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INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATION BILL, FISCAL  
 YEAR 1934

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Mr. WOODRUM, from the Committee on Appropriations, submitted  
 the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 14458]

The Committee on Appropriations submits the following report in  
 explanation of the accompanying bill making appropriations for the  
 Executive Office and for sundry independent executive offices,  
 boards, bureaus, and commissions for the fiscal year 1934.

The bill embraces regular annual appropriations for the office of  
 the President and for the independent establishments of the Govern-  
 ment.

A detailed tabulation will be found at the end of this report giving  
 for each appropriation in this bill the amount appropriated for the  
 fiscal year 1933, including amounts in deficiency and other acts, and  
 the Budget estimates for the fiscal year 1934, together with the in-  
 crease or decrease in appropriations and estimates as compared with  
 the amounts recommended in the bill.

APPROPRIATIONS AND ESTIMATES

The Budget estimates upon which this bill is based were submitted  
 by the President in the Budget for the fiscal year 1934 and will be  
 found on pages 21 to 70 of that document.

The grand total of the bill as recommended to the House is \$1,002,-  
 890,779. This sum is \$21,395,262 less than the 1933 appropriations  
 and \$1,657,522 less than the Budget estimate.



Excluding the Veterans' Administration (military), the total of the bill as reported to the House is \$56,902,145, which sum is \$39,434,896 below the 1933 appropriations for the same items and is \$1,657,522 under the Budget estimates.

The bill includes the full amount of the Budget estimate for the Veterans' Administration, which is \$18,039,634 above the 1933 appropriation.

For 1933, there were appropriations for items not recurring in 1934 for the following: Chicago World's Fair, \$1,000,000; distribution of wheat and cotton, \$40,000,000; Federal Home Loan Bank Board, \$250,000; and George Washington Bicentennial Commission, \$200,000.

The totals recommended for the respective establishments in the bill, compared with the Budget estimates and with the 1933 appropriations are set out in the following table, showing the amounts for the Veterans' Administration (military), for the nonrecurring items, and for all other objects in separate categories:

Report of the Committee on Appropriations, House of Representatives, 73rd Congress, 1st Session, 1933-34, p. 10.

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Comparative statement of the amounts appropriated for the fiscal year 1933, the Budget estimates for the fiscal year 1934, and the amounts recommended in the accompanying bill for 1934, showing the nonrecurring items and the Veterans' Administration (military) separately

Objects	Appropriations for 1933	Estimates for 1934	Amount recommended in bill for 1934	Increase (+) or decrease (-), bill compared with 1933 appropriation	Increase (+) or decrease (-), bill compared with 1934 Budget estimates
<b>OBJECTS EXCLUSIVE OF VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION (MILITARY) AND NONRECURRING ITEMS</b>					
Executive Office.....	\$332,000	\$378,498	\$428,498	+\$36,498	+\$50,000
American Battle Monuments Commission.....	275,000	143,322	143,322	-131,678	-----
Arlington Memorial Bridge Commission.....	340,000	294,675	294,675	-45,325	-----
Board of Mediation.....	152,135	132,483	132,483	-19,652	-----
Board of Tax Appeals.....	560,000	556,442	545,000	-15,000	-----
Bureau of Efficiency.....	159,500	146,298	146,298	-13,202	-----
Civil Service Commission.....	1,457,486	1,374,470	1,374,470	-83,016	-11,442
Commission of Fine Arts.....	7,800	19,258	9,258	+1,458	-----
Employees' Compensation Commission.....	4,880,000	4,912,800	4,862,800	-17,200	-----
Federal Board for Vocational Education.....	2,864,000	2,876,283	2,876,283	+12,283	-50,000
Federal Oil Conservation Board.....	10,000	11,252	9,752	-248	-----
Federal Power Commission.....	254,000	235,373	235,373	-18,627	-----
Federal Radio Commission.....	872,000	780,427	780,427	-91,573	-----
Federal Trade Commission.....	1,466,500	1,109,550	510,000	-956,500	-----
General Accounting Office.....	4,262,620	3,918,000	3,918,000	-344,620	-599,550
George Rogers Clark Sesquicentennial.....	400,000	98,158	98,158	-301,842	-----
Interstate Commerce Commission.....	7,148,560	7,137,639	7,137,639	-10,921	-----
Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission.....	25,000	10,000	10,000	-15,000	-----
National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics.....	920,000	866,030	821,000	-99,000	-----
Public Buildings and Public Parks.....	4,025,933	4,184,422	4,184,422	+158,489	-45,030
Public Buildings Commission.....	100,000	91,975	91,975	-8,025	-----
Smithsonian Institution.....	1,074,829	1,044,692	1,044,692	-30,137	-----
Supreme Court Building Commission.....	1,000,000	3,240,000	2,240,000	+1,240,000	-1,000,000
Tariff Commission.....	1,020,000	945,098	945,098	-74,902	-----
U. S. Geographic Board.....	9,678	9,778	9,778	+100	-----
U. S. Shipping Board.....	360,000	3,202,744	3,202,744	+2,842,744	-----
Civil service retirement and disability fund.....	20,850,000	20,850,000	20,850,000	-----	-----
Total, exclusive of nonrecurring items and Veterans' Administration (military).....	54,887,041	58,559,667	56,902,145	+2,015,104	-1,657,522
<b>NONRECURRING ITEMS</b>					
Chicago World's Fair.....	1,000,000	-----	-----	-1,000,000	-----
Distribution of wheat and cotton.....	40,000,000	-----	-----	-40,000,000	-----
Federal Home Loan Bank Board.....	250,000	-----	-----	-250,000	-----
George Washington Bicentennial Commission.....	200,000	-----	-----	-200,000	-----
Total, exclusive of Veterans' Administration.....	96,337,041	58,559,667	56,902,145	-39,434,896	-1,657,522
Veterans' Administration (military).....	927,949,000	945,988,634	945,988,634	+18,039,634	-----
Grand total.....	1,024,286,041	1,004,548,301	1,002,890,779	-21,395,262	-1,657,522



## EXECUTIVE MANSION AND GROUNDS

For the Executive Mansion and grounds, the bill includes an item of \$50,000, not estimated for by the Budget, for unusual repairs and alterations at the White House incident to the forthcoming change of occupancy of that edifice. It has been the custom, in the past, to make an additional appropriation for this purpose upon a change of administration. This is the only item in the bill for which the committee has recommended an amount in excess of the Budget.

## AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION

The Budget estimate of \$143,322 contemplates the completion of the work of the commission during the fiscal year 1934. Upon completion of the memorials in the eight American cemeteries and at several other points in Europe selected by the commission, as provided by law, they will be turned over to the War Department for care and maintenance. Consequently, it is not expected there will be any further appropriations for this commission.

## ARLINGTON MEMORIAL BRIDGE COMMISSION

The committee has allowed the Budget estimate of \$294,675 for the Arlington Memorial Bridge. This is a reduction of \$45,325 under the appropriation of \$340,000 for the current year.

The amount carried in this bill is for the purpose of completing the memorial entrance to the cemetery, the Memorial Avenue leading from the bridge to the cemetery, the parkway approach at the Washington end, and such other work as is necessary to bring the project to a "stand-by" status, in conformity with the action of Congress last year in eliminating from the estimates all items that had not been begun or contracted for.

The Memorial Bridge act authorized a connection with the Lee Highway project of the State of Virginia. The original estimate for such connection was based upon plans existing at the time for the location of the Lee Highway on the north side of the cemetery. The excessive cost of acquisition and development of this route has prevented the construction of the road where originally planned. The State is now considering approaching the bridge from the south side of the cemetery. The accompanying bill includes a provision making \$25,000 of unexpended balances available for widening and repaving the present Military Road from the memorial entrance to the southeast corner of the cemetery, where it will connect with the State project. The expenditure of this money for the purpose indicated is conditioned upon the State of Virginia completing the construction of the Lee Highway to the same point. This connection will be materially less costly than the one originally contemplated at the northeast corner of the cemetery, since the latter included the construction of an additional bridge span across the boundary channel at the north end of Columbia Island.

## BOARD OF MEDIATION

The committee has allowed the Budget estimate of \$132,483 for the Board of Mediation, which reflects an actual saving of \$2,135 under the current appropriation. The sum of \$151,135 appropriated for the current year was reduced by the provisions of the economy act to



\$134,618. The amount carried in the bill for 1934 is \$55,702 less than the appropriation for the fiscal year 1932.

The board reported to the committee that on June 30 last it was a full year behind with its mediation work. A full statement of the status of its work, including tables showing, by years, the number of cases received and disposed of since the creation of the board, may be found on pages 19 to 22 of the hearings.

#### BOARD OF TAX APPEALS

The Budget estimate of \$556,442 for the Board of Tax Appeals has been reduced by the committee to \$545,000, or a saving of \$11,442 under the estimate. The amount recommended is \$108,640 under the appropriation of \$653,640 for 1932. The amount appropriated for 1933 was \$560,000, of which there was impounded as a result of the legislative furlough, \$43,591, leaving \$516,409 available for actual expenditure during the current year. Of the Budget increase of \$40,033 above the amount actually available for 1933, \$30,090 was to obviate the necessity, during 1934, for administrative furloughs, required in 1933 because of the cut of \$75,000 in its appropriation under that for 1932. The remainder of the Budget increase, approximately \$10,000, is for miscellaneous expenditures. These Budget increases were reduced by the committee as above indicated.

#### BUREAU OF EFFICIENCY

The committee has allowed the Budget estimate of \$146,298 for the Bureau of Efficiency. This is a reduction of \$13,202 under the appropriation for 1933. Of the reduction, \$13,052 is accounted for by the continuation of the legislative furlough and other provisions of the economy act, and \$150 is the reduction in printing and binding, for which \$500 was appropriated for 1933. The amount appropriated for this bureau for 1932 was \$200,270.

The bureau submitted a statement showing total actual cash savings as a result of its investigations of the past year of \$315,890.81. This statement, together with one by the Director of the Bureau of the Budget showing wherein and to what extent the savings reported by the Bureau of Efficiency are reflected in the estimates of appropriations for the departments affected are to be found on pages 62 to 69 of the hearings.

#### CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

The Budget estimate of \$1,374,470 for the Civil Service Commission has been allowed. This sum is \$83,016 below the amount of \$1,457,486 appropriated for the current fiscal year. The latter amount includes \$145,116 appropriated last year for the Personnel Classification Board, which was transferred to and consolidated with the Civil Service Commission by the terms of the economy act. The amount appropriated for 1933 was reduced by reason of economy act impoundments of \$129,264 on account of the legislative furlough and \$8,100 reduction in the printing and binding appropriation, to \$1,320,122. This sum, compared with the amount of \$1,374,470 estimated and allowed for 1934 reflects an actual increase of \$54,348. Of this increase, \$19,000 is for travel expenses.

The 1932 appropriation for travel was \$85,000. This sum was more than cut in half for 1933, being reduced to \$41,000, which has been



found inadequate to meet the requirements of the service. The Budget estimate of \$60,000 for 1934 leaves this item still \$25,000 under the 1932 appropriation. There is also an increase of \$9,982 in the appropriation for contingent expenses. The Budget estimate of \$35,000 for 1934 is \$5,000 less than the 1932 amount. The remaining actual increase of \$25,366 will be available to reduce partially the amount of administrative furlough, the aggregate of which for the current year is estimated to be \$154,227. Under the estimate and the bill, therefore, the amounts included for personal services for next year will again require the imposition of a very considerable administrative furlough, in addition to the legislative furlough. The aggregate of legislative and administrative furloughs which will be required in 1934 under the bill as reported is \$192,980.

#### COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS

The Budget estimate of \$9,258 for the Commission of Fine Arts has been allowed. This sum is \$1,458 in excess of the 1933 appropriation, but represents an actual increase of approximately \$2,000, due to the legislative furlough. The amount allowed is \$217 less than the 1932 appropriation of \$9,475. The paid personnel of the commission consists of a secretarial staff of 3 persons, the members of the commission serving without pay. However, the latter are reimbursed out of the appropriation for the expenses of travel and subsistence incident to their attendance upon meetings. For the current fiscal year the number of meetings will be materially reduced because of the curtailment in the 1933 appropriation. The commission anticipates a substantial increase in its work during the fiscal year 1934 because of the large number of new public buildings to be erected under the emergency appropriations of last year, necessitating more meetings, and believes it will require an appropriation approximately equal to the one made for 1932.

#### EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

The amount of \$4,862,800 recommended in the bill for the Employees' Compensation Commission is \$17,200 less than the 1933 appropriation and \$50,000 less than the Budget estimate for 1934. The reduction of \$17,200 under the current appropriation is in the item for salaries and expenses and represents the difference occasioned by the legislative furlough. The reduction of \$50,000 below the Budget estimate is in the amount to be appropriated for the employees' compensation fund. The original estimate of the commission prepared at the beginning of the present fiscal year, was based on the experience of the year preceding and indicated the need for \$4,500,000 for the fiscal year 1934. During the first six months of the current fiscal year, a marked diminution was noted in the number of claims for temporary disability allowances, due to the reduction of Federal personnel, particularly in the Postal Service. The falling off of claims in this category is more than sufficient to offset the present constant upward trend in death allowances, and at the hearings held by the Committee the commission indicated that an appropriation of \$4,450,000 would be sufficient for the coming fiscal year.



## FEDERAL BOARD FOR VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

The Budget estimate of \$2,876,283 for the Federal Board for Vocational Education, which was allowed by the Committee, is \$12,283 in excess of the current appropriations. There is a statutory increase of \$19,500 for vocational education for Puerto Rico and an increase of \$1,683 for vocational rehabilitation in the District of Columbia. The Budget estimate for the latter is \$13,683 as compared with the 1933 appropriation of \$12,000. The amount authorized to be appropriated is \$15,000 and the District of Columbia is required to match the Federal appropriation, a provision similar to the one requiring the States to match Federal allotments for this purpose. The District of Columbia has appropriated the full sum of \$15,000 for the past two years and the District Budget for 1934 provides a similar amount.

The two increases noted above are offset by decreases of \$3,000 for vocational education in Hawaii, \$5,300 for administrative expenses for vocational education, and \$600 for administrative expenses for vocational rehabilitation.

The annual appropriations carried in the bill for vocational education are supplemented by permanent appropriations. The permanent appropriations for allotments to States are, for 1932, \$7,167,000; for 1933, \$6,450,300; and for 1934, \$6,450,300. There is a permanent appropriation of \$200,000 for administrative expenses for each of the three years.

The following tabular statement shows all appropriations, both permanent and annual, for the Federal Board for Vocational Education for the years indicated:

*Appropriations for vocational education and vocational rehabilitation for 1932-1933, and as carried in the bill as reported to the House for 1934*

Item	1932	1933	<sup>1</sup> 1934
VOCATIONAL EDUCATION			
Allotments to States:			
Permanent appropriations.....	\$7,167,000	<sup>2</sup> \$6,450,300	<sup>2</sup> \$6,450,300
Supplemental annual appropriations.....	1,483,000	<sup>3</sup> 1,500,000	<sup>3</sup> 1,500,000
Total, allotments to States.....	8,650,000	7,950,300	7,950,300
Allotments to Territories (annual appropriations):			
Hawaii.....	30,000	27,000	27,000
Puerto Rico.....	45,000	75,000	94,500
Administrative expenses:			
Permanent appropriation.....	200,000	200,000	200,000
Annual appropriation.....	85,000	79,700	79,700
Grand total, vocational education.....	9,010,000	8,332,000	8,351,500
VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION			
Annual appropriations:			
Allotments to States.....	1,097,000	1,097,000	1,097,000
Administrative expenses.....	77,860	65,000	64,400
Vocational rehabilitation, District of Columbia.....	<sup>4</sup> 14,740	<sup>4</sup> 12,000	<sup>4</sup> 13,683
Total, vocational rehabilitation.....	1,189,600	1,174,000	1,175,083

<sup>1</sup> In bill as reported to House.

<sup>2</sup> Reduced to this figure from the one indicated for 1932 by the terms of the economy act for 1933 and as proposed for 1934 in the Budget for that year.

<sup>3</sup> The amounts authorized in the permanent act are \$2,000,000 for 1933 and \$2,500,000 for 1934. These authorizations are reduced to \$1,500,000 for each of the respective years by the economy act for 1933 and by legislation proposed in the Budget for 1934.

<sup>4</sup> Exclusive of \$15,000 for this purpose carried in the appropriations for 1932 and 1933 and in the estimates for 1934 under the District of Columbia, the law requiring the District to match the Federal appropriation.



## FEDERAL FARM BOARD

For the current year the administrative expenses of the Federal Farm Board are being paid from a reappropriation of \$800,000 of unexpended balances. For 1932 there was a direct appropriation from the Treasury for this purpose of \$1,900,000. The Budget estimate for 1934 requests authority for \$1,000,000 from unexpended balances.

In view of the present agitation for the abolition of the board and of pending legislation respecting reorganization of the executive branch of the Government, whereunder the President is given authority either to abolish any such independent establishment or to transfer and consolidate the same with any other part of the executive branch, the committee has decided to provide funds for the board's operation only to and including December 31, 1933, and has made \$500,000 of unexpended balances available for that purpose. Before that date the Congress will have ample opportunity to make such further provision for the board as the exigencies may require.

Stabilization operations: Except as may have been incidental to the liquidation of holdings previously acquired, there have been no stabilization operations since June 30, 1931. All other loans since that date, and all loans contemplated under the Budget estimate for 1934 are for cooperative marketing activities.

Status of revolving fund: There has been appropriated to the revolving fund the full sum of \$500,000,000 authorized for that purpose by the agricultural marketing act. As of December 15, 1932, there had been advanced from this fund, for all purposes, an aggregate of \$1,104,116,769.21. Repayments have totaled \$644,339,846.90, including \$21,295,224.31 credited to the Grain Stabilization Corporation on account of the delivery of 40,000,000 bushels of wheat to the American National Red Cross, leaving a balance outstanding of \$459,776,922.31. Of the latter sum, \$789,379.64 represents determined losses and is carried in delinquent notes and accounts suspended or in litigation. However, there had been collected, on the date indicated, a total of \$10,904,034.93 in interest payments. The fund has thus made a little more than one complete revolution.

Cooperative marketing loans: The total advanced to cooperative marketing associations was, on the date stated, \$368,373,002.44, of which \$210,234,402.17 had been repaid, leaving \$158,138,600.27 outstanding.

Stabilization corporation loans: These loans, confined to grain and cotton, totaled on the same date \$735,743,766.77; the repayments amounted to \$434,105,444.73, and the amount still outstanding was \$301,638,322.04.

Computing from the above figures, 59 per cent of the loans to stabilization corporations have been repaid, while repayments of cooperative marketing loans have been 57.07 per cent of the amount loaned.

## FEDERAL OIL CONSERVATION BOARD

The Budget estimate for the Federal Oil Conservation Board is \$11,252, compared with the 1933 appropriation of \$10,000. The committee has reduced the Budget estimate in the sum of \$1,500, of which \$1,000 is the elimination of salaries and wages for temporary



employees and \$500 represents a reduction in the estimate of \$1,000 for public hearings and conferences.

During the year 1932 the board published a volume containing all the present and past interstate compacts respecting the restriction and regulation of oil production, a compilation of court decisions, Federal and State, relating to oil and gas, and a statistical volume containing data and studies regarding the national oil requirements, production, and so forth.

#### FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION

The Budget estimate of \$235,373 for the Federal Power Commission has been allowed. The amount reflects a net Budget reduction under the current appropriation of \$18,627. There is a reduction of \$19,127 in the item for salaries and expenses, occasioned solely by the legislative furlough. There is an increase of \$500 in the printing and binding item. The 1933 appropriation for printing and binding is \$4,000 and the Budget estimate for 1934 is \$4,500. However, under the printing and binding limitation in the economy act, the permitted expenditure under the 1933 appropriation was reduced by \$375. The increased amount for 1934 will be necessary to enable the commission to overcome arrearages in the printing of forms and stationery, rules and regulations, and decisions of the commission, resulting from the reduction in the current year's allowance.

The Budget estimate for 1934 for the work of the commission is approximately \$25,000 less than the 1932 appropriation.

The total expense of administration of the commission since its establishment to the close of the fiscal year 1932 has been \$2,304,999.64, while the total gross receipts have been \$3,110,954.16, or an excess of receipts above expenses of \$805,954.52. A detailed table of receipts and the distribution thereof for the period indicated may be found on page 219 of the hearings.

The commission reports that its work of granting licenses for the construction of water power projects is in a reasonable state of currency. The number of pending applications has been reduced from 170 at the end of the calendar year 1930 to 126 on December 31, 1932. Of the latter number, about half are waiting either State action, treaty action, or court action.

The accounting work, required under the "recapture" provision of the act, fell greatly in arrears during the early life of the commission, due to an inadequate accounting staff. Since the reorganization of the commission, July 1, 1931, this force has been materially increased, and substantial progress has been made toward the reduction of the arrearages. Prior to that date, out of a total of \$637,000,000 of claimed investment in licensed power projects, \$35,000,000 had been audited and the cases settled, and \$97,000,000 had been audited only, the work of final settlement being transmitted to the reorganized commission. Since that date, the new commission has increased the amount of completed audits from \$97,000,000 to \$277,000,000 and during the same period final settlement has been reached in cases involving claims totaling \$14,000,000. The latter figure, however, was reduced by the final adjudications to approximately \$11,000,000.

The commission has been able, under its appropriations, to do but very little "policing" of the current accounts of the licensees, a



major factor in continuing the determination of net investment, as contemplated by the organic act.

Regulations of rates for electric current transmitted in interstate commerce, and in intra-state commerce in States not exercising such regulation, and regulation of security issues are other functions of the commission which had but little attention in the past, for lack of appropriations. The reorganized commission, however, has now made the examination of security issues an integral part of its program.

The commission has continued its studies of holding companies affecting the licensees under the act and has published a report thereon entitled "Holding Company Control of Licensees of the Federal Power Commission."

#### FEDERAL RADIO COMMISSION

Under authority of a provision in the economy act, the President, on July 19, 1932, transferred the Radio Division of the Department of Commerce from that department and consolidated it with the Federal Radio Commission. When the question of consolidating these services was before the Congress last session, the representative of the commission estimated that such a consolidation would effect a total saving of \$122,145. Meanwhile, the independent offices and Department of Commerce appropriation measures were enacted, providing for these two activities for the fiscal year 1933 a combined total appropriation of \$872,000, which is \$240,080 less than the corresponding 1932 appropriations existing at the time the estimate of savings to be had under consolidation were made. It will thus be seen that, in advance of the consolidation, Congress reduced the appropriations for the two activities by more than double the amount of the savings which were estimated to result from the consolidation.

The 1933 appropriation of \$872,000 was reduced by the economy act to \$803,327. The total Budget estimate for the work of the reorganized commission for 1934, which has been allowed by the committee, is \$780,427. This sum is \$22,900 below the net available appropriation for 1933 and it is \$331,653 less than the total of the 1932 appropriations for the two separate units, which shows a reduction \$209,508 greater than the estimated savings of \$122,145 under consolidation.

As a result of reorganization, there has been a reduction in personnel of 52 employees—15 in Washington and 37 in the field.

#### FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

The Budget estimate of \$1,109,550 for the Federal Trade Commission has been reduced by the committee to \$510,000, a figure which is \$956,500 under the 1933 appropriation and \$599,550 below the Budget estimate. Of the committee reduction, \$10,000 is applied to the printing and binding item, for which the Budget estimate is \$20,000, and the remainder to the item for salaries and expenses.

The economic division, which has been conducting the power and chain store investigations, expects to complete that work by July 1, 1933. In anticipation of the completion of those investigations, the commission recently adopted resolutions setting up new investigations to be prosecuted by the economic division at the conclusion of its work on the power and chain store inquiries. The new investi-



gations pertain to (1) the financial practices of corporations (2) the effects of antitrust acts with relation to the petroleum, natural gas, coal, and lumber industries, and (3) the effects on business and the general public of quantity discounts, selling below cost, reciprocity in dealing, brand advertising, guarantee against decline, and wholesale and retail price stabilization. Of the 1934 Budget estimate, \$288,134, less the legislative furlough, is allotted to these investigations.

The committee did not approve of the initiation of new economic investigations at this time and has stricken from the bill the entire amount estimated for the purpose. The committee is also of the opinion that the remaining activities of the commission can be substantially curtailed without injury to the public interest and has further cut the Budget estimate to the figure indicated.

#### GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE

The committee has allowed the Budget estimate of \$3,918,000 for the General Accounting Office, which is a net reduction of \$344,620 under the 1933 appropriation.

There is an increase for contingent expenses of \$5,000 above the sum of \$125,000 appropriated for this purpose for the year 1933. This increase is occasioned by the necessity for the rental of additional tabulating equipment, and the replacement of worn-out filing cases, labor-saving machines, etc.

There is a decrease of \$349,620 in the item for salaries and expenses, of which \$12,620 is an actual reduction under the 1933 base, the remainder being accounted for by the legislative furlough.

The amount allowed for the General Accounting Office for 1934 is \$379,620 below the sum of \$4,297,620 appropriated for 1932.

#### GEORGE ROGERS CLARK SESQUICENTENNIAL COMMISSION

The bill includes the Budget estimate of \$98,158 for this memorial. This sum will complete the project. The total authorization is \$1,500,000 and the total of the appropriations, including that carried in the accompanying bill, is \$1,498,158.

#### INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

The committee has allowed the Budget estimate of \$7,137,639 for the Interstate Commerce Commission. This sum is a decrease of \$10,921 below the 1933 appropriation, and is \$2,274,834 less than the 1932 appropriation of \$9,412,473. The 1933 appropriation was reduced, as a result of impoundments under the economy act, to \$6,549,833, so that the Budget estimate of \$7,137,639 for 1934 reflects an actual increase of \$587,806, although, as above stated, it is \$2,274,834 less than the 1932 appropriation.

The total appropriation for 1933, as finally enacted, reflects a cut of \$1,512,850 below the Budget estimate for that year. The provisions of the economy act diminished the sum available for 1933 by the further amount of \$598,727. In order to operate within the reduced appropriations the commission has been compelled to impose drastic administrative furloughs, which are estimated to effect a total saving of \$770,880. These have been applied to every employee on



the rolls and will approximate a furlough of one month's duration in addition to the legislative furlough.

General expenses: Appropriations under this head apply to all duties and functions of the commission other than those specifically appropriated for in the other paragraphs. The current appropriation of \$2,600,000 was supplemented by a transfer of \$21,000 from the printing and binding item and was then reduced, on account of impoundments under the economy act, to the net sum of \$2,394,993. The Budget estimate of \$2,692,313 reflects, therefore, an actual increase of \$297,320, although it is still \$398,587 below the appropriation for 1932.

Under the reduced 1933 appropriation there will be substantial arrearages in the current work of the commission which it will endeavor to overcome if granted an increased amount for next year. Field hearings have been materially reduced in number the current year and hearings held at Washington instead, in order to keep within the appropriations. This has seriously inconvenienced disputants, and the increased amount for 1934 is intended, partly, to enable a return to the former practice of holding hearings in the field. The bureau of inquiry, which enforces the observance of the laws by the carriers, and the bureau of service, which investigates and adjusts complaints on the part of shippers respecting matters such as the proper placing of cars, delay to equipment, etc., are operated from this appropriation and their work has been substantially curtailed by the reduction in the 1933 amount. Under the estimate for 1934, there will be a partial restoration of the work of these two bureaus.

Regulating accounts: The 1932 appropriation for this activity was \$1,504,420. The amount appropriated for 1933 was \$683,560, the reduction being predicated upon retroactive repeal of the recapture provision of the law. The recapture provision was not repealed and a substantial amount of recapture work had to be done notwithstanding the reduced appropriation. This has materially reduced the amount available for the work of regulating, or "policing," the accounts of the carriers, a function which is essential to effective regulation. By transfer of \$102,000 from the appropriation for valuation of the carriers, the 1933 appropriation for this activity has been increased from \$683,560 to \$785,560, and from this amount it has been reduced by the economy act to \$701,663. The Budget estimate of \$992,267 is \$290,604 in excess of the amount available for 1933, but is \$512,153 less than the 1932 appropriation of \$1,504,420. The increased amount for next year will enable the commission to resume the "policing" of accounts on a more effective basis.

Safety of employees: The current appropriation of \$500,000 for safety of employees was reduced to \$476,000 by the transfer of \$24,000 to the appropriation for locomotive inspection, and further reduced by the economy act to \$445,907. The Budget estimate of \$469,777 is \$23,870 over the amount available for the current year, but is \$64,883 under the 1932 appropriation.

Under this appropriation is carried on the inspection of all train equipment other than locomotives, as well as the enforcement of the hours of service act. It is vital to the safety of the employees and of the riding public that the safety factors be maintained at a reasonably high standard. The need for this work is accentuated at the present time by reason of the fact that the railroads, in order to conserve



their revenues, have drastically curtailed the number of employees in their maintenance of equipment departments. The commission's records indicate that, as of October, 1931, there were 322,984 employees in the maintenance of equipment departments of Class I railroads and in October, 1932, there were 276,994.

Signal safety systems: The Budget estimate of \$37,283 for signal safety systems is the same amount as is available under the current law. The 1933 appropriation of \$40,000 has been reduced, under the economy act, to \$37,283, and a like amount is estimated for next year. This sum is \$10,977 less than the 1932 appropriation.

Locomotive inspection: The 1933 appropriation of \$400,000 for locomotive inspection has been increased to \$424,000 through a transfer from the appropriation for safety of employees. The latter sum has been reduced by reason of the economy act to \$396,975. The Budget estimate for 1934 of \$457,457 represents an actual increase of \$60,482 over the appropriation for the current year, but it is \$47,408 below the appropriation for 1932. As in the case of inspection of other train equipment, conducted under the appropriation for safety of employees, it is essential to the safety of the traveling public that the funds for this activity be measurably increased above their present level. The commission's records show that for the entire fiscal year 1932 there were 165 persons killed or injured due to failure of some part or appurtenance to the locomotive. In the first six months alone of the fiscal year 1933 there were 180 persons killed or injured by such failure.

Valuation of the property of the carriers: As of December 1, 1932, there had been expended for this work the aggregate sum of \$44,745,044.48. Under these expenditures the commission has completed the first requirement of the law, namely, the primary valuation of all the railroads. It has at the same time, and incidental to the work of obtaining the primary valuations, prescribed and issued valuation orders which require all carriers to keep and report records of all changes in property, thereby enabling the commission to correct and revise its inventories so that the commission may bring the original valuation down to date and thereafter to keep such information current.

The dates of the primary valuations vary from June 30, 1914, to December 31, 1921. Changes in the properties of the carriers, consisting of additions, betterments, and retirements, have varied in the last decade from approximately one-quarter of a billion dollars to more than \$1,000,000,000 annually. It is the work of assessing these annual changes occurring subsequent to the date of completion of the primary valuations and thus keeping the commission constantly provided with the information necessary to compute the present value of the property of any or all of the carriers at any date for which the same may, in the administration of the law, be required, that is now engaging the attention of the commission.

Such valuations are mandatorily required by the law in the following cases: (a) Consolidation cases; (b) division cases; (c) rate-making cases; and (d) recapture cases. Valuations, while not mandatorily required by law, are important in cases involving the issuance of securities, reorganization of the carriers, depreciation accounting, in the making of railroad loans under Reconstruction Finance Corporation, and so forth.

Under the Budget estimate for 1934 the commission expects, by the end of that fiscal year to have all valuation data brought down to



a currency as of January 1, 1933, and that the amount of annual appropriation for subsequent years, for keeping such information current, can be materially scaled down below its present level.

Printing and binding: The 1933 appropriation of \$175,000 for printing and binding was reduced by transfer and by the provisions of the economy act to \$150,000. The latter sum is \$25,000 below the appropriation for this item for a number of years previous and was not sufficient to enable the commission to keep current the printing of its decisions and orders. Consequently, the Budget for 1934 has restored this appropriation to the customary amount of \$175,000, which has been allowed.

#### MOUNT RUSHMORE NATIONAL MEMORIAL COMMISSION

The bill includes the Budget estimate of \$10,000 for the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission, together with reappropriation of the unexpended balances. This will bring the total of the appropriations for this project to \$195,000, for which there is an authorization of \$250,000, to be matched by an equal amount from other sources.

#### NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AERONAUTICS

The bill carries a total of \$821,000 for the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics. This sum is \$207,070 below the appropriation for 1932, \$99,000 below that for 1933, and \$45,030 under the estimate for 1934.

The committee reports that "due to organized scientific research conducted by the committee and to the practical application of the results by the Army, the Navy, and the aircraft industry, gratifying improvement has been continued during the past year in the performance and reliability of airplanes."

The National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics is the only agency of the Federal Government which engages in fundamental research on aviation problems. The committee consists of representatives of the Army Air Corps, the Naval Air Service, the Weather Bureau, the Smithsonian Institution, and the Bureau of Standards, together with eight persons from private life, all of whom are appointed by the President and serve without pay. The research laboratory is at Langley Field, Va., and is the best-equipped laboratory of its kind in the world. It performs research work in connection with problems submitted to it by the Army, the Navy, and commercial aviation interests.

In view of the fact that the recent Executive Order for consolidation and reorganization of certain Government establishments provided for the transfer of this laboratory to the Bureau of Standards, under control of the Secretary of Commerce, thus taking direct control of the laboratory away from the advisory committee and continuing the existence of the latter solely in an advisory capacity to the Secretary of Commerce, the question of the advisability of such a transfer was gone into at the hearings and very extended evidence on that point may be found in the printed hearings, pages 349 to 366.

#### PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND PUBLIC PARKS OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

The total 1933 appropriation for this activity is \$4,025,933. The total of the economy act impoundments is estimated to be \$296,385, which reduces the net available appropriation for 1933 to \$3,729,548.

The Budget estimate of \$4,184,422, which has been allowed, is thus \$454,874 in excess of the 1933 available appropriation.



Development of the Mall: Of this increase, \$100,000 is for the further development of the Mall by removing the old Botanic Garden building, soon to be abandoned, and doing the minimum amount of cleaning up and planting of the area necessary to bring it into keeping with the permanent improvements now under way adjoining it to the north and to the south. The authorized plan adopted by Congress for the development of the Mall includes a reflecting pool and other features which, it is estimated, will bring the total cost for this particular project up to \$390,000. The bill includes the \$100,000 recommended by the Budget for the temporary cleaning up and renovation of this area, leaving the more expensive features for some future time.

Mount Vernon highway police: The Budget amount includes a net increase of \$11,415 for the Mount Vernon highway police. This will permit the policing of the highway during the entire 24 hours of the day, allowing two men for each 8-hour shift and one man to provide relief because of one day off in seven, illness, etc.

The remainder of the increase is due to the prospective occupancy during the fiscal year 1934 of new Federal buildings, a full statement of which is set out in the hearings, pages 383 to 387.

#### PUBLIC BUILDINGS COMMISSION

The Budget estimate of \$91,975 for the Public Buildings Commission, which was granted by the committee is \$8,025 less than the current appropriation of \$100,000, solely on account of the legislative furlough. This appropriation covers the cost of moving the various Government establishments from one building to another, as well as moves within a building.

#### SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

The Budget estimate of \$1,044,692 for the Smithsonian Institution, which has been allowed, is \$30,137 less than the 1933 appropriation. However, this is more than offset by the economy act savings. Actual increases or decreases for the different activities are as follows:

There is a decrease of \$644 for supplies, materials, and other miscellaneous items under salaries and expenses; an increase of \$2,471 for freight charges for international exchanges, which have fallen in arrears under the reduced appropriation for the current year; a decrease of \$5,650 for the International Catalogue of Scientific Literature, an activity which is being dropped entirely; an increase of \$11,000 under maintenance of the National Museum, necessitated by the constant increase in the number of exhibits; an increase of \$4,800 for four additional guards, the present force for which is inadequate; a decrease of \$1,000 in the appropriation for maintenance of the Gellatley art collection in New York City; and an increase of \$27,578 for printing and binding. The 1933 appropriation for the latter item is much below the requirements so that there is a constantly growing accumulation of unpublished scientific manuscripts based upon the investigations of the institution.

#### SUPREME COURT BUILDING COMMISSION

The Budget estimate of \$3,240,000 for this project was reduced by the committee in the sum of \$1,000,000 upon the assurance of the



Architect of the Capitol that the remaining amount will be sufficient to meet all obligations until the first regular session of the next Congress.

#### TARIFF COMMISSION

The Budget estimate of \$945,098 for the Tariff Commission, which has been granted, is \$74,902 less than the 1933 appropriation. This decrease is due entirely to the legislative furlough, so that the Budget estimate and the amount recommended are even with the net current appropriation.

A full statement of the work of the commission for the current year and as contemplated for next year will be found in the printed hearings, pages 422 to 449.

#### SHIPPING BOARD

The Budget estimate of \$3,202,744 for the United States Shipping Board has been allowed. This sum is \$2,842,744 in excess of the 1933 appropriation. There is a decrease of \$32,256 for salaries and expenses, accounted for entirely by the savings under the provisions of the economy act.

The Budget estimate includes a direct appropriation from the Treasury of \$2,875,000 for the emergency shipping fund. In addition, indefinite amounts are appropriated from operating funds now on hand, the operating receipts, the proceeds of sales of ships and surplus property, and interest on bank accounts, the total of which is estimated to be \$10,469,200, making a grand total of definite and indefinite appropriations of \$13,344,200, estimated for 1934. The total amount of similar appropriations for 1933 was \$18,958,500. So that, while the direct appropriation from the Treasury for 1934 is \$2,875,000 in excess of that for 1933, the total definite and indefinite appropriations from all sources is \$5,614,300 less in the 1934 Budget estimate than for 1933.

The operating deficit of the fleet for the past five years, including the estimated deficit for 1934, has been as follows:

1930.....	\$10,359,213.18
1931.....	9,294,229.43
1932.....	8,430,705.82
1933.....	5,819,971.00
1934.....	5,211,600.00

The estimated operating deficit for next year is thus \$608,371 less than that for the current year.

Transfer of funds to Post Office Department to meet cost of foreign mail contracts: New language is proposed in the bill for the fiscal year 1934 to provide for the transfer of not to exceed \$4,000,000 to the Post Office Department to be available when so transferred only to meet the cost in the fiscal year 1934 of foreign mail contracts entered into by that department under provisions of the merchant marine act of 1928 for service upon steamship lines which may be sold by the United States Shipping Board subsequent to December 31, 1932. The operating estimates for the fiscal year 1934 were prepared on the assumption that the Merchant Fleet Corporation would continue to operate all of its present cargo services through the fiscal year 1934. The sale of several of these lines has been tentatively negotiated, subject to the award of mail contracts, and if mail contracts are



awarded, these lines will be delivered to their purchasers for private operation. The proposed change in the language of the act is intended to permit the transfer of funds from the Merchant Fleet Corporation to the Post Office Department and by this means make the same money available either to the Merchant Fleet Corporation for operation of these services or to the Post Office Department for payment of compensation under mail contracts, if such contracts are awarded and sale of the lines is consummated.

Full statements covering the status of the construction loan fund, status of fleet vessels, sales of vessels, and so forth, may be found in the hearings, pages 453 to 500.

#### VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION

For the military services, the total Budget estimate for 1934, which has been allowed by the committee, is \$945,988,634. This sum, compared with the current appropriation total of \$927,949,000, reflects a net increase of \$18,039,634. Some of the individual items have been increased, others have been decreased, yielding the net result indicated.

Administration, medical, hospital, and domiciliary services: The Budget estimate of \$110,538,514 is \$4,461,486 under the 1933 appropriation. This decrease is more than offset by the legislative furlough, so that there is a net increase in this item of \$1,500,000. This increase is due to the operation of additional facilities which are now in course of construction and will be available for utilization during the fiscal year 1934. The new facilities will increase the present available facilities by approximately 7 per cent.

Printing and binding: The Budget estimate of \$150,000 for printing and binding is the equivalent of the amount appropriated for this purpose for the current fiscal year, and is \$30,782 less than the expenditures for 1932.

Military and naval compensation: This appropriation is increased in the accompanying bill from \$356,250,000 to \$372,800,000, or an increase of \$16,550,000 above the current base. It covers payment of disability compensation, disability allowance, death compensation, and emergency officers' retirement pay. All of these payments result from service during the World War and are still on an upward trend. The increase above indicated is occasioned solely by this factor.

Army and Navy pensions: This appropriation covers payment of pensions to veterans of all wars, and members of the peace-time Military Establishment, including dependents under the general pension laws. The Budget estimate of \$219,930,000 for this purpose represents a decrease of \$5,920,000 under the current appropriation of \$225,850,000. This decrease is occasioned principally by the advancing age and constantly increasing death rate among the Civil War veterans and their dependents, offset to a degree by the increasing number of pensioners from the war with Spain and the members of the peace-time Regular Establishment.

Military and naval insurance: This appropriation covers payments arising from what were known as the war-risk insurance contracts. The Budget estimate of \$134,000,000 is \$17,000,000 in excess of the 1933 appropriation. However, expenditures for 1933 are estimated



in the amount of \$133,256,978. The additional sum of \$16,256,978 required for 1933 will be obtained by transfers from other appropriations, under the authority conferred by section 317 of the economy act.

Hospital and domiciliary facilities: The amount of \$5,000,000 estimated and included in the bill for 1934 is the unappropriated balance of the original authorization of \$20,877,000 contained in the act of March 4, 1931 (46 Stat. p. 1550). The amount appropriated for the current year is \$12,877,000. It is anticipated that the entire amount of the authorization will have been contractually obligated on or before the end of the present fiscal year.

State and Territorial homes for disabled soldiers and sailors: This appropriation covers allowances to States, as provided by law, of \$120 per person annually on account of veterans eligible for admission to Federal homes but who are residing in State homes. The allowance paid is less than the cost of maintaining such veteran in a Federal home. The Budget estimate of \$735,120 for 1934 is \$13,120 in excess of the current appropriation.

Adjusted-service-certificate fund: The estimate of \$100,000,000 under this heading for 1934 is in the same amount as the appropriation for 1933. This estimate is based upon the anticipated loans and losses during the fiscal year 1934 rather than an actuarial calculation of the amount necessary to amortize, under accepted insurance principles, in 20 years from date of issuance or on the prior death of the veteran the number of adjusted-service certificates issued to date. The necessity for this departure from procedure was manifested upon the passage of the act of February 27, 1931, authorizing loans amounting to 50 per cent of the face value of each certificate and the payment of such loans from the adjusted-service-certificate fund.

Adjusted service and dependent pay: This appropriation covers payment of the amounts due under the World War adjusted compensation act in cases where such benefits are not to be covered by the issuance of an adjusted-service certificate. Sections 401, 601, 603, and 608 of the act specify the types of payments to be made from this appropriation.

Except for one appropriation of \$12,000,000, this item has never been included previously in an annual bill. The first appropriation in the amount of \$26,629,398 was contained in the deficiency act approved December 5, 1924. The next appropriation of \$12,000,000 was included in the annual act approved March 3, 1925. These amounts were supplemented by appropriations of \$3,000,000 and \$3,925,000 by the deficiency act approved March 26, 1930, and Public Resolution No. 3, approved December 21, 1931. This latter appropriation was to cover estimated expenditures through June 30, 1933, and when submitting that estimate it was stated that in the future the necessary amounts would be requested in the annual bill.

Estimated expenditures during the fiscal year 1934, based upon current payments and experienced trends, amount to \$2,670,000. However, these payments and trends also indicate an expected expenditure during 1933 of \$2,415,000 as compared with an approximate amount of \$2,250,000 available, an apparent shortage of \$165,000. Since this appropriation has always been treated as a permanent appropriation, this anticipated shortage for 1933 has been included in



the 1934 estimate and provision made for immediate availability of the entire amount. This makes the total estimate for 1934, \$2,835,000.

Civil-service retirement and disability fund: The estimate of \$20,850,000 is for financing the Government's contribution to the fund in accordance with law.

Although the act of May 29, 1930, changed the basis upon which the contribution is made, the actuarial valuation and survey of the fund, to determine the proper amount now due as an annual contribution, has not as yet been completed. Pending an accurate determination of this question the estimate for 1934 is submitted in the same amount as the appropriation for 1933.

#### STENOGRAPHIC REPORTING SERVICES

Several of the establishments appropriated for in the accompanying bill require stenographic reporting service in connection with public hearings on matters coming within their respective purviews. Heretofore, practically all of them have been exempted from the requirement to advertise for bids, thus giving them the option of renewing existing contracts.

In view of the recent fall in cost of all personal services, the committee deems it desirable that all stenographic reporting services for the fiscal year 1934 be obtained by advertising for bids. The Federal Power Commission, which does not enjoy the exemption in this connection heretofore accorded to other independent establishments reports that it has experienced no difficulty in obtaining satisfactory reporting services under the bidding system. Consequently, all language permitting the employment of such services without advertising for bids has been stricken from the bill.

#### LIMITATIONS AND LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS

The following provision relating to expenditure, not heretofore enacted, is in the bill as recommended:

On page 46, line 6, in connection with the Veterans' Administration:

\* \* \* and notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, the administrator is authorized to utilize Government-owned automotive equipment in transporting children of Veterans' Administration employees located at isolated stations to and from school under such limitations as he may by regulation prescribe \* \* \*

#### COMPLIANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 2A, RULE XIII

In compliance with paragraph 2a, Rule XIII, there is submitted the following statement indicating specific amendments of statutes:

##### EXISTING LAW

That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Catherine Panturis, during her natural life, or in the event of her death payment shall be made to her three minor children until they have reached their majority, the sum of \$25 per month. \* \* \* (Private Act, No. 378, 71st Cong., approved February 26, 1931.)

##### PROPOSED CHANGE

On page 13, line 12 of the bill, in connection with the appropriation for the employes' compensation fund:

*Provided*, That the permanent appropriation made in Private Act Numbered 378, approved February 26, 1931, is repealed after June 30, 1933, and the payment authorized by such act shall thereafter be made from the "Employees' compensation fund."



## INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATION BILL, 1934

*Comparative statement of the amounts appropriated for the fiscal year 1933, the Budget estimates for the fiscal year 1934, and the amounts recommended in the accompanying bill for 1934*

[NOTE.—Appropriations for 1933 include amounts in regular annual, special, and deficiency acts]

Object	Appropriations for 1933	Estimates for 1934	Amount recommended in bill for 1934	Increase (+) or decrease (-), bill compared with 1933 appropriation	Increase (+) or decrease (-), bill compared with 1934 Budget estimates
EXECUTIVE OFFICE					
President, salary of-----	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00		
Vice President, salary of-----	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00		
Executive Office:					
Salaries-----	120,000.00	115,665.00	115,665.00	-\$4,335.00	
Contingent expenses-----	35,000.00	33,733.00	33,733.00	-1,267.00	
Printing and binding-----	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00		
President, traveling expenses-----	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00		
Executive Mansion and grounds, maintenance-----	125,000.00	117,100.00	167,100.00	+42,100.00	+50,000.00
Total, Executive Office-----	392,000.00	378,498.00	428,498.00	+36,498.00	+50,000.00
American Battle Monuments Commission, salaries and expenses-----	275,000.00	143,322.00	143,322.00	-131,678.00	
Arlington Memorial Bridge Commission-----	340,000.00	294,675.00	294,675.00	-45,325.00	



BOARD OF MEDIATION

Salaries and expenses-----	151, 135. 00	131, 483. 00	131, 483. 00	-19, 652. 00
Arbitration boards-----	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	-----
Emergency boards-----	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	-----
Printing and binding-----	1, 000. 00	1, 000. 00	1, 000. 00	-----
Total, Board of Mediation-----	152, 135. 00	132, 483. 00	132, 483. 00	-19, 652. 00
BOARD OF TAX APPEALS				
Salaries and expenses-----	530, 000. 00	526, 442. 00	515, 000. 00	-15, 000. 00
Printing and binding-----	30, 000. 00	30, 000. 00	30, 000. 00	-----
Total, Board of Tax Appeals-----	560, 000. 00	556, 442. 00	545, 000. 00	-15, 000. 00
BUREAU OF EFFICIENCY				
Salaries and expenses-----	159, 000. 00	145, 948. 00	145, 948. 00	-13, 052. 00
Printing and binding-----	500. 00	350. 00	350. 00	-150. 00
Total, Bureau of Efficiency-----	159, 500. 00	146, 298. 00	146, 298. 00	-13, 202. 00
Chicago World's Fair-----	1, 000, 000. 00	-----	-----	-1, 000, 000. 00
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION				
Office force-----	<sup>2</sup> 861, 098. 00	789, 300. 00	789, 300. 00	-71, 798. 00
Field force-----	450, 000. 00	412, 600. 00	412, 600. 00	-37, 400. 00
Expert examiners-----	1, 000. 00	1, 000. 00	1, 000. 00	-----

<sup>1</sup> Reappropriation.

<sup>2</sup> Includes \$145,098 of the amount appropriated for the Personnel Classification Board, transferred to Civil Service Commission.



*Comparative statement of the amounts appropriated for the fiscal year 1933, the Budget estimates for the fiscal year 1934, and the amounts recommended in the accompanying bill for 1934—Continued*

Object	Appropriations for 1933	Estimates for 1934	Amount recommended in bill for 1934	Increase (+) or decrease (-), bill compared with 1933 appropriation	Increase (+) or decrease (-), bill compared with 1934 Budget estimates
<b>CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION—continued</b>					
Examination of presidential postmasters	\$39,370.00	\$36,570.00	\$36,570.00	-\$2,800.00	
Traveling expenses	41,000.00	60,000.00	60,000.00	-19,000.00	
Contingent expenses	25,018.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	+9,982.00	
Printing and binding	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00		
Total, Civil Service Commission	1,457,486.00	1,374,470.00	1,374,470.00	-83,016.00	
<b>COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS</b>					
Salaries and expenses	7,500.00	8,958.00	8,958.00	+1,458.00	
Printing and binding	300.00	300.00	300.00		
Total, Commission of Fine Arts	7,800.00	9,258.00	9,258.00	+1,458.00	
<b>EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION</b>					
Salaries and expenses	425,000.00	407,800.00	407,800.00	-17,200.00	
Printing and binding	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00		
Administration of employees' compensation fund	4,450,000.00	4,500,000.00	4,450,000.00		-\$50,000.00
Total, Employees' Compensation Commission	4,880,000.00	4,912,800.00	4,862,800.00	-17,200.00	-50,000.00



FEDERAL BOARD FOR VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

Vocational education, Hawaii	30,000.00	27,000.00	27,000.00	-3,000.00
Vocational education, Puerto Rico	75,000.00	94,500.00	94,500.00	+19,500.00
Vocational education in agriculture and home economics	1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00	
Salaries and expenses	85,000.00	79,700.00	79,700.00	-5,300.00
Vocational rehabilitation	1,097,000.00	1,097,000.00	1,097,000.00	
Administrative expenses	65,000.00	64,400.00	64,400.00	-600.00
Vocational rehabilitation, District of Columbia	12,000.00	13,683.00	13,683.00	+1,683.00
Total, Federal Board for Vocational Education	2,864,000.00	2,876,283.00	2,876,283.00	+12,283.00

FEDERAL FARM BOARD

Administrative expenses	(5)	(6)	(7)	
Distribution of Government-owned wheat and cotton	40,000,000.00			-40,000,000.00
Total, Federal Farm Board	40,000,000.00			-40,000,000.00
Federal Home Loan Bank Board	250,000.00			-250,000.00
Federal Oil Conservation Board	10,000.00	11,252.00	9,752.00	-248.00
				-1,500.00

<sup>3</sup> Includes \$18 of amount appropriated for Personnel Classification Board.  
<sup>4</sup> Includes \$145,116, the amount appropriated for Personnel Classification Board.  
<sup>5</sup> Reappropriation of \$800,000.  
<sup>6</sup> Reappropriation of \$1,000,000.  
<sup>7</sup> Reappropriation of \$500,000 for operation to December 31, 1933.



*Comparative statement of the amounts appropriated for the fiscal year 1933, the Budget estimates for the fiscal year 1934, and the amounts recommended in the accompanying bill for 1934—Continued*

Object	Appropriations for 1933	Estimates for 1934	Amount recommended in bill for 1934	Increase (+) or decrease (-), bill compared with 1933 appropriation	Increase (+) or decrease (-), bill compared with 1934 Budget estimates
<b>FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION</b>					
Salaries and expenses-----	\$250,000.00	\$230,873.00	\$230,873.00	-\$19,127.00	
Printing and binding-----	4,000.00	4,500.00	4,500.00	+500.00	
Total, Federal Power Commission--	254,000.00	235,373.00	235,373.00	-18,627.00	
<b>FEDERAL RADIO COMMISSION</b>					
Salaries and expenses-----	8856,000.00	754,427.00	754,427.00	-101,573.00	
Printing and binding-----	16,000.00	26,000.00	26,000.00	+10,000.00	
Total, Federal Radio Commission--	8872,000.00	780,427.00	780,427.00	-91,573.00	
<b>FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION</b>					
Salaries and expenses-----	1,436,500.00	1,089,550.00	500,000.00	-936,500.00	-\$589,550.00
Printing and binding-----	30,000.00	20,000.00	10,000.00	-20,000.00	-10,000.00
Total, Federal Trade Commission--	1,466,500.00	1,109,550.00	510,000.00	-956,500.00	-599,550.00
<b>GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE</b>					
Salaries-----	4,062,620.00	3,713,000.00	3,713,000.00	-349,620.00	
Contingent expenses-----	125,000.00	130,000.00	130,000.00	+5,000.00	



Printing and binding-----	75,000.00	75,000.00	75,000.00	
Total, General Accounting Office--	4,262,620.00	3,918,000.00	3,918,000.00	-344,620.00
George Rogers Clark Sesquicentennial Commission-----	400,000.00	98,158.00	98,158.00	-301,842.00
George Washington Bicentennial Com- mission-----	200,000.00			-200,000.00
INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION				
Salaries and expenses-----	2,600,000.00	2,692,313.00	2,692,313.00	+92,313.00
Regulating accounts-----	683,560.00	992,267.00	992,267.00	+308,707.00
Safety of employees, etc-----	500,000.00	469,777.00	469,777.00	-30,223.00
Signal safety systems-----	40,000.00	37,283.00	37,283.00	-2,717.00
Locomotive safety inspection-----	400,000.00	457,457.00	457,457.00	+57,457.00
Valuation of property-----	2,750,000.00	2,313,542.00	2,313,542.00	-436,458.00
Printing and binding-----	175,000.00	175,000.00	175,000.00	
Total, Interstate Commerce Com- mission-----	7,148,560.00	7,137,639.00	7,137,639.00	-10,921.00
Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission-----	25,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	-15,000.00

<sup>8</sup> Includes \$490,000 appropriated for the Radio Division, Department of Commerce, which has been transferred to the Federal Radio Commission.

<sup>9</sup> Supplemental estimate, H. Doc. 526.



*Comparative statement of the amounts appropriated for the fiscal year 1933, the Budget estimates for the fiscal year 1934, and the amounts recommended in the accompanying bill for 1934—Continued*

Object	Appropriations for 1933	Estimates for 1934	Amount recommended in bill for 1934	Increase (+) or decrease (-), bill compared with 1933 appropriation	Increase (+) or decrease (-), bill compared with 1934 Budget estimates
<b>NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AERONAUTICS</b>					
Salaries and expenses-----	\$900,000.00	\$845,030.00	\$800,000.00	-\$100,000.00	-\$45,030.00
Printing and binding-----	20,000.00	21,000.00	21,000.00	+1,000.00	-----
Total, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics-----	920,000.00	866,030.00	821,000.00	-99,000.00	-45,030.00
Personnel Classification Board-----	(10)	-----	-----	-----	-----
<b>PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND PUBLIC PARKS OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL</b>					
Salaries-----	2,500,000.00	2,568,235.00	2,568,235.00	+68,235.00	-----
General expenses-----	1,510,933.00	1,491,331.00	1,491,331.00	-19,602.00	-----
Mount Vernon Highway police-----	12,000.00	20,856.00	20,856.00	+8,856.00	-----
Development of the Mall-----	-----	100,000.00	100,000.00	+100,000.00	-----
Printing and binding-----	3,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	+1,000.00	-----
Total-----	4,025,933.00	4,184,422.00	4,184,422.00	+158,489.00	-----
Public Buildings Commission-----	100,000.00	91,975.00	91,975.00	-8,025.00	-----



SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

General administration	38,644.00	34,938.00	34,938.00	-3,706.00
International exchanges	47,529.00	47,858.00	47,858.00	+329.00
American Ethnology	66,640.00	61,842.00	61,842.00	-4,798.00
International Catalogue of Scientific Literature	5,650.00			-5,650.00
Astrophysical Observatory	32,094.00	29,617.00	29,617.00	-2,477.00
National Museum:				
Miscellaneous expenses	148,370.00	152,416.00	152,416.00	+4,046.00
Increase of collections	617,760.00	576,023.00	576,023.00	-41,737.00
National Gallery of Art	38,220.00	35,498.00	35,498.00	-2,722.00
Gellatley Art Collection, New York City	17,500.00	16,500.00	16,500.00	-1,000.00
Printing and binding	62,422.00	90,000.00	90,000.00	+27,578.00
Total, Smithsonian Institution	1,074,829.00	1,044,692.00	1,044,692.00	-30,137.00
Supreme Court Building Commission	1,000,000.00	3,240,000.00	2,240,000.00	+1,240,000.00
TARIFF COMMISSION				
Salaries and expenses	1,000,000.00	925,098.00	925,098.00	-74,902.00
Printing and binding	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	
Total, Tariff Commission	1,020,000.00	945,098.00	945,098.00	-74,902.00

<sup>10</sup> The appropriation of \$145,116 has been transferred to the Civil Service Commission along with the Personnel Classification Board.



Comparative statement of the amounts appropriated for the fiscal year 1933, the Budget estimates for the fiscal year 1934, and the amounts recommended in the accompanying bill for 1934—Continued

Object	Appropriations for 1933	Estimates for 1934	Amount recommended in bill for 1934	Increase (+) or decrease (-), bill compared with 1933 appropriation	Increase (+) or decrease (-), bill compared with 1934 Budget estimates
<b>U. S. GEOGRAPHIC BOARD</b>					
Salaries-----	\$8, 178. 00	\$8, 278. 00	\$8, 278. 00	+\$100. 00	
Printing and binding-----	1, 500. 00	1, 500. 00	1, 500. 00		
Total, Geographic Board-----	9, 678. 00	9, 778. 00	9, 778. 00	+100. 00	
<b>U. S. SHIPPING BOARD</b>					
Salaries and expenses-----	350, 000. 00	317, 744. 00	317, 744. 00	-32, 256. 00	
Printing and binding-----	10, 000. 00	10, 000. 00	10, 000. 00		
Emergency shipping fund-----		2, 875, 000. 00	2, 875, 000. 00	+2, 875, 000. 00	
Total, Shipping Board-----	360, 000. 00	3, 202, 744. 00	3, 202, 744. 00	+2, 842, 744. 00	
<b>VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION</b>					
<b>Military services:</b>					
Administration, medical, hospital, and domiciliary services-----	115, 000, 000. 00	110, 538, 514. 00	110, 538, 514. 00	-4, 461, 486. 00	
Printing and binding-----	150, 000. 00	150, 000. 00	150, 000. 00		
Military and naval compensation-----	356, 250, 000. 00	372, 800, 000. 00	372, 800, 000. 00	+16, 550, 000. 00	
Army and Navy pensions-----	225, 850, 000. 00	219, 930, 000. 00	219, 930, 000. 00	-5, 920, 000. 00	



Military and naval insurance-----	117,000,000.00	134,000,000.00	134,000,000.00	+17,000,000.00
Hospital and domiciliary facilities-----	12,877,000.00	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	-7,877,000.00
State and Territorial homes for disabled soldiers and sailors-----	722,000.00	735,120.00	735,120.00	+13,120.00
Adjusted-service certificate fund-----	100,000,000.00	100,000,000.00	100,000,000.00	
Adjusted service and dependent pay-----		2,835,000.00	2,835,000.00	+2,835,000.00
Loans to veterans for transportation-----	100,000.00			-100,000.00
Total, military services-----	927,949,000.00	945,988,634.00	945,988,634.00	+18,039,634.00
Civil-service retirement and disability fund-----	20,850,000.00	20,850,000.00	20,850,000.00	
Total, Veterans' Administration-----	948,799,000.00	966,838,634.00	966,838,634.00	+18,039,634.00
Grand total, Executive Office and independent offices appropriation act-----	1,024,286,041.00	1,004,548,301.00	1,002,890,779.00	-21,395,262.00
				-\$1,657,522.00

The original Budget estimate was \$396,048,200, which was reduced in the sum of \$23,248,200 by a supplemental Budget communication, dated January 4, 1933 (H. Doc. 518).

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## PERMANENT ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS

Object	1933	1934	Increase (+) or decrease (-), 1934 estimates compared with 1933 appropriations
Employees' Compensation Commission (relief and rehabilitation, longshoremen's and harbor workers' compensation act, trust fund)-----	\$30,000.00	\$31,000.00	+\$1,000.00
Federal Board for Vocational Education-----	6,650,300.00	6,636,460.00	-13,840.00
Federal Home Loan Bank Board-----	-----	322,000.00	+322,000.00
Federal Power Commission-----	72,750.00	81,750.00	+9,000.00
Federal Reserve Board-----	1,692,800.00	1,731,343.00	+38,543.00
General railroad contingent fund-----	900,000.00	500,000.00	-400,000.00
Smithsonian Institute-----	60,000.00	60,000.00	-----
Veterans' Administration-----	71,665,000.00	70,890,000.00	-775,000.00
Total-----	81,070,850.00	80,252,553.00	-818,297.00







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