

The withdrawal made by this proclamation shall, as to all lands embraced in any valid application or entry pending at the date of the approval of the aforesaid Act, or reservation for any public purpose, be subject to, and shall not interfere with or defeat legal rights under such application or entry, nor prevent the use for such public purpose of lands so reserved, so long as such claims are legally maintained or such reservation remains in force. Prior rights, etc., not affected.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington this fifteenth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-
[SEAL.] two, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and forty-sixth.

WARREN G. HARDING

By the President:

CHARLES E. HUGHES

Secretary of State.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

May 18, 1922.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, An act of Congress entitled the "Merchant Marine Act of 1920", approved June 5, 1921, contains the following provisions:

Virgin Islands.
Preamble.

"SEC. 21. That from and after February 1, 1922, the coastwise laws of the United States shall extend to the island territories and possessions of the United States not now covered thereby, and the board is directed prior to the expiration of such year to have established adequate steamship service at reasonable rates to accommodate the commerce and the passenger travel of said islands and to maintain and operate such service until it can be taken over and operated and maintained upon satisfactory terms by private capital and enterprise: *Provided*, That if adequate shipping service is not established by February 1, 1922, the President shall extend the period herein allowed for the establishment of such service in the case of any island territory or possession for such time as may be necessary for the establishment of adequate shipping facilities therefor: *Provided further*, That until Congress shall have authorized the registry as vessels of the United States of vessels owned in the Philippine Islands, the government of the Philippine Islands is hereby authorized to adopt, from time to time, and enforce regulations governing the transportation of merchandise and passengers between ports or places in the Philippine Archipelago: *And provided further*, That the foregoing provisions of this section shall not take effect with reference to the Philippine Islands until the President of the United States after a full investigation of the local needs and conditions shall, by proclamation, declare that an adequate shipping service has been established as herein provided and fix a date for the going into effect of the same."

Statutory provisions.
Vol. 41, p. 997.

AND WHEREAS, an adequate shipping service to accommodate the commerce and passenger travel of the Virgin Islands has not been established as provided by Section 21 of the "Merchant Marine Act of 1920":

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NOW, THEREFORE, I, Warren G. Harding, President of the United States of America, acting under and by virtue of the authority conferred on me by Section 21 of said act of Congress, having issued a proclamation on February 1, 1922, declaring that the period for the establishment of adequate shipping service of the aforesaid Virgin

Time for establishing shipping service to, extended to November 1, 1922.
Ante, p. 2261.
Post, p. 2287.

Islands be extended from February 1, 1922 to May 1, 1922, and that the extension of the coastwise laws of the United States to the aforesaid Virgin Islands be deferred from February 1, 1922 to May 1, 1922, do hereby declare and proclaim that the period for the establishment of adequate shipping service of the aforesaid Virgin Islands be further extended from May 1, 1922 to November 1, 1922.

Coastwise laws deferred to November 1, 1922.

Ante, p. 2261.
Post, p. 2287.

AND INASMUCH as the extension of the coastwise laws of the United States to the aforesaid Virgin Islands, as provided in Section 21 of the aforesaid act, is dependent upon the establishment of an adequate shipping service to such island possessions, I do hereby further proclaim and declare that the extension of the coastwise laws of the United States to the Virgin Islands is deferred from May 1, 1922 to November 1, 1922.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this eighteenth day of May in the year of our Lord, One thousand nine hundred and [SEAL.] twenty-two, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and forty-sixth.

WARREN G. HARDING

By the President:

CHARLES E. HUGHES
Secretary of State.

May 25, 1922.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

A PROCLAMATION.

Hawaii.
Preamble.
Vol. 31, p. 159.

Vol. 36, p. 447.

Vol. 30, p. 750.

WHEREAS, section ninety-one of the Act of Congress approved April thirtieth, nineteen hundred, entitled "An Act to provide a government for the Territory of Hawaii" (31 Stat., 141-159), as amended by section seven of the Act approved May twenty-seventh, nineteen hundred and ten (36 Stat., 443, 447), authorizes the transfer of the title to certain public property ceded and transferred to the United States by the Republic of Hawaii under the joint resolution of annexation, approved July seventh, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight (30 Stat., 750), and in the possession and use of the Territory of Hawaii, to said Territory; and

WHEREAS, on the twentieth day of May, nineteen hundred and four, G. R. Carter, Governor of Hawaii, acting pursuant to the authority contained in section ninety-one of the Act of April thirtieth, nineteen hundred, issued a proclamation setting aside certain lands therein described constituting a part of the old Honolulu Post Office site, the buildings thereon and the furniture and fixtures therein contained, "for the uses and purposes of the United States"; and

WHEREAS, the lands and buildings, etc., described in said proclamation are no longer needed for the uses and purposes of the United States, and

WHEREAS, such lands and buildings, etc., are desired by the Government of the Territory of Hawaii to be used to properly house its departments and may be advantageously used for such purpose by the people of the Territory of Hawaii,

Title of old Honolulu post office site, etc., transferred to the Territory.

Now, therefore, I, WARREN G. HARDING, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the power vested in me by section seven of the Act of Congress approved May twenty-seventh, nineteen hundred and ten (36 Stat., 443, 447), do hereby transfer to the Territory of Hawaii the title to the lands and buildings thereon and fixtures therein contained, referred to in the proclamation of the