

Persons having interest in the lands, made parties.

Service of writs.

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No further patents to be issued until suits be finally determined.

Proviso. Other land claims not affected.

subject matter, and any such court shall in any such suit have jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters and things submitted to it in pursuance of the provisions of this Act, and in any such suit brought by the Attorney General hereunder any persons having an interest in or lien upon any lands included in the lands claimed by the United States, or by said companies, or any interest in the proceeds or avails thereof may be made parties. On filing the complaint in such cause, writs of subpoena may be issued by the court against any parties defendant, which writs shall run into any districts and shall be served, as any other like process, by the respective marshals of such districts. The judgment, or judgments, which may be rendered in said district court shall be subject to review on appeal by the United States circuit court of appeals for the circuit which includes the district in which the suit is brought, and the judgment, or judgments, of such United States circuit court of appeals shall be reviewable by the Supreme Court of the United States, as in other cases. Any case begun in accordance with this Act shall be expedited in every way, and be assigned for hearing at the earliest practicable day in any court in which it may be pending. Congress shall be given a reasonable time, which shall be fixed by the court, within which it may enact such legislation and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to meet the requirements of any final judgment resulting by reason of the litigation herein provided for.

SEC. 8. It shall be the duty of the Attorney General to report to the Congress of the United States any final determinations rendered in such suit or proceedings, and the Attorney General, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Secretary of Agriculture shall thereafter submit to Congress recommendations for the enactment of such legislation, if any, as may be deemed by them to be desirable in the interests of the United States in connection with the execution of said decree or otherwise.

SEC. 9. That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby directed to withhold his approval of the adjustment of the Northern Pacific land grants under the Act of July 2, 1864, and the joint resolution of May 31, 1870, and other Acts relating thereto; and he is also hereby directed to withhold the issuance of any further patents and munits of title under said Act and the said resolution, or any legislative enactments supplemental thereto, or connected therewith, until the suit or suits contemplated by this Act shall have been finally determined: *Provided*, That this Act shall not prevent the adjudication of any claims arising under the public land laws where the claimants are not seeking title through the grants to the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, or its successors, or any Acts in modification thereof or supplemental thereto.

Approved, June 25, 1929.

October 17, 1929.
[H. J. Res. 80.]
[Pub. Res., No. 20.]

French Republic.
Agreement authorized to postpone paying indebtedness of, for surplus war supplies.
Post, p. 48.

CHAP. 43.—Joint Resolution Authorizing the postponement of the date of maturity of the principal of the indebtedness of the French Republic to the United States in respect of the purchase of surplus war supplies.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in the event that the agreement between the French Republic and the United States (known as the Mellon-Berenger agreement) made on behalf of the United States by the World War Foreign Debt Commission and approved by the President, providing for the funding and payment of the indebtedness of the French Republic to the United States is ratified in France in accordance with the terms thereof, prior to August 1, 1929, the Secretary of the Treasury, with the

approval of the President, is authorized to enter into an agreement with the French Republic providing for the postponement of the date of the maturity of the principal of its indebtedness in respect of its purchase of surplus war supplies, until the Mellon-Berenger agreement has been approved or disapproved by the Congress, but in no event shall such date be postponed beyond May 1, 1930. Such agreement shall not be entered into unless the French Republic agrees to pay the interest upon such indebtedness upon August 1, 1929, and February 1, 1930, but the amounts paid as interest shall be credited against the amounts first due under the Mellon-Berenger agreement, if such agreement is approved by the Congress.

Approved, October 17, 1929.

Condition.

Interest payments required.

Chap. 44.—Joint Resolution Authorizing the payment of salaries of the officers and employees of Congress for November, 1929, on the 27th day of that month.

November 21, 1929.
[S. J. Res. 82.]
[Pub. Res., No. 21.]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives are authorized and directed to pay to the officers and employees of the Senate and House of Representatives, including the Capitol police, the office of legislative counsel, and employees paid on vouchers under authority of resolutions, their respective salaries for the month of November, 1929, on the 27th day of that month.

Approved, November 21, 1929.

Congressional employees, etc., to be paid November salaries, November 27, 1929.

Chap. 45.—Joint Resolution To provide for the compensation of page boys of the Senate and House of Representatives during the entire month of November, 1929.

November 22, 1929.
[H. J. Res. 130.]
[Pub. Res., No. 22.]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the indefinite appropriations for the pay of pages for the Senate and House of Representatives, respectively, contained in the Act entitled "An Act making appropriations for certain expenses of the legislative branch incident to the first session of the Seventy-first Congress," approved April 26, 1929, are hereby extended to cover the compensation of such pages at the numbers and rates of pay provided therein for the entire month of November, 1929.

Approved, November 22, 1929.

Pages.
Pay of Senate and House of Representatives, extended through November, 1929.
Ante, p. 1.