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CHAP. 196.—An act to provide for the purchase of a site, and the erection of a public building thereon, at Fremont, in the State of Nebraska, and for other purposes. May 5, 1890.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be and hereby is authorized and directed to acquire, by purchase, condemnation or otherwise, a site, and cause to be erected thereon a suitable building, including fire-proof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, elevators and approaches for the use of the United States Government offices in the City of Fremont and State of Nebraska, the cost of such site and building complete not to exceed the sum of Sixty thousand dollars.

Fremont, Nebr. Public building, etc.

Site.

Building.

Cost.

Proposals for the sale of land suitable for said site shall be invited by public advertisement in one or more of the newspapers of said City of largest circulation for at least twenty days prior to the date specified in said advertisement for the opening of said proposals. Proposals made in response to said advertisement shall be addressed and mailed to the Secretary of the Treasury, who shall then cause the said proposed sites and such others as he may think proper to designate, to be examined in person by an agent of the Treasury Department, who shall make written report to said Secretary of the results of said examination, and of his recommendation thereon, and the reasons therefor, which shall be accompanied by the original proposals and all maps, plats, and statements which shall have come into his possession relating to the said proposed sites.

Proposals, etc., for site.

Examinations, etc., by Treasury agent.

If, upon consideration of said report and accompanying papers, the Secretary of the Treasury shall deem further investigation necessary, he may appoint a commission of not more than three persons, to be composed of an officer of the Treasury Department and two other persons, which commission shall also examine the said proposed sites, and such others as the Secretary of the Treasury may designate, and grant such hearings in relation thereto as they shall deem necessary; and said commission shall, within thirty days after such examination, make to the Secretary of the Treasury written report of their conclusion in the premises, accompanied by all statements, maps, plats, or documents taken by or submitted to them, in like manner as hereinbefore provided in regard to the proceedings of said agent of the Treasury Department; and the Secretary of the Treasury shall thereupon finally determine the location of the building to be erected.

Appointment of commission, etc.

Determination of location.

The compensation of said commissioners shall be fixed by the Secretary of the Treasury, but shall not exceed six dollars per day and actual travelling expenses: *Provided, however*, That the member of said Commission appointed from the Treasury Department shall be paid only his actual travelling expenses.

Commissioners' compensation.

Proviso. Treasury member.

No money shall be used or applied for the purposes mentioned until a valid title to the site for said building shall be vested in the United States, nor until the State of Nebraska shall have ceded to the United States exclusive jurisdiction over the same, during the time the United States shall be or remain the owner thereof, for all purposes except the administration of the criminal laws of said state and the service of civil process therein.

Expenditures forbidden until valid title and jurisdiction pass.

The building herein provided for shall be unexposed to danger from fire by an open space of at least forty feet, on each side, including streets and alleys.

Open space.

Approved, May 5, 1890.