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[CHAPTER 655]

AN ACT

August 10, 1939
[H. R. 5607]
[Private, No. 232]

For the relief of George A. Meffan, United States marshal, district of Idaho.

George A. Meffan. 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 George A. Meffan, United States marshal, district of Idaho, the sum of $85.37 in full settlement of all claims against the United States for reimbursement of a deposit in the Treasury of the United States on account of disallowances by the Comptroller General in his official accounts for the period ended March 31, 1934, involving authorized payments in connection with depositions for the Government: *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 attorney on account of services rendered in connection with this claim, and the same shall be unlawful, 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, 1939.

[CHAPTER 656]

AN ACT

August 10, 1939
[H. R. 6099]
[Private, No. 233]

For the relief of Mrs. S. F. Sewell.

Mrs. S. F. Sewell. 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 is authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Mrs. S. F. Sewell, of Vienna, Georgia, the sum of $5,000 for the death of S. F. Sewell, husband of Mrs. S. F. Sewell, in full satisfaction of all claims against the United States, sustained when S. F. Sewell, employed as bridge foreman by Dooly County in constructing a concrete culvert, was struck by a falling tree cut down by Works Progress Administration employees at a place known as Moccasin Branch on the Unadilla Hawkinsville Highway, on January 19, 1939: *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 attorney on account of services rendered in connection with this claim, and the same shall be unlawful, 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, 1939.

[CHAPTER 657]

AN ACT

August 10, 1939
[H. R. 7132]
[Private, No. 234]

To amend an Act entitled "An Act for the relief of the Playa de Flor Land and Improvement Company", approved May 21, 1934.

Playa de Flor Land and Improvement Co., claim adjustment.
48 Stat. 1361.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act entitled "An Act for the relief of the Playa de Flor Land and Improvement Company, approved May 21, 1934", be, and the same is hereby, amended by adding the following:

Evidence, etc., to be admitted.

"SEC. 2. All competent testimony, exhibits, or other evidence heretofore admitted in evidence in any proceeding heretofore had under