

52 Stat. 767.

34 Stat. 84.  
33 U. S. C. §§ 491-498.

creating the Niagara Falls Bridge Commission and authorizing said Commission and its successors to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Niagara River at or near the city of Niagara Falls, New York", approved June 16, 1938, is hereby amended to read as follows: "For like purposes, and subject to all applicable conditions and limitations contained in this joint resolution the said Commission and its successors and assigns are hereby authorized (1), with the approval of the proper authorities in the Dominion of Canada, to purchase, and in accordance with the provisions of such Act of March 23, 1906, to reconstruct, repair, maintain, and operate, existing bridges across the Niagara River at or north of the city of Niagara Falls; and (2) to issue bonds to provide for the payment of the cost of acquiring any such bridge and its approaches and the necessary lands, easements, and appurtenances thereto, payable solely from the revenues of such bridge."

Approved August 17, 1949.

## [CHAPTER 472]

## AN ACT

August 18, 1949  
[H. R. 1892]  
[Public Law 245]

Authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to issue to Lake County, Montana, a patent in fee to certain Indian lands.

Lake County, Mont.  
Patent in fee.

*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 is authorized and directed, with the consent and approval of the tribal council of the Consolidated Tribes of Flathead, Kootenai, and Salish Indians, to issue to Lake County, Montana, a patent in fee to the following-described lands on the Flathead Indian Reservation, Montana: The north half of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section 36, township 21 north, range 20 west, Montana principal meridian, containing five acres more or less.

Approved August 18, 1949.

## [CHAPTER 473]

## JOINT RESOLUTION

August 18, 1949  
[H. J. Res. 339]  
[Public Law 246]

Amending an Act making temporary appropriations for the fiscal year 1950, as amended, and for other purposes.

*Ante*, pp. 405, 485;  
*post*, p. 696.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That Public Law 154 (Eighty-first Congress), making temporary appropriations for the fiscal year 1950, and for other purposes, as amended, is hereby amended by striking out, in section (c) thereof, "or (3) August 15, 1949," and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "or (3) with respect to paragraph (b) August 15, 1949, and with respect to paragraph (a) September 15, 1949".

Approved August 18, 1949.

## [CHAPTER 476]

## AN ACT

August 18, 1949  
[H. R. 242]  
[Public Law 247]

To provide for the conferring of the degree of bachelor of science upon graduates of the United States Merchant Marine Academy.

48 Stat. 73.  
10 U. S. C. § 486a;  
14 U. S. C. § 15a; 34  
U. S. C. § 1057a; 46  
U. S. C. § 1126a.  
*Ante*, p. 559.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Act of May 25, 1933, as amended, relating to the conferring of degrees upon graduates of the Naval Academy, Military Academy, Coast Guard

Academy, and Merchant Marine Academy, be amended to read as follows:

"The Superintendents of the United States Naval Academy, the United States Military Academy, the United States Merchant Marine Academy, and the United States Coast Guard Academy may, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Navy, the Secretary of the Army, the United States Maritime Commission, and the Secretary of the Treasury, respectively may prescribe, confer the degree of bachelor of science upon all graduates of their respective academies, from and after the date of the accrediting of said academies. On and after the date of the accrediting of the said academies the superintendents of the respective academies may, under such rules and regulations as the respective Secretaries, or the Maritime Commission, may make, confer the degree of bachelor of science upon such other living graduates of the respective academies as shall have met the requirements of the respective academies for such degree."

Approved August 18, 1949.

Naval, Military,  
Merchant Marine,  
and Coast Guard  
Academies.  
Degree of bachelor  
of science.

[CHAPTER 477]

AN ACT

To authorize acquisition by the county of Missoula, State of Montana, of certain lands for public-use purposes.

August 18, 1949  
[H. R. 2197]

[Public Law 248]

*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 sell and convey, at one-half the value thereof fixed by the Secretary, certain lands to the county of Missoula, State of Montana, described as follows: South half northeast quarter, north half southeast quarter, section 25, township 13 north, range 20 west, Montana principal meridian.

Missoula County,  
Mont.  
Conveyance.

SEC. 2. The patent issued under this Act shall contain a reservation to the United States of all mineral deposits in the lands and of the right to prospect for, mine, and remove the same under applicable laws and under regulations to be established by the Secretary.

Rights reserved to  
U. S.

Approved August 18, 1949.

[CHAPTER 478]

AN ACT

To authorize the establishment of fish hatcheries in the States of Georgia and Michigan; to authorize the rehabilitation and expansion of rearing ponds and fish cultural facilities in the States of New York and Colorado; to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to undertake a continuing study of shad of the Atlantic coast; and to amend the Act of August 8, 1946, relating to investigation and eradication of predatory sea lampreys of the Great Lakes, and for other purposes.

August 18, 1949  
[H. R. 2740]

[Public Law 249]

*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 is hereby authorized to establish and construct rearing ponds and a fish hatchery at suitable locations at or near Millen, Georgia, and in the upper peninsula of Michigan, at a cost of not to exceed \$250,000 and \$325,000, respectively; to rehabilitate and expand at a cost of not to exceed \$70,000 the rearing ponds and facilities at the Cape Vincent, New York, fish cultural station, and to purchase lands adjoining such station in connection with the rehabilitation and expansion of such facilities; and to rehabilitate, repair, and place in efficient operating condition the rearing ponds and fish cultural facilities at Leadville, Colorado, at a cost of not to exceed \$90,000.

Fish hatcheries,  
rearing ponds, etc.  
Rehabilitation, ex-  
pansion, etc.