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ray, Infantry, on permanent change of station from Fort Lewis, Washington, to Newport, Kentucky, in December 1933 in a sum not exceeding $188.29.

First Lt. W. J. Matteson.
Credit in accounts.

SEC. 4. That the Comptroller General of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to credit in the accounts of First Lieutenant W. J. Matteson, Corps of Engineers, $27,044, representing the amount paid by him for the construction of two additions to the Munitions Building under contracts with Birchett and Atkins, Incorporated, and the Charles H. Tompkins Company, and approved by the Secretary of War, which amount has been disallowed by the Comptroller General of the United States on the grounds that the appropriation expended was not available for construction in the District of Columbia: *Provided*, That any amounts collected from either of the contractors on account of these payments prior to the passage of this Act shall be refunded to them.

Proviso.
Refunds.

Interest charges.

SEC. 5. That in all cases where suit has been instituted in the courts against any disbursing officer covering items subsequently cleared by the action of the Congress or otherwise, such clearance of the principal amount shall be considered and construed as precluding the recovery of any interest charges from the disbursing officer arising from any items so cleared.

Approved, August 10, 1937.

[CHAPTER 577]

AN ACT

For the relief of R. L. McLachlan.

August 10, 1937
[S. 2399]
[Private, No. 265]

R. L. McLachlan.
Payment to.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to R. L. McLachlan, of Estill, Missouri, the sum of $75 in full settlement of all claims against the United States for damages to him caused by the death of one purebred cow and one grade cow, known as abortion reactors, in connection with the Government's efforts to eradicate this disease from the dairy herds of Howard County, Missouri: *Provided*, That no part of the amount appropriated in this Act in excess of 10 per centum thereof shall be paid or delivered to or received by any agent or agents, attorney or attorneys, on account of services rendered in connection with said claim. It shall be unlawful for any agent or agents, attorney or attorneys, to exact, collect, withhold, or receive any sum of the amount appropriated in this Act in excess of 10 per centum thereof on account of services rendered in connection with said claim, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding. Any person violating the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding $1,000.

Proviso.
Limitation on attorney's, etc., fees.

Penalty for violation.

Approved, August 10, 1937.

[CHAPTER 582]

AN ACT

For the relief of Ethel Smith McDaniel.

August 11, 1937
[S. 972]
[Private, No. 266]

Ethel Smith McDaniel.
Provisions of Employees' Compensation Act extended to.
39 Stat. 746.
5 U. S. C. §§ 765-770

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions and limitations of sections 15 to 20, both inclusive, of the Act entitled "An Act to provide compensation for employees of the United States suffering injuries while in the performance of their duties, and for other purposes", approved September 7, 1916, as