

January 16, 1911.

[H. R. 26583.]

[Public, No. 334.]

Red River of the North.

Drayton, N. Dak., may bridge.

Vol. 34, p. 84.

Amendment.

**CHAP. 18.**—An Act To authorize the city of Drayton, North Dakota, to construct a bridge across the Red River of the North.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the city of Drayton, in the State of North Dakota, be, and is hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto, across the Red River of the North at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near the city of Drayton, between said city of Drayton, in the State of North Dakota, and 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 twenty-three, nineteen hundred and six.

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

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January 19, 1911.

[S. 7635.]

[Public, No. 335.]

Army.  
Officers to be dropped if absent without leave, etc.

**CHAP. 22.**—An Act Authorizing the President to drop officers from the rolls of the army under certain conditions.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized to drop from the rolls of the army any officer who is absent from duty three months without leave, or who has been absent in confinement in a prison or penitentiary for more than three months after final conviction by a civil court of competent jurisdiction; and no officer so dropped shall be eligible for reappointment.

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January 23, 1911.

[S. 1997.]

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San Francisco, Cal.  
Appraiser's salary increased.R. S., sec. 2730, p. 532, amended.  
Inconsistent laws repealed.

**CHAP. 25.**—An Act To limit and fix the compensation of the appraiser of merchandise at the port of San Francisco.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress Assembled,* That the appraiser of merchandise at San Francisco shall receive a salary of four thousand dollars per annum.

**SEC. 2.** That all laws and parts of laws inconsistent herewith are repealed.

Approved, January 23, 1911.

February 2, 1911.

[S. 10053.]

[Public, No. 337.]

District of Columbia.  
Baltimore and Washington Transit Company.  
Time for completion extended.Vol. 29, p. 264.  
Vol. 35, p. 475.

**CHAP. 31.**—An Act To extend the time within which the Baltimore and Washington Transit Company of Maryland shall be required to put in operation its railway in the District of Columbia, under the provisions of an Act of Congress approved June eighth, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, as amended by an Act of Congress approved May twenty-ninth, nineteen hundred and eight.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the time within which the Baltimore and Washington Transit Company of Maryland is required to put in operation its railway in the District of Columbia, under the provisions of an Act of Congress approved June eighth, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, as amended by an Act approved May twenty-ninth, nineteen hundred and eight, be, and the same is hereby, extended for a term of fifteen months from the twenty-eighth day of May, nineteen hundred and ten, and that all the franchises, rights, privileges, and powers conferred by said Acts, or either of them, may be enjoyed and exercised by said railway, or its successors in interest, as fully and completely as if said railway had been com-

pleted and put in operation prior to May twenty-ninth, nineteen hundred and ten: *Provided*, That said Baltimore and Washington Transit Company shall be subject to all the duties, conditions, and limitations provided in the Acts of Congress approved June eighth, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, and May twenty-ninth, nineteen hundred and eight, and not inconsistent with the provisions hereof.

*Proviso.*  
Limitations, etc.,  
continued.

Approved, February 2, 1911.

**CHAP. 32.**—An Act To provide for the sale of lands acquired under the provisions of the reclamation Act and which are not needed for the purposes of that Act.

February 2, 1911.  
[H. R. 25235.]

[Public, No. 338.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That whenever in the opinion of the Secretary of the Interior any lands which have been acquired under the provisions of the Act of June seventeenth, nineteen hundred and two (Thirty-second Statutes, page three hundred and eighty-eight), commonly called the "reclamation Act," or under the provisions of any Act amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto, for any irrigation works contemplated by said reclamation Act are not needed for the purposes for which they were acquired, said Secretary of the Interior may cause said lands, together with the improvements thereon, to be appraised by three disinterested persons, to be appointed by him, and thereafter to sell the same for not less than the appraised value at public auction to the highest bidder, after giving public notice of the time and place of sale by posting upon the land and by publication for not less than thirty days in a newspaper of general circulation in the vicinity of the land.

Reclamation act.  
Sale of lands not  
needed for works  
under.  
Vol. 32, p. 388.

Appraisal, etc.

**SEC. 2.** That upon payment of the purchase price, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized by appropriate deed to convey all the right, title, and interest of the United States of, in, and to said lands to the purchaser at said sale, subject, however, to such reservations, limitations, or conditions as said Secretary may deem proper: *Provided*, That not over one hundred and sixty acres shall be sold to any one person.

Conveyance of title,  
etc.

*Proviso.*  
Limitation.

**SEC. 3.** That the moneys derived from the sale of such lands shall be covered into the reclamation fund and be placed to the credit of the project for which such lands had been acquired.

Proceeds to credit  
of irrigation project.

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**CHAP. 33.**—An Act Providing for the appointment of deputy clerks to the United States circuit court of appeals.

February 3, 1911.  
[H. R. 15665.]

[Public, No. 339.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That one deputy of the clerk of each circuit court of appeals may be appointed by the court on the application of the clerk and may be removed at the pleasure of the court. In case of the death of the clerk his deputy shall, unless removed, continue in office and perform the duties of the clerk in his name until a clerk is appointed and qualified; and for the defaults or misfeasances in office of any such deputy, whether in the lifetime of the clerk or after his death, the clerk and his estate and the sureties on his official bond shall be liable, and his executor or administrator shall have such remedy for such defaults or misfeasances committed after his death as the clerk would be entitled to if the same had occurred in his lifetime.

United States courts.  
Circuit courts of  
appeals.

Deputy clerks au-  
thorized.  
Vol. 26, p. 826.  
Duties, etc.  
Post, p. 1132.

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