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[CHAPTER 520]

AN ACT

For the relief of John August Johnson.

December 3, 1945
[H. R. 977]
[Private Law 276]

John August Johnson.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Court of Claims of the United States be, and it is hereby, given jurisdiction to hear and determine the claim of John August Johnson, of Rockford, Illinois, and to render judgment against the United States in his favor for such compensation and damage as may be found to be justly due, if any, as compensation and damage sustained by reason of the destruction by fire on October 4, 1923, of the dwelling house located on the farm lands of John August Johnson, situated near Camp Grant, Illinois, while said farm lands were occupied by the War Department.

SEC. 2. Said claim shall not be considered as barred because of any existing statute of limitations with respect to suits against the United States: *Provided*, That suit is brought within one year of the approval of this Act.

Approved December 3, 1945.

[CHAPTER 521]

AN ACT

For the relief of Carl Lewis.

December 3, 1945
[H. R. 1142]
[Private Law 277]

Carl Lewis.

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 Carl Lewis, of Harkers Island, North Carolina, the sum of $1,500, in full settlement of all claims against the Government of the United States of America, for personal injuries, medical and hospital expenses incident thereto, sustained as a result of his having been wounded by the discharge of a firearm in the hands of a soldier of the Army of the United States at Harkers Island, North Carolina, on or about August 10, 1942: *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.

Approved December 3, 1945.

[CHAPTER 522]

AN ACT

For the relief of the estate of Mattie Lee Brown, deceased.

December 3, 1945
[H. R. 1316]
[Private Law 278]

Mattie Lee Brown, estate.

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 the legal guardian of Mattie Lee Brown, the sum of $3,185, in full settlement of all claims against the United States for death to said Mattie Lee Brown, who died on August 27, 1942, as the result of an Army airplane, piloted by a commissioned officer on an authorized routine training flight, crashing into dwelling house on August 27, 1942, said dwelling house being located in Mulberry, Florida, and occupied by