

twenty years after the date of issue thereof. After a fund sufficient to retire such bonds in accordance with their provisions shall have been so provided, the bridge shall thereafter be maintained and operated as a free highway bridge, upon which no tolls shall be charged. An accurate and itemized record of the original cost of the bridge and its approaches, the expenditures for maintaining, repairing, and operating the same, the interest charges paid, and the tolls charged and the daily revenues received from the bridge shall be kept by the State Highway Commission of Arkansas and shall be available at all reasonable times for information of all persons interested.

Maintenance as free bridge, after fund to retire bonds provided.

Record of expenditures and receipts.

SEC. 3. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Amendment.

Approved, May 29, 1928.

CHAP. 898.—An Act For the relief of the State of Ohio.

May 29, 1928.

[H. R. 12038.]

[Public, No. 608.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the State of Ohio be, and it is hereby, relieved from all responsibility and accountability for certain quartermaster property, to the approximate value of \$8,830.64, the property of the War Department, which was lost or destroyed incident to the tornado at Lorain, Ohio, on June 28, 1924, while in the possession of troops of the National Guard, State of Ohio, and the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and directed to terminate all further accountability for said property.

Ohio.
Relieved from responsibility for loss of property in possession of National Guard, by tornado at Lorain.

Approved, May 29, 1928.

CHAP. 899.—An Act To enable the Postmaster General to purchase and erect community mail boxes on rural routes and to rent compartments of such boxes to patrons of rural delivery.

May 29, 1928.

[H. R. 12006.]

[Public, No. 609.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That under such regulations as he may provide the Postmaster General be, and he is hereby, authorized to purchase community boxes with separate compartments for incoming and outgoing mail and to erect and maintain such community boxes and suitable sheltered racks or stands for rural mail boxes, in such selected localities as he may determine. The units of said boxes and space in said racks or stands shall be rented at their option to patrons of the Rural Delivery Service at such monthly or annual rates as the Postmaster General shall determine, based on the cost of installation and maintenance. The cost of such installation and maintenance of said community boxes and sheltered stands, not exceeding \$2,000 per annum, shall hereafter be paid from the appropriation for rural delivery.

Postal Service.
Purchase, etc., authorized for community mail boxes, etc., on rural mail routes.

Rental to patrons of rural service.

Cost payable from rural delivery appropriation.

Approved, May 29, 1928.

CHAP. 900.—An Act To require certain contracts entered into by the Secretary of War, or by officers authorized by him to make them, to be in writing, and for other purposes.

May 29, 1928.

[H. R. 12352.]

[Public, No. 610.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter whenever contracts in excess of \$500 in amount which are not to be performed within sixty days are made on behalf of the Government by the Secretary of War, or by officers authorized by him to make

Contracts.
In excess of \$500, etc., made under Secretary of War to be in writing.

Regulations for other contracts.

Proviso.
Act to cease after June 30, 1930.

them, such contracts shall be reduced to writing and signed by the contracting parties. In all other cases contracts shall be entered into under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of War: *Provided*, That this Act shall cease to be in effect after June 30, 1930.

Approved, May 29, 1928.

May 29, 1928.

[H. R. 12064.]

[Public, No. 611.]

CHAP. 901.—An Act To discontinue certain reports now required by law to be made to Congress.

Reports, etc., to Congress.

Submission of designated, discontinued.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following reports and statements now required by law to be made to Congress are hereby discontinued, and all Acts or parts of Acts herein cited as requiring the submission of such statements and reports are hereby repealed to the extent of such requirement:

Departments and independent establishments.

REPORTS UNDER EACH EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT AND INDEPENDENT ESTABLISHMENT

Contingent appropriations.

1. Statement of expenditures from contingent appropriations. (Revised Statutes, section 193, page 30; Statutes at Large, volume 18, part 3, page 96; title 5, section 104, United States Code.)

U. S. Code, p. 35.

Publications received, etc.

2. Detailed report of publications received and distributed. (Statutes at Large, volume 28, page 623; title 44, section 96, United States Code.)

U. S. Code, p. 1421.

Publications issued, etc.

3. Report on aggregate number of publications issued during the preceding fiscal year; cost of paper used for such publications, cost of printing, and cost of preparation of each publication, and the number of each distributed. (Statutes at Large, volume 41, part 1, page 1037; title 44, section 221, United States Code.)

U. S. Code, p. 1430.

Travel outside the District.

4. Report of travel on official business from Washington to points outside of the District of Columbia. (Statutes at Large, volume 35, part 1, page 244; title 5, section 105, United States Code.)

U. S. Code, p. 35.

Exchange of typewriters, etc.

5. Report relative to exchange of typewriters, adding machines, and other similar labor-saving devices. (Statutes at Large, volume 38, part 1, page 1161; title 41, section 26, United States Code.)

U. S. Code, p. 1311.

Rented buildings, D. C.

6. A statement of the buildings rented within the District of Columbia for the use of the Government, and so forth. (Statutes at Large, volume 22, page 552; Statutes at Large, volume 27, page 199; Statutes at Large, volume 38, part 1, page 3; Statutes at Large, volume 41, part 1, page 691; title 31, section 595, United States Code.)

U. S. Code, p. 1014.

Care, etc., of Government-owned buildings, D. C.

7. A statement given for each of the Government-owned buildings in the District of Columbia under the jurisdiction of each department and independent establishment, the location and valuation of each building, the purpose or purposes for which used, and the cost of care, maintenance, upkeep, and operation thereof. (Statutes at Large, volume 41, part 1, page 945; title 31, section 596, United States Code.)

U. S. Code, p. 1014.

Receipts from sales of supplies, in connection with the war.

8. Report of money received by sales of supplies, materials, equipment, or other property purchased, acquired, or manufactured in the United States in connection with the prosecution of the war. (Statutes at Large, volume 40, part 1, page 548.)

Vol. 40, p. 548.

Preparation of annual estimates only as now required by law.

9. That until otherwise provided by law the regular annual estimates of appropriations for expenses of the Government of the United States shall be prepared and submitted to Congress, by those charged with the duty of such preparation and submission, only in the form and at the time now required by law. (Statute at Large, volume 37, part 1, page 415.)

Vol 37, p. 415.