

for actual attendance on days when the court is in session or the judge or a jury is present. In case the position of crier or bailiff is to be filled by the appointment of a person who has not previously served as either crier or bailiff, preference in the appointment shall be given to a person who has served in the military or naval forces of the United States in time of war and who has been honorably discharged therefrom, if in the opinion of the appointing officer such person is as well qualified as any other available person to perform to the satisfaction of the appointing officer all the duties of the position being filled."

SEC. 2. That section 715 of the Revised Statutes is hereby repealed.

Approved December 7, 1944.

Military or naval preference.

28 U. S. C. § 595.

[CHAPTER 523]

AN ACT

To increase the service-connected disability rates of pension for certain Regular Establishment veterans and veterans of wars prior to World War I.

December 7, 1944
[H. R. 4999]
[Public Law 469]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the monthly rates of pension for service-connected disability, exclusive of special awards and allowances fixed by law, payable under laws administered by the Veterans' Administration to veterans not included in section 1 of Public Law Numbered 312, Seventy-eighth Congress, approved May 27, 1944, are hereby increased by 15 per centum, effective as of the first day of June 1944.

Service-connected disability rates of pension.

Ante, p. 229.

Approved December 7, 1944.

[CHAPTER 524]

AN ACT

To transfer jurisdiction over the Chattanooga National Cemetery, Chattanooga, Tennessee, from the Department of the Interior to the War Department, and for other purposes.

December 7, 1944
[H. R. 5232]
[Public Law 470]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Chattanooga National Cemetery, Chattanooga, Tennessee, is hereby transferred from the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior to the jurisdiction of the Secretary of War for administration in accordance with the laws and regulations applicable to national cemeteries administered by the War Department.

Chattanooga National Cemetery, Tenn.
Transfer of jurisdiction.

The unexpended balance of any funds available for administration of the Chattanooga National Cemetery, as determined by the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, shall be transferred to the Secretary of War, and may be expended hereafter by him for the same purposes for which such funds were made available.

Transfer of funds.

Approved December 7, 1944.

[CHAPTER 546]

AN ACT

To grant pensions to certain unremarried dependent widows of Civil War veterans who were married to the veteran subsequent to June 26, 1905.

December 8, 1944
[H. R. 86]
[Public Law 471]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the dependent unremarried widow of a Civil War veteran who is barred from the receipt of pension because her marriage to the veteran occurred subsequent to June 26, 1905, but who is otherwise entitled to such pension either under the Act of May 1, 1920 (41 Stat. 585), or under the

Pensions. Unremarried dependent widows of Civil War veterans.

38 U. S. C. § 288.