

bridge and approaches thereto across the Pee Dee River at a point suitable to the interests of navigation and at or near a point known as Yawhannah Ferry in said State in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906.

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

Amendment.

Approved, February 2, 1924.

CHAP. 14.—An Act Authorizing the building of a bridge across Kingston Lake at Conway, South Carolina.

February 2, 1924.
[H. R. 3680.]
[Public, No. 10.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the county of Horry, in the State of South Carolina, be, and is hereby, authorized to construct, operate, and maintain a bridge and approaches thereto across Kingston Lake at a point suitable to the interests of navigation at a point near the end of Fourth Avenue in the city of Conway, in said State, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906.

Kingston Lake.
Horry County may
bridge, Conway, S. C.

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

Amendment.

Approved, February 2, 1924.

CHAP. 15.—An Act For the examination and survey of Dog River, Alabama, from the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Bridge to the mouth of said river including a connection with the Mobile Bay Ship Channel.

February 2, 1924.
[H. R. 3770.]
[Public, No. 11.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provision in section 12 of the River and Harbor Act approved September 22, 1922, providing for a preliminary examination and survey of "Channel from the mouth of Dog River, Alabama, to the ship channel in Mobile Bay," is hereby amended to read as follows: "Dog River, Alabama, from the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Bridge to the mouth of said river, including a channel connection with the Mobile Bay Ship Channel."

Dog River, Ala.
Preliminary ex-
amination, etc., of,
modified.
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amended.

Approved, February 2, 1924.

CHAP. 16.—Joint Resolution Directing the President to institute and prosecute suits to cancel certain leases of oil lands and incidental contracts, and for other purposes.

February 8, 1924.
[S. J. Res. 54.]
[Pub. Res., No. 4.]

Whereas it appears from evidence taken by the Committee on Public Lands and Surveys of the United States Senate that certain lease of Naval Reserve Numbered 3, in the State of Wyoming, bearing date April 7, 1922, made in form by the Government of the United States, through Albert B. Fall, Secretary of the Interior, and Edwin Denby, Secretary of the Navy, as lessor, to the Mammoth Oil Company, as lessee, and that certain contract between the Government of the United States and the Pan American Petroleum and Transport Company, dated April 25, 1922, signed by Edward C. Finney, Acting Secretary of the Interior, and Edwin Denby, Secretary of the Navy, relating among other things to the construction of oil tanks at Pearl Harbor, Territory of Hawaii, and that certain lease of Naval Reserve Numbered 1, in

Naval oil reserves,
leases, etc.
Preamble.

the State of California, bearing date December 11, 1922, made in form by the Government of the United States through Albert B. Fall, Secretary of the Interior, and Edwin Denby, Secretary of the Navy, as lessor, to the Pan American Petroleum Company, as lessee, were executed under circumstances indicating fraud and corruption; and

Whereas the said leases and contract were entered into without authority on the part of the officers purporting to act in the execution of the same for the United States and in violation of the laws of Congress; and

Whereas such leases and contract were made in defiance of the settled policy of the Government, adhered to through three successive administrations, to maintain in the ground a great reserve supply of oil adequate to the needs of the Navy in any emergency threatening the national security: Therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the said leases and contract are against the public interest and that the lands embraced therein should be recovered and held for the purpose to which they were dedicated; and

Resolved further, That the President of the United States be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed immediately to cause suit to be instituted and prosecuted for the annulment and cancellation of the said leases and contract and all contracts incidental or supplemental thereto, to enjoin the further extraction of oil from the said reserves under said leases or from the territory covered by the same, to secure any further appropriate incidental relief, and to prosecute such other actions or proceedings, civil and criminal, as may be warranted by the facts in relation to the making of the said leases and contract.

And the President is further authorized and directed to appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, special counsel who shall have charge and control of the prosecution of such litigation, anything in the statutes touching the powers of the Attorney General of the Department of Justice to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved, February 8, 1924.

Leases, etc., declared against public interest.

President to institute suit to cancel leases, etc.

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Special counsel to prosecute to be appointed.
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[S. 794.]

[Public, No. 12.]

CHAP. 17.—An Act To equip the United States penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, for the manufacture of supplies for the use of the Government, for the compensation of prisoners for their labor, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Attorney General of the United States is authorized and directed to establish, equip, maintain, and operate at the United States penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, a factory or factories for the manufacture of shoes, brooms, and brushes to supply the requirements of the various departments of the United States Government. The factory or factories shall not be so operated as to abolish any existing Government workshop, and the articles so manufactured shall be sold only to the Government of the United States.

The Attorney General is hereby further authorized to employ the inmates of the institution herein mentioned, under such regulations as he may prescribe, in the work or business of manufacturing shoes, brooms, and brushes, and in erecting all buildings necessary to conduct said businesses, and the products of such businesses shall be utilized in said penitentiary or sold to the Government of the United States for the use of the military and naval forces and other Government departments.

Leavenworth, Kans., Penitentiary.

Shoes, brooms, and brushes to be manufactured at.

Other work not abolished.

Sale limited to the Government.

Inmates to be employed, and buildings erected.

Sale, etc., of products.