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appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President of the United States, the Governor of the State of Maryland, the Secretary of the Navy, the Superintendent of the United States Naval Academy, and five persons to be appointed by the President. The members of the Commission shall select from among their number, a Chairman and a Vice Chairman. The Superintendent of the United States Naval Academy shall appoint, subject to the approval of the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Commission, a secretary for the Commission. If any vacancy occurs in the office of secretary, such vacancy shall be filled in the manner provided for the original appointment. The authority of the Commission under this joint resolution shall cease and terminate on June 30, 1946.

Plans.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Commission to formulate plans for the celebration to be held on or about October 10, 1945, in commemoration of such anniversary.

Cooperation with other organizations.

SEC. 3. The Commission is authorized to cooperate with the State of Maryland, the city of Annapolis, the Navy Athletic Association, and other organizations, in order to carry out the provisions of this joint resolution.

Reimbursement for expenses.

SEC. 4. The members of the Commission shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties as members of the Commission.

Expenditures.

SEC. 5. The Commission is authorized to make such expenditures for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this joint resolution as it may deem advisable, but no expenditure shall be made except for the purposes authorized by a majority of the members thereof. Expenditures of the Commission shall be paid upon the presentation of vouchers approved by the Chairman of the Commission.

Report to Congress.

SEC. 6. The Commission shall make a report to the Congress, as soon as practicable, of the plans formulated and the recommendations of the Commission for the observance of such anniversary.

Appropriation authorized.

SEC. 7. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of $5,000, to be expended by the Commission for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this joint resolution.

Approved May 3, 1945.

[CHAPTER 108]

AN ACT

To amend section 2, Public Law 140, Seventy-seventh Congress.

May 4, 1945
[H. R. 1701]
[Public Law 51]

Regular Army and Philippine Scouts.
55 Stat. 394.
10 U. S. C., Supp. IV, § 939.
Retirement for disability.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of Public Law 140, Seventy-seventh Congress, is hereby amended by adding a colon at the end thereof and the following: "*Provided*, That this Act shall apply to all former enlisted men of the Regular Army and the Philippine Scouts who have served for twenty years or more, and who were honorably discharged therefrom by reason of becoming permanently incapacitated for active service due to physical disability incurred in line of duty: *Provided further*, That any former enlisted man placed upon the retired list in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing proviso shall not be entitled to receive retirement pay for any period prior to the effective date of this amendment."

Approved May 4, 1945.