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[S. 1174.]
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CHAP. 289.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to investigate and report to Congress the facts in regard to the claims of certain members of the Sioux Nation of Indians for damages occasioned by the destruction of their horses.

Sioux Indians, S. Dak.
Claims of, for horses killed by Government employees, to be investigated and reported to Congress.

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 be, and he is hereby, authorized to investigate, and report to Congress the facts in regard to the claims of members of the Sioux Nation of Indians residing in the State of South Dakota for horses killed on the Cheyenne River Indian Reservation in the years 1895, 1896, and 1897, which horses are alleged to have been erroneously suspected of being infected with glanders, and killed by, or by order of, employees of the United States Government, and for which no compensation has been paid: *Provided*, That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to determine what attorney or attorneys have actually rendered services of value to any of the Indians who may be found to be entitled to reimbursement in accordance with the provisions of this Act and what compensation such attorney or attorneys may be entitled to receive therefor on a basis of quantum meruit and report the amounts so ascertained and determined to be due the various claimants and attorneys to Congress not later than December 3, 1924.

Proviso.
Determination of allowance for services of attorneys.

Approved, June 7, 1924.

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[H. R. 3104.]
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CHAP. 290.—An Act Granting one hundred and sixty acres of land to the Western State College of Colorado at Gunnison, Colorado, for the use of the Rocky Mountain biological station of said college.

Public lands.
Granted to Western State College of Colorado, for use as biological station.

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 hereby authorized and directed to convey to the board of trustees of the Western State College of Colorado at Gunnison, Colorado, subject to the provisions and reservations of section 24 of the Federal Water Power Act, and with a reservation to the United States of all the coal and other minerals in the lands granted, together with the right of the United States, its grantees or permittees, to prospect for, mine, and remove the same, the following described land, to wit, the south half of the southwest quarter of section 14 and the west half of the northwest quarter of section 23, all in township 51 north, range 1 east, New Mexico meridian, consisting of one hundred and sixty acres, more or less, for use of the Rocky Mountain biological station of the said college: *Provided*, That the lands hereby granted shall be used by the State only for the purpose of a biological station, and if the said land or any part thereof shall be abandoned for such use, said land or such part shall revert to the United States; and the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and empowered to declare such a forfeiture of the grant and to restore said premises to the public domain, if at any time he shall determine that the State has abandoned the land for the use of a biological station, and such order of the Secretary shall be final and conclusive, and thereupon and thereby said premises shall be restored to the public domain and freed from the operation of the grant aforesaid.

All mineral rights reserved.

Location.

Proviso.
Reversion if abandoned as biological station.

Approved, June 7, 1924.

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[H. R. 7877.]
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CHAP. 291.—An Act Making appropriations for the military and nonmilitary activities of the War Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1925, and for other purposes.

War Department appropriations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following