

## [CHAPTER 16]

## JOINT RESOLUTION

To authorize the Postmaster General to withhold the awarding of star-route contracts for a period of forty-five days.

March 25, 1939  
[S. J. Res. 76]  
[Pub. Res., No. 4]

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Postmaster General is authorized and directed to withhold the awarding of star-route contracts for which bids have been received in the third contract section for a period of forty-five days after March 7, 1939.

Approved, March 25, 1939.

Postal Service.  
Award of certain  
star-route contracts,  
withholding directed.

## [CHAPTER 17]

## AN ACT

To authorize the purchase of certain lands for the Apache Tribe of the Mescalero Reservation, New Mexico.

March 27, 1939  
[S. 876]  
[Public, No. 10]

*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 in his discretion to purchase with any available funds heretofore or hereafter appropriated pursuant to authority contained in section 5 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. L. 984), lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, north half northeast quarter southwest quarter northeast quarter, north half southeast quarter northeast quarter, north half southeast quarter southeast quarter northeast quarter, section 24, township 15 south, range 15 east, and lots 4, 5, and 6, section 19, township 15 south, range 16 east, New Mexico principal meridian, New Mexico. Title to the lands shall be taken in the name of the United States in trust for the Apache Tribe of the Mescalero Reservation.

Apache Tribe of  
Mescalero Reserva-  
tion, N. Mex.  
Purchase of lands  
for, authorized.

48 Stat. 985.

Approved, March 27, 1939.

## [CHAPTER 18]

## AN ACT

To repeal section 9 of the Act of March 3, 1875 (18 Stat. L. 450), as amended.

March 27, 1939  
[S. 1477]  
[Public, No. 11]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 9 of the Act of March 3, 1875 (18 Stat. L. 450), as amended (U. S. C., title 25, sec. 95), providing for the submission by bidders of certified checks or bonds in the amount of 5 per centum of each proposal in excess of \$5,000 for goods, supplies, transportation, and so forth, for and on account of the Indian Service, is hereby repealed.

Indian Service.  
Bidders, submission  
of certified checks,  
etc.; provision re-  
pealed.

18 Stat. 450.  
25 U. S. C. § 95.

Approved, March 27, 1939.

## [CHAPTER 19]

## AN ACT

To create the office of Military Secretary to the General of the Armies of the United States of America, with the rank of colonel, and for other purposes.

March 28, 1939  
[S. 1301]  
[Public, No. 12]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the office of Military Secretary to the General of the Armies of the United States of America, with the rank of colonel, is hereby created, and the President is hereby authorized, in his discretion, and by and with the

Military Secretary  
to the General of the  
Armies, office created.