[CHAPTER 126]  
AN ACT  
To provide for the appraisal of the pneumatic mail tube systems in New York and Boston.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster General is authorized and directed to provide for an appraisal by competent engineers of the properties comprising the pneumatic mail tube systems in New York and Boston and the franchises enjoyed and patent rights utilized in connection therewith.

SEC. 2. There is authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sum as may be necessary to carry out this Act, but not to exceed $25,000.

Approved, May 12, 1939.

[CHAPTER 127]  
AN ACT  
To amend an Act entitled "An Act for making further and more effectual provision for the national defense, and for other purposes", approved June 3, 1916, as amended by the Act of June 4, 1920, so as to confer on the commanding general, General Headquarters Air Force, the same retirement privileges now enjoyed by chiefs of branches.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act entitled "An Act for making further and more effectual provision for the national defense, and for other purposes", approved June 8, 1916, as amended by the Act of June 4, 1920 (41 Stat. 762), be, and the same is hereby, amended by inserting immediately after the word "branch", in line 27 of section 4c of that Act, as amended, the words "or as commanding general of the General Headquarters Air Force", and by inserting in line 29 of said section, immediately preceding the word "grade", the word "highest", and immediately after the word "chief", the words "or commanding general of the General Headquarters Air Force".

Approved, May 12, 1939.

[CHAPTER 128]  
AN ACT  
To provide time credits for substitutes in the pneumatic-tube service.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the last paragraph of section 11 of the Act entitled "An Act reclassifying the salaries of postmasters and employees of the Postal Service, readjusting their salaries and compensation on an equitable basis, increasing postal rates to provide for such readjustment and for other purposes", approved February 28, 1925, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"Substitute clerks, substitute garagemen-drivers, substitute driver-mechanics, and substitute general mechanics, when appointed regular clerks, garagemen-drivers, driver-mechanics, or general mechanics in the motor-vehicle service, and substitutes in the pneumatic-tube service when appointed as regular employees in the pneumatic-tube service, shall be given credit for the actual time served as a substitute on the basis of one year for each three hundred and six days of eight hours, and shall be appointed to the grade to which such clerk, garageman-driver, driver-mechanic, general mechanic, or employee in
the pneumatic-tube service, would have progressed had his original appointment as a substitute been made to grade one. Substitute service shall be computed from the date of original appointment as a regular classified substitute, and the salaries of the employees shall be fixed accordingly upon the date of their advancement to a regular position under section 116 of this title. Any fractional part of a year's substitute service, rendered after the enactment of this sentence, shall be included with his service as a regular clerk, garage-man-driver, driver-mechanic, or general mechanic in the motor-vehicle service, or employee in the pneumatic-tube service, in determining eligibility for promotion to the next higher grade following appointment to a regular position."

Approved, May 12, 1939.

[CHAPTER 129]

AN ACT

To provide a differential in pay for night work to pneumatic-tube-system employees in the Postal Service.

May 12, 1939

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Approved, May 12, 1939.

[CHAPTER 130]

AN ACT

To extend the provisions of the forty-hour law to pneumatic-tube-system employees in the Postal Service.

May 12, 1939

[Public, No. 75]


Approved, May 12, 1939.

[CHAPTER 131]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing the President to invite other nations to participate in the Sacramento Golden Empire Centennial commemorating the one-hundredth anniversary of the founding of Sacramento by Captain John A. Sutter.

May 12, 1939


Sacramento Golden Empire Centennial. President requested to invite participation by foreign nations.