

property or in the conduct of the exploratory operations, so long as such selection or conduct do not interfere unreasonably with the surface of the land or with the improvements thereof, and said contract or contracts shall provide that the United States shall not be liable for damages on account of such reasonable use of the surface as may be necessary in the proper conduct of the work."

Approved, March 3, 1927.

Conditions.

CHAP. 357.—An Act To authorize the purchase of land for an addition to the United States Indian school farm near Phoenix, Arizona.

March 3, 1927.
[H. R. 15906.]

[Public, No. 760.]

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 to purchase from Anette J. Pearson, for an addition to the United States Indian school farm near Phoenix, Arizona, that portion of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section 20, township 2 north, range 3 east, Gila and Salt River Base meridian, south of the Grand Canal, in Maricopa County, Arizona, containing eighteen acres, more or less, subject to the special assessments levied thereon by the Salt River Valley Water Users' Association, to secure the payment of certain bonds; and notwithstanding section 355 of the Revised Statutes, the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized, in his discretion, to accept, as conveying good title to the United States, the deed executed by the said Anette J. Pearson on August 28, 1925.

Phoenix Indian School, Ariz.
Purchase of land from Anette J. Pearson to add to school farm, authorized.

Title accepted.
R. S., sec. 355, p. 60.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 358.—An Act To authorize per capita payments to the Indians of the Cheyenne River Reservation, South Dakota.

March 3, 1927.
[H. R. 16212.]

[Public, No. 761.]

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 and under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe, to make reasonable per capita payments to the Indians of the Cheyenne River Reservation from their tribal funds on deposit in the Treasury of the United States under section 6 of the Act of May 29, 1908 (Thirty-fifth Statutes at Large, page 463).

Cheyenne River Reservation S. Dak.
Per capita payment to Indians of, from tribal funds.

Vol. 35, p. 463.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 359.—An Act To authorize the Director of the United States Veterans' Bureau to make loans to veterans upon the security of adjusted service certificates.

March 3, 1927.
[H. R. 16886.]

[Public, No. 762.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 502 of the World War Adjusted Compensation Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subdivisions:

"(i) The Director of the United States Veterans' Bureau is authorized, through such officers and at such regional offices, sub-offices, and hospitals of the United States Veterans' Bureau as he may designate, and out of the United States Government life insurance fund established by section 17 of the World War Veterans'

World War Adjusted Compensation Act.
Vol. 43, p. 128, amended.

Loan privileges.
Use of life insurance fund allowed for loans on service certificates.

Vol. 43, p. 612.

Act, 1924, as amended, to make loans to veterans upon their adjusted service certificates in the same amounts and upon the same terms and conditions as are applicable in the case of loans made under this section by a bank, and the provisions of this section shall be applicable to such loans; except that the rate of interest shall be 2 per centum per annum more than the rate charged at the date of the loan for the discount of ninety-day commercial paper under section 13 of the Federal Reserve Act by the Federal reserve bank for the Federal reserve district in which is located the regional office, sub-office, or hospital of the United States Veterans' Bureau at which the loan is made.

Rate of interest.

Vol. 42, p. 1479.

Loan to Bureau from life insurance fund authorized.
Interest charged.

"(j) For the purpose of enabling the director to make such loans out of the United States Government life insurance fund the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to loan not exceeding \$25,000,000 to such fund with interest at the rate of 4 per centum per annum (beginning on the date the check for each amount loaned to a veteran is paid by the Treasurer of the United States), compounded annually, on the security of bonds held in such fund.

Credit allowed disbursing officers.

"(k) The disbursing officers of the United States Veterans' Bureau shall be allowed credit in their accounts for all loans made in accordance with regulations and instructions of the director."

Lost service certificates.
Issue of duplicate without bond, if lost, etc., before delivery.
Ante, p. 830, amended.

SEC. 2. That section 705 of the World War Adjusted Compensation Act, as amended, is amended by striking out the period at the end thereof and inserting in lieu thereof a comma, and the following: "except that a duplicate certificate shall be issued without the requirement of a bond when it is shown to the satisfaction of the director that the original certificate, before delivery to the veteran, has been lost, destroyed, wholly or in part, or so defaced as to impair its value."

Limitation of payment to veterans, at institutions, repealed.
Ante, p. 796, repealed.

SEC. 3. That the last paragraph of paragraph (7) of section 202 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, as amended, is hereby repealed.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

March 3, 1927.
[H. R. 16952.]
[Public, No. 763.]

CHAP. 360.—An Act To ratify and confirm Act Numbered 3243 of the Philippine Legislature, approved November 27, 1925.

Philippine Islands.
Act of legislature relating to taxes, ratified.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the taxes imposed by the Philippine Legislature in Act Numbered 3243, approved November 27, 1925, are hereby legalized and ratified, and the collection of all such taxes made under or by authority of said act of the Philippine Legislature is hereby legalized, ratified, and confirmed as fully to all intents and purposes as if the same had by prior Act of Congress been specifically authorized and directed.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

March 3, 1927.
[H. R. 17243.]
[Public, No. 764.]

CHAP. 361.—An Act To authorize appropriations for construction at military posts, and for other purposes.

Army.
Authorizations for construction at designated posts, etc.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated not to exceed \$7,115,000; to be expended for the construction and installation at military posts of such buildings and utilities and appurtenances thereto as, in the judgment of the Secretary of War, may be necessary, as follows: Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, hospital, \$190,000; Camp Meade, Maryland, hospital, \$150,000 (at an estimated total cost of \$450,000);