

Maine, the property situated in the corporate limits of said Augusta, belonging to the Government of the United States, formerly used as an arsenal and known as the Kennebec Arsenal property, the same comprising about forty acres, and bounded on the north by private property, on the east by the road to Pittston, on the south by the Insane Hospital grounds, and on the west by the Kennebec River; said conveyance to provide, however, that the estate thereby created shall continue so long only as the said property shall be used by said State as a part of and in connection with the Maine Insane Hospital for the appropriate uses of an Insane Hospital in conformity with the terms of this Act; and that at any time the said property may be taken possession of by the United States whenever the President in his discretion, shall decide that the said property is needed for the uses of the United States, or that the requirements of this Act are not strictly observed by the said State of Maine; and that there shall be no liability on the part of the United States at any time for the use or destruction of any building that may be placed on the said property by the State of Maine.

Reversion, etc.

Nonliability of United States.

Approved, March 3, 1905.

CHAP. 1503.—An Act To authorize the county of Ouachita to construct a bridge across the Ouachita River, Arkansas.

March 3, 1905.
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the county of Ouachita, one of the counties of the State of Arkansas, duly created and organized under and by virtue of the laws of the said State, is hereby authorized and empowered to erect, construct, and maintain a bridge, by and through its proper officers, over the Ouachita River, at or near Camden, in the county of Ouachita, State of Arkansas: *Provided, That* the plans and location of the said bridge are approved by the Secretary of War before the construction of the bridge is commenced. Said bridge shall be constructed to provide for the passage of wagons and vehicles of all kinds, for the transit of animals, and for foot passengers, under such rules and regulations as may be laid down by the proper officers of said county under the laws of the said State of Arkansas.

Ouachita River.
Ouachita County may bridge, at Camden, Ark.

Provided.
Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.
Wagon and foot bridge.

Lawful structure and post route.

Telegraph, etc., rights.

Time of construction.

Amendment.

SEC. 2. That the bridge shall be a lawful structure, and shall be known and recognized as a post route, and shall enjoy the rights and privileges of other post-roads of 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, and telephone purposes; and any changes in the said bridge which the Secretary of War may require in the interest of navigation shall be made by the person or corporation owning or operating the same, at their own expense.

SEC. 3. That this Act shall be null and void if actual construction of said bridge herein authorized shall not be commenced in one year and completed within three years from the date of approval hereof.

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

Approved, March 3, 1905.