within the term of any such lease the cost of such structure or structures. Every such lease shall be entered into upon such terms and conditions as the Commissioners shall impose including, but not limited to, requirements that such structure or structures shall conform with plans and specifications approved by the Commissioners, that such structure or structures shall become the property of the District upon termination or expiration of any such lease; that the lessees shall furnish security in the form of a penal bond or otherwise to guarantee fulfillment of his or its obligations, and any other requirement which, in the judgment of the Commissioners, shall be related to the accomplishment of the purposes of this Act.”

Approved June 19, 1948.

[CHAPTER 560]

AN ACT

To aid in the development of improved prosthetic appliances, and for other

purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is authorized to be appropriated annually to the Veterans' Administration and to remain available until expended the sum of $1,000,000 to be expended, in accordance with laws now or hereafter applicable to the Veterans' Administration, for prosthetic research, including all forms of prosthetic and orthopedic appliances and sensory devices.

SEC. 2. In carrying out the research program authorized by this Act the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs is authorized to make available the results of his investigations to private or public institutions or agencies and to individuals in order that the unique investigative materials and research data in the possession of the Government may result in improved prosthetic appliances for all disabled persons.

Approved June 19, 1948.

[CHAPTER 589]

AN ACT

To confer jurisdiction upon the District Court of the United States for the Middle District of Georgia to hear, determine, and render judgment on the claims of the owners of the fee-simple titles and leasehold interests in lands leased to the United States by the city of Macon, Georgia, for use as a part of the site of Camp Wheeler, Georgia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That jurisdiction is hereby conferred upon the District Court of the United States for the Middle District of Georgia to hear, determine, and render monetary judgment upon the several claims (1) of the city of Macon with respect to lands owned by the city and leased by the said city to the United States for use by the Army as a part of the site of Camp Wheeler, Georgia, for damages for the breach, if any, of its leases to the United States and (2) of the owners in fee simple and the owners of leasehold interests, except the city of Macon, in and to lands leased by them to the city of Macon, Georgia, and subleased by the city to the United States for such use. In the determination of the claims of the owners of the fee-simple titles and of leasehold interests in lands leased by them to the city of Macon and subleased by said city to the United States, the damages allowed, if any, shall be limited to the amounts to which such owners would have been entitled under the terms and provisions of their leases to the city of Macon: Provided, That claims of fee owners and leasehold owners, excepting the city of Macon, relating to the same property shall be joined in one action and the
amount of damages allowed, if any, shall not exceed the amount that could have been recovered had all the interests in such property been vested in one party. The claims of the city of Macon with respect to lands owned by it shall be determined under the terms and provisions of its leases of such lands to the United States. This Act shall be construed to waive the lack of privity of contract between the United States and the said fee owners or between the United States and the said leasehold owners; to waive the requirement of such leases to the city of Macon by the lessors to the city in order for claims of restoration to be asserted, and to waive the immunity from suit of the United States in favor of the parties and with respect to the claims described in this Act, but not otherwise to affect any rights of the parties.

Sec. 2. Proceedings for the determination of these claims shall be had in the same manner as in cases against the United States of which the district courts of the United States have jurisdiction under the provisions of paragraph "Twentieth" of section 24 of the Judicial Code, as amended, but the monetary limit which is applicable in such cases shall not be applicable in the determination of these claims: Provided, That all suits hereunder shall be instituted within one year after the enactment of this Act.

Approved June 19, 1948.

[CHAPTER 590]
AN ACT
To provide for the issuance of a special postage stamp in commemoration of the dedication of the Palomar Mountain Observatory.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in commemoration of the dedication of the Palomar Mountain Observatory, San Diego County, California, the Postmaster General is authorized and directed to issue a special postage stamp of such denomination and design and for such period beginning not later than September 1, 1948, as he may determine.

Approved June 21, 1948.

[CHAPTER 591]
AN ACT
To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain lands in the State of Montana to School District 55, Roosevelt County, Montana.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed to convey with the consent of the executive board of the Fort Peck Tribe by quitclaim deed to School District 55, Roosevelt County, Montana, the following-described lands located in Brockton, Roosevelt County, Montana: Lots 3 through 14 of block 16; lots 1 through 4 of block 9; and lots 13 through 16 of block 9.

Sec. 2. The lands authorized to be conveyed by this Act shall be used by the grantee for school purposes, including the use as a site for housing furnished to Indian families during the school term. The conveyance of such lands shall contain the express condition that if the grantee shall fail or cease to use such lands for such purposes, or shall alienate or attempt to alienate such lands, title thereto shall revert to the United States, in trust for the Fort Peck Tribe.

Approved June 21, 1948.