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"The appropriation provided for in this section shall be apportioned among the several States and Territories under just and equitable procedure to be prescribed by the Secretary of War and in direct ratio to the number of enlisted men in active service in the National Guard existing in such States and Territories at the date of apportionment of said appropriation, and to the District of Columbia, under such regulations as the President may prescribe: *Provided*, That the sum so apportioned among the several States, Territories, and the District of Columbia shall be available under such rules as may be prescribed by the Secretary of War for the actual and necessary expenses incurred by officers and enlisted men of the Regular Army when traveling on duty in connection with the National Guard; for actual and necessary expenses incurred by officers of the Regular Army, and Reserve Officers holding commissions in the National Guard on active duty in the Militia Bureau or the War Department General Staff, while traveling in attending the annual conventions of the National Guard Association of the United States and The Adjutants General Association; for the transportation of supplies furnished to the National Guard for the permanent equipment thereof; for office rent and necessary office expenses of officers of the Regular Army on duty with the National Guard; for the expenses of the Militia Bureau, including clerical services; for expenses of enlisted men of the Regular Army on duty with the National Guard, including an allowance for quarters and subsistence provided in section 11 of the Pay Readjustment Act of June 10, 1922, medicine, and medical attendance; and such expenses shall constitute a charge against the whole sum annually appropriated for the support of the National Guard, and shall be paid therefrom and not from the allotment duly apportioned to any particular State, Territory, or the District of Columbia; for the promotion of rifle practice, including the acquisition, construction, maintenance, and equipment of shooting galleries, and suitable target ranges; for the hiring of horses and draft animals for use of mounted troops, batteries, and wagons for forage for the same; and for such other incidental expenses in connection with lawfully authorized encampments, maneuvers, and field instruction as the Secretary of War may deem necessary, and for such other expenses pertaining to the National Guard as are now or may hereafter be authorized by law."

Approved, April 6, 1928.

Ratio of apportionments.

Proviso.
Expenses specified.

Attendance of Army officers at conventions of National Guard Association and Adjutants General Association, added.

Quarters and subsistence to Army enlisted men.
Vol. 42, p. 630.

To be from general fund only.

Promoting rifle practice, field instruction, etc.

April 6, 1928.
[S. 2537.]
[Public, No. 240.]

CHAP. 322.—An Act To amend section 110, National Defense Act, so as to provide better administrative procedure in the disbursements for pay of National Guard officers and enlisted men.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the second paragraph of section 110, National Defense Act, as amended, be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

"All amounts appropriated for the purpose of this and the last preceding section shall be disbursed and accounted for by the officers and agents of the Finance Department of the Army, and effective as soon as practicable after July 1, 1928, all disbursements under the foregoing provisions of this section shall be made for such three-months periods for the various units of the National Guard as shall be prescribed in regulations issued by the Secretary of War and on pay rolls prepared and authenticated in the manner prescribed in said regulations: *Provided*, That for the period necessary to put into operation the payment plan herein provided for, the Secretary of War is authorized to fix initial pay periods of less

National Guard.
Pay of officers and enlisted men.

Quarterly disbursements by Army Finance Department, for the various units.
Vol. 42, p. 1036, amended.

Provisos.
Temporary provision.

than three months for such number of units as he may deem necessary: *And provided further*, That stoppages may be made against the compensation payable to any officer or enlisted man hereunder to cover the cost of public property lost or destroyed by, and chargeable to, such officer or enlisted man."

Stoppages for lost, etc., property.

Approved, April 6, 1928.

April 6, 1928.
[S. 3558.]
[Public, No. 241.]

CHAP. 323.—An Act Authorizing Point Pleasant and Henderson Bridge Company, its successors and assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Kanawha River at or near Point Pleasant, West Virginia.

Kanawha River.
Point Pleasant and Henderson Bridge Company may bridge, at Point Pleasant, W. Va.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in order to promote interstate commerce, improve the postal service, and provide for military and other purposes, the Point Pleasant and Henderson Bridge Company, its successors and assigns, be, and is hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Kanawha River, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near Point Pleasant, West Virginia, in accordance with the provisions of the 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.

Construction.
Vol. 34, p. 54.
Post, p. 1525.

Acquisition authorized, after completion, by West Virginia, etc.

SEC. 2. After the completion of such bridge, as determined by the Secretary of War, either the State of West Virginia, any political subdivision thereof within or adjoining which any part of such bridge is located, or any two or more of them jointly, may at any time acquire and take over all right, title, and interest in such bridge and its approaches, and any interest in real property necessary therefor, by purchase or by condemnation or expropriation, in accordance with the laws of such State governing the acquisition of private property for public purposes by condemnation or expropriation. If at any time after the expiration of twenty years after the completion of such bridge the same is acquired by condemnation or expropriation, the amount of damages or compensation to be allowed shall not include good will, going value, or prospective revenues or profits, but shall be limited to the sum of (1) the actual cost of constructing such bridge and its approaches, less a reasonable deduction for actual depreciation in value; (2) the actual cost of acquiring such interests in real property; (3) actual financing and promotion cost, not to exceed 10 per centum of the sum of the cost of constructing the bridge and its approaches and acquiring such interests in real property; and (4) actual expenditures for necessary improvements.

Condemnation proceedings.

Compensation if acquired by condemnation.

Limitations.

Tolls under State, etc., operation.

SEC. 3. If such bridge shall at any time be taken over or acquired by the State of West Virginia, or by any municipality or other political subdivision or public agency thereof, under the provisions of section 2 of this Act, and if tolls are thereafter charged for the use thereof, the rates of toll shall be so adjusted as to provide a fund sufficient to pay for the reasonable cost of maintaining, repairing, and operating the bridge and its approaches under economical management and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to amortize the amount paid therefor, including reasonable interest and financing cost, as soon as possible under reasonable charges, but within a period of not to exceed twenty years from the date of acquiring the same. After a sinking fund sufficient for such amortization shall have been so provided, such bridge shall thereafter be maintained and operated free of tolls, or the rates of toll shall thereafter be so adjusted as to provide a fund of not to exceed the amount necessary for the

Rates applied to operation, sinking fund, etc.

Maintenance as free bridge, etc. after amortizing costs.