

such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe: *Provided, however,* That any settler who, prior to January first, nineteen hundred and ten, was in actual occupation of any portion or subdivision of such lands in good faith for town-site purposes shall be entitled to a patent for the lands so occupied and to own the buildings and improvements thereon upon payment to the Government of the appraised value of the land, not taking into consideration the value of any buildings and improvements thereon: *And provided further,* That the right of any such actual settler must be exercised within ninety days after the reappraisalment herein provided for shall have been approved by the Secretary of the Interior: *And provided further,* That any such settler not exercising the right herein granted shall have the right for a period of thirty days after the expiration of said ninety days to remove his buildings from said premises occupied by him.

Proviso.
Right of present occupants.

Limitation.

Removal of buildings.

Approved, March 16, 1912.

CHAP. 61.—An Act To authorize the board of county commissioners of Baxter County and the board of county commissioners of Marion County, in the State of Arkansas, acting together for the two counties as bridge commissioners, to construct a bridge across the White River at or near the town of Cotter, Arkansas.

March 22, 1912.
[H. R. 16680.]

[Public, No. 105.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the board of county commissioners of Baxter County and the board of county commissioners of Marion County, in the State of Arkansas, duly constituted and appointed under the laws of said State for the respective counties aforesaid as bridge commissioners, acting together for the two counties under regulations prescribed by the laws of said State, be, and they are hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the White River at a point suitable to the interests of navigation at or near the town of Cotter, in the State of Arkansas, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges across navigable waters," approved March twenty-third, nineteen hundred and six.

White River.
Baxter and Marion
Counties, Ark., may
bridge at Cotter.

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SEC. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Amendment.

Approved, March 22, 1912.

CHAP. 62.—An Act To authorize the Northern Pacific Railway Company to cross the Government right of way along and adjacent to the canal connecting the waters of Puget Sound with Lake Washington at Seattle, in the State of Washington.

March 22, 1912.
[H. R. 17242.]

[Public, No. 106.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Northern Pacific Railway Company, a corporation organized under the laws of Wisconsin, and having authority to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the waterway connecting Puget Sound with Lakes Union and Washington at Seattle, in the State of Washington, at a point at or near the head of Salmon Bay, is hereby authorized to cross and occupy with said structure the right of way owned by the United States adjacent to and along said waterway, under such terms and conditions as the Secretary of War may deem equitable and fair to the public, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March twenty-third, nineteen hundred and six.

Puget Sound—Lake
Washington Water-
way.
Northern Pacific
Railway Company
granted right of way
across lands of.

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Amendment.

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