

authorized to be appropriated a sufficient sum to cover the cost of transportation and pullman accommodations for the leaders and members of the Marine Band, and allowance not to exceed \$6 per day each for additional traveling and living expenses while on duty, such allowances to be in addition to the pay and allowance to which they would be entitled while serving their permanent station.

Approved June 30, 1947.

[CHAPTER 181]

AN ACT

Providing for the suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the Territory of Alaska.

June 30, 1947
[H. R. 2309]
[Public Law 142]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provision of section 2324 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, which requires on each mining claim located, and until a patent has been issued therefor, not less than \$100 worth of labor to be performed or improvements aggregating such amount to be made each year, be, and the same is hereby, suspended as to all mining claims in the Territory of Alaska, until the hour of 12 o'clock meridian on the 1st day of July 1948: *Provided,* That every claimant of any such mining claim in order to obtain the benefits of this Act shall file, or cause to be filed, in the office where the location notice or certificate is recorded, on or before 12 o'clock meridian of July 1, 1948, a notice of his desire to hold said mining claim under this Act.

30 U. S. C. § 28.

Approved June 30, 1947.

[CHAPTER 182]

AN ACT

To amend the Bankruptcy Act with respect to qualifications of part-time referees in bankruptcy.

June 30, 1947
[H. R. 3769]
[Public Law 143]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proviso to clause (2) of section 35 of the Act of July 1, 1898, entitled "An Act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States", as amended, is amended by inserting after "notaries public," the following new language: "retired officers and retired enlisted personnel of the Regular and Reserve components of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard, members of the Reserve components of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard, members of the National Guard of the United States and of the National Guard of a State, Territory, or the District of Columbia, except the National Guard disbursing officers who are on a full time salary basis,"

Bankruptcy Act of
1898, amendment.

30 Stat. 555.
11 U. S. C. § 63.

Approved June 30, 1947.

[CHAPTER 183]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To provide for permanent rates of postage on mail matter of the first class, and for other purposes.

June 30, 1947
[H. J. Res. 221]
[Public Law 144]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the rate of postage on all mail matter of the first class (except postal cards and private mailing or post cards) shall be 3 cents for each ounce or fraction thereof: *Provided,* That drop letters shall be charged at the rate of 1 cent for each ounce or fraction thereof when mailed for local delivery at post offices where free delivery by carrier is not established and

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when they are not collected or delivered by rural or star-route carriers. The rate of postage on postal cards (including the cost of manufacture) and private mailing or post cards (conforming to the conditions prescribed by the Act entitled "An Act to amend the postal laws relating to use of postal cards", approved May 19, 1898 (U. S. C., 1940 edition, title 39, sec. 281)), shall be 1 cent each.

30 Stat. 419.

Fourth-class mail,
registry fees, etc.39 U. S. C. §§ 245,
246 notes.60 Stat. 1062.
39 U. S. C. §§ 462a,
463 and notes.

Effective date.

SEC. 2. The increases in the rates of postage on mail matter of the fourth class, and the increases in the registry fees for registered mail, fees for obtaining receipts for registered mail, and fees for delivery of registered, insured, and collect-on-delivery mail to addressee only, or to addressee or order, prescribed by title IV of the Revenue Act of 1943 (58 Stat. 69, 70), as amended by the Act of September 17, 1944 (58 Stat. 732), entitled "An Act to fix the fees for domestic insured and collect-on-delivery mail, special-delivery service, and for other purposes", and by the Act of August 14, 1946 (Public Law 730, Seventy-ninth Congress; second session), entitled "An Act to fix the rate of postage on domestic air mail, and for other purposes", shall continue in full force and effect.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 1947.

Approved June 30, 1947.

[CHAPTER 184]

JOINT RESOLUTION

June 30, 1947
[S. J. Res. 139]
[Public Law 146]

To continue for a temporary period of fifteen days certain controls now exercised by the President under the Second War Powers Act, 1942, and under the Export Control Act.

56 Stat. 187, 463; 60
Stat. 345, 215.
50 U. S. C. app.
§§ 645, 701(d).Ante, p. 34; post, pp.
322, 323, 946.Appropriation au-
thorized.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1501 of the Second War Powers Act, 1942, as amended, is amended by striking out "June 30, 1947" and inserting in lieu thereof "July 15, 1947"; and section 6 (d) of the Act entitled "An Act to expedite the strengthening of the national defense", approved July 2, 1940, as amended, is amended by striking out "June 30, 1947" and inserting in lieu thereof "July 15, 1947".

SEC. 2. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this joint resolution.

Approved June 30, 1947.

[CHAPTER 185]

JOINT RESOLUTION

July 1, 1947
[S. J. Res. 77]
[Public Law 146]

Providing for membership and participation by the United States in the International Refugee Organization and authorizing an appropriation therefor.

International Refu-
gee Organization.
Acceptance of mem-
bership for U. S.

Reservation.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President is hereby authorized to accept membership for the United States in the International Refugee Organization (hereinafter referred to as the "Organization"), the constitution of which was approved in New York on December 15, 1946, by the General Assembly of the United Nations, and deposited in the archives of the United Nations: *Provided, however*, That this authority is granted and the approval of the Congress of the acceptance of membership of the United States in the International Refugee Organization is given upon condition and with the reservation that no agreement shall be concluded on behalf of the United States and no action shall be taken by any officer, agency, or any other person and acceptance of the constitution of the Organization by or on behalf of the Government of the United States shall