

deck and arranged, so far as intervening structures will permit, so as to be visible from any angle of approach.”

SEC. 3. Rule 10 of section 4233 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (U. S. C., 1934 edition, title 33, sec. 319), be and is hereby, amended to read as follows:

“RULE 10. All vessels, whether steam vessels or sail vessels, when at anchor in roadsteads or fairways, shall, between sunset and sunrise, exhibit where it can best be seen, but at a height not exceeding twenty feet above the hull, a white light in a globular lantern of eight inches in diameter, and so constructed as to show a clear, uniform, and unbroken light, visible all around the horizon, and at a distance of at least one mile: *Provided*, That the Secretary of War may, after investigation, rule, regulation, or order, designate such areas as he may deem proper as ‘special anchorage areas’; such special anchorage areas may from time to time be changed, or abolished, if after investigation the Secretary of War shall deem such change or abolition in the interest of navigation: *Provided further*, That vessels not more than sixty-five feet in length when at anchor in any such special anchorage area shall not be required to carry or exhibit the white light required by this article.”

Approved, April 22, 1940.

23 Stat. 672.

Rivers emptying into Gulf of Mexico. Anchor lights on vessels in roadsteads or fairways.

Provides. “Special anchorage areas.”

Exempted vessels.

[CHAPTER 129]

AN ACT

Authorizing the reconstruction or replacement of certain bridges necessitated by the Rio Grande canalization project and authorizing appropriation for that purpose.

April 22, 1940
[H. R. 7809]

[Public, No. 472]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of State, acting through the American Section, International Boundary Commission, United States and Mexico, is authorized to reconstruct or replace certain bridges over the Rio Grande within the Rio Grande canalization project known as the Courchesne, Country Club, Borderland, and Vinton Bridges in El Paso County, Texas, and the Berino, Vado, Mesquite, Shalem, and Hatch-Rincon Bridges in Dona Ana County, New Mexico, and such other bridges within said project as the Secretary of State may determine to include.

Rio Grande canalization project. Reconstruction or replacement of certain bridges authorized.

SEC. 2. That notwithstanding the limitation imposed on the total cost of construction of the Rio Grande canalization project by section 2 of the Act entitled “An Act authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of Rio Grande canalization project and authorizing appropriation for that purpose”, approved June 4, 1936, there is authorized to be appropriated the sum of \$350,000, which shall be in addition to appropriations heretofore authorized for such project, for the purposes of carrying out the provisions of section 1 hereof, other than for operation and maintenance, including salaries and wages, fees for professional services; rents, travel expenses; per diem in lieu of actual subsistence; printing and binding, lawbooks and books of reference; purchase, exchange, maintenance, repair, and operation of motor-propelled passenger- and freight-carrying vehicles; hire with or without personal services, of work animals and animal-drawn and motor-propelled vehicles and equipment; acquisition by donation, condemnation, or purchase of real and personal property; transportation (including drayage) of personal effects of employees upon change of station; telephone, telegraphic, and air-mail communications; rubber boots for official use by employees; ice; equipment, services, supplies, and materials and other such miscellaneous expenses as the Secretary of State may deem necessary prop-

Additional appropriation authorized.

49 Stat. 1463.
Post, p. 650.

Expenses included.

<i>Provisos.</i> Minor purchases.	erly to carry out the provisions of the Act: <i>Provided</i> , That the provisions of section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (U. S. C., title 41, sec. 5) shall not apply to any purchase made or service procured when the aggregate amount involved is \$100 or less: <i>Provided further</i> , That not more than \$3,500 shall be expended for the purchase of real property, and expenses incidental thereto: <i>Provided further</i> , That no part of the appropriation herein authorized shall be expended for the construction of any of the county bridges to be located within any county until the governing body of such county has given assurance, satisfactory to the Secretary of State—
Purchase, etc., of real property. Conditional expenditure.	
Property title.	(a) That it will cause to be furnished, without cost to the United States, evidence satisfactory to the American Commissioner, International Boundary Commission, United States and Mexico, that title to all lands or easements in lands which may be designated by the said American Commissioner as necessary for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the bridges and approaches, the title to which is not vested in the United States, is vested in the county;
Approach roads.	(b) That it will perform without cost to the United States all work involved in any required changes, including changes in pavements or other road surfaces, in the approaches or approach roads to the bridges to be located within such county;
Operation, etc., of bridges.	(c) That it will, upon notification by the said American Commissioner that any bridge has been completed, take over and operate and maintain such bridge; and
Release from liability for damage, etc.	(d) That it will hold the United States harmless on account of any damage or claim of damage arising out of or in any way connected with the construction, operation or maintenance, or failure to operate and maintain any bridge or bridges or any part thereof located within such county;
Dona Ana County, N. Mex., bridges.	<i>And provided further</i> , That no part of the appropriation herein authorized shall be expended for the construction of any of the bridges to be located in Dona Ana County, New Mexico, until the governing body of said county has given assurance satisfactory to the Secretary of State that it will remove or rebuild, in accordance with plans and specifications to be approved by the American Commissioner, the bridges known as Old Anthony Bridge and Salem Bridge.

Approved, April 22, 1940.

[CHAPTER 130]

AN ACT

Providing for the incorporation of the United Spanish War Veterans.

April 22, 1940
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[Public, No. 473]

United Spanish War
Veterans, incorpora-
tion.
Membership.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the organization known as United Spanish War Veterans, with a membership limited to officers, soldiers, and sailors of the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States of America, including acting assistant surgeons, contract doctors, dentists, veterinary surgeons, officers, and enlisted men in the United States Revenue Cutter Service on vessels temporarily under the control of the War or Navy Department, commissioned medical officers of the United States Marine Hospital Service, officers and enlisted men in the Philippine Scouts and other organizations of native troops maintained by the War Department in the Philippine Islands, paymaster clerks actually on duty in the field or aboard ship who served at any time during the War between the United States of America and the Kingdom of Spain, or at any time during the War for the Suppression of the Insurrection in the Philippine Islands, including the China Relief Expedition, prior to July 4,