

deposits, with accrued interest, and shall thereupon be entitled to a patent therefor as herein provided.

SEC. 8. That there is hereby appropriated, out of any Choctaw and Chickasaw funds in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$50,000 to pay the expenses of appraisal, advertisement, and sale herein provided for, and the proceeds derived from the sales hereunder shall be paid into the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the Choctaws and Chickasaws.

Approved, February 8, 1918.

Appropriation from tribal funds.

Proceeds to credit of Indians.

CHAP. 13.—Joint Resolution For the purpose of promoting efficiency, for the utilization of the resources and industries of the United States, for lessening the expenses of the war, and restoring the loss caused by the war by providing for the employment of a discovery or invention called the "Garabed," claiming to make possible the utilization of free energy.

February 8, 1918.
[H. J. Res. 174.]

[Pub. Res., No. 21.]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to accept, as trustee for the United States Government, from Garabed T. K. Giragossian an assignment of the right to utilize for the Government's own use his discovery or invention to be known as the "Garabed." Said assignment to and utilization of said discovery or invention by the United States Government shall be free of charge or expense.

"Garabed."
Assignment of use of invention of Garabed T. K. Giragossian may be accepted.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to perform any and all acts, and to make such rules and regulations, and enter into such contracts as may be necessary to carry this resolution into effect: *Provided, however,* That the said Garabed T. K. Giragossian shall demonstrate the practicability of his discovery or invention, and that it can substantially effect the purposes set out in section one of this resolution, to a commission of five eminent scientists, who shall be appointed by the said Garabed T. K. Giragossian and be approved by the Secretary of the Interior. The United States Government shall be under no expense in connection with the demonstration of the "Garabed."

Contracts, etc., authorized.

Proviso.
Demonstration of practicability, etc., required.

SEC. 3. That if such demonstration shall in the opinion of the said scientists prove the practicability of said discovery or invention, and that it can substantially effect the purposes set out in section one of this resolution, and that he is the first and original discoverer or inventor thereof, the said Garabed T. K. Giragossian shall be recognized by the United States Government as the original discoverer, inventor, and legal owner of the invention or discovery and of any improvements pertaining thereto that may be made by the said Garabed T. K. Giragossian. The certificate of said commission of scientists, to the effect that said discovery or invention is practicable, as aforesaid, and that he is the original discoverer or inventor thereof, shall constitute the said Garabed T. K. Giragossian the legal owner of and entitle him to all the rights and benefits of said discovery or invention for a period of seventeen years. The right is reserved to the said Garabed T. K. Giragossian, his heirs and assigns, to take out patents for his aforesaid discovery, invention, or for any improvement or device pertaining thereto.

Recognition as original inventor if proven.

Legal rights acknowledged by certificate.

Patents authorized.

SEC. 4. That the United States Government shall not issue to anyone else any patent involving or relating to the distinctive principle of the "Garabed" free energy generator regardless of its form or shape, or for any device, improvement, process, equipment, or apparatus based upon the distinctive principle of the said discovery or invention, or for any improvement or change developed in the use of the said "Garabed," and shall prevent the construction, importation, use, or exploitation thereof, in whole or in part, in the United

No patent involving principle to be issued to anyone else.

Protection for seven-
teen years.

Purchase of improve-
ments if made by oth-
ers.

Use by Giragossian.

Improvements by in-
ventor.

Purchase of exclusive
use.

Proviso.
Remuneration.

Rights not impaired
if Congress fails to pur-
chase.

Sale, etc., prior to
approval by commis-
sion void.

Priority of Govern-
ment use.

States, and shall protect the said Garabed T. K. Giragossian, his heirs and assigns, in the rights and interests in the "Garabed" in the above respect for a period of seventeen years in the United States and in foreign countries where such protection is afforded by treaty obligation, international law, or diplomatic representation.

SEC. 5. That any essential improvement or contrivance by any person or persons other than Garabed T. K. Giragossian relating to the "Garabed," or its principle, which shall prove valuable and essential thereto in the opinion of the Secretary of the Interior during the period of the said Garabed T. K. Giragossian's special protection shall be bought by the United States Government for its own use in conjunction with its use of the said "Garabed," with adequate compensation to the inventor or contriver thereof. If, however, the said Garabed T. K. Giragossian wishes to utilize any such invention or contrivance so acquired by the United States Government, he or his assigns, and no other person or corporation, shall be entitled thereto upon the payment of a fair, just, and reasonable royalty therefor. In consideration of this right the United States Government shall have, without expense, the right to use for its own purpose any new improvement or device made by the said Garabed T. K. Giragossian.

SEC. 6. That after the successful demonstration of the "Garabed," if the United States Government wishes to purchase the right and title for the exclusive use and ownership of said discovery or invention, the said Garabed T. K. Giragossian will comply with the request of the United States Government: *Provided*, That he shall be remunerated to the extent commensurate with the value of his discovery or invention, which shall be appraised by a committee of even number, one-half of the membership of which shall be selected by the Secretary of the Interior and one-half selected by the said Garabed T. K. Giragossian, and the finding of said committee shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior and of the said Garabed T. K. Giragossian.

If the United States Congress in session at the time of the demonstration, or at the latest during the following session, does not decide to avail itself of this privilege, the said Garabed T. K. Giragossian's legal rights and powers shall continue unimpaired as prescribed and set forth in this resolution.

SEC. 7. That any sale, or attempted sale, by the said Garabed T. K. Giragossian, or by his representatives or assigns, of any interest in or any title to said discovery or invention, or any part thereof, prior to the approval of the same by said commission of scientists, shall be illegal, invalid, and void.

SEC. 8. That the United States Government will have the right to exercise the aforesaid right to utilize said discovery or invention for its own use simultaneously with the beginning of the public and general use of the said "Garabed" system.

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[S. 3081.]

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CHAP. 14.—An Act To extend the time for the completion of the municipal bridge approaches, and extensions or additions thereto, by the city of Saint Louis, within the States of Illinois and Missouri.

Mississippi River.
Time extended for
bridging, by Saint
Louis, Mo.

Vol. 34, p. 461; Vol.
35, p. 585; Vol. 36, p.
185; Vol. 37, p. 67; Vol.
38, p. 810.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the time for the construction and completion of the municipal bridge approaches and also extensions or additions thereto, which said construction and completion was authorized by an Act entitled "An Act to authorize the city of Saint Louis, a corporation organized under the laws of the State