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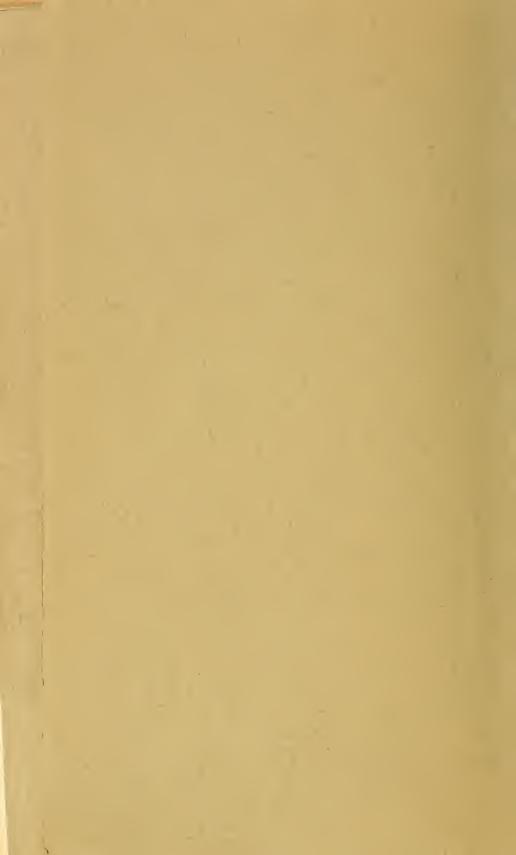
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# SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

## WITNESSES

# DR. LEONARD CARMICHAEL, SECRETARY DR. J. L. KEDDY, ASSISTANT SECRETARY

# SALARIES AND EXPENSES

# Program and financing

	1957 actual	1958 estimate	1959 estimate	
Program by activities:  1. Management	\$81,010	\$83,000	\$83,000	
United States National Museum	1, 770, 049	2, 726, 219	4, 336, 315	
Bureau of American Ethnology	61, 891	61, 135	61, 135	
Astrophysical Observatory National Collection of Fine Arts	302, 510 48, 185	366, 328 53, 625	366, 328 53, 625	
National Air Museum	120, 156	128, 517	128, 517	
Canal Zone Biological Area	30, 274	37, 066	37, 066	
International Exchange Service	87, 513	77, 933	77, 933	
3. General services:	1 440 004	1 740 044	1 400 040	
Maintenance and operation of buildings Other general services	1, 442, 364 467, 562	1, 748, 044 718, 133	1, 492, 948 718, 133	
Other general services	407, 302	710, 100	/10, 100	
Total obligations	4, 411, 514	6, 000, 000	7, 355, 000	
Financing:				
Unobligated balauce no longer available	13, 486			
Appropriation (new obligational authority)	4, 425, 000	6, 000, 000	7, 355, 000	

# Object classification

	1957 actual	1958 estimate	1959 estimate
SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION			
Total number of permanent positions.	631	733	845
Full-time equivalent of all other positions	8	6	6
Average number of all employees.		686	788
Number of employees at end of year	628	705	800
Average GS grade and salary	6, 0 \$4, 970	6, 2 \$5, 004	6. 3 \$5,014
Average salary of ungraded positions.	\$3,778	\$3,816	\$3,750
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01 Personal services:			
Permanent positions	\$2,797,817	\$3, 196, 967	\$3, 642, 682
Positions other than permanent	37, 607	30,000	30,000
Other personal services	32, 191	40, 100	52, 100
Total personal services	2, 867, 615	3, 267, 067	3, 724, 782
02 Travel		46, 725	52, 525
03 Transportation of things		57, 775	61, 450
04 Communication services		46, 400	52, 830
05 Rents and utility services		202, 290	167, 470
06 Printing and reproduction.		173, 895	184, 760
07 Other contractual services		497, 345 136, 410	653, 010 172, 590
09 Equipment		566, 983	1, 440, 383
11 Grants, subsidies, and contributions	212, 515	189, 600	189, 600
13 Refunds, awards, and indemnities		200, 000	100,000
15 Taxes and assessments		5, 600	5, 600
Total, Smithsonian Institution	3, 926, 155	5, 190, 000	6, 705, 000
Total, Omitimonian institution	0, 920, 100	0, 190, 000	0, 700, 000

## Object classification—Continued

		1957 actual	1958 estimate	1959 estimate
	ALLOCATION TO GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION			
02	Travel	\$65	\$100	\$100
03	Transportation of things	291	300	300
04	Communication services	1	50	50
06	Printing and reproduction	3, 478	5,000	4, 500
07	Other contractual services	78, 720	150,000	125,000
08	Supplies and materials	408	500	500
10	Lands and structures	402, 396	654, 050	519, 550
	Total, General Services Administration	485, 359	810, 000	650, 000
	Total obligations	4, 411, 514	6,000,000	7, 355, 000

Mr. Magnuson. Do you have a prepared statement, Dr. Carmichael? Mr. CARMICHAEL. I have a statement that I would like to make orally, if I may.
Mr. Magnuson. Proceed.

# GENERAL STATEMENT

Mr. Carmichael. As you know, 112 years ago the basic charter of the Smithsonian provided that the Institution was to be concerned with

"the increase and diffusion of knowledge among men."

This statement now, as in the past, is our guide. During more than a century in following this charter it has been required that the Institution preserve and organize for all American citizens the great collections that are committed to its charge. The display in an appropriate and modern manner of many of these national treasures is thus a central part of our work. Not a few of these exhibits are unique. educationally important, and are calculated to assist American citizens in gaining a proper understanding of their country and especially of the science and technology that in the past have done so much to make our Nation great and that now must continue to make it strong.

The Smithsonian conducts fundamental investigations in a number of clearly defined and strictly limited scientific and scholarly fields. For the most part these studies are related to the great collections of the Institution. The Smithsonian publishes the results of investigations and serves as a world clearinghouse for the exchange of scientific literature. During the last fiscal year 4,841,818 visitors came to our buildings on the Mall. During the last calendar year, showing our rate of increase, the comparable number of visitors was 5,200,000. This is an increase of 580,000 as compared with the preceding calendar year. If all Smithsonian units are included, last year a total of almost 10 million people came from every State of the Union and indeed from the rest of the world to visit the Institution.

Each week hundreds of scientists from universities, research organizations, and other Government bureaus come to the Smithsonian for scientific work and for information that cannot be secured elsewhere. It is important that our study collections which are basic for this work be maintained in an effective and up-to-date manner. In number of objects the Smithsonian Institution is now probably the world's largest museum. This means that our great research collections in geology, zoology, botany, anthropology, and related fields are of outstanding scientific importance and must be properly maintained and made available for the scientists who use them. Last year a total of 251,408 requests for information concerning many phases of science and of American life came to the Institution and were answered by our experts. This was an increase of over 44,000 inquiries over the

previous year.

This year we are requesting you to provide funds to allow the continuation of this great and largely unique work which is set forth in the typed justification that is before you. The table on page 4 of this justification summarizes the details of the request that we are making. In comparison with last year you will notice in this table that we are asking for a decrease in one item and an increase in only one general activity. In all other items we are not making any request for a change in the appropriation as allowed to the Smithsonian for the current year.

May I deal with the decrease first: We are requesting a total of \$255,096 less than that granted in the 1958 appropriation for the rehabilitation of our older buildings. The reason for this decrease is that we have decided not to request added funds for rehabilitation items of the National History Building at this time for, as you know, wings for this building are now being planned under a specific appro-

priation granted by the Congress.

An increase is requested in the appropriation for salaries and expenses for the Museum of History and Technology in the amount of \$1,604,596. This additional amount is necessary, we are convinced, after careful study, in order to get ready for the opening of the new Museum of History and Technology building. As you know, this building, funds for the construction of which have already been made, will be a most notable museum structure. As pointed out in previous years, however, the work of preparing exhibits for this new building must be done now if the building is to serve its great function when

it is opened.

All of the additional funds requested in our 1959 budget, therefore, will be expended for the necessary services, supplies, materials, and equipment that are required if this new building is to be the effective, modern museum that it should be when it is opened. The details of these required expenditures are in the justification before you. No two exhibits in a great modern museum can be exactly alike. Each must be specifically planned, and then laboriously constructed, often for individually designed display cases, by the hand labor of individuals who have specialized knowledge and many types of unusual skills. Museum practice throughout the world recognizes that ordinarily at least 2 years of work are required for the completion of each large new exhibit unit. I am tempted to say here that for a good many years, particularly since World War II we have lagged behind the rest of the world in our great national museums. All over the world large sums of money have been spent on the development of national museums because it seems to be recognized everywhere that a proper national museum is a very significant factor in the development of national morale.

We are therefore now actively engaged and must continue to work as hard as we can until the very day of opening of the new building in preparing the specialized exhibits that are its basic reason for existence. We must make these unit exhibits now and in the months ahead and store them, so that when the new building is ready, we can, as it were, take them out of the refrigerator and in a relatively few days put them in their proper places when the new building is

ready to receive them.

Our requested appropriation also provides at the same level as last year for a continuation of our program for the needed renovation of certain exhibits in our older buildings. This work is also most important, for it is gradually allowing us to catch up and display our national collections in a modern and effective way. Our increase in number of visitors has demonstrated the great interest of our

citizens in our modernized displays.

We believe that the Smithsonian Institution can help the millions of visitors who come to its buildings each year to know more about our Nation and the basis of its economy. The proper exhibition of our great collections in science and technology, for example, can arouse the kind of interest in hundreds of thousands of high-school students that is important in stimulating in them the informed curiosity that is so necessary in the serious study of science and engineering. The real study of science requires hard work and in our free society this kind of brainwork is best done by students who have had a chance to see in a concrete way what science and technology have done for our Nation in the past.

We do hope that you will allow us to continue this constructive work as indicated in the justification before you so that the Smithsonian may each year be more and more useful to the citizens of our entire

country.

May I say at this time how grateful the regents and staff of the Smithsonian Institution are that your committee has made possible the notable forward development of the Smithsonian that has taken place in recent years.

We will be glad to try to answer any questions that you may wish to

ask. Thank you very much.

Mr. Magnuson. Thank you, Dr. Carmichael.

I want to assure you that I am—and I am sure all other members of this subcommittee are in complete agreement with you as to the importance and significance of this great museum.

Seven million three hundred and fifty-five thousand dollars is requested for "Salaries and expenses," an increase of \$1,355,000 over

this year.

#### JUSTIFICATION OF THE ESTIMATE

We will insert pages 1 and 2; 5 through 15 and page 17, in the record at this point. Please insert also a special statement giving us a breakdown on year 1958 funds and 1959 estimate for the Museum of History and Technology.

(The matter referred to follows:)

# SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION 1959 GENERAL STATEMENT

During the fiscal year 1959, the Smithsonian Institution will continue the following programs: (1) preservation for the American people of their irreplaceable national collections, the attractive exhibition of these treasures, and furnishing information relating thereto; (2) continuation of its fundamental researches; (3) publication of the results of these investigations; and (4) the

international exchange of scientific literature. The basic concerns of the Institution are to conduct its special researches and services with full regard for the ever-widening horizons of modern science; to meet increasing demands for authentic scientific data by Congress, by other Federal agencies and scientific institutions, and by the public; to continue preparations so that the Museum of History and Technology, when opened to the public, will dramatize in a superlative way the rise of American civilization; and to carry on the long-term programs of renovating exhibits and rehabilitating the present buildings. The Institution is also engaged in planning for the authorized additions to the Natural History Building and for urgently needed additional buildings, including a National Air Museum, a Smithsonian Gallery of Art, and a National Portrait Gallery.

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

#### The 1959 base

The 1958 appropriation for "Salaries and expenses" of the Smithsonian Institution totaled \$6 million. Of this total, \$1,118,835 is nonrecurring. Consequently the 1959 base for this appropriation is \$4,881,165. This amount includes \$3,267,067 for personal services, which provides for a maximum staff of 680 permanent employees, and \$1,614,098 for other obligations.

#### The 1959 increases

In order to meet requirements for the fiscal year 1959, the Smithsonian Institution requests for "Salaries and expenses, Smithsonian Institution" an increase over the 1959 base amounting to \$2,473,835 as follows:

- 1. 01 Personal services (all activities): \$12,000, for regular pay above 52week base:
- 2. United States National Museum: \$2,260,096, for renovation of exhibits (\$610,500); for continuing the staffing and equipping of the Museum of History and Technology (\$1,649,596);
- 3. Maintenance and operation of buildings: \$201,739, for rehabilitation of exhibition buildings (\$58,000); for improving building services (\$143,739).

# Smithsonian Institution

# Salaries and expenses—Analysis by activities

Activity	1958	Deductions	Additions	1959
1. Management 2. Operation of—     United States National Museum     Bureau of American Ethnology     Astrophysical Observatory     National Collection of Fine Arts     National Air Museum     Canal Zone biological area     International Exchange Scrvice 3. General services:     Maintenance and operation of buildings     Other general services.  Total	\$83,000 2,726,219 61,135 366,328 53,625 128,517 37,066 77,933 1,748,044 718,133	0 \$650,000 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 468,835 0	0 \$2, 260, 096 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 213, 739 0 2, 473, 835	\$83,000 4,336,315 61,135 366,328 53,625 128,517 37,066 77,933 1,492,948 718,133

<sup>1</sup> Includes \$12,000 for additional day's pay for all salaries and expenses.

#### JUSTIFICATION OF INCREASES-UNITED STATES NATIONAL MUSEUM

#### RENOVATION OF EXHIBITS

For 1954, the Congress appropriated funds to initiate a program of revitalizing the exhibits in the United States National Museum. For each year since 1954 funds have been appropriated to continue this necessary improvement at a steady rate. For 1958 the sum of \$605,000 was appropriated,

The schedule below shows the status of work on the halls included in the renovation-of-exhibits program.

Completed and opened to the public by the end of fiscal year 1957:

- 1. First Ladies Hall
- 2. One American Indian Hall

- 3. North American Mammals Hall
- 4. Latin American Archeology Hall
- 5. Bird Hall
- 6. American Cultural History Hall
- 7. Power Machinery Hall

To be completed and opened to the public by the end of fiscal year 1958:

- 1. The second American Indian Hall
- 2. Health Hall
- 3. Printing Arts Hall
- 4. Gems and Minerals Hall
- 5. Textiles Hall
- 6. World of Mammals Hall (construction completed)

During fiscal year 1958 drawings will be finished and contracts awarded for the following halls:

- 1. The first North American Archeology Hall
- Fossil Fishes and Amphibians Hall
   Fossil Plants and Invertebrates Hall
- 4. Agriculture Hall
- 5. Historical Persons Hall

For 1959, the United States National Museum requires \$610,500 for the renovation of exhibits as follows:

#### 07 Other contractual services

1.	Renovating the second Hall of North American Archeology	\$175, 100
2.	Renovating Hall of Prehistoric Mammals	158, 900
3.	Renovating Hall of Medical and Dental History	92,500
4.	Renovating Hall of Numismatics	130,000
	Completing 1958 projects and preparing collections for 1960 and 1961	
	projects	54,000
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		020,000

### MUSEUM OF HISTORY AND TECHNOLOGY

The Smithsonian Institution was directed by the act of June 28, 1955 (69 Stat. 189), to design and construct a Museum of History and Technology, and has been granted appropriations totaling \$36 million for this purpose.

In order to continue preparations for the opening of this building to the public in 1962 as the outstanding museum which the Congress expects it to be, the United States National Museum requires in 1959 an additional amount of \$1,649,596 for personal services and other obligations.

#### 01 Personal services

The United States National Museum requires 70 new positions (net) in 1959, estimated to cost \$318,586 over the 1959 base. This will provide 19 additional museum curators, museum aids, and stenographers to perform the added work of preparing the collections and directing the design of exhibits for the Museum of History and Technology, and 51 exhibits designers and constructors to design and construct exhibits, involving work on a total of 32 exhibit halls.

# 02 Travel

The United States National Museum requires in 1959 an increase over the

1959 base amounting to \$5,800 for travel.

Of this amount, \$4,500 is required to send curators to examine historical objects and collections offered to the museum, to consult with collectors about future gifts, to study the collections and preservation practices of other museums, and to consult experts in museum planning. The sum of \$1,300 is required to send exhibits specialists and planning personnel to consult with architects, museum-planning consultants, and exhibits and taxidermy contractors, and to examine recent exhibits construction in other museums and expositions.

#### 03 Transportation of things

The United States National Museum requires in 1959 an increase over the 1959 base amounting to \$3,675 for transportation of collections and objects for the new museum. These include historical furniture, period-room interiors,

engines, and historical scientific apparatus being assembled for the Museum of History and Technology.

#### 06 Printing and reproduction

The United States National Museum requires in 1959 an increase over the 1959 base amounting to \$10,955 for printing labels for the new exhibits.

## 07 Other contractual services

The United States National Museum requires in 1959 an increase over the 1959 base amounting to \$401,000 for contractual services of specialists to prepare collections and exhibits which cannot be undertaken by museum staff. These services will provide for designing and constructing certain exhibits; for designing specialized exhibits fixtures and equipment; and for renovating and repairing vehicles, machines, weapons, furniture, costumes, uniforms, instruments, period rooms, documents, and models.

#### 08 Supplies and materials

The United States National Museum requires an increase over the 1959 base amounting to \$36,180 for the purchase of supplies to be used in preparing exhibits and collections. These include hardware, lumber, wallboard, paints, brushes, metal stock, fumigants, and artists' supplies.

## 09 Equipment

The United States National Museum requires in 1959 an increase over the 1959 base amounting to \$873,400 for the purchase of exhibition cases and exhibition fixtures to be used as integral parts of the exhibits to be constructed in 1959. It is necessary to construct these exhibits in 1959 in order to continue the schedule of exhibit construction which will assure that the exhibits will be ready for the new building when it is completed.

#### MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION DIVISION

The Division of Maintenance and Operation requires for 1959 a net increase over the 1959 base amounting to \$201,739 to cope with the extremely heavy additional workload resulting from the expansion of the Institution's programs and substantial annual increase in the number of visitors to the exhibition buildings.

#### 01 Personal services

The sum of \$127,129 for 34 additional positions (net) is required to maintain effectively the extensive improvements resulting from the long-term programs for modernization of exhibits and rehabilitation of buildings and to keep the building interiors, windows, and the glass of exhibit cases clean. Additional positions include carpenters, painters, electricians, sheet-metal workers, mechanics, and laborers needed to meet the rapidly increasing maintenance and operation workload resulting from the enlargement of the scientific staff; the modernization of exhibits; the rehabilitation of buildings; the alteration and improvement of existing office, laboratory and storage space; and the tremendous increase in the number of visitors to our exhibits buildings.

As scientific personnel are added to the Institution's staff to develop the Museum of History and Technology, a great variety of additional work must be performed by the mechanical staff of the Institution. This work includes converting storage and shop space into office or laboratory space; altering and improving existing office and storage space; relocating partition walls; plastering, painting, and finishing new walls and ceilings; reallocating or installing additional electric, gas, steam, ventilation, and water services; and mov-

ing and installing office furniture, files, and cases.

In the course of contracting for exhibits renovation and building rehabilitation projects, considerable supplementary work must be performed by the Institution's operation and maintenance staffs prior to, during, and after completion of contractual work. This supplementary work includes preliminary clearing of the project site; moving equipment, supplies, boxes, exhibit cases, and furniture; assembling, installing and maintaining special equipment; erecting temporary structures to facilitate daily operations; installing temporary ramps, partitions, or barriers to prevent accidents or injury to public and staff; relocating, removing or installing gas, steam, water, or electric services; painting some 20,000 square feet of exhibition case interiors per year; plastering, finishing, and painting alterations and improvements; replacing floor coverings; installing improved

lighting; replacing annually an average of 4,000 burned-out lighting units in the Institution's modernized lighting system; maintaining new ventilating and heating equipment; and operating and maintaining protective air-conditioning

systems. For these purposes 18 wage-board employees are required.

Floor cleaning in the Smithsonian, arts and industries, aircraft, natural history, and Freer Gallery of Art buildings has become a major problem because visitor attendance during the past 12 months total over 5,200,000, representing an increase of 49 percent over the corresponding period in 1953. Funds have never been appropriated for floor cleaners in the Smithsonian, arts and industries, and aircraft buildings which have 399,457 square feet of floorspace. In attempting to cope with the problem, several adjustments were made in the assignments of both day and night labor forces, but these attempts to solve the problem have been entirely unsatisfactory and inadequate. Considering the tremendous traffic of tens of thousands of visitors through these buildings daily and the fact that only 1 cleaner is available per 28,000 square feet, the present makeshift arrangements are obviously inadequate. Eight additional night laborers are therefore required.

The Institution's buildings have 302,000 square feet of glass to be cleaned regularly, including 86,400 square feet of windows and 215,600 square feet of exhibition cases (inside glass). Funds have never been provided to hire laborers to do this glass cleaning work which is considered to be equally as important as floor cleaning. Seventy percent of the windows must be cleaned from scaffolding and 20 percent from extension ladders. The inside glass of sealed exhibition cases requires cleaning at least twice a year as it becomes blurred from turpentine fumes given off by the interior paints or varnishes. This work is necessarily a slow operation as the laborers frequently must remove or shift large numbers of specimens before they can reach the interior glass to clean it. Based on the experience of the Public Buildings Service and pilot jobs conducted by the Institution, the Maintenance and Operation Division requires eight laborers for glass cleaning.

#### 04 Communication services

The Maintenance and Operation Division requires for 1959 an increase over the 1959 base amounting to \$6,430 for communication services. During the past fiscal year, the Institution's modernization, rehabilitation, and building programs and the rapid growth in the staff of the Museum of History and Technology have imposed an exceedingly heavy additional workload on the switchboard. This has resulted in serious loss of staff time in trying to place outside calls. Numerous complaints about the poor switchboard service also were received from incoming callers. To correct this serious development, a new panel was installed on the board. The increase requested provides \$5,704 for rental and operational charges connected with the additional switchboard panel installed this year and for new telephone installations and \$726 for increased service charges on existing equipment.

### 05 Rents and utility services

The Maintenance and Operation Division requires for 1959 an increase over the 1959 base amounting to \$10,180 for rents and utility services. The sum of \$7,400 is needed to meet the increased cost of electricity resulting from the modernization of 12 exhibition halls and rehabilitation of laboratory, shop, and office areas which will require additional lighting fixtures, electrical equipment and machinery, power-driven exhibits, and ventilating equipment.

The sum of \$2,780 is needed to meet the increased cost of gas required to heat 4 of the 15 storage buildings at Suitland, Md., and for the increased cost

of steam in the Natural History building.

#### 07 Other contractual services

The building rehabilitation program for 1959 has been substantially curtailed below that for 1958 because of the deletion of all natural history building rehabilitation items. These items will be considered for inclusion in the proposed construction appropriation, fiscal year 1960, to provide funds for the addition of wings to and reconditioning of the natural history building.

To continue the long-term rehabilitation of buildings program on this curtailed basis, the Maintenance and Operation Division proposes the following

projects for the fiscal year 1959 amounting to \$58,000:

Project No. 1. Smithsonian building (1852).—The sum of \$23,000 is requested for rehabilitating floors and replacing floor coverings in the office and corridor

areas of the Smithsonian building. The wooden flooring approximates 40,000 square feet, of which 75 percent is covered with asphalt tile. This flooring, after many decades of use, has deteriorated so badly that it must now be replaced

and covered with new vinyl asbestos title.

Project No. 2. Arts and industries building (1881).—The sum of \$20,000 is requested to rehabilitate the outside area along the south side of the arts and industries building. This includes reconstruction of the sidewalk. It is proposed to wall in the old coal vaults and shop areas beneath the existing sidewalk, fill the vacant area with bank gravel, and reconstruct the sidewalk on a solid foundation. The completion of this work will eliminate the hazard now existing in the cracked, broken, and failing sidewalk and the possibility of a cave-in of the sidewalk over the vaults.

Project No. 3. Suitland storage facility (1952).—The sum of \$15,000 is requested for constructing concrete ramps in front of 6 of the storage buildings

at Suitland, Md.

## Record of visitors to Smithsonian buildings

	Fiscal year 1953	Fiscal year 1954	Fiscal year	Fiscal year 1956	Fiscal year
JulyAugust	390, 134	419, 482	457, 892	430, 956	601, 034
	475, 102	448, 956	490, 035	448, 023	660, 567
September	230, 383	236, 688	280, 063	267, 580	301, 907
October	208, 582	275, 134	229, 695	253, 411	265, 148
November	158, 983	170, 560	201, 934	201, 920	230, 270
December	105, 874	124, 846	115, 802	128, 472	149, 651
January February March April	146, 105	130, 717	139, 615	145, 069	151, 163
	163, 545	189, 270	150, 023	187, 426	228, 872
	196, 630	203, 634	237, 726	327, 417	314, 136
	535, 778	585, 956	585, 916	667, 752	726, 290
May	447, 739 370, 520 3, 429, 375	3, 658, 881	551, 820 454, 496 3, 895, 017	597, 566 489, 999 4, 145, 591	661, 857 550, 923 4, 841, 818

#### MUSEUM OF HISTORY AND TECHNOLOGY

#### Personal services

	1958 es	timate	Increase	over 1958	1959 es	timate
	Number	Total salary	Number	Total salary	Number	Total salary
OFFICE OF ASSISTANT DIRECTOR AND EXHIBITS						
GS-16, museum director	1	\$12,900		0	1	\$12,900
GS-14, exhibits director	1	10,320		0	1	10, 320
GS-13, architect	1	8, 990		0	1	8, 990
GS-13, museum specialist	1	9, 205		0	1	9, 205
GS-12, exhibits designer	1 0	7,570	1	0	1	7,570
GS-12, exhibits specialist GS-11, exhibits specialist	0	0 12, 995	1	\$7,570 0	1 2	7, 570 12, 995
GS-11, publications writer	2	6, 390		0	ī	6, 390
GS-11, administrative assistant	1	6, 390		215	1	6, 605
GS-10, exhibits specialist		6,725		0	i	6, 725
GS-9, script writer	î	5, 440		0	i	5, 440
GS-9, illustrator	1	5, 845		135	ī	5, 980
GS-9, exhibits specialist	2	11, 150		270	2	11, 420
GS-9, lighting specialist	1	5,440		0		5, 440
GS-9, lighting specialist GS-9, exhibits maintenance specialist	0	0	3	16, 320	3	16, 320
GS-9, exhibits designer	6	32, €40	14	76, 970	20	109, 610
GS-7, exhibits specialist	0	0	15	67, 875	15	67, 875
GS-7, exhibits designer	4	18, 100		540	4	18,640
GS-7, exhibits worker GS-6, secretary	21	99, 480		2, 430	21	101, 910
GS-5, exhibits worker	1 29	4, 215 110, 075		135 3, 645	29	$\frac{4,350}{113,720}$
GS-5, exhibits technician	29	110,075	10	36, 700	10	36, 700
GS-4 clerk-stenographer	5	17, 585	4	14,000	9	31, 585
GS-4, clerk-stenographer GS-4, exhibits worker	3	10, 500		255	3	10, 755
GS-3, clerk-typist	i	3, 175	4	12, 785	5	15, 960
WB-3, laborer	2	6, 116	2	5, 269	4	12, 085
Total permanent	87	411, 246	53	245, 814	140	657, 060

# Personal services—Continued

	1958 es	timate	Increase	over 1958	1959 es	1959 estimate	
	Number	Total salary	Number	Total salary	Number	Total salary	
DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY							
GS-14, museum curator GS-13, museum curator GS-11, museum curator GS-9, museum curator GS-9, museum curator GS-7, administrative assistant GS-5, cataloger GS-5, cataloger GS-4, exhibits worker GS-4, elerk-stenographer GS-3, museum aid WB-9, instrument repairer WB-3, laborer	1 4 4 5 1 1 1 5 1 6 2 1	\$10, 320 37, 250 25, 560 29, 090 4, 930 5, 335 3, 805 18, 350 3, 925 22, 020 7, 370 4, 243	3	\$215 215 645 5,710 135 135 11,565 0 340 85 0 2,912	1 4 4 6 1 1 1 8 1 6 2 1	\$10, 535 37, 465 26, 205 34, 800 5, 065 5, 470 3, 940 29, 915 3, 925 22, 360 7, 455 4, 243 2, 912	
Total, permanent	32	172, 198	5	22,092	37	194, 290	
DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND MANUFACTURES							
GS-14, museum curator GS-13, museum curator GS-11, museum curator GS-9, museum curator GS-7, museum curator GS-5, secretary GS-5, museum aid GS-4, clerk-stenographer	1 1 3 3 1 3 3	10, 320 10, 280 7, 465 17, 535 0 3, 670 11, 280 10, 585	2 1 2 1	0 0 215 11, 150 4, 525 135 7, 745 3, 670	1 1 1 5 1 1 5 4	10, 320 10, 280 7, 680 28, 685 4, 525 3, 805 19, 025 14, 255	
Total, permanent	13	71, 135	6	27, 440	19	98, 575	
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GS-14, museum curator. GS-13, museum curator. GS-13, museum curator. GS-11, museum curator. GS-9, museum curator. GS-7, museum curator. GS-5, museum aid. GS-5, museum curator. GS-4, exhibits worker. GS-4, echipters worker. GS-3, glerk-typist.	1 1 3 1 5 3 1 1 1 1 3 1	10, 320 8, 990 19, 600 5, 440 23, 840 11, 685 3, 670 3, 130 10, 755 3, 175 3, 260	1 1 2	0 645 5, 575 5, 065 7, 745 135 135 85 255 85	1 1 3 2 6 5 1 1 1 3 1	10, 320 8, 990 20, 245 11, 015 28, 905 19, 430 3, 805 3, 215 11, 010 3, 260 3, 345	
Total, permanent	22	107, 535	4	19,810	26	127, 345	
DEPARTMENT OF ARMED FORCES HISTORY GS-14, museum curator	1	10, 320	1	215	1	10, 535	
GS-12, museum curator GS-11, museum curator GS-7, museum curator GS-5, museum aid GS-5, secretary GS-4, clerk-stenographer GS-4, museum aid GS-2, museum aid	1 2 1 2 1 0 2 1 1 1	15, 140 6, 390 9, 185 3, 670 0 7, 170 3, 515 3, 215	1 2 1 1	215 0 4, 795 7, 340 3, 670 3, 585 85	1 3 3 1 3 1 1	15, 355 6, 390 13, 980 11, 010 3, 670 10, 755 3, 600 3, 300	
Total, permanent	11	58, 605	5	19, 990	16	78, 595	
Total, permanent, museum of history and technology	165 32	820, 719 175, 810	73	335, 146 16, 560	238 35	1, 155, 865 192, 370	
Net permanent, MHT Temporary employment Regular pay above 52-week base	133	644, 909 10, 000 1 12, 000	70	318, 586 0 0	203	963, 495 10, 000 12, 000	
01 Personal services	133	666, 909	70	318, 586	203	985, 495	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This amount is for all salaries and expenses.

## Other obligations

		1958 estimate	Increase over 1958	1959 estimate
02	Travel Transportation of things. Rents and utility services Printing and reproduction. Other contractual services. Supplies and materials. Equipment	\$16, 700	\$5, 800	\$22, 500
03		16, 325	3, 675	20, 000
05		45, 000	(45, 000)	0
06		15, 205	10, 955	26, 160
07		160, 500	401, 000	561, 500
08		30, 820	36, 180	67, 000
09		391, 600	873, 400	1, 265, 000
	Total, other obligations	676, 150	1, 286, 010	1, 962, 160
	Total obligations	1, 343, 059	1, 604, 596	2, 947, 655

#### RENOVATION OF EXHIBITS

Mr. Magnuson. What progress can you report on the renovation of exhibits for which \$605,000 is available this year, and a similar amount is asked for 1959?

Mr. Carmichael. We have made fine progress and have opened a number of new halls. I do not know whether you have had a chance to see any of them, but let me take a typical example. The new American Indian Hall was opened about a month and a half ago. We have had the most enthusiastic comments about this from educators and people who are concerned with the history of our country. It is a modern and effective hall using many objects that have been in storage and not available to be seen by our visitors for a long time. It may be of interest to you to know that an Indian tepee, one of the finest specimens in the world, when we got it out of storage to place it on exhibition, was still wrapped up in the Philadelphia newspapers of 1877, the year following the Centennial Exposition. It had been displayed at the Centennial and transferred to us. Countless things of this sort that ought to be available to the public are not now on display.

I can give you in detail the exact picture of all the halls that have been created this year and those that are to be worked upon if this

appropriation is approved.

Mr. Magnuson. I am glad that you report good progress.

Mr. Carmichael. We do. The reason that we have this increase of 500,000 visitors is because the news of this progress has gone all over the country. We have buses, you know, from far beyond the Mississippi, and from almost every State in the Union.

On one day last spring we went out and counted 110 Greyhound-type buses that had brought high-school students to visit our buildings.

# MUSEUM OF HISTORY AND TECHNOLOGY

Mr. Magnuson. Doctor, you refer to the new Museum of History and Technology for which \$36 million has been appropriated. What is the status of planning and construction of that structure?

Mr. Carmichael. Mr. Chairman, I have been in consultation with the General Services Administration and I can give you the tentative program. The temporary buildings on the designated site between 12th and 14th Street on Constitution Avenue are soon to be vacated. The contract for demolition of these buildings will be let in March or early April.

The contract for excavation and driving the piling will be let so that the work can begin in the coming summer and autumn. Final detailed working drawings, which are a major job as you know, will be completed by November 1. The contracts will be let presumably in December of 1958. Work on construction will start as soon as the contract is negotiated. The building will be completed in the calendar year 1961; that is fiscal year 1962.

Mr. Magnuson. Thank you.

#### ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 1958

Please explain what is being accomplished this year with the large increase of \$1,343,059 available this year to prepare for this new

Mr. Carmichael. What we are doing with that money now?

Mr. Magnuson. Yes.

Mr. Carmichael. Not what we will do if this appropriation were made?

Mr. Magnuson. That is right.

Mr. CARMICHAEL. We are doing what we hope to be allowed to do if additional appropriations were made. That is, we are constructing exhibits that are to go into the new building. We have a staff of experts that we have gradually brought together and trained ourselves, and they are working to put together exhibits in cases. The cases and the exhibits can then be put into storage until the building is completed. Then we can move the completed exhibits into the building when it is opened, and the visitors will be able to see the finished exhibits. This is a very detailed and a very complicated process.

#### NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

Mr. Magnuson. How many people have you had to add to your staff for that purpose?

Mr. Carmichael. Will you answer that, Dr. Keddy? Mr. Keddy. This year we are adding about 72 people.

Mr. Magnuson. Are you adding additional ones next year?

Mr. Keddy. We are asking for 70 more. It is a progressive operation.

#### 1959 INCREASE

Mr. Magnuson. You are asking for another \$1,604,596 in 1959 to continue the preparation for the opening. How will this increase be

Mr. Carmichael. In the same way we are spending it this year, which includes the preparation of the exhibits and the purchase of

the cases.

Mr. Magnuson. These appropriations then are entirely apart from

the appropriations for planning and construction?

Mr. CARMICHAEL. Yes, sir. The fact that these appropriations would be necessary has been explained in pervious years. It was envisaged when the building was authorized that it would be necessary in this way to prepare the building for its ultimate use.

#### OPENING DATE OF NEW BUILDING

Mr. Magnuson. Did you say that you hoped to open the new building in calendar year 1961?

Mr. Carmichael. The end of calendar 1961, fiscal 1962.

Mr. Magnuson. Have you postponed it?

Mr. Carmichael. No, sir.

Mr. Magnuson. This was the original plan?

Mr. Carmichael. Yes sir; that is the completion of the building. I cannot guarantee it. You can see that it is really a tremendously complicated matter and I hope that we will be able to open it then.

Mr. Magnuson. You have not changed your original plan as to

opening it?

Mr. Carmichael. Was that the original date in the legislation sug-

gested at the hearing?

Mr. Keddy. We are holding very closely to the original plan. That puts the burden on us to prepare for it, and it is a progressive operation. You cannot do this all in 1 year economically and efficiently.

Mr. Carmichael. This is not something that can be done by turning suddenly to some outside organization that can do it for you. This is something that has to be done laboriously by people who have been gradually trained to do it.

Mr. Magnuson. It takes time?

Mr. CARMICHAEL. It takes a great deal of time.

### NATURAL HISTORY BUILDING

Mr. Magnuson. What is the status of plans for the additions to the Natural History Building for which \$800,000 was appropriated this year?

Mr. Carmichael. Those plans are progressing very well. The plans and elevations have been completed, presented to the Commission on

Fine Arts, and approved with some enthusiasm, I think.

The location of the site has been approved by the National Capital Planning Commission.

Mr. Magnuson. What is the location? I have forgotten the exact

location. Where is it?

Mr. Carmichael. Those wings are to be added to our Natural History Building. It is on Constitution Avenue opposite 10th Street. It is the granite building with the dome. As you go west on Constitution Avenue you come first to the National Gallery of Art. Then there is an open space, and then there is this 50-year old Natural History Building. The wings are to be of the same architecture as planned and will be added to that building.

Mr. Magnuson. Dr. Fenton?

Mr. Fenton. I enjoyed hearing Dr. Carmichael and the fine work he is doing.

Mr. Carmichael. Thank you, Dr. Fenton.



