CHAP. 117.—Joint Resolution To declare November 11, 1921, a legal public holiday.

Whereas Armistice Day, November 11, 1921, has been designated as the appropriate time for the ceremonies incident to the burial of the unknown and unidentified American soldier in the Arlington National Cemetery; and

Whereas this unknown soldier represents the manhood of America who gave their lives to defend its integrity, honor, and tranquility against an enemy; and

Whereas the nations of the earth are on that date joining with the United States in paying respect and homage to this unknown soldier: Therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President is hereby authorized to issue a proclamation declaring November 11, 1921, a holiday, as a mark of respect to the memory of those who gave their lives in the late World War, as typified by the unknown and unidentified American soldier who is to be buried in Arlington National Cemetery on that day; and the President is respectfully requested to recommend to the governors of the various States that proclamations be issued by them calling upon their people to pause in their usual pursuits as a mark of respect on this solemn occasion.

Approved, November 4, 1921.

CHAP. 118.—An Act Granting permission to the city of Plainfield, New Jersey, to widen Watchung Avenue in front of the Federal post-office building, and for other purposes.

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 empowered to convey by quitclaim deed to the city of Plainfield, New Jersey, for street purposes, and for no other purpose, all the right, title, and interest of the United States of America in and to all or any lesser part of a strip of land off the west side and along the Watchung Avenue frontage of the Federal building site in said city ten feet in width, except opposite the entrance steps of the Federal building, where such strip shall be approximately three feet nine inches in width; and the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to remodel, alter, and repair, and do such other work upon said Federal building, grounds, and approaches as may be necessary, in his opinion, for the accommodation and convenience of the business of the United States on account of the widening of said Watchung Avenue: Provided, however, That the said city of Plainfield, as a consideration for such conveyance, shall bear the costs of all of said work upon said Federal building, grounds, and approaches as ascertained by the Secretary of the Treasury: And provided further, That the said city of Plainfield shall not have the right to sell or convey the said described premises, nor to devote the same to any other purpose than as hereinafore provided; and in the event said premises shall not be used for street purposes only and cared for and maintained as are other public streets in said city the right, title, and interest hereby authorized to be conveyed shall revert to the United States.

Approved, November 5, 1921.