

Legal rights not impaired.

Provided further, however, That except as herein provided no such action by the President shall bar any person from the prosecution of any suit at law or in equity to establish any right, title, or interest which he may have therein.

Proceedings for recovery.

"(c) Any person whose property the President is authorized to return under the provisions of subsection (b) hereof may file notice of claim for the return of such property, as provided in subsection (a) hereof, and thereafter may make application to the President for allowance of such claim and/or may institute suit in equity to recover such property, as provided in said subsection, and with like effect.

Determination of citizenship, etc.

The President or the court, as the case may be, may make the same determinations with respect to citizenship and other relevant facts that the President is authorized to make under the provisions of subsection (b) hereof.

Estates of decedents.

"(d) Whenever a person, deceased, would have been entitled, if living, to the return of his money or other property hereunder, then his legal representative may proceed for the return of such property as provided in subsection (a) hereof: *Provided, however,* That the President or the court, as the case may be, before granting such relief shall impose such conditions by way of security or otherwise, as the President or the court, respectively, shall deem sufficient to insure that such legal representative will redeliver to the Alien Property Custodian such portion of the money or other property so received by him as shall be distributable to any person not eligible as a claimant under subsections (a) or (c) hereof.

Proviso. Conditions imposed.

Returns to nationals of allied nations, subject to reciprocal action thereby.

"(e) No money or other property shall be returned nor any debt allowed under this section to any person who is a citizen or subject of any nation which was associated with the United States in the prosecution of the war, unless such nation in like case extends reciprocal rights to citizens of the United States; nor in any event shall a debt be allowed under this section unless it was owing to and owned by the claimant prior to October 6, 1917, and as to claimants other than citizens of the United States unless it arose with reference to the money or other property held by the Alien Property Custodian or Treasurer of the United States hereunder.

Further restrictions.

No other lien, etc., enforceable.

"(f) Except as herein provided, the money or other property conveyed, transferred, assigned, delivered, or paid to the Alien Property Custodian, shall not be liable to lien, attachment, garnishment, trustee process, or execution, or subject to any order or decree of any court.

Moneys from patents, etc., excepted. Vol. 40, p. 420.

"(g) This section shall not apply, however, to money paid to the Alien Property Custodian under section 10 hereof."

Approved, June 5, 1920.

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[S. 2789.]

[Public, No. 253.]

CHAP. 242.—An Act For the consolidation of forest lands in the Sierra National Forest, California, and for other purposes.

Sierra National Forest, Calif.
Exchange of lands within, authorized.

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 hereby is, authorized in his discretion to accept on behalf of the United States title to any lands within the Sierra National Forest, California, if in the opinion of the Secretary of Agriculture the public interests will be benefited thereby and the lands are chiefly valuable for national forest purposes, and in exchange therefor may give not to exceed an equal value of such national forest land or timber within the national forests of California as may be determined by the Secretary of Agriculture, and in determining the relative values of the lands or timber to be exchanged, consideration shall be given to any reservations which either party may make of timber, minerals, or easements.

Timber given in such exchanges shall be cut and removed under the laws and regulations relating to the national forests, and under the direction and supervision and in accordance with the requirements of the Secretary of Agriculture. Lands conveyed to the United States under this Act shall, upon acceptance of title, become a part of the Sierra National Forest.

Approved, June 5, 1920.

Timber removal, etc.

Accepted lands added to national forest.

CHAP. 243.—An Act To amend section 3 of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the immigration of aliens to, and the residence of aliens in, the United States," approved February 5, 1917.

June 5, 1920.

[S. 3566.]
[Public, No. 254.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3 of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the immigration of aliens to, and the residence of aliens in, the United States," approved February 5, 1917, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

Immigration Act, 1917.
Vol. 39, p. 873, amended.

"Provided further, That an alien who can not read may, if otherwise admissible, be admitted if, within five years after this Act becomes law, a citizen of the United States who has served in the military or naval forces of the United States during the war with the Imperial German Government, requests that such alien be admitted, and with the approval of the Secretary of Labor, marries such alien at a United States immigration station.

Admission of illiterates, on request of citizen serving during World War, and marrying therewith.

Approved, June 5, 1920.

CHAP. 244.—An Act To amend an Act entitled "An Act to authorize the incorporated town of Petersburg, Alaska, to issue bonds in any sum not exceeding \$75,000 for the purpose of constructing and installing a municipal electric light and power plant and for the construction of a public-school building," approved September 29, 1919.

June 5, 1920.

[S. 4286.]
[Public, No. 255.]

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 entitled "An Act to authorize the incorporated town of Petersburg, Alaska, to issue bonds in any sum not exceeding \$75,000 for the purpose of constructing and installing a municipal electric light and power plant and for the construction of a public-school building," be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Petersburg, Alaska.
Ante, p. 289, amended.

"SECTION 1. That the incorporated town of Petersburg, Alaska, is hereby authorized and empowered to issue bonds in any sum not exceeding \$150,000 for the purpose of constructing and installing a municipal electric light and power plant and for the construction of a public-school building."

May issue bonds for public improvements.

Amount increased.

SEC. 2. That section 5 of the Act mentioned in the preceding section is hereby amended to read as follows:

Ante, p. 290, amended.

"SEC. 5. That no part of the funds arising from the sale of said bonds shall be used for any purpose other than specified in this Act. Said bonds shall be sold only in such amounts as the common council shall direct, and the proceeds thereof shall be disbursed for the purposes hereinbefore mentioned and under the order and direction of said common council from time to time as the same may be required for said purposes: *Provided*, That not to exceed \$115,000 of the proceeds of the sale of said bonds shall be expended for the construction and installation of the electric light and power plant, and not to exceed \$35,000 thereof shall be expended for the construction of the public-school building."

Use of funds restricted.

Proviso.
Divisions of proceeds modified.

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