

NAVY PENSION FUND

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COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

PROPOSED DRAFT OF LEGISLATION AFFECTING AN EXISTING  
APPROPRIATED FUND, THE NAVY PENSION FUND, UNDER CON-  
TROL OF THE NAVY DEPARTMENT, AUTHORIZING PAYMENTS  
THEREFROM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$127.22

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FEBRUARY 28, 1927.—Read; referred to the Committee on Appropriations and  
ordered to be printed

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THE WHITE HOUSE,  
*Washington, February 28, 1927.*

The PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of Congress a proposed draft of legislation affecting an existing appropriated fund, the Navy pension fund, under control of the Navy Department, authorizing payments therefrom in the amount of \$127.22 to the legal representatives of deceased men of the Marine Corps, in accordance with the act of March 29, 1918, providing for the disposition of effects of deceased persons in the naval service.

The details of this proposed legislation and the necessity therefor are set forth in the letter of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, transmitted herewith.

Respectfully,

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

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BUREAU OF THE BUDGET,  
*Washington, February 28, 1927.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration, a proposed draft of legislation affecting an existing appropriated fund, as follows:

PROPOSED DRAFT OF LEGISLATION

The Navy pension fund is hereby made available for the payment of the claims, amounting to \$127.22, allowed by the General Accounting Office in accordance

with the provisions of the act of March 29, 1918 (Fortieth Statutes, page 499), as set forth in Senate Document Numbered —, Sixty-ninth Congress.

The act of March 29, 1918, providing for the disposition of effects of deceased persons in the naval service, directs that all moneys and articles of value belonging to such persons and not claimed by their legal heirs or next of kin shall be sold and the proceeds thereof, with the moneys above mentioned, deposited in the Treasury to the credit of the Navy pension fund; and that claims for the return of such moneys to the legal heirs may be presented at any time within five years from the date of such deposit in the Treasury, and when supported by competent proof in each case shall be certified to Congress for its consideration.

The claims above mentioned have been examined and allowed by the General Accounting Office as payable from the Navy pension fund, but authorization by Congress is necessary before payment may be made. Further details with regard to these claims are set forth in the letter of the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitted herewith.

Very respectfully,

H. M. LORD,  
*Director of the Bureau of the Budget.*

The PRESIDENT.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,  
*Washington, February 28, 1927.*

Brig. Gen. H. M. LORD,  
*Director of the Bureau of the Budget.*

SIR: Pursuant to the provisions of section 2 of the act of July 7, 1884 (23 Stat. 254), there is presented herewith for your consideration with a view to its submission to Congress a statement covering certain claims allowed by the General Accounting Office as payable under the Navy pension fund, under certificates of settlement transmitted to the Treasury Department for payment.

The authorization for the adjustment and settlement of these claims and their certification to Congress is contained in the act of March 29, 1918, "An act to provide for the disposition of the effects of deceased persons in the naval service," which provides:

That claims may be presented hereunder at any time within five years after such moneys or proceeds have been so deposited in the Treasury and, when supported by competent proof in any case after such deposit in the Treasury, shall be certified to Congress for consideration.

If, after consideration by Congress of the claims herewith presented as provided in the above-cited act, it is the desire of Congress that the claims shall be paid, it is recommended that there be incorporated in the pending deficiency bill an item of legislation authorizing payment from the Navy pension fund reading as follows:

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For your information it may be added that a similar presentation of claims of this character was submitted to Congress under date of January 26, 1926, as shown by House Document No. 229, Sixty-ninth

Congress, first session (copy attached), and the necessary authorization to pay said claims was included in the deficiency act of March 3, 1926 (44 Stat. 191).

Respectfully,

A. W. MELLON,  
*Secretary of the Treasury.*

*Statement of claims allowed by the General Accounting Office as payable from the Navy pension fund, under provisions of acts of July 7, 1884 (23 Stat. 254), and March 29, 1918 (40 Stat. 499)*

Certificate No.	Name of claimant	Amount of claim
0144939	Annie Leclair, sister of Alfred Erlandson, deceased.....	\$25.44
0144939	August W. Plowe, brother of Alfred Erlandson, deceased.....	25.44
0144939	John Erlandson, brother of Alfred Erlandson, deceased.....	25.44
0144939	Allan Erlandson, brother of Alfred Erlandson, deceased.....	25.45
0144939	Hannah Leppa, sister of Alfred Erlandson, deceased.....	25.45
	Total.....	127.22

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 Congress has passed many laws, and the President has signed them. This is the way the government works. The President is the head of the executive branch, and the Congress is the legislative branch. They work together to make laws for the country.

A. H. HARRIS  
 Secretary of the Treasury  
 Statement of the Secretary of the Treasury, made before the Committee on Finance, United States Senate, on the 1st day of May, 1900.

Item	Amount
1. Balance forward	\$1,000,000.00
2. Receipts from the sale of land	500,000.00
3. Receipts from the sale of timber	250,000.00
4. Receipts from the sale of minerals	150,000.00
5. Receipts from the sale of other lands	100,000.00
6. Total	\$1,900,000.00

The above statement shows the receipts and disbursements of the Secretary of the Treasury for the year ending May 1, 1900. The total receipts for the year were \$1,900,000.00, and the total disbursements were \$1,800,000.00, leaving a balance of \$100,000.00.