tion, and in such numbers and at such times as they shall request, upon payment by such officers, for and on behalf of such association, of the par value of such coins.

Approved, March 3, 1925.

CHAP. 483.—Joint Resolution Authorizing the Secretary of War to modify certain contracts entered into for the sale of boats, barges, tugs, and other transportation facilities intended for operation upon the New York State Barge Canal.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to so modify the terms of all contracts and supplements thereto that have been entered into by the United States regarding the sale of boats, barges, tugs, and other transportation facilities intended for operation on the New York State Barge Canal by such a new contract or contracts as will enable the New York Canal and Great Lakes Corporation to operate the boats, barges, tugs, and other transportation facilities sold under the terms of Public Resolution Numbered 62, 1921, with a reasonable prospect of success: Provided, That the terms of sale be such that the total amount received and to be received by the United States from the sale of such boats, barges, tugs, and other transportation facilities shall be not less than $500,000, which shall be paid within ninety days after the date of such new contract or contracts: Provided further, That any such new contract or contracts shall provide that the New York Canal and Great Lakes Corporation shall reestablish the line formerly known as the Intra-Coastal Section, Inland and Coastwise Waterways Service, operating between Baltimore, Maryland, and New Berne, Beaufort, and Morehead City, North Carolina, and shall operate such line by not less than two self-propelled barges.

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CHAP. 484.—Joint Resolution To provide for the posthumous appointment to commissioned grades of certain enlisted men and the posthumous promotion of certain commissioned officers.

Resolved 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 to issue, or cause to be issued, an appropriate commission in the name of any person who, while in the military service of the United States during the war between the United States and Germany and Austria-Hungary, had been duly appointed to a commissioned grade, or had successfully completed the course at a training school for officers and had been recommended for appointment to a commissioned grade by the officer commanding or in charge of such school and, through no fault of his own, was unable to accept the commission for such grade by reason of his death in line of duty; and any such commission shall issue as of the date of such appointment, and any such person's name shall be carried upon the records of the War Department as of the grade and branch of the service to which he would have been promoted by such commission, from the date of such appointment to the date of his death. Commission to issue

SEC. 2. That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized to issue, or cause to be issued, an appropriate commission in the name of any person who, while in the military service of the United States during the war between the United States and Germany and Austria-Hungary, may have been officially recommended for