

## [CHAPTER 358]

## AN ACT

July 25, 1949  
[S. 937]  
[Public Law 182]

To authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to effect the payment of certain claims against the United States.

Claims against U. S.  
Payment author-  
ized.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sum as may be necessary to effect full and final settlement of the following claims against the United States:

J. D. Wiggins.

(a) Claim of the Government of Great Britain in the sum of £3,000 (\$12,097.50) on behalf of the parents of the late J. D. Wiggins of the British vessel *Sambre*, arising out of the death of the latter as a consequence of shots fired by John B. Coyne, United States Navy, an armed sentry aboard the United States ship *Carter Hall* at Shanghai, China, on November 23, 1945;

Spanish vessel  
*Christina*.

(b) Claim of the Government of Great Britain for reimbursement in the sum of £721.05 (\$2,907.52), representing the pro rata share of the United States of the sum paid to the Government of Spain by the Government of Great Britain, as a consequence of damages caused in the bombing of the Spanish vessel steamship *Christina* at Sete, France, in an attack by joint air forces of the United States and Great Britain, respectively, on June 25, 1944; and

Trygve Jorgensen.

(c) Claim of the Government of Norway in the sum of 19,650 patacas (\$5,354.63) on behalf of Trygve Jorgensen, arising out of personal injuries sustained when the ship *Masbate*, of which he was captain, was attacked in the harbor of Macao by United States military aircraft on February 25, 1945.

In all, \$20,359.65; together with such additional sums due to increases in rates of exchange as may be necessary to pay claims in the foreign currencies as specified in the claims.

Approved July 25, 1949.

## [CHAPTER 359]

## AN ACT

July 25, 1949  
[S. 1280]  
[Public Law 183]

To amend the Federal Airport Act so as to limit to 10 per centum any increase of the amount stated as a maximum obligation under a grant agreement.

60 Stat. 177.  
49 U. S. C. § 1111.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 12 of the Federal Airport Act is amended by inserting before the period at the end of the fourth sentence thereof the following: "by more than 10 per centum".

Approved July 25, 1949.

## [CHAPTER 360]

## AN ACT

July 25, 1949  
[S. 1639]  
[Public Law 184]

To amend section 1452, Revised Statutes, relating to Presidential action on the proceedings and decisions of Navy retiring boards.

34 U. S. C. § 416.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 1452 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows: "A record of the proceedings and decision of the board in each case shall be transmitted to the Secretary of the Navy for his approval or disapproval, or orders in the case."

Approved July 25, 1949.