

## "WEATHER BUREAU

Ante, p. 4.

"SEC. 803. In order to promote safety and efficiency in air navigation to the highest possible degree, the Chief of the Weather Bureau, under the direction of the Secretary of Commerce, shall, in addition to any other functions or duties pertaining to weather information for other purposes, (1) make such observations, measurements, investigations, and studies of atmospheric phenomena, and establish such meteorological offices and stations, as are necessary or best suited for ascertaining, in advance, information concerning probable weather conditions; (2) furnish such reports, forecasts, warnings, and advices to the Administrator, and to such persons engaged in civil aeronautics as may be designated by the Administrator, and to such other persons as the Chief of the Weather Bureau may determine, and such reports shall be made in such manner and with such frequency as will best result in safety in and in facilitating air navigation; (3) cooperate with persons engaged in air commerce, or employees thereof, in meteorological service, establish and maintain reciprocal arrangements under which this provision is to be carried out and collect and disseminate weather reports available from aircraft in flight; (4) establish and coordinate the international exchanges of meteorological information required for the safety and efficiency of air navigation; (5) participate in the development of an international basic meteorological reporting network, including the establishment, operation, and maintenance of reporting stations on the high seas, in polar regions, and in foreign countries in cooperation with other governmental agencies of the United States and the meteorological services of foreign countries and with persons engaged in air commerce; (6) coordinate meteorological requirements in the United States in order to maintain standard observations, promote efficient use of facilities and avoid duplication of services unless such duplication tends to promote the safety and efficiency of air navigation; (7) promote and develop meteorological science and foster and support research projects in meteorology through the utilization of private and governmental research facilities and provide for the publication of the results of such research projects unless such publication would be contrary to the public interest; and (8) detail annually, within the limits of available appropriations made by Congress, members of the Weather Bureau personnel for training at Government expense, either at civilian institutions or otherwise, in advanced methods of meteorological science: *Provided*, That no such member shall lose his individual status or seniority rating in the Bureau merely by reason of absence due to such training."

Observations, etc., of atmospheric phenomena.

Reports, forecasts, etc.

Reciprocal arrangements.

International exchanges, etc.

Coordination of requirements in U. S.

Research projects.

Detail of personnel for training.

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## [CHAPTER 912]

## AN ACT

To amend the Act of June 23, 1943, so as to authorize inclusion of periods of education and training in an Army Transportation Corps civilian marine school as "service in the merchant marine".

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[H. R. 6263]  
[Public Law 692]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the first sentence of the Act entitled "An Act to provide reemployment rights for persons who leave their positions to serve in the merchant marine, and for other purposes", approved June 23, 1943 (U. S. C., 1940 edition, Supp. IV, title 50 App., sec. 1471), is amended to read as follows: "That when used in this Act the term 'service in the merchant marine' means service as an officer or member of the crew on or in connection with a vessel documented under the laws of the United States or a vessel owned by, chartered to, or operated by or for the account or use

57 Stat. 162.  
50 U. S. C., Supp.  
V, § 1471.  
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of the Administrator, as an enrollee in the United States Maritime Service on active duty, and, to such extent as the Administrator shall prescribe, any period awaiting assignment to such service and any period of education or training for such service in any school or institution under the jurisdiction of the Administrator or any civilian marine school under the jurisdiction of the Army Transportation Corps."

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[CHAPTER 913]

AN ACT

To grant to the city of Miles City, State of Montana, certain land in Custer County, Montana, for industrial and recreational purposes and as a museum site.

*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 hereby is, authorized and directed to convey by patent to the city of Miles City, a municipal corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Montana, the following tracts of public lands, to wit:

Thirty-seven and twenty-six one-hundredths acres of land, to be used for industrial and recreational purposes, said land being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the north right-of-way line of United States Highways Numbered 10 and 12, said point being north forty-two degrees forty-four minutes west a distance of nine hundred and seventy-one and one-tenth feet from the section corner of sections 4 and 5, township 7 north, range 47 east, and sections 32 and 33, township 8 north, range 47 east; thence north sixty degrees fifteen minutes west a distance of one thousand five hundred and sixty-six and twelve one-hundredths feet more or less to the south right-of-way line of the Chicago, Milwaukee, Saint Paul and Pacific Railroad station 3209 plus 88.5; thence north forty-seven degrees sixteen minutes east five hundred and eighty-eight and five-tenths feet along the south right-of-way line; thence north forty-two degrees forty-four minutes west a distance of one hundred and fifty feet along the right-of-way jog at station 3204 plus 00; thence north forty-seven degrees sixteen minutes east along the south right-of-way line a distance of six hundred feet to station 3198 plus 00; thence south forty-two degrees forty-four minutes east a distance of fifty feet; thence north forty-seven degrees sixteen minutes east along the south right-of-way line a distance of one thousand one hundred and five and eight one-hundredths feet more or less to the intersection of the south right-of-way line and the line between A. P. Numbered 1 and A. P. Numbered 2 south thirty-two; thence south twenty degrees thirty minutes east a distance of one hundred and thirty-six and twenty-seven one-hundredths feet more or less to A. P. Numbered 1 south thirty-two; thence south fifty-three degrees forty minutes east a distance of seventy-five and twenty-two one-hundredths feet more or less to a point three hundred and fifty feet at right angles to the Chicago, Milwaukee, Saint Paul and Pacific Railroad; thence south forty-seven degrees sixteen minutes west a distance of one thousand and sixty-seven and seventy-nine one-hundredths feet; thence south forty-two degrees forty-four minutes east a distance of one thousand one hundred and twenty-four and six-tenths feet more or less to a point on the north right-of-way of United States Highways Numbered 10 and 12; thence along the arc of a circular curve (radius one thousand nine hundred and seventy feet through an angle of ten degrees fifty-one and five-tenths minutes) a distance of three hundred

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[Public Law 693]

Miles City, Mont.  
Conveyance.

Land for industrial  
and recreational pur-  
poses.