

interest, the payment falling due in the third succeeding year can not be postponed at all unless and until the payment of principal and/or interest due three years, two years, and one year previous thereto shall actually have been made. All such postponed payments shall bear interest at the rate of $4\frac{1}{4}$ per centum per annum payable semiannually.

Interest on postponed payments.

Prior payments allowed.

Interest rates after June 15, 1930.

Payments may be made in United States bonds.

France shall have the right to pay off additional amounts of principal of the bonds on June 15 and December 15 of any year upon ninety days' advance notice.

The bonds to be issued shall bear no interest until June 15, 1930, and thereafter shall bear interest at the rate of 1 per centum per annum from June 15, 1930, to June 15, 1940; at the rate of 2 per centum per annum from June 15, 1940, to June 15, 1950; at the rate of $2\frac{1}{2}$ per centum per annum from June 15, 1950, to June 15, 1958; at the rate of 3 per centum per annum from June 15, 1958, to June 15, 1965; at the rate of $3\frac{1}{2}$ per centum per annum after June 15, 1965, all payable semiannually on June 15 and December 15 of each year.

Any payment of interest or principal may be made at the option of France in any United States Government obligations issued after April 6, 1917, such obligations to be taken at par and accrued interest.

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[S. 2276.]
[Public, No. 25.]

CHAP. 7.—An Act Continuing the powers and authority of the Federal Radio Commission under the Radio Act of 1927, as amended.

Federal Radio Commission.
Powers of, continued.
Vol. 44, p. 1162.
Vol. 45, p. 1559,
amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all the powers and authority vested in the Federal Radio Commission by the Radio Act of 1927, as amended, shall continue to be vested in and exercised by the commission until otherwise provided for by law; and wherever any reference is made in such Act to the period of one year after the first meeting of the commission, such period of one year is hereby extended until such time as is otherwise provided for by law.

Period of salaries extended.
Post, pp. 63, 236.

SEC. 2. The period during which the members of the commission shall receive compensation at the rate of \$10,000 per annum is hereby extended until such time as is otherwise provided for by law.

Appointment of chief engineer, assistants, etc.

SEC. 3. The commission is authorized to appoint a chief engineer who shall receive a salary of \$10,000 per annum, and not to exceed two assistants to such chief engineer at salaries not to exceed \$7,500 each per annum. It may appoint such other technical assistants as it may from time to time find necessary for the proper performance of its duties and as from time to time may be appropriated for by Congress.

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[H. J. Res. 158.]
[Pub. Res., No. 27.]

CHAP. 8.—Joint Resolution To provide an appropriation for expenses of participation by the United States in the naval conference to be held at London in 1930.

Naval conference at London.
Appropriation for expenses of participating therein.
Post, pp. 115, 1581, 2858.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of \$200,000 is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to remain available until June 30, 1930, for the expenses of participation by the United States in a naval conference to be held at London in 1930, including traveling expenses, subsistence or per diem in lieu thereof (notwithstanding

the provisions of any other Act), compensation of employees, stenographic and other services by contract if deemed necessary without regard to the provisions of section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (United States Code, title 41, section 5), rent of offices and rooms, purchase of necessary books and documents, printing and binding, official cards, entertainment, rental, operation and maintenance of motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles, and such other expenses as may be authorized by the Secretary of State.

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Contract requirements waived.
R. S., sec. 3709, p. 733.
U. S. C., p. 1309.

CHAP. 9.—An Act To provide for the construction of a building for the Supreme Court of the United States.

December 20, 1929.
[H. R. 3864.]
[Public, No. 26.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the United States Supreme Court Building Commission is authorized and directed to provide for the construction and equipment of a suitable building (including approaches, connections with the Capitol power plant, and architectural landscape treatment of the grounds) for the accommodation and exclusive use of the Supreme Court of the United States, substantially in accordance with the plans recommended by the commission in its report to the Seventy-first Congress, first session, with such modifications thereof as may be necessary or advantageous. Such building shall be constructed on the site heretofore acquired for that purpose and bounded and described as follows: On the east by Second Street northeast, on the south by East Capitol Street, on the west by First Street northeast, and on the north by Maryland Avenue northeast, being all of square 728 and that portion of square 727 located on the south side of Maryland Avenue northeast as such squares appear on the records in the office of the surveyor of the District of Columbia. Authority is hereby given for closing and vacating such portion of A Street northeast, as lies between such squares, and the portion of such street so closed and vacated shall thereupon become part of such site. The Architect of the Capitol shall serve as executive officer of the commission and shall perform such services under this Act as the commission may direct.

United States Supreme Court Building Commission.
Authorized to construct and equip building for the Supreme Court.

Site described.

A Street northeast, closed.

Executive officer.

Authorizations.

SEC. 2. For the purposes of this Act the Architect of the Capitol is authorized, under the direction of the commission—

Structures on site to be removed.

(1) To provide for the demolition and removal, as expeditiously as possible, of any structures on the site heretofore acquired for the Supreme Court Building; and

(2) To enter into contracts; to purchase materials, supplies, equipment, and accessories in the open market; to employ the necessary personnel, including architectural, engineering, and other professional services without reference to section 35 of the Act approved June 25, 1910; and to make such expenditures, including expenditures for advertising and travel and the purchase of technical and reference books, as may be necessary.

Contracts for building, materials, services, etc.

Vol. 36, p. 699.

SEC. 3. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of \$9,740,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to enable the commission to carry out the provisions of this Act. Appropriations made under authority of this Act shall be disbursed by the disbursing officer of the Department of the Interior.

Sum authorized to be appropriated.
Post, pp. 96, 515.
Disbursement.

Approved, December 20, 1929.