junior to him, is in the upper half of the list of rear admirals: Provided. That the provisions of this Act shall not apply to officers of the Naval Reserve while on any lineal list established pursuant to title III of the Officer Personnel Act of 1947: Provided further, That no back pay or allowances shall be held to have accrued under the provisions of this Act for any period prior to the date of its approval.

Approved March 17, 1949.

[CHAPTER 28] JOINT RESOLUTION

Extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1956 Olympic Games at Detroit, Michigan.

Whereas the United States Olympic Association will invite the International Olympic Committee to hold the Olympic Games in the United States at Detroit, Michigan, in 1956: Now, therefore, be it Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Government of the United States joins in the invitation of the United States Olympic Association to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1956 Olympic Games in the United States at Detroit, Michigan; and expresses the hospitable hope that the United States may be selected as the site for this great enterprise in international good will.

Sec. 2. The Secretary of State is directed to transmit a copy of this joint resolution to the International Olympic Committee.

Approved March 23, 1949.

[CHAPTER 30] JOINT RESOLUTION

Providing for the filling of a vacancy in the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, of the class other than Members of Congress.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the vacancy in the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, of the class other than Members of Congress, be filled by the appointment of Jerome C. Hunsaker, a citizen of Massachusetts, for the statutory term of six years, to succeed Frederic C. Walcott, retired.

Approved March 24, 1949.

[CHAPTER 32] AN ACT

To authorize the attendance of the United States Marine Band at the Eighty-third and Final National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic to be held in Indianapolis, Indiana, August 28 to September 1, 1949.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President is authorized to permit the band of the United States Marine Corps to attend and give concerts at the Eighty-third and Final National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic to be held in Indianapolis, Indiana, August 28 to September 1, 1949.

Sec. 2. For the purpose of defraying the expenses of such band in attending and giving concerts at such convention, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated a sufficient sum to cover the cost of transportation and pullman accommodations for the leaders and members of the Marine Band, and allowance not to exceed $8 per day each