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1916 and April 1917; or who has served or hereafter serves in the military or naval forces of the United States after September 16, 1940, and who was not at any time during such period or thereafter separated from such forces under other than honorable conditions, who was not a conscientious objector who performed no military duty whatever or refused to wear the uniform, or who was not at any time during such period or thereafter discharged from such military or naval forces on account of alienage."

Approved November 21, 1945.

[CHAPTER 492]

AN ACT

November 24, 1945
[H. R. 1591]
[Public Law 228]

To provide for the appointment of additional cadets at the United States Military Academy, and additional midshipmen at the United States Naval Academy, from among the sons of persons who have been or shall hereafter be awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Persons awarded Medal of Honor.
Appointment of sons to U. S. Military and Naval Academies.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the number of cadets authorized by law enacted prior to the enactment of this Act at the United States Military Academy, and the number of midshipmen authorized by law enacted prior to the enactment of this Act at the United States Naval Academy, are each hereby increased by such number as may be appointed by the President from the United States at large from among the sons of persons who have been or shall hereafter be awarded a Medal of Honor in the name of Congress for acts performed while in any of the armed forces of the United States: *Provided*, That all such appointees are otherwise qualified for admission.

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[CHAPTER 493]

AN ACT

November 24, 1945
[H. R. 1868]
[Public Law 229]

Authorizing appointments to the United States Military Academy and the United States Naval Academy of sons of members of the land or naval forces of the United States who were killed in action or have died of wounds or injuries received, or disease contracted, in active service during the present war, and for other purposes.

10 U. S. C., Supp. IV, § 1091a; 34 U. S. C., Supp. IV, § 1036a.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the second paragraph of the Act of June 8, 1926 (44 Stat. 703, 704), as amended by the Act of December 1, 1942 (56 Stat. 1024), is amended to read as follows:

Members of land or naval forces killed in action, etc.
Appointment of sons to U. S. Military and Naval Academies.

"The number of cadets now authorized by law at the United States Military Academy and the number of midshipmen now authorized by law at the United States Naval Academy are each hereby increased by forty from the United States at large, to be appointed by the President from among the sons of members of the land or naval forces (including male and female members of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard, and of all components thereof) of the United States, who were killed in action or have died, or may hereafter die, of wounds or injuries received, or disease contracted, or preexisting injury or disease aggravated, in active service during World War I or World War II (as each is defined by laws providing service-connected compensation or pension benefits for veterans of World War I and World War II and their dependents): *Provided*, That the determination of the Veterans' Administration as to service connection of the cause of death shall be binding upon the Secretary