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him as a result of said injuries; and (3) for compensation for loss and damage to his personal property as a result of such accident: *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.

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[CHAPTER 222]

AN ACT

June 17, 1949
[S. 189]
[Private Law 115]

Conferring jurisdiction upon the United States District Court for the District of Nebraska to hear, determine, and render judgment upon the claim of Mrs. Florence Benolken.

Mrs. Florence Benolken.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That jurisdiction is hereby conferred upon the United States District Court for the District of Nebraska to hear, determine, and render judgment upon the claim of Mrs. Florence Benolken, of Omaha, Nebraska, for compensation for any and all losses sustained by her as a result of having been advised by representatives of the War Department that she was not entitled to have her household goods shipped at Government expense from Seattle, Washington, to Omaha, Nebraska, subsequent to the death in October 1942, of her husband, Lieutenant Francis John Benolken, while serving on active duty in the Army of the United States.

SEC. 2. In the determination of such claims, the United States shall be held liable for damages, and for any negligent or wrongful acts or omissions of any of its officers or employees, to the same extent as if the United States were a private person in accordance with the law of the place where the acts or omissions occurred.

SEC. 3. Notwithstanding any statute of limitations or lapse of time, suit upon such claim may be instituted by the claimant within one year after the date of enactment of this Act. Proceedings for the determination of such claim and review thereof, and payment of any judgment thereon, shall be had as in the case of claims over which such court has jurisdiction under the provisions of paragraph "Twentieth" of section 24 of the Judicial Code, as amended.

62 Stat. 933, 996.
28 U. S. C., Supp. II, § 1346.
Ante, pp. 62, 101.

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[CHAPTER 223]

AN ACT

June 17, 1949
[H. R. 1058]
[Private Law 116]

For the relief of Frederick W. Lass.

Frederick W. Lass.

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 Frederick W. Lass, 3766½ West Fifty-fourth Street, Los Angeles, California, the sum of $114.70. Such sum represents the loss sustained by Mr. Lass on December 8, 1947, when articles of clothing were stolen while he was working as a substitute clerk for the railway mail service in the Terminal Annex Station in Los Angeles. Such loss could not have been incurred had the Post Office Department made provision for extra