

ances he has been able to secure as to the approval of, participation in, and contribution to the plan or plans proposed by the various contributing agencies.

Sec. 5. That, for the purpose of enabling the Secretary of the Interior to pay not to exceed one-half of the cost of the examination and report herein provided for, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of \$20,000: *Provided*, That no expenditure shall be made or obligation incurred hereunder by the Secretary of the Interior until provision shall have been made for the payment of at least one-half the cost of the examination and report herein provided for by associations and agencies interested in the irrigation of the lands of the Imperial Valley.

Approved, May 18, 1920.

Appropriation authorized for examination.  
Post, p. 915.  
*Proviso.*  
Local payment required

**CHAP. 189.**—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to accept on behalf of the United States the donation by Sedgwick Post Numbered Ten, Grand Army of the Republic, of its memorial hall property in Bedford, Taylor County, Iowa, for Federal building purposes.

May 18, 1920.  
[H. R. 9944.]  
[Public, No. 209.]

*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 be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to accept on behalf of the United States the donation by Sedgwick Post Numbered Ten, Grand Army of the Republic, of its memorial hall property in Bedford, Taylor County, Iowa, for Federal building purposes; being the east twenty-nine feet of lot eight, block eleven, original town of Bedford, at the southwest corner of Main and Water Streets, together with the two-story and basement building, twenty-nine by eighty-one feet, outside measurement, now situated thereon; that said property shall be used and operated as are other public buildings, and that the annual appropriations for the general maintenance of public buildings under the control of the Treasury Department shall be construed to be available for use in connection with said property as for other buildings under said department.

Bedford, Iowa.  
Acceptance from Sedgwick Post, Grand Army, of building at, authorized

Use for public building purposes.

That the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to permit said post and the Sedgwick Post Women's Relief Corps Numbered Eighty-two, to continue to occupy the second floor of said building until such time as said post dissolves; such occupancy to be without charge for rent, water, heat, or light, which are to be included in such free use.

Occupancy permitted

And that a suitable bronze tablet commemorative of this gift shall be furnished and placed on the exterior of said building at the expense of the United States.

Commemorative tablet.

Approved, May 18, 1920.

**CHAP. 190.**—An Act To increase the efficiency of the commissioned and enlisted personnel of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey, and Public Health Service.

May 18, 1920.  
[H. R. 11927.]  
[Public, No. 210.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That, commencing January 1, 1920, commissioned officers of the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps, and Public Health Service shall be paid, in addition to all pay and allowances now allowed by law, increases at rates per annum as follows: Colonels in the Army and Marine Corps, captains in the Navy, and assistant surgeons general in the Public Health Service, \$600; lieutenant colonels in the Army and Marine Corps, commanders in the Navy, and senior surgeons in the Public Health Service, \$600; majors in the Army and Marine Corps, lieutenant

Increase of pay, Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Public Health officers.  
Rates from January 1, 1920.

commanders in the Navy, and surgeons in the Public Health Service, \$840; captains in the Army and Marine Corps, lieutenants in the Navy, and passed assistant surgeons in the Public Health Service, \$720; first lieutenants in the Army and Marine Corps, lieutenants (junior grade), acting assistant surgeons and acting assistant dental surgeons in the Navy, and assistant surgeons in the Public Health Service, \$600; second lieutenants in the Army and Marine Corps, and ensigns in the Navy, \$420: *Provided*, That contract surgeons of the Army serving full time shall receive the pay of a second lieutenant.

SEC. 2. That the rights and benefits prescribed under the Act of April 16, 1918, granting commutation of quarters, heat, and light during the present emergency to officers of the Army on duty in the field are hereby continued and made effective until June 30, 1922, and shall apply equally to officers of the Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and Public Health Service: *Provided*, That such rights and benefits as are prescribed for officers shall apply equally for enlisted men now entitled by regulations to quarters or to commutation therefor.

SEC. 3. That, commencing January 1, 1920, warrant officers of the Navy shall be paid, in addition to all pay and allowances now allowed by law, an increase at the rate of \$240 per annum.

SEC. 4. That, commencing January 1, 1920, the pay of all enlisted men of the Army and Marine Corps and of members of the female Nurse Corps of the Army and Navy is hereby increased 20 per centum: *Provided*, That such increase shall not apply to enlisted men whose initial pay, if it has already been permanently increased since April 6, 1917, is now less than \$33 per month.

SEC. 5. That all noncommissioned officers of the Army of grade of color sergeant and above as fixed by existing Army Regulations and noncommissioned officers of the Marine Corps of corresponding grades shall be entitled to one ration or commutation therefor in addition to that to which they are now entitled. The commutation value shall be determined by the President on July 1 of each fiscal year, and for the current fiscal year the value shall be computed on the basis of 55 cents per ration: *Provided*, That Army field clerks and field clerks Quartermaster Corps, whose total pay and allowances do not exceed \$2,500 per annum, shall be paid an increase at the rate of \$240 per annum: *Provided further*, That such Army field clerks and field clerks Quartermaster Corps, whose total pay and allowances exceed \$2,500 but do not exceed \$2,740 per annum, shall be paid such additional amount as will make their total pay and allowances not to exceed \$2,740 per annum: *Provided further*, That this section shall not be construed to reduce the pay and allowances of any Army field clerk or field clerk Quartermaster Corps.

SEC. 6. That, commencing January 1, 1920, the following shall be the rate of base pay for each enlisted rating: Chief petty officers with acting appointments, \$99 per month; chief petty officers with permanent appointments and mates, \$126 per month; petty officers, first class, \$84 per month; petty officers, second class, \$72 per month; petty officers, third class, \$60 per month; nonrated men, first class, \$54 per month; nonrated men, second class, \$48 per month; nonrated men, third class, \$33 per month: *Provided*, That the base pay of firemen, first class, shall be \$60 per month; firemen, second class, \$54 per month; firemen, third class, \$48 per month: *Provided further*, That the rate of base pay for each rating in the Naval Academy Band shall be as follows: Second leader, with acting appointment, \$99 per month, with permanent appointment, \$126 per month; drum major, \$84 per month; musicians, first class, \$72 per month; musicians, second class, \$60 per month: *Provided further*, That the base pay of cabin stewards and cabin cooks shall be \$84 per month; wardroom

*Proviso.*  
Army contract surgeons.

Emergency commutation of quarters, etc., to Army officers extended to June 30, 1922.  
Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and Public Health included.

*Proviso.*  
Enlisted men.

Navy.  
Warrant officers to have extra \$240.

Pay increased of enlisted men, Army and Navy, and female nurses.

*Proviso.*  
Limitation.

Army and Marine Corps.  
Ration and commutation of noncommissioned officers increased.

Commutation value.

*Provisos.*  
Increased pay to field clerks.

Limitation.

No pay reduction.

Navy.  
Base pay for enlisted ratings.

*Provisos.*  
Firemen.

Naval Academy Band.

Messmen.

stewards and wardroom cooks, \$72 per month; steerage stewards and steerage cooks, \$72 per month; warrant officers' stewards and warrant officers' cooks, \$60 per month; mess attendants, first class, \$42 per month; mess attendants, second class, \$36 per month; mess attendants, third class, \$33 per month: *Provided further*, That the retainer pay of those members of the Fleet Naval Reserve who, pursuant to call, shall return to active duty within one month after the approval of this Act and shall continue on active duty until the Navy shall have been recruited up to its permanent authorized strength, or until the number in the grade to which they may be assigned is filled, but not beyond June 30, 1922, shall be computed upon the base pay they are receiving when retransferred to inactive duty, plus the additions or increases prescribed in the Naval Appropriation Act approved August 29, 1916, for members of the Fleet Naval Reserve: *Provided further*, That the rates of base pay herein fixed shall not be further increased 10 per centum as authorized by an Act approved May 13, 1908, nor by the temporary war increases as authorized by section 15 of the Act approved May 22, 1917, as amended by the Act approved July 11, 1919.

SEC. 7. That the Secretary of the Navy is authorized, in his discretion, to readjust the prevailing rates of pay of civilian professors and instructors at the United States Naval Academy: *Provided*, That said readjustment, which shall be effective from January 1, 1920, shall not involve an additional expenditure in excess of \$55,000 for the remainder of the current fiscal year.

SEC. 8. That commissioned officers, warrant officers, petty officers, and other enlisted men of the Coast Guard shall receive the same pay, allowances, and increases as now are, herein are, or hereafter may be prescribed for corresponding grades or ratings and length of service in the Navy; and the grades and ratings of warrant officers, chief petty officers, petty officers and other enlisted persons in the Coast Guard shall be the same as in the Navy, in so far as the duties of the Coast Guard may require, with the continuance, in the Coast Guard, of the grade of surfman, whose base pay shall be \$70 per month: *Provided*, That the senior district superintendent, the three district superintendents next in order of seniority, the four district superintendents next below these three in order of seniority, and the junior five district superintendents shall have the rank, pay, and allowances of captain, first lieutenant, second lieutenant, and third lieutenant in the Coast Guard, respectively.

SEC. 9. That nothing contained in this Act shall be construed as granting any back pay or allowances to any officer or enlisted man whose active service shall have terminated subsequent to December 31, 1919, and prior to the approval of this Act, unless such officers or enlisted men shall have been recalled to active service or shall have been reenlisted prior to the approval of this Act.

SEC. 10. That any enlisted man or apprentice seaman who shall reenlist in the Navy within one year from the date of his discharge therefrom shall, upon such reenlistment, be entitled to and shall receive the same benefits as are now authorized by law for reenlistment within four months from date of last discharge from the service: *Provided*, That this section shall become inoperative six months after the date of the approval of this Act.

SEC. 11. That in lieu of compensation now prescribed by law, commissioned officers of the Coast and Geodetic Survey shall receive the same pay and allowances as now are or hereafter may be prescribed for officers of the Navy with whom they hold relative rank as prescribed in the Act of May 22, 1917, entitled "An Act to temporarily increase the commissioned and warrant and enlisted strength of the Navy and Marine Corps, and for other purposes,"

Fleet Naval Reserve.  
Retainer pay to, returning to active duty.

Additional.  
Vol. 39, p. 590

Rates not further increased.  
Vol. 35, p. 128.  
Vol. 40, p. 871.  
*Ante*, p. 140.

Naval Academy.  
Civilian professors' and instructors' pay readjusted.  
*Proviso*.  
Expenditure limited.

Coast Guard.  
Pay, ratings, etc., to correspond with Navy.

Surfman.  
*Proviso*.  
District superintendents.

Restriction if service terminated since December 31, 1919.

Enlisted men, Navy.  
Bounty, if reenlisting within one year

*Proviso*.  
Inoperative after six months.

Coast and Geodetic Survey.  
Pay, etc., of officers to correspond with relative Navy rank.

Vol. 40, p. 88.

- Retirement. including longevity; and all laws relating to the retirement of commissioned officers of the Navy shall hereafter apply to commissioned officers of the Coast and Geodetic Survey: *Provided*, That hereafter longevity pay for officers in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Public Health Service, and Coast and Geodetic Survey shall be based on the total of all service in any or all of said services.
- Proviso.*  
Longevity pay credit for all services of Army, Navy, Coast Guard etc., officers.
- Families of officers. Transportation to be furnished, on permanent change of stations.
- Proviso.*  
In naval service.
- Payment of cost excess.
- Beyond continental limits.
- Household effects of Navy personnel.
- Pay increases effective until June 30, 1922.
- Proviso.*  
Enlisted men.
- No computed in retired pay.
- Pay, etc., readjustment.  
Special Congressional committee to investigate, etc.
- No existing pay reduced.
- Proviso.*  
Allowances and gratuities.
- Appropriations made available.  
*Ante*, pp. 146, 152.
- SEC. 12. That hereafter when any commissioned officer, noncommissioned officer of the grade of color sergeant and above, including any noncommissioned officer of the Marine Corps of corresponding grade, warrant officer, chief petty officer, or petty officer (first class), having a wife or dependent child or children, is ordered to make a permanent change of station, the United States shall furnish transportation in kind from funds appropriated for the transportation of the Army, the Navy, the Marine Corps, the Coast Guard, the Coast and Geodetic Survey, and the Public Health Service to his new station for the wife and dependent child or children: *Provided*, That for persons in the naval service the term "permanent station," as used in this section, shall be interpreted to mean a shore station or the home yard of the vessel to which the person concerned may be ordered; and a duly authorized change in home yard or home port of such vessel shall be deemed a change of station: *Provided further*, That if the cost of such transportation exceeds that for transportation from the old to the new station the excess cost shall be paid to the United States by the officer concerned: *Provided further*, That transportation supplied the wife or dependent child or children of such officer, to or from stations beyond the continental limits of the United States, shall not be other than by Government transport, if such transportation is available: *And provided further*, That the personnel of the Navy shall have the benefit of all existing laws applying to the Army and the Marine Corps for the transportation of household effects.
- SEC. 13. That the provisions of sections 1, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of this Act shall remain effective until the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1922, unless sooner amended or repealed: *Provided*, That the rates of pay prescribed in sections 4 and 6 hereof shall be the rates of pay during the current enlistment of all men in active service on the date of the approval of this Act, and for those who enlist, reenlist, or extend their enlistments prior to July 1, 1922, for the term of such enlistment, reenlistment, or extended enlistment: *Provided further*, That the increases provided in this Act shall not enter into the computation of the retired pay of officers or enlisted men who may be retired prior to July 1, 1922: *And provided further*, That a special committee, to be composed of five Members of the Senate, to be appointed by the Vice President, and five Members of the House of Representatives, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, shall make an investigation and report recommendations to their respective Houses not later than the first Monday in January, 1922, relative to the readjustment of the pay and allowances of the commissioned and enlisted personnel of the several services herein mentioned.
- SEC. 14. That nothing contained in this Act shall operate to reduce the pay or allowances of any officer or enlisted man on the active or retired list: *Provided*, That the allowances and gratuities now authorized by existing law are not changed hereby, except as otherwise specified in this Act.
- SEC. 15. That the appropriations "Pay of the Navy, 1920," and "Pay, Marine Corps, 1920," are hereby made available for any of the expenses authorized by this Act, and any part or all of the appropriations "Provisions, Navy, 1920," and "Maintenance, Quartermaster's Department, Marine Corps, 1920," not required for the

objects of expenditure specified in said appropriations, may be transferred to the appropriations "Pay of the Navy, 1920," or "Pay, Marine Corps, 1920," respectively, as may be required.

Transfers.  
*Ante*, pp. 147, 154.

Approved, May 18, 1920.

**CHAP. 191.**—An Act To enlarge the boundaries of the Oregon National Forest.

May 20, 1920.  
[S. 2792.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the boundary of the Oregon National Forest, in the State of Oregon, is hereby changed to include the following lands, subject to all the laws and regulations governing the national forests: Township one south, range six east, section six; that part of township one north, range six east, lying south of the Columbia River not now included in said forest; township two north, range six east, all of sections thirty-four, thirty-five, and thirty-six south of the Columbia River: *Provided*, That this action shall, as to all lands which are at this date legally appropriated under the public-land laws or reserved for any public purpose, be subject to and shall not interfere with or defeat legal rights under such appropriation, nor prevent the use for such public purpose of lands so reserved so long as such appropriation is legally maintained or such reservation remains in force.

[Public, No. 211.]  
Oregon National Forest, Ore.  
Area increased.

Description.

*Proviso.*  
No prior rights, etc., impaired.

**SEC. 2.** That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he hereby is, authorized and empowered, in his discretion, upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Agriculture, to exchange, upon the basis of equal value, nonmineral lands or timber belonging to the United States in the Oregon National Forest for privately owned lands lying within the exterior limits of the Oregon National Forest, and that upon the consummation of such exchanges the lands deeded to the United States shall become parts of the Oregon National Forest, and the Secretary of the Interior shall issue patents to the selected lands.

Exchanges with private owners authorized.

Approved, May 20, 1920.

**CHAP. 192.**—An Act To provide for the disposition of public lands withdrawn and improved under the provisions of the reclamation laws, and which are no longer needed in connection with said laws.

May 20, 1920.  
[S. 795.]

[Public, No. 212.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That whenever in the opinion of the Secretary of the Interior any public lands which have been withdrawn for or in connection with construction or operation of reclamation projects under the provisions of the Act of June 17, 1902, known as the Reclamation Act and Acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, which are not otherwise reserved and which have been improved by and at the expense of the reclamation fund for administration or other like purposes, are no longer needed for the purposes for which they were withdrawn and improved, the Secretary of the Interior may cause said lands, together with the improvements thereon, to be appraised by three disinterested persons to be appointed by him and thereafter sell the same, for not less than the appraised value, at public auction to the highest bidder, after giving public notice of the time and place of sale by posting upon the land and by publication for not less than thirty days in a newspaper of general circulation in the vicinity of the land, not less than one-fifth the purchase price shall be paid at the time of sale, and the remainder in not more than four annual payments with

Public lands.  
Sale of lands reserved for irrigation works and no longer needed.  
Vol. 32, p. 388.

Appraisal, publication, etc.

Payments.