[CHAPTER 1145]

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to effect the settlement of claims for losses and damages inflicted upon the Portuguese territory of Macao by United States Armed Forces during World War II in violation of neutral rights.

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 hereby authorized and directed to pay the sum of 1,172,762.39 patacas with interest at the rate of 71.49 patacas daily from December 31, 1949, to the date of payment to the Government of Portugal in full and final settlement of claims for losses and damages inflicted by United States Armed Forces upon persons and property in the territory of Macao during World War II in violation of neutral rights; and there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of $202,559.52, together with such additional sums as may be necessary, due to any increase in the exchange rate or to the accumulation of interest, to carry out the terms of the settlement.

Approved December 21, 1950.

[CHAPTER 1151]

AN ACT

To amend Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 with respect to certain mothers of veterans.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944, as amended (5 U.S.C. 851), is amended by striking out clauses 5 and 6 and inserting in lieu thereof the following: “(5) mothers of deceased ex-servicemen or ex-service-women who lost their lives, under honorable conditions while on active duty in any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States during any war, or in any campaign or expedition (for which a campaign badge has been authorized), or of service-connected permanently and totally disabled ex-servicemen or ex-service-women who were separated from such Armed Forces under honorable conditions if—

(A) the father is totally and permanently disabled, or

(B) the mother was widowed, divorced, or separated from the father and—

(1) has not remarried, or

(2) has remarried but (i) her husband is totally and permanently disabled or (ii) she is divorced or legally separated from her husband or such husband is dead at the time preference is claimed.”

Sec. 2. (a) Section 3 of such Act, as amended, is amended by striking out “(5) and (6)” and inserting in lieu thereof “and (5)”.

(b) Section 10 of such Act is amended by striking out “(5) and (6)” and inserting in lieu thereof “and (5)”.

Approved December 27, 1950.

[CHAPTER 1152]

AN ACT

To amend section 3 of the Postal Salary Act of July 6, 1945.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3 of the Act entitled “An Act to reclassify the salaries of postmasters, officers,