

of the Interior shall decree that there shall be paid to the attorney or attorneys employed therein by said plaintiff under contracts negotiated or entered into as provided by existing law, such fees as, based upon a quantum meruit, it or he shall find reasonable. In no case shall the fees decreed by said Court of Claims and/or by the Secretary of the Interior be in excess of the amount stipulated in the contracts approved by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Secretary of the Interior, and in no event to exceed 10 per centum of the amount of the recovery, and shall be paid upon money being appropriated for the benefit of any bands of Ute Indians pursuant to any judgment or settlement hereunder whether distributable thereto or not. In determining the amount of fees payable to the attorney or attorneys the Court of Claims, or the Secretary of the Interior, as the case may be, shall consider all services rendered by such attorney or attorneys, including services rendered before the Members and committees of Congress, any department or commission of the Government, and the courts. The actual expenses of said attorney or attorneys heretofore or hereafter incurred or expended in prosecuting any suit, cause, or action instituted under this Act shall be paid as provided in the contracts approved by the Secretary of the Interior under which such suit, cause, or action is instituted and the tribal funds of the Ute Indians represented in such suit, cause, or action are hereby made available for expenditure for that purpose."

Approved June 11, 1946.

[CHAPTER 379]

AN ACT

Authorizing the Secretary of War to lend certain property of the War Department to national veterans' organizations for use at State and national conventions.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of War is authorized to lend, at his discretion and under conditions which he may prescribe, to any recognized national veterans' organization such cots, blankets, pillows, mattresses, bed sacks, unoccupied barracks of the Army, and other available articles or equipment under his jurisdiction as may be needed by such veterans' organization for use at any of its national or State conventions.

SEC. 2. Such property may be delivered upon such terms and at such time prior to any such convention as may be agreed upon by the Secretary of War and the representatives of such veterans' organization, except that no expense shall be incurred by the United States in the delivery and return of any such property.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of War shall take from each veterans' organization to which property is lent pursuant to the provisions of this Act, a good and sufficient bond for the return of such property in good condition.

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[CHAPTER 390]

AN ACT

To authorize the exchange of certain land at the Benicia Arsenal, California.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized under such terms and conditions as he may prescribe, to convey to the Southern Pacific Railroad Company for right-of-way purposes a perpetual easement over, across, and upon a portion of the Benicia Arsenal, California, comprising

Restrictions.

Determination of amount.

Veterans' conventions. Use of Army equipment.

Terms.

Bond.

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Benicia Arsenal, Calif. Conveyance.

June 12, 1946  
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