

Provisos.
Age limit.

organized militia: *Provided*, That no person shall be entitled to receive a commission as a second lieutenant after he shall have passed the age of thirty; as first lieutenant after he shall have passed the age of thirty-five; as captain after he shall have passed the age of forty; as major after he shall have passed the age of forty-five; as lieutenant-colonel after he shall have passed the age of fifty, or as colonel after he shall have passed the age of fifty-five: *And provided further*, That such appointments shall be distributed proportionately, as near as may be, among the various States contributing such volunteer force: *And provided*, That the appointments in this section provided for shall not be deemed to include appointments to any office in any company, troop, battery, battalion, or regiment of the organized militia which volunteers as a body or the officers of which are appointed by the governor of a State or Territory.

Proportionate distribution of appointments.

Restrictions.

Organization of volunteer forces.
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SEC. 24. That all the volunteer forces of the United States called for by authority of Congress shall, except as hereinbefore provided, be organized in the manner provided by the Act entitled "An Act to provide for temporarily increasing the military establishment of the United States in time of war, and for other purposes," approved April twenty-second, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

R. S., secs. 232, 1625-1660, pp. 37, 285-290, repealed.

SEC. 25. That sections sixteen hundred and twenty-five to sixteen hundred and sixty, both included, of title sixteen of the Revised Statutes, and section two hundred and thirty-two thereof, relating to the militia, are hereby repealed.

Effect.

SEC. 26. That this Act shall take effect upon the date of its approval.

Approved, January 21, 1903.

January 22, 1903.

[Public, No. 34.]

CHAP. 197.—An Act To establish Portal, North Dakota, a subport of entry and extend thereto the privileges of the first section of the Act approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and eighty.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Portal, North Dakota, be, and is hereby, designated a subport of entry in the customs collection district of North and South Dakota, and that the privileges of the first section of the Act approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and eighty, entitled "An Act to amend the statutes in relation to the immediate transportation of dutiable goods, and for other purposes," be, and the same are hereby, extended to said subport.

Approved, January 22, 1903.

January 26, 1903.

[Public, No. 35.]

CHAP. 332.—An Act To pay in part judgments rendered under an act of the legislative assembly of the Territory of Hawaii for property destroyed in suppressing the bubonic plague in said Territory in eighteen hundred and ninety-nine and nineteen hundred, and authorizing the Territory of Hawaii to issue bonds for the payment of the remaining claims.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of one million dollars is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to pay in part the judgments rendered under an act of the legislative assembly of the Territory of Hawaii by the fire claims commission of that Territory for property destroyed in the suppression of the bubonic plague in said Territory in the years eight-hundred and ninety-nine and nineteen hundred.

SEC. 2. That the governor and secretary of said Territory are hereby authorized to issue the bonds of that Territory in such sum, not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars, as, together with the money hereby

Hawaii.
Bubonic plague judgments.
Appropriation to pay part of.

Bond issue for balance.