

the annual salary or compensation for such employees shall be divided by three hundred and six, the number of working days in the year less all Sundays and legal holidays enumerated in the Act of July 28, 1916; the quotient thus obtained will be the daily compensation which divided by eight will give the hourly compensation for such overtime service. When the needs of the service require the employment on Sundays and holidays of route supervisors, 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, they shall be allowed compensatory time on one day within six days next succeeding the Sunday, except the last three Sundays in the calendar year, and on one day within thirty days next succeeding the holiday and the last three Sundays in the year on which service is performed: *Provided, however,* That the Postmaster General may, if the exigencies of the service require it, authorize the payment of overtime in lieu of compensatory time for service on Sundays and holidays: *Provided further,* That the provisions of the foregoing provisos shall apply to employees of the custodial service during the period of the emergency and for six months thereafter."

SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS.

COMPENSATORY TIME.

PAYMENT OF OVERTIME.

NIGHT WORK.

45 STAT. 725.

SEC. 3. The Act entitled "An Act to provide a differential in pay for night work in the Postal Service", enacted May 24, 1928, as amended (U. S. C., 1940 edition, title 39, sec. 828), is amended by striking out the words "motor-vehicle and pneumatic-tube services", and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "motor-vehicle, pneumatic-tube, and custodial services".

SEC. 4. This Act shall not be applied so as to reduce the compensation or grade of any employee.

Approved July 1, 1944.

[CHAPTER 370]

AN ACT

July 1, 1944
[H. R. 4348]
[Public Law 407]

To amend the Act approved August 18, 1942, entitled "An Act to facilitate the disposition of prizes captured by the United States during the present war, and for other purposes".

Prizes captured by
U. S. during war.

50 U. S. C., Supp.
III, app. § 821.
Court jurisdiction.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 of the Act entitled "An Act to facilitate the disposition of prizes captured by the United States during the present war, and for other purposes", approved August 18, 1942 (56 Stat. 746, 50 App. U. S. C. 821 ff), is amended to read as follows: "That the district courts shall have original jurisdiction of all prizes captured during war if said capture was made by authority of the United States or was adopted and ratified by the President of the United States and the prize was brought into the territorial waters of a cobelligerent or was taken or appropriated for the use of the United States, including jurisdiction of all proceedings for the condemnation of such property taken as prize".

56 Stat. 746.
50 U. S. C., Supp.
III, app. § 824.

Adjudication with-
out appraisal, etc.

SEC. 2. That section 4 of such Act is amended by striking out the period at the end of said section and by inserting in lieu thereof a colon and by adding immediately thereafter the following: "*Provided,* That notwithstanding any other provision of law, if the seized property is taken or appropriated for the use of the United States whether before or after it comes into the custody of the prize court, the prize court is hereby authorized to proceed to adjudication on the basis of an inventory and survey and an appropriate undertaking

by the United States to respond for the value of such property without the necessity for either an appraisal or the deposit of the value of the prize with the Treasurer of the United States or any other public depository”.

SEC. 3. That the title of such Act is amended by striking out the words “the present” therein so that the title, as amended, shall read “An Act to facilitate the disposition of prizes captured by the United States during war, and for other purposes”.

Approved July 1, 1944.

Amendment of title.

[CHAPTER 371]

AN ACT

To amend the Act approved March 7, 1942 (56 Stat. 143), as amended (56 Stat. 1092; 50 App. U. S. C., Supp. III, 1001-1017 inclusive), so as to more specifically provide for pay, allotments, and administration pertaining to war casualties, and for other purposes.

July 1, 1944
[H. R. 4405]
[Public Law 408]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act entitled “An Act to provide for continuing payment of pay and allowances of personnel of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard, including the retired and Reserve components thereof; the Coast and Geodetic Survey and the Public Health Service, and civilian employees of the executive departments, independent establishments, and agencies, during periods of absence from post of duty, and for other purposes”, approved March 7, 1942 (56 Stat. 143), as amended December 24, 1942 (56 Stat. 1092; 50 App. U. S. C., Supp. III, 1001-1017, inclusive) is amended by changing subsection (a) (3) of section 1, thereof to read as follows: “(3) civilian officers and employees of departments during such time as they may be assigned for duty or serving outside the continental limits of the United States or in Alaska, exclusive of part-time or intermittent employees or native labor casually hired on an hourly or per diem basis;” and by changing subsection (c) of section 1 thereof to read as follows:

Missing Persons Act, amendments.

50 U. S. C., Supp. III, app. §§ 1001-1017.

Civilian officers and employees outside U. S.

“(c) the term ‘dependent’ as used in this Act includes a lawful wife, unmarried child under twenty-one years of age. It includes also a dependent mother, father, or unmarried dependent stepchild or adopted child under twenty-one years of age, or such dependent as has been designated in official records, or an individual determined to be dependent by the head of the department concerned, or subordinate designated by him;”

“Dependent.”

SEC. 2. That section 2 of such Act is amended to read as follows:

56 Stat. 144.

“SEC. 2. Any person who is in active service and who is officially determined to be absent in a status of missing, missing in action, interned in a neutral country, captured by an enemy, beleaguered or besieged shall, for the period he is officially carried or determined to be in any such status, be entitled to receive or to have credited to his account the same pay and allowances to which he was entitled at the beginning of such period of absence or may become entitled thereafter, and entitlement to pay and allowances shall terminate upon the date of receipt by the department concerned of evidence that the person is dead or upon the date of death prescribed or determined under provisions of section 5 of this Act: *Provided*, That such entitlement to pay and allowances shall not terminate upon expiration of term of service during absence and in case of death during absence shall not terminate earlier than the dates herein prescribed: *Provided further*, That there shall be no entitlement to pay and allowances for any period during which such person may

Persons determined missing, captured, etc. Pay and allowances.

56 Stat. 145.
Expiration of term of service; death.

Absence without authority.