the Banking and Currency Committee of the Senate in the study ordered by S. Res. 219, agreed to on February 8, 1950, shall not be considered as service or employment bringing such person 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 May 26, 1950.

[CHAPTER 214]

AN ACT

To amend section 1462 of title 18 of the United States Code, with respect to the importation or transportation of obscene matters.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1462 of title 18 of the United States Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 1462. Importation or Transportation of Obscene Matters

"Whoever brings into the United States, or any place subject to the jurisdiction thereof, or knowingly deposits with any express company or other common carrier, for carriage in interstate or foreign commerce—

"(a) any obscene, lewd, lascivious, or filthy book, pamphlet, picture, motion-picture film, paper, letter, writing, print, or other matter of indecent character; or

"(b) any obscene, lewd, lascivious, or filthy phonograph recording, electrical transcription, or other article or thing capable of producing sound; or

"(c) any drug, medicine, article, or thing designed, adapted, or intended for preventing conception, or producing abortion, or for any indecent or immoral use; or any written or printed card, letter, circular, book, pamphlet, advertisement, or notice of any kind giving information, directly or indirectly, where, how, or of whom, or by what means any of such mentioned articles, matters, or things may be obtained or made; or

"Whoever knowingly takes from such express company or other common carrier any matter or thing the depositing of which for carriage is herein made unlawful—

"Shall be fined not more than $5,000 or imprisoned not more than five years, or both."

Sec. 2. The analysis of chapter 71 of such title, immediately preceding section 1461, is amended by striking out the item "1462. Importation or transportation of obscene literature.", as set out in such analysis, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "1462. Importation or transportation of obscene matters."

Approved May 27, 1950.

[CHAPTER 217]

AN ACT

To amend the Armed Forces Leave Act of 1946, as amended, to provide graduation leave upon appointment as commissioned officers in the regular components of the armed forces of graduates of the United States Military, Naval, or Coast Guard Academies.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Armed Forces Leave Act of 1946, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding the following new subsection to section 3:
“(c) Graduates of the United States Military Academy, the United States Naval Academy, or the United States Coast Guard Academy who, upon graduation therefrom, are commissioned in a regular component of the armed forces may, in the discretion of the Secretary concerned, be granted graduation leave not in excess of sixty days, which leave shall not be deducted from nor charged against other leave authorized by the provisions of this Act but shall be in addition thereto. Graduation leave granted pursuant to this subsection must be completed within three months of the date of graduation and no such leave shall be carried forward as credit beyond the date of reporting to the first permanent duty station or to a port of embarkation for permanent duty outside the continental limits of the United States.”

Sec. 2. The Act of December 20, 1886 (24 Stat. 351; 10 U. S. C. 1150), is hereby amended by deleting therefrom the phrase “and during his graduation leave.”

Sec. 3. The paragraph entitled “Graduates of the Military Academy may serve as instructors”, of chapter XVIII of the Act of July 9, 1918 (40 Stat. 899; 10 U. S. C. 445), is hereby amended by substituting a period for the comma appearing after the words “training camps” and deleting the words “and their graduation leave may be taken at the termination of their services as instructors at these camps”.

Sec. 4. This Act shall take effect as of June 1, 1950.

Approved June 2, 1950.

[CHAPTER 218]

AN ACT

Authorizing loans from the United States Treasury for the expansion of the District of Columbia water system.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, as used in this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

(a) “Commissioners” means the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia.

(b) “District of Columbia water system” or “water system” means any and all of the facilities used or to be used for the supply of raw or partly purified water wherever situated and all of the facilities used or to be used for the distribution of purified water situated within the District of Columbia which are operated by the District of Columbia Water Division or the Washington Aqueduct Division of the Washington District of the Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army, or both.

Sec. 2. (a) The Commissioners of the District of Columbia are hereby authorized to accept loans for the District of Columbia from the United States Treasury and the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States is hereby authorized to lend to the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, such sums as may hereafter be appropriated, to finance the expansion and improvement of the water system when sufficient funds therefor are not available from the District of Columbia water fund established by law (D. C. Code, 1940 edition, title 43, ch. 15): Provided, That the total principal amount of loans made under the provisions of this section shall not exceed $23,000,000: And provided further, That a loan for use in any fiscal year must first be specifically requested of the Congress in connection with the budget submitted for the District of Columbia for that fiscal year, with a full statement of the work contemplated to be done and the need thereof, and must be specifically approved by the Congress. Such loans shall be in addition to any other loans heretofore or hereafter