

CHAP. 345.—An Act To provide for the erection of a public building at Beaumont, Texas.

March 2, 1899.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to acquire, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, a site, and cause to be erected thereon a suitable building, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, for the use and accommodation of the United States post-office, court-house, and other Government offices in the city of Beaumont and State of Texas, the cost of said site and building, including said vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, not to exceed seventy-five thousand dollars. The said building shall be unexposed to danger from fire by an open space of at least forty feet on each side, including streets and alleys.

Beaumont, Tex.
Public building authorized.

Limit of cost.

Fire space.

Approved, March 2, 1899.

CHAP. 346.—An Act To provide for the erection of a public building at Abilene, Texas.

March 2, 1899.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to acquire, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, a site, and cause to be erected thereon a suitable building, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, for the use and accommodation of the United States post-office, court-house, and other Government offices in the city of Abilene and State of Texas, the cost of said site and building, including said vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, not to exceed seventy-five thousand dollars. The said building shall be unexposed to danger from fire by an open space of at least forty feet on each side, including streets and alleys.

Abilene, Texas.
Public building authorized.

Limit of cost.

Fire space.

Approved, March 2, 1899.

CHAP. 347.—An Act To provide for the purchase of a site, and for the erection of a public building thereon, at Salt Lake City, the capital of the State of Utah.

March 2, 1899.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to acquire, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, a site, and cause to be erected thereon a suitable building, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, elevators, and approaches, for the use and accommodation of the United States court, post office, and other offices in the city of Salt Lake, the capital of the State of Utah. That the cost of such site and building, including the vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, elevators, and approaches, complete, shall not exceed the sum of three hundred thousand dollars. That proposals for the sale of land suitable for said site shall be invited by public advertisement in two or more of the newspapers of largest circulation in said city for the period of at least twenty days prior to the date specified in said advertisement for the opening of said proposals. That thereafter the Secretary of the Treasury shall cause examination to be made of the said bids and the said proposed sites, and shall cause statements, maps, and plats thereof to be taken and submitted to him; and thereupon the Secretary of the Treasury shall finally determine the location of said building and the amount to be paid for the site thereof. And the Secretary of the Treasury shall cause appropriate sketches, plans, drawings, and specifications and detailed estimates for the building to be prepared by the Supervising Architect of the Treasury Department, providing that the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and

Salt Lake City, Utah.
Public building authorized.

Limit of cost.

Proposals for site.

Examination of site.

Plans, etc.

Sale of "Industrial Christian Home" authorized.

directed to sell at public or private sale, after due advertisement, the building and land known as the Industrial Christian Home, in the city of Salt Lake, State of Utah, and to deposit the proceeds of the sale after the payment of the usual incidental expenses in the United States Treasury as miscellaneous receipts derived from the sale of Government property.

Repeal.

SEC. 2. That all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

Approved, March 2, 1899.

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CHAP. 348.—An Act For the erection of a public building at Fergus Falls, Minnesota.

Fergus Falls, Minn. Public building authorized.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to acquire by gift, purchase, or condemnation or otherwise a site for, and cause to be erected thereon a suitable building, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, for the use and accommodation of the United States courts, post-office, and other Government offices at the city of Fergus Falls, in the State of Minnesota. The site and building thereon, with its appurtenances, when completed upon plans and specifications to be previously made and approved by the Secretary of the Treasury, shall not exceed in the aggregate the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars.

Approved, March 2, 1899.

Limit of cost.

March 2, 1899.

CHAP. 349.—An Act For the investigation of leprosy.

Leprosy. Commission to investigate.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Supervising Surgeon-General of the Marine-Hospital Service, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, shall appoint a commission of medical officers of the Marine-Hospital Service to investigate the origin and prevalence of leprosy in the United States, and to report upon what legislation is necessary for the prevention of the spread of this disease; the expenses of this investigation, not exceeding the sum of five thousand dollars, to be paid from the fund for preventing the spread of epidemic diseases.

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CHAP. 350.—An Act To change and fix the time of holding the terms of the district and circuit courts at Batesville, Arkansas.

Arkansas judicial district. Terms of court at Batesville.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the United States circuit and district courts shall hereafter be held at Batesville, Arkansas, on the fourth Monday in May and the second Monday in December of each year instead of the times now fixed by law.

Pending cases.

SEC. 2. That all causes, process, bonds, recognizances, and other things pending in, returnable, or having relation to the terms of said courts now provided by law shall be proceeded with in the terms provided by this Act with the same force and effect that would have been lawful had the times of holding said court not been changed.

Approved, March 2, 1899.