appurtenant facilities, known as a portion of former Walsh-Kaiser Shipyard, and located at Providence, Rhode Island.

SEC. 2. The Administrator of General Services is authorized to accept on behalf of the United States of America, at a cost not exceeding $1, the conveyance by the Port of Portland, Oregon, of a building known as the Child Care Center Building and located on land leased from the Port of Portland, at Portland, Oregon, and to transfer without reimbursement the custody and control over such building to the Department of the Navy.

SEC. 3. The Administrator of General Services is authorized to convey, without cost and on behalf of Reconstruction Finance Corporation, to the United States of America, one and eighteen one-hundredths acres of land, known as the remaining portion of the former Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Plant, Plancor 1644, located at Allentown, Pennsylvania, and to transfer custody and control thereof to the Department of the Navy without reimbursement.

SEC. 4. The transfers and acceptance of conveyances authorized by sections 1, 2, and 3 hereof shall not include any inventories of raw material or work in progress.

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Public Law 340 CHAPTER 267

AN ACT

May 13, 1952
[H. R. 4764]

Granting the consent and approval of Congress to the participation of certain Provinces of the Dominion of Canada in the Northeastern Interstate Forest Fire Protection Compact, and for other purposes.

Canada.
Forest Fire Protection Compact.
Consent of Congress.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent and approval of Congress is hereby given to the participation in the Northeastern Interstate Forest Fire Protection Compact in the manner provided in, and as a party to, such compact of any Province of the Dominion of Canada which is contiguous to any State which is a party to such compact, heretofore approved by the Act entitled "An Act granting the consent and approval of Congress to an interstate forest fire protection compact", approved June 25, 1949 (63 Stat. 271).

SEC. 2. In order to assist in carrying out the terms of such compact, and notwithstanding any other provisions of law—

(a) the Secretary of the Treasury, after consultation with other appropriate Federal departments and agencies, may prescribe such procedures as he shall deem necessary for the purposes of such compact for the entry to the United States of articles of any kind. He may also prescribe regulations which permit, for such purposes, the return to United States customs territory of any articles temporarily exported, and the importation for temporary storage or use of any other articles, without entry and without the payment of any duty or tax imposed upon or by reason of importation;

(b) the head of any Federal agency, other than the Treasury Department, exercising by law any authority with respect to imports or exports of any kind, may make such special rules and regulations relating to the exercise of such authority as he shall deem necessary for the purposes of such compact; and

(c) the Attorney General, in the case of the immigration laws, and the Surgeon General of the Public Health Service with the approval of the Federal Security Administrator in the case of the

public health laws, may make such special rules and regulations as they shall deem necessary for the temporary entry of persons to the United States for the purposes of such compact.

SEC. 3. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is expressly reserved.

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Public Law 341 CHAPTER 268

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[H. R. 5652]

AN ACT

To authorize the construction of a dam and dike to prevent the flow of tidal waters into North Slough, Coos County, Oregon.

Oregon.
Dam and dike.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That authority is hereby granted to the State of Oregon, acting through its highway department, to construct, maintain, and operate, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, a dam and dike for preventing the flow of tidal waters into North Slough in Coos County, in township 24 south, range 13 west, Willamette meridian.

SEC. 2. Work shall not be commenced on such dam and dike until the plans therefor, including plans for all accessory works, are submitted to and approved by the Chief of Engineers and the Secretary of the Army, who may impose such conditions and stipulations as they deem necessary for the protection of the United States.

SEC. 3. The authority granted by this Act shall terminate if the actual construction of the dam and dike hereby authorized is not commenced within one year and completed within three years from the date of the passage of this Act. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

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Public Law 342 CHAPTER 289

May 15, 1952
[S. 1365]

AN ACT

To assist Federal prisoners in their rehabilitation.

Title 18, U.S. Code, amendment.
62 Stat. 856.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That chapter 315 of title 18 of the United States Code is amended by adding the following new section:

"§ 4284. Advances for rehabilitation.

"(a) The Attorney General, under such regulations as he prescribes, acting for himself or through such officers and employees as he designates, may use so much of the trust funds designated as 'Commissary Funds, Federal Prisons' (31 U. S. C. 725s (22)), as may be surplus to other needs of the trust, to provide advances to prisoners at the time of their release, as an aid to their rehabilitation.

48 Stat. 1234.

"(b) An advance made hereunder shall in no instance exceed $150 except with the specific approval of the Attorney General, and shall in every case be secured by the personal note of the prisoner conditioned to make repayment monthly when employed, or otherwise possessed of funds, with interest at a rate not to exceed 6 per centum per annum and subject to an agreement on the part of the prisoner that the funds so advanced shall be expended only for the purposes designated in the loan agreement. Repayments of principal and