President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, or by the President alone, or by a court of law, or by the head of a department, shall, within thirty days after the effective date of his appointment, file with the Comptroller General of the United States an affidavit stating that neither he nor anyone acting in his behalf has given, transferred, promised, or paid any consideration for or in the expectation or hope of receiving assistance in securing such appointment.

SEC. 2. No salary shall be paid to any individual required under section 1 to file an affidavit until such affidavit has been filed.

SEC. 3. That employees of the United States Veterans' Bureau who, upon original appointment, have subscribed to the oath of office required by Section 1757 of the Revised Statutes shall not be required to renew the said oath because of any change in status so long as their services are continuous, unless, in the opinion of the Director, the public interests require such renewal.

Approved, December 11, 1926.

CHAP. 5.—An Act To amend section 8 of the Act approved March 1, 1911 (Thirty-sixth Statutes, page 961), entitled "An Act to enable any State to cooperate with any other State or States, or with the United States, for the protection of the watersheds of navigable streams and to appoint a commission for the acquisition of lands for the purpose of conserving the navigability of navigable rivers."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled, That the Act approved March 1, 1911 (Thirty-sixth Statutes, page 961), is hereby amended by adding to section 8 thereof the following language:

"Provided, That in condemnation proceedings, heretofore or hereafter prosecuted, for the acquisition of lands under this Act, in which a decree is entered vesting title thereto in the United States upon payment of the award into the registry of the court, the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to make such payment when advised by the Attorney General that the proceedings and the decree are regular."

Approved, December 11, 1926.

CHAP. 6.—An Act To fix the salaries of certain judges of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled, That the following salaries shall be paid to the several judges hereinafter mentioned in lieu of the salaries now provided by law, namely:

To the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States the sum of $20,500 per year, and to each of the Associate Justices thereof the sum of $20,000 per year.

To each of the circuit judges the sum of $12,500 per year.

To each of the district judges the sum of $10,000 per year.

To the presiding judge of the United States Court of Customs Appeals, and to each of the other judges thereof, the sum of $12,500 per year.

To the Chief Justice of the Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia, and to each of the associate justices thereof, the sum of $12,500 per year.

To the Chief Justice of the Court of Claims, and to each of the other judges thereof, the sum of $12,500 per year.

To the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, $10,500 per year, and to each of the associate justices thereof the sum of $10,000 per year.