

Whereas said additional facilities afforded by the said hospital are now needed and in the immediate future will be needed in the proper care of veterans assigned to said Federal hospital: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the purchase of said city hospital by the Director of the Veterans' Bureau at a sum of not exceeding \$150,000, and the appropriation of \$150,000 for that purpose is hereby authorized; the price to be paid therefor to be agreed upon by and between said Director of the Veterans' Bureau and the city of Muskogee: *Provided,* That this money shall be taken out of any lump sum appropriated after March 1, 1925, for hospital purposes.

Approved, March 4, 1925.

Purchase of Muskogee city hospital as addition, authorized.

Proviso.
Fund available.

CHAP. 560.—Joint Resolution To provide for the expenses of delegates of the United States to the Pan American Congress of Highways

March 4, 1925.
[S. J. Res. 190.]
[Pub. Res., No. 72.]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States is hereby authorized to appoint delegates to enable the United States to participate in the Pan American Congress of Highways to meet at Buenos Aires in 1925, and for the expenses of the United States in participating in such conference, including the compensation of employees, travel, and subsistence expenses (notwithstanding the provisions of any other Act), and such miscellaneous and other expenses as the President shall deem proper, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of \$15,000.

Approved, March 4, 1925.

Pan American Congress of Highways. Appointment of delegates to, authorized.

Sum for expenses.

CHAP. 561.—Joint Resolution For the relief of special disbursing agents of the Alaskan Engineering Commission, authorizing the payment of certain claims, and for other purposes, affecting the management of the Alaska Railroad.

March 4, 1925.
[H. J. Res. 226.]
[Pub. Res., No. 73.]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the General Accounting Office is hereby authorized and directed to credit in the accounts of special disbursing agents of the Alaskan Engineering Commission the several payments made by them to the Swedish Hospital (Seattle, Washington), Doctor H. V. Wurdemann, A. B. Funk, Saint Joseph's Hospital, Fairbanks, Alaska, and Doctor J. R. Bowen, amounting to \$1,433.60, heretofore disallowed by the General Accounting Office, covering medical, surgical, and hospital services and subsistence furnished under the hospital regulations of said commission to contractors who were injured or taken sick while engaged in the performance of their work in the construction of the railroads in Alaska, and said payments are hereby validated.

Alaska Railroad. Credits directed in accounts of disbursing agents, for payments on account of injuries, etc.

SEC. 2. That the General Accounting Office is hereby authorized and directed to credit in the accounts of R. D. Chase, special disbursing agent of the Alaskan Engineering Commission, the sum of \$1,197.10, covering payments made to C. F. Clasen, F. H. Coney, W. A. McDonald, Lief Strand, Tom Tellefsen, Walter Wright, and Soter Chamis, employees of said commission, on account of the destruction of their personal effects by fire October 2, 1920, and March 10, 1922, respectively, said payments having been disallowed by the General Accounting Office, and the said payments are hereby validated.

R. D. Chase. Credit directed in accounts of.

Blanche L. Burns.
Payment to, from
railroad revenues for
fire loss.

SEC. 3. That the Alaska Railroad is hereby authorized and directed to pay out of the revenues of operation of the railroad, to Blanche L. Burns, administratrix of the estate of W. T. Burns, the sum of \$597.25, the value of a mess house and other property located at or near El Dorado, Alaska, on the Chatanika Branch of the railroad, destroyed April 18, 1919, by fire resulting from sparks thrown by a locomotive operating on said railroad.

Railroad employees.
Payment for fire
losses, etc., of.

SEC. 4. That the Alaska Railroad is hereby authorized and directed to pay out of the revenues of operation of the railroad the ten existing claims of employees of said railroad amounting to \$267.06, for loss of personal effects by fire at the power house at Anchorage, November 14, 1921, and four existing claims of employees of said railroad amounting to \$58.75, for loss of clothing and other personal effects at the time of a wreck at mile 277 of said railroad, July 22, 1922; and to pay to C. H. Thompson, formerly employed as a hospital steward by said railroad, the sum of \$211.54, and any additional amounts hereafter allowed him by the railroad, as necessary expenses of care and treatment under its hospital regulations.

Injuries to employees.
Officer to be design-
ated for administering
claims, etc.
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ed.

SEC. 5. That the President may, from time to time, transfer the administration of the Injury Compensation Act of September 7, 1916, so far as employees of the Alaska Railroad are concerned, to the officer designated by him as the successor of the chairman of the Alaskan Engineering Commission, including the powers and duties of the chairman of said commission, provided in section 42 of said Act; in which case the payments authorized in said section to be made out of appropriations for the Alaskan Engineering Commission shall be made out of appropriations for the Alaska Railroad, such appropriations to be reimbursed for such payments by the transfer of funds from the employees' compensation fund.

Approved, March 4, 1925.

Reimbursement from
employees' compensa-
tion fund.

March 4, 1925.
[H. J. Res. 264.]
[Pub. Res., No. 74.]

CHAP. 562.—Joint Resolution Authorizing the restoration of the Lee Mansion in the Arlington National Cemetery, Virginia

Lee Mansion, Arling-
ton, Va.
Preamble.

Whereas the era of internecine strife among the States having yielded to one of better understanding, of common loyalty, and of a more perfect Union; and

Whereas, now honor is accorded Robert E. Lee as one of the great military leaders of history, whose exalted character, noble life, and eminent services are recognized and esteemed, and whose manly attributes of precept and example were compelling factors in cementing the American people in bonds of patriotic devotion and action against common external enemies in the war with Spain and in the World War, thus consummating the hope of a reunited country that would again swell the chorus of the Union: Therefore be it

Restoration of, in
Arlington National
Cemetery, to condition
prior to Civil War.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed, as nearly as may be practicable, to restore the Lee Mansion in the Arlington National Cemetery, Virginia, to the condition in which it existed immediately prior to the Civil War and to procure, if possible, articles of furniture and equipment which were then in the mansion and in use by the occupants thereof. He is also authorized, in his discretion, to procure replicas of the furniture and other articles in use in the mansion during the period mentioned, with a view to restoring, as far as may be practicable, the appearance of the interior of the mansion to the condition of its occupancy by the Lee family.

Replicas of furniture,
etc., to be procured.

Approved, March 4, 1925.