

CHAP. 565.—An Act To extend the time granted to the Muscle Shoals Power Company by an Act approved March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, within which to commence and complete the work authorized in the said Act to be done by said company, and for other purposes.

February 18, 1903.

[Public, No. 96.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the time allowed the Muscle Shoals Power Company by section two of an Act entitled "An Act granting to the Muscle Shoals Power Company right to erect and construct canal and power stations at Muscle Shoals, Alabama," approved March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, to commence and complete the work therein authorized to be done be extended so that unless the work authorized in said Act to be done be commenced within two years and completed within four years from the date of this Act the privileges granted to said company by said first-mentioned Act shall cease and be determined; and the Secretary of War is authorized, in his discretion, to permit the said company to erect and construct dams which may abut on lands of the United States along the line of the Muscle Shoals Canal upon such terms and conditions as may be deemed just and equitable to the public interests.

Muscle Shoals, Ala. Time extended for construction of canal, etc., by Muscle Shoals Power Company. Vol. 30, p. 1351.

Construction of dams.

Approved, February 18, 1903.

CHAP. 566.—An Act To authorize the construction of a bridge across Bogue Chitto, in the State of Louisiana.

February 18, 1903.

[Public, No. 97.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That authority is hereby granted, and consent is hereby given, for the building of a wagon and foot bridge across Bogue Chitto River, in the parish of Saint Tammany, State of Louisiana, by the police jury of said parish: *Provided,* That the plans and location for such bridge shall first be approved by the Secretary of War.

Bogue Chitto, La. Saint Tammany Parish may bridge.

Provido. Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.

Lawful structure and post route.

SEC. 2. That said bridge shall be a lawful structure, and shall be recognized and known as a post route, and shall enjoy the rights and privileges of other post roads in the United States; and no charge shall be made for the transmission over the same of the mails, troops, and munitions of war of the United States. 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, and any changes in said bridge which the Secretary of War may hereafter require and order, in the interest of navigation, shall be promptly made by the said police jury without expense to the United States.

Telegraph, etc., rights.

Changes.

SEC. 3. 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 of approval hereof.

Time of construction.

SEC. 4. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Amendment.

Approved, February 18, 1903.

CHAP. 567.—An Act To authorize the construction of a bridge across the Monongahela River, in the State of Pennsylvania, by the Eastern Railroad Company.

February 18, 1903.

[Public, No. 98.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Eastern Railroad Company, a corporation created and organized under the laws of the State of Pennsylvania, its successors and assigns, be, and it is hereby,

Monongahela River, Pa. Eastern Railroad may bridge.

Location.	authorized to construct and maintain a bridge and approaches thereto over the Monongahela River, in the State of Pennsylvania, from a point on the north shore between Hazlewood avenue and the Glenwood highway bridge to a point on the south shore in the township of Baldwin or the township of Lower Saint Clair, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania: <i>Provided</i> , That such location is suitable to the interests of navigation.
<i>Proviso.</i> Unobstructed navigation. Lawful structure and post route.	SEC. 2. That said bridge shall be constructed for the passage of railway trains, and shall be a lawful structure, and shall be recognized and known as a post route, upon which no higher charge shall be made for the transmission over the same of the mails, the troops, and munitions of war of the United States than the rate per mile paid for the transportation over the railroads leading to the said bridge, and 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 and telephone purposes: <i>Provided</i> , That all railroad companies desiring the use of said bridge shall have and be entitled to equal rights and privileges in the passage of railroad trains over the same and the approaches thereto, upon payment of a reasonable compensation for such use; and in case the owner or owners of said bridge and the several railroad companies or any one of them desiring such use shall fail to agree upon the sum or sums to be paid and upon the rules and conditions to which each shall conform in the use of said bridge, all matters at issue between them shall be decided by the Secretary of War upon a hearing of the allegations and proofs of the parties.
Telegraph, etc., rights.	
<i>Proviso.</i> Use by other roads.	
Compensation.	
Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.	SEC. 3. That said bridge shall be built and located under and subject to such regulations for the security of navigation of such river as the Secretary of War shall prescribe; and to secure that object the company building the said bridge 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 are approved by the Secretary of War the said bridge shall not be commenced or built, and no changes shall be made in said bridge during the progress of construction, or after completion, unless approved by the Secretary of War; and the said company shall, at its own expense, make from time to time such changes in said bridge as the Secretary of War may order in the interests of navigation; and the said company, its successors and assigns, shall cause to be displayed on said bridge between the hours of sunset and sunrise, and at other times, such lights and other signals as may be prescribed by the Light-House Board.
Changes.	
Lights, etc.	
Time of construction.	SEC. 4. 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 two years from the date of the approval of this Act.
Amendment.	SEC. 5. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, February 18, 1903.

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[Public, No. 99.]

CHAP. 568.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to issue patent to the Rochford Cemetery Association to certain lands for cemetery purposes.

Rochford Cemetery,
Rochford, S. Dak.
Lands granted to.

Description.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to issue a patent to the Rochford Cemetery Association, of the town of Rochford, South Dakota, for cemetery purposes, to the following-described land, to wit: The south half of the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section twenty-two, and the north half of the northeast quarter of the