[Act No. 3278, November 30, 1926]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE PROVINCE OF ILOCOS SUR AND THE MUNICIPALITY OF VIGAN, IN SAID PROVINCE, TO ISSUE BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF RAISING FUNDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS, AND AUTHORIZING ALSO AN INSULAR GOVERNMENT BOND ISSUE SECURED BY SAID PROVINCIAL AND MUNICIPAL BONDS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Legislature assembled and by the authority of the same:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to the provisions of section eleven of the Act of Congress approved August twenty-ninth, nineteen hundred and sixteen, entitled "An Act to declare the purpose of the people of the United States as to the future political status of the people of the Philippine Islands, and to provide a more autonomous government for those Islands," as amended by the Act of Congress approved May thirty-first, nineteen hundred and twenty-two, the Province of Ilocos Sur and the municipality of Vigan are hereby authorized to negotiate a loan to be used for the construction of permanent improvements, in the sum hereinafter set forth:

Province of Ilocos Sur, for the reconstruction of the provincial capitol of Vigan and a provincial high-school building in the same city, two hundred and sixty thousand pesos; municipality of Vigan, for sewers for said city, ninety thousand pesos, making a total of three hundred and fifty thousand pesos.

And the Governor-General of the Philippine Islands is hereby authorized to issue, in the name and behalf of the aforesaid province and municipality of Ilocos Sur, the necessary bonds for said loan. The bonds so authorized shall be issued and shall bear such date and such annual interest as the Governor-General shall determine, said interest to be payable quarterly or semiannually in gold coin of the United States or its equivalent, in the discretion of the Insular Treasurer, and shall be due and payable thirty years after date of issue, in gold coin of the United States or its equivalent, in the discretion of the Insular Treasurer Said bonds shall be coupon bonds or registered bonds, convertible into either form and shall be issued in convenient denominations, and the registered bonds shall be registered and transferable in the office of the Insular Treasurer in Manila, where the principal and interest snails be payable: *Provided*, That upon the transfer of said bonds ' to the Insular Government, as provided in section two of this Act, the same shall have the same date, bear interest at the same rate, and fall due at the same time, as the bonds of the Insular Government issued by virtue of section four of this Act.

SEC. 2. The Governor-General is further authorized to sell said bonds upon such terms and conditions as may be most favorable to the Province of Ilocos Sur and the municipality of Vigan, or to assign and transfer said bonds to the Government of the Philippine Islands for a consideration, charging the same to the net proceeds of the sale of the bonds of the Government of the Philippine Islands issued in an equivalent amount, as provided in section four of this Act, and to deposit the proceeds of said sale or assignment with an authorized depository of the Government of the Philippine Islands. The proceeds of the sale or assignment