

authorized to be appropriated a sufficient sum to cover the cost of transportation and pullman accommodations for the leaders and members of the Marine Band, and allowance not to exceed \$6 per day each for additional traveling and living expenses while on duty, such allowances to be in addition to the pay and allowance to which they would be entitled while serving their permanent station.

Approved June 30, 1947.

[CHAPTER 181]

AN ACT

Providing for the suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the Territory of Alaska.

June 30, 1947
[H. R. 2369]
[Public Law 142]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provision of section 2324 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, which requires on each mining claim located, and until a patent has been issued therefor, not less than \$100 worth of labor to be performed or improvements aggregating such amount to be made each year, be, and the same is hereby, suspended as to all mining claims in the Territory of Alaska, until the hour of 12 o'clock meridian on the 1st day of July 1948: *Provided,* That every claimant of any such mining claim in order to obtain the benefits of this Act shall file, or cause to be filed, in the office where the location notice or certificate is recorded, on or before 12 o'clock meridian of July 1, 1948, a notice of his desire to hold said mining claim under this Act.

30 U. S. C. § 28.

Approved June 30, 1947.

[CHAPTER 182]

AN ACT

To amend the Bankruptcy Act with respect to qualifications of part-time referees in bankruptcy.

June 30, 1947
[H. R. 3789]
[Public Law 143]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proviso to clause (2) of section 35 of the Act of July 1, 1898, entitled "An Act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States", as amended, is amended by inserting after "notaries public," the following new language: "retired officers and retired enlisted personnel of the Regular and Reserve components of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard, members of the Reserve components of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard, members of the National Guard of the United States and of the National Guard of a State, Territory, or the District of Columbia, except the National Guard disbursing officers who are on a full time salary basis,"

Bankruptcy Act of
1898, amendment.

30 Stat. 555.
11 U. S. C. § 63.

Approved June 30, 1947.

[CHAPTER 183]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To provide for permanent rates of postage on mail matter of the first class, and for other purposes.

June 30, 1947
[H. J. Res. 221]
[Public Law 144]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the rate of postage on all mail matter of the first class (except postal cards and private mailing or post cards) shall be 3 cents for each ounce or fraction thereof: *Provided,* That drop letters shall be charged at the rate of 1 cent for each ounce or fraction thereof when mailed for local delivery at post offices where free delivery by carrier is not established and

Postage rates.