CHAP. 370.—An Act To permit the granting of Federal aid in respect of certain roads and bridges.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwithstanding any provision of the Act entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads, and for other purposes," approved July 11, 1916, or of the Federal Highway Act, the Secretary of Agriculture may extend, on the same basis and in the same manner as in the construction of any free bridge, Federal aid under such Acts, in the construction of any toll bridge and approaches thereto, by any State or States, or political subdivision or subdivisions thereof, upon the condition that such bridge is owned and operated by such State or States, or political subdivision or subdivisions thereof, and that all tolls received from the operation thereof, less the actual cost of operation and maintenance, are applied to the repayment to the State or States, or political subdivision or subdivisions thereof, of its or their part of the cost of construction of such bridge, and upon the further condition that when the amount contributed by such State or States, or political subdivision or subdivisions thereof, in the construction of such bridge shall have been repaid from the tolls, the collection of tolls for the use of such bridge shall thereafter cease, and the same shall be maintained and operated as a free bridge.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 371.—An Act For the irrigation of additional lands within the Fort Hall Indian irrigation project in Idaho.

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 $145,000 for the extension of the irrigation system over an area of nine thousand six hundred and seventy acres within the Fort Hall project, Idaho, between Fort Hall and Gibson: Provided, That the lands to be benefited shall bear their pro rata share of the cost of providing irrigation facilities therefor which shall include a proper proportionate share of rehabilitating the Fort Hall project as provided for in the Act of May 24, 1922 (Forty-second Statutes, pages 552-568), and that the amount herein authorized to be appropriated, or so much thereof as may be expended, together with the proper proportionate share of the cost of providing irrigation facilities, as determined by the Secretary of the Interior, for this land that was expended out of the funds authorized to be appropriated by the said Act of May 24, 1922, shall be reimbursed on a per acre basis by the lands benefited; and that in case of lands still held in Indian ownership for which irrigation facilities shall be provided under the provisions of this Act, there is created a first lien against such lands which shall be recited in any patent issued therefor and shall be enforced by the Secretary of the Interior under such rules and regulations and conditions as he may prescribe: Provided further, That in case of any lands not held in Indian ownership that may be benefited hereby, the owners of such lands shall be required to execute an agreement with said Secretary of the Interior creating a first lien against such lands to assure repayment of the proper proportionate share of the construction cost prior to the delivery of water to any such lands: And provided...
further, That upon payment of the total per acre cost assessable against any tract or tracts involved, the Secretary of the Interior may execute a release of such lien for such tract or tracts.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 372.—An Act To authorize an appropriation to enable the Secretary of the Interior to provide an adequate water supply for the Sequoyah Orphan Training School near Tahlequah, Cherokee County, Oklahoma.

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 the sum of $12,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to enable the Secretary of the Interior to drill and equip a well and impound the water in order to furnish an adequate supply of water for the use of the Sequoyah Orphan Training School near Tahlequah, Cherokee County, Oklahoma.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 373.—An Act Authorizing negotiations for the acquisition of a site for the farmers' produce market, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to negotiate for the acquirement but shall not contract to acquire a site for the farmers' produce market, at a cost not to exceed $600,000, and to report to Congress with their recommendations not later than December 15, 1927.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 374.—An Act To establish a national military park at the battle field of Stones River, Tennessee.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a commission is hereby created, to be composed of the following members, who shall be appointed by the Secretary of War:

1) A commissioned officer of the Corps of Engineers, United States Army;

2) A veteran of the Civil War who served honorably in the military forces of the United States; and

3) A veteran of the Civil War who served honorably in the military forces of the Confederate States of America.

Sec. 2. In appointing the members of the commission created by section 1 of this Act the Secretary of War shall, as far as practicable, select persons familiar with the terrain of the battle field of Stones River, Tennessee, and the historical events associated therewith.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the commission, acting under the direction of the Secretary of War, to inspect the battle field of Stones River, Tennessee, and to carefully study the available records and historical data with respect to the location and movement of all troops which engaged in the battle of Stones River, and the important events connected therewith, with a view of preserving and marking such field for historical and professional military study. The commission shall submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the Secretary of War not later than December 1, 1927.