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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday, January 14, 1946, and adjourned sine die on Friday, August 2, 1946

HARRY S. TRUMAN, President; KENNETH MCKELLAR, President of the Senate *pro tempore;* SAM RAYBURN, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

[CHAPTER 1]

AN ACT

February 8, 1946
[S. 1590]
[Private Law 367]

To authorize the President to appoint Graves Blanchard Erskine, major general, United States Marine Corps, to the office of Retraining and Reemployment Administrator, without affecting his service status and perquisites.

Maj. Gen. Graves Blanchard Erskine.
Appointment as Retraining and Reemployment Administrator.
28 Stat. 205.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwithstanding the provisions of the Act of July 31, 1894, as amended (5 U. S. C. Annotated 62), or any other provisions of law, the President, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, is authorized to appoint Major General Graves Blanchard Erskine, a general officer in the United States Marine Corps, to the office of Retraining and Reemployment Administrator, and Major General Erskine's appointment to, acceptance of, and service in that office shall in no way affect any status, office, rank, or grade he may occupy or hold in the United States Marine Corps or any component thereof or any emolument, perquisite, right, privilege, or benefit incident to or arising out of any such status, office, rank, or grade: *Provided*, That so long as he holds the office of Retraining and Reemployment Administrator, Major General Erskine shall retain the rank and grade of major general which he now holds in the United States Marine Corps and he shall receive the pay and allowances payable to an officer serving on active duty with the rank and in the grade of major general in the United States Marine Corps, or any component thereof; and in the event the salary prescribed by law for the office of Retraining and Reemployment Administrator exceeds such pay and allowances, Major General Erskine

Rank and grade; pay and allowances.

shall receive directly from the Department of Labor the difference between such pay and allowances and such salary.

Supervision, etc. (naval or otherwise).

SEC. 2. In the performance of his duties as Retraining and Reemployment Administrator, Major General Erskine shall be subject to no supervision, control, restriction, or prohibition (naval or otherwise) other than would be operative with respect to him if he were in no way connected with the United States Marine Corps, or any component thereof.

SEC. 3. The appropriations of the Department of Labor shall be available for reimbursement to the Marine Corps of all pay and allowances received by Major General Erskine from the Marine Corps or its agencies while he is serving as Retraining and Reemployment Administrator.

Approved February 8, 1946.

[CHAPTER 7]

February 12, 1946
[H. R. 1085]
[Private Law 368]

AN ACT

For the relief of the estate of Edwin Perry Ashcraft.

Edwin Perry Ashcraft, 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 is authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the estate of Edwin Perry Ashcraft, the sum of $5,231.82. The payment of such sum shall be in full settlement of all claims of the said estate against the United States on account of the death of Edwin Perry Ashcraft, who died on March 1, 1944, as the result of personal injuries sustained on February 21, 1944, when he was struck by a United States Army truck while walking at a distance of several feet off a highway in Gore, Oklahoma: *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 February 12, 1946.

[CHAPTER 8]

February 13, 1946
[S. 480]
[Private Law 369]

AN ACT

To authorize the sale of the allotment of Henry Keiser on the Crow Indian Reservation, Montana.

Henry Keiser.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized, upon the application of Henry Keiser in writing, to offer for sale to the highest bidder, under such terms and conditions as the Secretary may prescribe, the allotment of Henry Keiser, Crow Indian allottee Numbered 3313, described as lots 11 and 12 of section 3, west half of section 10, township 2 south, range 30 east, and southwest quarter northwest quarter, northwest quarter southwest quarter, south half southwest quarter, and southeast quarter of section 1, township 8 south, range 37 east, principal meridian, Big Horn County, Montana, containing seven hundred and eighteen and seventy-five one hundredths acres: *Provided*, That such part of the proceeds received from the sale of said land as the