

works on rivers and harbors, and for other purposes (Thirtieth Statutes, chapter 425, section 9, page 1151), and all Acts amendatory of either thereof shall not, after the passage of this Act, apply to that portion of the west arm of the south fork of the South Branch of the Chicago River, lying between the east line of Ashland Avenue and the north line of Thirty-ninth Street, in the city of Chicago, Illinois, as the same now exists or may hereafter be extended.

Abandonment of United States rights over relinquished part.

All rights, authority, or control over that part of the Chicago River now possessed or assumed by the United States under said Acts, or either of them, or any amendments thereof are hereby relinquished and abandoned, and all rights, authority, or control over the same that were possessed by the State of Illinois before said Acts were passed are hereby fully restored to said State.

Approved, February 27, 1923.

February 28, 1923.
[S. 3593.]
[Public, No. 453.]

CHAP. 144.—An Act To authorize an exchange of lands with owners of private land holdings within the Glacier National Park.

Glacier National Park, Mont.
Exchange with private owners of lands within.

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, for the purpose of eliminating private holdings of land within the Glacier National Park, is hereby empowered, in his discretion, to obtain for the United States the complete title to any or all of the lands held in private ownership within the boundaries of said park by accepting from the owners of such privately owned lands complete relinquishment thereof and by granting and patenting to such owners, in exchange therefor, in each instance, like public land of equal value situate in the State of Montana, after due notice of the proposed exchange has been given by publication for not less than thirty days in the counties where the lands proposed to be exchanged or taken in exchange are located.

Ascertainment of values, etc.

SEC. 2. That the value of all patented lands within said park, including the timber thereon, offered for exchange, and the value of other lands of the United States elsewhere situate, to be given in exchange therefor, shall be ascertained in such manner as the Secretary of the Interior may direct; and the owners of such privately owned lands within said park shall, before any exchange is effective, furnish the Secretary of the Interior evidence satisfactory to him of title to the patented lands offered in exchange; and lands conveyed to the Government under this Act shall be and remain a part of the Glacier National Park.

Approved, February 28, 1923.

Title.

Lands added to national park.

February 28, 1923.
[S. 4187.]
[Public, No. 454.]

CHAP. 145.—An Act To extend the time for payment of charges due on reclamation projects, and for other purposes.

Reclamation Act.
Time further extended for paying charges due in 1922.
Act, p. 489, amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to extend the time for payment of charges due on reclamation projects, and for other purposes," approved March 31, 1922, is amended by striking out the words "one year" where they appear in such section and inserting in lieu thereof the words "two years."

Additional year allowed.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized, in the manner and subject to the conditions imposed by such Act of March 31, 1922, to extend for a period not exceeding two years from December 31, 1922, the date of any payment of any charge the date of

payment of which has been extended under the provisions of section 1 of such Act.

SEC. 3. That every charge, the date of payment of which is extended under the provisions of section 2 of this Act, shall draw interest at the rate of 6 per centum per annum from the date from which it was so extended in lieu of any penalty that may now be provided by law, but in case such charge is not paid at the end of the period for which it is so extended any such penalty shall attach from the date the charge was originally due, as if no extension had been granted.

Interest and penalty on deferred payments.

SEC. 4. That section 2 of such Act of March 31, 1922, is amended by striking out the words "season of 1922" where they appear in such section and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "seasons of 1922 and 1923."

Arrears. *Ante*, p. 490, amended.

SEC. 5. That where an individual water user, or individual applicant for a water right under a Federal irrigation project constructed or being constructed under the Act of June 17, 1902 (Thirty-second Statutes at Large, page 388), or any Act amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto, is unable to pay any construction or operation and maintenance charge due, excepting operation and maintenance charges for drainage on the Boise, Idaho, project for the year 1922, or prior thereto, the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized in his discretion to add such accrued and unpaid charges to the construction charge of the land of such water user or applicant, and to distribute such accumulated charges equally over each of the subsequent years, beginning with the year 1924, at such rate per year as will complete the payment during the remaining years of the twenty-year period of payment of the original construction charge: *Provided*, That upon such adjustment being made, any penalties or interest which may have accrued in connection with such unpaid construction and operation and maintenance charges shall be canceled, and in lieu thereof the amount so due, and the payment of which is hereby extended, shall draw interest at the rate of 6 per centum per annum, paid annually from the time said amount became due to date of payment: *Provided further*, That the applicant for the extension shall first show to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Interior detailed statement of his assets and liabilities and actual inability to make payment at the time of the application and an apparent ability to meet the deferred charges in 1924 and subsequent years: *And provided further*, That in case the principal and interest herein provided for are not paid in the manner and at the time provided by this Act, any penalty now provided by law shall attach from the date the charge was originally due: *And provided further*, That similar relief in whole or in part may be extended by the Secretary of the Interior to a legally organized group of water users of a project, upon presentation of a sufficient number of individual showings made in accordance with the foregoing proviso to satisfy the Secretary of the Interior that such extension is necessary.

Unpaid charges may be added to construction charge. Vol. 32, p. 388.

Payments in the 20-year period.

Proviso. Accrued interest, etc., to be canceled.

Inability to make payments, etc., must be shown.

Penalty if principal and interest not paid hereafter.

Extended to groups of water users.

Approved, February 28, 1923.

CHAP. 146.—An Act To amend the Act entitled "An Act to create a commission authorized under certain conditions to refund or convert obligations of foreign governments held by the United States of America, and for other purposes," approved February 9, 1922.

February 28, 1923.
[H. R. 14254.]
[Public, No. 455.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first proviso of section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act to create a commis-

World War Foreign Debt Commission. *Ante*, p. 363, amended.