

the Act of March second, nineteen hundred and one, be, and the same is hereby, amended as follows:

"The Secretary of War is hereby authorized to permit, under such regulations as he may prescribe, any officer or enlisted man on the active list of the Army, any retired officer or enlisted man of the Army on active duty, and any permanent civilian employee under the jurisdiction of the War Department on duty outside of the continental limits of the United States, to make allotments of his pay for the support of his wife, children, or dependent relatives, or for such other purposes as the Secretary of War may deem proper. All allotments of pay of officers, enlisted men, and civilian employees that have been or shall be paid to designated allottees previous to the receipt by disbursing officer of notice of discontinuance of the same from the officer required by regulations to furnish such notice shall pass to the credit of the disbursing officer who has made or shall make such payments; and, if erroneous payment is made because of the failure of an officer to report, in the manner prescribed by the Secretary of War, the death of the grantor, or any fact which renders the allotment not payable, then the amount of such erroneous payment shall be collected by the Quartermaster General from the officer who fails to make such report, if such collection is practicable. Nothing herein shall be construed to invalidate allotments now in force."

Allotment of pay. Extended to officers and enlisted men on active duty and civilians in military service abroad.

Credit allowed for payments to designated allottees prior to notice of discontinuance.

Collection of erroneous payments.

Existing allotments valid.

Approved, October 6, 1917.

CHAP. 82.—An Act To authorize the construction, maintenance, and operation of a bridge across Little River, in Poinsett County, Arkansas, at or near the section line between sections thirty-five and thirty-six, township eleven north, range six east.

October 6, 1917.
[S. 2938.]

[Public, No. 67.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Poinsett County, Arkansas, is hereby authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across Little River, a tributary to Saint Francis River, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near the section line between sections thirty-five and thirty-six, township eleven north, range six east, fifth principal meridian, in Poinsett County, in the State of Arkansas, 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.

Little River. Poinsett County, Ark., may bridge.

Location.

Construction. Vol. 34, p. 84.

Amendment.

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

Approved, October 6, 1917.

CHAP. 83.—An Act To prohibit the manufacture, distribution, storage, use, and possession in time of war of explosives, providing regulations for the safe manufacture, distribution, storage, use, and possession of the same, and for other purposes.

October 6, 1917.
[H. R. 3932.]

[Public, No. 68.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That when the United States is at war it shall be unlawful to manufacture, distribute, store, use, or possess powder, explosives, blasting supplies, or ingredients thereof, in such manner as to be detrimental to the public safety, except as in this Act provided.

Explosives. Manufacture, etc., restricted in time of war. Post, p. 1711.

SEC. 2. That the words "explosive" and "explosives" when used herein shall mean gunpowders, powders used for blasting, all forms of high explosives, blasting materials, fuses, detonators, and other detonating agents, smokeless powders, and any chemical compound or me-

"Explosive" and "explosives." Articles included as.