

BRIDGE ACROSS THE WHITE RIVER NEAR DES ARC,
ARK.

FEBRUARY 11, 1926.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. PARKS, from the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 7904]

The Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 7904) granting the consent of Congress to Harry E. Bovay, of Stuttgart, Ark., to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the White River, at or near the city of Des Arc, in the county of Prairie, in the State of Arkansas, having considered the same, report thereon with amendment and as so amended recommend that it pass.

The bill as amended has the approval of the War Department, as will appear by the letter attached and which is made a part of this report.

Amend the bill as follows:

Page 2, line 22, after the word "acquisition" change the "period" to a "semicolon" and add the following:

Provided, That nothing in this act shall be construed to deprive the State of Arkansas or any official agency thereof or any political or other subdivision or divisions thereof, within or joining which such bridge is located, of any right which it or they possess under the laws of such State, with reference to such bridge within the fifteen-year period mentioned herein.

WAR DEPARTMENT, *January 26, 1926.*

Respectfully returned to the chairman Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, House of Representatives.

So far as the interests committed to this department are concerned I know of no objection to the favorable consideration of the accompanying bill, H. R. 7904, Sixty-ninth Congress, first session, "Granting the consent of Congress to Harry E. Bovay, of Stuttgart, Ark., to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the White River at or near the city of Des Arc, in the county of Prairie, in the State of Arkansas."

As the navigable portions of the White River do not lie within the limits of a single State, the consent of Congress is required under section 9 of the river and

harbor act of March 3, 1899 (30 Stat. 1151), for the construction of a bridge thereover.

Attention is invited to the fact that bills H. R. 6253 and H. R. 6375, Sixty-ninth Congress, first session, propose to grant the consent of Congress to the construction of a bridge which is believed to be the same as that referred to in H. R. 7904, and while this department offers no objection to the passage of any one of these bills, the passage of more than one seems unnecessary.

DWIGHT F. DAVIS, *Secretary of War.*

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Transmitted to the House of Representatives and placed on the calendar

Mr. Davis, from the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, submitted the following

REPORT

TO ACCOMPANY H. R. 7904

The Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, to which was referred the bill (H. R. 7904) granting the consent of Congress to the construction of a bridge across the White River at Des Arc, Arkansas, in the County of Johnson, in the State of Arkansas, in the following report thereon to the House of Representatives:

The bill as amended has the approval of the Committee, and it is recommended that the bill be passed with amendments.

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