

February 16, 1903.

[Public, No. 89.]

**CHAP. 554.**—An Act To amend an Act to add certain counties in Alabama to the northern district therein, and to divide the said northern district, after the addition of said counties, into two divisions, and to prescribe the times and places for holding courts therein, and for other purposes, approved May second, eighteen hundred and eighty-four.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section two of an Act approved May second, eighteen hundred and eighty-four, entitled "An Act to add certain counties in Alabama to the northern district therein, and to divide the said northern district, after the addition of said counties, into two divisions, and to prescribe the times and places for holding courts therein, and for other purposes," be amended so as to read as follows:

**SEC. 2.** That the said northern district is hereby divided into three divisions, which shall be known as the northern, southern, and eastern divisions of the northern district of Alabama. The southern division of said northern district shall include the counties of Sumter, Greene, Hale, Pickens, Tuscaloosa, Lamar, Fayette, Walker, Jefferson, Blount, Bibb, Shelby, Saint Clair, and DeKalb, and a term of the circuit court and district court of the United States for said northern district shall be held for said southern division at the city of Birmingham, in the said county of Jefferson, twice in each year, at the times provided by law.

"The eastern division of said northern district shall include the counties of Etowah, Calhoun, Cleburne, Clay, Talladega, and Cherokee, and a term of the circuit court and the district court of the United States for said northern district shall be held for said eastern division in the city of Anniston, in the said county of Calhoun, twice in each year, on the first Mondays in May and November. The remaining counties of said northern district shall constitute the northern division thereof, and the terms of the circuit and district courts of the United States for said northern district shall be held therein at the times and places prescribed by law."

**SEC. 2.** That this Act shall be in force from its passage, and all other provisions of the Act aforesaid, approved May second, eighteen hundred and eighty-four, and all Acts amendatory thereof not inconsistent with this Act, shall remain in full force and effect, and so far as they are applicable shall relate to and govern the eastern division of the northern district of Alabama.

**SEC. 3.** That a place for holding the courts for the eastern division of the northern district of Alabama shall be furnished to the Government free of cost by the county of Calhoun until other provision is made therefor by law.

**SEC. 4.** That all civil process issued against persons residents in said counties of Etowah, Calhoun, Cleburne, Clay, Talladega, and Cherokee, and cognizable before the United States courts, shall be made returnable to the courts, respectively, to be held at the city of Anniston; and all prosecutions for offenses committed in either of said counties shall be tried in the appropriate United States court at the city of Anniston.

**SEC. 5.** That all cases, civil and criminal, now pending on the dockets of the southern division of the northern district of Alabama, as herein created, shall remain on the docket of the southern division of said district and be tried in Birmingham, Alabama, unless transferred to the dockets of the eastern division of said district by consent of all the parties thereto entered of record, or unless transferred by the order of court for good cause shown.

**SEC. 6.** That the clerks of the circuit and district courts of the southern division of the northern district of Alabama shall maintain an office in charge of themselves or a deputy at said city of Anniston

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sion.  
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which shall be kept open at all times for the transaction of the business of said courts.

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**CHAP. 555.**—An Act Fixing terms of United States courts in Colorado, and other purposes.

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[Public, No. 90.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the terms of the district and circuit courts of the United States in and for the district of Colorado shall be held at the times and places hereinafter designated, namely: At Denver on the first Tuesdays in May and in November in every year; at Pueblo on the first Tuesday in April annually, and at Montrose on the second Tuesday in September annually; and such cases shall be heard in said courts as the law or the rules of said court may now or hereafter provide.

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Colorado judicial  
district.  
Terms.  
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**SEC. 2.** That the term of said courts heretofore provided to be held at Del Norte, Colorado, on the first Tuesday in August annually is hereby discontinued, and all business now pending in said courts, including all records, files, books, or other property of the United States pertaining to said court, shall be transferred to Montrose, Colorado, and all cases pending at Del Norte, Colorado, shall be tried at Montrose, Colorado, the same as if originally begun at the latter place, and all requirements for return of process or persons to said court at Del Norte shall hereafter be made or complied with at said term at Montrose, Colorado.

Term at Del Norte  
discontinued.  
Cases, etc., trans-  
ferred to Montrose.

**SEC. 3.** That all Acts and parts of Acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Repeal.

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**CHAP. 560.**—An Act To authorize the construction of a bridge across the Missouri River between the city of Chamberlain, in Brule County, and Lyman County, in the State of South Dakota.

February 18, 1903.  
[Public, No. 91.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Missouri River Bridge Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of South Dakota, be, and is hereby, authorized to construct and maintain a bridge and approaches thereto across the Missouri River between the city of Chamberlain, in Brule County, in the State of South Dakota, and Lyman County, in the State of South Dakota. Said bridge shall be constructed to provide for the passage of wagons and vehicles of all kinds, animals, and foot passengers for such reasonable rates of toll and under such reasonable rules and regulations as may be prescribed by said corporation and approved by the Secretary of War.

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Missouri Bridge  
Company may bridge,  
at Chamberlain.

**SEC. 2.** That any bridge built under this Act and subject to its limitations shall be a lawful structure 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 the munitions of war of the United States than the rate per mile paid for the transportation over the railroad or public highway leading to said bridge. The United States shall also have the right to construct, without charge therefor, telegraph and telephone lines across and upon said

Wagon and foot  
bridge.  
Toll.

Lawful structure  
and post route.

Telegraph, etc.,  
rights.