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evidences of indebtedness covered by the plan, whether such partial completion or execution of such plan of composition occurred before or after the filing of said petition, shall not be construed as limiting or prohibiting the effect of this title, and the written consent of the holders of any securities outstanding as the result of any such partial completion or execution of any plan of composition shall be included as consenting creditors to such plan of composition in determining the percentage of securities affected by such plan of composition."

Repeal.
50 Stat. 659; 54 Stat. 670; 56 Stat. 377.
11 U. S. C., Supp. V, § 404.

SEC. 2. Section 84 of chapter IX of the Act entitled "An Act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States", approved July 1, 1898, as amended by the Acts of August 16, 1937, June 28, 1940, and June 22, 1942, is hereby repealed.

Approved July 1, 1946.

[CHAPTER 533]

AN ACT

July 2, 1946
[H. R. 2543]
[Public Law 482]

To require weekly newspapers enjoying mailing privileges to make sworn statements with respect to their circulation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the second paragraph of section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and thirteen, and for other purposes", approved August 24, 1912, as amended (U. S. C., 1940 edition, title 39, secs. 233–234), is amended by inserting after "daily" the words "and weekly", "semiweekly", and "triweekly".

37 Stat. 553.

Approved July 2, 1946.

[CHAPTER 534]

AN ACT

July 2, 1946
[H. R. 3517]
[Public Law 483]

To authorize the admission into the United States of persons of races indigenous to India, and persons of races indigenous to the Philippine Islands, to make them racially eligible for naturalization, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 303 of the Nationality Act of 1940, as amended (54 Stat. 1140; 57 Stat. 601; 8 U. S. C., Supp. 703), be amended to read as follows:

Nationality Act of 1940, amendments.

Eligibility for naturalization.

"SEC. 303 (a) The right to become a naturalized citizen under the provisions of this Act shall extend only to—

"(1) white persons, persons of African nativity or descent, and persons who are descendants of races indigenous to the continents of North or South America or adjacent islands and Filipino persons or persons of Filipino descent;

"(2) persons who possess, either singly or in combination, a preponderance of blood of one or more of the classes specified in clause (1);

"(3) Chinese persons and persons of Chinese descent, and persons of races indigenous to India; and

"(4) persons who possess, either singly or in combination, a preponderance of blood of one or more of the classes specified in clause (3) or, either singly or in combination, as much as one-half blood of those classes and some additional blood of one of the classes specified in clause (1).

"(b) Nothing in the preceding subsection shall prevent the naturalization of former citizens of the United States who are otherwise eligible to naturalization under the provisions of section 317."

54 Stat. 1146.
8 U. S. C. § 717.

SEC. 2. The Nationality Act of 1940 (54 Stat. 1137; 8 U. S. C. 907) is hereby amended by adding a new section, to be known as "SEC. 321A", and to read as follows:

8 U. S. C., Supp. V, § 701 *et seq.*
Post, p. 865.

"SEC. 321A. Certificates of arrival or declarations of intention shall not be required of Filipino persons or persons of Filipino descent who are citizens of the Commonwealth of the Philippines on the date of the enactment of this section, and who entered the United States prior to May 1, 1934, and have since continuously resided in the United States. The term 'Filipino persons or person of Filipino descent' as used in this Act shall mean persons of a race indigenous to the Philippine Islands and shall not include persons who are of as much as one-half of a race ineligible to citizenship."

Certificates of arrival, etc. Filipinos.

"Filipino persons or person of Filipino descent."

SEC. 3. Section 324 (a) (54 Stat. 1149; 8 U. S. C. 724) of such Act, as amended is amended by striking out after the word "person" the words "including a native-born Filipino".

SEC. 4. With the exception of those covered by subsections (b), (d), (e), and (f) of section 4, Immigration Act of 1924 (43 Stat. 155; 44 Stat. 812; 45 Stat. 1009; 46 Stat. 854; 47 Stat. 656; 8 U. S. C. 204), all persons of races indigenous to India entering the United States annually as immigrants shall be allocated to the quota for India computed under the provisions of section 11 of the said Act. A preference up to 75 per centum of the quota shall be given to Indians and other aliens racially eligible to naturalization, born and resident in India or its dependencies.

Races indigenous to India.

43 Stat. 159.
8 U. S. C. § 211; Supp. V, § 211 note.

SEC. 5. (a) For the purposes of section 2 of this Act, the term "persons of races indigenous to India" shall mean any person who is as much as one-half of the blood of a race indigenous to India and who is eligible to naturalization under section 303 of the Nationality Act of 1940, as amended by section 1 of this Act.

"Persons of races indigenous to India."

(b) For the purposes of section 2 of the Act of December 17, 1943 (57 Stat. 601; 8 U. S. C., Supp. 703), the term "Chinese person" shall mean any person who is as much as one-half Chinese blood and who is eligible to naturalization under section 303 of the Nationality Act of 1940, as amended by section 1 of this Act.

"Chinese person."

8 U. S. C., Supp. V, § 212a.
Post, p. 975.

(c) Notwithstanding the two preceding subsections, any quota immigrant who is of one-half Chinese blood and one-half the blood of a race indigenous to India shall, if born in India, be chargeable to the quota for India; if born in China, to the quota for the Chinese, or if born in neither of those countries, to whichever of the said quotas has the least applications for visas against it at the time the application for visa is made.

Chargeable quotas.

Approved July 2, 1946.

[CHAPTER 535]

AN ACT

To excuse employees of the Government from work on July 5, 1946.

July 2, 1946
[S. 2335]
[Public Law 484]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwithstanding the provisions of any other Act, employees of the executive branch of the Government, employees of the District of Columbia municipal government, employees of the legislative branch whose basic workweek is fixed in accordance with section 604 (a) of the Federal Employees Pay Act of 1945, employees of the Government Printing Office, and employees of the judicial branch who occupy positions subject to the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, may, in the discretion of the heads of their respective departments, establishments, and agencies, be excused from duty on July 5, 1946. The absence on

59 Stat. 303.
5 U. S. C., Supp. V, § 944.

42 Stat. 1488.
5 U. S. C. § 661; Supp. V, § 661 *et seq.*
Ante, pp. 216, 219.