

CHAP. 183.—An Act For the enlargement of the post-office building in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

March 4, 1917.
[S. 6601.]

[Public, No. 394.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to cause the present old post-office building at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, to be enlarged, extended, remodeled, and improved for the better accommodation of the post-office and other governmental offices, at a cost not exceeding \$50,000, including all changes in, extension of, or additions and repairs to the mechanical equipment which may become necessary by reason of, or incident to, such enlargement, extension, remodeling, or repairs of said building, or which it may be found expedient to make to such mechanical equipment because of such enlargement, extension, remodeling, or repair of said building; and the annual appropriations for the general maintenance of public buildings under the control of the Treasury Department shall be construed to be available for all other repairs to and equipment of said building, grounds, approaches, and mechanical equipment of such building as extended. And the Secretary of the Treasury is further authorized, in his discretion, to disregard the provisions requiring forty feet open space for fire protection.

Pittsburgh, Pa.
Enlargement of post-office building.

Limit of cost.

Open space requirement waived.

Approved, March 4, 1917.

CHAP. 184.—An Act To amend the irrigation Act of March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-one (Twenty-sixth Statutes, page one thousand and ninety-five), section eighteen, and to amend section two of the Act of May eleventh, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight (Thirtieth Statutes, page four hundred and four).

March 4, 1917.
[S. 7710.]

[Public, No. 395.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section eighteen of what is generally known as the irrigation Act of March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-one (Twenty-sixth Statutes, page one thousand and ninety-five), be, and is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

Public lands.
Irrigation ditches.
Vol. 26, p. 1101,
amended.

“SEC. 18. That the right of way through the public lands and reservations of the United States is hereby granted to any canal or ditch company or drainage district formed for the purpose of irrigation or drainage and duly organized under the laws of any State or Territory, and which shall have filed or may hereafter file with the Secretary of the Interior a copy of its articles of incorporation and due proofs of its organization under the same, to the extent of the ground occupied by the water of the reservoir and of the canal and its laterals, and fifty feet on each side of the marginal limits thereof; also the right to take from the public lands adjacent to the line of the canal or ditch, material, earth, and stone necessary for the construction of such canal or ditch: *Provided*, That no such right of way shall be so located as to interfere with the proper occupation by the Government of any such reservation, and all maps of location shall be subject to the approval of the department of the Government having jurisdiction of such reservation; and the privilege herein granted shall not be construed to interfere with the control of water for irrigation and other purposes under authority of the respective States or Territories.”

Right of way granted to ditch companies or drainage districts.

Proviso.
Not to interfere with Government occupation, etc.

Control of State, etc.

SEC. 2. That section two of the Act of May eleventh, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight (Thirtieth Statutes, page four hundred and four), be, and is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

Indian lands.
Rights of way for ditches, etc.
Vol. 30, p. 404,
amended.
Use of rights of way for public purposes.

“SEC. 2. That rights of way for ditches, canals, or reservoirs heretofore or hereafter approved under the provisions of sections eighteen, nineteen, twenty, and twenty-one of the Act entitled ‘An Act to repeal timber-culture laws, and for other purposes,’ approved March

Subsidiary to irrigation or drainage.

third, eighteen hundred and ninety-one, may be used for purposes of a public nature; and said rights of way may be used for purposes of water transportation, for domestic purposes, or for the development of power, as subsidiary to the main purpose of irrigation or drainage."

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[S. 7905.]

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Chicago, Ill.
Riparian rights on Lake Michigan granted the commissioners of Lincoln Park.

Conditions.

Legal proceedings authorized.

Proviso.
Reversion for non-use.

CHAP. 185.—An Act To authorize the Secretary of the Treasury, in his discretion, to transfer and convey to the commissioners of Lincoln Park, of Chicago, Illinois, the riparian rights of the United States, as the owner of land fronting on Lake Michigan and occupied as the site of the United States marine hospital in Chicago, Illinois.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized, in his discretion, to transfer and convey to the commissioners of Lincoln Park, of Chicago, Illinois, the riparian rights of the United States, as the owner of land fronting on Lake Michigan and occupied as the site of the United States marine hospital in Chicago, Illinois, upon the condition that the said rights and any lands which may be added to the present water front of said marine hospital site shall be used for no other purpose than that authorized in the statute of the State of Illinois entitled "An Act to enable the park commissioners having control of any park bordering upon public waters in this State to enlarge the same from time to time and granting submerged lands for the purpose of such enlargements, and to defray the cost thereof," approved June fifteenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, and upon such other terms and conditions as he may impose in order to permit the proposed extension of Lincoln Park across the water front of said site; and he is further authorized and empowered, in his discretion, in the name of the United States of America, to undertake or conform to any proceedings provided for under the statutes of the State of Illinois enacted for the purpose of enabling park commissioners to enlarge parks by reclaiming submerged lands under the waters of Lake Michigan and for the establishment and defining of the boundary line between the lands of shore owners and the park lands of such park commissioners: *Provided*, That in the event the said lands are not used for the purposes specified in this Act the same shall revert to the Government of the United States.

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[Public, No. 397.]

Red River.
Red River Bridge
district may bridge,
Index, Tex.

Construction.
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Amendment.

CHAP. 186.—An Act Authorizing the commissioners of the Red River Bridge District to construct a bridge across the Red River at or near Index, Texas.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the commissioners of the Red River Bridge District be, and they are hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto over the Red River at or near Index, Texas, for railroad and other traffic at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March twenty-third, nineteen hundred and six.

SEC. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, March 4, 1917.