[CHAPTER 304] AN ACT

To amend the Act approved May 7, 1934, granting citizenship to the Metlakahtla Indians of Alaska.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 of the Act of May 7, 1934, entitled “An Act granting citizenship to the Metlakahtla Indians of Alaska” (48 Stat. 667) is hereby amended to read as follows:

“That the Indians of the Tsimshian Tribe, and those people known as Metlakahtlans, who emigrated from Metlakahtla, British Columbia, Canada to Annette Island, in the Alexander Archipelago in southeastern Alaska in the year 1887, and there established a colony known as Metlakahtla, Alaska, and any and all other British Columbia Indians who joined them there not later than January 1, 1900, and have since resided continuously in the Territory of Alaska, having been faithful and loyal to the Constitution, laws, and the Government of the United States, are hereby declared to be citizens of the United States.”

Sec. 2. That the first sentence of section 339 of the Nationality Act of 1940, approved October 14, 1940, as amended (54 Stat. 1160; 58 Stat. 4; 8 U. S. C. Supp. 739), is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 339. A person who claims to have derived United States citizenship through the naturalization of a parent or through the naturalization or citizenship of a husband, or who is a citizen of the United States by virtue of the provisions of section 1993 of the United States Revised Statutes, or of section 1993 of the United States Revised Statutes as amended by section 1 of the Act of May 24, 1934 (48 Stat. 797), or who is a citizen of the United States by virtue of the provisions of section 201 (c), (d), (e), and (g) of the Nationality Act of 1940 (54 Stat. 1138; U. S. C., title 8, sec. 601), or of the Act of May 7, 1934 (48 Stat. 667), may apply to the Commissioner for a certificate of citizenship.”

Approved July 23, 1947.

[CHAPTER 306] AN ACT

To authorize the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska to provide for the exercise of zoning power in town sites on the public lands of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska is hereby authorized to exercise or to provide for the exercise of zoning power, through a Territorial Zoning Commission or otherwise, in town sites on the public lands of the United States in Alaska; except that such power shall not extend to lands or buildings while they are being utilized by, or to buildings or other structures while they are being constructed by or for, the United States.

Approved July 24, 1947.

[CHAPTER 306] AN ACT

For expenditure of funds for cooperating with the public-school board at Walker, Minnesota, for the extension of public-school facilities to be available to all Indian children in the district.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any funds in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, an additional sum of $35,000 for the purpose
of cooperating with Independent School District Numbered 5, Cass County, Minnesota, at Walker, Minnesota, for the construction, extension, equipment, and improvement of public-school facilities at Walker, Minnesota, as authorized by the Act of July 1, 1940 (54 Stat. 707, 708): 

Provided, That the expenditure of the additional amount herein authorized to be appropriated shall be subject to the same terms, conditions, and requests contained in the Act of July 1, supra.

Approved July 24, 1947.

[CHAPTER 307]

AN ACT
To amend the Alaska game law.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the second paragraph of section 4 of the Alaska game law of January 13, 1925 (43 Stat. 739), as amended July 1, 1943 (57 Stat. 301), is further amended to read as follows:

"Members of the Commission, other than the executive officer, each shall receive as compensation for his services a per diem of $10 while going to and from and while actually engaged in investigations, meetings, inquiries, and hearings of the Commission, but the total per diem compensation of all the Commissioners, taken together, shall not exceed the sum of $7,000 in any one fiscal year. In addition, each member of the Commission, including the executive officer, shall have reimbursed to him necessary traveling and subsistence expenses incurred or made in the discharge of his official duties. The per diem compensation and the traveling and subsistence expenses of the Commissioners, other than the executive officer, shall be paid from the appropriations authorized by section 17 of this Act, and the salary and the traveling and subsistence expenses of the executive officer shall be paid from such appropriations for the work of the Fish and Wildlife Service in the Territory, including those provided for by this Act, as the Director may designate."

Sec. 2. Any and all employment of members of the Commission to carry out the investigations, inquiries, and hearings referred to in section 4 of the Alaska game law prior to the enactment of this Act, and the payment of compensation to them for such services in addition to the payment of compensation for their services in attendance at meetings of the Commission, is hereby approved.

Approved July 24, 1947.

[CHAPTER 308]

AN ACT
To transfer the Panama Railroad pension fund to the civil service retirement and disability fund.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That beginning July 1, 1947, all officers and employees of the Panama Railroad Company not employed on the Isthmus of Panama and not within the operation of section 91 through section 107 of title 2 of the Canal Zone Code shall be included within the terms of the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended, unless excluded by Executive orders issued under the authority of said Act.

Sec. 2. The Panama Railroad Company shall cause to be transferred to the Secretary of the Treasury for credit to the civil service retirement and disability fund an amount equal to the gross assets of