An Act To authorize the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Choctawhatchee River at Geneva, Alabama.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, a corporation created and existing under the laws of the State of Kentucky, and doing business in the State of Alabama, its successors and assigns, be, and it is hereby, authorized and empowered to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Choctawhatchee River at Geneva, Alabama, at such point as may have been or may hereafter be selected by said railroad company for crossing said river on its line of railroad, provided such point selected shall, in the judgment of the Secretary of War, be suitable to the interests of navigation; that said bridge shall be constructed for the passage of railroad trains, and said railroad company may locate, construct, maintain, and operate over said bridge and the approaches thereto railroad tracks for the use of said railroad company.

Sec. 2. That said bridge shall be a lawful structure, subject to the limitations of this Act, and shall be recognized and known as a post route, upon which no higher charge shall be made for the transmission over the same of the mails, the troops, and munitions of war of the United States than the rate per mile to be paid for the same over the railroad leading to said bridge; and the United States shall have the right of way over said bridge for postal telegraph and telephone purposes.

Sec. 3. That the bridge authorized to be constructed under this Act shall be built and located subject to such regulations for the security of the navigation of said river as the Secretary of War shall prescribe, and to secure that object the said railroad company shall submit to the Secretary of War, for his examination and approval, a design and drawing of said bridge, with a map of the location thereof, and shall furnish such other information as may be required for the full and satisfactory understanding of the subject, and that said bridge shall not be built until the plans and location thereof shall be approved by the Secretary of War; and should any change be made in the plans of said bridge during the progress of its construction, or after its com-
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Chapter 468—An Act Providing for the construction of a drawbridge across the river Potomac at Alexandria, Virginia, known as the Alexandria Bridge; and for the use of the railroad companies desiring to pass over the same.

Chapter 469—An Act for the preparation of plans or designs for a memorial or statue of General Ulysses S. Grant on ground belonging to the United States Government in the city of Washington, District of Columbia.

Sec. 1. That the president of the Society of the Army of the Tennessee, the chairman of the Joint Committee on the Library, and the Secretary of War be, and they are hereby created a commission to select a site and secure plans and designs for a statue or memorial of General Ulysses S. Grant, late President of the United States and General of the armies thereof, said statue not to cost in excess of the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Sec. 2. That said commission is authorized to select any unoccupied square or reservation belonging to the Government, or part thereof, in the District of Columbia, except the grounds of the Capitol and Library of Congress, on which to erect the said statue.

Sec. 3. That the said commission is authorized and required to advertise for plans, specifications, and models for the base, pedestal, and statue provided for in section one, and may pay to competing artists for the same and for expenses incident to making such selection, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, which sum is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, one of which plans, specifications, or models shall, if deemed sufficiently meritorious by the commission, be selected, or the commission may select any part of any of the plans, specifications, or models that it may elect and that it can use.

Sec. 4. That as soon as practicable after the selection authorized by section three is made, said commission shall report their action to the Congress of the United States.

Approved, February 23, 1901.