Appointment of Quartermaster General.

Detail of officers to Supply Department.

Repeals.

Section 4. When a vacancy shall exist in the office of Quartermaster General of the Marine Corps, the President may appoint to such office, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, an officer of the Marine Corps on the active list assigned to supply duty only of the rank of brigadier general, who shall hold office as such quartermaster general for a period of four years, unless sooner relieved.

Section 5. In such numbers as may be required to meet the needs of the service officers of the line may be detailed for duty in the Supply Department for a period of four years unless sooner relieved.

Section 6. The following laws and parts of laws are hereby repealed:


Section 7. All other laws or parts of laws inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby amended accordingly.

Approved July 1, 1947.

[CHAPTER 190]

AN ACT

To amend the Acts of October 14, 1942 (56 Stat. 786), as amended, and November 28, 1943 (57 Stat. 593), as amended, so as to authorize transportation of dependents and household effects of personnel of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard to overseas bases.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Section 1 of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the transportation of dependents and household effects of personnel of the Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and Coast and Geodetic Survey, incident to secret or confidential orders, and for other purposes," approved October 14, 1942 (56 Stat. 786), as amended, is hereby further amended as follows:

(a) Strike out the words "points to new stations in the United States to which such personnel may be subsequently ordered for duty, under such regulations as the Secretary of the Navy may prescribe: Provided, That the wives of" as they appear in lines 13, 14, and 15 thereof, on page 786, volume 56, Statutes at Large, and insert in lieu thereof the words "points to current or new stations to which such personnel may be subsequently ordered for duty, at which restrictive conditions no longer prevail, under such regulations as the Secretary of the Navy may prescribe, and without regard to cost of transportation previously provided for dependents and household effects to such points: Provided, That the wives of".

(b) Strike out the words "personnel concerned have been so ordered shall constitute authority" as they appear in line 26 thereof, on page 786, volume 56, Statutes at Large, and insert in lieu thereof the words "personnel concerned have been so ordered, or that they have been ordered to new duty stations or continued on current duty stations where their dependents are not restricted from joining them, shall constitute authority".

Section 2. The Act entitled "An Act to authorize the transportation of dependents and household effects of personnel of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard under certain conditions, and for other purposes," approved November 28, 1943 (57 Stat. 593), as amended, is hereby further amended as follows:

(a) Strike out the words "United States, and from such points to new stations in the United States to which such personnel may be
subsequently ordered for duty” as they appear in lines 21 and 22 of section 1 thereof, on page 593, volume 57, Statutes at Large, and insert in lieu thereof the words “United States, and from such points to current or new stations to which such personnel may be subsequently ordered for duty”.

(b) Strike out the words “or Government quarters for their dependents are available” as they appear in line 24 of section 1 thereof, on page 593, volume 57, Statutes at Large, and insert in lieu thereof the words “without regard to cost of transportation previously provided for dependents and household effects to such points”.

(c) Strike out the words “them, the wives of such personnel, or such other responsible persons” as they appear in line 7, section 2 thereof on page 594, volume 57, Statutes at Large, and insert in lieu thereof the words “them, or have been ordered to new duty stations at which their dependents are not restricted from joining them, or have continued on current duty stations where restrictive conditions no longer prevail, the wives of such personnel, or such other responsible persons”.

SEC. 3. Section 1 of this Act shall be effective in all respects as provided in section 2 of the Act of October 14, 1942 (56 Stat. 786), and section 2 of this Act shall be effective in all respects as provided in section 6 of the Act of November 28, 1943 (57 Stat. 593), as amended.

Approved July 1, 1947.

[CHAPTER 191]

AN ACT

Relinquishing to the State of Illinois certain right, title, or interest of the United States of America, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, for the purpose of enabling the State of Illinois to use the lands now occupied by the Illinois and Michigan Canal for highway, park, recreational, or any other public purposes, there is hereby relinquished to the State of Illinois all such right, title, and interest, if any, as the United States of America may have in and to any part of the land comprising the right-of-way of the Illinois and Michigan Canal, as the same was routed and constructed through the public lands of the United States of America in the counties of Cook, Will, Grundy, Du Page, and La Salle, in the State of Illinois, pursuant to the provisions, insofar as applicable, of the Acts of March 30, 1822 (3 Stat. 659), March 2, 1827 (4 Stat. 234), and March 2, 1833 (4 Stat. 662), and in and to any part of the ninety feet of land on each side of the canal for the entire length thereof referred to in the Act of March 30, 1822 (3 Stat. 659); on condition, however, that if any of the lands with respect to which any right, title, or interest is hereby relinquished by the United States of America to the State of Illinois shall ever cease to be occupied and used for highway, park, recreational, or any other public purposes then, and in that event, all such right, title, and interest, if any, in or to the lands which have ceased to be so occupied and used shall thereupon revest in the United States of America.

Sec. 2. This Act shall affect only such right, title, and interest of the United States of America in and to the lands described in section 1 hereof as may have been retained by the United States of America, in fee simple, as a reversionary interest, or otherwise, under the Acts of March 30, 1822 (3 Stat. 659), March 2, 1827 (4 Stat. 234), and March 2, 1833 (4 Stat. 662), and as has not been disposed of, prior to the approval of this Act, by the United States of America.

Sec. 3. Provided that, to protect the rights of navigation in or over the lands comprising the right-of-way of the Illinois and Michigan