the appropriate Veterans’ Administration regional office to be the result of willful or negligent failure of the school to report, as required by applicable regulation or contract, to the Veterans’ Administration unauthorized or excessive absences from a course, or discontinuance or interruption of a course by the veteran, the amount of such over-payment shall, at the discretion of the Administrator, constitute a liability of the school for such failure to report, and may be recovered by an off-set from amounts otherwise due the school or in other appropriate action: Provided, That any amount so collected shall be reimbursed if the overpayment is received from the veteran. This amendment shall be construed as applying only to matters arising after the effective date of this amendment, and shall not preclude the imposition of any civil or criminal action under any other statute.”

SEC. 8. This Act shall become effective on the date of its enactment except that sections 5 and 6 shall become effective the first day of the third calendar month following the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 9. The matter beginning with the first proviso in the item “Readjustment benefits” under the caption “VETERANS’ ADMINISTRATION” in the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1950, approved August 24, 1949, is hereby repealed.

SEC. 10. This Act may be cited as the “Veterans’ Education and Training Amendments of 1950”.

Approved July 13, 1950.

[CHAPTER 462] AN ACT

To authorize revision of the procedures employed in the administration of certain trust funds administered by the Veterans’ Administration.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all cash balances in the personal funds of patients and the funds due incompetent beneficiaries’ trust funds administered by the Veterans’ Administration, and all moneys hereafter received which are properly for deposit into these funds, may be deposited, respectively, into special deposit accounts with the Treasurer of the United States for credit to the several disbursing officers of the Division of Disbursement, Treasury Department, and such balances and deposits shall thereupon be available for disbursement for properly authorized purposes without covering into the Treasury of the United States and withdrawal on money requisitions: Provided, That when any balances have been on deposit with the Treasurer of the United States for more than one year and represent moneys belonging to individuals whose whereabouts are unknown, they shall be transferred and disposed of as directed in the last proviso to subsection (a) of section 20 of the Permanent Appropriation Repeal Act of 1934, as amended (31 U. S. C. 725s).

Approved July 15, 1950.

[CHAPTER 463] AN ACT

Transferring management of certain public lands from the Agriculture Department to the Fort Sill Indian School in Oklahoma for agriculture uses.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following-described tract of public land: The north half of the south half of section 19, township 2 north, range 11 west, Indian meridian, Comanche County, Oklahoma, being a part of the Fort Sill Indian
School reserve, and formerly transferred to the Department of Agriculture for use as a dry-farming experimental station, is hereby, together with all buildings, improvements, and appurtenances, transferred back to the said Fort Sill Indian School for use in connection with the agriculture training program of such institution.

Approved July 18, 1950.

[CHAPTER 464]

AN ACT

To amend the Act approved July 18, 1940 (54 Stat. 766; 24 U. S. C. 1946 edition, sec. 196b), entitled "An Act relating to the admission to Saint Elizabeths Hospital of persons resident or domiciled in the Virgin Islands of the United States", by enlarging the classes of persons admissible into Saint Elizabeths Hospital and in other respects.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act approved July 18, 1940, entitled "An Act relating to the admission to Saint Elizabeths Hospital of persons resident or domiciled in the Virgin Islands of the United States", is amended as follows:

(a) Clauses (1) and (2) of the first paragraph of such Act are amended to read as follows: 

(1) Persons who are permanent residents of the Virgin Islands of the United States and who (A) are citizens or nationals of the United States or nondeportable aliens and (B) have been legally adjudged to be insane in the Virgin Islands or while temporarily in another insular possession or a Territory of the United States or in the continental United States; and (2) persons who are present in but not permanent residents of the Virgin Islands and (A) have been legally adjudged to be insane in the Virgin Islands or while temporarily in another insular possession or a Territory of the United States or in the continental United States; and (2) persons who are present in but not permanent residents of the Virgin Islands and (A) have been legally adjudged to be insane in the Virgin Islands, (B) are citizens or nationals of the United States or nondeportable aliens, and (C) are persons whose legal residence in one of the States or Territories of the United States or the District of Columbia it has been impossible to establish.

(b) The second paragraph of such Act is amended to read as follows:

"Upon the ascertainment of the legal residence of persons who have been transferred to Saint Elizabeths Hospital and who are not permanent residents of the Virgin Islands, the Superintendent of the hospital shall transfer such persons to their respective places of residence, and the expense of transfer shall be paid from the appropriation for the support of the hospital."

Approved July 18, 1950.

[CHAPTER 465]

AN ACT

To establish rearing ponds and a fish hatchery in the State of Kentucky.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to construct, equip, maintain, and operate rearing ponds and a fish hatchery at a suitable location in Kentucky.

Sec. 2. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated from time to time, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sums as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act, including not to exceed $275,000 for the acquisition of lands and water rights or interests therein and the construction and equipment of such station.

Approved July 18, 1950.