

*Ante*, p. 484.

SEC. 2. That portion of section 5 of such joint resolution of July 18, 1935, which precedes the first proviso, is amended to read as follows:

Use of reservations.

"SEC. 5. That the Superintendent of National Capital Parks, subject to the approval of the Director of National Park Service, is hereby authorized to grant permits to the citizens' executive committee for the entertainment of the Grand Army of the Republic for the use of any reservation or other public spaces in the city of Washington on the occasion of the seventieth national encampment, in the month of September 1936, which, in his opinion, will inflict no serious or permanent injuries upon such reservations or public spaces, or statuary therein; and the Commissioners of the District of Columbia may designate for such and other purposes on the occasion aforesaid such streets, avenues, and sidewalks in the said city of Washington as they may deem proper and necessary for the erection of reviewing stands, platforms, or other structures, and that no person or corporation shall be authorized to erect or use such stands, platforms, or other structures without permission of said committee."

Reviewing stands, etc.; unauthorized erection, use, etc.

Approved, June 5, 1936.

[CHAPTER 533.]

#### JOINT RESOLUTION

June 5, 1936.  
[H. J. Res. 499.]  
[Pub. Res., No. 102.]

Authorizing and requesting the President to extend to the Government of Sweden and individuals an invitation to join the Government and people of the United States in the observance of the three-hundredth anniversary of the first permanent settlement in the Delaware River Valley, and for other purposes.

Delaware River Valley tercentenary.  
Preamble.

Whereas there is to be held at Wilmington, Delaware, and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and at several places in other States, during the year 1938, celebrations commemorating the three-hundredth anniversary of the first permanent settlement in the Delaware River Valley, said settlement being also the first settlement of the colony of New Sweden, which embraced parts of the present States of Delaware, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey; and

Whereas, in accordance with a resolution of the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, approved March 20, 1935, the Governor of said State has appointed a commission of eleven members, designated as the Delaware Swedish Tercentenary Commission, with authority "to prepare plans for a fitting celebration by the State of Delaware on the occasion of the three-hundredth anniversary in 1938 of the founding of the first permanent settlement and the establishment of the first permanent government upon the soil of Delaware \* \* \*; and to cooperate with other commissions or committees representing the city of Wilmington; historical, patriotic, and other societies of the State of Delaware and other States; the governments of other States; and the National Governments of the United States and Sweden"; and

Whereas at its annual meeting held in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, on January 17, 1935, the Pennsylvania Federation of Historical Societies (embracing seventy-three constituent historical societies) adopted the following resolution:

"Whereas plans are in preparation to celebrate the tercentenary of the landing of the Swedes on the Delaware and the establishment of the first permanent white settlement, and the first government in Pennsylvania, in 1638: Now therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That this Federation pledge its hearty endorsement to such commemoration; and

*Resolved further*, That the President be authorized to appoint such committee or committees to represent this Federation as may be necessary and to cooperate with similar New Jersey, Delaware, Swedish, or other committees."

Therefore be it

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That when, in the opinion of the President of the United States, it shall be appropriate for him to do so, the President be, and he is hereby, authorized and requested to extend to the Government of Sweden and such individuals as the President may determine an invitation to unite with the Government and people of the United States in a fitting and appropriate observance of the three-hundredth anniversary of the first permanent settlement of Swedish colonists in Delaware, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey.

President requested to extend invitation to Sweden, etc., to unite in observance of.

SEC. 2. There is hereby established a commission to be known as the United States Delaware Valley Tercentenary Commission (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission") to be composed of fifteen commissioners, as follows: Five persons to be appointed by the President of the United States, five Members of the Senate to be appointed by the President of the Senate, and five Members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Commission, on behalf of the United States, shall cooperate with representatives of the States of Delaware and Pennsylvania in the appropriate observance of such anniversary, and shall extend appropriate courtesies to such representatives of the Government of Sweden, and other persons, as may respond to the invitation of the President extended as hereinbefore provided. The members of the Commission shall serve without compensation and shall select a chairman from among their number.

Commission established. Composition, duties, etc.

SEC. 3. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$10,000 to be expended by the Commission for expenses, including actual and necessary traveling and subsistence expenses incurred while discharging its functions under this resolution.

Appropriation authorized.

Approved, June 5, 1936.

[CHAPTER 534.]

#### JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing the President of the United States to award posthumously a Distinguished Service Medal to Major General Clarence Ransom Edwards.

June 5, 1936.  
[H. J. Res. 570.]  
[Pub. Res., No. 103.]

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the President of the United States is hereby authorized to award, posthumously, in the name of Congress, a Distinguished Service Medal to Major General Clarence Ransom Edwards, who died February 14, 1931, after having organized the Twenty-sixth Division, and commanded it with distinction during all but eighteen days of its active service at the front. The high qualities of leadership and unflinching devotion to duty displayed by him were responsible for the marked esprit and morale of his command. To his marked tactical ability and energy are largely due the brilliant successes achieved by the Twenty-sixth National Guard Division during its operations against the enemy from February 4, 1918, to November 11, 1918.

Maj. Gen. Clarence Ransom Edwards, Distinguished Service Medal awarded to.

Approved, June 5, 1936.