conveyance, to the Police Jury, Parish of Caddo, State of Louisiana, without cost, that certain tract of land obtained by the United States comprising thirty-eight and eight-tenths acres more or less, in township 16 north, range 13 west, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, donated by the Police Jury of Caddo Parish in the year 1930 to the United States of America for use in pecan production research, being the same lands obtained by the Police Jury of Caddo Parish from Mrs. Cecelia Leonard Ellerbe, said lands being no longer needed by the United States for that purpose.

Approved March 4, 1952.

Public Law 268

CHAPTER 78

AN ACT

To amend the Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950 to except the Territory of Alaska from certain restrictions upon the making of Federal contributions, and to amend the provisions thereof relating to the taking of oaths by certain civil defense personnel.

March 5, 1952 [S. 1244]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) the second United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) the second fense Act, 1950, sentence of subsection 201 (i) of the Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950 amendments. (Public Law 920, Eighty-first Congress) is amended by striking out the period at the end thereof and inserting in lieu thereof a colon and 2281. the following: "Provided further, That the limitations upon the making of Federal contributions contained in the second, third, and fourth provisos of this sentence may be varied for the Territory of Alaska.

64 Stat. 1248. 50 USC app.

ately after the second sentence thereof, the following new sentence:

After appointment and qualification for office the line was sentence:

24 Stat. 1255.

50 USC app. "After appointment and qualification for office, the director of civil defense of any State, and any subordinate civil defense officer within such State designated by the director in writing, shall be qualified to administer any such oath within such State under such regulations as the director shall prescribe." Approved March 5, 1952.

Public Law 269

CHAPTER 79

AN ACT

To amend Public Law 848, Eighty-first Congress, second session.

March 5, 1952 [H. R. 2398]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3 of the Act of September 27, 1950, Public Law 848, Eighty-first Congress, is amended to read as follows:

64 Stat. 1072.

"Sec. 3. Construction of the Vermejo reclamation project shall not be commenced until the President shall have approved a project report and there shall have been established, pursuant to the laws of the State of New Mexico, an organization with powers satisfactory to the Secretary, including the power to tax real property within its boundaries (which boundaries shall include the lands to be benefited by the project works) and the power to enter into a contract or contracts with the United States for payment or return, as the case may be, of the reimbursable costs of the project and such contract or contracts shall have been duly executed."

Vermejo recia-mation project, N. Mex.

Approved March 5, 1952.