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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.

Protection for seventeen years.

Purchase of improvements if made by others.

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.

Use by Giragossian.

Improvements by inventor.

Purchase of exclusive use.

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.

Proviso. Remuneration.

Rights not impaired if Congress fails to purchase.

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.

Sale, etc., prior to approval by commission void.

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.

Priority of Government use.

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.

Approved, February 8, 1918.

February 11, 1918.
[S. 3081.]
[Public, No. 99.]

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

of Missouri, to construct a bridge across the Mississippi River," approved June twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and six, be, and the same is hereby, extended for the period of three years from the date of the passage of this Act.

Condemnation, etc., authorized.

SEC. 2. That for the purpose of carrying into effect the objects of this Act, the city of Saint Louis may receive, purchase, and also acquire by lawful appropriation and condemnation in the States of Illinois and Missouri upon making proper compensation therefor, to be ascertained according to the laws of the State within which the same is located, real and personal property and rights of property, and in order to facilitate and support interstate commerce, may make any and every use of the same necessary and proper for the acquirement, construction, maintenance, and operation of said municipal bridge approaches, and extensions or additions thereto, consistent with the laws of the United States.

Amendment.

SEC. 3. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, February 11, 1918.

February 11, 1918.
[S. 3006.]
[Public, No. 100.]

CHAP. 15.—An Act To authorize and empower officers and enlisted men of the Navy and Marine Corps to serve under the Government of the Dominican Republic, and for other purposes.

Dominican Republic.
Details from Navy and Marine Corps to assist.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized, in his discretion, to detail to assist the Dominican Republic, officers and enlisted men of the United States Navy and the United States Marine Corps: *Provided*, That officers and enlisted men so detailed be, and they are hereby, authorized to accept from the Government of the Dominican Republic offices under said Government with compensation and emoluments from the said Dominican Republic, subject to the approval of the President of the United States: *Provided further*, That while so detailed such officers and enlisted men shall receive, in addition to the compensation and emoluments allowed them by the Dominican Republic, the pay and allowances of their rank or rating in the United States Navy or United States Marine Corps, as the case may be, and they shall be entitled to the same credit, while so serving, for longevity, retirement, foreign-service pay, and for all other purposes that they would receive if they were serving with the United States Navy or Marine Corps in said Dominican Republic.

Provisos.
Compensation permitted.

Regular service pay, etc., continued.

Approved, February 11, 1918.

February 11, 1918.
[H. R. 3135.]
[Public, No. 101.]

CHAP. 16.—An Act To amend section four of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for an auxiliary reclamation project in connection with the Yuma project, Arizona."

Yuma reclamation project, Arizona.
Vol. 39, p. 869, amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first sentence of section four of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for an auxiliary reclamation project in connection with the Yuma project, Arizona," approved January twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and seventeen, be amended so as to read as follows:

Use of fund modified.

"That the money in said auxiliary reclamation fund of the Yuma project, Arizona, shall be available for the construction or completion of irrigation works of the said auxiliary project or unit."

Approved, February 11, 1918.