
CHAP. 294.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of War to enter into an arrangement, on behalf of the United States, with the Alexandria Light and Power Company, whereby civilians may obtain electric current from a Government-owned transmission line extending from Alexandria to Fort Humphreys, Virginia.

Whereas the United States is the owner of a line about nine miles in length between the city of Alexandria, Virginia, and Fort Humphreys, Virginia, for the transmission of electric current which is being furnished Fort Humphreys by the Alexandria Light and Power Company; and

Whereas the volume of current transmissible over the line is greatly in excess of the needs of the fort or of the Government otherwise, and it is desirable that the civilians in the neighborhood of the fort should be permitted to receive current from said line for their own use: Now, therefore,

Be it enacted 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 to enter into any agreement which he may think proper between the United States and the Alexandria Light and Power Company which will enable the latter to furnish current over the said line to civilians: Provided, however, That no such agreement shall interfere with the prompt supply to Fort Humphreys or otherwise to the Government of any current that may be required: And provided further, That any such agreement shall be without additional cost or expense to the Government in addition to that which is now incident to the maintenance and operation of the transmission line and the cost of service from the same: Provided further, That any such agreement shall be revocable in the discretion of the Secretary of War.

Approved, June 7, 1924.

CHAP. 295.—An Act Authorizing the erection of a sanitary, fireproof hospital at the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers at Santa Monica, California.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers be, and it is hereby, authorized and directed to cause to be erected at the Pacific branch of said home at Santa Monica, California, on land now owned by the United States, a sanitary, fireproof hospital of a capacity for five hundred beds at a total cost of not more than $1,500,000. Such hospital shall include all the necessary buildings, with the appropriate mechanical equipment, including roads and trackage facilities leading thereto, for the accommodation of patients, and storage, laundry, and necessary furniture, equipment, and accessories as may be approved by the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.

Sec. 2. That the persons who shall be entitled to the privileges of treatment in this hospital when constructed, and who may be admitted thereto upon the order of a member of the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, shall be the following: Honorably discharged officers, soldiers, sailors, and marines who served in the Regular, Volunteer, or other forces of the United States in the war with Mexico, the Civil War, the war with Spain, and the World War, or in any war in which the country has been engaged, in campaigns against hostile Indians, or who served in any of the extraterritorial possessions of the United States in foreign countries, including Mexican border service, or