actions, the said right of action shall be limited to damages for physical injury except for pain and suffering resulting therefrom.”

SEC. 2. Section 327 of the Act entitled “An Act to establish a code of law for the District of Columbia”, approved March 3, 1901, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 327. Executors and administrators shall have full power and authority to commence and prosecute any personal action at law or in equity which the testator or intestate might have commenced and prosecuted: Provided, however, That in tort actions, the said right of action shall be limited to damages for personal injury except for pain and suffering resulting therefrom; and they shall also be liable to be sued in the District Court of the United States for the District of Columbia in any action at law or in equity, except as aforesaid, which might have been maintained against the deceased; and they shall be entitled to or answerable for costs in the same manner as the deceased would have been, and shall be allowed for the same in their accounts, unless it shall appear that there were not probable grounds for instituting or defending the suits in which judgments or decrees shall have been given against them.”

Approved June 19, 1948.

[CHAPTER 509]

AN ACT

To amend the Act entitled “An Act to make provision for the care and treatment of members of the National Guard, Organized Reserves, Reserve Officers’ Training Corps, and Citizens’ Military Training Camps who are injured or contract disease while engaged in military training, and for other purposes”, approved June 15, 1936, as amended (Act July 15, 1939, 53 Stat. 1042; sec. 5, Act October 14, 1940, 54 Stat. 1137; 32 U. S. C. 164d; 10 U. S. C. 455e), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

“SEC. 2. As used in this Act, the term ‘in time of peace’ shall include that period after September 2, 1945 (the date of formal surrender by Japan), which is prior to the first day on which the United States is, by action of the Congress, or the President, or both, no longer engaged in any war in which the United States is engaged on the date of enactment of this section.

“SEC. 3. The foregoing amendment shall be applicable to the Department of the Air Force to the same extent as if enacted prior to the passage of the National Security Act of 1947.”

Approved June 19, 1948.

[CHAPTER 510]

AN ACT

To authorize credit in certain accounts of United States property and disbursing officers under the War Department, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That payments made prior to July 1, 1942, out of moneys appropriated under the provisions of the National Defense Act, for the support of the National Guard