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and necessary traveling expenses, including a per diem of not to exceed $6, in lieu of subsistence, for each member of the board so employed for the time employed and actually engaged upon such work: *And provided further*, That the work of construction shall not be commenced until plans therefor are approved by said special board of engineers. No authority hereby conferred on the Secretary of the Interior shall be exercised without the President's sanction and approval. The expenses herein authorized shall be paid out of the reclamation fund established by the Act of June 17, 1902.

Proviso.
No construction work until plans approved.

Approval of the President.

Expenses from reclamation fund.
Vol. 32, p. 388.

Approved, May 29, 1928.

May 29, 1928.
[H. J. Res. 243.]
[Pub. Res., No. 66.]

CHAP. 919.—Joint Resolution To provide for the striking of a medal commemorative of the achievements of Thomas A. Edison in illumining the path of progress through the development and application of inventions that have revolutionized civilization in the last century.

Thomas A. Edison.
Gold medal to be presented to, commemorative of his achievements.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in recognition of the achievements of Thomas A. Edison, the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to cause to be struck and presented to Thomas A. Edison a gold medal with suitable emblems, devices, and inscriptions to be determined by the Secretary of the Treasury. For such purpose there is authorized to be appropriated the sum of $1,000.

Sum authorized.
Post, p. 1614.

Approved, May 29, 1928.

May 29, 1928.
[H. J. Res. 307.]
[Pub. Res., No. 67.]

CHAP. 920.—Joint Resolution To preserve for development the potential water power and park facilities of the gorge and Great Falls of the Potomac River.

Great Falls of the Potomac River.
For preservation of natural resources, etc., of, no permit to be issued to any private interest for development of water power in the river, until further action of Congress.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in order to preserve for development, in whatever manner Congress may ultimately find most desirable, the natural resources in water, potential water power, and park and recreational facilities afforded by the falls and gorge of the Potomac River near the National Capital, the Federal Power Commission be and hereby is directed not to issue any permit, preliminary or final, to any private interest for the development of water power in the Potomac River between the mouth of Rock Creek and a point four miles upstream from the present intake for the water supply of Washington, until further action of Congress, after consideration of such joint report or separate reports as may be made by the National Capital Park and Planning Commission and the Federal Power Commission as to the best utilization of the said area for the public benefit.

Approved, May 29, 1928.

May 31, 1928.
[H. R. 10435.]
[Public, No. 623.]

CHAP. 992.—An Act Providing for the extension of the time limitations under which patents were issued in the case of persons who served in the military or naval forces of the United States during the World War.

Patents.
Application for extension of, by honorably discharged veteran of World War.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any person who served honorably in the military or naval forces of the United States at any time between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918, both dates inclusive, and was subsequently honorably discharged, may within six months after the enactment of this Act, upon payment of a fee of $20, make application to the Commissioner of Patents, com-