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BRIDGE ACROSS THE COLORADO RIVER NEAR BLYTHE, CALIF.

FEBRUARY 17, 1925.—Ordered to be printed

Mr. LADD, from the Committee on Commerce, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 4289]

The Committee on Commerce, to whom was referred the bill (S. 4289) authorizing the construction of a bridge across the Colorado River near Blythe, Calif., having considered the same, report favorably thereon and recommend that the bill do pass without amendment.

The bill has the approval of the Departments of War and Agriculture, as will appear by the annexed communications.

WAR DEPARTMENT, *February 16, 1925.*

Respectfully returned to the chairman Committee on Commerce, United States Senate.

So far as the interests committed to this department are concerned, I know of no objection to the favorable consideration of the accompanying bill (S. 4289, 68th Cong., 2d sess.) authorizing the construction of a bridge across the Colorado River near Blythe, Calif.

As the navigable portions of the Colorado 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.

JOHN W. WEEKS, *Secretary of War.*

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
Washington, February 16, 1925.

HON. WESLEY L. JONES,
*Chairman Committee on Commerce,
United States Senate.*

DEAR SENATOR JONES: Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 13, transmitting a copy of the bill S. 4289 with the request that the committee be

furnished with such suggestions touching the merits of the bill and the propriety of its passage as the department might deem appropriate.

This bill would authorize John Lyle Harrington, or his assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Colorado River at a point near the city of Blythe, Riverside County, Calif. The system of Federal-aid highways approved for the State of California does not extend to the Colorado River in the vicinity of the site of the proposed bridge. There seems to be no objection to favorable action on the bill from the standpoint of this department.

Sincerely,

HOWARD M. GORE, *Secretary.*

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