

in and to any of said lands, and shall not be construed to abridge, impair, injure, prejudice, or divest in any manner any valid right, title, or interest of any person or body corporate whatever, the true intent of this Act being to concede and abandon all right, title, and interest of the United States to those persons, estates, firms, or corporations who would be the equitable owners of said lands by reason of long continuous possession under color of title with claim of ownership, or otherwise, under the laws of the State of Alabama, including the laws of prescription and limitation, in the absence of the said interest, title, and estate of the United States.

Rights of equitable owners not affected.

Approved, May 29, 1928.

CHAP. 880.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to dispose of two bridges on the San Carlos Indian Reservation, in Arizona, and for other purposes.

May 29, 1928.
[S. 4321.]
[Public, No. 590.]

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 under such terms and conditions as he may deem proper, to dispose of two bridges, one across the Gila River on the San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation, Arizona, and the other across the San Carlos River on that reservation, constructed in pursuance to a provision in an Act approved July 15, 1913 (Thirty-eighth Statutes at Large, page 85), that will no longer be serviceable after the completion of the Coolidge Dam now being constructed across the Gila River, in Arizona, the proceeds from such sale to be deposited in the Treasury to the credit of the San Carlos Indians and draw interest at 4 per centum per annum.

San Carlos Apache Reservation, Ariz. Disposal of two bridges across Gila, and San Carlos Rivers on, authorized.

Proceeds to credit of San Carlos Indians.

Approved, May 29, 1928.

CHAP. 881.—An Act Authorizing and directing the Secretary of War to sell three thousand three hundred and four and eight-tenths square feet of the Fort Brown Military Reservation, Brownsville, Texas, to the Gateway Bridge Company.

May 29, 1928.
[S. 4315.]
[Public, No. 591.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to sell, or cause to be sold, to the Gateway Bridge Company, a corporation organized under the laws of Delaware, at the appraised value as determined by the Secretary of War, approximately three thousand three hundred and four and eight-tenths square feet of ground of the Fort Brown Military Reservation, Brownsville, Texas, particularly described as follows, to wit: Beginning at an unmarked point in the north line of the Fort Brown Military Reservation, said point bearing south sixty-six degrees twelve minutes west twenty-two and two-tenths feet from a ten inch by ten inch concrete Government monument set at intersection of north line of Levee Street with north reservation line; thence north sixty-six degrees twelve minutes east one hundred and forty-nine and ninety-four one-hundredths feet along the said north reservation line to its point of intersection with the south line of a twenty-foot alley between Levee and Elizabeth Streets; thence south forty-three degrees fifty-one minutes east twenty-one and three-tenths feet along the south line of said alley produced to its point of intersection with a line ten feet distant from and parallel to the quartermaster's brick wall; thence south sixty-six

Fort Brown Reservation, Tex. Secretary of War authorized to sell to Gateway Bridge Company portion of land of.

Description.

Conditions.

Proceeds to credit of
military post construc-
tion fund.

degrees twelve minutes west one hundred and eighty and fifty-four one-hundredths feet along said line ten feet from and parallel to the quartermaster's brick wall to its point of intersection with the northeast line of the present triangular leased parcel of the Gateway Bridge Company from the Fort Brown Reservation; thence north twenty-five degrees thirty-four minutes east along said lease line thirty and seven-tenths feet to the place of beginning; containing, in all, three thousand three hundred and four and eight-tenths square feet of ground, subject to such conditions, restrictions, and reservations as the Secretary of War may impose for the protection of the reservation and to prevent the erection and maintenance of an unsightly structure or structures upon the said area.

SEC. 2. The net proceeds derived from the sale of such land shall be covered into the Treasury to the credit of the military post construction fund.

Approved, May 29, 1928.

May 29, 1928.
[S. 4183.]
[Public, No. 592.]

CHAP. 882.—An Act Authorizing the filling of a vacancy occurring in the office of district judge for the northern district of Illinois created by the Act entitled "An Act for the appointment of an additional circuit judge for the fourth judicial circuit, for the appointment of additional district judges for certain districts, providing for an annual conference of certain judges, and for other purposes," approved September 14, 1922.

Illinois northern
judicial district.
Vacancy in office of
additional judge for, to
be filled.
Vol. 42, p. 838.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a vacancy occurring at any time in the office of district judge for the northern judicial district of Illinois, created by the Act entitled "An Act for the appointment of an additional circuit judge for the fourth judicial circuit, for the appointment of additional district judges for certain districts, providing for an annual conference of certain judges, and for other purposes," approved September 14, 1922, is authorized to be filled.

Approved, May 29, 1928.

May 29, 1928.
[S. 3991.]
[Public, No. 593.]

CHAP. 883.—An Act Declaring certain designated purposes with respect to certain parts of Santa Rosa Island in Florida to be "public purposes" within the meaning of the proviso in section 7 of the Act approved March 12, 1926, entitled "An Act authorizing the use for permanent construction at military posts of the proceeds from the sale of surplus War Department real property, and authorizing the sale of certain military reservations, and for other purposes."

Santa Rosa Island,
Fla.
Army real estate at,
acquired by Florida,
etc., may be used for
recreational purposes.
Vol. 44, p. 206.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the words "public purposes" in the proviso in section 7 of the Act entitled "An Act authorizing the use for permanent construction at military posts of the proceeds from the sale of surplus War Department real property, and authorizing the sale of certain military reservations, and for other purposes," approved March 12, 1926, shall be so construed as to include and permit any lands being a part of Santa Rosa Island in the State of Florida, acquired by said State or by a county or municipality thereof under the provisions of that Act to be used for recreational, amusement, and bathing purposes by said State, county, or municipality, provided no charge for admission to the grounds shall ever be made.

Approved, May 29, 1928.