[CHAPTER 274]

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Navy to convey to the city of Macon, Georgia, and Bibb County, Georgia, an easement for public road and utility purposes in certain Government-owned lands situated in Bibb County, Georgia, 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 Navy be, and he hereby is, authorized to convey to the city of Macon, Georgia, and Bibb County, Georgia, under such terms and conditions as he may deem in the Government's interest, a perpetual easement for public road and utility purposes, in, under, over, and across a fifty and one-half foot strip of land at the naval ordnance plant, Macon, Georgia, containing approximately ninety-one one-hundredths acre of land, metes and bounds description of which is on file in the Navy Department: Provided, That said grant shall be at no cost to the Government: Provided further, That such conveyance shall contain an express provision that neither the city of Macon, Georgia, nor Bibb County, Georgia, shall at any time build any residences or other customarily occupied buildings within one thousand feet of the present south boundary of the naval ordnance plant, Macon, Georgia: And provided further, That such conveyance shall contain an express provision that the said grantees shall not dispose of the property owned by them within such a distance without first giving the United States an opportunity to purchase the property, on such terms and conditions as may then be agreed upon by the parties.

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[CHAPTER 275]

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Navy to convey to the city of Long Beach, California, for street purposes an easement in certain lands within the Navy housing project at Long Beach, California.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he hereby is, authorized to convey to the city of Long Beach, California, on such terms and conditions as he may deem proper, a perpetual easement for street and public-utility purposes, in, over, under, and across two strips of land within the boundaries of Navy housing project CAL-4904N at Long Beach, California, said strips being twenty feet in width and six hundred and three hundred and thirty feet in length, respectively, and being adjacent to the west side of Santa Fe Avenue in the city of Long Beach, the metes and bounds descriptions of which are on file in the Navy Department.

SEC. 2. This grant shall be at no cost to the Government.

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[CHAPTER 276]

AN ACT

To authorize the construction of a chapel at the Coast Guard Academy, and to authorize the acceptance of private contributions to assist in defraying the cost of construction thereof.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Coast Guard is authorized to construct a suitable chapel for religious worship by any denomination, sect, or religion at the Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut.
Sec. 2. The Coast Guard is authorized to acquire title to an appropriate site adjoining the present Coast Guard Academy reservation either by purchase, condemnation, gift or otherwise.

Sec. 3. The Coast Guard is authorized to accept private contributions to assist in defraying the cost of construction of the chapel provided for herein. Such contributions shall be received and accounted for under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe.

Sec. 4. There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to complete the purposes of this Act.

Approved July 21, 1947.

[CHAPTER 286]

To provide basic authority for the performance of certain functions and activities of the Coast and Geodetic Survey, 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 Coast and Geodetic Survey is hereby authorized to provide, from appropriations now or hereafter made available to the Survey, for—

(a) Transportation (including packing, unpacking, crating, and uncrating) of personal and household effects of commissioned officers who die on active duty to the official residence of record for such officers, or, upon application by their dependents, to such other locations as may be determined by the Director of the Coast and Geodetic Survey or by such person as he may designate.

(b) Reimbursement, under regulations prescribed by the Secretary, of commissioned officers for food, clothing, medicines, and other supplies furnished by them for the temporary relief of distressed persons in remote localities and to shipwrecked persons temporarily provided for by them.

Extra compensation.

Sec. 2. The Coast and Geodetic Survey is hereby authorized to pay extra compensation to members of crews of vessels when assigned duties as bombers or fathometer readers, and to employees of other Federal agencies while observing tides or currents or tending seismographs, at such rates as may be specified from time to time in the appropriation concerned.

Approved July 22, 1947.

[CHAPTER 287]

To provide compensation to persons performing the duties of postmasters at post offices of the fourth class during annual and sick leave of the postmasters.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is authorized to be expended, from the appropriation for compensation to postmasters in the annual Post Office Department's appropriation Acts, compensation, at the rate provided by law for postmasters' compensation, to persons who perform the duties of the postmaster at post offices of the fourth class during the absence of the postmaster on sick or annual leave, or leave without pay.

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