

authorized to close Piney Branch Road from Seventeenth and Taylor Streets to Sixteenth and Allison Streets northwest, upon the application in writing of the owner or owners of all of the property abutting on said road between the limits named, and upon the closing of said road the land embraced therein shall revert to the owners of the abutting property.

Designated portion of, to be closed. Reversion to abutting landowners.

Approved, February 21, 1923.

CHAP. 101.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to investigate the feasibility of reclamation projects on the Columbia River and various other irrigation projects.

February 21, 1923.
[S. 3808.]
[Public, No. 433.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be immediately available for expenditure by the Secretary of the Interior, namely:

Columbia River. Post, p. 1540. Investigations authorized for reclamation projects on, etc. Projects designated.

For investigations of the feasibility of irrigation by gravity or pumping, water sources, water storage, and related problems on the Columbia River and its tributaries, including the Columbia Basin project, \$100,000; the Umatilla Rapids project, \$50,000; in all, \$150,000.

For cooperative and miscellaneous investigations of the feasibility of reclamation projects, \$125,000 annually.

Other reclamation projects.

Approved, February 21, 1923.

CHAP. 102.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of the Navy, in his discretion, to deliver to the Daughters of the American Revolution of the State of South Carolina the silver service which was used upon the battleship South Carolina.

February 21, 1923.
[H. R. 13351.]
[Public, No. 434.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy is authorized, in his discretion, to deliver to the custody of the Daughters of the American Revolution of the State of South Carolina, for preservation and exhibition, the silver service which was presented by the State of South Carolina and used upon the battleship South Carolina while the said battleship was in commission: *Provided,* That no expense shall be incurred by the United States for the delivery of such silver service.

"South Carolina" battleship. Silver service used by, delivered to Daughters of American Revolution, of South Carolina.

Provido.
No expense.

Approved, February 21, 1923.

CHAP. 105.—An Act To amend section 2294, United States Revised Statutes, relating to homesteads.

February 23, 1923.
[S. 3103.]
[Public, No. 435.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2294, Revised Statutes of the United States, as amended by the Act of March 11, 1902 (Thirty-second Statutes, page 63), and the Act of March 4, 1904 (Thirty-third Statutes, page 59), be amended to read as follows:

Public lands. Homestead entries, etc. Vol. 32, p. 63; Vol. 33, p. 59. R. S., sec. 2294, p. 421, amended.

"SEC. 2294. That hereafter all proofs, affidavits, and oaths of any kind whatsoever required to be made by applicants and entrymen under the homestead, preemption, timber-culture, desert-land, and timber and stone Acts, may in addition to those now authorized to take such affidavits, proofs, and oaths be made before any United States commissioner or commissioner of the court exercising Federal jurisdiction in the Territory or before the judge or clerk of any

Additional court officers before whom oaths, etc., may be made.