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Filling vacancies.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the commission heretofore created pursuant to H. Con. Res. 43, Seventieth Congress, first session, and known as the United States Yorktown Sesquicentennial Commission, be, and the same is hereby, continued by the same name and hereinafter referred to as the commission. Any vacancies arising in the personnel of the said commission shall be filled as follows: Any vacancies occurring among the Senators shall be filled by appointment by the President of the Senate, and any vacancies occurring among the Members of the House of Representatives shall be filled by appointment by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sec. 2. That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, not exceeding $200,000 to be expended in the discretion of the commission in carrying out the purposes of this resolution, in doing such work, securing such grounds, providing such buildings and facilities, and meeting such expenses as the commission may deem necessary for the appropriate participation of the United States in the celebration and observance of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the siege of Yorktown, Virginia, and the surrender of Cornwallis on October 19, 1781.

Sec. 3. That the said commission is authorized to formulate and secure the proper execution of appropriate plans for said celebration; to employ or assist in employing all necessary employees and assistants for the proper execution of its duties under this resolution; to cooperate with any and all other organizations, associations, and agencies, Federal, State, or municipal, civic and patriotic, that may be interested in said celebration to enter into such contracts, perform such work, and do all such other things as may be necessary or proper to carry into full effect the intents and purposes of this resolution.

Sec. 4. That the commission may in its discretion accept for the purposes of said celebration gifts of money or property, leases of land, and loans of property.

Sec. 5. That the said commission be, and the same is hereby, authorized to call upon the War Department, the Navy Department, the Interior Department, and the Commission of Fine Arts, in Washington, District of Columbia, for their assistance and advice in connection with the performance of the duties of said United States Yorktown Sesquicentennial Commission, and the said War Department, Navy Department, the Interior Department, and Commission of Fine Arts are directed to render such assistance and advice as their other duties may permit and as may be within their power.

Sec. 6. All expenditures of the commission shall be paid by the Treasurer of the United States upon the approval of the chairman and the secretary of the commission.

Sec. 7. That the members of the commission shall receive no compensation for their services, but shall be paid their actual and necessary traveling, hotel, and other expenses incurred in the discharge of their official duties outside of the District of Columbia to be paid out of the moneys authorized in section 2 of this resolution: Provided, however, That the expenditures under this section of this resolution shall not exceed in the aggregate the sum of $5,000.
SEC. 8. That the commission hereby created shall expire one year after the expiration of the celebration.

Approved, June 17, 1930.

CHAP. 518.—An Act To extend the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge across the Wabash River at or near Vincennes, Indiana.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge across the Wabash River at or near Vincennes, Indiana, authorized to be built by the States of Illinois and Indiana, by an Act of Congress approved June 20, 1929, are hereby extended one and three years, respectively, from June 20, 1930.

Sec. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, June 18, 1930.

CHAP. 519.—An Act For the relief of the State of Florida.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the State of Florida be, and it is hereby, relieved from all responsibility and accountability for certain quartermaster property, to the approximate amount of $1,117.64, the property of the War Department which was lost, damaged, or destroyed in relief work incident to the hurricane of September, 1928, while in the possession of the Florida National Guard. And the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and directed to terminate all further accountability for said property.

Approved, June 18, 1930.

CHAP. 520.—An Act To provide for the commemoration of the termination of the War between the States at Appomattox Court House, Virginia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the purpose of commemorating the termination of the War between the States which was brought about by the surrender of the army under General Robert E. Lee to Lieutenant General U. S. Grant at Appomattox Court House, in the State of Virginia, on April 9, 1865, and for the further purpose of honoring those who engaged in this tremendous conflict, the Secretary of War is authorized and directed to acquire at the scene of said surrender approximately one acre of land, free of cost to the United States, at the above-named place, fence the parcel of land so acquired or demarcate its limits, and erect a monument thereon.

Sec. 2. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of $100,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to carry out the provisions of section 1 of this Act.

Sec. 3. The land acquired under section 1 of this Act shall be under the jurisdiction and control of the Secretary of War, and there is authorized to be appropriated for the maintenance of such tract of land and monument a sum not to exceed $250 per annum.

Approved, June 18, 1930.