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secondary Federal-aid highways which he finds, after investigation, have been damaged or destroyed by the recent seismic waves in the Territory of Hawaii: *Provided*, That in the case of war damage the Territory of Hawaii shall match the funds authorized to be appropriated by this section to the extent that may be required by the Commissioner of Public Roads, and that in all other cases the Territory shall make a contribution equal to that of the Federal Government: *Provided further*, That no part of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this section shall be expended for any abandoned railroad right-of-way or part thereof that may be used in the restoration or reconstruction of any such road, highway, or bridge, or for any construction features on any such abandoned railroad right-of-way that may be used for or be incorporated in such restoration or reconstruction work: *And provided further*, That the sum herein authorized to be appropriated by this section shall constitute full and complete provision for the relief of the Territory of Hawaii for all damages that may have been caused to roads, highways, and bridges therein by the Army or the Navy or their contractors in connection with prosecution of the war or the national defense or caused by the recent seismic waves and no further claims on account of damage from such causes shall be made by said Territory or its subdivisions.

Matching of funds.

Abandoned railroad right-of-way.

Full relief for damages.

SEC. 3. For the purpose of facilitating the rebuilding or repair of private homes, stores, or other structures damaged or destroyed by said seismic waves, the Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter called the "Secretary") is authorized to make loans to persons in the Territory of Hawaii in such amounts and upon such terms as the Secretary shall by regulation prescribe, including an agreement by the borrower to use the loan for the purpose herein prescribed; except that no such loan shall be made for a period of more than twenty years or in an amount in excess of $25,000 to any one borrower. The rate of interest upon each such loan shall be 3 per centum per annum, except that the Secretary may, in his discretion, defer the payment of interest upon any such loan for such a period not to exceed three years. All such loans shall be made, administered, and collected by the Secretary in such manner and through such agencies as he shall designate. For carrying out the purpose of this section there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of $5,000,000, to be immediately available, and remain available until expended, of which not to exceed $25,000 shall be available annually for the payment of administrative expenses. All moneys received during a period of five years from the date of approval of this Act as repayment of any loan or interest on any loan made under the provisions of this section shall constitute a revolving fund from which loans may be made for the purpose and upon the terms herein provided, and all moneys received after said five-year period as payments of interest and principal on loans made under this section shall be covered into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

Loans for repair of homes, etc.

Interest.

Appropriation authorized.

Administrative expenses.

Revolving fund.

Approved August 8, 1946.

[CHAPTER 915]

AN ACT

August 8, 1946
[H. R. 7020]
[Public Law 695]

To provide for the acquisition by exchange of non-Federal property within the Glacier National Park.

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 to accept title to any non-Federal lands, interests in lands, buildings, or other property, real or personal, within the authorized boundaries of the Glacier National Park, as

Glacier National Park.
Exchange of property.

now or hereafter established, when the acquisition by exchange of such property would, in his judgment, be in the best interests of the United States. In exchange for the non-Federal property so to be acquired, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to convey to the grantors of such property, or to their nominees, any federally owned lands, interests in lands, buildings, or other property, real or personal, within the authorized boundaries of the Glacier National Park, located in the State of Montana and administered by the National Park Service, which are of approximately equal value, as determined by the Secretary, to the property being acquired. In order to facilitate the making of such exchanges, the Secretary of the Interior may enter into agreements for the reservation in conveyances to the United States, or for the grant in conveyances from the United States, of such estates for years, life estates, or other interests as may be consistent, in his judgment, with the accomplishment of the purposes of this Act, but all such limitations shall be considered in determining the equality of the interests to be exchanged.

Agreements.

SEC. 2. Any property acquired pursuant to this Act shall, upon acceptance of title thereto, become a part of the Glacier National Park, and shall be subject to all laws applicable to such area. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to issue such regulations as he deems necessary for carrying out the purposes of this Act.

Regulations.

Approved August 8, 1946.

[CHAPTER 916]

August 8, 1946
[S. 1236]
[Public Law 696]

AN ACT

To amend the Mineral Leasing Act of February 25, 1920, as amended, in order to promote the development of oil and gas on the public domain, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 of the Act of February 25, 1920 (41 Stat. 437; 30 U. S. C., sec. 181 and the following), as amended be amended to read as follows:

Mineral Lands Leasing Act, amendments.

"That deposits of coal, phosphate, sodium, potassium, oil, oil shale, or gas, and lands containing such deposits owned by the United States, including those in national forests, but excluding lands acquired under the Act known as the Appalachian Forest Act, approved March 1, 1911 (36 Stat. 961), and those in incorporated cities, towns, and villages and in national parks and monuments, those acquired under other Acts subsequent to February 25, 1920, and lands within the naval petroleum and oil-shale reserves, except as hereinafter provided, shall be subject to disposition in the form and manner provided by this Act to citizens of the United States, or to associations of such citizens, or to any corporation organized under the laws of the United States, or of any State or Territory thereof, or in the case of coal, oil, oil shale, or gas, to municipalities. Citizens of another country, the laws, customs, or regulations of which deny similar or like privileges to citizens or corporations of this country, shall not by stock ownership, stock holding, or stock control, own any interest in any lease acquired under the provisions of this Act.

Disposition of deposits to U. S. citizens, etc.

16 U. S. C. §§ 480, 500, 513-519, 521, 552, 563; Supp. V, § 500.

Citizens of another country.

Helium.

"The United States reserves the ownership of and the right to extract helium from all gas produced from lands leased or otherwise granted under the provisions of this Act, under such rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior: *Provided further*, That in the extraction of helium from gas produced from such lands it shall be so extracted as to cause no substantial

Extraction from gas.