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Act which have been held by the District of Columbia National Guard pending enactment of legislation are hereby transferred to the canteen fund of the District of Columbia National Guard.

Manager.

SEC. 9. The Armory Board is authorized to employ and fix the compensation and term of a manager and such personnel as may be necessary in connection with the operation of the armory for the secondary purposes of this Act without regard to the provisions of the civil-service laws and Classification Act of 1923, as amended, and without regard to any prohibition against double salaries contained in any other law. Under the direction of the Board and with written authorization signed by the members thereof, said manager may exercise such of the powers vested in the Board by section 6 of this Act as the Board shall determine.

42 Stat. 1488.
5 U. S. C. §§ 661–674.

Ante, p. 340.

Report to Congress.

SEC. 10. The Armory Board shall file with the Congress in January of each year a financial statement certified as to accuracy by the Auditor of the District of Columbia, a report of the activities and business at the armory during the preceding fiscal year, and recommendations to the Congress as to the future control and use of the armory.

Approved June 4, 1948.

[CHAPTER 419]

AN ACT

June 4, 1948
[H. R. 6659]
[Public Law 606]

To continue for a temporary period certain powers, authority, and discretion conferred on the President by the Second Decontrol Act of 1947, and for other purposes.

Second War Powers Act, 1942, amendment.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (b) of section 1501 of the Second War Powers Act, 1942, as amended by the Second Decontrol Act of 1947 (Public Law 188, Eightieth Congress), and as further amended by the Act of February 28, 1948 (Public Law 427, Eightieth Congress), is hereby amended by striking out "May 31, 1948" and inserting in lieu thereof "June 30, 1949".

61 Stat. 322.
50 U. S. C., Supp. I, app. § 645 (b).
Ante, p. 58.

Repeal.

Subsection (b) (1) (C) of such section 1501 is hereby repealed.

Nitrogenous fertilizer materials, etc.

Subsection (b) (1) (E) of such section 1501 is hereby amended by inserting before the semicolon at the end thereof a comma and the following: "and nitrogenous compounds (including anhydrous ammonia), in any form, necessary for the manufacture and delivery of the nitrogenous fertilizer materials required for such export: *Provided, however*, That 50 per centum of the export requirements of nitrogenous fertilizer materials to nonoccupied areas shall be supplied out of nitrogenous fertilizer materials or nitrogenous compounds (including anhydrous ammonia) produced in plants operated by or for the Department of the Army, and notwithstanding any other provision of law the Department of the Army is authorized to produce and sell such nitrogenous fertilizer materials and nitrogenous compounds (including anhydrous ammonia) to fill such 50 per centum of such export requirements". Subsection (c) of such section 1501 is hereby amended by striking out "May 31, 1948" and inserting in lieu thereof "June 30, 1949".

61 Stat. 323.
50 U. S. C., Supp. I, app. § 645 (c).
Ante, p. 58.

Effective date.

SEC. 2. The provisions of this Act shall take effect as of the close of May 31, 1948, and all regulations, orders, directives, directions, requirements, and delegations issued under title III of the Second War Powers Act, 1942, as amended, which were in effect on May 31, 1948, shall be in effect in the same manner and to the same extent as if this Act had been enacted on May 31, 1948, and any proceeding, petition, application, or appeal which was pending on May 31, 1948, under such title III, as amended, or under any regulation, order, direc-

56 Stat. 177.
50 U. S. C. app. § 633; Supp. I, § 633 note.

tive, or direction issued thereunder, shall be proceeded with and shall be effective in the same manner and to the same extent as if this Act had been enacted on May 31, 1948: *Provided*, That in any case in which such title III, as amended, or any regulation, order, directive, direction, or requirement issued thereunder, prescribes any period of time within which any act is required or permitted to be done, and such period had commenced but had not expired on May 31, 1948, such period is hereby extended for a number of days equal to the number of days from June 1, 1948, to the date of the enactment of this Act, both inclusive: *Provided further*, That no act or transaction, or omission or failure to act, occurring subsequent to May 31, 1948, and prior to the date of enactment of this Act, shall, by reason of the enactment of this Act, be deemed to be a violation of such title III, as amended, or of any regulation, order, directive, or direction issued thereunder.

56 Stat. 177.
50 U. S. C. app. § 633; Supp. I, § 633 note.

Approved June 4, 1948.

[CHAPTER 420]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To provide for the issuance of a special postage stamp series in honor of volunteer firemen.

June 4, 1948
[H. J. Res. 339]
[Public Law 607]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in honor of volunteer firemen and in commemoration of the three hundredth anniversary of the volunteer firemen service in the United States of America, the Postmaster General is hereby authorized and directed to issue as soon as practicable in 1948 a special postage stamp series of the denomination of 3 cents and of such design and for such period as he may determine.

Volunteer firemen. Commemorative stamp.

Approved June 4, 1948.

[CHAPTER 421]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To authorize the issuance of a special series of stamps commemorative of the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of Fort Kearney in the State of Nebraska.

June 4, 1948
[H. J. Res. 341]
[Public Law 608]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster General is authorized and directed to issue, during 1948, a special series of 3-cent postage stamps, of such design as he shall prescribe, in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of Fort Kearney in the State of Nebraska.

Fort Kearney, Nebr. Commemorative stamp.

Approved June 4, 1948.

[CHAPTER 422]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To authorize the issuance of a stamp commemorative of the golden anniversary of the consolidation of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Bronx, Brooklyn, Queens, and Richmond, which boroughs now comprise New York City.

June 4, 1948
[H. J. Res. 371]
[Public Law 609]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster General is authorized and directed to issue, during 1948, a special 5-cent air mail postage stamp, of such design as he shall prescribe, in commemoration of the golden anniversary of the consolidation of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Bronx, Brooklyn, Queens, and Richmond, which boroughs now comprise New York City.

Boroughs of New York City. Commemorative stamp.

Approved June 4, 1948.