CHAP. 234.—An Act To grant the consent of Congress for the county of Pulaski, State of Arkansas, to construct a bridge across the Arkansas River between the cities of Little Rock and Argenta, Arkansas.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted for the county of Pulaski, State of Arkansas, and its successors and assigns to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Arkansas River at a point suitable to the interests of navigation from Broadway Street, in the city of Little Rock, Arkansas, to a point on the north bank of the said river, in the city of Argenta, county of Pulaski, Arkansas, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March twenty-third, nineteen hundred and six.

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

Approved, August 7, 1914.

CHAP. 242.—An Act For the relief of Clara Dougherty, Ernest Kubel, and Josephine Taylor, owners of lot numbered thirteen, and of Mary Meder, owner of the south seventeen and ten one-hundredths feet front by the full depth thereof of lot numbered fourteen, all of said property in square numbered seven hundred and twenty-four, in Washington, District of Columbia, with regard to assessment and payment for damages on account of change of grade due to the construction of Union Station, in said District.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That under and in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Act of Congress approved April twenty-second, nineteen hundred and four, entitled "An Act to provide for payment of damages on account of change of grade due to construction of the Union Station, in the District of Columbia," as amended by the Act of Congress approved June twenty-ninth, nineteen hundred and six, the commission appointed under said Act is hereby authorized and directed to meet and view the property known as lots numbered thirteen and the south seventeen and ten one-hundredths feet front by the full depth thereof of lot numbered fourteen, all in square numbered seven hundred and twenty-four, in the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia, improved by premises numbered three hundred and twenty-three, three hundred and twenty-five, three hundred and twenty-seven, three hundred and twenty-nine, and three hundred and thirty-seven First Street northeast, city of Washington, District of Columbia, and hear testimony touching the damages to said property which have resulted from changes in the grade of streets, avenues, or alleys authorized by the Act of Congress approved February twenty-eighth, nineteen hundred and three, relating to the construction of a union railroad station in the District of Columbia, and to appraise and determine the amount of damages, if any, to which the owner of said property so affected by change of grade may be entitled.

SEC. 2. That if any of the parties interested, their personal representatives, or the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, shall be dissatisfied with the appraisement or award of said commission, the court shall, on motion of the parties so dissatisfied, direct the United States marshal to summon a jury of seven disinterested men, not related to any person in interest, to meet and view the said property and to appraise and determine the amount of damages to which the
Appropriation from District revenues.

Refund.

Proviso.

Expenses to be deducted from award.

SEC. 3. That a sufficient sum to pay the compensation and expenses of said commission and the compensation of said jurors and the amount of any appraisement or award of damages made in favor of the owner of said property is hereby appropriated out of the revenues of the District of Columbia, and fifty per centum thereof shall be refunded to said District of Columbia by the United States: Provided, however, That from such sum or sums as may be awarded to said owners, there shall be deducted the compensation and expenses of said commission and the compensation of said jurors.

Approved, August 8, 1914.

CHAP. 243.—An Act To acquire, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, additional land for the post office, courthouse, and customhouse in the city of Richmond, Virginia.

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Reclamation Act. Time for paying construction charges hereafter.

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Installments established.

Provided. Advance payments.

Announcement of entry, etc.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed, in his discretion, to acquire, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, the remainder of the block, bounded by Main, Tenth, Eleventh, and Bank Streets, in which the post office, courthouse, and customhouse, in the city of Richmond, Commonwealth of Virginia, is located, at a cost not exceeding $450,000: Provided, That in the judgment of the Secretary of the Treasury the public interest would be better served by acquiring said property than by acquiring another site for additional post-office facilities.

Approved, August 8, 1914.

CHAP. 247.—An Act Extending the period of payment under reclamation projects, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any person whose lands hereafter become subject to the terms and conditions of the Act approved June seventeenth, nineteen hundred and two, entitled “An Act appropriating the receipts from the sale and disposal of public lands in certain States and Territories to the construction of irrigation works for the reclamation of arid lands,” and Acts amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto, hereafter to be referred to as the reclamation law, and any person who hereafter makes entry thereunder shall at the time of making water-right application or entry, as the case may be, pay into the reclamation fund five per centum of the construction charge fixed for his land as an initial installment, and shall pay the balance of said charge in fifteen annual installments, the first five of which shall each be five per centum of the construction charge and the remainder shall each be seven per centum until the whole amount shall have been paid. The first of the annual installments shall become due and payable on December first of the fifth calendar year after the initial installment, and shall pay the balance of said charge in fifteen annual installments, the first five of which shall each be five per centum of the construction charge and the remainder shall each be seven per centum until the whole amount shall have been paid. The first of the annual installments shall become due and payable on December first of the fifth calendar year after the initial installment: Provided, That any water-right applicant or entryman may, if he so elects, pay the whole or any part of the construction charges owing by him within any shorter period: Provided further, That entry may be made whenever water is available, as announced by the Secretary of the Interior, and the initial payment be made when the charge per acre is established.