands for production of minerals, including leases for exploration for oil, gas, and other hydrocarbons and the extraction thereof, for such terms of years and on such conditions as may be from time to time provided by the legislatures of the respective States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the second paragraph of section 11 of the Act relating to the admission into the Union of the States of North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, and Washington, approved February 22, 1889, as amended, is amended to read as follows: "Except as otherwise provided herein, the said lands may be leased under such regulations as the legislature may prescribe. Leases for the production of minerals, including leases for exploration for oil, gas, and other hydrocarbons and the extraction thereof, shall be for such term of years and on such conditions as may be from time to time provided by the legislatures of the respective States; leases for grazing and agricultural purposes shall be for a term not longer than ten years; and leases for development of hydroelectric power shall be for a term not longer than fifty years."

Approved April 13, 1948.

[CHAPTER 185]
AN ACT

Authorizing an appropriation for the construction, extension, and improvement of a high-school building near Roosevelt, Utah, for the district embracing the east portion of Duchesne County and the west portion of Uintah County.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not
otherwise appropriated, the sum of $250,000 for the purpose of cooperating with the school districts in Utah comprising the east portion of Duchesne County and the west portion of Uintah County for the construction, extension, and improvement of a high-school building near Roosevelt, Utah: Provided, that the expenditure of any moneys appropriated hereunder shall be subject to the condition that the school authorities for the said school districts shall take any and all necessary steps, under the laws of the State of Utah, to provide any and all additional funds required to complete the construction, extension, and improvement of the said high-school building, and shall submit proof of compliance with this provision to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs: Provided further, that plans and specifications for the construction, extension, and improvement of the said high-school building shall be furnished by the local or State authorities, without cost to the United States, and submitted to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs for approval, before any moneys appropriated hereunder may be expended, and that upon compliance with this provision actual work shall proceed under the direction of such local or State officials: Provided further, that payment for work in place shall be made monthly on vouchers properly certified by local officials of the Indian Service to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, whose determination and approval of the proper amount chargeable to any appropriation made hereunder shall be final and sufficient for such payment thereof; and provided further, that the said high school so constructed, extended, and improved shall be maintained by the said school districts and shall be available to all the Indian children of the said districts on the same terms, as to other children of said school districts.

Approved April 15, 1948.

[CHAPTER 186]

AN ACT

Relating to the construction and disposition of the San Jacinto-San Vicente aqueduct.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Congress hereby (1) ratifies the action taken by various departments and agencies in the executive branch of the Government in planning for and proceeding with the construction of an aqueduct running from a connection with the Colorado River aqueduct of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California near the west portal of San Jacinto tunnel in Riverside County, California, to San Vicente Reservoir in San Diego County, California; (2) authorizes the completion of such aqueduct in accordance with existing Government plans for the completion thereof; and (3) ratifies the action of the Navy Department in disposing of the aqueduct to the city of San Diego, California, pursuant to contract NOy-13300 which provides, among other things, for the leasing of such aqueduct to such city.

Approved April 15, 1948.

[CHAPTER 187]

AN ACT

To provide additional time to the city of Newark, New Jersey, for paying certain installments on the purchase price of the Port Newark Army Base, 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 first section of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the sale of the Port Newark