

passing over said bridge, than the rate per mile paid for the transportation over the railroads or public highways leading to said bridge; 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 and telephone companies, and the United States shall have the right of way across said bridge and its approaches for postal-telegraph purposes: *Provided, also,* That other railroad companies shall have the right to run their cars over said bridge and approaches, upon such just and reasonable terms as may be agreed upon by them and the corporation owning or controlling said bridge, and if the parties can not agree, then the terms shall be determined by the Secretary of War.

Use by telegraph, etc., companies.

Postal telegraph.

Use by other companies. Terms.

SEC. 4. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this act is hereby expressly reserved, and the right to require any changes in said structure, or its removal, at the expense of the owners thereof, whenever the Secretary of War shall decide that the public interest requires it, is also expressly reserved.

Amendment, etc.

Structural changes, etc.

SEC. 5. That this act shall be null and void if actual construction of the bridge herein authorized be not commenced within one year and completed within three years from the date thereof.

Commencement and completion.

Approved, September 26, 1890.

CHAP. 943.—An act to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Oconee River in the State of Georgia.

September 26, 1890.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the assent of Congress is hereby given to the Savannah, Americus and Montgomery Railway Company, an organization incorporated under the laws of the State of Georgia, its successors and assigns, to construct and maintain a bridge over the Oconee River in the State of Georgia.

Savannah, Americus and Montgomery Railway Company may bridge Oconee River, Ga.

SEC. 2. That the bridge shall be so constructed, by draw, span, or otherwise, that a free and unobstructed passage may be secured to all vessels and other water-craft navigating said river. That any bridge 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 shall submit to the Secretary of War, for his examination and approval, a design with drawings of the bridge, piers, and approaches, and a map of the location, giving, for the space of at least one mile above and one mile below the proposed location, the topography of the banks of the river, the shore-lines at high and low water, and the direction and strength of the currents at all stages, and the soundings, accurately showing the bed of the stream, and the location of other bridge or bridges, wharves, landings, or ferries, and shall furnish such other information as may be required for a full and satisfactory understanding of the subject; and until said plan and location of the bridge are approved by the Secretary of War the bridge shall not be built, and after such approval by the Secretary of War the approved plans and designs for the bridge shall not be deviated from or added to, either during the construction or after the completion of the bridge, until the proposed change shall have been submitted to the Secretary of War and received his approval; and the said bridge shall be at all times so kept and managed as to offer reasonable and proper means for the passage of vessels through or under said bridge; and if said bridge be built with a draw, said draw shall be opened promptly, upon reasonable signal, for the passing of boats, and the said company or corporation shall maintain at its own expense, from sunset to sunrise,

Construction. Security of navigation.

Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.

Change of plans.

Draw-bridge. Opening of draw.

Lights, etc.
 Obstructed navigation.
 Alterations, etc.
 Lawful structure, and post-route.

such lights or other signals on said bridge as the Light-House Board shall prescribe; and if at any time the navigation of said river shall in any manner be obstructed or impaired by the bridge authorized by this act to be constructed the Secretary of War shall have authority, and it shall be his duty, to require said company to alter and change the said bridge, at its own expense, in such manner as may be proper to secure free and complete navigation without impediment.

Use by telegraph, etc., companies.
 Postal telegraph.
 Proviso.
 Use by other companies.
 Terms.

SEC. 3. 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, upon which also no higher charge shall be made for the transmission over the same of the mails, the troops, and the munitions of war of the United States, or passengers or freight passing over said bridge, than the rate per mile paid for the transportation over the railroads or public highways leading to said bridge; and it shall enjoy the rights and privileges of other post-roads of the United States, and equal privileges in the use of said bridge shall be granted to all telegraph and telephone companies, and the United States shall have the right of way across said bridge and its approaches for postal-telegraph purposes: *Provided, also,* That other railroad companies shall have the right to run their cars over said bridge and approaches, upon such just and reasonable terms as may be agreed upon by them and the corporation owning or controlling said bridge, and if the parties can not agree, then the terms shall be determined by the Secretary of War.

Amendment, etc.
 Structural changes, etc.

SEC. 4. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this act is hereby expressly reserved; and the right to require any changes in said structure, or its removal, at the expense of the owners thereof, whenever the Secretary of War shall decide that the public interest requires it, is also expressly reserved.

Commencement and completion.

SEC. 5. That this act shall be null and void if actual construction of the bridge herein authorized be not commenced within one year and completed within three years from the date thereof

Approved, September 26, 1890.

September 26, 1890.

CHAP. 944.—An act to amend section thirty-five hundred and ten of the Revised Statutes of the United States, and to provide for new designs of authorized devices of United States coins.

United States coins.
 New designs of authorized devices, etc., to be adopted, etc.
 R. S., sec. 3510, P. 696, amended.
 Duties of engraver.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section thirty-five hundred and ten of the Revised Statutes of the United States be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

New designs, etc., of authorized emblems, etc.

“SEC. 3510. The engraver shall prepare from the original dies already authorized all the working-dies required for use in the coinage of the several mints, and, when new coins, emblems, devices, legends, or designs are authorized, shall, if required by the Director of the Mint, prepare the devices, models, hubs, or original dies for the same. The Director of the Mint shall have power, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, to cause new designs or models of authorized emblems or devices to be prepared and adopted in the same manner as when new coins or devices are authorized. But no change in the design or die of any coin shall be made oftener than once in twenty-five years from and including the year of the first adoption of the design, model, die, or hub for the same coin: *Provided,* That no change be made in the diameter of any coin: *And provided further,* That nothing in this section shall prevent the adoption of new designs or models for devices or emblems already authorized for the standard silver dollar and the five-cent nickel piece as soon as practicable after the passage of this act. But the Director of the Mint shall nevertheless have power, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, to engage temporarily for

Limitation on changes in design, etc.

Provisos.
 Coin diameter.
 Standard silver dollar.
 Five-cent nickel piece.