

erty at Tacoma, Washington, for Indian sanatorium purposes, shall be distributed by the Secretary of the Interior, under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe, to those persons, or their heirs, whose names appear on the said roll approved on May 12, 1930, as herein modified, and section 2 of said Act of August 11, 1939, is hereby amended accordingly.

Approved, December 5, 1942.

[CHAPTER 680]

AN ACT

To accord free entry to bona fide gifts from members of the armed forces of the United States on duty abroad.

December 5, 1942
[H. R. 7792]
[Public Law 790]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe so much of any shipment as does not exceed \$50 in value shall be admitted into the United States or its Territories or possessions free of all customs duties, charges, or exactions, or internal-revenue taxes imposed upon or by reason of importation, if there is filed in connection with the entry satisfactory evidence that the articles for which free entry is claimed are bona fide gifts from a member of the armed forces of the United States on duty outside the continental limits of the United States.

Free entry of gifts
from members of U. S.
armed forces abroad.
Maximum value.

SEC. 2. This Act shall be effective with respect to articles entered for consumption or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption on or after the day following the date of its enactment and before the expiration of six months after the termination of hostilities as determined by proclamation of the President, or by concurrent resolution of the Congress.

Effective date; dura-
tion.

Approved, December 5, 1942.

[CHAPTER 690]

AN ACT

Providing for the naturalization of certain alien veterans of the World War.

December 7, 1942
[H. R. 4167]
[Public Law 791]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a new section is hereby inserted between sections 323 and 324 of the Act entitled "An Act to revise and codify the nationality laws of the United States into a comprehensive nationality code", approved October 14, 1940 (54 Stat. 1149):

Nationality Act of
1940, amendment.
Ante, p. 198.
8 U. S. C. § 724.

"Sec. 323a. A person who was a member of the military or naval forces of the United States at any time after April 5, 1917, and before November 12, 1918, or at any time after April 20, 1898, and before July 5, 1902, or who served on the Mexican Border as a member of the regular Army or National Guard from June 1916, to April 1917, who is not an alien ineligible to citizenship, who was not at any time during such period or thereafter separated from such forces under other than honorable conditions, who was not a conscientious objector who performed no military duty whatever or refused to wear the uniform, and who was not at any time during such period or thereafter discharged from the military or naval forces on account of his alienage, shall, if he has resided in the United States continuously for at least two years pursuant to a legal admission for permanent residence in lieu of the usual five years' residence within the United States and six months' residence within the State of his residence at the time of filing the petition for naturalization, during all of which

Naturalization of
certain alien veterans.

Exemption from designated requirements.

two-year period he has behaved as a person of good moral character, be entitled at any time within one year after the date of approval of this Act to naturalization upon compliance with all of the requirements of the naturalization laws, except that—

“(1) no declaration of intention shall be required;

“(2) no certificate of arrival shall be required unless such person's admission to the United States was subsequent to March 3, 1924; and

“(3) no residence within the jurisdiction of the court shall be required.

Verification of petition.

“Such petitioner shall verify his petition for naturalization by the affidavits of at least two credible witnesses who are citizens of the United States, or shall furnish the depositions of two such witnesses made in accordance with the requirements of subsection (e) of section 327 of the Nationality Act of 1940, to prove the required residence, good moral character, attachment to the principles of the Constitution of the United States, and favorable disposition toward the good order and happiness of the United States. On applications filed for any benefits under this Act, the requirement of fees for naturalization documents is hereby waived.”

54 Stat. 1151.
8 U. S. C. § 727 (e).

Waiver of fees.

Approved, December 7, 1942.

[CHAPTER 691]

AN ACT

To authorize the exchange of certain lands in Minnesota.

December 7, 1942
[H. R. 4465]
[Public Law 792]

Minnesota.
Exchange of lands.

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 authorized to accept, on behalf of the United States, title to any lands owned by the State of Minnesota which are contiguous to or situated within the exterior boundaries of any national park or other Federal reservation under his jurisdiction, in exchange for any lands of equal value owned by the United States in the State of Minnesota, under the jurisdiction of either the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture, and which are desired by such State.

State lands contiguous to or within Federal reservations.

50 Stat. 525.
7 U. S. C. §§ 1010-1012.
Ante, p. 725.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to accept, on behalf of the United States, title to any lands owned by the State of Minnesota which are contiguous to or situated within the exterior boundaries of any national forest, land-use project under title III of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, or other Federal reservation under his jurisdiction, in exchange for any lands of equal value owned by the United States in the State of Minnesota which are under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Agriculture and where authority to convey title to such lands on behalf of the United States otherwise is vested by statute in the said Secretary of Agriculture; and the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to accept, on behalf of the United States, title to any lands owned by the State of Minnesota which are contiguous to or situated within the exterior boundaries of any national forest, land-use project under title III of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, or other Federal reservation under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Agriculture, in exchange for any surveyed public lands, unappropriated, and unreserved except for Executive Order Numbered 6964, dated February 5, 1935, or public domain in national forests, of equal value owned by the United States, where authority to convey title to such lands on behalf of the United States otherwise is vested by statute in the Secretary of the Interior; the