

## [CHAPTER 212]

## AN ACT

To amend the Act approved February 15, 1929, entitled "An Act to permit certain warrant officers to count all active service rendered under temporary appointments as warrant or commissioned officers in the Regular Navy, or as warrant or commissioned officers in the United States Naval Reserve Force, for purpose of promotion to chief warrant rank", so as to permit service in the National Naval Volunteers to be counted for purposes of promotion.

May 27, 1940  
[S. 3016]  
[Public, No. 524]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Act of February 15, 1929 (45 Stat. 1180; 34 U. S. C. 331a), is hereby amended to read as follows:

Warrant officers,  
Navy.

"That for the purpose of computing the six years' service required for promotion from warrant to chief warrant rank, all active service, for purposes other than training heretofore rendered during the period from April 6, 1917, to December 31, 1921, under a temporary appointment as a warrant or commissioned officer in the United States Navy, or as a warrant or commissioned officer in the United States Naval Reserve Force, or as a warrant or commissioned officer of the National Naval Volunteers shall be counted: *Provided*, That officers who have heretofore been commissioned chief warrant officers shall for all purposes be regarded as having been so commissioned from the date of completion of such six years' service including the service authorized to be counted by this Act: *Provided further*, That no back pay or allowances shall be held to have accrued prior to the passage of this Act."

Service to be  
counted for promo-  
tion.

*Provisos.*  
Dates of commissions  
of certain officers.

No back pay, etc.

Approved, May 27, 1940.

## [CHAPTER 213]

## AN ACT

To amend the Act entitled "An Act to authorize an exchange of lands between the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company and the United States at Quantico, Virginia", approved June 24, 1935 (49 Stat. 395), so as to permit the removal of certain encumbrances on the lands concerned.

May 27, 1940  
[S. 3017]  
[Public, No. 525]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Act entitled "An Act to authorize an exchange of lands between the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company and the United States at Quantico, Virginia", approved June 24, 1935 (49 Stat. 395), is hereby amended so that the first ten lines of the first section thereof will read as follows:

Quantico, Va.  
Exchange of lands  
at, amendments.

"That the Secretary of the Navy is authorized on behalf of the United States to accept from the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company, a corporation of the State of Virginia, without cost to the United States, except as hereinafter provided, by an appropriate deed of conveyance, all of the said railroad company's right, title, and interest in and to the following lands, together with all the right, title, and interest of the said railroad company in and to the platted streets and riparian rights in Quantico Creek as may attach to the lots described in subsection (a):"

Conveyances by  
Richmond, Freder-  
icksburg and Potomac  
Railroad Co.

SEC. 2. The said Act approved June 24, 1935, is hereby further amended so that the first eight lines of the second section thereof will read as follows:

"In exchange for all of the right, title, and interest of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company in and to the above-described lands, the Secretary of the Navy is authorized to transfer by appropriate conveyance to the said railroad company, free from all encumbrances, without cost to the said railroad com-

Lands transferred to  
railroad company.

pany, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the lands contained within the Marine Corps Reservation at Quantico, Virginia, described generally as follows:"

SEC. 3. That the said Act approved June 24, 1935, is hereby further amended by adding the following section thereto:

Acquisition of designated lands; vested rights.

"SEC. 3. The Secretary of the Navy is hereby authorized to acquire on behalf of the United States by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, at a cost not to exceed \$1,750, such parts of the lands described in section 1 of this Act and such vested rights therein, if any, as may belong to persons other than the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company."

Approved, May 27, 1940.

[CHAPTER 214]

AN ACT

To extend the time for completing the construction of a bridge across the Mississippi River at or near La Crosse, Wisconsin.

May 27, 1940

[S. 3183]

[Public, No. 526]

Mississippi River.  
Time extended for  
bridging, at La Crosse,  
Wis.

49 Stat. 1531; 50 Stat.  
94.

Right reserved.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the time for completing the construction of a bridge across the Mississippi River at or near La Crosse, Wisconsin, authorized to be built by the State of Wisconsin by an Act of Congress approved June 19, 1936, as heretofore extended by an Act of Congress approved April 26, 1937, is further extended for one year, from April 26, 1940.

SEC. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, May 27, 1940.

[CHAPTER 215]

AN ACT

To extend the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge across the Mississippi River at or near Friar Point, Mississippi, and Helena, Arkansas.

May 27, 1940

[S. 3254]

[Public, No. 527]

Mississippi River.  
Times extended for  
bridging, at Friar  
Point, Miss., and  
Helena, Ark.

53 Stat. 747.

Right reserved.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge across the Mississippi River at or near Friar Point, Mississippi, and Helena, Arkansas, authorized to be built by the Arkansas-Mississippi Bridge Commission and its successors and assigns by an Act of Congress, approved May 17, 1939, are hereby further extended one and three years, respectively, from the date of approval of this Act.

SEC. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, May 27, 1940.

[CHAPTER 216]

AN ACT

To extend the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge across the Ohio River at or near Mauckport, Harrison County, Indiana.

May 27, 1940

[S. 3561]

[Public, No. 528]

Ohio River.  
Times extended for  
bridging, at Mauck-  
port, Ind.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge across the Ohio River, at or near Mauckport, Harrison County, Indiana, authorized to be built by the Indiana State Toll Bridge Commission,