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Secretary of War all of their records in connection with the financing and construction thereof. The findings of the Secretary of War as to such actual original cost shall be conclusive subject only to review in a court of equity for fraud or gross mistake.

Findings of Secretary conclusive.

SEC. 6. If such bridge shall be taken over and acquired by the States or political subdivisions thereof under the provisions of section 4 of this Act, the same may thereafter be operated as a toll bridge; in fixing the rates of toll to be charged for the use of such bridge, the same shall be so adjusted as to provide as far as possible a sufficient fund to pay for the cost of maintaining, repairing, and operating the bridge and its approaches, to pay an adequate return on the cost thereof, and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to amortize the amount paid therefor within a period of not to exceed thirty years from the date of acquiring the same. After a sinking fund sufficient to pay the cost of acquiring such bridge and its approaches shall have been provided, the bridge shall thereafter be maintained and operated free of tolls or the rates of toll shall be so adjusted as to provide a fund not to exceed the amount necessary for the proper care, repair, maintenance, and operation of the bridge and its approaches. An accurate record of the amount paid for acquiring the bridge and its approaches, the expenditures for operation, repairing, and maintaining the same, and of the daily tolls collected shall be kept and shall be available for the information of all persons interested.

Operation as toll bridge if acquired by States, etc.

Maintenance, etc., after amortization of costs.

Record of all expenditures and receipts.

SEC. 7. The right to sell, assign, transfer, and mortgage all the rights, powers, and the privileges conferred by this Act is hereby granted to the said Charles G. Buffum, Andrew J. Murphy, Lloyd Stark, and W. J. Garner, their heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, and any corporation to which such rights, powers, and privileges may be sold, assigned, or transferred, or which shall acquire the same by mortgage foreclosure or otherwise, is hereby authorized and empowered to exercise the same as fully as though conferred herein directly upon such corporation.

Authority to sell, etc.

SEC. 8. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Amendment.

Approved, May 5, 1926.

CHAP. 244.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the State of Minnesota to construct a bridge across the Minnesota River at or near Shakopee, Minnesota.

May 5, 1926.
[H. R. 8950.]
[Public, No. 184.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to the State of Minnesota and its successors and assigns to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Minnesota River at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near Shakopee, Minnesota, more particularly described as in the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section 1, township 115 north, range 23 west of the fifth principal meridian, in the county of Scott, in the State of Minnesota, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906.

Minnesota River.
Minnesota may bridge, at Shakopee.

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

Amendment.

Approved, May 5, 1926.

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