

## [CHAPTER 224]

## AN ACT

To authorize the granting of a right-of-way for roadway purposes on the Fort Thomas Military Reservation, Kentucky, in exchange for the release of property rights in and to a certain road on said reservation.

May 28, 1940  
[S. 3402]  
[Public, No. 536]

*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 may be deemed advisable by him, to grant to Minnie Halle Kramer, widow of Simon Pendleton Kramer, her heirs and assigns, an easement for a right-of-way for roadway purposes in a certain road as now located on the Fort Thomas Military Reservation, Kentucky, extending from south Fort Thomas Avenue on the westerly boundary of said reservation to lands of the said Minnie Halle Kramer adjacent to the easterly boundary of said reservation, in exchange for the release to the United States of the property rights of the said Minnie Halle Kramer, her heirs and assigns, in a certain road, or such portion thereof as may be designated by the Secretary of War, located on said reservation as described in and reserved in a certain deed of A. H. Bloom, dated August 27, 1887, conveying to the United States part of the lands comprising the Fort Thomas Military Reservation, Kentucky.

Fort Thomas Military Reservation, Ky.  
Grant of easement for right-of-way.

Release of property rights in exchange.

Approved, May 28, 1940.

## [CHAPTER 225]

## AN ACT

To increase the number of brigadier generals of the line of the Regular Army by four.

May 28, 1940  
[S. 3423]  
[Public, No. 537]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the number of brigadier generals of the line of the Regular Army is hereby increased from forty-six to fifty, and hereafter upon the appointment of an officer below the rank of brigadier general to be chief of Infantry, Cavalry, Field Artillery, or Coast Artillery, he shall at the same time be appointed to be a permanent brigadier general of the line and an increase in the number of brigadier generals for this purpose is hereby authorized: *Provided,* That no further appointments to the grade of brigadier general of the line shall thereafter be made until the total number thereof shall be less than fifty: *Provided further,* That the selection of chief of branch shall not be limited to the list of brigadier generals.

Brigadier generals,  
Regular Army.  
Increase in number.  
Chiefs of branches.

*Provisos.*  
Further appointments.

Selection of chief of branch.

Approved, May 28, 1940.

## [CHAPTER 226]

## AN ACT

To provide for a more permanent tenure for persons carrying the mail on star routes.

May 31, 1940  
[S. 1214]  
[Public, No. 538]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 3951 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (U. S. C., 1934 edition, title 39, sec. 434), is hereby amended by the addition of the following:

"The Postmaster General may, in his discretion and under such regulations as he may prescribe, allow additional compensation to a star-route contractor for necessary increased travel caused by obstruction of roads, destruction of bridges, discontinuance of ferries, or any other cause occurring during the contract term, but such additional compensation allowed shall not be proportionately greater

Postal Service.  
Contracts for carrying mails.

Star-route contractor,  
additional pay for increased travel.