Private Law 53

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Army to convey certain Government-owned burial lots and other property in the Washington Parish Burial Ground, Washington, District of Columbia, and to exchange other burial lots.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Army is authorized to convey to the Rector and Vestry of Washington Parish (Christ Church), Washington, District of Columbia, hereinafter referred to as the "Vestry", all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to three hundred and ninety-two burial lots, more or less, and a vault located in the Washington Parish Burial Ground, Washington, District of Columbia, formerly designated Congressional Cemetery, in consideration of the payment by the Vestry to the United States of $100 and the release from the Vestry of any claim it may have against the Government for reimbursement of moneys expended by it during prior years for upkeep and special care of Government-owned lots situated in the cemetery; and to acquire eight burial lots, more or less, owned by the Vestry but occupied by Government burials, cenotaphs, or monuments, by exchange, without other consideration, for a like number of Government-owned burial lots; it being the intent of this Act to authorize the Secretary of the Army, for the considerations stated, to dispose of the Government-owned vault and all Government-owned burial lots in the Washington Parish Burial Ground for which there is no present or foreseeable need and to acquire from the Vestry all burial lots owned by the Vestry and now occupied by Government burials, cenotaphs, or monuments.

Approved June 6, 1953.

Private Law 54

AN ACT

For the relief of Fred B. Niswonger.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Fred B. Niswonger, of Weed, California, the sum of $666.64. The payment of such sum shall be in full settlement of all claims of the said Fred B. Niswonger against the United States for reimbursement for the loss of salary which he sustained, for the period beginning February 1, 1946, and ending May 31, 1946, as a result of not being restored to his former position of postal clerk in the United States post office at Weed, California, immediately following his honorable discharge from the Army on January 31, 1946. The said Fred B. Niswonger was subsequently restored to such position pursuant to order of the Civil Service Commission: Provided, That no part of the amount appropriated in this Act in excess of 10 per centum thereof shall be paid or delivered to or received by any agent or attorney on account of services rendered in connection with this claim, and the same shall be unlawful, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding. Any person violating the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding $1,000.

Approved June 9, 1953.