

amended by the addition of the following paragraph at the end of subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph, after the word "possessions":

May invest in export corporations. "Until January 1, 1921, any national banking association, without regard to the amount of its capital and surplus, may file application with the Federal Reserve Board for permission, upon such conditions and under such regulations as may be prescribed by said board, to invest an amount not exceeding in the aggregate 5 per centum of its paid-in capital and surplus in the stock of one or more corporations chartered or incorporated under the laws of the United States or of any State thereof and, regardless of its location, principally engaged in such phases of international or foreign financial operations as may be necessary to facilitate the export of goods, wares, or merchandise from the United States or any of its dependencies or insular possessions to any foreign country: *Provided, however,* That in no event shall the total investments authorized by this section by any one national bank exceed 10 per centum of its capital and surplus."

Conditions.

*Proviso.*  
Limitation.

Details of applications modified.  
Vol. 39, p. 755, amended.

Information of foreign business.  
Vol. 39, p. 755, amended.

To Comptroller.

To Reserve Board.

SEC. 2. That paragraph 2 of said section be amended by adding after the word "banking," in line three, the words "or financial," so that the sentence will read: "Such application shall specify the name and capital of the banking association filing it, the powers applied for, and the place or places where the banking or financial operations proposed are to be carried on."

SEC. 3. That paragraph 3 of said section be amended by striking out the words "subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph of this section" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "above," so that the paragraph will read:

"Every national banking association operating foreign branches shall be required to furnish information concerning the condition of such branches to the Comptroller of the Currency upon demand, and every member bank investing in the capital stock of banks or corporations described above shall be required to furnish information concerning the condition of such banks or corporations to the Federal Reserve Board upon demand, and the Federal Reserve Board may order special examinations of the said branches, banks, or corporations at such time or times as it may deem best."

Approved, September 17, 1919.

September 17, 1919.  
[S. 2622.]  
[Public, No. 49.]

**CHAP. 61.**—An Act To provide necessary commissioned personnel for the Army until June 30, 1920.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That until June 30, 1920, the Secretary of War is authorized and directed to maintain such commissioned personnel in addition to the officers of the permanent establishment and to retain at their temporary grades such officers of the Regular Army as in his judgment may be necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Military Establishment: *Provided,* That additional officers so maintained shall be selected, so far as practicable, from officers and enlisted men who served during the emergency and are applicants for appointments in the permanent establishment: *Provided further,* That after October 31, 1919, the total number of commissioned officers exclusive of retired officers and disabled emergency officers awaiting discharge upon completion of treatment for physical reconstruction, shall at no time exceed eighteen thousand: *Provided further,* That no officer on the active list shall be detailed for recruiting service or for duty at schools and colleges, not including schools of the service, where officers on the retired list can be secured who are competent for such duty: *And provided further,* That hereafter officers retired for physical dis-

Army.  
Retention of temporary commissioned officers until June 30, 1920.

*Provisos.*  
Selection.

Maximum number.

Details of active officers restricted.

Officers retired for disability.

ability shall not form part of the limited retired list: *And provided further*, That one thousand two hundred emergency officers shall be assigned to the Air Service, of whom not less than 85 per centum shall be duly qualified fliers.

Approved, September 17, 1919.

Air Service assignments.

**CHAP. 62.**—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the D. E. Hewit Lumber Company to construct and maintain a bridge across Tug River, connecting Martin County, Kentucky, and Mingo County, West Virginia.

September 17, 1919.

[S. 2700.]

[Public, No. 50.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to the D. E. Hewit Lumber Company, and its successors and assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Tug River at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, one end of said bridge being in Martin County, Kentucky, and the other end of the said bridge being on the opposite side of the Tug River, at Kermit, in Mingo County, in the State of West Virginia, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906.

Tug River.  
D. E. Hewit Lumber Company may bridge, Kermit, W. Va.

Construction.  
Vol. 34, p. 84.

Sec. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Amendment.

Approved, September 17, 1919.

**CHAP. 63.**—An Act To amend sections 4 and 5 of an Act entitled "An Act to provide for stock-raising homesteads, and for other purposes," approved December 29, 1916.

September 29, 1919.

[S. 276.]

[Public, No. 51.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That sections 4 and 5 of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for stock-raising homesteads, and for other purposes," approved December 29, 1916, be amended to read as follows:

Stock-raising homesteads.  
Vol. 39, p. 863, amended.

"Sec. 4. That any homestead entryman of lands of the character herein described who has not submitted final proof upon his existing entry shall have the right to enter, subject to the provisions of this Act, such amount of lands designated for entry under the provisions of this Act, within a radius of twenty miles from said existing entry, as shall not, together with the amount embraced in his original entry, exceed six hundred and forty acres, and residence upon the original entry shall be credited on both entries, but improvements must be made on the additional entry equal to \$1.25 for each acre thereof: *Provided*, That the entryman shall be required to enter all contiguous areas of the character herein described open to entry prior to the entry of any noncontiguous land.

Additions to pending homestead entries.  
Noncontiguous lands allowed.

"Sec. 5. That persons who have submitted final proof upon, or received patent for, lands of the character herein described under the homestead laws, and who own and reside upon the land so acquired, may, subject to the provisions of this Act, make additional entry for and obtain patent to lands designated for entry under the provisions of this Act, within a radius of twenty miles from the lands theretofore acquired under the homestead laws, which, together with the area theretofore acquired under the homestead laws, shall not exceed six hundred and forty acres, on proof of the expenditure required by this Act on account of permanent improvements upon the additional entry: *Provided*, That the entryman shall be required to enter all contiguous areas of the character herein described open to entry prior to the entry of any noncontiguous land."

Improvements required.  
*Proviso.*  
Contiguous areas to be first selected.

Homesteaders may enter additional contiguous or noncontiguous lands.

Improvements required.

*Proviso.*  
Contiguous areas to be first entered.

Approved, September 29, 1919.