compensation, shall not be considered as service or employment bringing such individual within the provisions of sections 281, 283, or 284 of title 18 of the United States Code, or of any other Federal law imposing restrictions, requirements, or penalties in relation to the employment of persons, the performance of services, or the payment or receipt of compensation in connection with any claim, proceeding, or matter involving the United States.”

Approved October 6, 1949.

[CHAPTER 628]  
AN ACT

To provide for the construction, extension, and improvement of school buildings in Hoopa, California.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of not to exceed $803,000 for the construction, extension, improvement, and equipment of school buildings in Hoopa, California: Provided, That plans and specifications for the construction, extension, and improvement of the said school buildings shall be furnished by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs: And provided further, That the said school buildings so constructed, extended, and improved shall be the property of the United States, and shall be turned over to the Hoopa Valley Unified School District under the provisions of the Act of April 16, 1934 (48 Stat. 596), as amended by the Act of June 4, 1936 (49 Stat. 1458), and shall be made available to all the Indian children of the said district on the same terms, except as to the payment of tuition, as to other children of said school district.

Approved October 6, 1949.

[CHAPTER 629]  
AN ACT

To authorize the purchase of additional farming land for Leavenworth Penitentiary.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Attorney General is authorized to acquire on behalf of the United States, by purchase with any funds available to the Department of Justice for such purposes, at a price not to exceed $35,000 and on terms and conditions satisfactory to him, six hundred and forty acres of land, more or less, for use in connection with the operation of the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas.

Approved October 6, 1949.

[CHAPTER 630]  
AN ACT

To amend an Act entitled “An Act to provide for the adjustment of irrigation charges on the Flathead Indian irrigation project, Montana, and for other purposes”, approved May 25, 1948.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first sentence of section 4 of the Act entitled “An Act to provide for the adjustment of irrigation charges on the Flathead Indian irrigation project, Montana, and for other purposes”, approved May 25, 1948, is hereby amended to read as follows:
“SEC. 4. Unpaid charges for operation and maintenance of the irrigation system which were assessed prior to May 10, 1926, against any lands within the project, amounting to a sum not exceeding $40,549.89, together with all unpaid interest and penalties on such charges, and unpaid charges due from consumers for electric energy sold through the power system between July 1, 1931, and June 30, 1942, amounting to a sum not exceeding $2,195.16, together with interest thereon, are hereby canceled.”

Approved October 6, 1949.

[CHAPTER 632] AN ACT
For the relief of certain consultants formerly employed by the Technical Industrial Intelligence Committee of the Foreign Economic Administration, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That no provisions of any law, regulation, or order (including travel orders or authorizations) which authorize or direct deductions from per diem allowances in lieu of subsistence for items of meals or lodging obtained free or purchased from any Government agency or from the Military Establishment or from any branch of the Government drawing rations from the military or providing quarters by arrangement with the military, shall be deemed to apply to those persons employed as technical, scientific, or other form of expert consultant by the Technical Industrial Intelligence Committee division of the Foreign Economic Administration without compensation or at $1 per annum during the fiscal years 1945 and 1946, by reason of such employment and during the period thereof; and no deductions shall be taken from per diem allowances in lieu of subsistence to such employees for any such meals or lodging during such employment (such meals or lodging being sometimes referred to herein as “items”).

SEC. 2. Any charges for such items against the accounts of such employees appearing on the books of any Government agency shall be canceled and eliminated, and proper credits shall be entered against such accounts therefor.

SEC. 3. No certificate or statement as to such items furnished such employees shall be required of them: Provided, That this section shall not be construed to waive the filing by such employees of any certificate or statement required to be submitted under existing law or regulations with reference to their per diem allowances exclusive of such items as defined in section 1.

SEC. 4. In order to carry out the provisions and purposes of this Act—
(a) In any case wherein any such employee has not been paid any sum for said allowance and has not been advanced any funds for travel or other expenses, the Comptroller General of the United States is authorized and directed to allow credits or to cancel charges for such items in the accounts of such employee (whether on accounts in his office or in the office of any certifying, disbursing, or other accountable officer) and in the accounts of any present or former certifying, disbursing, or other accountable officer.

(b) In any case wherein any such employee may have been paid such allowance without deductions for such items, the Comptroller General is authorized and directed to allow credits or to cancel charges therefor in the same manner and to the same extent as provided in paragraph (a) of this section.

(c) In any case wherein any such employee has furnished a certificate as to such items, as a result whereof deductions therefor were