

period at the end of section 1 thereof the following words: "or as hereafter amended".

Coast and Geodetic  
Survey.

SEC. 4. The Act approved January 19, 1942, entitled "An Act to regulate the distribution and promotion of commissioned officers of the Coast and Geodetic Survey, and for other purposes" (56 Stat. 6; 33 U. S. C., Supp. 870), is hereby amended by inserting after the words "Marine Corps" in the sixth line of section 9 thereof, the words "or as hereafter amended".

Approved March 29, 1944.

[CHAPTER 142]

AN ACT

To eliminate a pay discrimination against the teacher of music at the United States Military Academy.

March 29, 1944

[S. 1635]

[Public Law 270]

U. S. Military Acad-  
emy.  
Teacher of music.

10 U. S. C. § 1086.

*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 make better provision for the teacher of music, the leader of the Military Academy Band", approved May 27, 1940 (54 Stat. 223), is amended by striking out the words "third pay period", wherever they occur in such Act, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "grade of captain".

Approved March 29, 1944.

[CHAPTER 143]

AN ACT

To place postmasters at fourth-class post offices on an annual-salary basis, and fix their rate of pay; and provide allowances for rent, fuel, light, and equipment, and fix the rates thereof.

March 29, 1944

[H. R. 324]

[Public Law 271]

Postal Service.  
Postmasters of the  
fourth class.

Compensation.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That postmasters of the fourth class shall embrace all those at offices where the gross postal receipts are less than \$1,500 per annum.

SEC. 2. The compensation of postmasters of the fourth class shall be annual salaries, graded in even dollars, and payable in semi-monthly payments, to be ascertained and fixed by the Postmaster General from their respective quarterly returns to the General Accounting Office, or copies or duplicates thereof to the First Assistant Postmaster General, for the calendar year immediately preceding the adjustment, based on gross postal receipts at the following rates, namely:

Less than \$50.....	\$72
\$50 but less than \$100.....	144
\$100 but less than \$150.....	216
\$150 but less than \$200.....	288
\$200 but less than \$250.....	360
\$250 but less than \$300.....	432
\$300 but less than \$350.....	492
\$350 but less than \$400.....	532
\$400 but less than \$450.....	572
\$450 but less than \$500.....	596
\$500 but less than \$600.....	672
\$600 but less than \$700.....	748
\$700 but less than \$800.....	824
\$800 but less than \$900.....	892
\$900 but less than \$1,000.....	960
\$1,000 but less than \$1,100.....	1,028
\$1,100 but less than \$1,500.....	1,100

Seasonal offices.

*Provided,* That at seasonal offices of the fourth class, the Postmaster General may authorize the payment of the fixed annual salary

prorated over the months such office is open for business during a fiscal year: *Provided further*, That the salaries of postmasters at newly established offices of the fourth class shall be fixed at the lowest salary rate, except that whenever unusual conditions prevail at such an office the Postmaster General, in his discretion, may advance any such office to the appropriate salary rate indicated by the receipts of the preceding quarter.

SEC. 3. The salaries of postmasters of the fourth class shall be readjusted at the beginning of each fiscal year: *Provided*, That only 85 per centum of the gross postal receipts during the period the increased rate of postage, authorized by the Revenue Act of June 6, 1932, as amended (July 6, 1932, to July 1, 1943), remains in force shall be counted for the purpose of determining the compensation or allowances of such postmasters and the classification of post offices: *Provided further*, That for the purpose of fixing the compensation and allowances at offices of the fourth class, credits shall be allowed only for the postage collected in addition to the regular rate on business reply cards and letters in business reply envelopes delivered at such offices.

SEC. 4. All laws or parts of laws inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed: *Provided*, That nothing in this Act shall be construed to repeal the provisions of section 717 of title 39 of the United States Code authorizing the payment of fees on domestic or international money orders issued at money-order post offices of the fourth class, nor allowances for rent, fuel, light, and equipment as provided in the Thirty-ninth United States Code, section 60a.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect July 1, 1944.

Approved March 29, 1944.

[CHAPTER 144]

AN ACT

To extend for an additional ninety days the period during which certain grains and other products to be used for livestock and poultry feed may be imported from foreign countries free of duty.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That section 1 of the joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution to permit the importation from foreign countries free of duty, during a period of ninety days, of certain grains and other products to be used for livestock and poultry feed, and suspending for two months the increase in the tax rates under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act", approved December 22, 1943 (Public Law 211, Seventy-eighth Congress), is amended to read as follows:

"That (a) notwithstanding the provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930, the following, when imported into the United States from foreign countries, and when entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption, at any time after December 22, 1943, and before June 20, 1944, shall be exempt from duty:

"(1) Wheat, oats, barley, rye, flax, cottonseed, corn, or hay, or products in chief value of one or more of the foregoing or derivatives thereof, any of the foregoing if to be used as, or as a constituent part of, feed for livestock and poultry.

"(2) Flaxseed, if the entry or withdrawal is after the date this paragraph takes effect.

"(3) Oats to be used for purposes of human consumption, if the entry or withdrawal is after the date this paragraph takes effect.

"(b) This joint resolution shall not be construed to authorize the importation of wheat for milling purposes.

Newly established offices.

Annual readjustments.

47 Stat. 285; 57 Stat. 157.  
39 U. S. C., Supp. III, § 280 note.

Repeal of inconsistent laws.

Effective date.

March 29, 1944  
[H. R. 4410]

[Public Law 272]

Importation of certain grains free of duty.

57 Stat. 607.  
19 U. S. C., Supp. III, § 1001, par. 722 note.

Time extension.  
46 Stat. 590.  
19 U. S. C. §§ 1001-1054; Supp. III, § 1001 et seq.  
Post, pp. 269, 722.

Grains for feed.

Flaxseed.

Oats for human consumption.

Wheat for milling restriction.