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creation of such areas and the establishment of closed seasons may further extend the restrictions and limitations imposed upon fishing by specific provisions of this or any other Act of Congress: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of Commerce is hereby authorized to permit the taking of fish or shellfish, for bait purposes only, at any or all seasons in any or all Alaskan Territorial waters.

Further restrictions, etc., authorized.

Permits for bait only, authorized at any time.

"It shall be unlawful to import or bring into the Territory of Alaska, for purposes other than personal use and not for sale or barter, salmon from waters outside the jurisdiction of the United States taken during any closed period provided for by this Act or regulations made thereunder."

Importing salmon from outside waters into Alaska during closed period, unlawful.

Approved, June 18, 1926.

CHAP. 622.—An Act To provide for the storage of the waters of the Pecos River.

June 18, 1926.
[H. R. 3862.]
[Public, No. 404.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in accordance with the provisions of the Act of June 17, 1902 (Thirty-second Statutes at Large, page 388), and Acts amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto, except as the same are modified herein, the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and empowered to construct the Red Bluff Federal Irrigation Project, consisting of a reservoir upon the Pecos River, sufficient in size for the irrigation of not exceeding forty thousand acres of land in the State of Texas, which reservoir shall be located at a point where it will impound the flood waters of Delaware Creek and Black River, and shall be provided with all necessary incidental works for the operation of the same.

Red Bluff Federal Irrigation Project, Tex.
Reservoir on Pecos River authorized for.
Vol. 32, p. 388.

SEC. 2. That no expenditure for construction shall be made under this Act until an appropriate contract or contracts in form approved by the Secretary of the Interior, providing for the payment to the United States as provided herein of the costs incurred on account of said project, shall have been properly executed by a district or districts organized under State law and embracing property to be benefited by said project, and such execution shall have been confirmed by a court of competent jurisdiction: *Provided*, That expenditures may be made hereunder at any time to cover necessary expenses incurred by the United States on account of preliminary investigations and negotiations in connection with the execution of the contract or contracts provided for by this section.

Contracts for paying construction costs required before beginning work.

Proviso.
Payment for preliminary investigation.

SEC. 3. That the total cost to the United States of the construction of said project shall be repaid to the United States in twenty annual installments, without interest, as follows: Five per centum thereof on March 1st of the second year following the year in which water becomes first available from said reservoir for irrigation, and 5 per centum thereof annually thereafter until the whole amount is paid: *Provided*, That if any installment shall not be paid when due there shall be added at once to such installment a penalty of 1 per centum thereof and thereafter on the first day of each month a like penalty so long as the default continues.

Repayment in annual installments for 20 years.

Proviso.
Penalty for default in payments.

SEC. 4. That the cost to the United States of operating and maintaining said project shall be paid to the United States in advance upon annual estimates made by the Secretary of the Interior, and upon a day to be fixed by him: *Provided*, That the cost of operating and maintaining the project the year water is first available therefrom for irrigation, shall be merged with and made a part of the construction cost. If the estimate for any one year shall be either more or less than the actual cost, an appropriate

Operating costs payable in advance.

Proviso.
Added to construction costs when water first available.

adjustment shall be made in the estimate for the next succeeding year.

No classification, etc., by Secretary of the Interior.

SEC. 5. That no classification by the Secretary of the Interior of the irrigable lands of said project shall be required, nor shall he issue any public notice relating to construction charges against said lands: *Provided*, That the Secretary of the Interior shall determine the cost of said project, including the cost of operating and maintaining it the first season water is available therefrom for irrigation, and shall furnish a statement of such cost to the contracting district or districts.

Proviso.
Determining cost of construction and operating when water available.

Amount authorized from reclamation fund.

SEC. 6. That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated from any moneys not otherwise appropriated, in the reclamation fund such an aggregate amount as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act, not exceeding the sum of $2,000,000.

Right to use water from Pecos River in New Mexico, above Avalon Dam, not allowed hereby.

SEC. 7. In the event that any irrigation works are constructed under the authorization contained in this Act, neither the United States, the State of Texas, nor any of the parties for whose benefit said works are to be constructed shall at any time hereafter have or claim, or attempt in any manner to acquire, any right to the use in the State of Texas of any water which shall flow in the Pecos River, or any of its tributaries, in New Mexico at or above the Avalon Dam, except such of said water as may not at any time be used or diverted from or above said dam: *Provided*, That nothing in this section shall be construed to curtail the quantity of water to which present users in Texas may now be lawfully entitled: *And provided further*, That no construction under this Act shall begin until the State of Texas, through legislative act, signed and approved by the governor of said State, shall have agreed to the provisions of this section.

Provisos.
Right of present users not curtailed.

No construction work until this section agreed to by Texas.

Approved, June 18, 1926.

June 18, 1926.
[S. J. Res. 62.]
[Pub. Res., No. 37.]

CHAP. 623.—Joint Resolution To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to accept membership for the United States in the Permanent Association of the International Road Congresses, and for other purposes.

Permanent Association of International Road Congresses.
Amount for membership in and expenses.
Post, pp. 867, 1191.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any sums in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, not exceeding $3,000 per annum to enable the United States to accept membership in the Permanent Association of International Road Congresses, and such further amounts not exceeding a total of $5,000 as may be necessary for the expenses of participation in the meetings of the congress and of the executive committee thereof to be held in the year 1926.

Approved, June 18, 1926.

June 19, 1926.
[H. R. 11896.]
[Public, No. 405.]

CHAP. 631.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the county of Cass, State of Minnesota, to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge across the Boy River in said State.

Boy River.
Cass County, Minn., may bridge.

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 county of Cass, State of Minnesota, its successors and assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge and approaches thereto across the Boy River at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, in section 36, township 143 north, range 28 west, in accordance with the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906, and subject to the conditions and limitations contained in this Act.

Location.

Construction.
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