Maintenance as free bridge, etc., after amortizing costs.

Record of expenditures and receipts.

Sworn statement of construction costs, etc., to be filed after completion.

Investigation by Secretary of War.

Findings of Secretary conclusive.

Right to sell, etc., conferred.

Amendment.

February 23, 1927.

CHAP. 171.—An Act Providing for the cession to the State of Virginia of sovereignty over a tract of land located at Battery Cove, near Alexandria, Virginia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all that part of the territory of the District of Columbia situated on the Virginia side of the Potomac River at Alexandria, Virginia, lying and being between a line drawn from Jones Point, at low-water mark, to Point Lumley, now Pioneer Mills, at low-water mark, and high-water mark on the Virginia shore of the Potomac River at Alexandria, containing an area of forty-six and fifty-seven one-hundredths acres of made land, more or less, be, and the same is hereby, ceded to and declared to be within the territorial boundaries, jurisdiction, and sovereignty of the State of Virginia: Provided, however, That this Act shall not be construed to waive or relinquish the title of the United States to the fee of the forty-six and fifty-seven one-hundredths acres of made land in Battery Cove nor as relinquishing or in any manner affecting the power of Congress to exercise exclusive legislation over the said area so long as the same remains in the ownership and possession of the United States: And provided further, That this Act shall not
be construed to affect, impair, surrender, waive, or defeat any claim, right, or remedy, either at law or in equity, of the United States against the Virginia Shipbuilding Corporation for or on account of any debt or obligation of said company to the United States, or that hereafter may be ascertained to be due by said company to the United States, by any court of competent jurisdiction of the parties and of the subject matter in any suit now pending or that may hereafter be instituted by the United States against the Virginia Shipbuilding Corporation.

Approved, February 23, 1927.

CHAP. 172.—Joint Resolution Making an appropriation for the eradication or control of the European corn borer.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That to enable the Secretary of Agriculture to carry into effect the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the eradication or control of the European corn borer," approved February 9, 1927, including all necessary expenses for the purchase of equipment and supplies, travel, employment of persons and means in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, rent outside the District of Columbia, printing, purchase, maintenance, repair, and operation of passenger-carrying vehicles outside the District of Columbia, and for such other expenses as may be necessary for executing the purposes of such Act, there is appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of $10,000,000, to remain available until June 30, 1928: Provided, That no part of this appropriation shall be expended until all the States in the proposed control area shall have provided necessary regulatory legislation and until a sum or sums adequate in the judgment of the Secretary of Agriculture, to the cooperation of all the States in such area shall have been appropriated, subscribed, or contributed by State, county, or local authorities, or individuals or organizations: Provided further, That a report shall be made to Congress at the beginning of the first regular session of the Seventieth Congress setting forth in detail a classification of expenditures made from this appropriation prior to November 1, 1927.

Approved, February 23, 1927.

CHAP. 186.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of War to convey to the Association Siervas de Maria, San Juan, Porto Rico, certain property in the city of San Juan, Porto Rico.

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 convey, by appropriate quitclaim deed, to the Association Siervas de Maria, San Juan, Porto Rico, for the sum of $4,000, which is hereby made available on the military reservation at San Juan, Porto Rico, which will replace the quarters now occupied by a noncommissioned officer on the land to be conveyed, the property situated in the city of San Juan, Porto Rico, and described as follows:

The property located on the top of the old fortifications of San Juan and containing about six thousand square feet, and adjoining the Hospital de la Concepcion: Provided, That it be used exclusively for an extension to the present hospital and for no other purposes