48 Stat. 1297.

Description.

to the county of Los Angeles, State of California, all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to a certain portion of the tract of land conditionally granted to the county of Los Angeles, State of California, under the Act entitled "An Act to convey certain land in the county of Los Angeles, State of California", approved March 24, 1933, as amended, such portion being more particularly described as follows:

"All that certain lot 4 of tract numbered 2409, as shown on the map recorded in Book 23 of Maps, at page 23, in the office of the recorder of the county of Los Angeles, State of California."

Approved July 1, 1944.

[CHAPTER 366]

AN ACT To amend section 42 of title 7 of the Canal Zone Code.

July 1, 1944 [H. R. 3646]

[Public Law 403]

Canal Zone Code, amendment. 48 U. S. C. § 1353.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection "a" of section 42 of title 7 of the Canal Zone Code be, and it is hereby, amended to read as follows:

"a. be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and con-

sent of the Senate, for terms of eight years each."

Approved July 1, 1944.

[CHAPTER 367]

AN ACT

July 1, 1944 [H. R. 4041] [Public Law 404]

To amend the Act relating to the construction and maintenance of a bridge across the Missouri River at or near Nebraska City, Nebraska.

Missouri River. Bridge at Nebraska City, Nebr.

45 Stat. 445. Tolls under State, etc., operation.

Maintenance as free bridge.

Record of expendi-tures and receipts.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 5 of the Act entitled "An Act authorizing the Interstate Bridge Company, its successors and assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Missouri River at or near Nebraska City, Nebraska", approved April 23, 1928, is hereby amended to read as follows:
"Sec. 5. If such bridge shall at any time be taken over or acquired

by the States or public agencies or political subdivisions thereof, or by either of them, as provided in section 4 of this Act, and if tolls are thereafter charged for the use thereof, the rates of toll shall be so adjusted as to provide a fund sufficient to pay for the reasonable cost of maintaining, repairing, and operating the bridge and its approaches under economical management, and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to amortize the amount paid therefor, including reasonable interest and financing cost, as soon as possible under reasonable charges, but within a period of not to exceed twenty years from the date of acquiring the same. After a sinking fund sufficient for such amortization shall have been so provided the bridge shall thereafter be maintained and operated free of tolls. An accurate record of the amount paid for acquiring the bridge and its approaches, the actual expenditures for maintaining, repairing, and operating the same, and of the daily tolls collected, shall be kept and shall be available for the information of all persons interested.

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

Approved July 1, 1944.

[CHAPTER 368]

## AN ACT

To provide for loss of United States nationality under certain circumstances.

July 1, 1944 [H. R. 4103] [Public Law 405]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 401 of the Nationality Act of 1940 (54 Stat. 1168; 8 U. S. C. 801) is amended by substituting a semicolon for the period after the last word in subsection (h) of such section, adding the word "or" to the said subsection, and adding a new subsection to be known as subsection (i) and to read as follows:

Nationality Act of 1940, amendments.

Ante, p. 4; post, p. 746.

"(i) making in the United States a formal written renunciation of nationality in such form as may be prescribed by, and before such officer as may be designated by, the Attorney General, whenever the United States shall be in a state of war and the Attorney General shall approve such renunciation as not contrary to the interests of national defense."

Renunciation in time of war.

SEC. 2. Section 403 (a) of the Nationality Act of 1940 (54 Stat. 1169-1170; 8 U. S. C. 803) is amended by substituting a comma for the word "and" as it appears between the parenthetical (g) and (h) and adding the following after the parenthetical (h):", and (i)".

Approved July 1, 1944.

[CHAPTER 369]

## AN ACT

To extend to the custodial-service employees of the Post Office Department certain benefits applicable to postal employees.

July 1, 1944 [H. R. 4215] [Public Law 406]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all officers and employees (other than charmen and charwomen working part time) of the custodial service of the Post Office Department shall, at the end of each year's satisfactory service, be promoted, at the beginning of the first quarter following the completion of such year's service, to the compensation rate next higher than that of which he is then in receipt until the maximum rate of compensation for the grade to which his position is allocated is reached.

Post Office Department.
Custodial-service employees.

Promotion.

Sec. 2. The sixth paragraph of section 6 of the Act entitled "An Act reclassifying the salaries of postmasters and employees of the Postal Service, readjusting their salaries and compensation on an equitable basis, increasing postal rates to provide for such readjustment, and for other purposes", approved February 28, 1925, as amended (U. S. C., 1940 edition, title 39, sec. 116, sixth paragraph), is amended to read as follows:

"Dispatchers, mechanics-in-charge, special mechanics, general

Postal Service.

43 Stat. 1061.

mechanics, mechanics' helpers, driver-mechanics, and garagemendrivers in the Motor Vehicle Service, employees of the pneumatic-tube system, and employees of the custodial service, shall be required to work not more than eight hours a day. The eight hours of service shall not extend over a longer period than ten consecutive hours, and the schedules of duties of the employees shall be regulated accordingly. In cases of emergency, or if the needs of the service require, special clerks, clerks, dispatchers, mechanics-in-charge, special mechanics, general mechanics, mechanics' helpers, driver-mechanics, and garagemen-drivers in the Motor Vehicle Service, employees of the pneumatic-tube system, and employees of the custodial service, can be required to work in excess of eight hours per day, and for such over-

time service they shall be paid on the basis of the annual pay received by such employees. In computing the compensation for such overtime

Hours of work of designated employees.

Emergencies.

Pay for overtime service.