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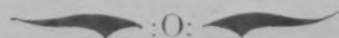
ACTS

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OF THE

Republic of Liberia

DURING THE SESSION 1940



MONROVIA

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(DEPARTMENT OF STATE,)
MONROVIA, LIBERIA.

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PUBLIC ACTS
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OF THE
REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA

Passed at their Second Session which was begun and held at the City of Monrovia, County of Montserrado, the Second Monday in October A. D. 1940 and adjourned without day on the 17th day of December A. D. 1940.

CHAPTER I.

AN ACT SUSPENDING THE PRIVILEGE AND BENEFIT OF
THE WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS.

Whereas, it appears to the Legislature requisite in view of world conditions that the Executive Government be clothed with sufficient authority to secure internal order in any eventuality; therefore,

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That the privilege and benefit of the Writ of Habeas Corpus are hereby suspended throughout the Republic of Liberia for a period of twelve calendar months from the date of the passage of this Act.

Section 2. That should any external or internal situation arise which in his judgment is detrimental to the interest and existence of the State, the President of the Republic of Liberia is hereby authorized to set up a Military Commission for the purpose of inquiring into and adjudging any infraction of order, security and good government in the interest of public safety and tranquility.

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Section 3. This Act shall take effect immediately and be published in hand bills.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved December 6, 1940.

CHAPTER II.

AN ACT CREATING THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHLEHEM, LLOYDSVILLE, IN THE TERRITORY OF MARSHALL, MONT-SERRADO COUNTY, A VOTING PRECINCT.

Whereas, the citizens of the Township of Bethlehem, Lloydsville, in the Territory of Marshall, Montserrado County, are always exposed to many inconveniences and risks of life in their attempt to get to the polls in the City of Marshall on Election days in consequence of the dangerous canoe travel to and fro on a distance of more than ten or eleven miles; and

Whereas, many times during said canoe travel to the polls owing to the high winds and roughness of the river, the canoe often runs the risk of being capsized whereby the lives of citizens are exposed to danger and unnecessary delay in getting to the polls occasioned thereby; and

Whereas, it is incumbent upon the National Legislature of the Republic of Liberia to devise ways and means whereby the lives of the citizens would be safeguarded in this regard as well as in any other; therefore,

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That immediately after the effective date of this Act, the Township of Bethlehem, Lloydsville, in the Territory of Marshall, Montserrado County, be and the same is hereby made and declared a voting precinct under the laws and regulations governing all precincts within the Republic of Liberia.

Section 2. That the President be and he is hereby authorized to proclaim the opening of Bethlehem, Lloydsville, in Marshall Territory, Montserrado County, a voting precinct.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER III.

AN ACT APPROPRIATING CERTAIN PUBLIC MONIES FOR SUNDRY PURPOSES.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. In accordance with the provisions of Section 1 of the Agreement dated September 1, 1940, Supplementary to the Loan Agreement of 1936, as amended, the following public monies are hereby appropriated for the purposes specified:

1. Official Depositary:- For commission on deposits and exchange and commission on funds transferred abroad \$15,000.00.

2. Post Office Department:- For sundry international obligations arising from the carriage of mails, transmission of radio messages and contributions due international postal tele-communication association and foreign administrations \$10,000.00.

3. Department of State:- For travel and other expenses incurred by representative abroad \$2,000.00.

4. Department of Education:- Subsidy for Liberia College \$816.17.

5. Treasury Department:- Construction of Customs House at Buchanan \$2,160.35.

6. Treasury Department:- General Contingent \$23.48.

Section 2. The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to spend in accordance with legal provisions relating to expenditures, the amounts specified in Section 1 hereof.

Section 3. This Act shall take effect immediately and be published in hand bills.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved December 13, 1940.

CHAPTER IV.

AN ACT APPROVING THE BUDGET PRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, AND PROVIDING FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE GOVERNMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, JANUARY 1, 1941, TO DECEMBER 31, 1941.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, the Budget presented by the Secretary of the Treasury of the Republic of Liberia, for the year 1941, be approved; and he is hereby authorized to meet the expenses of the Government from January 1, 1941, to December 31, 1941, in terms mentioned hereunder, under warrant of the President of the Republic of Liberia.

Section 2. The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to pay under warrant of the President of the Republic of Liberia, to the Chief Justice and the four (4) Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the Republic of Liberia; and the five (5) Judges of the Circuit Courts of the Republic all amounts that may have been voluntarily surrendered from their salaries by them as a loan to the Government on account of financial conditions, at the end of the present or any other year when funds are available, and are not otherwise appropriated.

Section 3. The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to apply all excess revenues collected in 1940 for the purposes and in the same manner provided in the Loan Agreement of 1926, as amended.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved December 13, 1940.

CHAPTER V.

A JOINT RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT SUPPLEMENTARY TO THE LOAN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, THE FINANCE CORPORATION OF AMERICA AND THE NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK DATED THE FIRST DAY OF SEPTEMBER A. D. 1940

It is resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That the Agreement Supplementary to, and amendatory to the Loan Agreement mentioned in the preamble hereof a copy of which is appended to this Joint Resolution and made a part hereof be and the same is hereby approved, and the President of the Republic is hereby authorized and empowered to give full force and effect to the provisions thereof as set forth in said Agreement.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved December 13, 1940.

AGREEMENT

SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE LOAN AGREEMENT

B E T W E E N

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA,
FINANCE CORPORATION OF AMERICA

A N D

THE NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK.

This Agreement made and dated for convenience the 1st day of September 1940, by and between

The Government of the Republic of Liberia of the first part (hereinafter referred to as the Government), Finance Corporation of America, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware, United States of America, of the second part (hereinafter referred to as the Corporation), and The National City Bank of New York, a national association organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, of the third part (hereinafter referred to as the Fiscal Agent).

Witnesseth that

Whereas, the Government and the Corporation as of the first day of September 1926 entered into a contract for the floating of a bond issue, which contract is generally known as the Loan Agreement, and is so designated hereafter herein, to which contract the Fiscal Agent was party of the third part, which Agreement thereafter became effective upon ratification by the Legislature and is now in effect as subsequently amended from time to time since its adoption, and

Whereas, the supplemental Agreement of December 28, 1939 provides that if in any calendar year the total revenues and receipts of the Government shall exceed Five Hundred Twenty-five Thousand (\$525,000.00) Dollars Liberian, plus the amount necessary to liquidate fully the five per centum (5%) interest due for such calendar year upon all outstanding bonds, and the current normal amortization requirements of the said Loan Agreement of 1926, as amended, then and in that event such excess revenue for such calendar year shall be applied as therein provided in Section I, paragraph "d"; and

Whereas, the Government has informed the Corporation that due to emergency conditions, it needs an additional Thirty thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) for application to the purposes of Item One of the Basic Budget of 1940; and that during the calendar year of 1941, it will need funds in excess of the amount of revenues and receipts which the Government can reasonably anticipate that it will collect during the said year, to the extent of one half of the amount of excess revenues which will be placed in the Reserve Fund during 1940; and that the minimum limit placed on said Reserve Fund by Section VIII of the Supplemental Agreement of 1939 should be lowered to permit the Government to use a greater portion of said excess revenues for the purposes of the Basic Budget in each calendar year.

Now, THEREFORE, the parties hereto have agreed as follows:

SECTION I

The provisions of Section II of the Supplemental Agreement of 1937, as amended by Section I of the Supplemental Agreement of 1939, and the provisions of Article XII paragraph 8 of the Loan Agreement of 1926, as amended by the Supplemental Agreement of 1935 and further amended by Section VI of the Supplemental Agreement of 1939; and the provisions of Article XIII of the Loan Agreement of 1926, as amended by Section IV of the Supplemental Agreement of 1937, and further amended by

Section X of the Supplemental Agreement of 1939, are hereby suspended for the term of the calendar year of 1940, only insofar as they prevent the application by the Government of the first Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) of excess revenue, as that term is defined in Section VI of the Supplemental Agreement of 1939, to the purposes of Item One of the Basic Budget of 1940, to which application the Corporation expressly consents.

SECTION II

The provisions of sub-paragraph "a" of Section VIII of the Supplemental Agreement of 1939 as amended herein, are hereby suspended for the term of the calendar year of 1941, only insofar as they prevent the transfer by the Government of one-half of the amount of the excess revenue to be carried into the Reserve Fund (as provided in Section I paragraph (d) of the Supplemental Agreement of 1939, as further amended by Section I hereof) during the year 1940, for appropriation by the Government for the general purposes of the Government. Said funds so released shall be transferred and applied according to the provisions of a supplemental budget to be prepared by the Secretary of the Treasury and approved by the President and shall be subject to the same audit and control as all other Government expenditures.

SECTION III

Sub-paragraph "(a)" and sub-paragraph "(b)" of the first paragraph of Section VIII of the Supplemental Agreement of 1939, are hereby amended to read as follows:

"(a)" So long as the total of all sums so set aside and accumulated in the Reserve Fund Account shall not equal the amount of Seventy-five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) in any calendar year, no transfer of funds shall be made therefrom except for the purpose of supplying sufficient revenues for appropriation to the purposes of the Basic Budget, as provided by Section VI of this Supplemental Agreement of 1939.

"(b)" In any calendar year in which the funds so accumulated in the Reserve Fund Account shall exceed Seventy-five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) the amount constituting the difference between Seventy-five Thousand Dollars [\$75,000.00] and the sum of the amounts so accumulated shall be subject to transfer for appropriation as herein provided."

SECTION IV

The Supplemental Agreement of 1939, as hereby amended,

shall be and remain in force until the thirty-first day of December, 1942, upon the expiration of which period the Loan Agreement of 1926 shall *ipso facto* again become operative as originally adopted, except as the same has been amended by the permanent provisions of the Supplemental Agreements of 1935, 1937 and 1939; provided, however, that the provisions of Section I and of Section II hereof shall cease to be effective and shall terminate as of December 31, 1940 and December 31, 1941, respectively.

SECTION V

The National City Bank of New York has executed this Agreement as Fiscal Agent as aforesaid at the request of the other parties hereto, without representations as to the correctness or the applicability of the provisions herein, and upon the express understanding and agreement that no new duties or responsibilities are incurred by it hereunder and that it shall continue entitled to all the exemptions, assurances and indemnities provided for in the Loan Agreement of 1926, as amended; and upon the further understanding that this Supplemental Agreement shall become and be effective only as and when all the bonds outstanding under the Loan Agreement shall have been stamped by the Fiscal Agent with an appropriate legend reciting the execution and delivery hereof.

SECTION VI

This Agreement, subject to the provisions of Section V hereof, shall take effect upon its ratification by the Legislature of Liberia.

SECTION VII

This Agreement is to be known as the Supplemental Agreement of 1940.

In witness whereof, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be signed as of the day and year first above written.

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

Attest:

(Sgd.) James B. Dennis,
Chief Clerk of the Treasury.

By (Sgd.) J. E. Harris, Sr.,
Acting Secretary of the Treasury, R. L.

Attest:

FINANCE CORPORATION OF AMERICA.

(Sgd.) B. H. Larabee

By (Sgd.) A. Pauley,
President.

Attest:

THE NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK.

(Sgd.) H. D. Halley

SEAL

By Nelson Stuart,
Authorized Officer.

Approved:

(Sgd.) Edwin Barclay.

CHAPTER VI

AN ACT EXTENDING THE JURISDICTION OF STIPENDIARY MAGISTRATES IN CIVIL AND CRIMINAL CASES.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, Stipendiary Magistrates shall, in addition to exercising the powers heretofore conferred on Justices of the peace, have special jurisdiction within the limits of the Magisterial areas, in the following causes:

All actions of debt and damages where the sum involved does not exceed three hundred (\$300.00) dollars;

Infraction of the peace where the fine does not exceed twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars.

Section 2. That Stipendiary Magistrates shall have power to try Matrimonial Causes, arising under the Native Customary Law, in the Firestone Plantations Magisterial areas.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved December 16, 1940.

CHAPTER VII

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER XXII OF THE ACTS OF 1926 RELATING TO A QUORUM OF THE SUPREME COURT.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That the Act of the Legislature of 1926 which relates to a quorum of the Supreme Court be so amended as to read that should a majority of the Justices of said Court be unable to arrive at the seat of the Court in time for the opening of same on the day set down by law for it to convene, the minority present shall meet at such intervals as the Justice or Justices present may deem necessary from day to day or intermittently until the twentieth day of the Session, when should a majority of the Justices not have then arrived, those Justices present may adjourn the Term sine die.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved December 17, 1940.

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CHAPTER VIII.

AN ACT FIXING THE DAY OF ADJOURNMENT OF THE 2ND
SESSION OF THE 39TH LEGISLATURE OF THE REPUBLIC OF
LIBERIA.

*It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic
of Liberia in Legislature assembled :*

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Act,
the Second Session of the 39th Legislature of the Republic of
Liberia adjourns *sine die* on the 17th day of December A. D. 1940.

Passed by limitation.

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CHAPTER IX

JOINT RESOLUTION GRANTING ANNUITY TO EX-PRESIDENT
C. D. B. KING OF MONTSERRADO COUNTY, REPUBLIC OF
LIBERIA.

*It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic
of Liberia in Legislature assembled:*

Section 1. From and after the passage of this Joint Resolution, C. D. B. King, ex-President of the Republic of Liberia, be and he is hereby granted Annuity of one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) per annum.

Section 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby authorized to draw for same out of any monies in the Public Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved November 19, 1940.

CHAPTER X.

AN ACT RE-IMBURSING ALFRED M. W. COLLINS OF MARYLAND COUNTY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA IN THE SUM OF \$80.00.

Whereas, Alfred M. W. Collins of Maryland County, was arrested in the month of January of the current year upon orders of the Liberian Senate, on the charge of mis-applying a typewriter, property of the Liberian Senate; and

Whereas, it was recommended by said Committee that in view of his innocence being fully established, he be re-imbursed for the losses sustained and the expenses incurred in travelling from that County to Monrovia.

Therefore it is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, Alfred M. W. Collins be and he is hereby re-imbursed in the sum of \$80.00.

Section 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury, under warrant of the President, be and is hereby authorized to draw for same out of any monies in the Public Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding

Approved December 17, 1940.

CHAPTER XI.

AN ACT RE-IMBURSING FRANCES P. DENNIS OF CAREYSBURG, MONTSERRADO COUNTY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, IN THE SUM OF SIXTY DOLLARS.

Whereas, Frances P. Dennis of the City of Careysburg, Montserrado County, Republic of Liberia, did supply the Liberian Frontier Force with two thousand (2000 lbs.) pounds of rice to the value of sixty (\$60.00) dollars by order of the War Department which amount has not been paid as is evidenced by documents procured by her; and

Whereas, it is not the policy of the Government to deprive its

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citizens of monies due them to which they are lawfully entitled; therefore,

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury, of the Republic of Liberia, is hereby authorized under warrant of the President, to pay the said Frances P. Dennis the sum of sixty dollars (\$60.00) out of the general contingent fund of the General Government.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved December 17, 1940.

CHAPTER XII

AN ACT GRANTING ZUKE KANDAKAI, NJOLA KARMOH, SENGBE KOJOWAH AND SIAFA JALLA-KEI, THE RIGHT TO RUN A FERRY ACROSS THE LITTLE CAPE MOUNT RIVER, IN THE COUNTY OF GRAND CAPE MOUNT, AND REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, AT THE POINTS COMMONLY KNOWN AS GBAA, TO AND FROM THE OPPOSITE BANK; AND SEGANA, TO AND FROM THE OPPOSITE BANK, UNDER THE NAME AND STYLE OF ZUKE KANDAKAI, NJOLA KARMOH, SENGBE KOJOWAH AND SIAFA JALLA-KEI FERRY COMPANY.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Act, Zuke Kandakai, Njola Karmoh, Sengbe Kojowah and Siafa Jalla-Kei, and such other persons as may be hereinafter associated with them be and they are hereby declared a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the Zuke Kandakai Ferry Company of Gbaa, in the County of Grand Cape Mount, for the period of ten years; and as such may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, before any Court of this Republic having competent jurisdiction.

Section 2. The fees for crossing shall be twelve cents (\$0.12) for all persons each. All Government Officials and Messengers when on duty to be crossed free of charge.

Section 3. That the said Ferry shall put at the disposal of the public suitable facilities for crossing, and shall be subject to them at all times and hours to meet the convenience of travellers.

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Section 4. This Act shall not be construed as prohibiting persons owning their own canoes or other means of transportation from using them for their personal benefit at the points hereby granted the above persons to run a Ferry.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XIII.

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE UNITY MECHANIC ASSOCIATION OF VIRGINIA, MONTSERRADO COUNTY.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, the Association known as and styled the Unity Mechanic Association of the Settlement of Virginia, St. Paul River, Montserrado County of which Henry J. Gordon is President; Charles H. Capehart, Vice President; Richard N. Starks, Recording Secretary, Charles H. Christopher, Assistant Recording Secretary; Joseph J. Washington, Financial Secretary; Frederick H. Marshall, Treasurer; Simpson Snorton, Director; Z. B. Roberts and W. Henry Johnson, Patrons; and their successors in office together with all others connected or who may hereafter become connected with said Association be and the same are hereby incorporated a body politic under the name and style of the Unity Mechanic Association of Virginia, Montserrado County, Liberia; and in that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any of the Courts of this Republic having competent jurisdiction.

Section 2. That the said Unity Mechanic Association of Virginia, Montserrado County, Liberia; may own property, real and personal to the value of one thousand dollars (\$1000.00), and shall enjoy all rights and privileges peculiar to similar corporate bodies.

Section 3. That the said Association is hereby vested with full power and authority to make and establish such rules and regulations for its government provided such rules and regulations do not conflict with the Constitution and laws of this Republic.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XIV.

AN ACT RESTORING ALBERT DONDO WARE OF THE COUNTY OF GRAND CAPE MOUNT, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, TO ALL RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF CITIZENSHIP.

Whereas, Albert Dondo Ware, of the City of Robertsport, County of Grand Cape Mount, Republic of Liberia, has petitioned the National Legislature for restoration to the rights and privileges of citizenship, forfeited by him by judicial sentence in the year A. D. 1937; and

Whereas, the said petition attested in keeping with law has shown that the said petitioner did serve his sentence, and that ever since his release from prison, he has never been charged with any other criminal offence, but has been trying to live as an upright and law-abiding citizen; therefore,

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, Albert Dondo Ware, of the City of Robertsport, County of Grand Cape Mount, Republic of Liberia, be and he is hereby restored to all the rights and privileges of citizenship in common with all other good citizens of the Republic.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XV.

AN ACT AMENDATORY TO AN ACT TO REPEAL AN ACT, ENTITLED "AN ACT GRANTING A FERRY FRANCHISE TO J. C. JOHNS COMPANY" PASSED AND APPROVED DECEMBER 9, 1929, AN ACT GRANTING FERRY FRANCHISE TO I. L. HOFF AND COMPANY, PASSED AND APPROVED DECEMBER 11, 1934; BOTH OF THE COUNTY OF GRAND CAPE MOUNT, AND GRANTING FERRY FRANCHISE TO THE WAKOLO FERRY TRANSPORT COMPANY INCORPORATED, COUNTY OF GRAND CAPE MOUNT.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, the Act amendatory to an Act, to repeal an Act

entitled: "An Act granting Ferry Franchise to J. C. Johns Company," passed and approved December 9, 1929, an Act granting Ferry Franchise to I. L. Hoff and Company, passed and approved December 11, 1934; both of the County of Grand Cape Mount, and granting Ferry Franchise to the Wakolo Ferry Transport Company Incorporated, County of Grand Cape Mount be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows.

Section 2. The several rates specified in the above cited Act shall be chargeable in each and every direction of crossing the said River at the points designated by the Act, so that the Act shall read:-

That is to say, Section 5 thereof as follows:

Transportation across the points named in this Act shall be free to all Government Officials, Soldiers and Messengers when travelling on duty, provided however, that when no travelling allowance or fees are provided by law for such duty, and shall be given preference.

The maximum charge for each person from the City of Robertsport to and from the Town of Deah shall be forty-eight cents each way; from the City of Robertsport to and from the Town of Sawilor shall be twenty-four cents (\$0.24); from the City of Robertsport to and from the Meecca point, shall be twelve cents (\$0.12); from the Town of Sulima to and from Twelve Point on the Benson or Piso Lake shall be twelve cents (\$0.12).

The several points specified in this Act shall be chargeable in each and every direction of crossing the said River and Lake at the points designated by the Act.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XVI.

JOINT RESOLUTION GRANTING ROBERTSPORT UNION LODGE NO. 4463, G. U. O. O. F. ONE QUARTER ACRE OF LAND, ONE TOWN LOT, IN THE CITY OF ROBERTSPORT, GRAND CAPE MOUNT COUNTY, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ERECTING THEREON A TEMPLE.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Joint Resolution, one quarter acre of land (one town lot) in the City of Robertsport, County of Grand Cape Mount, be and the same is hereby granted to the Robertsport Union Lodge No. 4463, Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, for the purpose of erecting thereon a Temple.

Section 2. That the President of Liberia be and he is hereby authorized to grant a deed for one quarter acre of land (one town lot) to the said Robertsport Union Lodge No. 4463, Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, under the terms and for the purposes named in this Joint Resolution out of any public lands in the City of Robertsport, Grand Cape Mount County, not otherwise appropriated.

Section 3. That the said Robertsport Union Lodge No. 4463, Grand United Order of Odd Fellows shall possess and hold the aforementioned one quarter acre of (one town lot) as long as it shall be used for a Fraternal, Benevolent and Philanthropic purpose. When said land ceases to be so used, it shall revert to the Republic of Liberia.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XVII.

AN ACT GRANTING T. E. CARR OF CALDWELL, MONTSERRADO COUNTY, IN THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, PENSION FOR AND DURING HIS NATURAL LIFETIME.

Whereas, T. E. Carr, a citizen of Caldwell in Montserrado County, has been for a long period of time in actual and faithful services of the Government of Liberia; and

Whereas, he has served and commanded in over thirty (30) odd Battle Skirmishes protecting his country against several rebellious tribes, in this Republic; and

Whereas, he is now stricken in age, and in consideration of his services heretofore rendered the State in various capacities of this Republic; therefore,

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, T. E. Carr retired Captain of the Liberian Frontier Force, R. L., be and he is granted pension in the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per annum for and during his natural life.

Section 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury of the Republic of Liberia is hereby authorized and directed to draw for same under warrant of the President out of any monies in the Public Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

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Passed at their Third Session which was begun and held at the City of Monrovia, County of Montserrado, the Second Monday in October A. D. 1941 and adjourned without day on the 30th day of June A. D. 1942.

CHAPTER I.

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT TO CREATE THE AREA KNOWN AS THE CITY OF MONROVIA, A COMMONWEALTH DISTRICT.

Whereas it is requested that definite Annual Salary be provided for the Associate Magistrate who is constantly in service,

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, Section 8, Paragraph 1 of the Act to create the area known as the City of Monrovia, a Commonwealth District, approved February 8, 1922, is hereby amended to read after the words "was appointed:" "The First Associate Magistrate shall receive an annual salary of three hundred (\$300.00) dollars, and all other Associate Magistrates shall receive the fees prescribed for the Justice of the Peace in cases tried by them."

Section 2. This Act shall take effect immediately and be published in handbills.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

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OF THE

Republic of Liberia

DURING THE SESSION 1941-'42

MONROVIA

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE,
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CHAPTER II.

AN ACT REPEALING PARAGRAPH 14, SECTION ONE OF THE ACT ENTITLED, "AN ACT TO LEGALIZE CERTAIN EXECUTIVE ORDERS ISSUED BY THE PRESIDENT DURING THE YEAR 1938."

Whereas, the reason for, and circumstances occasioning the promulgation of paragraph 14 Executive Order No. 14 creating the "Bureau of Tribal Affairs" in connection with the Interior Department of the Republic of Liberia no longer exist; and,

Whereas, the existence of said Bureau of Tribal Affairs appears to unnecessarily reduplicate the smooth prosecution of the service of the Interior Department and occasions needless outlay of public funds that could be more advantageously applied otherwise; Therefore,

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and after the thirty-first day of December A. D. 1941, the Act of the National Legislature of Liberia legalizing and approving paragraph 14 of the Executive Order No. 14 establishing the "Bureau of Tribal Affairs" in the Interior Department of the Republic be, and the same is hereby repealed; and His Excellency the President of Liberia is hereby respectfully requested to rescind said Executive Order and to relieve the personnel of said Bureau of his appointment, and if he deems fit in his discretion may engage the services of said personnel in whatever other department of Government as he may elect.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER III.

AN ACT CLOSING THE VOTING POLL OF MOUNT OLIVE IN THE TERRITORY OF MARSHALL, MONTSERRADO COUNTY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

Whereas, the reasons that occasioned the making of the Township of Mount Olive in the Territory of Marshall, Mont-

errado County, Republic of Liberia, a Voting Poll by the Act of the National Legislature of Liberia, passed and approved December 3, 1934 no longer exist; Therefore,

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That immediately from and after the passage of this Act, the said Act of the National Legislature of Liberia entitled: "An Act authorizing the President of the Republic of Liberia to open a Poll at Mount Olive, in the Territory of Marshall, Montserrado County, Republic of Liberia," approved December 3, 1934 be, and the same is hereby repealed, and said Poll be, and is hereby automatically closed.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved June 2, 1942.

CHAPTER IV.

AN ACT AMENDATORY TO AN ACT CREATING THE COMMONWEALTH DISTRICT OF MONROVIA, APPROVED FEBRUARY 8, 1922, AND INCREASING THE POWERS OF THE MAGISTRATE OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT FOR THE CITY OF MONROVIA.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Act, Summary Jurisdiction be and is hereby granted to the Magistrates of the Municipal Court, City of Monrovia in the following cases:

(a) Petty Larceny and Embezzlement, where the value of the thing stolen or embezzled does not exceed \$50.00, common Assault and Battery, Malicious Injuries, Infraction of the Peace, Breach of the Peace by Persons unmarried to each other living and cohabiting together where the fines do not exceed \$50.00.

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(b) In civil actions of Debt and Damages not exceeding three hundred dollars, Trover, Trespass, Replevin, Injuries to the Reputation, Slander, Damages to personal Property where the amount claimed, Property in dispute, or the damages to be assessed does not exceed \$50.00, and personal injuries except cases involving damages to the domestic relations.

(c) That in all trials for Petty Larceny and embezzlement two Magistrates shall be required to preside.

Section 2. All these cases of summary trial shall be commenced by the issuance of a writ of arrest in criminal cases and a writ of summons in civil actions.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 8, 1942.

CHAPTER V.

AN ACT REPEALING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF CLAY-ASHLAND, MONTSERRADO COUNTY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

Whereas on account of the insufficiency of revenue accruing from the City of Clay-Ashland, due to economic reasons which makes it impracticable to provide adequate appropriation for a Municipal Budget; and

Whereas the Charter of said City provides for appointment of salaried officers and other expenses which the City under the circumstance is unable to meet;

It is therefore enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, the Act of January 25, 1916, Chartering the Township of Clay-Ashland, Montserrado County, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Section 2. This Act shall take effect immediately and be published in handbills.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 8, 1942.

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CHAPTER VI

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF LIBERIA TO APPOINT A NATIONAL ECONOMY COMMITTEE OF THREE OR MORE PERSONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING AGAINST PROFITEERING.

Whereas it has become necessary with a view to preventing profiteering and regulating the price of food and other commodities of both domestic and foreign origin during the present economic conditions produced as an effect of the war.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Act the President of the Republic of Liberia, is hereby authorized and empowered to set up and appoint at the seat of Government a National Economy Committee, to be composed of three or more persons one of whom shall be a representative of the government; another a representative of the trading unity; and a third a representative of the consumer class.

Section 2. Said Committee shall have power to appoint sub-committees in the several counties, in the Territory of Marshall and in the County and Hinterland Districts. Said sub-committees shall be subject to the orders of the central National Committee and shall not undertake any action or make any decision of a major character and importance with respect to price regulation and control with the express authority of the central National Committee.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the National Economy Committee to take all appropriate measures to prevent profiteering by corporations, firms, traders, and pedlars as well as to control by the enforcement of regulations which shall be made and published by the Committee from time to time, fixing the maximum prices at which food products and other commodities of both domestic and foreign origin may legitimately be sold.

Section 4. Profiteering in this Act shall be understood as receiving or demanding a price for a commodity higher than that fixed by the National Economy Committee.

Section 5. Each such regulation as may be formulated and published by the Committee shall have the force of law unless and until rescinded or amended by the Committee, in which case the amended notice or regulation shall become effective as a law.

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Section 6. The Committee shall have the power to compel the production by importers of invoices of goods imported; and, after inspecting said invoices and checking them with official reports furnished by Consular officials of the Republic, and information gathered from other sources, the Committee shall be authorized to fix the maximum price and profit that may be assessed on any given article sold in Liberia during the present European conflict. Sale of goods above the regulated price shall be deemed profiteering and shall be punishable by the seizure of the entire stock of the article out of which such sale in excess of the regulated price may have been made. Said stock shall be confiscated to the Government of Liberia, and the trading license of the corporation, firm, or trader against whom a decision is made for profiteering shall be suspended for a period to be fixed by the Committee or such license shall be definitely cancelled if in the opinion of the Committee the facts justify such cancellation, and the Bureau of Revenues shall be accordingly notified.

Section 7. Should the Committee have information with respect to any corporation, firm, trader or pedlar hoarding any of the commodities of both domestic and foreign origin, the Committee, upon investigation find the truthfulness of the report, they shall have the right to order the warehouses concerned opened for inspection; and should the charge be proven to be true the Committee may give a judgment of seizure of the entire stock of the article or articles hoarded, and in addition take such further action as is provided for in Section 6, of this Act.

Section 8. The Local Committee shall have the right to regulate prices on domestic commodities in accordance with the extent of consumption prevailing in each locality subject to approval of the Central National Committee. In the event of any violation of this provision by any corporation, firm, traders or pedlars said sub-committee, shall have the right to order the seizure and disposition of said articles at prices regulated under provision of this Section. Amounts realized from such disposition shall be deposited into the Internal Revenue after deducting the cost of such sale, which shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate sum realized.

Section 9. Should the Committee have information with respect to any violation of the regulations promulgated by them, the corporation, firm, trader or pedlar concerned shall be summoned before them for a hearing on charges within the purview of this Act, copy of which shall be furnished the respondent by

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the Committee. Should the charge be proven, the committee may give a judgment of seizure of the entire stock of the article and may in addition take such further action as is provided for in Section 6, of this Act.

Section 10. A summons issued by the Committee within the purview of this Act shall have the same force and effect as if it was issued by a Judicial Court, and any one disregarding or refusing to comply with the terms of such summon shall be liable to a fine not exceeding \$500.00 to be imposed by the Committee.

Section 11. An appeal may be taken from any decision of the Committee to a Board of Review appointed by the President of Liberia, and composed of not more than three persons whose decision on the matter shall be final.

Section 12. Any law or parts of law in conflict with the provisions of this Act, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Section 13. This Act shall take effect immediately.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 9, 1942.

CHAPTER VII.

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT SUPPLEMENTAL TO AN ACT APPROVED DECEMBER 14, 1938 AMENDING THE REVENUE ACT OF 1937, APPROVED DECEMBER 16, 1940.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, the said Act as amended shall be amended as follows:

Section 2. Delete Section 5 (a) of Article 3 of paragraph 2 and substitute the following:

Section 5 (a). "A pedlar shall be construed to mean a person who engages in the business of selling merchandise for which a separate license is not required and who has no fixed place of business but travels from place to place, provided, however that if such person has a stock valued at more than \$400.00 he shall be construed to be a merchant, and shall be subject to the mercantile license listed in Schedule "B."

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 12, 1942.

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CHAPTER VIII.

AN ACT AMENDATORY TO AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT RELATING TO NATURALIZATION," PASSED DECEMBER 14, 1938.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That Section 15 of the above entitled Act be amended so as to admit the signing of the declarant's name at the bottom of the schedule form of the Declaration of Intention set forth in said Act. The concluding part of the Act shall therefore read as follows:

"Sworn and subscribed to before me this _____ day of _____ A. D. 19____

Clerk of the Circuit Court

_____ County, R. L.

Declarant and Affiant.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 12, 1942.

CHAPTER IX.

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT SUPPLEMENTAL TO AN ACT APPROVED DECEMBER 14, 1938, AMENDING THE REVENUE ACT OF 1937, APPROVED DECEMBER 16, 1940.

Whereas, under paragraph "C," Section 16, page 5 of the above entitled Act, there is no provision made for the removal of a licensed still from one place to another within the township or city within which said licensed still is located;

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That paragraph "C" Section 16 of the above cited Act be so amended as to eliminate the word "exact" on the fifth line of said paragraph and add after the word "operate," on said line, the words "which still or stills shall not be removed beyond the limits of the town or city in which it is located."

Section 2. This Act shall take effect immediately.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 14, 1942.

CHAPTER X.

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT REVISING THE CUSTOMS
TARIFF OF GOODS, WARES AND MERCHANDISE IMPORTED
INTO OR EXPORTED FROM THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA
APPROVED DECEMBER 16, 1940.

*It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Re-
public of Liberia in Legislature assembled:*

That the provisions of the aforesaid Act are hereby amended
as follows:

Section 1. Title 11, Schedule 1, paragraph 2 sub-paragraphs
b, c, d, and f are deleted and the following sub-paragraphs
substituted therefor:

Unit of Quantity Rate of duty

“[b] Bacon except packed in airtight
containers.....per lb. 4 cts.

“[c] Salted, pickled or dried beef and
pork, including tongue, pigsfeet and
heads (except packed in airtight
containers)per lb. 3 cts.

“[d] Hams, cured, smoked or salted
(except packed in airtight
containers)per lb. 4 cts.

“[f] Meat and meat products (except
enumerated in sub-paragraph (g)
including poultry, game, extracts,
pies, pastes, calfs-foot jelly, essences,
bouillon and bovril, packed in airtight
container)Ad. val. 30%

“[g] Ham, bacon, sausages, pigsfeet
and heads, tongues, salted,
pickled or dried beef and pork
and other meat products not
elsewhere enumerated, packed
in airtight containers.....per lb. 5%

Section 11. Title, 11 Schedule 5,
paragraph 2 (h) is amended to read:

(h) Seines and nets for fishing-----Free

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Section III. Title II, Schedule 7,
paragraph 2 (e) is amended to read:

“(e) Cement-----Per 100 lbs. 10 cts.

Section IV. Title II, Schedule 10, paragraph 9
(e) is amended to read:

Unit of Quantity Rate of Duty

“(c) Perfumery containing alcohol-----Ad. val. 30%
Without alcohol-----Ad. val. 40 o/o”

Section V. Title 11, Schedule 11, paragraph 1 (c)
and (d) are amended to read:

Unit of Quantity Rate of Duty

“(c) Developed motion picture films
-----per linear feet 1/20 cts.
(Provided that developed films, exposed
in Liberia and sent abroad for develop-
ment, may be imported free of duty
under conditions prescribed in customs
regulations)

“(d) Undeveloped and / or unexposed
motion picture films----- Per linear feet $\frac{1}{4}$ cts.

Section VI. Schedule 11, paragraph 18, is amended to read:

Unit of Quantity Rate of Duty

“18 Refrigerators and ice boxes
(except electric) -----Ad. Val. 20%

Section VII. Title III, paragraph 1 is amended to read:

Unit of Quantity Rate of Duty

“1. Unrefined gold and other precious
minerals, including uncut
diamonds----- Ad. Val. 5%

Section VIII. This Act shall become effective immediately
upon approval and shall be published in handbills.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 14, 1942.

CHAPTER XI.

AN ACT LEGALIZING AND APPROVING INTERIOR DEPARTMENTAL CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 1, MARCH 31, 1941 IN RESPECT TO TRIBAL INHABITANTS TRAVELLING FROM DISTRICT TO DISTRICT AND FROM DISTRICT TO SEA COAST.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, the Interior Departmental circular Letter No. 1, of March 31, 1941, hereinafter cited in this Act be and the same is hereby fully legalized and approved.

Section 2. To District and County Commissioners of Hinterland and County Jurisdictions.

Gentlemen:

For the duration of the present World War the following order is effective:

1. From the 31st day of March, 1941, any tribal Inhabitant travelling from District to District to the sea coast must secure an identification slip from the relevant District or County Commissioner indicating:

- A. Whither such person is going and for what purpose.
- B. Duration of Stay.

Any Tribal Inhabitant found out of his District without an identification slip of this kind is to be summoned and returned to his place of origin by the official in whose District he is observed.

2. No charge is to be made for such slip and any violation of this provision will subject the commissioner concerned to disciplinary measures.

3. This Act shall take effect immediately and be published in hand-bills.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 20, 1942.

CHAPTER XII.

AN ACT ENABLING ILLEGITIMATE CHILDREN TO INHERIT AS HEIRS OF THEIR MOTHERS.

Whereas under existing laws illegitimate children have no inheritable blood, and therefore cannot inherit even from their mothers; and,

Whereas, the Legislature, from the point of view of social justice are of opinion that this legal disability should be removed; therefore,

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Act, the disability under which persons born out of lawful wedlock have heretofore lain in respect of their capacity to inherit, be and the same is hereby removed. All illegitimate children shall be legally enabled to inherit and shall inherit from their mothers in the same manner and with the same rights as if they were born in lawful wedlock.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 20, 1942.

CHAPTER XIII.

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 24 OF THE CIVIL SERVICE ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE CIVIL SERVICE OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, AND PROVIDING FOR THE OPERATION THEREOF.

Whereas it is the spirit and intent of the Government in creating the Bureau of Civil Service to better be able to obtain the service of honest and efficient employees and for a progressive scale of pay to each employee;

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, after the word "seniority" on line eleven, add the following:- "Any employee appointed to a position in the class shall receive a salary which shall be augmented annually or bi-annually by increment until the maximum salary of the class is reached."

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 29, 1942.

CHAPTER XIV

AN ACT AMENDING 'AN ACT AMENDATORY TO THE "GENERAL EDUCATIONAL ACT OF 1912, APPROVED NOVEM- BER 19, 1937."

Whereas the Act Amendatory to the General Educational Act of 1912, approved November 19, 1937, does not adequately cover the intentions of Government on all points in connection with schools operating in the Republic; and,

Whereas it is necessary that the provisions of the said Act be clear and explicit on all points; therefore,

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, the following Sections of the Act Amendatory to the General Educational Act of 1912 approved November 19, 1937, be and the same are hereby amended in manner following:

[a] Section 4, line 3 (from the top) delete the following words: "supported in whole or in part by the Government."

[b] Section 10: lines 7 and 8 (from the top) after the words: "party applying in line 7, delete the words "in case of public school teachers;" line 12 delete "in case of teachers employed by or in non-corporate institutions or schools not supported wholly or in part by the state."

[c] Section 19: line 5 after the words "local schools" add "said school committee shall be approved of by the Secretary of Public Instruction."

[d] Section 25: line 4 after the words "employed in the" delete the word "public."

[e] Section 43: line 5 after the words "in each week," insert instead thereof "from the 2nd Monday in February to the 2nd Monday in December annually; provided that a semi-annual vacation shall be given commencing from the 4th Friday in July to the 15th day of August, and another from the 15th day of December until the 2nd Monday in February."

Any law or parts of law conflicting with same shall be, and are hereby repealed.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 20, 1942.

CHAPTER XV.

AN ACT AMENDING "AN ACT TO REGULATE PRACTICING AND DISPENSING OF MEDICINES IN THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA AND PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF A DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SANITATION."

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1 That Section 7 of the Act entitled "An Act to Regulate Practicing and Dispensing of Medicines in the Republic of Liberia and providing for the creation of a Director of Public Health and Sanitation," approved February 18, 1928, be and the same is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following clauses:

The Board shall grant no certificate to a foreign physician applying for permission to practice medicines in Liberia except, in addition to the requirements herein before set out, he shall show evidence of his being qualified in tropical medicines, which evidence shall be in the nature of a diploma or other similar document from some recognized and reputable school of tropical medicines.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 20, 1942.

CHAPTER XVI.

AN ACT APPROVING THE BUDGET PRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, AND PROVIDING FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE GOVERNMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JANUARY 1, 1942 TO DECEMBER 31, 1942.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, the Budget presented by the Secretary of the Treasury of the Republic of Liberia, for the year 1942, be approved; and he is hereby authorized to meet the expenses of the Government from January 1, 1942 to December 31, 1942, in terms mentioned hereunder, under warrant of the President of the Republic of Liberia.

Section 2. The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to pay under warrant of the President of the Republic of Liberia, to the Chief Justice and the four [4] Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the Republic of Liberia, and the five (5) Judges of the Circuit Courts of the Republic all amounts that may have been voluntarily surrendered from their salaries by them as a loan to the Government on account of the financial conditions, at the end of the present, or any other year when funds are available, and are not otherwise appropriated.

Section 3. The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to apply all excess revenues collected in 1941 for the purposes and in the same manner provided in the Loan Agreement of 1926 as amended.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 22, 1942.

CHAPTER XVII.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE PER DIEM PAY FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE CLERICAL STAFF, OFFICERS AND PAGES OF THE NATIONAL LEGISLATURE DURING THE REMAINING PORTION OF THE THIRD SESSION OF THE 39TH LEGISLATURE OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

Whereas it has become necessary for the National Legislature of the Republic of Liberia to remain in its present Session for a period longer than it has done in the past; and,

Whereas the pay allowed members of the Clerical Staff, Officers and Pages are usually estimated to cover a period of two months services, and that it has been in its present Session for more than two months;

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, the members of the Clerical Staff, Officers and Pages of the Senate and House of Representatives shall receive for each day of the month as from the first day of February, 1942, and during the remaining portion of the Third Session of the 39th Legislature, the following per diem pay:

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Secretary of the Senate per diem	\$1.75
Enrolling Clerk “ “ “	1.00
Engrossing Clerk “ “ “	1.00
Sergeant-at-Arms “ “ “	1.20
Typist “ “ “	1.00
Stenographer “ “ “	1.00
Chaplain “ “ “	.80
11 Pages each \$0.30 “ “	3.30

Total per diem \$11.05

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives per diem	\$1.75
Enrolling Clerk “ “ “	1.00
Engrossing Clerk “ “ “	1.00
Sergeant-at-Arms “ “ “	1.20
Typist “ “ “	1.00
Stenographer “ “ “	1.00
Chaplain “ “ “	.80
21 Pages each \$0.30 “ “ “	6.30

Total per diem \$14.05

For Transcribing Records

Secretary of the Senate	\$15.00
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives	\$15.00
	<u>\$30.00</u>

Section 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury, R. L. be and he is hereby authorized to draw for same under warrant of the President out of any monies in the Public Treasury not otherwise appropriated, at the end of each month during the sitting of the present Session.

Section 3. This Act shall take effect immediately and be published in hand-bills.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved February 17, 1942.

CHAPTER XVIII

JOINT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA AND THE PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS, INC. ON THE 7TH DAY OF APRIL A. D. 1942, TO ESTABLISH AN AERIAL SERVICE FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF MAIL, PASSENGERS, BAGGAGE AND MERCHANDISE BETWEEN POINTS WITHIN THE REPUBLIC.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Joint Resolution, the Agreement made and entered into between the Republic of Liberia and the Pan American Airways, Inc. to establish an aerial service for the transportation of mail, passengers, baggage and merchandise between points within the Republic of Liberia, dated the 7th day of April A. D. 1942, a copy of said Agreement appended to this Joint Resolution and made a part hereof as if fully set out and cited herein, be and the same is hereby approved.

Section 2. This Joint Resolution shall take effect immediately and be published in hand-bills.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved this 22nd day of April, 1942.

CHAPTER XIX

AN ACT APPROVING THE BUDGET SUPPLEMENTARY TO THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF 1942 APPROPRIATING THE EXCESS REVENUES OF 1941 PRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

Whereas the Loan Agreement of 1926, as amended, provides that certain excess revenues of one calendar year shall be available for expenditure in the next calendar year; and,

Whereas exceptional world conditions make it necessary that expenditure from the said excess revenues of 1941 be authorized before the exact amount of excess revenues be determined;

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, the Supplemental Budget as prepared by the Secretary of the Treasury be approved, and he is authorized to expend

the sums specified therein for the purposes indicated, under warrant of the President and such other legal conditions relating to the expenditure of public funds.

Section 2. That any and all excess revenues of 1941 not appropriated by this Act shall be kept in a special emergency fund which may be expended in 1942 only for such purposes as the President approves under the legal conditions relating to expenditure of public funds.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved April 17, 1942.

CHAPTER XX

JOINT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA AND THE PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS, INC., ON THE 7TH DAY OF APRIL A. D. 1942, TO LEASE AND HOLD LAND, BUILDINGS AND OTHER PROPERTY WHICH IT MAY CONSIDER NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE FOR ITS AVIATION BUSINESS.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Joint Resolution, the Agreement made and entered into between the Republic of Liberia and the Pan American Airways, Inc., to lease and hold land, buildings and other property which it may consider necessary or desirable for its aviation business, dated the 7th day of April A. D. 1942, a copy of said Agreement appended to this Joint Resolution and made a part hereof as if fully set out and recited herein, be and the same is hereby approved.

Section 2. All that portion of the land described in Section 1 of said Agreement and constituting the "piece or plot of land lying and being within the Mahbahn Reserve in Montserrado County, Republic of Liberia" leased and devised to said Company by Government, be altered and by deleting the word "Midstream" wherever it appears in the said boundary description and substitute therefor: "On the right bank of the Farmington River at low water mark."

Section 3. This Joint Resolution shall take effect immediately and be published in hand-bills.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved April 30, 1942.

CHAPTER XXI

A JOINT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA AND THAT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, DATED MARCH 31, A. D. 1942, RELATING TO THE CONSTRUCTION, CONTROL AND DEFENSE OF CERTAIN MILITARY AND COMMERCIAL AIRPORTS WITHIN THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Joint Resolution, the Agreement entered into between the Governments of the Republic of Liberia and the United States of America, dated March 31, 1942, which grants unto the latter the right to construct, control, operate and defend certain Military and commercial airports within the Republic of Liberia, be and the same is hereby approved with the following amendments:

(a) Article two of said Agreement shall be construed to mean that the "Exclusive jurisdiction granted the Government of the United States of America over any such Airports and defense areas in Liberia and over the Military and Civilian personnel of the Government of the United States and their families," shall not include American Citizens and foreigners of non-American Nationality not connected with said defense operations.

(b) Construing Article two further, it is understood that the Government of the United States of America will turn over to the Liberian authorities for trial and punishment any person, not under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Government of the United States of America (as defined in sub-section a), of this Joint Resolution committing an offence in such defense areas.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding

Approved June 29, 1942

CHAPTER XXII

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT APPROVED DECEMBER 16, 1940 SUPPLEMENTAL TO AN ACT APPROVED DECEMBER 14, 1938 AMENDING THE REVENUE ACT OF 1937.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, the Act Approved December 16, 1940 entitled "An

Act Supplemental to an Act Approved December 14, 1938 amending the Revenue Act of 1937" shall be amended by the addition of the following paragraphs to Section 16 of Article 3.

(f) It shall be unlawful to manufacture, possess, transport or sell liquor of domestic manufacture, the alcoholic content of which is less than 40% as determined by the apparent reading of the Tralles Alcoholometer and with correction for temperature.

(g) Any official of the Bureau of Revenues is authorized and empowered to test alcoholic liquor of domestic manufacture wherever the same shall be found.

(h) Any liquor of domestic manufacture found to be below the alcoholic standard fixed in this act shall be forthwith destroyed by the official testing the same.

(i) In no case shall any liquor be tested or destroyed as provided for in this Act in the absence of the distiller, owner, or person in whose possession it is found.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved February 17, 1942.

CHAPTER XXIII

AN ACT GRANTING TO THE PRESIDENT OF LIBERIA SPECIAL EMERGENCY POWERS FOR THE DURATION OF THE PREVAILING WORLD WAR AND SIX (6) MONTHS THEREAFTER.

Whereas conditions now existing in the world are so unsettled that the safety and perpetuity of the State demands that emergency powers be granted to His Excellency the President, Therefore;

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, the following special emergency powers be and are hereby delegated to the President of Liberia for the duration of the prevailing World War and for six (6) months after the cessation of hostilities;

(a) To increase the Liberian Frontier Force to a number not to exceed, for the present, 5,000 enlisted officers and men.

To establish, declare and maintain recruiting centers, military areas, barracks, camps and compounds; to declare any area deemed necessary to be a defense area and may therein suspend the benefit of the Writ of *Habeas Corpus* for a period not exceeding one [1] year at the time.

To mobilize by age groups all able bodied male citizens of the Republic of Liberia the ages of 16 to 45 for military service except those exempt by law or who shall fail to pass the test for physical fitness.

To mobilize all able bodied members (male and female) of the civil population for social, industrial and military work necessary for the defense of the Republic.

In case of an unprovoked attack or aggression by any foreign power, or of an insurrection, to call out the armed forces of the Republic into actual service in defense of the State and in that respect to take all offensive and defensive measures necessary to the protection of the Republic.

(b) To exercise the following administrative powers when deemed necessary: (1) All and any administrative and political measures conducive to the safety of the State and the welfare and protection of the citizens thereof. (2) To cause the Seat of Government in any emergency to be removed to any area deemed safe, and therefrom to direct the affairs of Government.

(3) To establish and fully equip hospitals, clinics, and other sanitary centers in areas deemed suitable. To take over the political administration of any territory, district, city, township or other civil establishment for defense purposes.

(c) To mobilize and conscript all labor, manual, mechanical or otherwise, for economic, social and industrial services for defense purposes; to utilize all vehicular transport services, all means of communications with their necessary installations and equipments and apply same to the public welfare, just compensation to be given in case of the use of private property.

(d) To increase the Police constabulary of the Republic to such proportion and strength as to adequately police all areas within the Republic deemed necessary.

(e) To exercise the power of sequestering or removing aliens to areas deemed less dangerous to the safety of the State; to evacuate or remove whole or part populations to areas of safety in case of danger.

(f) To exercise without the intermediary of the courts of law, the power of search and seizure over any article, paper or thing suspected to be concealed in any area declared to be a defense zone and the possession of which article, paper or thing shall be deemed dangerous or pernicious to the welfare or safety of the State.

Section 2. To appoint and commission such officials as he may deem necessary with authority to effectively carry out the intent and spirit of this Act, within the scope of the special Emergency Powers herein granted.

Section 3. To make any and all such monetary arrangement for and on behalf of the Republic as he shall deem necessary for said defense purposes, and for such capital sums as may be needed and not available in the public Treasury.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved June 30, 1942.

CHAPTER XXIV.

AN ACT AMENDING AND ENLARGING ACTS OF THE LEGISLATURE PASSED AND APPROVED DECEMBER 7, 1911 AND FEBRUARY 5, 1924.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That the Caption of the Act approved February 5, 1924 be so amended and corrected to read as follows: "An Act amending Section five [5] of an Act approved December 7, 1911 entitled "An Act relating to the Judiciary instead of "February" 5, 1912" as printed in said Act.

Section 2. That section one [1] of said Act shall be enlarged as follows: "That from and after the passage of this Act, lines 13 and 14 of Section 5 of the Act approved December 7, 1911 be altered and amended as to read: "But no jury shall be empanelled after the 21st day of any term; however, a jury duly empanelled in any case, the trial of which was begun on or

before the 21st day of the session shall continue in session until the case is determined. In computing the 21 days of a term of court contemplated in this Act, Sundays and Holidays are not to be included.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XXV.

AN ACT GRANTING TO THE MAJOR GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA AN AMOUNT FOR OFFICE ALLOWANCE.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Act the Major General, Liberian Army, R. L. shall receive as office allowance the sum of Four Hundred [\$400.00] per annum.

Section 2. And the Secretary of the Treasury under warrant of the President, shall draw for same out of any monies in the public Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XXVI.

AN ACT RESTRICTING ALL ALIEN RESIDENTS WHO ARE NATIONALS OF COUNTRIES NOT IN TREATY RELATIONS WITH THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA TO THE LIMITS OF COASTAL PORTS OF ENTRY OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA AND OTHER DESIGNATED AREAS WITHIN THE REPUBLIC AND REPEALING ALL LAWS AND PARTS OF LAWS CONFLICTING WITH SAME.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That aliens of states not in treaty relations with the Republic of Liberia be, and they are hereby restricted during the present European conflict, only to ports of entry within the Republic of Liberia for residential purposes.

Section 2. That the President of the Republic of Liberia however may, and he is hereby permitted within his discretion, to designate other places outside of ports of entry, where such persons may be allowed to carry on their mercantile operations within the Republic.

Section 3. That the President be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered during the said present European War, to designate certain areas within the Republic as Prohibited Areas, and may remove therefrom any alien whose residence therein is, in the opinion of the Executive, detrimental to public interest.

This law shall take effect immediately.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XXVII

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING FOR APPEALS IN CRIMINAL CAUSES, APPROVED DECEMBER 16, 1938.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Act, Section four (4) of the above entitled Act, be amended to read as follows, beginning at the 12th line: This recognizance when approved, shall be effective pending the judgment of the Supreme Court. The amount of the Recognizance shall be stated by the court in which the original judgment is given.

Section 2. That sub-section (a) of Section 7 of the above entitled Act shall be amended as follows: Add after "Entered" at the end of sub-section: The Clerk shall enter in the minutes of the Court the hour and minute at which the final judgment or order is entered. From which entry the time of the filing of the Notice of Appeal shall begin to run.

Section 3. That Section 8 of the above Act shall be amended to read as follows: At the end of the section add "The Defendant shall however give recognizance that upon the reversal of the judgment, he will appear in the court below to proceed further with the trial in case the demurrer is not sustained; or suffer the judgment that may have been arrested by virtue of sub-sections (a) or (b) of Section 5."

Section 4. That Section 10 of said Act shall be amended to read as follows: The Supreme Court shall review the case

upon the record certified as provided in the preceeding section, and may order a new trial or give such judgment as the court below should have given, if it be satisfied that the verdict is against the law or that Justice requires a new trial or an amended judgment; or the Supreme Court may affirm, revise or amend the verdict, sentence or judgment or impose such sentence or give such other relief in the premises as in its opinion the lower court should have given, provided the sentence or judgment does not change the basic form of action and the punishment annexed by law.

Section 5. That section 16 of the above Act be amended to read as follows:— "Upon hearing the appeal the Supreme Court may in cases where an erroneous judgment has been entered upon a lawful verdict or finding, correct the such judgment in consonance with Justice as the lower court should have given. They shall have power in all cases to either affirm, reverse, remand for a new trial, amend or give such judgment, ruling, or order as the lower court should have given.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

JOINT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, AND THE PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS COMPANY, DATED THE 14TH DAY OF JULY A. D. 1941.

Whereas the Government of the Republic of Liberia did on the 14th day of July A. D. 1941 enter into and sign a contract with the Pan American Airways Company and has submitted same to the National Legislature for approval:

It is resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Joint Resolution, the contract entered into between the Government of the Republic of Liberia, and the Pan American Airways Company, and dated the 14th day of July A. D. 1941, a copy of said contract appended to this Joint Resolution and made a part hereof, be and the same is hereby approved.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved February 11, 1942.

CHAPTER XXIX

JOINT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AGREEMENT OF LEASE BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA AND THE PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS, INC., DATED 20TH DAY OF APRIL, 1942.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Joint Resolution the Lease Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Liberia and the Pan American Airways, Inc., dated 20th day of April 1942. for certain tract or plot of land lying and being adjacent to lake Pisu (designate on the admiralty chart as Fisherman's Lake) in Cape Mount County, Republic of Liberia; as designated therein; a copy of said Agreement appended to this Joint Resolution and made a part thereof as if fully set out and recited herein be and the same is hereby approved.

Section 2. This Joint Resolution shall take effect immediately and be published in hand-bills.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved May 11, 1942.

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OF THE
THIRTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
OF THE
REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

CHAPTER XXX.

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE "MARYLAND STAR ASSOCIATION" OF HARPER CITY, MARYLAND COUNTY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, James C. Gibson, Star Leader; Henry N. Proud, Junior Star Leader; W. Fred Gibson, Star Recorder; M. W. Yancy, Junior Star Recorder; Thomas H. Dent, Star Keeper; William P. Wilson, Star Director; A. Baltimore Thomson, Junior Star Director; D. B. Cooper, Librarian; Jerome Davis, Star Marshall; Joshua A. Hardy, G. Randolph Gibson, E. Brigg Cummings, N. Theo. Milton, and George P. Conger-Thompson, Star Leaders *Emeritus*; W. V. S. Ellis, F. R. T. Gardiner, Randolph W. Harmon, David C. Wilson, Samuel B. A. Gilson, Jos. T. Dossen, James W. Davies, Samuel H. Harmon and Lebon N. Yancy together with all other persons who may hereafter connect themselves with the said Association and their successors in office be and they are hereby declared a body politic and corporate under the name and Style of the "Maryland Star Association" of Harper City, Maryland County, Republic of Liberia, and under this name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court of the Republic having competent jurisdiction.

Section 2. That the object of this Association is to promote and encourage the social, moral, intellectual and physical standard of its membership and the community in general, for the betterment of the County and Country as far as possible.

Section 3. That the Maryland Star Association of Harper City, Maryland County, Republic of Liberia, be and is hereby granted the right and privilege of acquiring real and personal property in the sum of five thousand (\$5000.00) dollars and to do such and all other things as are done by similar corporate bodies, and has the right to create and adopt rules and regulations for the government of said Association not repugnant to the laws and constitution of the Republic.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XXXI.

AN ACT RESTORING JAMES MATTHEW RAULS OF THE COUNTY OF SINOE, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA TO ALL THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF CITIZENSHIP

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, James Matthew Rauls, of the City of Greenville, County of Sinoe, Republic of Liberia, be and he is hereby restored to all the rights and privileges of citizenship in common with all other good citizens of the Republic.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XXXII.

AN ACT GRANTING FERRY FRANCHISE TO HERMAN D. TOTINEH OF LITTLE COLLAH, GRAND BASSA COUNTY.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, Herman D. Totineh of Little Collah, Grand Bassa

County, Republic of Liberia, is hereby granted the sole and exclusive right to run a ferry across the Gbehn-When River, for a period of ten years, with the right of a further period of ten years, from a point known as Totineh's Wharf in the town of Little Collah, to and from a point on the opposite bank of said river. And as such may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded before any court of this Republic having competent jurisdiction and may own real and personal property to the value of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).

Section 2. That the fee for ferrying each person shall be four (4) cents, and two (2) cents for each baggage of load in excess of two for each person ferried. Government officials and employees, when travelling on official business for which no mileage is allowed by law shall be ferried free of charge. The right herein granted does not, however prevent any person or persons from crossing said river at said points in their own crafts.

Section 3. That the said Herman D. Totineh shall provide and keep said ferry safe and suitable ferry-boats or canoes for the convenience of the public,

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XXXIII

AN ACT GRANTING SINGBAY COJUAH, BALLA CARMO AND FRANK GOLL OF THE DEY-SINJEH SECTION, LIBERIAN HINTERLAND, THE RIGHT TO RUN A FERRY ACROSS THE MAHEE RIVER OF THE MANO SECTION.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from the effective date of this Act, Singbay Cojuah, Balla Carmo and Frank Goll are hereby granted the right to run a ferry across the Mahee River at the point commonly known as the Mahee crossing point opposite the Mahee Town to the opposite bank under the name and style of the "Singbay Cojuah Ferry Company" for a period of ten calendar years with the right of another ten years.

Section 2. The maximum charges for each person ferried shall be six (\$0.06) cents. Government officials, soldiers and

messengers while travelling on official duty shall be crossed free of charge; and in no case shall any one be prohibited from crossing at these points in his own canoe or boat.

Section 3. That the "Singbay Cojuah Ferry Company" shall place suitable means of conveyance at the disposal of travellers and shall be held responsible for any accident that may occur as a result of their failure to comply with the provisions of this section.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XXXIV

AN ACT GRANTING AN ANNUITY TO ELKANAH MONGER, RETIRED CIRCUIT JUDGE OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SINOE COUNTY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

Whereas, His Honour Elkanah A. Monger, Retired Circuit Judge of the Third Judicial Circuit, Sinoe County, Republic of Liberia, did faithfully and efficiently serve his Government as a circuit judge up to the time that he unfortunately became mentally unbalanced; and

Whereas, the said Elkanah A. Monger, Retired Judge of the Circuit Court, Third Judicial Circuit, Sinoe County, Republic of Liberia, had prior to his elevation to the Circuit Court Bench served in other minor appointments in government service with equal credit, efficiently and satisfactorily, thus commending him for this higher consideration, and

Whereas, the unfortunate state he is now placed in has greatly affected his economic condition and is calculated to accentuate his mental unrest; therefore,

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, Elkanah A. Monger, retired circuit judge of the Third Judicial Circuit, Sinoe County, Republic of Liberia, be, and he is hereby granted an annuity of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) during his natural life.

Section 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury, Republic of Liberia, be, and he is hereby authorized to draw for same under warrant of the President, and pay in regular monthly instalments of forty-one dollars and sixty-six cents (\$41.66) out of any money in the Public Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Section 3. This Act shall take effect immediately and be published in hand-bills.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved June 18, 1942.

CHAPTER XXXV.

AN ACT RE-IMBURSING THOMAS H. GREAVES OF THE COUNTY OF GRAND BASSA, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA IN THE SUM OF \$175.08 FOR SUNDRY CAUSES.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act Thomas H. Greaves of the County of Grand Bassa, Republic of Liberia, be and is hereby re-imbursed in the sum of one hundred and seventy-five dollars and eight cents (\$175.08).

Section 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized, under warrant of the President, to pay same out of any money in the Public Treasury appropriated for emergencies.

Section 3. This Act shall take effect immediately and be published in hand-bills.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 5, 1942.

CHAPTER XXXVI.

AN ACT RE-IMBURSING JOHN W. H. McCLAIN FOR LOSSES SUSTAINED DURING THE WRECKAGE OF THE MOTOR LAUNCH "LIBERIA" A. D. 1929.

Whereas John W. H. McClain did sustain sundry losses of personal properties by the wreckage of the motor launch :

"Liberia" of the coast of Sinoe during the month of December A. D. 1929, while escorting the remains of the late Samuel A. Ross, Postmaster General of Liberia, by order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, said losses being in the amount of two hundred and nineteen dollars and eighty cents (\$219.80).

It is resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, John W. H. McClain of the City of Monrovia is hereby re-imbursed in the sum of two hundred and nineteen dollars and eighty cents (\$219.80), and the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized upon warrant of the President to pay same out of any money in the public treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XXXVII.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT TO THE HEIRS OF THE LATE WESLEY T. BLAKE, CERTAIN ARREARS OF SALARY DUE HIM FOR SERVICES RENDERED THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA AS JUDGE OF THE MONTHLY AND PROBATE COURT, GRAND CAPE MOUNT COUNTY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

Whereas it has been clearly shown to the National Legislature of this Republic documentary evidence produced that the late Wesley T. Blake of Grand Cape Mount County, did serve the Republic in the capacity of Judge of the Monthly and Probate Court of said County from September to December A. D. 1931, and March 1932 equal to five months at the rate of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per month; and,

Whereas it is not the intent of the Government to debar its citizens from receiving legal compensation for services rendered;

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act the Secretary of the Treasury of the Republic of

Liberia, be and is hereby authorized, under warrant of the President, to pay to the heirs of the late Wesley T. Blake, former Judge of the Monthly and Probate Court, Grand Cape Mount County, the sum of two hundred (\$250.00) and fifty dollars the same being an amount due him for five (5) months salary at the rate of fifty dollars per month, out of any money in the public treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XXXVIII.

AN ACT GRANTING ANNUITY TO SAMUEL J. DOSSEN RETIRED ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT.

Whereas, the Honourable Samuel J. Dossen, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, has found it necessary in the public interest and on account of his physical condition, to retire from the public service; and

Whereas, under the circumstances it seems just that some practical expression of public sympathy and appreciation be shown;

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That the said Samuel J. Dossen be, and he is hereby granted an annuity of one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars during his natural life, which shall be paid to him annually in equal monthly installments by the President, out of any money in the public treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Section 2. This Act shall take effect and become operative as from the 1st day of January, A. D. 1942 and be published in hand-bills.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved December 16, 1941.

CHAPTER XXXIX.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS OF GERTRUDE W. YANCY OF MARYLAND COUNTY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

Whereas it appears from the records of the Treasury Department that the Republic of Liberia is indebted to the late Allen N. Yancy of Maryland County in the sum of four hundred and seventy-five dollars for the use of his house as government office for the County Superintendent of Maryland County from March, 1928 to December 1930 which amount has not been paid, although submitted and passed upon by the Claim Committee as being genuine;

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury, R. L., is hereby authorized under warrant of the President, to pay Gertrude W. Yancy, widow of the late Allen N. Yancy, the sum of four hundred and seventy-five dollars out of any money in the public treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Section 2. This Act shall be effective as from the first day of January, A. D. 1942.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved February 24, 1942.

CHAPTER XL.

AN ACT RE-IMBURSING TITUS H. L. THOMAS FOR SERVICES RENDERED AS CHAUFFEUR TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION OF ENQUIRY A. D. 1930.

Whereas Titus H. L. Thomas did serve the Government as chauffeur to the International Commission of Enquiry during the months of March, April and May A. D. 1930 at the rate of thirty-eight dollars and forty cents (\$38.40) per month for which services he has not been paid.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled;

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, Titus H. L. Thomas of Monrovia be and is hereby

re-imbursed for said service in the sum of one hundred and fifteen dollars and twenty cents (\$115.20).

Section 2. The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized, under warrant of the President to pay same out of any money in the public treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XLI.

AN ACT COMPENSATING L. B. JACOBS FOR SERVICES RENDERED THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

Whereas, L. B. Jacobs did serve the Government of Liberia as Steno-typist in the Interior Department from April 1 to May 15, 1931 at a salary of \$41.66 per month, or \$500.00 per annum; and

Whereas, it is the policy of the Government to pay its employees for faithful services; therefore,

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, L. B. Jacobs shall receive the sum of \$62.49 (Sixty-two dollars and forty-nine cents) as compensation for services rendered the Department of Interior, Republic of Liberia.

Section 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury be and is hereby authorized to pay said sum out of any money in the public treasury not otherwise appropriated under warrant of the President.

Section 3. This Act shall take effect immediately and be published in hand-bills.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XLII.

AN ACT GRANTING ANNUITY TO THE HONOURABLES WILLIAM H. BLAINE AND JAMES W. DENNIS, RETIRED JUDGES OF THE PROVISIONAL MONTHLY AND PROBATE COURT, TERRITORY OF MARSHALL AND DISTRICT OF CAREYSBURG IN MONTSERRADO COUNTY REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, RESPECTIVELY.

Whereas in the reorganization of the Judicial administration in the Territory of Marshall and District of Careysburg in Montserrado County, Republic of Liberia, the retirement from public service of Honourables William H. Blaine and James W. Dennis, former Judges of the Territory and District Courts within said areas became necessary, and a Commissioner appointed in their stead; and

Whereas, in consideration for the faithful and efficient protracted service rendered the Government of Liberia by said retired Judges, the Government desires to make record of its appreciation for said service.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Act, the following Pension allowance is hereby granted: To the Honourable William H. Blaine, retired Judge of the Provisional Monthly and Probate Court, Territory of Marshall, Montserrado County, Republic of Liberia, the sum of \$225.00 per annum, in equal monthly installments; and to the Honourable James W. Dennis, retired Judge of the Monthly and Probate Court of the District of Careysburg, Montserrado County Republic of Liberia, the sum of \$200.00 per annum, in regular monthly installments.

Section 2. The Secretary of the Treasury be and he is hereby authorized to draw for same under warrant of the President out of any money in the public treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved February 18, 1942,

CHAPTER XLIII.

AN ACT TO COMPENSATE SARAH ELLEN-COOPER O'CORNOR FOR PORTION OF LOT UTILIZED FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES.

Whereas the Government of Liberia has found it necessary to utilize a portion of a lot owned by Sarah Ellen Cooper-O'Conor for a public roadway; therefore,

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, Sarah Ellen Cooper-O'Conor be compensated in the sum of seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) as full payment for the utilization of a portion of lot Number 269 in the City of Monrovia, Montserrado County, comprising 3050 square feet or twenty-eight hundredths of the total area of said lot which has been used for a public roadway.

Section 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to draw for same out of any money in the public treasury not otherwise appropriated under warrant of the President.

Section 3. That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to require and obtain a "Quit Claim" or Warranty Deed for said portion of lot Number 269 in favour of the Republic of Liberia from Sarah Ellen Cooper-O'Conor in acknowledgement of the \$75.00 compensation provided in section one of this Act.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 13, 1942.

CHAPTER XLIV.

AN ACT TO COMPENSATE S. E. McCAREY, M. D. FOR SERVICES RENDERED THE GOVERNMENT OF LIBERIA IN THE YEARS 1928 AND 1929.

Whereas during the years 1928 and 1929 the Medical Services of Doctor S. E. McCarey was requested by the Government of Liberia for the elimination of a local small pox epidemic at a contractual allowance of four dollars and thirty-two cents (\$4.32) *per diem*, which said service was rendered for a period of fifty (50) days; aggregating the sum of two hundred and sixteen dollars (\$216.00) due to be paid to him; and,

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Whereas growing out of unavoidable circumstances it has not been possible to make settlement of said amount before now;

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, Doctor S. E. McCarey of the City of Monrovia, Liberia, be paid the sum of two hundred and sixteen dollars (\$216.00) for services rendered the Government of Liberia as stated in the preamble of this Act.

Section 2. The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to pay same out of any money in the public treasury not otherwise appropriate under warrant of the President.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 8, 1942.

CHAPTER XLV.

A JOINT RESOLUTION GRANTING VARNI MARBU SR., RETIRED PARAMOUNT CHIEF OF THE GARWULA SECTION, GRAND CAPE MOUNT COUNTY, PENSION FOR AND DURING HIS NATURAL LIFE.

Whereas Varni Marbu Sr., of the Garwula Section, County of Grand Cape Mount, has been in the public service for over a period of thirty years, during which period he served faithfully, loyally and efficiently; and,

Whereas during said period of service, he was for twenty one years, Paramount Chief of the Garwula Section, which position he filled with credit to himself and honour to his country; and,

Whereas ill-health and blindness having assailed him in his advanced age, he was retired to private life by his Government; and,

Whereas it has been the Policy of the Government of Liberia to recognize the faithful and loyal services of its public servants, and in cases of long services to grant them pensions; therefore

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled;

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Joint Resolution, Varni Marbu Sr., retired Paramount Chief of the Garwula Section of the County of Grand Cape Mount, be and he is granted a pension in the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00) per annum for and during his natural life.

Section 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized under warrant of the President of Liberia, to pay same out of any money in the public treasury not otherwise appropriated in monthly installments of twelve dollars and fifty cents.

Section 3. This Joint Resolution shall take effect on the first day of January, A. D. 1942.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XLVI.

JOINT RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING THE PENSION GRANTED TO THE LATE JALLAH KONA, TO H. T. GROSS, AND TRANSFERRING THE PENSION GRANTED TO THE LATE A. R. CHINOWETH SR., TO HIS WIDOW, ATTILIA CHINOWETH, AND HIS MINOR DAUGHTER COLNET CHINOWETH, ALL OF THE COUNTY OF GRAND CAPE MOUNT.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Joint Resolution, the fifty dollars (\$50.00) granted to the late Jallah Kona of the County of Grand Cape Mount, be and the same is hereby transferred to H. T. Gross of said County for and during his natural life.

Section 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized under warrant of the President to pay same in regular monthly installments of four dollars, sixteen and two thirds cents (\$4.16 $\frac{2}{3}$).

Section 3. That the pension of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00) granted to the late A. R. Chinoweth Sr., be and the same is hereby transferred to his widow, Attilia Chinoweth and his minor daughter Colnet Chinoweth in the following amounts: To Attilia Chinoweth seventy five dollars (\$75.00) per annum for her natural life, and to Colnet Chinoweth seventy five dollars (\$75.00) per annum for the period of five calendar years from the effective date of this Joint Resolution.

Section 4. That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized under warrant of the President to pay same in twelve regular monthly installments of six dollars and twenty-five cents (\$6.25) each.

Section 5. This Joint Resolution shall take effect on the first day of January A. D. 1942.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XLVII.

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE A. T. SHERMAN, BOYMAH JOEKING AND DOESI FERRY COMPANY AND GRANTING THEM THE RIGHT TO RUN A FERRY ACROSS THE LOFFA RIVER.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, A. T. Sherman, Boymah Joeking and Doesi, and such other persons as may be associated with them be and they are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, and as such may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded before any court of this Republic having competent jurisdiction, and may own real and personal property to the value of two thousand dollars, under the name and style of A. T. Sherman, Boymah Joeking and Doesi Ferry Company.

Section 2. That the said A. T. Sherman, Boymah Joeking and Doesi Ferry Company is hereby granted the right to run a ferry across the Loffa River, from the towns of Dhin and Dinaaway on the right bank of said River in the County of Grand Cape Mount to the opposite or left bank of said river in the County of Montserrado for a period of ten years.

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Section 3. That the maximum charge for each person ferried shall be twelve cents (\$0.12) and that Government Officials, soldiers and messengers, when travelling on duty, shall be afforded free and prompt transportation.

Section 4. That the said A. T. Sherman, Boymah Joeking and Doesi Ferry Company shall provide safe and suitable ferry transport at the points designated and at the disposal of travellers at all times, and shall be responsible for such accidents occurring from their failure to comply with the provisions of this Section.

Section 5. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to prevent persons from crossing at these points in their own crafts.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XLVIII.

JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COMPENSATION TO SUNDRY PERSONS FOR SERVICES RENDERED DURING THE SENATORIAL CAMPAIGN OF 1929, IN THE COUNTY OF SINOE, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Joint Resolution, the following compensations be authorized for services rendered during the senatorial campaign of 1929 in the County of Sinoe, Republic of Liberia.

C. O. Tunning, Sr., as Commissioner of Election,	\$ 159.60
J. Lemuel Gibson, as Registrar, Greenville polls	" 220.00
W. B. Crinshaw, as Registrar, Farmersville polls,	" 122.00
John T. Witherspoon, as Registrar, Lexington polls	" 129.60
Noah W. Jones, as Registrar, Lousianna polls	" 130.00

Section 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury be and is hereby authorized to pay same under warrant of the President out of any money in the public treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Section 3. This Joint Resolution shall take effect immediately and be published in hand-bills.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER XLIX.

AN ACT GRANTING FAHN SANDO, JAH GAY, MADAM HOWAH AND EDWARD B. BURPHEY, THE RIGHT TO RUN A FERRY ACROSS THE PO RIVER IN THE MANOH SECTION, SUEHN BOPOLU DISTRICT, MONTSERRADO, COUNTY.

Whereas, it has become necessary to run a ferry across the Po River at the point known as Gbejah on the right bank of said river for the benefit of persons who are constantly travelling to and from the said section and parts adjacent; and,

Whereas, the daily vocations of many persons living on both sides of the river require constant crossing from one point to the other at a great loss of time and with hazard of property and life; therefore,

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, Fahn Sando, Jah Gay, Madam Howah and Edward B. Burphey of the Manoh Section, Suehn-Bopolu District, and such other persons as may be associated with them, be and they are hereby declared a body politic under the name and style of the Fahn Sando Ferry Company of the Manoh Section, Suehn-Bopolu District, Montserrado County; and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court of this Republic having competent jurisdiction.

Section 2. That the said Fahn Sando Ferry Company is granted the right to run a ferry across the Po River, Manoh Section, Suehn-Bopolu District, Montserrado County, on the right bank of said river and at a point known as Ldain in Gbojay Section on the opposite bank of said river for a period of ten years with the option of another ten years.

Section 3. That the charge for crossing shall in no case exceed eight (8) cents *per capita*. All Government Officials, soldiers and messengers, when travelling on duty shall be crossed free of charge, provided however, that no travelling allowance has been made by law for such duty.

Section 4. That the said Fahn Sando Ferry Company shall place at the disposal of the public suitable facilities for crossing, and shall be available at all times and hours to meet convenience of travellers.

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Section 5. This Act shall not be construed to prohibit persons having their own canoes or other means of transport from using them for their personal benefit at the points hereby granted the above persons.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER L.

AN ACT RESTORING JAMES E. JOHNSON OF GRAND BASSA COUNTY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA TO ALL THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF CITIZENSHIP.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, James E. Johnson of the City of Edina, County of Grand Bassa, and Republic of Liberia, be and he is hereby restored to all the rights and privileges of citizenship in common with all other good citizens of this Republic.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER LI.

AN ACT GRANTING FERRY FRANCHISE TO S. ANNETTA POTTER, ALZETTA A. POTTER, BY-YO-WHRO AND J. CEPHAS BROOKS, OF THE COUNTY OF GRAND BASSA, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, THE RIGHT TO RUN A FERRY ACROSS THE SAINT JOHN RIVER, GRAND BASSA COUNTY, UNDER THE NAME AND STYLE OF THE "POTTER'S FERRY BOAT COMPANY LIMITED."

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, S. Annetta Potter, Alzetta A. Potter, By-Yo-Whro and J. Cephas Brooks and Company of the County of Grand Bassa, Republic of Liberia, are granted the right to run a ferry

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across the Saint John River between the points known as Lewis Harris, or By-Yo-Whro's Wharf to the opposite landing side of said River, commonly known as John Harris' Wharf, and as such may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any of the courts of this Republic having competent jurisdiction; may obtain, hold and acquire property real and personal to the value of ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars for the period of ten years with the right of another ten (10) years.

Section 2. That the maximum charges for each person ferried shall in no case exceed the sum of six (\$0.06) cents, and for the crossing of domestic animals such as cows and horses, forty-eight cents each, and for goats, hogs and sheep, six cents each, and in no case shall government officials while travelling to and from Government duties be required to pay fee; and in no case shall any one be prevented from crossing from, and to the points herein granted, in his or her own canoe or boat.

Section 3. That the said S. Annetta Potter and Company shall keep substantial ferry boats or canoes to the above mentioned points for the convenience of the public. That in any case an accident occurs from negligence or from want of proper ferry boats or canoes, the responsibility shall rest upon the said S. Annetta Potter and Company and shall upon presecution and conviction be punished under such penalty as outlined by law.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER LII.

AN ACT CREATING BETU IN SINOE COUNTY TOWNSHIP.

Whereas, the civilized inhabitants of the Betu Tribe of the County of Sinoe, Republic of Liberia, have petitioned and intimated to the National Legislature of Liberia their desire to remove and dissociate themselves from the Tribal Authority of Betu and to establish a Civilized Settlement within their Tribal Territory; and,

Whereas, it is the policy of the Government to foster and encourage the civilized people of the aboriginal element who

endeavour to emerge into civilization, by granting them, as far as practicable, a recognized form of local government:

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, Betu in Sinoe County, be and the same is hereby incorporated and declared a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the Township of Betu, Sinoe County Liberia and by this name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any courts of this Republic having competent jurisdiction, and to enjoy all and singular the rights and privileges usually enjoyed by similar bodies corporate and politic.

Section 2. That the boundaries of the Township of Betu shall be all of that portion or parcel of land in Betu now known as Jlakron, commencing at the South beach of the Atlantic Ocean from a point on a large rock at the mouth of the Bwotu River, thence running along the beach towards Betu Town to a concrete block on the beach, thence interiorward through the South eastern boundary of the said Betu Town to another concrete block two miles, thence running parallel with the Atlantic Ocean to a point on the right bank of the Bwotu River thence through the Bwotu River to the large rock at its mouth to the place of commencement, all to contain not more than eight (8) square miles.

Section 3. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to subordinate the Tribal Authority of Betu to the said Township Authority, nor shall the Tribal Authority in any way be permitted to interfere with the local administration of the Township Authority.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER LIII.

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE GRAND HOTEL, MONROVIA, LIBERIA.

Whereas Nellie Hodge, a resident of the Settlement of Arrington, Montserrado County, has established a Lodging and

Boarding House in Monrovia under the name of the "Grand Hotel", Monrovia, Liberia; and,

Whereas said establishment has contributed largely to the economic and social requirements of the ever increasing flow of visitors and strangers to the City of Monrovia; and,

Whereas it has become legally impossible to make any investment that will raise the standard of Hotel to an elaborate scale without securing a legislative charter:

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from the effective date of this Act, the Grand Hotel, of which Nellie Hodge is proprietress, be and the same is hereby constituted and declared a body politic and corporate under the name and style of "The Grand Hotel", Monrovia, Liberia, and by this name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any of the courts of this Republic having competent jurisdiction.

Section 2. That the Grand Hotel is hereby granted the right to acquire and possess real and personal property to the value of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars, to make Articles of Association and By-laws for its government, and to do singular and all other acts legally done by similar bodies politic and corporate.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER LIV

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE JAM' IYATU-L-HUDA-L-ISLA-MIYATI-OF TOMBE, GARWULA AND VAI-KONE, GRAND CAPE MOUNT COUNTY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, the Muslim Society of Tome, Garwula and Vai-Kone, of Grand Cape Mount County, of which Ansumana is President, Manibudu Soine, Secretary; Fodi Braima Ngbai, Imam; Braima

Sombai, Treasurer; Bromba Mona Bie, Speaker; Brains Kedukel, Sr., Momodu Soniebie, Brakai Mamusu, Arma Kroma,² and Manah Pusah, Executive Committee, together with all other persons who may associate themselves with them, be and the same is hereby incorporated and declared a body politic and corporate under the name and style of "Jam' Iyatu-l-huda-l-Islamiyati" signifying the society of the Islamic Guidance of Grand Cape Mount County, Republic of Liberia, and by this name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any courts of the Republic having competent jurisdiction.

Section 2. The object of the Jam' Iyatu-l-huda-l-Islami-yati shall be to create unity and good-will among its members, promote their spiritual and social welfare and to encourage them in the practices of their religion.

Section 3. The Jam' Iyatu-l-huda-l-Islami-yati shall have the right to acquire and possess real and personal property to the value of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00), to make by-laws for its governance provided, however, that such by-laws, shall not conflict with the Constitution or Statute Laws of this country, and to enjoy singular and all the rights and privileges usually enjoyed by similar bodies politic and corporate.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER LV.

AN ACT REGULATING AIR NAVIGATION AND PROVIDING FOR AIRPORTS OF ENTRY.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. Any place approved by the President of Liberia as a landing field under paragraph sixteen of the Agreement between the Government of Liberia and the Pan American Airways Corporation, approved February 11, 1942, is hereby designated as a port of entry for aircraft arriving in Liberia from any place outside thereof and for merchandise and passengers carried on such aircraft.

Section 2. The President is authorized:

- (a) to designate such other places as he deems necessary as airports of entry;

- (b) to provide by regulation for the application to air navigation of the laws and regulations relating to the entry and clearance of vessels and the administration of customs, public health and immigration to such extent and upon such conditions as he deems necessary; and
- (c) to extend the limits of any existing seaport of entry to include any airport of entry established under the provisions of this Act.

Section 3. Rules and Regulations relating to the administration of customs, public health and immigration, shall apply to air navigation and airports of entry, and shall have the full force and effect of law when issued with the approval of the President.

Section 4. This Act shall become effective immediately.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved March 3, 1942.

CHAPTER LVI.

JOINT RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$79.12 TO DEFRAY THE BURIAL EXPENSE OF L. COSBY SHERMAN, THE LATE ENROLLING CLERK OF THE LIBERIAN SENATE.

Whereas during the present sitting of the National Legislature, L. Cosby Sherman, late Enrolling Clerk of the Liberian Senate, died in the City of Monrovia, away from his home in Sinoe County, whilst in active service, after a brief period of illness; and,

Whereas it is the considered opinion of the Legislature that his burial expense should be borne by Government; therefore,

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Joint Resolution, the sum of \$79.12 (Seventy-nine dollars and twelve cents) be and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the

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burial expense of the said L. Cosby Sherman, the late Enrolling Clerk of the Liberian Senate, and the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to draw for the same under warrant of the President out of any money in the public treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Section 2. This Act shall take effect immediately.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by limitation.

CHAPTER LVII.

AN ACT FIXING THE DAY OF ADJOURNMENT OF THE THIRD SESSION OF THE 39TH LEGISLATURE OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

*It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:*

Section 1. That the Third Session of the Thirty-Ninth Legislature of the Republic of Liberia will adjourn *sine die* on the thirtieth day of June A. D., 1942.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

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