“(3) With respect to wages paid after December 31, 1951, the rate shall be 2 per centum.”

Sec. 3. Section 504 of the Social Security Act Amendments of 1946 (Public Law 719, Seventy-ninth Congress), fixing the termination date of amendments relating to grants to States for old-age assistance, aid to the blind, and aid to dependent children, is hereby amended by striking out “December 31, 1947” and inserting in lieu thereof “June 30, 1950”.

Sec. 4. Section 603 of the War Mobilization and Reconversion Act of 1944 (terminating the provisions of such Act on June 30, 1947) shall not be applicable in the case of the amendments made by title IV of such Act to the Social Security Act.

Sec. 5. (a) Section 904 (h) of the Social Security Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

“(h) There is hereby established in the Unemployment Trust Fund a Federal unemployment account. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated to such Federal unemployment account a sum equal to (1) the excess of taxes collected prior to July 1, 1946, under title IX of this Act or under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act, over the total unemployment administrative expenditures made prior to July 1, 1946, plus (2) the excess of taxes collected in each fiscal year beginning after June 30, 1946, and ending prior to July 1, 1949, under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act, over the unemployment administrative expenditures made in such year, and the excess of such taxes collected during the period beginning on July 1, 1949, and ending on December 31, 1949, over the unemployment administrative expenditures made during such period. Any amounts in the Federal unemployment account on April 1, 1950, and any amounts repaid to such account after such date, shall be covered into the general fund of the Treasury.

As used in this subsection, the term ‘unemployment administrative expenditures’ means expenditures for grants under title III of this Act, expenditures for the administration of that title by the Board or the Administrator, and expenditures for the administration of title IX of this Act, or of the Federal Unemployment Tax Act by the Department of the Treasury, the Board, or the Administrator. For the purposes of this subsection there shall be deducted from the total amount of taxes collected prior to July 1, 1943, under title IX of this Act, the sum of $40,561,886.43 which was authorized to be appropriated by the Act of August 24, 1937 (50 Stat. 754) and the sum of $18,451,846 which was authorized to be appropriated by section 11 (b) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act.”

(b) Section 1201 (a) of the Social Security Act is hereby amended by striking out “on June 30, 1945, or on the last day in any ensuing calendar quarter which ends prior to July 1, 1947”, and inserting in lieu thereof “on June 30, 1947, or on the last day in any ensuing calendar quarter which ends prior to January 1, 1950”.

Sec. 6. This Act may be cited as the “Social Security Act Amendments of 1947.”

Approved August 6, 1947.

[CHAPTER 511]

AN ACT

To carry into effect certain parts relating to patents of the treaties of peace with Italy, Bulgaria, Hungary, and Rumania, ratified by the Senate on June 5, 1947, 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 International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property of 1883, as amended, is considered as reestablished and in full force and effect
between the United States and Italy, Bulgaria, Hungary, and Rumania from the date of this Act and the nationals of the latter countries may hereafter apply for and obtain patents in the United States for their inventions and enjoy the rights and privileges thereof as provided in article 2 of said convention: Provided, however, That patents shall not be applied for or obtained, or if obtained, shall not be valid, for inventions heretofore made relating to war material as specified in article 6 of annex XV A of the Treaty of Peace with Italy, article 6 of annex IV of the Treaty of Peace with Bulgaria, article 6 of annex IV A of the Treaty of Peace with Hungary, and article 6 of annex IV A of the Treaty of Peace with Rumania.

Sec. 2. The rights of priority and the times for the taking of any action specified in sections 1 and 3 of Public Law 690, Seventy-ninth Congress, approved August 8, 1946, which had not expired on December 8, 1941, or which commenced after such date, shall be and are hereby extended until February 29, 1948, in favor of nationals of Italy, Bulgaria, Hungary, and Rumania, subject to the conditions and limitations specified in sections 1, 3, 4, and 10 of said Public Law 690: Provided, however, That nothing in this Act shall affect any act which has been or shall be done by virtue of special measures taken under legislative, executive, administrative, or military authority of the United States during World War II.

Sec. 3. Nationals of Germany and Japan may hereafter apply for and obtain patents in the United States for their inventions in accordance with the patent laws and enjoy the rights and privileges thereof: Provided, however, That patents obtained for such inventions shall be subject to any conditions and limitations with respect to duration, revocation, utilization, assignment, and licensing which may be imposed by Congress, or by the President in accordance with the provisions of any peace treaty hereafter entered into with Germany or Japan: And provided further, That, except for patents based on applications filed in the United States Patent Office prior to the date of enactment of this Act, patents may not be applied for or obtained, or if obtained, shall not be valid, for any invention made, or upon which an application was filed by any such national, before January 1, 1946, in Germany or Japan or in the territory of any other of the Axis Powers or in any territory occupied by the Axis forces.

Approved August 6, 1947.

[CHAPTER 512]

AN ACT

To provide for the promotion and elimination of officers of the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SHORT TITLE

That this Act, divided into titles and sections according to the following table of contents, may be cited as the "Officer Personnel Act of 1947":

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