

public life, through the media of servicemen's publications and motion pictures, radio programs, news services, and educational and orientation courses originated by the Army or Navy: *Provided*, That if in any issue or presentation space or time is allotted to editorials or columns supporting a political party which has a candidate for President in at least six States in the current Presidential election, an equal amount of space or time shall be allotted in the same issue or presentation to similar matter concerning each such other political party.

"(4) Nothing in this section shall prevent the sending of any letter, communication, magazine, newspaper, or other literature by any individual, corporation (other than a Government-owned or Government-controlled corporation), or political committee to any member of the armed forces, addressed personally to such member of the armed forces, and paid for by him, or by the individual, corporation, or committee sending the same."

SEC. 2. Such Act as amended is further amended by adding after section 24 thereof the following new section:

"SEC. 25. The provisions of sections 22 and 23 shall expire upon the expiration of six months after the termination of hostilities in the present war as proclaimed by the President or declared by concurrent resolution of the Congress."

Approved August 21, 1944.

[CHAPTER 405]

AN ACT

To provide effective date of awards of death pension or compensation in cases of persons missing or missing in action to authorize payment of such benefits from the date of death of such person as reported or found by the Secretary of War or the Secretary of the Navy, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That effective December 7, 1941, where in the case of a person in the active land or naval service a report of death or a finding of death has been made by the Secretary of War or the Secretary of the Navy, the effective date of an award of death pension or compensation payable under Public Law Numbered 2, Seventy-third Congress, as amended, shall be the day following the date fixed by the Secretary as the date of death in such report or finding: *Provided*, That claim be filed prior to one year after report or finding of death is made: *And provided further*, That death pension or compensation under the laws administered by the Veterans' Administration shall not be payable to any dependent for any period for which such dependent has received, or is entitled to receive, an allowance, allotment, or service pay of the deceased.

Approved September 7, 1944.

[CHAPTER 406]

AN ACT

To provide for abandonment of the project authorized in the Act of October 17, 1940, for a seaplane channel and basin in Boston Harbor, Massachusetts.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the project for construction of a seaplane channel and basin in Boston Harbor, Massachusetts, authorized in the Act of October 17, 1940, is hereby abandoned, such abandonment having been recommended by the Chief of Engineers in a report contained in House Document Numbered 472, Seventy-eighth Congress.

Approved September 7, 1944.

Equality of space or time allotments.

Letters, etc., to members of armed forces.

Ante, p. 149.
Termination of specified sections.
Ante, pp. 727, 149.

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Army and Navy.
Death pension, etc.

48 Stat. 8.
38 U. S. C. §§ 701-721; Supp. III, § 701
et seq.
Ante, p. 287.

September 7, 1944
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Mass.

54 Stat. 1198.