

March 1, 1889.

CHAP. 318.—An act to authorize the Kentucky Union Railway Company to construct a bridge across the Kentucky River and its tributaries.

Kentucky Union Railway Company may bridge Kentucky River and tributaries.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Kentucky Union Railway Company, a corporation organized under act of the general assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, be, and it is hereby, authorized to construct and maintain a bridge and approaches thereto over the Kentucky River, in the State of Kentucky, and also a bridge or bridges over the navigable tributaries or forks of said river at such point or points as said company may deem suitable for the passage of its said road over said river or its said tributaries or forks. Said bridge or bridges shall be constructed to provide for the passage of railway trains, and, at the option of the company by which it or they may be built, may be used for the passage of wagons and vehicles of all kinds, for the transit of animals, and for foot-passengers; but the rate of tolls charged by said company for the passage of wagons and vehicles shall first be approved by the Secretary of War, and no tolls shall be collected unless the amount thereof is so approved.

Railway, wagon, and foot bridge.

Lawful structure and post-route.

SEC. 2. That any bridge built under this act and subject to its limitations shall be a lawful structure, and shall be recognized and known as a post-route, and it shall enjoy the rights and privileges of other post-roads in the United States, and equal privileges in the use of said bridge shall be granted to all telegraph companies; and the United States shall have the right of way across said bridge and its approaches for postal-telegraph purposes.

Postal telegraph. Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.

SEC. 3. That any bridge authorized to be constructed under this act shall be built and located under and subject to such regulations for the security of navigation of said river as the Secretary of War shall prescribe, and to secure that object the said company or corporation shall submit to the Secretary of War, for his examination and approval, a design and drawing of the bridge and a map of the location thereof; and until the said plan and location of the bridge are approved by the Secretary of War the bridge shall not be commenced or built; and should any change be made in the plan of said bridge during the progress of construction, such change shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of War; and all the expense of said change shall be paid by the parties owning or controlling such bridge or bridges.

Changes.

Use by other companies.

SEC. 4. That all railroad companies desiring the use of said bridge or bridges shall have and be entitled to equal rights and privileges relating to the passage of railway trains over the same and over the approaches thereto upon the payment of reasonable compensation therefor; and in case the owner or owners of said bridge or bridges and the railroad company or companies desiring to use the same shall fail to agree upon the terms with reference to the use of same, all matters of issue between them shall be decided by the Secretary of War upon a hearing of the allegations and proofs of the parties.

Compensation.

Secretary of War to decide.

Commencement and completion.

SEC. 5. That this act shall be null and void if actual construction of the bridge or bridges herein authorized be not commenced within two years and completed within five years from the date thereof.

Amendment.

SEC. 6. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, March 1, 1889.

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CHAP. 319.—An act to provide for taking the eleventh and subsequent censuses.

Eleventh census.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a census of the population, wealth, and industry of the United States shall be taken as of the date of June first, eighteen hundred and ninety.

To date June 1, 1890.