

construct, maintain, and operate a railroad bridge, with as many tracks as they shall deem necessary for railroad traffic, across the Delaware River between a point in or near the city of Trenton, in the State of New Jersey, and a point in or near the borough of Morrisville, in the county of Bucks and State of Pennsylvania.

Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.

SEC. 2. That the bridge authorized to be constructed under this Act shall be located and built under and subject to such requirements for the security of navigation of said river as the Secretary of War shall prescribe, and to secure that object the railroad company 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, giving for the space of one mile the depth and current of the river at all points and the location of any other bridge or bridges, together with all other information touching said bridge and river as may be deemed requisite by the Secretary of War to determine whether said bridge when built will conform to the provisions of this Act and cause no serious obstruction to the navigation of the river or injuriously affect the flow of water.

Notification of approval, etc.

SEC. 3. That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and directed, upon receiving said plan and map and upon being satisfied that a bridge built on such plan and at said locality will conform to the provisions of this Act and cause no serious obstruction to the navigation of the river or injuriously affect the flow of water, to notify the said company that he approves the same, and upon receiving such notification the said company may proceed to the erection of said bridge, conforming strictly to the approved plan and location; but until the Secretary of War shall approve the plan and location of the said bridge and notify the said companies of the same in writing the bridge shall not be built or commenced; and should any change be made in the plan of the bridge during the progress of the work thereon or after completion such change shall be subject likewise to the approval of the Secretary of War.

Lawful structure and post route.

SEC. 4. That any bridge constructed under this Act shall be a legal structure and shall be known as a post road, over which no higher charge shall be made for the transportation of mails, troops, and munitions of war, or other property of the United States over the same than the rate per mile charged for their transportation over the railways of and public highways leading to said bridge. The United States shall also have the right of way over said bridge for postal-telegraph purposes.

Postal telegraph.

No obstruction to navigation.

SEC. 5. That the said bridge shall be so kept and managed at all times as not to interfere with the passage of vessels, barges, or rafts both by day and by night, and there shall be displayed on said bridge by the owners thereof, from sunset to sunrise, such lights or other signals as the Light-House Board may prescribe.

Lights.

Commencement and completion.

SEC. 6. That this Act shall be null and void unless the bridge herein authorized shall be commenced within one year and completed within three years from the date hereof.

Amendment.

SEC. 7. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, February 15, 1901.

February 18, 1901.

CHAP. 377.—An Act Amending the Act providing for the appointment of a Mississippi River Commission, and so forth, approved June twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine.

Mississippi River Commission. Vol. 21, p. 38 amended.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of a Mississippi River Commission, for the improvement of said river from the Head of the Passes near its

mouth to its head waters," approved June twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, be amended by adding thereto the following section:

"SEC. 8. That the headquarters and general offices of said commission shall be located at some city or town on the Mississippi River, to be designated by the Secretary of War, and the meetings of the commission except such as are held on Government boats during the time of the semiannual inspection trips of the commission shall be held at said headquarters and general offices, the times of said meetings to be fixed by the president of the commission, who shall cause due notice of such meetings to be given members of the commission and the public."

Approved, February 18, 1901.

Offices of commission.

—meetings

**CHAP. 378.**—An Act To authorize the Glassport Bridge Company to construct and maintain a bridge across the Monongahela River, in the State of Pennsylvania.

February 18, 1901.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Glassport Bridge Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Pennsylvania, is hereby authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Monongahela River between a point on the eastern side of said river at or near Ninth street, in the borough of Port Vue, in the county of Allegheny, and a point on the western side of said river in the township of Jefferson, in said county, at or near the public road known as the River road, between Dravosburg and West Elizabeth. The said bridge, when built in accordance with the requirements of this Act, shall be a legal structure, and may be used for either or both railroad purposes or as a highway for the passage of persons, vehicles, and passenger cars.

Glassport Bridge Company may bridge Monongahela River.

—location.

Lawful structure, etc.

SEC. 2. That the bridge authorized to be constructed under this Act shall be located and built under and subject to such requirements for the security of navigation of said river as the Secretary of War shall prescribe, and to secure that object the railroad company shall submit to the Secretary of War, for his examination and approval, a design and drawing for the bridge, and a map of the location, giving for the space of one mile the depth and current of the river at all points, and the location of any other bridge or bridges, together with all other information touching said bridge and river as may be requisite for the Secretary of War to determine whether said bridge, when built, will conform to the provisions of this Act and cause no serious obstruction to the navigation of the river or injuriously affect the flow of water.

Secretary of War to approve plans.

SEC. 3. That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and directed, upon receiving said plan and map, and upon being satisfied that a bridge built upon said plan and at said location will conform to the provisions of this Act and cause no serious obstruction to the navigation of the river or injuriously affect the flow of water, to notify the said company that he approves the same, and upon receiving said notification the said company may proceed to the erection of the said bridge, conforming strictly to the approved plan and location; and until the Secretary of War shall approve the plan and location of the said bridge and notify the said company, in writing, a bridge shall not be built or commenced; and should any change be made in the plan of the bridge during the progress of the work thereon, or after completion, such change shall be subject likewise to the approval of the Secretary of War. And any changes in said bridge which the Secretary of War may at any time deem necessary, and order in the interests of navigation, shall be made by the owners thereof at their own expense.

Notification of approval, etc.

Changes.

SEC. 4. That said bridge, at the option of the said Glassport Bridge Company, may be so constructed that the same can be used for the

Uses of bridge.