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ACQUIRE LAND AND ERECT A MONUMENT ON THE SITE OF THE BATTLE WITH THE SIOUX INDIANS IN WHICH THE COMMANDS OF MAJORS RENO AND BENTEEN WERE ENGAGED

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Mr. KENDRICK, from the Committee on Public Lands and Surveys, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 1048]

The Committee on Public Lands and Surveys, to whom was referred the bill (S. 1048) authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to acquire land and erect a monument on the site of the battle with the Sioux Indians in which the commands of Major Reno and Major Benteen were engaged, having considered the same, report favorably thereon with the recommendation that the bill do pass with the following amendment:

On page 2, line 1, after the word "hereby" insert the words "authorized to be appropriated."

The above amendment was recommended by the Secretary of the Interior, as set forth in the following letter:

> DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Washington, February 10, 1926.

Hon. ROBERT N. STANFIELD, Chairman Public Lands and Surveys Committee,

United States Senate.

MY DEAR SENATOR STANFIELD: I am in receipt of your request of December 14, 1925, for a report on S. 1048, a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire not to exceed 160 acres of land on the site of the battle with the Sioux Indians in which the commands of Maj. Marcus A. Reno and Maj. Frederick W. Benteen were engaged, to erect thereon a suitable monument and historical tablet, and to appropriate \$2,500 to carry out the provisions of this proposed bill.

If Congress deems the proposed legislation advisable, this department is not aware of any reason why it should not be enacted.

The bill should be amended, however, to authorize an appropriation ratherthan to make a direct appropriation. It is therefore suggested that in line 1, page 2, of the bill after the word "hereby" the words "authorized to be" should be inserted.

The Bureau of the Budget has advised under date of January 30, 1926, that this proposed legislation, if amended as suggested, will not be in conflict with the financial program of the President.

Very truly yours,

HUBERT WORK.

