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to, and commissioned in, a staff corps of the Navy in the same rank as formerly held by him in the line, shall take precedence with, but next after, that officer of the line immediately above him in the Navy at the time of such transfer, which officer shall be assigned as his running mate for promotion purposes: *Provided*, That no back pay or allowances shall accrue to any officer by reason of the passage of this Act.

Proviso.
No back pay, etc.

Approved, May 11, 1928.

May 11, 1928.
[H. R. 5746.]
[Public, No. 368.]

CHAP. 525.—An Act To authorize the appraisal of certain Government property, and for other purposes.

Navy.
South Charleston, W. Va.
Appraisal and sale of property furnishing electricity to ordnance plant at.

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 hereby authorized to cause the property of the Government used under the contract of October 16, 1924, and renewals thereof, for the furnishing of electric current to the naval ordnance plant at South Charleston, West Virginia, to be appraised, as provided for in said contract, by three persons as a preliminary to the purchase of said property by the contractor, the three appraisers to consist of one person selected by the Secretary of the Navy, one by the contractor, and the third by the two first so selected, as stipulated in the contract. The person selected and detailed by the Secretary of the Navy for said purpose, who shall be an officer of the Navy, and such persons as may be detailed by the Secretary to assist him, shall serve without additional compensation, except travel and subsistence in accordance with law. One-half of the fee and expenses of the third appraiser, not in excess of $10,000, as the Secretary may approve, shall be payable from the appropriation "Ordnance and ordnance stores," under the Navy Department, which is hereby made available for the purpose.

Selection of appraisers.

Allowance for third appraiser.

Approved, May 11, 1928.

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[H. J. Res. 177.]
[Pub. Res. No. 41.]

CHAP. 526.—Joint Resolution Authorizing the erection of a flagstaff at Fort Sumter, Charleston, South Carolina, and for other purposes.

Fort Sumter, S. C.
Erection of flagstaff, etc., at, in commemoration of defense thereof by General Robert Anderson.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War is authorized and directed to select a suitable site and to permit the executors of the estate of Eliza Mackintosh Clinch Anderson Lawton to erect on public grounds of the United States at Fort Sumter, Charleston, South Carolina, a flagstaff, with appropriate landscape and architectural setting, and to place in connection therewith a memorial commemorating the defense of the fort by General Robert Anderson. The design and materials of the flagstaff and memorial shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of War, with the advice of the Commission of Fine Arts. The United States shall be put to no expense in or by the erection of such flagstaff and memorial. Upon completion thereof the Secretary of War is authorized and directed to accept, on behalf of the United States, the flagstaff and memorial, in lieu of the legacy in the will of Eliza Mackintosh Clinch Anderson Lawton, providing for the erection of a statue of General Robert Anderson at Fort Sumter.

Approval, etc.

Acceptance in lieu of legacy for a statue.

Approved, May 11, 1928.