
That such commission shall be composed of one officer of the Corps of Engineers of the United States Army, one officer of the Quartermaster's Department of the United States Army, both of whom shall be designated by the Secretary of War, and one official of the Treasury Department, who shall be an expert in electrical engineering, who shall be designated by the Secretary of the Treasury.

Sec. 2. That this commission shall examine and report upon the following propositions:

First. Whether there will be any surplus water flowing over said dams not needed for the purposes of navigation which might be available for mechanical or commercial power.

Second. Whether such power, or any part thereof, could be economically utilized for furnishing the light and power now needed or which hereafter may be needed in the buildings and property of the United States at Saint Paul, Minneapolis, and Fort Snelling, Minnesota, and, if so, to what extent, and what proportion or amount of the available power could so be utilized by the United States or disposed of in any manner to the advantage of the United States.

Third. If it shall appear to said commission feasible and economical for the United States to use or dispose of such power or any part thereof, then said commission shall report a plan or plans, with terms and conditions for such use or disposition, and an estimate of the cost thereof to the United States.

Sec. 3. That the said commission shall meet at such time and place as may be directed by the Secretary of War, and shall transmit said report within two years after the passage of this Act.

Approved, June 25, 1906.

CHAP. 3531.—An Act To authorize the Chicago, Milwaukee and Saint Paul Railway Company of Montana to construct a bridge across the Missouri River in Lewis and Clarke County, Montana.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Chicago, Milwaukee and Saint Paul Railway Company of Montana, its successors and assigns, be, and they are hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a railroad bridge and approaches thereto across the Missouri River, at some convenient and practicable point in Lewis and Clarke County, between the southern limit of said county and the northern limit of township eleven north, range two west, in the State of Montana, 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, June 25, 1906.

CHAP. 3532.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of War to acquire, for fortification purposes, certain tracts of land on Deer Island, in Boston Harbor, Massachusetts.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized to acquire, for fortification purposes, from the city of Boston, two certain tracts of land on Deer Island, in Boston Harbor, Massachusetts, containing together about one hundred acres above mean low-water mark, the said tracts being marked on the ground

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by certain monuments, and to pay for the same not to exceed the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars from funds heretofore appropriated for purchase of sites for fortifications and seacoast defenses: Provided, That the city of Boston shall build a masonry wall, which shall be approved by the Secretary of War, at least ten feet in height above the ground level, extending across said Deer Island, to separate the portion of said island hereby authorized to be acquired from the remaining portion of said island; and shall remove the piggery from the portion of the island hereby authorized to be acquired, and discontinue interments in the cemetery within said area, and shall permit the United States Government to connect its water mains with the city's water-supply mains on said island, and furnish water to the Government at current rates: Provided further, That before making payment for the said land the Secretary of War may require the city of Boston to execute such valid agreement or obligation as he may consider necessary to insure full compliance with all the requirements of the foregoing proviso.

SEC. 2. That the United States shall be liable for any damage to the property of the city of Boston or to the works of the North Metropolitan Sewerage System located on said island that may be caused by the firing of guns in time of peace from batteries erected within the area that may be acquired as aforesaid; and the Secretary of War is authorized and directed, whenever any such damage occurs, to ascertain and determine what would be a reasonable and proper compensation to pay the city of Boston and shall certify the same to Congress for consideration.

Approved, June 25, 1906.