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Building. cause to be erected thereon a suitable, commodious, and substantial building, including fire-proof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, elevators, and approaches, for the use and accommodation of the United States post-office, internal-revenue office, and other Government offices, in the city of Davenport and State of Iowa. The Cost. cost of the site and the building, including fire-proof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, elevators, and approaches, complete, not Proposals to be advertised for. to exceed the sum of one hundred thousand dollars. 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 for at least fourteen days prior to the date specified in the advertisement for Responses. opening the proposals. The proposals made in response to said public advertisement, at the time named in the advertisement, or within ten days subsequent thereto, shall be received, opened, and consid- Appointment of commission. ered by a commission of three persons, who shall be appointed by the Secretary of the Treasury, and it shall be the duty of said commissioners to forward to the Secretary of the Treasury, within forty days from the date named in the advertisement for opening the pro- Report. posals, a written report, with the original proposals, maps, and so forth, and the oaths prescribed by act of Congress approved June twenty-third, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, and to definitely Determination of location. state in said report the site selected by them, and their selection of Compensation of commissioners. the site shall be final, and each commissioner shall be allowed a compensation for his services of an amount within the discretion of the Limit. Secretary of the Treasury, said compensation not to exceed two hundred dollars and actual traveling expenses to each commissioner. Open space. The building shall be unexposed to danger from fire by an open space of at least forty feet on each side, including streets and alleys.

Approved, January 26, 1891.

January 27, 1891.

CHAP. 109.—An act to provide for the purchase of a site, and the erection of a public building thereon, at Mankato, in the State of Minnesota.

Mankato, Minn. Public building, etc. *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 he is hereby, authorized and directed to acSite. quire, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, a site and cause to Building. be erected thereon a suitable building, including fire-proof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, elevators, and approaches, for the use and accommodation of the United States courts, post-office, and other Government offices, in the city of Mankato and State of Cost. Minnesota, the cost of said site and building, including said vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, elevators, and approaches, complete, not to exceed the sum of ninety thousand dollars.

Proposals to be advertised for. 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.

Responses. 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 Examination, etc., by Treasury agent. 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 said proposed sites.

If, upon consideration of said report and accompanying papers, the Secretary of the Treasury shall deem further investigation neces- Appointment of commission. sary, he may appoint a commission of not more than three persons, one of whom shall be an officer of the Treasury Department, 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.

Examination.

Hearings.

Report.

Determination of location.

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

Compensation of commissioners.

Proviso.

Treasury member.

No money shall be used for the purpose mentioned until a valid title to the site for said building shall be vested in the United States, nor until the State of Minnesota 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.

No expenditure until valid title, etc., pass.

The building 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, January 27, 1891.

CHAP. 113.—An act to amend section one hundred and eighty of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

February 6, 1891.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section one hundred and eighty of the Revised Statutes of the United States, be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

Temporary appointments to fill vacancies by death, etc., of heads of Departments.

R. S., Sec. 180, p. 29, amended.

A vacancy occasioned by death or resignation must not be temporarily filled under the three preceding sections for a longer period than thirty days.

Limit increased.

Approved, February 6, 1891.

CHAP. 114.—An act to provide for the purchase of a site, and the erection of a public building thereon, at Pueblo, in the State of Colorado.

February 7, 1891.

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 he is hereby, 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 and accommodation of the United States post-office and other Government offices, in the city of Pueblo and State of Colorado, the cost of said site and building, including said vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, elevators, and approaches, complete, not to exceed the sum of two hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars.

Pueblo, Colo.

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 to be advertised for.

Proposals made in response to said advertisement shall be addressed and mailed to the Secretary of the Treasury, who shall then

Responses.