Private Law 10

AN ACT
For the relief of George F. Ruckman.

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 George F. Ruckman the sum of $250. The payment of such sum shall be in full satisfaction of the claim of the said George F. Ruckman against the United States for reimbursement for expenses incurred and paid out of his personal funds in repairing the B-17 bomber under his command which was damaged and forced to be landed in Torum, Poland, on February 3, 1945, following a bombing mission over Germany, and for reimbursement for expenses for quarters and rations for himself and his crew paid for by him during such period required for repairs: 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 May 11, 1953.

Private Law 11

AN ACT
For the relief of Mrs. Muriel J. Shingler, doing business as Shingler's Hatchery.

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 Mrs. Muriel J. Shingler, doing business as Shingler's Hatchery, of 11543 South Paramount Boulevard, Downey, California, the sum of $305.15. Payment of such sum shall be in full settlement of all claims of the said Shingler's Hatchery against the United States for reimbursement for the loss of approximately one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five baby chicks which were contained in a shipment of nine thousand baby chicks mailed by the said Shingler's Hatchery on November 30, 1950, at Downey, California, to Peterson Feed and Supply Company, Tucson, Arizona. Such shipment was not insured by employees of the Post Office Department although such insurance was requested by the said Shingler's Hatchery prior to the time such shipment was made. Such claims are not cognizable under the provisions of title 28 of the United States Code relating to tort claims against the United States by reason of section 2680b of title 28 of the United States Code exempting from such provisions those claims arising out of the loss, miscarriage, and negligent transmission of postal matter. 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 notwith-
standing. 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 May 11, 1953.

Private Law 12

CHAPTER 39

AN ACT
For the relief of Alambert E. Robinson.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That sections 15 to 20, inclusive, of the Act entitled "An Act to provide compensation for employees of the United States suffering injuries while in the performance of their duties, and for other purposes", approved September 7, 1916, as amended (5 U. S. C. 765-769), are hereby waived in favor of Alambert E. Robinson for compensation for disability resulting from loss of vision secondary to trachoma contracted prior to March 1940, allegedly by reason of his employment as an employee of the United States Indian Service at the Pima Indian Agency, Sacaton, Arizona, and his claim is authorized and directed to be considered and acted upon under the remaining provisions of such Act, as amended, if he files such claim with the Bureau of Employees' Compensation not later than six months after the date of enactment of this Act. No benefits shall accrue by reason of the enactment of this Act for any period prior to the date of its enactment, except in the case of such medical or hospitalization expenditures which may be deemed reimbursable.

Approved May 13, 1953.

Private Law 13

CHAPTER 40

AN ACT
For the relief of Commander John J. O'Donnell, United States Naval Reserve.

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 be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of $252.67 to Commander John J. O'Donnell, United States Naval Reserve, in full settlement of his claims against the United States for pay and allowances for active training duty actually performed by him for the period of June 19 to 29, 1950, inclusive, in compliance with paragraph 1 of appropriate duty orders issued June 7, 1950, by the Commandant, Thirteenth Naval District, Seattle, Washington: 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 May 13, 1953.