

Panola-Quitman  
Drainage District may  
dam, at Porters Ferry,  
Miss.

*Proviso.*  
Approval of plans.

No authority given  
for water power de-  
velopment, etc.

Time of construction

*Proviso.*  
Authority termi-  
nated on notice from  
Federal Power Com-  
mission of interfering  
with water power de-  
velopment.

Grantee of power  
project may remove,  
etc., dam.

Amendment.

consent of Congress is hereby granted to the Panola-Quitman Drainage District to construct, maintain, and operate a dam in Tallahatchie River, at or near Porters Ferry, Panola County, Mississippi: *Provided*, That the work shall not be commenced until the plans therefor have been submitted to and approved by the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, and by the Secretary of War: *Provided further*, That this Act shall not be construed to authorize the use of such dam to develop water power or generate hydroelectric energy.

SEC. 2. That the authority granted by this Act shall cease and be null and void unless the actual construction of the dam hereby authorized is commenced within one year and completed within three years from the date of approval of this Act: *Provided*, That from and after thirty days' notice from the Federal Power Commission, or other authorized agency of the United States, to said drainage district, or its successor, that desirable water-power development will be interfered with by the existence of said dam, the authority hereby granted to construct, maintain, and operate said dam shall terminate and be at an end; and any grantee or licensee of the United States proposing to develop a power project at or near said dam shall have authority to remove, submerge, or utilize said dam under such conditions as said commission or other agency may determine, but such conditions shall not include compensation for the removal, submergence, or utilization of said dam.

SEC. 3. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, June 3, 1924.

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[H. R. 6482.]  
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CHAP. 287.—An Act Authorizing the Postmaster General to contract for mail messenger service.

Postal service.  
Postmasters may be  
designated to pay mail  
messengers, etc.

*Proviso.*  
Third and fourth  
class postmasters,  
clerks, etc., may con-  
tract for messenger  
service.

Amount limited.

Special delivery mes-  
sengers may contract  
for mail messenger ser-  
vice.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That hereafter postmasters may be designated by the Postmaster General as disbursing officers for the payment of mail messengers and others engaged under their supervision in transporting the mails: *Provided*, That in the discretion of the Postmaster General, postmasters, assistant postmasters, and clerks at post offices of the third class, and postmasters, assistant postmasters, and clerks at post offices of the fourth class may enter into contracts for the performance of mail messenger service, and allowance may be made therefor from the appropriations for mail messenger service: *Provided further*, That the total amount payable under such contract to any postmaster, assistant postmaster, or clerk shall not exceed \$300 in any one year: *Provided further*, That hereafter special delivery messengers at post offices of all classes may enter into contracts for mail messenger service.

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June 3, 1924.  
[H. R. 656.]  
[Public, No. 180.]

CHAP. 288.—An Act To add certain lands to the Plumas and to the Lassen National Forests in California.

National forests.  
Plumas, Calif.  
Lands added to.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the following-described lands are hereby added to the national forest indicated and made subject to all laws applicable to that national forest: To the Plumas National Forest—township 26 north, range 7 east,