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conferring with attorneys, presenting claims, appearing before committees of Congress, and attending to other tribal matters of such Indians.

Approved, May 10, 1926.

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May 11, 1926.
[H. R. 9511.]
[Public, No. 212.]

**CHAP. 284.**—An Act Authorizing the Postmaster General to remit or change deductions or fines imposed upon contractors for mail service.

Postal Service.
R. S., sec. 3962, p. 768, amended.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That section 266 of the Act of June 8, 1872, chapter 335 (Seventeenth Statutes, page 315), Revised Statutes 3962, is amended to read as follows: The Postmaster General may make deductions from the pay of contractors for failure to perform service according to contract and impose fines upon them for other delinquencies, which deductions or fines may be changed or remitted, in his discretion. He may deduct the price of the trip in all cases where the trip is not performed and not exceeding three times the price if the failure be occasioned by the fault of the contractor or carrier.

Mail contractors.
Deductions from pay for failure to perform service may be remitted.

Deductions if trip not performed.

Approved, May 11, 1926.

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May 11, 1926.
[S. 1484.]
[Public, No. 213.]

**CHAP. 285.**—An Act To amend section 1, Act of March 4, 1909 (Sundry Civil Act), so as to make the Chief of Finance of the Army a member of the Board of Commissioners of the United States Soldiers' Home.

United States Soldiers' Home.
Vol. 35, p. 1004, amended.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That section 1, Act of March 4, 1909 (Thirty-fifth Statutes at Large, page 1004), making appropriations for sundry civil expenses, be amended to read as follows:

Board of Commissioners.
Composition of.

"*Provided*, That hereafter the Board of Commissioners of the United States Soldiers' Home shall consist of the following-named officers of the Army: The Surgeon General, The Adjutant General, the Quartermaster General, the Chief of Engineers, the Judge Advocate General, the Chief of Finance, and the governor of the home; and the president of said board, who shall be the senior in rank of the members thereof, shall submit annually to the Secretary of War, for transmission to Congress, a full statement of the financial and other affairs of the home for the preceding fiscal year."

Chief of Finance added.
President of board, etc.

Approved, May 11, 1926.

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May 11, 1926.
[H. R. 8264.]
[Public, No. 214.]

**CHAP. 286.**—An Act Making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1927, and for other purposes.

Department of Agriculture appropriations.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1927, namely:

## OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Secretary's Office.

### SALARIES

Secretary, Assistant, office personnel, extra labor, etc.

For Secretary of Agriculture, $15,000; Assistant Secretary and other personal services in the District of Columbia, including $7,294 for extra labor and emergency employments, in accordance with the