

CHAP. 227.—An Act Amending section 3 of the Act approved January 12, 1923, entitled "An Act to distribute the commissioned line and engineer officers of the Coast Guard in grades, and for other purposes."

February 28, 1927.
[S. 4287.]
[Public, No. 661.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3 of the Act approved January 12, 1923, entitled "An Act to distribute the commissioned line and engineer officers of the Coast Guard in grades, and for other purposes," be amended by adding thereto the following proviso:

Coast Guard.
Vol. 42, p. 1131,
amended.
Retired officers.

"*Provided further,* That commissioned officers Daniel P. Foley, Francis M. Dunwoody, Howard M. Broadbent, Frank H. Newcomb, and Horace B. West, shall have the rank of commodore on the retired list without any increase of pay by reason of the passage of this Act."

Officers to have rank
of commodore.

Approved, February 28, 1927.

CHAP. 228.—An Act To amend section 129 of the Judicial Code, allowing an appeal in a patent suit from a decree which is final except for the ordering of an accounting.

February 28, 1927.
[S. 4957.]
[Public, No. 662.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That when in any suit in equity for the infringement of letters patent for inventions, a decree is rendered which is final except for the ordering of an accounting, an appeal may be taken from such decree to the circuit court of appeals: *Provided,* That such appeal be taken within thirty days from the entry of such decree or from the date of this act; and the proceedings upon the accounting in the court below shall not be stayed unless so ordered by that court during the pendency of such appeal.

Judicial Code.
Appeals to circuit
court of appeals in pat-
ent infringement suits.
Vol. 43, p. 937, amend-
ed.
Proviso.
Time limit, etc.

Approved, February 28, 1927.

CHAP. 229.—An Act To amend paragraph (c) of section 4 of the Act entitled "An Act to create the Inland Waterways Corporation for the purpose of carrying out the mandate and purpose of Congress as expressed in sections 201 and 500 of the Transportation Act, and for other purposes," approved June 3, 1924.

February 28, 1927.
[S. 5671.]
[Public, No. 663.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraph (c) of section 4 of the Act entitled "An Act to create the Inland Waterways Corporation for the purpose of carrying out the mandate and purpose of Congress as expressed in sections 201 and 500 of the Transportation Act, and for other purposes," approved June 3, 1924, be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Inland Waterways
Corporation.
Vol. 43, p. 361, amend-
ed.

"(c) In addition to the six members, the Secretary of War shall appoint an individual from civil life, or (notwithstanding section 1222 of the Revised Statutes or any other provision of law, or any rules and regulations issued thereunder) detail an officer from the Military Establishment of the United States, as chairman of the board. Any officer so detailed at the date of the passage of this amendatory Act shall, during his term of office as chairman, have the rank, pay, and allowances of a major general, United States Army, and shall be exempt from the operation of any provision of law or any rules or regulations issued thereunder which limits the length of such detail or compels him to perform duty with troops. Any individual appointed from civil life shall, during his term of office as chairman, receive a salary not to exceed \$10,000 a year, to

Advisory Board.
Appointment of ci-
vilian, or detail of
Army officer, as chair-
man.

Army officer to have
rank, etc., of major
general.

Pay for civilian.

Functions conferred. be fixed by the Secretary of War. The Secretary of War may delegate to the chairman any of the functions vested in the Secretary by this Act."

Approved, February 28, 1927.

March 1, 1927.
[H. R. 14831.]
[Public, No. 664.]

CHAP. 244.—An Act To amend section 107 of the Judicial Code.

Tennessee western
judicial district.
Vol. 42, p. 1521,
amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the seventh sentence of section 107 of the Judicial Code is amended to read as follows:

Terms of court, at
Memphis and Jackson.

"Terms of the district court for the western division of said district shall be held at Memphis on the first Mondays in April and October; and for the eastern division, at Jackson, on the fourth Mondays in March and September."

Approved, March 1, 1927.

March 1, 1927.
[S. 5722.]
[Public, No. 665.]

CHAP. 245.—An Act To authorize the construction of new conservatories and other necessary buildings for the United States Botanic Garden.

Botanic Garden,
D. C.
Construction direct-
ed of new conserva-
tories, etc., for.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Architect of the Capitol, under the direction and supervision of the Joint Committee on the Library, is authorized and directed to provide for the construction of new conservatories and other necessary buildings for the United States Botanic Garden, in accordance with the report submitted to Congress pursuant to paragraph (4) of section 1 of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for enlarging and relocating the United States Botanic Garden, and for other purposes," approved January 5, 1927. The Architect of the Capitol is authorized to enter into such contracts in the open market, to make such expenditures (including expenditures for material, supplies, equipment, accessories, advertising, travel, and subsistence), and to employ such professional and other assistants, without regard to the provisions of section 35 of the Public Buildings Omnibus Act, approved June 25, 1910, as amended, as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Ante, p. 932.

Open market con-
tracts, etc., authorized.

Outside professional
assistants, etc., may be
employed.
Vol. 36, p. 699.

Sum authorized.

Disbursements.

SEC. 2. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of \$876,398, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to carry out the provisions of this Act. Appropriations made under authority of this Act or under authority of section 2 of such Act of January 5, 1927, shall be disbursed by the disbursing officer of the Library of Congress.

Approved, March 1, 1927.

March 2, 1927.
[S. 722.]
[Public, No. 686.]

CHAP. 249.—An Act To authorize the selection of certain publicly owned lands by the State of Oregon.

Public lands.
Oregon authorized
common school lieu
selections.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture, and under such conditions as they may prescribe, the publicly owned lands within the following-described areas are hereby made available for selection by the State of Oregon under the Act of February 28, 1891 (Twenty-sixth Statutes, page 796), for a period of five years from the passage of this Act:

Description.

Township 23 south, range 10 west, Willamette meridian: Sections 3, 11, 15, 21, 23, 27, and west half northeast quarter, northwest