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June 16, 1934 (48 Stat. 972, ch. 547 (D. C. Code 1940, sec. 47–827)), is hereby amended to read as follows:

"That all property, real and personal, belonging to or held by the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in the District of Columbia, used and occupied by that society for its purposes, so long as the same is so owned, used, and occupied, be exempt from taxation, national and municipal."

Tax exemption.

SEC. 2. The Commissioners of the District of Columbia are hereby authorized, upon written application filed within ninety days after approval of this Act, to abate any tax heretofore assessed in respect to the property exempted by the provisions of this Act.

Abatement of taxes.

Approved October 25, 1949.

[CHAPTER 710]

AN ACT

October 25, 1949
[H. R. 4749]
[Public Law 373]

To remove the requirement of residence in the District of Columbia for membership on the Commission on Mental Health.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the second sentence of the first paragraph of section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for insanity proceedings in the District of Columbia", approved June 8, 1938 (52 Stat. 625; sec. 21–308, D. C. Code, 1940 edition), is amended by striking out the words "bona fide residents of the District of Columbia who have resided in said District for a continuous period of three years immediately preceding their appointment"; and by striking "District Court of the United States" and substituting in lieu thereof "United States District Court", so that such sentence will read: "The said Commission shall be drawn from a panel of nine, who shall be appointed by the judges of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia".

Commission on Mental Health.

Ante, p. 492.

Approved October 25, 1949.

[CHAPTER 711]

AN ACT

October 25, 1949
[H. R. 5319]
[Public Law 374]

Granting a renewal of patent numbered 40,029, relating to the badge of The Holy Name Society.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a certain design patent issued by the United States Patent Office of date of June 8, 1909, being patent numbered 40,029, is hereby renewed and extended for a period of fourteen years from and after the date of expiration of Public Law 628, Seventy-fourth Congress, approved May 28, 1936, with all the rights and privileges pertaining to the same, being generally known as the badge of The Holy Name Society.

The Holy Name Society.

49 Stat. 1389.

Approved October 25, 1949.

[CHAPTER 712]

AN ACT

October 25, 1949
[H. R. 5674]
[Public Law 375]

To extend the time for the collection of tolls to amortize the cost, including reasonable interest and financing cost, of the construction of a bridge across the Missouri River at Brownville, Nebraska.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first sentence of section 18 (d) of the Act of August 30, 1935 (relating to the construction of certain bridges), as amended, is hereby amended by striking out "twenty years" and inserting in lieu thereof "thirty years".

Missouri River.
Bridge at Brownville, Nebr.
49 Stat. 1068.

Approved October 25, 1949.