By Mr. WEEKS: A bill (S. 5442) for the relief of the owner of the steam lighter Cornelia (with accompanying papers); and A bill (S. 5443) for the relief of the owners of the schooner Horatio Foss; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. POINDEXTER: A bill (S. 5444) granting an increase of pension to William H. Watkins; to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. SPENCER: A bill (S. 5445) granting a pension to John H. Helser; and A bill (S. 5446) granting a pension to Julius Cohen; to the Committee on Pensions.

AMENDMENTS TO APPROPRIATION BILLS.

Mr. LODGE submitted an amendment authorizing certain persons formerly connected with the American Embassy at Berlin to accept pieces of plate presented to them by the British Government; to be considered by him on the 27th of January, in the consideration of the Appropriation Bill for the Department of State.

Mr. KING submitted the following resolution (S. Res. 428), which was read and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be, and he is hereby, directed to transmit to the Senate the report of the Inspector General made to him on or about October 1, 1918, in the matter of the complaint of E. L. Rice with respect to Lieut. Col. Robert A. Milliken, Col. C. H. Hilton, and Lieut. D. L. Webster, and others.

COMPLAINT OF E. L. RICE.

Mr. KING submitted the following resolution (S. Res. 429), which was read and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs:

Resolved, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, directed to transmit to the Senate the report of the Inspector General made to him on or about October 1, 1918, in the matter of the complaint of E. L. Rice with respect to Lieut. Col. Robert A. Milliken, Col. C. H. Hilton, and Lieut. D. L. Webster, and others.

TRIALS BY COURTS-MARTIAL.

Mr. JONES of Washington. I submit a Senate resolution, and I ask unanimous consent that it be immediately considered.

Mr. PENROSE. Let the resolution be read for information.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The Secretary will read the resolution.

The Secretary read the resolution (S. Res. 426), as follows:

Resolved, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, directed to send to the Senate the number of individuals who have been tried and convicted by court-martial proceedings since our entrance into the war, April 6, 1917, together with a brief statement of the offenses charged and the nature and extent of the punishment inflicted upon or assessed against each.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the resolution?

The resolution was considered by unanimous consent and agreed to.

LIFE-SAVING DEVICES.

Mr. JONES of Washington. I submit a Senate resolution, and I ask for its immediate consideration.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The Secretary will read the resolution.

The resolution (S. Res. 425) was read, considered by unanimous consent, and agreed to, as follows:

Resolved, That the Secretary of Commerce be, and he is hereby, directed to report to the Senate whether or not Title LII, Revised Statutes, for the regulation of steam vessels, as amended and supplemented, is being enforced as respects life-saving devices, designating the character of such devices, if any, as are not being required for such vessels, and why not so required; and whether or not the storm cargo and passenger vessels owned, operated, or controlled by the United States Shipping Board and by the Emergency Fleet Corporation are equipped with the life-saving devices described in that title, as amended and supplemented, and whether or not so equipped, if that be the case.

PROMOTIONS IN THE ARMY.

Mr. KING. Mr. President, on the 30th of December last I submitted a resolution seeking certain information relative to the granting of commissions after the signing of the armistice to enlisted men who had been recommended for commissions during the war, etc., and ordered to lie on the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. KING. Mr. President, one of my colleagues suggests that it be read. I have no objection.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Secretary will read the report.