Public Law 599 CHAPTER 409

June 19, 1956
[H. R. 6274]

AN ACT

To provide that no fee shall be charged a veteran discharged under honorable conditions for furnishing him or his next of kin or legal representative a copy of a certificate showing his service in the Armed Forces.

Armed Forces. Discharge papers, fees.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That no person who has been discharged or released from the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard under honorable conditions, or his next of kin or legal representative, shall be charged a fee for a copy of a certificate showing his service in the Armed Forces.

Approved June 19, 1956.

Public Law 600 CHAPTER 411

June 20, 1956
[H. R. 692]

AN ACT

To authorize the Postmaster General to provide for the use in first- and second-class post offices of a special canceling stamp or postmarking die bearing the words "Pray for peace".

Postal Service. Cancelling stamp.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act authorizing the Postmaster General to grant permission to use special canceling stamps or postmarking dies", approved May 11, 1922 (39 U. S. C., sec. 368), is amended to read as follows:

42 Stat. 540.

"SEC. 2. (a) Any permission granted by the Postmaster General under the first section of this Act shall be revocable in the event the Government shall find it expedient or necessary to use special canceling stamps or postmarking dies for its own purposes.

"(b) The Postmaster General is authorized to provide for the use in each first- and second-class post office, of a special canceling stamp or postmarking die bearing the words 'Pray for peace'."

"Pray for peace".

SEC. 2. The second proviso in the first section of such Act of May 11, 1922, is amended by striking out "nothing in this Act" and inserting in lieu thereof "nothing in this section".

39 USC 368.

Approved June 20, 1956.

Public Law 601 CHAPTER 412

June 20, 1956
[H. R. 5516]

AN ACT

To amend title III of the Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948 to provide that service as an Army field clerk, or as a field clerk, Quartermaster Corps, shall be counted for purposes of retirement under title III of that Act, and for other purposes.

Armed Forces. Field clerk, retirement.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection 302 (a), Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948 (62 Stat. 1087), as amended (10 U. S. C. 1036a (a)), is further amended by inserting the words "Army field clerk, field clerk, Quartermaster Corps," after the words "flight officer," and by inserting the following additional proviso after the words "December 31, 1946": "*And provided further*, That for the purposes of this section, all periods of classified field service as an Army headquarters clerk or as a clerk of the Army Quartermaster Corps under laws in effect

prior to August 29, 1916, shall, in the case of warrant officers, be considered as satisfactory Federal service performed in the status of a warrant officer".

Restriction.

SEC. 2. No person shall, by virtue of section 1, be entitled to retired pay for any period prior to the effective date of this Act.

Approved June 20, 1956.

Public Law 602 CHAPTER 413

June 20, 1956
[H. R. 7913]

AN ACT

Authorizing the Administrator of General Services to effect the exchange of properties between the United States and the city of Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

Cape Girardeau, Mo.
Properties exchange.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Administrator of General Services is authorized and directed to convey by quitclaim deed to the city of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, all right, title, and interest of the United States of America in and to the following described lands lying and being in Cape Girardeau, County of Cape Girardeau, State of Missouri: Beginning at a point in the easterly line of Lorimier Street which point is distant 100 feet northwardly from the intersection of the easterly line of Lorimier Street with the center line of Themis Street extended eastwardly; running thence south 82 degrees 59 minutes east, on a line parallel with the center line of Themis Street extended, a distance of 240 feet to a point; thence south 6 degrees and 58 minutes west, on a line parallel with the easterly line of Lorimier Street, a distance of 280 feet to a point; thence north 82 degrees 59 minutes west, on a line parallel with the center line of Themis Street extended, a distance of 240 feet to a point in the easterly line of Lorimier Street: thence north 6 degrees 58 minutes east along the easterly line of Lorimier Street a distance of 280 feet to the point or place of beginning, as shown on plat of Post Office and Court House Site, Cape Girardeau, Missouri, made by Albert J. Chandler, Assistant Construction Engineer, dated June 10, 1941, and by reference made a part thereof: together with the improvements thereon except the library building. As consideration for such conveyance, the city of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, shall, concurrent therewith, convey by deed to the United States of America, free of all liens, taxes and encumbrances, all right, title and interest of the city of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, in and to the following described lands lying and being in Cape Girardeau, county of Cape Girardeau, State of Missouri: Fronting 125.5 feet on the southerly side of Broadway Street and extending of that width in a southwardly direction along the easterly side of Fountain Street a distance of 165.175 feet to the northerly side of a 9-foot alley; being the same premises acquired by the United States November 19, 1907, in condemnation proceedings instituted in the Circuit Court of the United States for the Southeastern Division, Judicial District of Missouri, and designated as Case No. 19 in the records of said court.

Restoration of rights.

SEC. 2. The conveyance authorized pursuant to this Act shall restore all right, title, and interest to lands formerly owned by and exchanged between the United States of America and the City of Cape Girardeau, Missouri. The Attorney General of the United States of America shall approve in writing the title to the property to be conveyed by the City of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, prior to the delivery of the deed from the United States.

Title approval.

Approved June 20, 1956.