

lands described herein to those persons, estates, firms, or corporations who would be the equitable owners of said lands under the laws of the State of Alabama in the absence of the said interest, title, and estate of the United States.

Approved, June 16, 1938.

[CHAPTER 516]

AN ACT

To quiet title and possession to a certain island in the Tennessee River in the County of Lauderdale, Alabama.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all the right, title, and interest of the United States, except such right, title, and interest as has been acquired by the United States through purchase or condemnation, in and to the following-described property, to wit: An island known as the Jenkins Island, lying in the Tennessee River in section 19, township 2, range 13 west, in Lauderdale County, Alabama, be and the same is hereby, released, relinquished, and confirmed by the United States to the owner of the equitable title thereto as fully and completely in every respect whatever as could be done by patents issued according to law: *Provided,* That this Act shall amount to a relinquishment of any title the United States has or is supposed to have in and to said land 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 the land described herein to those persons, estates, firms, or corporations who would be the equitable owners of said land under the laws of the State of Alabama in the absence of the said interest, title, and estate of the United States.

Approved, June 16, 1938.

[CHAPTER 517]

AN ACT

For the relief of certain persons at certain projects of the Farm Security Administration, United States Department of Agriculture.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in the case of any person who was employed prior to June 30, 1935, at one of the following projects of the Farm Security Administration of the United States Department of Agriculture, formerly under the jurisdiction of the Division of Subsistence Homesteads of the United States Department of the Interior: Cumberland Homesteads, Crossville, Tennessee; Tygart Valley Homesteads, Elkins, West Virginia; Westmoreland Homesteads, Greensburg, Pennsylvania, and from whose wages there have been withheld any sums in pursuance of the operation of a so-called credit hour system at such projects, the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to pay to such person, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, upon the certification of the Secretary of Agriculture, a sum equal to the amounts so withheld: *Provided, however,* That there shall be deducted from such payments (for disposition as receipts derived from the operation of projects, as authorized by section 3 of the Act of June 29, 1936 (49 Stat. 2035), the amounts, as certified by the Secretary of Agriculture, of any current indebtedness to the United States in connection with such projects, and of any past indebtedness for which credit has been allowed to such person in the form of rent for occupancy or payments toward the purchase price of any homestead at

June 16, 1938

[H. R. 8252]

[Public, No. 670]

Lauderdale County,
Ala.

Release of U. S. title
to Jenkins Island to
owner of equitable
title.

Description.

Proviso.
Title of United
States only, relin-
quished.

June 16, 1938

[H. R. 8673]

[Public, No. 671]

Farm Security Ad-
ministration, Depart-
ment of Agriculture.

Relief of certain per-
sons at designated
projects.

Provisos.
Deductions.

49 Stat. 2036.
40 U. S. C., Supp.
III, §433.

such projects: *Provided further*, That in the case of any such person who has voluntarily withdrawn or has been dismissed from one of such projects, and who has received any cash settlement on account of accrued credit hours, there shall be deducted from such payments a sum equal to the amount of such cash settlement.

Approved, June 16, 1938.

Separations, deductions from payments.

[CHAPTER 518]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To prescribe the acreage allotments for wheat for 1939.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 333 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof a sentence to read as follows: "The national acreage allotment for wheat for 1939 shall be not less than fifty-five million acres."

Approved, June 20, 1938.

June 20, 1938
[S. J. Res. 308]
[Pub. Res., No. 118]

Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, amendment.
Ante, p. 53.
National acreage allotment for wheat for 1939.

[CHAPTER 519]

JOINT RESOLUTION

For the observance of the celebration of the one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of the Battle of Lake Erie.

Whereas September 1938 is the one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of the Battle of Lake Erie; and

Whereas the Battle of Lake Erie, won by Oliver Hazard Perry, is one of America's most noted heroic examples of patriotism and the overcoming of almost overwhelming odds, known to every school child in the United States; and

Whereas this naval victory was more than a victory upon the Great Lakes, but decided the fate of the War of 1812, and by Perry's victory saved, won, and opened to the United States the great Western Territory, thus making us a Nation; and

Whereas this famous battle was won near Put in Bay, in the waters of Lake Erie, just north of Sandusky, Ohio; and

Whereas Congress has already recognized this important chapter of American history by making Perry's Victory Memorial, located at Put in Bay, Ohio, a national shrine of patriotism; and

Whereas the shadow of war lurks over a great portion of the world and, in contrast thereto, this celebration would offer an opportunity to focus world-wide attention upon the desire of the people of the United States to promote peace and neighborliness with all nations, as symbolized by the boundary line near this scene where understanding and friendship are the only sentries needed to guard the relationships between the United States and Canada: Therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be appointed a commission to prepare and bring about a suitable celebration of the one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of the Battle of Lake Erie, and that September 10, 1938, be established as the date of this celebration at Sandusky and Put in Bay, Ohio; said commission to be composed of five men selected by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

SEC. 2. That there be authorized to be appropriated, out of available funds, the sum of \$25,000 for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this joint resolution.

Approved, June 20, 1938.

June 20, 1938
[H. J. Res. 620]
[Pub. Res., No. 119]

Battle of Lake Erie.
Preamble.

Appointment of commission to prepare suitable celebration of 125th anniversary.

Composition.

Appropriation authorized.
Post, p. 1117.