

to law with the Marine Corps, or signed by an officer designated by any of them, respectively, for the purpose, shall when produced be prima facie evidence as to any of the following facts stated in such certificate:

That a person named has not been, or is, or has been in military service; the time when and the place where such person entered military service, his residence at that time, and the rank, branch, and unit of such service that he entered, the dates within which he was in military service, the monthly pay received by such person at the date of issuing the certificate, the time when and place where such person died in or was discharged from such service.

Prima facie evidence of specified facts.

It shall be the duty of the foregoing officers to furnish such certificate on application, and any such certificate when purporting to be signed by any one of such officers or by any person purporting upon the face of the certificate to have been so authorized shall be prima facie evidence of its contents and of the authority of the signer to issue the same.

Certificates on application.

(2) Where a person in military service has been reported missing he shall be presumed to continue in the service until accounted for, and no period herein limited which begins or ends with the death of such person shall begin or end until the death of such person is in fact reported to or found by the Department of War or Navy, or any court or board thereof, or until such death is found by a court of competent jurisdiction: *Provided*, That no period herein limited which begins or ends with the death of such person shall be extended hereby beyond a period of six months after the termination of the war.

Presumption as to persons reported missing.

Proof of death.

Proviso.
Limitation.

SEC. 602. That any interlocutory order made by any court under the provisions of this Act may, upon the court's own motion or otherwise, be revoked, modified, or extended by it upon such notice to the parties affected as it may require.

Action of court on interlocutory orders.

SEC. 603. That this Act shall remain in force until the termination of the war, and for six months thereafter: *Provided*, That wherever under any section or provision of this Act a proceeding, remedy, privilege, stay, limitation, accounting, or other transaction has been authorized or provided, the due exercise or enjoyment of which may extend beyond the period herein fixed for the termination of this Act, such section or provision shall be deemed to continue in full force and effect so long as may be necessary to the exercise or enjoyment of the proceeding, remedy, privilege, stay, limitation, accounting, or transaction aforesaid.

Termination of Act.
Proviso.
Continuance of authorized transactions, etc.

SEC. 604. That this Act may be cited as the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act.

Title.

Approved, March 8, 1918.

CHAP. 21.—Joint Resolution Providing additional time for the payment of purchase money under homestead entries within the former Colville Indian Reservation, Washington.

March 11, 1918.
[S. J. Res. 92.]

[Pub. Res., No. 23.]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to extend for a period of not longer than one year the time for the payment of any annual installment due, or hereafter to become due, on the purchase price for lands sold under the Act of Congress approved March twenty-second, nineteen hundred and six (Thirty-fourth Statutes, page eighty), entitled "An Act to authorize the sale and disposition of surplus or unallotted lands of the diminished Colville Indian Reservation, in the State of Washington, and for other purposes": *Provided*, That the last payment

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and all other payments must be made within a period not exceeding one year after the payment becomes due, by the terms of the Act under which the entry was made: *Provided further*, That any and all payments must be made when due, unless the entryman applies for an extension and pays interest for one year in advance at five per centum per annum upon the amount due as herein provided, and patent shall be withheld until full and final payment of the purchase price is made in accordance with the provisions hereof: *And provided further*, That failure to make any payment that may be due, unless the same be extended, as herein provided, shall forfeit the entry, and the same shall be canceled, and any and all payments theretofore made shall be forfeited.

Approved, March 11, 1918.

March 13, 1918.
[H. R. 7998.]

[Public, No. 104.]

Fox River.
East and West Dundee, Ill., may bridge.

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Amendment.

CHAP. 22.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the village of East Dundee and the village of West Dundee to construct a bridge across the Fox River.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to the village of East Dundee and the village of West Dundee, in the county of Kane, in the State of Illinois, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Fox River from Main Street in East Dundee to Main Street in West Dundee, in the county of Kane, in the State of Illinois, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March twenty-three, nineteen hundred and six.

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

Approved, March 13, 1918.

March 16, 1918.
[S. 3471.]

[Public, No. 105.]

Army.
Furloughs without pay, etc., allowed enlisted men for civil work during the war.

Proviso.
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CHAP. 23.—An Act To authorize the Secretary of War to grant furloughs without pay and allowances to enlisted men of the Army of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, whenever during the continuance of the present war in the opinion of the Secretary of War the interests of the service or the national security and defense render it necessary or desirable, the Secretary of War be, and he hereby is, authorized to grant furloughs to enlisted men of the Army of the United States with or without pay and allowances or with partial pay and allowances, and, for such periods as he may designate, to permit said enlisted men to engage in civil occupations and pursuits: *Provided*, That such furloughs shall be granted only upon the voluntary application of such enlisted men under regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of War.

Approved, March 16, 1918.

March 19, 1918.
[S. 1854.]

[Public, No. 106.]

Daylight saving.
Standard time for territorial zones.

CHAP. 24.—An Act To save daylight and to provide standard time for the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, for the purpose of establishing the standard time of the United States, the territory of continental United States shall be divided into five zones in the manner hereinafter provided. The standard time of the first zone