[Act No. 2861, March 12, 1919]

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, GRANTING VACATION LEAVE TO THE CRAFTSMEN AND CLASSIFIED APPRENTICES OF THE BUREAU OF PRINTING.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippine in Legislature assembled and by the authority of the same:

SECTION 1. Section two hundred and eighty-five of the Administrative Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 285. Vacation leave for craftsmen and classified apprentices of the Bureau of Printing: messengers, treasurers, and telegraph operators.— Vacation leave may also be granted by the proper chief of Bureau or Office, subject to the necessities of the public service and to the approval of the Director of Civil Service, to craftsmen and classified apprentices of the Bureau of Printing; regularly and permanently appointed messengers of the classified civil-service, municipal, and township treasurers, and telegraph operators, in accordance with the following schedule and special conditions:

"A craftsman or classified apprentice of the Bureau of Printing may be granted thirteen days' vacation leave, at the salary received by him upon taking such leave, after at least one year of continuous, faithful, and satisfactory service as craftsman or classified apprentice, in accordance with the civil-service rules and such other rules as the Department of Finance may prescribe, and the head of said Department may suspend the vacation leave granted, or part thereof, if in his judgment the needs of the public service require it.

"A messenger may be granted fifteen days' vacation leave, but only after at least one year's continuous, faithful, and satisfactory service, and no substitute messenger shall be employed during the absence of any messenger to whom leave has been granted in accordance with this provision.

"A municipal treasurer and deputy provincial treasurer, or a township treasurer and deputy provincial treasurer, may be granted twenty-one days' vacation leave, but subject to the conditions that no person or persons not already in the municipal or provincial treasury service shall be employed merely in order that such leave may be granted, that no person designated to act in the place of the regular incumbent during any period of leave granted under this provision shall receive additional compensation therefor, and that the salary and all proper expenses of the acting officer shall in such cases be paid by the province, municipality, or township concerned in the same ratio in which payment of salary of the regular incumbent is authorized.

"A telegraph operator regularly and permanently appointed in the