

collected shall be kept and shall be available for the information of all persons interested.

SEC. 4. The said Chesapeake Bay Bridge Company, its successors, and assigns shall within ninety days after the completion of such bridge file with the Secretary of War a sworn itemized statement showing the actual original cost of constructing such bridge and its approaches, the actual cost of acquiring any interest in real property necessary therefor, and the actual financing and promotion cost. The Secretary of War may at any time within three years after the completion of such bridge investigate the actual cost of constructing the same, and for such purpose the said Chesapeake Bay Bridge Company, its successors, and assigns shall make available all of its records in connection with the financing and the construction thereof. The findings of the Secretary of War, as to the actual original cost of the bridge, shall be conclusive, subject only to review in a court of equity for fraud or gross mistake.

SEC. 5. The right to sell, assign, transfer, and mortgage all the rights, powers, and privileges conferred by this Act is hereby granted to the said Chesapeake Bay Bridge Company, its successors, and assigns, and any corporation to which or any person to whom such rights, powers, and privileges may be sold, assigned, or transferred, or who shall acquire the same by mortgage foreclosure, or otherwise, is hereby authorized and empowered to exercise the same as fully as though conferred herein directly upon such corporation or person.

SEC. 6. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, February 15, 1927.

CHAP. 154.—An Act To authorize the Secretary of the Navy to proceed with the construction of certain public works at Quantico, Virginia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized to proceed with the construction of certain public works at Quantico, Virginia—toward the replacement of the temporary buildings erected during the World War—one regimental group of barracks, \$850,000; three storehouses, \$225,000; commissary, bakery, cold storage, and ice plant, \$150,000; disciplinary barracks, \$30,000; motor transport storehouse and repair shop, \$100,000; power house and equipment in part, \$380,000; apartment houses for officers, not to exceed \$370,000; improvement of grounds and distributing systems in part, \$100,000; total, \$2,205,000, to be accounted for as one fund, and said sums are hereby authorized to be appropriated.

Approved, February 15, 1927.

CHAP. 155.—An Act To regulate the importation of milk and cream into the United States for the purpose of promoting the dairy industry of the United States and protecting the public health.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That on and after the date on which this Act takes effect the importation into the United States of milk and cream is prohibited unless the person by whom such milk or cream is shipped or transported into the United States holds a valid permit from the Secretary of Agriculture.

SEC. 2. Milk or cream shall be considered unfit for importation (1) when all cows producing such milk or cream are not healthy

Sworn statement of construction costs, etc., to be filed after completion.

Investigation by Secretary of War.

Findings of Secretary conclusive.

Right to sell, etc., conferred.

Amendment.

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[Public, No. 624.]

Marine Corps.
Quantico, Va., barracks, etc.
Amount authorized for construction of.

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[H. R. 11768.]
[Public, No. 625.]

Milk and cream.
Importing, prohibited unless by holder of permit.

Unfit conditions.
Producing cows unhealthy, and not examined within one year.

Raw milk or cream from cows not tuberculin tested and shown free from tuberculosis.

Insanitary condition of dairy.

With designated excess of bacteria.

When temperature exceeds 50° Fahrenheit.

Inspections to be made and permits for shipment issued if conditions complied with, etc.

Proviso.
Certificates of accredited officials of compliance with, accepted in lieu of Federal inspection.

Form, etc., of certificate to be prescribed.

Rules for issuing permits to be prescribed.

Condenseries.
Waiving bacteria limitations in permits to, using sterilization.

Provisos.
Maximum bacterial count prescribed in imports.

Nearness of producing farm.

Permit revoked if product sold other than as condensed milk.

Penalty to importer.

Waiver of tuberculin tests and temperature, to producers to plants within twenty miles importing only for pasteurization or condensing.

and a physical examination of all such cows has not been made within one year previous to such milk being offered for importation; (2) when such milk or cream, if raw, is not produced from cows which have passed a tuberculin test applied by a duly authorized official veterinarian of the United States, or of the country in which such milk or cream is produced, within one year previous to the time of the importation, showing that such cows are free from tuberculosis; (3) when the sanitary conditions of the dairy farm or plant in which such milk or cream is produced or handled do not score at least fifty points out of one hundred points according to the methods for scoring as provided by the score cards used by the Bureau of Dairy Industry of the United States Department of Agriculture at the time such dairy farms or plants are scored; (4) in the case of raw milk if the number of bacteria per cubic centimeter exceeds three hundred thousand and in the case of raw cream seven hundred and fifty thousand, in the case of pasteurized milk if the number of bacteria per cubic centimeter exceeds one hundred thousand, and in the case of pasteurized cream five hundred thousand; (5) when the temperature of milk or cream at the time of importation exceeds fifty degrees Fahrenheit.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture shall cause such inspections to be made as are necessary to insure that milk and cream are so produced and handled as to comply with the provisions of section 2 of this Act, and in all cases when he finds that such milk and/or cream is produced and handled so as not to be unfit for importation under clauses 1, 2, and 3 of section 2 of this Act, he shall issue to persons making application therefor permits to ship milk and/or cream into the United States: *Provided*, That in lieu of the inspections to be made by or under the direction of the Secretary of Agriculture he may, in his discretion, accept a duly certified statement signed by a duly accredited official of an authorized department of any foreign government and/or of any State of the United States or any municipality thereof that the provisions in clauses 1, 2, and 3 of section 2 of this Act have been complied with. Such certificate of the accredited official of an authorized department of any foreign government shall be in the form prescribed by the Secretary of Agriculture, who is hereby authorized and directed to prescribe such form, as well as rules and regulations regulating the issuance of permits to import milk or cream into the United States.

The Secretary of Agriculture is hereby authorized, in his discretion, to waive the requirement of section 2, paragraph 4, of this Act when issuing permits to operators of condenseries in which milk and/or cream is used when sterilization of the milk and/or cream is a necessary process: *Provided, however*, That no milk and/or cream shall be imported whose bacterial count per cubic centimeter in any event exceeds one million two hundred thousand: *Provided further*, That such requirements shall not be waived unless the farm producing such milk to be imported is within a radius of fifteen miles of the condensery in which it is to be processed: *Provided further*, That if milk and/or cream imported when the requirements of section 2, paragraph 4, have been so waived, is sold, used or disposed of in its raw state or otherwise than as condensed milk by any person, the permit shall be revoked and the importer shall be subject to fine, imprisonment, or other penalty prescribed by this Act.

The Secretary of Agriculture is directed to waive the requirements of paragraphs 2 and 5 of section 2 of this Act in so far as the same relate to milk when issuing permits to operators of, or to producers for delivery to, creameries and condensing plants in the United States within twenty miles of the point of production of the milk, and who import no raw milk except for pasteurization or condens-

ing: *Provided*, That if milk imported when the requirements of paragraphs 2 and 5 of section 2 have been so waived is sold, used, or disposed of in its raw state, or otherwise than as pasteurized, condensed, or evaporated milk by any person, the permit shall be revoked and the importer shall be subjected to fine, imprisonment, or other penalty prescribed by this Act.

Permits revoked if sold other than as pasteurized, etc.

Penalty to importers.

The Secretary of Agriculture is hereby authorized and directed to make and enforce such regulations as may in his judgment be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act for the handling of milk and cream, for the inspection of milk, cream, cows, barns, and other facilities used in the production and handling of milk and/or cream and the handling, keeping, transporting, and importing of milk and/or cream: *Provided, however*, That unless and until the Secretary of Agriculture shall provide for inspections to ascertain that paragraphs 1, 2, and 3 of section 2 have been complied with, the Secretary of Agriculture shall issue temporary permits to any applicants therefor to ship or transport milk and/or cream into the United States.

Secretary to make and enforce regulation to carry out purpose of the act.

Proviso.
Temporary permits until regulations for inspection, etc., are provided.

The Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to suspend or revoke any permit for the shipment of milk or cream into the United States when he shall find that the holder thereof has failed to comply with the provisions of or has violated this Act or any of the regulations made hereunder, or that the milk and/or cream brought or shipped by the holder of such permit into the United States is not produced and handled in conformity with, or that the quality thereof does not conform to, all of the provisions of section 2 of this Act.

Suspension of permits for shipments if holder violates provisions of act, etc.

SEC. 4. It shall be unlawful for any person in the United States to receive milk or cream imported into the United States unless the importation is in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

Receiving milk or cream unless imported in accordance with provisions hereof, unlawful.

SEC. 5. Any person who knowingly violates any provision of this Act shall, in addition to all other penalties prescribed by law, be punished by a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$2,000, or by imprisonment for not more than one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Punishment for violations knowingly.

SEC. 6. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$50,000 per annum, to enable the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Sum authorized to carry out this Act.

SEC. 7. Any laws or parts of laws inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Inconsistent laws repealed.

SEC. 8. Nothing in this Act is intended nor shall be construed to affect the powers of any State, or any political subdivision thereof, to regulate the shipment of milk or cream into, or the handling, sale, or other disposition of milk or cream in, such State or political subdivision after the milk and/or cream shall have been lawfully imported under the provisions of this Act.

State, etc., powers of regulating disposition of lawful imports, not affected.

SEC. 9. When used in this Act—

Definitions.

(a) The term "person" means an individual, partnership, association, or corporation.

"Person."

(b) The term "United States" means continental United States.

"United States."

SEC. 10. This Act shall take effect upon the expiration of ninety days from the date of its enactment.

Effective in 90 days.

Approved, February 15, 1927.

CHAP. 156.—An Act Authorizing the President to restore Commander George M. Baum, United States Navy, to a place on the list of commanders of the Navy to rank next after Commander David W. Bagley, United States Navy.

February 16, 1927.
[H. R. 4553.]
[Public, No. 626.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President

Navy.