

the William Bacon Oliver Lock and Dam, and shall be dedicated as a monument to his distinguished public service. Any law, regulation, map, document, or record of the United States in which such lock and dam is referred to shall be held and considered to refer to such lock and dam by the name of the "William Bacon Oliver Lock and Dam".

Approved February 15, 1958.

Public Law 85-330

AN ACT

February 15, 1958
[H. R. 6078]

To provide for the erection of suitable markers at Fort Myer, Virginia, to commemorate the first flight of an airplane on an Army installation, and for other purposes.

Ft. Myer, Va.
Marker for first
airplane flight.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Army shall provide for the erection of a suitable marker at Fort Myer, Virginia, to commemorate the first flight of an airplane on an Army installation, which occurred on September 3, 1908, when Wilbur and Orville Wright demonstrated their "flying machine" for possible purchase by the Army. Such marker shall be unveiled with appropriate military ceremonies on September 3, 1958, the fiftieth anniversary of such flight.

Plaque for first
crash.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Army shall also provide for the erection of a suitable bronze plaque at Fort Myer, Virginia, to mark the approximate site of the first crash of an airplane on an Army installation, which occurred on September 17, 1908. As a result of such crash, Lieutenant Thomas E. Selfridge subsequently lost his life and became the first Army officer to pay the supreme sacrifice in an effort to aid man's endeavor to fly.

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Public Law 85-331

AN ACT

February 20, 1958
[H. R. 7052]

To amend section 216 (b) of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended, to provide for appointments of cadets from the District of Columbia, Guam, American Samoa, Virgin Islands, and the Canal Zone.

Merchant Marine
Academy.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 216 (b) of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended (70 Stat. 25; U. S. Code, title 46, sec. 1126 (b)), is amended as follows:

Cadets, appoint-
ments, etc.

(1) Paragraph (1) is amended (a) by inserting before the period at the end of the second sentence thereof a comma and the words: "and by the Governors of the Canal Zone, Guam, American Samoa, and the Virgin Islands, and the Commissioners of the District of Columbia", and (b) by inserting before the period at the end of the third sentence thereof a semicolon and the following: "but two vacancies shall be allocated each year to the Canal Zone, to be filled by qualified candidates nominated by the Governor of the Canal Zone from among the sons of residents of the Canal Zone and the sons of personnel of the United States Government and the Panama Canal Company residing in the Republic of Panama, one vacancy each shall be allocated each year to Guam, American Samoa, and the Virgin Islands, to be filled by qualified candidates nominated by the Governors of Guam, American Samoa, and the Virgin Islands, and four

vacancies shall be allocated each year to the District of Columbia, to be filled by qualified candidates nominated by the Commissioners thereof”.

(2) Paragraph 5 (b) is amended to read as follows:

“(b) ‘State’ as used in this Act shall include the Territories of Alaska and Hawaii, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Canal Zone, Guam, American Samoa, and the Virgin Islands.”

“State”.

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Public Law 85-332

AN ACT

To amend section 510 (a) (1) of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended, to accelerate the trade-in of old vessels with replacement by modern vessels.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proviso in section 510 (a) (1) of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended (46 U. S. C. 1160), is amended to read as follows: “*Provided*, That until June 30, 1962, the term ‘obsolete vessel’ shall mean a vessel or vessels each of which (A) is of not less than one thousand three hundred and fifty gross tons, (B) is not less than twelve years old, and (C) is owned by a citizen or citizens of the United States and has been owned by such citizen or citizens for at least three years immediately prior to the date of acquisition hereunder.”

Merchant Marine Act, 1936, amendment.
66 Stat. 762.
“Obsolete vessel”.

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Public Law 85-333

JOINT RESOLUTION

To authorize the construction of certain water conservation projects to provide for a more adequate supply of water for irrigation purposes in the Pecos River Basin, New Mexico and Texas.

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Whereas there has been an inadequate supply of water for beneficial consumptive uses in the Pecos River Basin, New Mexico and Texas, for a number of years; and

Whereas in recent years the shortage of water for beneficial consumptive uses in such basin has been aggravated by reason of the non-beneficial consumptive use of water by salt cedars in such basin and by reason of the infiltration of brine into such river; and

Whereas the States of New Mexico and Texas, with the consent of Congress, entered into a compact in 1948 with respect to the Pecos River and one of the principal purposes of such compact was to provide for cooperation between the Federal Government and the States of New Mexico and Texas in studies and projects designed to make available a greater supply of water for beneficial consumptive uses in such basin; and

Whereas the Bureau of Reclamation and the Geological Survey, after investigation of certain conditions causing the shortage of water in the Pecos River Basin, have made reports in which they have respectively considered, for the purpose of alleviating such shortage, engineering and other aspects of the construction of a water salvage channel in such basin and the construction of works for the alleviation of salinity in such basin; and