

(c) Any contract of sale executed under authority of this Act shall provide that in the event the United States shall, through purchase or requisition, acquire ownership of any such vessel, the owner shall be paid therefor the value thereof, but in no event shall such payment exceed the actual depreciated sales price under such contract (together with the actual depreciated cost of capital improvements thereon), or the fair and reasonable scrap value of such vessel, as determined by the Maritime Administrator, whichever is the greater; that such determination shall be final; that in computing the depreciated acquisition cost of such vessel, the depreciation shall be computed on the vessel on the schedule adopted or accepted by the Secretary of the Treasury for income tax purposes as applicable to such vessel; that such vessel shall remain documented under the laws of the United States during the remainder of the twenty-year economic life of the vessel or as long as there remains due the United States any principal or interest on account of the sales price, whichever is the longer period; and that the foregoing provisions respecting the requisition or the acquisition of ownership by the United States, and documentation shall run with the title to such vessel and be binding on all owners thereof.

Approved May 14, 1956.

Private Law 630

CHAPTER 273

May 14, 1956  
[H. R. 3725]

AN ACT

For the relief of Herman F. Gierke, Junior.

Herman F. Gierke, Jr.

*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 Herman F. Gierke, Junior, of Watford City, North Dakota, the sum of \$2,500.00. The payment of such sum shall be in full settlement of all claims of Herman F. Gierke, Junior, against the United States for damages resulting from the failure of the Corps of Engineers to replace certain fences, for their failure to construct containment for livestock, and for their failure to construct certain road approaches which they agreed to do in return for an easement granted by Herman F. Gierke, Junior, to the United States. No part of the amount appropriated in this Act 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 14, 1956.

Private Law 631

CHAPTER 274

May 14, 1956  
[H. R. 3975]

AN ACT

For the relief of the Reverend Boniface Lucci, O. S. B.

Rev. Boniface Lucci, O. S. B.

*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 \$1,000 to the Reverend Boniface Lucci, O. S. B., of Detroit, Michi-