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Winnemucca, Nev.
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near, for an Indian
colony.

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moving cabins etc., to
new location.

CHAP. 646.—An Act For the purchase of land in the vicinity of Winnemucca, Nevada, for an Indian colony, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of \$500, for the purchase of land in the vicinity of Winnemucca, Nevada, described as the north half of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section 29, township 36 north, range 38 east, Mount Diablo meridian, containing twenty acres, more or less, to be used as an Indian colony.

SEC. 2. That there is also authorized to be appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of \$2,000 for moving the cabins of Indians residing in the vicinity of Winnemucca, Nevada, to the above described location, for making necessary repairs to said cabins, building roads in colony, and for erecting new cabins.

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National Defense
Act Amendments.
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ments for assignment
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fill vacancies.

CHAP. 647.—An Act To amend the second paragraph of section 5 of the National Defense Act, as amended by the Act of September 22, 1922, by adding thereto a provision that will authorize the names of certain graduates of the General Service Schools and of the Army War College, not at present eligible for selection to the General Staff Corps eligible list, to be added to that list.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the second paragraph of section 5 of the National Defense Act, as amended by the Act approved June 4, 1920, and further amended by the Act of September 22, 1922, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

“After the completion of the initial General Staff Corps eligible list, the name of no officer shall be added thereto unless upon graduation from the General Staff School he is specifically recommended as qualified for General Staff duty, and hereafter no officer of the General Staff Corps, except the Chief of Staff, shall be assigned as a member of the War Department General Staff unless he is a graduate of the General Staff College or his name is borne on the initial eligible list: *Provided,* That nothing herein shall operate to debar the name of any graduate of the Army War College, the Command and General Staff School, or the former General Staff College, General Staff School, Army Staff College, the Staff College, the School of the Line, the Army School of the Line, or the Infantry-Cavalry School from being added to the General Staff Corps eligible list if the manner of the performance of his duties and quality of his work is such as to indicate that he has since become well qualified for General Staff duty, and he is so recommended by a board of general officers: *And provided further,* That the name of any National Guard or reserve officer who has demonstrated by actual service with the War Department General Staff during a period of not less than six months, as hereinafter provided for, that he is qualified for General Staff duty, may, upon the recommendation of a board consisting of the general officers of the War Department General Staff, assistants to the Chief of Staff, be added to said eligible list at any time. The Secretary of War shall publish annually the list of officers eligible for General Staff duty, and such eligibility shall be noted in the annual Army Register. If at any time the number of officers available and eligible for detail to the General Staff is not sufficient to fill all vacancies therein, majors or captains may be detailed as acting General Staff

officers under such regulations as the President may prescribe: *Provided*, That in order to insure intelligent cooperation between the General Staff and the several noncombatant branches, officers of such branches may be detailed as additional members of the General Staff Corps under such special regulations as to eligibility and redetail as may be prescribed by the President, but not more than two officers from each such branch shall be detailed as members of the War Department General Staff."

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Additional details from noncombatant branches.

Limit to War Department General Staff.

CHAP. 648.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of the Navy, in his discretion, to deliver to the custody of the Louisiana State Museum, of the city of New Orleans, Louisiana, the silver bell in use on the cruiser New Orleans.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy is authorized, in his discretion, to deliver to the custody of the Louisiana State Museum, of the city of New Orleans, Louisiana, for preservation and exhibition the silver bell which was in use on the cruiser New Orleans: *Provided*, That no expenses shall be incurred by the United States for the delivery of such silver bell.

"New Orleans," U. S. Cruiser.
Silver bell of, to be delivered to Louisiana State Museum.

Proviso.
No Federal expense.

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CHAP. 649.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to equitably adjust disputes and claims of settlers and others against the United States and between each other arising from incomplete or faulty surveys in township 19 south, range 26 east, and in sections 7, 8, 17, 18, 19, 30, 31, township 19 south, range 27 east, Tallahassee meridian, Lake County, in the State of Florida.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized to equitably adjust disputes and claims of settlers, entrymen, selectors, grantees, and patentees of the United States, their heirs or assigns, against the United States and between each other arising from incomplete or faulty surveys in township 19 south, range 26 east, and in sections 7, 8, 17, 18, 19, 30, 31, township 19 south, range 27 east, Tallahassee meridian, Lake County, in the State of Florida, and to issue directly or in trust as may be found necessary or advisable patent to such settlers, entrymen, selectors, grantees, and patentees, their heirs or assigns, for land claimed through settlement, occupation, purchase, or otherwise in said described area, preserving, as far as he may deem equitable, to those claimants now in possession of public land the right to have patented to them the areas so occupied: *Provided*, That a charge of not less than the appraised value of the land, exclusive of any improvements placed thereon, be made for each acre or fraction thereof of Government land patented under the provisions of this Act, except that adjustment may be effected by exchange of lands patented for lands substantially equal in area, in which event payment shall be required of the difference in appraised values where the value of the land owned by the Government exceeds that of the land offered in exchange: *Provided further*, That rights acquired subsequent to the withdrawal of December 23, 1925, shall not be recognized or be subject to adjustment hereunder.

Public lands.
Adjustment of claims of lands in Lake County, Fla., arising from faulty surveys, etc.

Patents to settlers, etc., for land claimed through settlement, etc.

Rights of possessors.

Proviso.
Not less than appraised value to be charged.

Adjustment by exchanges.

Rights not recognized.

Acceptance of conveyances.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to accept any and all conveyances of land and to cause all necessary surveys to be made, to effect the purposes of this Act. All adjustments hereunder shall conform to the approved plats of such survey or resurvey, and no other survey will be recognized.