to be held on January 20, 1949, but such use shall not continue after January 22, 1949. Authority granted by this joint resolution may be exercised notwithstanding the provisions of the Legislative, Executive, and Judicial Appropriation Act for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, approved April 28, 1902, prohibiting the use of public buildings in connection with inaugural ceremonies.

Approved June 1, 1948.

[CHAPTER 373]

AN ACT

To provide basic authority for certain functions and activities of the Weather Bureau, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That appropriations now or hereafter provided for the Weather Bureau shall be available for (a) furnishing food and shelter, without repayment therefor, to employees of the Government assigned to Arctic stations; (b) equipment and maintenance of meteorological offices and stations, and maintenance and operation of meteorological facilities outside the United States by contract or otherwise; (c) repairing, altering, and improving of buildings occupied by the Bureau, and care and preservation of grounds, including the construction of necessary outbuildings and sidewalks on public streets abutting Weather Bureau grounds; (d) arranging for communication services at rates to be fixed by the Secretary of Commerce by agreement with the companies performing the services when determined to be advantageous to the Government; and (e) purchasing tabulating cards and continuous form tabulating paper.

SEC. 2. When so specified in appropriation Acts, the Weather Bureau is authorized to maintain a printing office in the city of Washington for the printing of weather maps, bulletins, circulars, forms, and other publications: Provided, That no printing shall be done by the Weather Bureau which could be done at the Government Printing Office without impairing the service of said Bureau.

SEC. 3. The Weather Bureau is hereby authorized to (a) grant extra compensation to employees of other Government agencies for taking and transmitting meteorological observations, and (b) appoint employees for the conduct of meteorological investigations in the Arctic region without regard to the civil-service and classification laws and titles II and III of the Federal Employees Pay Act of 1945, both at base rates which shall not exceed such maximum rates as may be specified from time to time in the appropriation concerned.

SEC. 4. Subject to approval of the Bureau of the Budget, and without charge to the Weather Bureau, the Secretary of the Army, the Secretary of the Air Force, and the Secretary of the Navy are authorized to transfer to the Weather Bureau equipment and supplies which are surplus to the needs of their respective Departments and necessary for the establishment, maintenance, and operation of Arctic weather stations.

Approved June 2, 1948.

[CHAPTER 374]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To provide for the maintenance of public order and the protection of life and property in connection with the Presidential inaugural ceremonies of 1949.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That $37,100, or so much
thereof as may be necessary, payable in like manner as other appropriations for the expenses of the District of Columbia, is hereby authorized to be appropriated to enable the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to maintain public order and protect life and property in said District of Columbia from January 15 to January 26, 1949, both inclusive, including the employment of personal services, payment of allowances, traveling expenses, hire of means of transportation, cost of removing and relocating streetcar-loading platforms; for the construction, rent, maintenance, and expenses incident to the operation of temporary public comfort stations, first-aid stations, and information booths, during the period aforesaid, and other incidental expenses in the discretion of the Commissioners. Said Commissioners are hereby authorized and directed to make all reasonable regulations necessary to secure such preservation of public order and protection of life and property, and to make special regulations respecting the standing, movements, and operating of vehicles of whatever character or kind during said period; and to grant, under such conditions as they may impose, special licenses to peddlers and vendors to sell goods, wares, and merchandise on the streets, avenues, and sidewalks in the District of Columbia, and to charge for such privilege such fees as they may deem proper.

Sec. 2. Such regulations and licenses shall be in force one week prior to said inauguration, during said inauguration, and one week subsequent thereto, and shall be published in one or more of the daily newspapers published in the District of Columbia and in such other manner as the Commissioners may deem best to acquaint the public with the same; and no penalty prescribed for the violation of any such regulations shall be enforced until five days after such publication. Any person violating any of such regulations shall be liable for each such offense to a fine of not to exceed $100 in the municipal court for the District of Columbia, and in default of payment thereof to imprisonment in the workhouse of said District for not longer than sixty days.

Approved June 3, 1948.

[CHAPTER 375]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing the granting of permits to the Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies on the occasion of the inauguration of the President-elect in January 1949, and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Administrator of the Federal Works Agency, and such other officers of the District of Columbia and the United States as control any public lands in the District of Columbia, are hereby authorized to grant permits, under such restrictions as they may deem necessary, to the Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies to be appointed with the approval of the President-elect for the use of any reservations or other public spaces in the District of Columbia under their control on the occasion of the inauguration of the President-elect in January 1949: Provided, That in their opinion no serious or permanent injuries will be thereby inflicted upon such reservations or public spaces or statuary thereon; and the Commissioners of the District of Columbia may designate for such and other purposes, on the occasion aforesaid, such streets, avenues, and sidewalks in said District of Columbia under their control as they may deem proper and necessary: Provided, however, That all stands or platforms that may be erected on the public space, as aforesaid, including such as may be erected in connection with the