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of a bawdy or disorderly house, and any person convicted of such an offense shall be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars or imprisonment not exceeding one year, or both. Punishment for.

SEC. 2. That said police court shall also have concurrent jurisdiction with said supreme court of threats to do bodily harm, and any person convicted of such offense shall be required to give bond to keep the peace for a period not exceeding six months, and in default of bond may be sentenced to imprisonment not exceeding six months. Threats to do bodily harm. Punishment for.

Approved, July 16, 1912.

CHAP. 236.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of War to pay a cash reward for suggestions submitted by employees of certain establishments of the Ordnance Department for improvement or economy in manufacturing processes or plant.

July 17, 1912.
[H. R. 17937.]
[Public, No. 227.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized to offer periodically at such of the establishments of the Ordnance Department as he may select a cash reward for the suggestion, or series of suggestions, for an improvement or economy in manufacturing processes or plant, submitted within the period by one or more employees of the establishment which shall be deemed the most valuable of those submitted and adopted for use: *Provided*, That to obtain this reward the winning suggestion must be one that will clearly effect a material economy in production or increase efficiency or enhance the quality of the product in comparison with its cost and in the opinion of the Secretary shall be so worthy as to entitle the employee making the same to receive the reward: *Provided further*, That the sums awarded to employees in accordance with this Act shall be paid them in addition to their usual compensation and shall constitute part of the general or shop expense of the establishment: *Provided further*, That the total amount paid under the provisions of this Act shall not exceed one thousand dollars for any one month: *And provided further*, That no employee shall be paid a reward under this Act until he has properly executed an agreement to the effect that the use by the United States of the suggestion, or series of suggestions, made by him shall not form the basis of a further claim of any nature upon the United States by him, his heirs, or assigns, and that application for patent has not been made for the invention.

Army. Ordnance Department employees offered rewards for suggestions of improvements, etc.

Provisos. Conditions.

Payments from shop expense.

Limit.

Release, etc., required.

Approved, July 17, 1912.

CHAP. 237.—An Act To provide American registry for the steamer Damara.

July 17, 1912.
[S. 7015.]
[Public, No. 228.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of Navigation is hereby authorized and directed to cause the steamer Damara, rebuilt at San Francisco, California, from the wreck of the British steamer Damara, wrecked in the harbor of San Francisco and abandoned by her owners as a total wreck, to be registered as a vessel of the United States, whenever it shall be shown to the Commissioner of Navigation that the cost of rebuilding said vessel in the United States amounted to three times the actual cost of said wreck and that the vessel is wholly owned by citizens of the United States

"Damara," steamer. American register granted to.

Conditions.

Approved, July 17, 1912.