of Commerce, who shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Secretary of Commerce may assign to his Assistant Secretaries such duties, including the direction of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, as he shall prescribe, or may be required by law. The Assistant Secretaries of Commerce shall be without numerical distinction of rank and shall have salaries of $10,000 per annum.

Approved July 15, 1947.

[CHAPTER 255]

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of Commerce to sell certain property occupied by the Weather Bureau at East Lansing, Michigan, and to obtain other quarters for the said Bureau in the State of Michigan.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, any other law to the contrary notwithstanding, the Secretary of Commerce is authorized to sell, in such manner and on such terms and conditions as he deems to be to the best interest of the United States, to the Michigan State College of Agriculture and Applied Science the Weather Bureau station located on the campus of the said college, to convey such property to the said college by quitclaim deed, and to deposit the proceeds of such sale in the Treasury as a miscellaneous receipt: Provided, That the sale of the Weather Bureau property to the Michigan State College of Agriculture and Applied Science shall not be consummated, and the Weather Bureau shall not be required to vacate said property, unless and until the said Bureau shall have obtained and occupied other quarters in the State of Michigan, either by construction of a new building or by rental of, or other means of obtaining, such quarters.

Approved July 16, 1947.

[CHAPTER 256]

AN ACT

To repeal the Post Roads Act of 1866, as amended, 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 Post Roads Act of 1866, as amended (Revised Statutes, secs. 5263-5269, inclusive; U. S. C., title 47, secs. 1-6, inclusive, and 8), is hereby repealed.

Sec. 2. Nothing in this Act shall limit the authority of the Federal Communications Commission under the provisions of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to prescribe charges, classifications, regulations, and practices, including priorities, applicable to Government communications.

Sec. 3. This Act shall take effect on the tenth day following the enactment date thereof.

Approved July 16, 1947.

[CHAPTER 257]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing the erection in the District of Columbia of a memorial to Andrew W. Mellon.

Resolved 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 and directed to grant authority to the
Andrew W. Mellon Memorial Committee to erect a memorial fountain on public grounds in the vicinity of the intersection of Pennsylvania and Constitution Avenues, in the District of Columbia, such grounds being now owned by the United States: Provided, That the design and location of the memorial shall be approved by the National Commission of Fine Arts and the National Capital Park and Planning Commission, and the United States shall be put to no expense in or by the erection of this memorial: Provided further, That unless funds, which in the estimation of the Secretary of the Interior are sufficient to insure the completion of the memorial, are certified available, and the erection of this memorial begun within five years from and after the date of passage of this joint resolution, the authorization hereby granted is revoked.

Approved July 16, 1947.

[CHAPTER 258] AN ACT

To provide revenue for the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act, divided into articles, may be cited as the "District of Columbia Revenue Act of 1947", and that article I of this Act may be cited as the "District of Columbia Income and Franchise Tax Act of 1947".

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