

January 30, 1903.

[Public, No. 41.]

**CHAP. 338.**—An Act To amend an Act approved March second, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to public printing.

Congressional Record.

Congressional allotment increased.  
Vol. 28, p. 617.

Copies to Department of Labor and Civil Service Commission.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the first and tenth paragraphs of the printing Act of January twelfth, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, following the paragraph which reads "The Public Printer shall furnish the Congressional Record as follows and shall furnish gratuitously no others in addition thereto" be amended by striking out of said first paragraph the words "forty-four" between the word "Senator" and "copies" in the first line and insert in lieu thereof the words "eighty-eight"; and by striking out the word "thirty" between the words "Delegate" and "copies" in the fourth line of said first paragraph and insert in lieu thereof the word "sixty"; and by inserting in the ninth line of said first paragraph after the word "copies" and before the word "to" the following: "and to the Clerk for the use of members of the House of Representatives fifty copies, and to the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, for the use of the Senate, twenty copies." And amend said tenth paragraph by inserting in the third line thereof between the words "Museum" and "one" the words, "the Department of Labor and Civil Service Commission" and further amend said tenth paragraph by striking out in the second line the word "and" between the words "Institution" and "the."

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**CHAP. 339.**—An Act To divest out of the United States all its right, title, and interest of, in, and to certain real estate situated at and near the city of Montgomery, State of Alabama, and to vest the same in The Southern Cotton Oil Company, Bessie R. Maulsby, James S. Pinckard, trustee, M. V. B. Chase, and Edwin Ferris.

Preamble.

Whereas numerous suits have been brought in the circuit court of the United States for the middle district of Alabama, and elsewhere, by the United States against Eugene Beebe and Ferrie Henshaw, sureties upon the bond of Francis Widmer, a defaulting collector of internal revenue for the second district of Alabama, and against Eugene Beebe, also a surety on the bonds of Charles W. Dustan, a defaulting postmaster at Demopolis, Alabama, and Charles H. Davis, a defaulting postmaster at Union Springs, Alabama, and

Whereas in the course of said suits judgments were recovered by the United States against said Beebe and Henshaw, and certain real estate hereinafter mentioned and alleged to belong to them was seized and taken in execution in satisfaction of said judgments, and sold and purchased by the United States at marshal's sale, and subsequently conveyed by marshal's deed to the United States, and

Whereas various suits at law and in equity and in ejectment were subsequently brought against said Beebe and Henshaw, their heirs, executors, administrators, or grantees, to enforce the title of the United States to the real estate so purchased, and to secure possession thereof, and an accounting for the rentals thereof, many of which suits are still pending, and

Whereas said Beebe and Henshaw are now deceased, and a proposition has been made by the parties in interest hereinafter mentioned to pay to the United States the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars in compromise and settlement of said claims, and to end the litigation resulting therefrom, upon condition that the United States would release, relinquish, and convey unto proponents all the right, title, and interest in said real estate owned, acquired, or claimed by the United States, and said sum of twenty-five thousand dollars has been

deposited with the Secretary of the Treasury, as required by law, to abide action upon said proposition, and

Whereas the Secretary of the Treasury has approved said proposition of compromise and settlement for the amount tendered as aforesaid, but is without authority to carry the same into effect by a conveyance to said parties of the interest of the United States in said real estate: Therefore,

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That all the right, title, and interest of the United States of, in, and to all that certain tract of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, commencing at a point three thousand nine hundred and sixty feet, more or less, north of the east and west line between sections one and twelve, township sixteen north, range seventeen east, and six hundred and five and three-tenths feet, more or less, west of a point in the center of the Western Railway track, where it is crossed by the public road, which is a continuation of Court street, Montgomery, on the road or street leading from the Western Railway track into the "fair" or "exposition" grounds, on the land of the Montgomery Land and Improvement Company, and running along and on said road or street west one thousand nine hundred and eighty feet; thence turning an angle of seventy-nine degrees fourteen minutes to the right, or north, three hundred and sixty-one feet; thence seventeen degrees four minutes to the right nine hundred and sixty-three feet; thence five degrees twenty-three minutes to the left one thousand three hundred and forty feet to a point near the east and west line between the north and south halves of the southeast quarter of section thirty-six, township seventeen north, range seventeen east; thence at a right angle east one thousand three hundred and thirty feet, more or less; thence south one thousand three hundred and eighteen feet; thence east along the line between said section thirty-six and said section one nine hundred and fifty feet; thence in a southerly direction one thousand three hundred and thirty feet, more or less, to the place of beginning, containing about one hundred acres, more or less, being the same premises heretofore known as "The Montgomery Race Track," and which was inclosed by a fence, said lands lying and being situated in the northeast quarter of section one, township sixteen north, range seventeen east, and in the southeast quarter of section thirty-six, township seventeen north, range seventeen east, all near the city of Montgomery, in the county of Montgomery and State of Alabama, excepting the lot heretofore sold by the Montgomery Land and Improvement Company to I. L. Watkins, trustee, and now claimed by James S. Pinckard, trustee, set forth and described in the next succeeding section of this bill, be, and the same is hereby, divested out of the United States and vested in the Southern Cotton Oil Company.

SEC. 2. That all the right, title, and interest of the United States of, in, and to all that certain tract of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, lying, being, and situate in the county of Montgomery, State of Alabama, described as follows: The north half of block numbered five, bounded on the north by Sixth street, on the east by Railroad street, on the south by a twenty-foot alley running east and west through the center of said block, and on the west by C street, be, and the same is hereby, divested out of the United States, and vested in James S. Pinckard, as trustee.

SEC. 3. That all the right, title, and interest of the United States of, in, and to all that certain storehouse and lot situated in the city and county of Montgomery and State of Alabama, and known as number twenty-two South Perry street, formerly number sixteen Perry street, be, and the same is hereby, divested out of the United States and vested in Bessie R. Maulsby.

Southern Cotton Oil Company.  
Certain United States lands near Montgomery, Ala., vested in.  
Boundaries.

Exception.

James S. Pinckard,  
trustee.  
Land vested in.

Bessie R. Maulsby.  
Land vested in.

Edwin Ferris.  
Land vested in.

SEC. 4. That all the right, title, and interest of the United States of, in, and to all those certain storehouses and lots, situated in the city and county of Montgomery, State of Alabama, and known as storehouse and lot number twenty-eight Dexter avenue, formerly number twenty-eight Market street, and storehouse and lot number eleven North Perry street, formerly number eleven Perry street, in said city, be, and the same is hereby, divested out of the United States and vested in Edwin Ferris.

M. V. B. Chase.  
Land vested in.

SEC. 5. That all the right, title, and interest of the United States of, in, and to all that certain storehouse and lot situated in the city and county of Montgomery, State of Alabama, known as storehouse number one hundred and nine Dexter avenue, formerly number forty-one Market street, in said city, be, and the same is hereby, divested out of the United States and vested in M. V. B. Chase.

Deeds.

SEC. 6. That the Solicitor of the Treasury of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to execute, acknowledge, and deliver to the said several parties herein named such deeds, writings, or assurances as will release, relinquish, and convey unto them, respectively, all the right, title, and interest which the United States may own or claim of, in, and to the respective properties herein mentioned, and to take such further action as may be proper to carry said proposition of settlement into effect.

Dismissal of suits,  
etc.

SEC. 7. That the Solicitor of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to have all suits now pending in the circuit court of the United States for the middle district of Alabama, or elsewhere, between the United States and the parties herein named, or involving said property above described, either at law or in equity, dismissed, settled, and ended, and to have satisfaction entered upon the records of said courts of all judgments rendered in favor of the United States against said parties, or any of them, or involving said property, and to take such further action as may be proper to carry said proposition of settlement into effect.

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**CHAP. 340.**—An Act To extend the time for the completion of the incline railway on West Mountain, Hot Springs Reservation.

Hot Springs Reservation, Ark.  
Time for completing incline railway extended.  
Vol. 23, p. 21.  
Vol. 31, p. 51.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the time for the completion of an incline railway upon the West Mountain of the Hot Springs Reservation, as provided by Act of Congress approved December twenty-first, eighteen hundred and ninety-three, and as extended by Act of Congress approved March twenty-sixth, nineteen hundred, be further extended for the term of one year from and after the passage of this Act, and that said original Act, approved December twenty-first, eighteen hundred and ninety-three, be continued in full force and effect.

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[Public, No. 44.]

**CHAP. 342.**—An Act To redeem certain outstanding certificates of the board of audit, the board of public works, and the Commissioners of the District of Columbia.

District of Columbia.  
Appropriation for redemption of certain certificates of board of audit, etc.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to receive and audit certificates of indebtedness numbered seven thousand six hundred and eighty-nine, for the sum of eleven dollars and