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SEC. 2. That in computing period of service for any purpose officers of the Philippine Scouts shall be credited with all time served as commissioned officers in the drafted forces mentioned in section one of this Act. Service credits.

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[H. R. 9903.]
[Public, No. 115.]

CHAP. 37.—An Act To provide for restoration to their former grades of enlisted men discharged to accept commissions, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any enlisted man of the Army of the United States who has heretofore been, or shall hereafter be, discharged to accept a commission in any component part of the Army of the United States, and who shall tender himself for enlistment within three months after the termination of his commissioned service, shall, subject to such examination for enlistment as is provided by law or regulation, be accepted and be restored to the grade held by him before being discharged to accept such commission; and in computing service for retirement and continuous-service pay he shall be credited with all time served with the forces of the United States, and his service shall be deemed continuous, notwithstanding the interruption thereof by the changes of status provided for herein.

Army.
Enlisted men discharged to accept commissions, may reenlist on termination thereof.

Service credits.

Approved, March 30, 1918.

April 2, 1918.
[S. 3404.]
[Public, No. 116.]

CHAP. 39.—An Act To authorize the President to drop from the rolls any naval or Marine Corps officer absent without leave for three months, or who has been convicted of any offense punishable by confinement in the penitentiary by the civil authorities, and prohibiting such officer's reappointment.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President is hereby authorized to drop from the rolls of the Navy or Marine Corps any officer thereof who is absent from duty without leave for a period of three months or more, or who, having been found guilty by the civil authorities of any offense, is finally sentenced to confinement in a State or Federal penitentiary: *Provided*, That no officer so dropped shall be eligible for reappointment.

Navy and Marine Corps.
Officers to be dropped from the rolls if absent without leave, etc.

Proviso.
Reappointment forbidden.

Approved, April 2, 1918.

April 2, 1918.
[S. 3401.]
[Public, No. 117.]

CHAP. 40.—An Act To authorize the President to reduce temporarily the course of instruction at the United States Naval Academy.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized, until August first, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, to reduce, in his discretion, the course of instruction at the United States Naval Academy from four to three years and to graduate classes which have completed such reduced courses of instruction.

Naval Academy.
Course of instruction temporarily reduced.
Vol. 37, p. 73.
R. S., sec. 1520, p. 261.

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