new building to be located on such site and for the remodeling of the existing main post office all to provide additional postal facilities in said city. The cost of such plans and specifications and the acquisition of the site shall not exceed $300,000.

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[CHAPTER 150]

AN ACT

To ratify the administrative promotions of employees on military furlough from the field postal service, in certain cases, and for related purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That if an employee in the field postal service was promoted, after September 15, 1940, and before January 1, 1948, to the position of special clerk or to any other position not then in an automatic grade, and the promotion was unauthorized by law only because the employee was then absent on military furlough, the promotion is hereby ratified.

Sec. 2. Such an employee is hereby relieved of all liability to refund to the United States any amounts paid to him as a result of the promotion; and in the audit and settlement of the accounts of any postmaster, or of any other designated disbursing officer of the Post Office Department or postal service, the amounts paid as a result of the promotion shall be considered to have been authorized. Any amounts heretofore credited to the employee or refunded by him to the United States on account of any overpayment made as a result of the promotion shall be repaid out of any money available for the payment of salaries of employees in the service in which he is employed.

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[CHAPTER 151]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To authorize the issuance of a special series of stamps commemorative of the one-hundredth anniversary of the creation of the Territory of Minnesota.

Resolved 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 prepare for issuance on March 3, 1949, a special series of 3-cent postage stamps, of such design as he shall prescribe, in commemoration of the one-hundredth anniversary of the creation of the Territory of Minnesota.

Approved March 25, 1948.

[CHAPTER 157]

AN ACT

To provide for inactive duty training pay for the Organized Reserve Corps, to provide uniform standards for inactive duty training pay for all Reserve components of the armed forces, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 of the National Defense Act, as amended, be further amended by striking out the words "the Officers Reserve Corps, the Organized Reserves, and the Enlisted Reserve Corps," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "and the Organized Reserve Corps".

Sec. 2. That section 37a of the National Defense Act of 1916, as amended, is amended by deleting therefrom the following sentence: "A Reserve officer shall not be entitled to pay and allowances except when on active duty."
SEC. 3. That section 14 of the Pay Readjustment Act of 1942, as amended, be amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 14. RESERVE AND NATIONAL GUARD PERSONNEL.—(a) Officers, warrant officers, and enlisted personnel of the reserve components of any of the services mentioned in the title of this Act, when on active duty in the service of the United States, shall be entitled to receive the same pay and allowances as are authorized for persons of corresponding grade and length of service in the Regular Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, or Public Health Service.

"(b) Officers, warrant officers, and enlisted personnel of the reserve components of any of the services mentioned in the title of this Act, when participating in full-time training or other full-time duty (provided for or authorized in the National Defense Act, as amended, or in the Naval Reserve Act of 1938, as amended, or in other provisions of law, including participation in exercises or performance of the duties provided for by sections 94, 97, and 99 of the National Defense Act, as amended) shall receive the same pay and allowances as are authorized for persons of corresponding grade and length of service in the Regular Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, or Public Health Service: Provided, That they may be given additional training or other duty as provided for by law, without pay, as may be authorized by the head of the Department concerned, with their consent, and when such authorized training or other duty without pay is performed they may in the discretion of the head of the Department concerned, be furnished with transportation to and from such duty, with subsistence en route, and, during the performance of such duty, be furnished with subsistence and quarters in kind or commutation thereof at a rate to be fixed from time to time by the head of the Department concerned.

"(c) Under such regulations as the head of the Department concerned may prescribe, and to the extent provided for by law and by appropriations, officers, warrant officers, and enlisted personnel of the National Guard of the United States, Organized Reserve Corps, Naval Reserve, and Marine Corps Reserve, shall receive compensation at the rate of one-thirtieth of the monthly base pay including longevity pay, authorized for such persons when on active duty in the armed forces of the United States, for each regular period of instruction, or period of appropriate duty, at which they shall have been engaged for not less than two hours, including those performed on Sundays and holidays, or for the performance of such other equivalent training, instruction, or duty or appropriate duties as may be prescribed by the head of the Department concerned: Provided, That personnel required to perform aerial flights, parachute jumping, glider flights, or submarine duty shall receive the increases in pay provided for by law for personnel in such status: Provided further, That for each of the several classes of organizations prescribed for the National Guard of the United States, the Organized Reserve Corps, Naval Reserve, and Marine Corps Reserve, the rules applicable to each of which services and classes within services may differ, the head of the Department concerned: (1) Shall prescribe minimum standards which must be met before an assembly for drill or other equivalent period of training, instruction, or duty or appropriate duties may be credited for pay purposes, which minimum standards may require the presence for duty of officers and enlisted personnel equal to or in excess of a minimum number or percentage of unit strength for a specified period of time with participation in a prescribed character of training; (2) shall prescribe the maximum number of assemblies, or periods of other equivalent training, instruction, or duty or appropriate duties, which may be counted for pay purposes in each fiscal year; (3) shall prescribe the maximum number of assemblies, or periods of other
equivalent training, instruction, or duty or appropriate duties which can be counted for pay purposes in lesser periods of time; and (4) shall prescribe the minimum number of assemblies or periods of other equivalent training, instruction, or duty or appropriate duties, which must be completed in stated periods of time before the personnel of organizations or units can qualify for pay. And provided further, that the provisions of this paragraph shall not apply when such persons are entitled to receive full pay and allowances as provided in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section.

"(d) In addition to pay provided in paragraph (c) of this section, officers of the National Guard of the United States, Organized Reserve Corps, Naval Reserve, and Marine Corps Reserve, commanding organizations having administrative functions connected therewith shall, whether or not such officers belong to such organizations, receive not more than $240 a year for the faithful performance of such administrative functions under such regulations as the head of the Department concerned may prescribe; and for the purpose of determining how much shall be paid to such officers so performing such functions, the head of the Department concerned may, from time to time, divide them into classes and fix the amount payable to the officers in each class: Provided, That the provisions of this paragraph shall not apply when such persons are entitled to receive full pay and allowances as provided in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section."

SEC. 4. That Section 55a of the National Defense Act of 1916, as amended, be amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 55a. ORGANIZED RESERVE CORPS—ORGANIZATION AND TRAINING.—The Organized Reserve Corps shall include the personnel and units of the Officers Reserve Corps, the Enlisted Reserve Corps, and the Organized Reserves. The Secretary of the Army shall prescribe all necessary and proper regulations for the recruiting, organization, government, administration, training, inspection, and mobilization of the Organized Reserve Corps, and shall detail such officers and enlisted personnel of the Regular Army and Organized Reserve Corps, and shall make available such material, uniforms, arms, supplies, equipment, and other facilities of the Army, or procured from funds appropriated for the purpose as he may deem necessary and advisable for the development, training, instruction, and administration of the Organized Reserve Corps and the care of Government property issued to the members and units of the Organized Reserve Corps. Any or all members of the Organized Reserve Corps may be formed into military organizations, which in turn may be sponsored by civilian organizations as affiliated units.

"Organized Reserve Corps units will be of three classes, varying in degree of organization, as follows:

"1. Those combat and service types organized with a full complement of officers and men: Provided, That there will be included in this category only those units which are considered necessary for prompt mobilization.

"2. Those combat and service types generally organized with a full complement of officers and an enlisted cadre.

"3. Those combat and service types generally organized with a full complement of officers only.

"Under such regulations as the Secretary of the Army may prescribe, personnel of the Organized Reserve Corps shall assemble for drill, training, instruction, or other duty and shall participate in encampments, maneuvers, or other exercises: Provided, That assemblies for such duty under such regulations for members of the Organized Reserve Corps assigned to fully organized units shall be on the same minimum basis as now or hereafter prescribed for the National Guard: Provided further, That other units of the Organized Reserve
Corps may be assembled, under such regulations, for such duty; however, personnel of these units may not receive pay in any one fiscal year for a total number of regular periods of instruction, or periods of appropriate duty, at which they shall have been engaged for not less than two hours, or for the performance of such other equivalent training, instruction, or duty or appropriate duties as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Army in accordance with subsection (c), section 14, Pay Readjustment Act of 1942, as amended, in excess of 50 per centum of the number of such assemblies authorized for personnel assigned to similar positions in the National Guard: Provided further, that members of the Organized Reserve Corps not assigned to table of organization units may be required to perform duties as prescribed by such regulations and receive credit for regular periods of instruction or duty, for pay purposes, up to the same maximum as prescribed herein for members of units of the Organized Reserve Corps, other than fully organized type units: And provided further, that members of the Organized Reserve Corps classified in scientific or specialist categories, or members of the Organized Reserve Corps, whether or not assigned to a unit, who, under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Army, are designated for a mobilization day assignment, may be required to perform duties as prescribed by such regulations and receive credit for regular drill periods for pay purposes on the same minimum basis as prescribed herein for members of the Organized Reserve Corps in fully organized type units.

"Under such regulations as the Secretary of the Army may prescribe, personnel of the Organized Reserve Corps may receive compensation as provided in section 14 of the Pay Readjustment Act of 1942, as amended, for attending periods of instruction, or periods of appropriate duty, duly prescribed under the authority of the Secretary of the Army, including those performed on Sundays and holidays, or for the performance of such other equivalent training, instruction, or duty or appropriate duties, as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Army.

"Members of the Organized Reserve Corps in receipt of pay for the performance of drills, or other equivalent training, instruction, or duty or appropriate duties, may be required to perform such active duty or training duty, not to exceed fifteen days annually, as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Army: Provided, That they may be given additional training or other duty, either with or without pay, as may be authorized, with their consent, by direction of the Secretary of the Army: Provided further, That when authorized training or other duty without pay is performed by members of the Organized Reserve Corps they may in the discretion of the Secretary of the Army be furnished with transportation to and from such duty, with subsistence en route, and, during the performance of such duty, be furnished subsistence and quarters in kind or commutation thereof at a rate to be fixed from time to time by the head of the Department concerned."

SEC. 5. (a) That section 92 of the National Defense Act of 1916, as amended, be further amended by changing the period at the end of said section to a colon and adding the following: "Provided further, That members of the National Guard of the United States may be given additional training or other duty, either with or without pay, as may be authorized, with their consent, by direction of the Secretary of the Army: And provided further, That when authorized training or other duty without pay is performed by members of the National Guard of the United States they may in the discretion of the Secretary of the Army be furnished with transportation to and from such duty, with subsistence en route, and, during the performance of such duty, be furnished subsistence and quarters in kind or commutation
thereof at a rate to be fixed from time to time by the Secretary of the Army.”.

(b) That the portion of section 109 of the National Defense Act, as amended, which precedes the final proviso of such section, be amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 109. PAY FOR NATIONAL GUARD OFFICERS.—Under such regulations as the Secretary of the Army may prescribe, officers and warrant officers of the National Guard of the United States may receive compensation as provided in section 14 of the Pay Readjustment Act of 1942, as amended, for attending regular periods of instruction, or periods of appropriate duty, duly prescribed under the authority of the Secretary of the Army, including drills performed on Sundays and holidays, or for the performance of such other equivalent training, instruction, or duty or appropriate duties, as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Army.”.

(c) That the portion of section 110 of the National Defense Act, as amended, which precedes the first proviso of such section, be amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 110. PAY FOR NATIONAL GUARD ENLISTED MEN.—Under such regulations as the Secretary of the Army may prescribe, enlisted men of the National Guard of the United States may receive compensation as provided in section 14 of the Pay Readjustment Act of 1942, as amended, for attending regular periods of duty and instruction duly prescribed under the authority of the Secretary of the Army, including those performed on Sundays and holidays.”.

SEC. 6. The provisions of this Act shall be applicable to the Department of the Air Force: Provided, That all references therein to the Secretary of the Army, the Department of the Army, the Regular Army, the National Guard and the National Guard of the United States, the Organized Reserve Corps, the Officers Reserve Corps, the Enlisted Reserve Corps, and the Organized Reserves, shall be construed for the purposes of this section as referring to the Secretary of the Air Force, the Department of the Air Force, the Regular Air Force, the Air National Guard, the Air Force Reserve, the officers section of the Air Force Reserve, the enlisted section of the Air Force Reserve, and personnel of the Organized Reserves transferred to the Department of the Air Force, respectively.

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[CHAPTER 158]

AN ACT

To amend the Act entitled “An Act to incorporate the Imperial Palace, Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan”, to increase the amount of property which the corporation may hold from $100,000 to $5,000,000.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the Act entitled “An Act to incorporate the Imperial Palace, Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan”, approved February 25, 1909 (35 Stat. 646), is amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 2. That the said corporation shall have power to take and hold real and personal estate not exceeding in value five million dollars, which shall not be divided among the members of the corporation, but shall descend to their successors for the promotion of the fraternal and benevolent purposes of said corporation.”

Approved March 27, 1948.