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[CHAPTER 701]

AN ACT

For the relief of Franco-Italian Packing Company.

August 11, 1950
[H. R. 1293]
[Private Law 808]

Franco-Italian Packing Co.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding the statute of limitations, jurisdiction is hereby conferred upon the United States Court of Claims to hear, determine, and render judgment upon the claim of the Franco-Italian Packing Company, ((1) on the question of liability of the Government and (2) on the question of the amount of the recovery), for losses sustained as the result of the seizure in December 1941 by the United States Navy of two fishing boats owned by such company, which at the time of the seizure were engaged in fishing for tuna off the Pacific coast of Costa Rica: *Provided*, That the passage of this Act shall not be construed as an inference of liability on the part of the United States: *And provided further*, That any action instituted hereunder shall be filed within one year after the date of approval of this Act.

Approved August 11, 1950.

[CHAPTER 702]

AN ACT

To authorize and direct the Secretary of the Interior to execute an oil and gas lease on a certain tract of land in Park County, Wyoming.

August 12, 1950
[H. R. 7916]
[Private Law 809]

Oil and gas lease, Park County, Wyo.

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 and directed to issue an oil and gas lease, as herein provided, covering lot 1 and the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 23, township 58 north, range 100 west, sixth principal meridian, Wyoming, comprising fifty-nine and thirty-nine one-hundredths acres, more or less. The lease shall be issued to the operator who has been in continuous possession of the land described since prior to February 25, 1920, under an oil and gas lease issued by all the persons who located the land as an oil placer mining claim on October 15, 1915, and shall be held by said operator for itself and the said locators and their successors, as their interests may appear.

SEC. 2. The lease shall be dated May 1, 1946, shall be in the form provided by section 17 of the Act of February 25, 1920, as amended by the Act of August 8, 1946 (60 Stat. 951 and 43 CFR, 1946, Supp., 192.54), and shall provide for the payment of royalty at the rates regularly prescribed for competitive leases issued under section 17 of said Act, as amended, in amount or value of oil and gas removed or sold from nonunitized horizons or zones or removed or sold from or allocated to the lease under the provisions of the Elk Basin Unit Agreement, approved by the Secretary of the Interior on May 29, 1946.

30 U. S. C. § 226.
43 CFR 192.54.

SEC. 3. The lease shall not be issued unless and until, within six months from the effective date of this Act—

(1) an application for the lease is filed by the operator to whom the lease is to be issued;

(2) the applicant pays to the United States as royalty an amount at the rates provided in the lease to be issued on all oil and gas produced and saved prior to May 1, 1946, from the land to be leased;

(3) the applicant, together with all persons or their successors in interest having a contract or lease with the applicant under