

Acquisition of adjacent lands for military purposes; improvements.

Continuance of Arlington Experiment Station at present site.

Arlington Memorial Bridge.
Approach road, construction authorized.

means in the city of Washington and elsewhere, as in the judgment of the Secretary of Agriculture may be necessary.

SEC. 3. There is also further authorized to be appropriated not to exceed \$5,000,000 for the acquisition of adjacent lands and the construction and installation of such buildings and utilities and appurtenances as in the judgment of the Secretary of War may be necessary for military purposes on the above-mentioned lands, including alterations, additions, and betterments to such existing improvements thereon as may be transferred by the Secretary of Agriculture to the Secretary of War. If the purchase of additional lands authorized by this section meets the requirements of the War Department, the Secretary of War may allow the Secretary of Agriculture to continue the operation of Arlington Experiment Station at its present site.

SEC. 4. The Secretary of War is hereby authorized to transfer to the Secretary of the Interior a right-of-way two hundred feet wide extending from a point near the southeast corner of the Arlington Cemetery in a northeasterly direction to the Boundary Channel, in order to provide an adequate approach road to the Arlington Memorial Bridge, the construction of which road is hereby authorized, and, with the approval of the President, to transfer to the Secretary of the Interior until needed such other lands transferred to or acquired by the Secretary of War under this Act as may not be immediately necessary for military purposes.

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[CHAPTER 926]

AN ACT

November 30, 1940
[H. R. 10465]
[Public, No. 886]

To amend an Act entitled "An Act to punish the willful injury or destruction of war material, or of war premises or utilities used in connection with war material, and for other purposes", approved April 20, 1918.

Destruction of war material.
Definition of terms.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first paragraph of section 1 of the Act approved April 20, 1918, entitled "An Act to punish the willful injury or destruction of war material, or of war premises or utilities used in connection with war material, and for other purposes" (40 Stat. 533; U. S. C., title 50, secs. 101-103), is amended by striking out the word "the" immediately preceding the word "war".

The fourth paragraph of section 1 of such Act is amended to read as follows:

"United States."

"The words 'United States' used in this Act in a geographical sense shall include the Philippine Islands, the Panama Canal Zone, and all other territory and waters, continental and insular, subject to the jurisdiction of the United States as thus defined."

Such Act of April 20, 1918, is further amended by adding at the end thereof the following sections:

"National-defense material."

"SEC. 4. That the words 'national-defense material', as used herein, shall include arms, armament, ammunition, livestock, stores of clothing, food, foodstuffs, fuel, supplies, munitions, and all other articles of whatever description and any part or ingredient thereof, intended for the use of the United States in connection with the national defense.

"National-defense premises."

"The words 'national-defense premises', as used herein, shall include all buildings, grounds, mines, or other places wherein such national-defense material is being produced, manufactured, repaired, stored, mined, extracted, distributed, loaded, unloaded, or transported, together with all machinery and appliances therein contained; and all forts, arsenals, navy yards, camps, prisons, or other military or naval stations of the United States.

"The words 'national-defense utilities', as used herein, shall include all railroads, railways, electric lines, roads of whatever description, railroad or railway fixture, canal, lock, dam, wharf, pier, dock, bridge, building, structure, engine, machine, mechanical contrivance, car, vehicle, boat, or aircraft, or any other means of transportation whatsoever, whereon or whereby such national-defense material, or any troops of the United States, are being or may be transported either within the limits of the United States or upon the high seas; and all dams, reservoirs, aqueducts, water and gas mains and pipes, structures, and buildings, whereby or in connection with which water or gas may be furnished to any national-defense premises or to the military or naval forces of the United States, and all electric light and power, steam or pneumatic power, telephone and telegraph plants, poles, wires, and fixtures and wireless stations, and the buildings connected with the maintenance and operation thereof used to supply water, light, heat, power, or facilities of communication to any national-defense premises or to the military or naval forces of the United States.

"National-defense utilities."

"Sec. 5. That whoever, with intent to injure, interfere with, or obstruct the national defense of the United States, shall willfully injure or destroy, or shall attempt to so injure or destroy, any national-defense material, national-defense premises, or national-defense utilities, as herein defined, shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than ten years, or both.

Destruction of national-defense material, etc.
Penalty.

"Sec. 6. That whoever, with intent to injure, interfere with, or obstruct the national defense of the United States, shall willfully make or cause to be made in a defective manner, or attempt to make or cause to be made in a defective manner, any national-defense material, as herein defined, or any tool, implement, machine, utensil, or receptacle used or employed in making, producing, manufacturing, or repairing any such national-defense material, as herein defined, shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than ten years, or both."

Making national-defense material in defective manner, etc.
Penalty.

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[CHAPTER 927]

AN ACT

To amend the Act of June 25, 1938, entitled "An Act extending the classified civil service to include postmasters of the first, second, and third classes, and for other purposes".

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3 of the Act approved June 25, 1938 (ch. 678, 52 Stat. 1077; U. S. C., 1934 edition, Supp. V, title 39, sec. 39a) is amended by the addition of the following: "*Provided further,* That at any post office the postmaster of which has been called for duty as a member of the National Guard or of the Reserve of the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps or pursuant to draft or voluntary enlistment, the Postmaster General is authorized to grant leave of absence without pay to such postmaster and to appoint an acting postmaster at such post office to serve for the period only of the absence of the regular postmaster on military service, requiring such acting postmaster to furnish suitable bond with surety for the faithful performance of the duties as acting postmaster and releasing the regular postmaster and his sureties of responsibility for the conduct of the office during such period: *Provided further,* That where a postmaster resigns for the purpose of military service as herein described and subsequently wishes to resume his previous position as postmaster he may be permitted, upon being released from military service, to withdraw his resignation and resume

Postal Service.

Provisos.
Leave of absence to postmasters entering military service.

Appointment of acting postmasters; bond.

Withdrawal of resignation and resumption of office.