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amended, 50 per centum of the German and Austrian quotas shall be available exclusively to persons of German ethnic origin who were born in Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Romania or Yugoslavia and who, on the effective date of this Act reside in Germany or Austria.

Restriction on issuance of visas.

SEC. 13. No visas shall be issued under the provisions of this Act to any person who is or has been a member of, or participated in, any movement which is or has been hostile to the United States or the form of government of the United States.

Penalty.

Ante, p. 1013.

SEC. 14. Any person or persons who knowingly violate or conspire to violate any provision of this Act, except section 9, shall be guilty of a felony, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than $500 nor more than $10,000, or shall be imprisoned not less than two or more than ten years, or both.

Approved June 25, 1948.

[CHAPTER 648]

AN ACT

June 25, 1948
[S. 2401]
[Public Law 775]

To provide for the administration of military justice within the United States Air Force, and for other purposes.

U. S. Air Force. Administration of military justice.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby established in the United States Air Force the office of the Judge Advocate General, United States Air Force. The office of the Judge Advocate General, United States Air Force, shall be occupied by the Judge Advocate General, United States Air Force, with the rank of major general, who shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, from among qualified officers of the United States Air Force, for a term of four years. The Judge Advocate General, United States Air Force, shall be charged with supervising the administration of military justice in the United States Air Force and the performance of such other legal duties as may be directed by the Chief of Staff, United States Air Force.

Applicability of laws.

SEC. 2. The Articles of War and all other laws now in effect relating to the Judge Advocate General's Department, the Judge Advocate General of the Army, and the administration of military justice within the United States Army shall be applicable to the Department of the Air Force with respect to the personnel thereof, and all references in such laws to the Department of the Army (War), the Army of the United States and its components, the Secretary of the Army (War), the Judge Advocate General, Assistants Judge Advocate General, and officers of or assigned to the Judge Advocate General's Department shall be construed for the purposes of this Act, as referring to, and vesting like authority, duties, functions, and responsibilities in, the Department of the Air Force, the Air Force of the United States and its components, the Secretary of the Air Force, the Judge Advocate General, United States Air Force, and officers of the United States Air Force designated by the Chief of Staff, United States Air Force, as judge advocates, respectively: *Provided*, That until the expiration of the transfer period prescribed by section 208 (e) of the National Security Act of 1947 (Public Law 253, Eightieth Congress), the jurisdiction conferred hereby may be exercised with respect to personnel of any component of the Department of the Army who may be under the command and authority of the Chief of Staff, United States Air Force.

61 Stat. 504.
5 U. S. C., Supp. I, § 626c (e).

Retirement of Judge Advocate General.

SEC. 3. Any officer of the United States Air Force who shall have served not less than four years as the Judge Advocate General, United

States Air Force, shall, upon retirement, be advanced on the retired list to the highest active duty grade held while so serving and shall receive retired pay computed upon such higher active duty grade.

Prior offenses.

SEC. 4. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to prevent the prosecution, punishment, mitigation, or other action, by the United States acting through appropriate officers of either the Department of the Army or the Department of the Air Force as to any offense made punishable by the Articles of War committed prior to the date of this Act by any person subject to military law, and either of those departments may enforce or mitigate any penalty, forfeiture, fine, or liability, heretofore adjudged against such person.

Approved June 25, 1948.

[CHAPTER 649]

AN ACT

To amend the Organic Act of Puerto Rico.

June 25, 1948
[S. 2675]
[Public Law 776]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Organic Act of Puerto Rico (39 Stat. 951) is amended by inserting the following new section:

48 U. S. C. § 731 note; Supp. I, § 737 *et seq.*

"SEC. 5b. Section 404 (c) of the Nationality Act of 1940 (U. S. C., title 8, sec. 804 (c)), shall not be applicable to persons who acquired citizenship under the provisions of sections 5 and 5a of this Act." This amendment to be retroactive to October 13, 1945.

54 Stat. 1170.

39 Stat. 953; 44 Stat. 1418.
8 U. S. C. § 602 note.

Approved June 25, 1948.

[CHAPTER 650]

AN ACT

To fix the rank of the Assistant to the Chief of Engineers in charge of river and harbor and flood-control improvements.

June 25, 1948
[S. 2770]
[Public Law 777]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the officer of the Corps of Engineers assigned to duty as Assistant to the Chief of Engineers in charge of civil works, including river and harbor and flood-control improvements, shall, while assigned to such duty, have the rank, pay, and allowances of a brigadier general: *Provided*, That this position shall not be charged against the authorized strength of general officers of the Regular Army: *Provided further*, That the pay and allowances, mileage and travel allowances, of the officer holding such position shall be paid from the appropriations for the work or works upon which he is engaged.

Assistant to Chief of Engineers.
Rank, pay, and allowances.

Approved June 25, 1948.

[CHAPTER 651]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To increase the sum authorized to be appropriated for the presentation to Eire of a statue of Commodore John Barry.

June 25, 1948
[H. J. Res. 297]
[Public Law 778]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the joint resolution approved June 10, 1941, which authorized the President to present to Eire on behalf of the people of the United States a statue of Commodore John Barry, is hereby amended by striking out "$20,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "$30,000".

55 Stat. 250.

Approved June 25, 1948.