Title to abutting owners.

Proviso. Consent of property owners to be obtained.

Plats, etc., to be prepared and approved by Commissioners.

Closed areas apportioned to abutting owners.

Section 1. That whenever a street, road, or highway is sought to be closed in accordance with the provisions of this Act, a plat showing the street, road, or highway to be closed by the said commissioners, as provided herein, shall be prepared by the surveyor of the District of Columbia and approved by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia and ordered by the said commissioners to be recorded in the office of the surveyor of the District of Columbia, and the area to be apportioned to each property owner abutting on the street, road, or highway so closed to revert to the abutting property owners: Provided, That the written consent of the owners of all property abutting on the street, road, or highway proposed to be closed be obtained.

Section 2. That whenever a street, road, or highway, or any part of a street, road, or highway is sought to be closed in accordance with the provisions of this Act, a plat showing the street, road, or highway to be closed by the said commissioners, as provided herein, shall be prepared by the surveyor of the District of Columbia and approved by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia and ordered by the said commissioners to be recorded in the office of the surveyor of the District of Columbia, and the area to be apportioned to each property owner abutting on the street, road, or highway or part of street, road, or highway closed by the said commissioners, as provided herein, shall be determined by the said commissioners and shall be shown by plats and computations prepared by the surveyor of the District of Columbia, and said apportioned areas shall be assessed on the books of the assessor of the District of Columbia the same in all respects as other private property in the District of Columbia.

Approved, January 30, 1925.

January 30, 1925.

Chap. 117.—An Act To provide for the payment of one-half the cost of the construction of a bridge across the San Juan River, New Mexico.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of $6,620, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to defray one-half the cost of a bridge across the San Juan River near Bloomfield, New Mexico, under rules and regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior, who shall also approve the plans and specifications for said bridge and to be reimbursable to the United States from any funds now or hereafter placed in the Treasury to the credit of the Navajo Indians, to remain a charge and lien upon the funds of such Indians until paid: Provided, That the State of New Mexico or the county of San Juan shall contribute the remainder of the cost of said bridge, the obligation of the Government hereunder to be limited to the above sum, but in no event to exceed one-half the cost of the bridge.

Approved, January 30, 1925.

January 30, 1925.

Chap. 118.—An Act To change the time for the holding of terms of court in the eastern district of South Carolina.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 5 of an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to amend an Act entitled, 'An Act to provide for the appointment of a district judge, district attorney, and marshal for the western district of South Carolina, and for other purposes,' approved September 1, 1916, so as to provide for the terms of the district court to be held at Spartanburg, South Carolina,'" approved March 4, 1923, be and the same is hereby amended by changing the times for the terms of the district court for the eastern district of South Carolina, so as to read as follows:
"Sec. 5. That the terms of the district court for the eastern district of South Carolina shall be held at Charleston on the second Monday in October, the third Monday in January, and the fourth Monday in May; at Columbia on the first Monday in November and the third Monday in March; at Florence on the first Monday in December and the fourth Monday in April; and at Aiken on the fourth Monday in September and the second Monday in February.

"Terms of the district court of the western district shall be held at Greenville on the first Tuesday in April and the first Tuesday in October; at Rock Hill, the second Tuesday in March and September; at Greenwood, the first Tuesday in February and November; at Anderson, the fourth Tuesday in May and November; and at Spartanburg, on the third Tuesday in February and second Tuesday in December.

"The office of the clerk of the district court for the western district shall be at Greenville, and the office of the clerk of the district court for the eastern district shall be at Charleston.

"This Act shall take effect on the 1st day of July next ensuing its passage."

Approved, January 30, 1925.

CHAP. 119.—An Act Authorizing and directing the Secretary of War to investigate the feasibility, and to ascertain and report the cost of establishing a national military park in and about Kansas City, Missouri, commemorative of the Battle of Westport, October 23, 1864.

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, directed to investigate the feasibility of establishing a national military park in and about Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, for the purpose of commemorating the Battle of Westport, October 23, 1864.

Sec. 2. To aid and assist him in this undertaking, the Secretary of War is authorized to appoint a Commission of not to exceed three persons who shall serve without compensation or expense to the Government.

Sec. 3. That the expense of the investigation herein directed to be made shall be paid from the appropriation to the War Department from "Contingencies of the Army."

Approved, January 30, 1925.

CHAP. 120.—Joint Resolution Directing the Interstate Commerce Commission to take action relative to adjustments in the rate structure of common carriers subject to the Interstate Commerce Act, and the fixing of rates and charges.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it is hereby declared to be the true policy in rate making to be pursued by the Interstate Commerce Commission in adjusting freight rates, that the conditions which at any given time prevail in our several industries should be considered in so far as it is legally possible to do so, to the end that commodities may freely move.