

No increase in one year if employed in another department, etc.

Provisos.
Emergency Fleet Corporation included.
Transfer restrictions not repealed.
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Increased pay allowed piecework employees.
Computation of allowance.

Proviso.
Not applicable to annual per diem employees.

Double salary restriction.
District of Columbia night and vacation schools not affected.
Vol. 39, pp. 120, 582.

And no civil employee in any of the executive departments or other Government establishments or who has been employed therein within the period of one year next preceding his proposed employment in any other executive department or other Government establishment and who may be employed in another executive department or other Government establishment shall be granted an increase in compensation within the period of one year following such reemployment: *Provided*, That the United States Shipping Board Emergency Fleet Corporation shall be considered a Government establishment for the purposes of this section: *Provided further*, That this section shall not be construed to repeal section five of the Act of June twenty-second, nineteen hundred and six, which prohibits the transfer of employees from one department to another.

SEC. 8. That in determining the right of employees to increased compensation as heretofore authorized by law at rates of five and ten per centum per annum for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and eighteen, such employees as are employed on piecework, by the hour, or at per diem rates, shall be entitled to receive, from July first, nineteen hundred and seventeen, to June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eighteen, inclusive, the increased compensation at the rate of ten per centum when the fixed rate of compensation at the regular working hours and on the basis of three hundred and twelve days in said year would amount to less than \$1,200, and at the rate of five per centum when not less than \$1,200 and not more than \$1,800: *Provided*, That this method of computation shall not apply to any per diem employees regularly paid a per diem for every day in the year.

SEC. 9. That section six of the legislative, executive, and judicial appropriation Act, approved May tenth, nineteen hundred and sixteen, as amended by the naval appropriation Act, approved August twenty-ninth, nineteen hundred and sixteen, shall not apply to teachers in the public schools of the District of Columbia who are also employed as teachers of night schools and vacation schools.

Approved, October 6, 1917.

October 6, 1917.
[S. 2233.]

[Public, No. 65.]

CHAP. 80.—An Act For the establishment of Northgate, in the State of North Dakota, as a port of entry for immediate transportation without appraisement of dutiable merchandise.

Customs.
Northgate, S. Dak., granted immediate transportation privileges.
Vol. 21, p. 173.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the privileges of the first section of the Act approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and eighty, governing the immediate transportation of dutiable merchandise without appraisement, be, and are hereby, extended to the port of Northgate, in the State of North Dakota.

Approved, October 6, 1917.

October 6, 1917.
[S. 2833.]

[Public, No. 66.]

CHAP. 81.—An Act Making further provision for the allotment of pay of officers, enlisted men, and civilian employees of the Army, and for other purposes.

Army.
Vol. 30, p. 981, amended.

Vol. 31, p. 896.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section sixteen of the Act of Congress approved March second, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, entitled "An Act for increasing the efficiency of the Army of the United States, and for other purposes," as amended by

the Act of March second, nineteen hundred and one, be, and the same is hereby, amended as follows:

“The Secretary of War is hereby authorized to permit, under such regulations as he may prescribe, any officer or enlisted man on the active list of the Army, any retired officer or enlisted man of the Army on active duty, and any permanent civilian employee under the jurisdiction of the War Department on duty outside of the continental limits of the United States, to make allotments of his pay for the support of his wife, children, or dependent relatives, or for such other purposes as the Secretary of War may deem proper. All allotments of pay of officers, enlisted men, and civilian employees that have been or shall be paid to designated allottees previous to the receipt by disbursing officer of notice of discontinuance of the same from the officer required by regulations to furnish such notice shall pass to the credit of the disbursing officer who has made or shall make such payments; and, if erroneous payment is made because of the failure of an officer to report, in the manner prescribed by the Secretary of War, the death of the grantor, or any fact which renders the allotment not payable, then the amount of such erroneous payment shall be collected by the Quartermaster General from the officer who fails to make such report, if such collection is practicable. Nothing herein shall be construed to invalidate allotments now in force.”

Allotment of pay. Extended to officers and enlisted men on active duty and civilians in military service abroad.

Credit allowed for payments to designated allottees prior to notice of discontinuance.

Collection of erroneous payments.

Existing allotments valid.

Approved, October 6, 1917.

CHAP. 82.—An Act To authorize the construction, maintenance, and operation of a bridge across Little River, in Poinsett County, Arkansas, at or near the section line between sections thirty-five and thirty-six, township eleven north, range six east.

October 6, 1917.
[S. 2938.]

[Public, No. 67.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Poinsett County, Arkansas, is hereby authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across Little River, a tributary to Saint Francis River, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near the section line between sections thirty-five and thirty-six, township eleven north, range six east, fifth principal meridian, in Poinsett County, in the State of Arkansas, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled “An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters,” approved March twenty-third, nineteen hundred and six.

Little River, Poinsett County, Ark., may bridge.

Location.

Construction.
Vol. 34, p. 84.

Amendment.

SEC. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, October 6, 1917.

CHAP. 83.—An Act To prohibit the manufacture, distribution, storage, use, and possession in time of war of explosives, providing regulations for the safe manufacture, distribution, storage, use, and possession of the same, and for other purposes.

October 6, 1917.
[H. R. 3332.]

[Public, No. 68.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That when the United States is at war it shall be unlawful to manufacture, distribute, store, use, or possess powder, explosives, blasting supplies, or ingredients thereof, in such manner as to be detrimental to the public safety, except as in this Act provided.

Explosives. Manufacture, etc., restricted in time of war. Post, p. 1711.

SEC. 2. That the words “explosive” and “explosives” when used herein shall mean gunpowders, powders used for blasting, all forms of high explosives, blasting materials, fuses, detonators, and other detonating agents, smokeless powders, and any chemical compound or me-

“Explosive” and “explosives.” Articles included as.