

exclusive. The franchise hereby granted shall not be construed to be exclusive and shall be subject to all general laws now in force or which may hereafter be enacted respecting railway companies.

"SEC. 12. This act shall go into effect and be law from and after the date of its approval by the governor of the Territory of Hawaii, subject, however, to the approval of the Congress of the United States.

"Approved this twenty-sixth day of April, A. D. 1909.

"WALTER F. FREAR,
"Governor of the Territory of Hawaii."

SEC. 2. That Congress may at any time alter, amend, or repeal said Act.

Approved, June 25, 1910.

Time of taking effect.

Amendment, etc.

CHAP. 420.—An Act Granting certain public lands to the State of Colorado for the use of the State Agricultural College, for agriculture, forestry, and other purposes.

June 25, 1910.
[H. R. 24012.]

[Public, No. 302.]

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 is hereby authorized and directed to convey to the State of Colorado, for the use and benefit of the State Agricultural College, at Fort Collins, Colorado, for experimental, educational, and kindred uses in forestry, agriculture, horticulture, grazing, stock raising, and such other uses included in the work of experiments and instruction at said college, and the experiment station connected therewith, one thousand six hundred acres of vacant, unoccupied, unentered, and nonmineral land, or so much thereof as the state board of agriculture may select and designate, upon the payment therefor of the sum of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre.

Public lands. Granted to Colorado for State Agricultural College.

SEC. 2. That said land shall be selected by said state board of agriculture from any vacant, unoccupied, and unentered, nonmineral public land in township seven north, ranges seventy, seventy-one, seventy-two, seventy-three, and seventy-four west, of the sixth principal meridian, in the county of Larimer, State of Colorado, and the tracts so selected shall not contain less than forty nor more than one hundred and sixty acres each.

Selection.

Approved, June 25, 1910.

CHAP. 421.—An Act To authorize the President of the United States to make withdrawals of public lands in certain cases.

June 25, 1910.
[H. R. 24070.]

[Public, No. 303.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President may, at any time in his discretion, temporarily withdraw from settlement, location, sale, or entry any of the public lands of the United States including the District of Alaska and reserve the same for water-power sites, irrigation, classification of lands, or other public purposes to be specified in the orders of withdrawals, and such withdrawals or reservations shall remain in force until revoked by him or by an Act of Congress.

Public lands. Temporary withdrawals by President for power sites, irrigation, etc., authorized.

SEC. 2. That all lands withdrawn under the provisions of this Act shall at all times be open to exploration, discovery, occupation, and purchase, under the mining laws of the United States, so far as the same apply to minerals other than coal, oil, gas, and phosphates: *Provided*, That the rights of any person who, at the date of any order of withdrawal heretofore or hereafter made, is a bona fide occupant or claimant of oil or gas bearing lands, and who, at such date, is in diligent prosecution of work leading to discovery of oil or gas, shall not be affected or impaired by such order, so long as such occupant or claimant shall continue in diligent prosecution of said work: *And provided further*, That this Act shall not be construed as a recognition,

Mining rights continued.

Exceptions.

Proviso. Rights of bona fide oil or gas claimants.

Status of prior claims.