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AN ACT

Making appropriations for the Executive Office and sundry independent executive bureaus, boards, commissions, and offices, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1941, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Executive Office and sundry independent executive bureaus, boards, commissions, and offices, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1941, namely:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

COMPENSATION OF THE PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

For compensation of the President of the United States, $75,000.
For compensation of the Vice President of the United States, $15,000.

THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

Salaries: For personal services in the office of the President, including the Secretary to the President, two additional secretaries to the President and six administrative assistants to the President at $10,000 each; $222,800: Provided, That employees of the executive departments and other establishments of the executive branch of the Government may be detailed from time to time to the office of the President of the United States for such temporary assistance as may be deemed necessary.

Contingent expenses: For contingent expenses of The White House Office, including stationery, record books, telegrams, telephones, books for library, furniture and carpets for offices, automobiles, expenses of garage, including labor, special services, and miscellaneous items to be expended in the discretion of the President, $50,000.
For printing and binding, $2,700.
Traveling expenses: For traveling and official entertainment expenses of the President of the United States, to be expended in his discretion and accounted for on his certificate solely, $30,000.

EXECUTIVE MANSION AND GROUNDS

For the care, maintenance, repair and alteration, refurnishing, improvement, heating, and lighting, including electric power and fixtures of the Executive Mansion, the Executive Mansion greenhouses, including reconstruction, and the Executive Mansion grounds, and traveling expenses, to be expended as the President may determine, notwithstanding the provisions of any other Act, $152,750.
BUREAU OF THE BUDGET

Salaries and expenses: For every expenditure requisite for and incident to the work of the Bureau of the Budget, including personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, contract stenographic reporting services, traveling expenses, including expenses of attendance at meetings when necessary in furthering the work of the Bureau of the Budget, streetcar fares, law books, books of reference, periodicals, newspapers and press clippings, purchase of office equipment and supplies, without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes when the amount involved in any case does not exceed $50, purchase (not to exceed $750), maintenance, repair, and operation of passenger-carrying automobiles for official use, and not to exceed $50,000 for temporary employment of persons or organizations by contract or otherwise without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, or the civil-service laws, or the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, $742,600, together with the unexpended balance of the appropriation under this head for the fiscal year 1940.

For printing and binding, $44,000.

NATIONAL RESOURCES PLANNING BOARD

Salaries and expenses: For all necessary administrative expenses of the National Resources Planning Board, to perform the functions transferred to said Board on July 1, 1939, including personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere in accordance with civil-service laws and the Classification Act of 1923; rent in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; contract stenographic reporting services; purchase of books of reference, and periodicals; expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with development, conservation, and use of the resources of the Nation; traveling expenses; purchase of office equipment and supplies, and temporary employment of persons, $710,000, of which not to exceed $40,000 shall be available for printing and binding: Provided, That no part of the funds appropriated under this item shall be used for the performance of any functions or duties other than the functions heretofore authorized by law to be performed by the Federal Employment Stabilization Board.

Total, Executive Office of the President, $2,044,850.

INDEPENDENT ESTABLISHMENTS

AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION

For every expenditure requisite for or incident to the work of the American Battle Monuments Commission authorized by the Act of March 4, 1923 (36 U. S. C. 121-138), and by Executive Order Numbered 6614 of February 26, 1934, including the acquisition of land or interest in land in foreign countries for carrying out the purposes of said Act and Executive order without submission to the Attorney General of the United States under the provisions of section 355 of the Revised Statutes (34 U. S. C. 520; 40 U. S. C. 255); employment of personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; including not to exceed $3,000 for allowances for living quarters, including heat, fuel, and light, as authorized by the Act approved June 26, 1930 (5 U. S. C. 118a); purchase and repair
of uniforms for caretakers of national cemeteries and monuments in Europe at a cost not exceeding $600; travel expenses; rent of office space in foreign countries; the maintenance, repair, and operation of motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles which may be furnished to the Commission by other departments of the Government or acquired by purchase; printing, binding, engraving, lithographing, photographing, and typewriting, including the publication of information concerning the American activities, battlefields, memorials, and cemeteries in Europe; the purchase of maps, textbooks, newspapers and periodicals, $135,000: Provided, That notwithstanding the requirements of existing laws or regulations, and under such terms and conditions as the Commission may in its discretion deem necessary and proper, the Commission may contract for work, supplies, materials, and equipment in Europe and engage, by contract or otherwise, the services of architects, firms of architects, and other technical and professional personnel: Provided further, That the Commission may purchase supplies and materials in the United States without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U. S. C. 5) when the aggregate amount involved does not exceed $500, and may enter into leases in foreign countries for office or garage space without regard to said section 3709, and rent therefor may be paid in advance: Provided further, That when traveling on business of the Commission, officers of the Army serving as members or as secretary of the Commission may be reimbursed for expenses as provided for civilian members of the Commission: And provided further, That the Commission may delegate to its chairman, secretary, or officials in charge of either its Washington or Paris offices, under such terms and conditions as it may prescribe, such of its authority as it may deem necessary and proper.

BOARD OF TAX APPEALS

For every expenditure requisite for and incident to the work of the Board of Tax Appeals as authorized under title IX, section 900, of the Revenue Act of 1924, approved June 2, 1924, as amended by title X of the Revenue Act of 1926, approved February 26, 1926, and title IV of the Revenue Act of 1928, approved May 29, 1928, and title IX of the Revenue Act of 1932, approved June 6, 1932, including personal services and contract stenographic reporting services, rent outside the District of Columbia, traveling expenses, carfare, stationery, furniture, office equipment, purchase and exchange of typewriters, law books and books of reference, periodicals, and all other necessary supplies, $522,000.

For all printing and binding for the Board of Tax Appeals, $35,000.

Total, Board of Tax Appeals, $557,000.

CIVIL AERONAUTICS AUTHORITY

General administration: For all necessary expenses of the offices of the members of the Authority, Coordinator and Secretary, General Counsel, Director of Statistics and Information, and Director of Regional Offices, in carrying out the provisions of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938 (52 Stat. 973), including personal services and
rent in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; expenses of the Air Safety Board other than those specifically provided for under “Air Safety Board, Civil Aeronautics Authority”; contract stenographic reporting services; fees and mileage of witnesses; expenses of examination of estimates of appropriations in the field; purchase (including exchange), operation, maintenance, and repair of aircraft; hire, maintenance, repair, and operation of passenger-carrying automobiles; $1,543,932.

Economic regulation: For all expenses necessary in carrying out the provisions of title IV of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938 and all other provisions of said Act relating to economic regulation, including personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; contract stenographic reporting services; fees and mileage of witnesses; $469,222.

Maintenance and operation of air-navigation facilities: For all necessary expenses of the Office of the Administrator and the operation and maintenance of air-navigation facilities, including personal services and rent in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; purchase (including exchange), operation, maintenance, repair, and overhaul of aircraft; purchase and exchange (not to exceed $13,550), hire, maintenance, repair, and operation of passenger-carrying automobiles; purchase of special wearing apparel and equipment for aviation purposes (including snowshoes and skis); salaries and traveling expenses of employees detailed by the Administrator to attend courses of training conducted by the Government or industries serving aviation; not to exceed 3 cents per mile for travel, in their personally owned automobiles within the limits of their official posts of duty, of employees engaged in the maintenance and operation of remotely controlled air-navigation facilities; and for the purchase of necessary food supplies (not exceeding $2,500) for storage at isolated stations for emergency use, the cost of which when consumed by employees shall be collected therefrom, and deposited in miscellaneous receipts; $12,000,000.

Technical development: For all expenses necessary in carrying out the provisions of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938 relative to such developmental work and service testing as tends to the creation of improved air-navigation facilities, aircraft, aircraft engines, propellers, appliances, personnel, and operation methods, including personal services and rent in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; operation, maintenance, repair, and overhaul of aircraft, aircraft engines, propellers, and equipment and spare parts therefor, and passenger-carrying automobiles; purchase of special wearing apparel and equipment for aviation purposes (including snowshoes and skis); purchase of reports, documents, plans, and specifications; $557,000.

Safety regulation: For all expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of title VI of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938 and all other provisions of said Act relating to safety regulation, except air-traffic control, including personal services and rent in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; contract stenographic reporting services; fees and mileage of witnesses, including expert witnesses; employment of attorneys and examiners on a fee basis (not to exceed $7,500); salaries and traveling expenses of employees detailed to attend courses of training conducted by the Government or industries
serving aviation; purchase (including exchange), operation, maintenance, and repair and overhaul of aircraft; purchase and exchange (not to exceed $29,200), hire, maintenance, repair, and operation of passenger-carrying automobiles; special wearing apparel and equipment (including snowshoes and skis), $2,406,520.

Establishment of air-navigation facilities: For the acquisition and establishment of air-navigation facilities, including the equipment of additional civil airways for day and night flying; the construction of additional necessary lighting, radio, and other signaling and communicating structures and apparatus; the alteration and modernization of existing air-navigation facilities; and for the acquisition of the necessary sites by lease or grant, $5,265,280, of which amount $2,000,000 shall be available for the payment of contractual obligations authorized to be incurred prior to July 1, 1940: Provided, That in addition to the amount herein appropriated, the Administrator may, prior to July 1, 1941, enter into contracts for the purchase, construction, and installation of additional air-navigation facilities not in excess of $2,000,000: Provided further, That construction work under this appropriation may be accomplished either by contract or by purchase and hire: Provided further, That this appropriation shall be available, when required in connection with the construction program, for the purchase and exchange (not to exceed $750), hire, maintenance, repair, and operation of passenger-carrying automobiles; purchase and exchange, operation, maintenance, repair, and overhaul of aircraft; temporary personnel; purchase of special wearing apparel and equipment suitable for aviation purposes (including snowshoes and skis); and all other necessary expenses.

Civilian pilot training: For all necessary expenses of the Civil Aeronautics Authority in carrying out the duties, powers, and functions devolving upon it pursuant to the authority contained in the Civilian Pilot Training Act of 1939 (53 Stat. 855) including personal services and rentals in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; traveling expenses; purchase and exchange, operation, maintenance, repair, and overhaul of aircraft; purchase and exchange (not to exceed $5,000), hire, maintenance, repair, and operation of passenger-carrying automobiles; purchase and exchange of professional and scientific books, books of reference, atlases, maps, and periodicals; in all, $5,000,000: Provided, That not to exceed $117,500 of this amount may be transferred to the appropriation “Safety Regulation, Civil Aeronautics Authority”, for expenditure in connection with payment of salaries and travel of aeronautical inspectors engaged in supervision and promotion of the safety features of the civilian pilot training program.

Air Safety Board: For all expenses of the Air Safety Board necessary in performing the duties imposed upon it by law, including personal services in the District of Columbia; contract stenographic reporting services; purchase (including exchange) of office machinery and equipment; fees and mileage of expert and other witnesses; operation, maintenance, and repair of passenger-carrying automobiles; operation, maintenance, repair, and overhaul of aircraft, aircraft engines, aircraft radio, propellers, and equipment and spare parts therefor; purchase of special wearing apparel and equipment
for airmen (including snowshoes and skis), and for photostat and other machine operators; $380,000.

Printing and binding: For printing and binding, $100,000.

Section 3709 of the Revised Statutes of the United States (41 U. S. C. 5) shall not be construed to apply to any purchase or service rendered for the Civil Aeronautics Authority or the Air Safety Board when the aggregate amount involved does not exceed $100.

The foregoing appropriations under the Civil Aeronautics Authority shall be available when specifically authorized by the Chairman of the Authority or the Administrator or, in case of the Air Safety Board, by the Chairman thereof, for expenses of attendance at meetings of associations and other properly constituted bodies concerned with aeronautics (not to exceed $3,000), and when so authorized, for expenses of packing, crating, drayage, and transportation of household effects (not exceeding in any one case five thousand pounds) of employees when transferred from one official station to another for permanent duty, and for the purchase of law books, books of reference, and periodicals.

Total, Civil Aeronautics Authority, $27,721,954.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

For three Commissioners and other personal services in the District of Columbia, including personal services required for examination of Presidential postmasters, and including not to exceed $2,500 for employment of expert examiners not in the Federal service on special subjects for which examiners within the service are not available, and for personal services in the field; for medical examinations; for necessary traveling expenses, including those of examiners acting under the direction of the Commission, and for expenses of examinations and investigations held elsewhere than at Washington, including not to exceed $5,000 for expenses incident to attendance at meetings concerned with problems of public officials, educational groups, Government employees as such, and other similar organizations, which are peculiar to the interests and business of the Commission, when specifically directed by the Commission; for furniture and other equipment and repairs thereto; rental of equipment; supplies; advertising; telegraph, telephone, and laundry service; freight and express charges; streetcar fares not to exceed $300; stationery; purchase and exchange of law books, books of reference, directories, subscriptions to newspapers and periodicals, not to exceed $10,000; charts; purchase, exchange, maintenance, and repair of motortrucks, motorcycles, and bicycles; garage rent; postage stamps to prepay postage on matter addressed to Postal Union countries; special-delivery stamps; and other like miscellaneous necessary expenses not hereinbefore provided for, $4,975,000, of which not to exceed $175,000 shall be available for reimbursement of the Veterans' Administration for services rendered the Commission in connection with physical examinations of applicants for and the employees in the Federal classified service: Provided, That notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, the Civil Service Commission is authorized to expend not to exceed $3,000 of this amount for actuarial services pertaining to the civil service, Canal Zone, and Alaska Railroad retirement and disability funds, to be obtained by contract, with-
out obtaining competition, at such rates of compensation as the Commission may determine to be reasonable: Provided further, That no details from any executive department or independent establishment in the District of Columbia or elsewhere to the Commission's central office in Washington or to any of its district offices shall be made during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1941, but this shall not affect the making of details for service as members of the boards of examiners outside the immediate offices of the district managers: Provided further, That the Civil Service Commission shall have power in case of emergency to transfer or detail any of its employees to or from its office or field force.

For all printing and binding for the Civil Service Commission, including all of its bureaus, offices, institutions, and services located in Washington and elsewhere, $160,000.

CIVIL-SERVICE RETIREMENT AND DISABILITY FUND

For financing of the liability of the United States, created by the Act entitled "An Act for the retirement of employees in the classified civil service, and for other purposes", approved May 22, 1920, and Acts amending thereof (38 U. S. C. 11), $30,754,000, which amount shall be placed to the credit of the "civil-service retirement and disability fund".

CANAL ZONE RETIREMENT AND DISABILITY FUND

For financing of the liability of the United States, created by the Act entitled "An Act for the retirement of employees of the Panama Canal and the Panama Railroad Company, on the Isthmus of Panama, who are citizens of the United States", approved March 2, 1931, and Acts amending thereof (48 U. S. C. 1371n), $1,177,000, which amount shall be placed to the credit of the "Canal Zone retirement and disability fund".

ALASKA RAILROAD RETIREMENT AND DISABILITY FUND

For financing of the liability of the United States created by the Act entitled "An Act for the retirement of employees of the Alaska Railroad, Territory of Alaska, who are citizens of the United States", approved June 29, 1936 (49 Stat. 2017), $175,000, which amount shall be placed to the credit of the "Alaska Railroad retirement and disability fund".

Total, Civil Service Commission, $37,241,000.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALLEY DWELLING AUTHORITY

The unexpended balance on June 30, 1940, of the "Conversion of inhabited alleys fund", established pursuant to the provisions of the District of Columbia Alley Dwelling Act, together with all accretions during the fiscal year 1941 to said fund under the provisions of said Act and of the United States Housing Act of 1937 shall be available until June 30, 1941, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of said District of Columbia Alley Dwelling Act.
Salaries and expenses: For seven Commissioners, and for all other authorized expenditures of the Federal Communications Commission in performing the duties imposed by the Communications Act of 1934, approved June 19, 1934 (48 Stat. 1064), the Ship Act of 1910, approved June 24, 1910, as amended (46 U. S. C. 484–487), the International Radiotelegraphic Convention (45 Stat., pt. 2, p. 2760), Executive Order Numbered 3313, dated July 9, 1921, as amended under date of June 30, 1934, relating to applications for submarine cable licenses, and the radiotelegraphy provisions of the Convention for Promoting Safety of Life at Sea, ratified by the President of the United States, July 7, 1936, including personal services, contract stenographic reporting services, rental of quarters, newspapers, periodicals, reference books, law books, special counsel fees, supplies and equipment, including purchase and exchange of instruments, which may be purchased without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U. S. C. 5) when the aggregate amount involved does not exceed $25; improvement and care of grounds and repairs to buildings, not to exceed $5,000, purchase and exchange (not to exceed $15,000), maintenance, operation, and repair of motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles for official use in the field, travel expenses, including expenses of attendance at meetings which in the discretion of the Commission are necessary for the efficient discharge of its responsibilities, reimbursement to ships of the United States for charges incurred by such ships in transmitting information in compliance with section 357 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, expenses of packing, crating, drayage, and transportation of household goods and other personal effects (not to exceed in any case five thousand pounds) of officers and employees when transferred from one official station to another for permanent duty upon specific authorization by the Commission, $2,051,340, of which amount not to exceed $1,246,340 may be expended for personal services in the District of Columbia, including compensation of employees of the Interdepartment Radio Advisory Committee.

Printing and binding: For all printing and binding for the Federal Communications Commission, $25,000.

Total, Federal Communications Commission, $2,076,340.

FEDERAL LOAN AGENCY

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

Administrative expenses, Federal Loan Agency: Of the funds available for administrative expenses to the agencies placed under the supervision of the Federal Loan Administrator by section 402 of Reorganization Plan Numbered I under authority of the Reorganization Act of 1939, $200,000 is hereby made available to the Federal Loan Agency for all the general administrative expenses thereof, including personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; printing and binding ($1,500); law books, other books of reference and periodicals; newspapers (not exceeding $500); not exceeding $1,500 for expenses of attendance at meetings or conventions of societies
or associations concerned with the furtherance of the work of the Agency, when specifically authorized by the Administrator; purchase (including exchange in part payment) of office equipment and purchase of one passenger-carrying automobile at $1,500 for the use of the Administrator and the rental of garage therefor, and the maintenance, operation, or repair thereof; not to exceed $15,000 for the temporary employment of persons or organizations for special services by contract or otherwise without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes or civil-service law and regulations; payment when specifically authorized by the Administrator of actual transportation expenses and not to exceed $10 per diem in lieu of subsistence and other expenses to persons serving while away from their home, without other compensation from the United States, in an advisory capacity to the Agency: Provided, That section 3709 of the Revised Statutes shall not be construed as applying to any purchase by or service rendered to the Agency when the aggregate amount involved in any such case does not exceed $100: Provided further, That none of the funds made available by this Act for administrative expenses of the Federal Loan Agency and the agencies under its supervision named herein shall be obligated or expended unless and until an appropriate appropriation account shall have been established therefor pursuant to an appropriation warrant or a covering warrant, and all such expenditures shall be accounted for and audited in accordance with the Budget and Accounting Act, as amended.

ELECTRIC HOME AND FARM AUTHORITY

Electric Home and Farm Authority, salaries and administrative expenses: Not to exceed $600,000 of the funds of the Electric Home and Farm Authority, established as an agency of the Government by Executive Order Numbered 7139 of August 12, 1935, and continued as such agency until June 30, 1941, by the Act of March 4, 1939 (Public Act Numbered 2, Seventy-sixth Congress), shall be available during the fiscal year 1941 for administrative expenses of the Authority, including personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; travel expenses, in accordance with the Standardized Government Travel Regulations and the Act of June 3, 1926, as amended (5 U. S. C. 821–833); not exceeding $3,000 for expenses incurred in packing, crating, and transporting household effects (not exceeding five thousand pounds in any one case) of personnel when transferred in the interest of the service from one official station to another for permanent duty when specifically authorized in the order directing the transfer; printing and binding; lawbooks and books of reference; not to exceed $200 for periodicals, newspapers, and maps; procurement of supplies, equipment, and services; typewriters, adding machines, and other labor-saving devices, including their repair and exchange; rent in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; and all other administrative expenses: Provided, That all necessary expenses (including legal and special services performed on a contract or fee basis, but not including other personal services) in connection with the acquisition, care, repair, and disposition of any security or collateral now held or acquired on or before June 30, 1941, by the Authority shall be considered as nonadministrative expenses for the purposes hereof.
Export-Import Bank of Washington, salaries and administrative expenses: Not to exceed $125,000 of the funds of the Export-Import Bank of Washington, established as an agency of the Government by Executive Order Numbered 6581 of February 2, 1934, and continued as such agency until June 30, 1941, by the Act approved March 4, 1939 (Public Act Numbered 3, Seventy-sixth Congress), shall be available during the fiscal year 1941 for administrative expenses of the bank, including personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; travel expenses, in accordance with the Standardized Government Travel Regulations and the Act of June 3, 1926, as amended (5 U. S. C. 821–833); printing and binding; lawbooks and books of reference; not to exceed $250 for periodicals, newspapers, and maps; procurement of supplies, equipment, and services; typewriters, adding machines, and other labor-saving devices, including their repair and exchange; rent in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; and all other necessary administrative expenses: Provided, That all necessary expenses (including special services performed on a contract or fee basis, but not including other personal services) in connection with the acquisition, operation, maintenance, improvement, or disposition of any real or personal property belonging to the bank or in which it has an interest, including expenses of collections of pledged collateral, shall be considered as nonadministrative expenses for the purposes hereof.

FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK BOARD

For the administrative expenses of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, established by the Federal Home Loan Bank Act of July 22, 1932 (47 Stat. 725), including personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; travel expenses, in accordance with the Standardized Government Travel Regulations and the Act of June 3, 1926, as amended (5 U. S. C. 821–833); expenses (not to exceed $2,500) of attendance at meetings concerned with the work of the Board when specifically authorized by the Board; printing and binding; lawbooks, books of reference, and not to exceed $500 for periodicals and newspapers; procurement of supplies, equipment, and services without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes when the aggregate amount involved in any one case does not exceed $50; typewriters, adding machines, and other labor-saving devices, including their repair and exchange; rent outside of the District of Columbia; payment, when specifically authorized by the Board, of actual transportation expenses and not to exceed $10 per diem in lieu of subsistence and other expenses of persons serving, while away from their homes, without other compensation from the United States, in an advisory capacity to the Board; use of the services and facilities of the Home Owners' Loan Corporation and the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation; and all other necessary administrative expenses, $1,350,000, payable from assessments upon the Federal home-loan banks and receipts of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board from other sources for the fiscal year 1941 and prior fiscal years: Provided, That all necessary expenses (including services performed on a contract or fee basis, but not including other personal services)
in connection with the sale, issuance, and retirement of, or payment of interest on, debentures or bonds, under said Federal Home Loan Bank Act, as amended, shall be considered as nonadministrative expenses for the purposes hereof; Provided further, That except for the limitations in amounts hereinbefore specified, and the restrictions in respect to travel expenses, the administrative expenses and other obligations of the Board shall be incurred, allowed, and paid in accordance with the provisions of said Act of July 22, 1932, as amended (12 U. S. C. 1421–1449).

FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION

Not to exceed $10,900,000 of the mutual mortgage insurance fund, $1,200,000 of the housing insurance fund and $1,200,000 from the account in the Treasury comprised of funds derived from premiums collected under authority of section 2 (f) title I of the National Housing Act (48 Stat. 1246), as amended by the Act of June 3, 1939, in all, $13,900,000, shall be available for administrative expenses of the Federal Housing Administration, including: Personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; travel expenses, in accordance with the Standardized Government Travel Regulations and the Act of June 3, 1926, as amended (5 U. S. C. 821–833) but there may be allowed in addition to mileage at a rate not to exceed 4 cents per mile for travel by motor vehicle reimbursement for the actual cost of ferry fares and bridge and tunnel tolls, and employees engaged in the inspection of property may be paid an allowance not to exceed 3 cents per mile for all travel performed in their personally owned automobiles within the limits of their official posts of duty when such travel is performed in connection with such inspection; printing and binding; law books, books of reference, and not to exceed $1,500 for periodicals and newspapers; not to exceed $1,500 for contract actuarial services; procurement of supplies, equipment, and services; purchase (including exchange) of one (for the official use of the Administrator, not exceeding $1,500) and maintenance, repair, and operation of two motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles, to be used only for official purposes; payment, when specifically authorized by the Administrator, of actual transportation expenses and not to exceed $10 per diem in lieu of subsistence and other expenses to persons serving, while away from their homes, without other compensation from the United States, in an advisory capacity to the Administration; not to exceed $2,000 for expenses of attendance, when specifically authorized by the Administrator, at meetings concerned with the work of the Administration; typewriters, adding machines, and other labor-saving devices, including their repair and exchange; rent in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; and all other necessary administrative expenses: Provided, That all necessary expenses of the Administration (including services performed on a contract or fee basis, but not including other personal services) in connection with the acquisition, protection, completion, operation, maintenance, improvement, or disposition of real or personal property of the Administration acquired under authority of titles I and II of said National Housing Act, shall be considered as nonadministrative expenses for the purposes hereof, and such expenses with
respect to title I property shall be paid from funds in the Treasury derived from premiums collected under authority of section 2 (f) title I of said Act and such expenses with respect to title II property shall be paid from the mutual mortgage insurance fund or the housing insurance fund as provided in title II of said Act: Provided further, That, except for the limitations in amounts hereinbefore specified and the restrictions in respect to travel expenses, the administrative expenses and other obligations of the Administration shall be incurred, allowed, and paid in accordance with the provisions of said Act of June 27, 1934, as amended (12 U. S. C. 1701–1723): Provided further, That not exceeding $300,000 of the sum herein authorized shall be expended in the District of Columbia for purposes of the Public Relations and Education Division.

Not to exceed $2,000,000 of the funds of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, advanced or to be advanced to the Federal Housing Administration under authority of the National Housing Act of June 27, 1934 (48 Stat. 1246), as amended, and not to exceed $3,000,000 of the funds (after the allowance of said $1,200,000 for administrative expenses) in the account in the Treasury comprised of premiums collected under authority of section 2 (f), title I, of the National Housing Act, as amended, shall be available for the payment of losses under insurance granted under section 2 and section 6, title I, of said Act.

FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN INSURANCE CORPORATION

Not to exceed $300,000 of the funds of the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, established by title IV of the National Housing Act of June 27, 1934 (48 Stat. 1246), shall be available during the fiscal year 1941 for administrative expenses of the Corporation, including personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; travel expenses, in accordance with the Standardized Government Travel Regulations and the Act of June 3, 1926, as amended (5 U. S. C. 821–833); expenses (not to exceed $2,500) of attendance at meetings concerned with the work of the Corporation when specifically authorized by the Board of Trustees; printing and binding; lawbooks, books of reference, and not to exceed $250 for periodicals and newspapers; procurement of supplies, equipment, and services; typewriters, adding machines, and other labor-saving devices, including their repair and exchange; use of the services and facilities of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, Federal home-loan banks, Federal Reserve banks, and agencies of the Government as authorized by said title IV; and all other necessary administrative expenses: Provided, That all necessary expenses in connection with the liquidation of insured institutions under said title IV shall be considered as nonadministrative expenses for the purposes hereof: Provided further, That, except for the limitations in amounts hereinbefore specified, and the restrictions in respect to travel expenses, the administrative expenses and other obligations of the Corporation shall be incurred, allowed, and paid in accordance with the provisions of said Act of June 27, 1934, as amended (12 U. S. C. 1725–1732).
HOME OWNERS’ LOAN CORPORATION

Not to exceed $22,000,000 of the funds of the Home Owners’ Loan Corporation, established by the Home Owners’ Loan Act of 1933 (48 Stat. 128), shall be available during the fiscal year 1941 for administrative expenses of the Corporation, including personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; travel expenses, in accordance with the Standardized Government Travel Regulations and the Act of June 3, 1926, as amended (5 U. S. C. 821–833); expenses (not to exceed $3,500) of attendance at meetings concerned with the work of the Corporation when specifically authorized by the Board of Directors; printing and binding; lawbooks, books of reference, and not to exceed $500 for periodicals and newspapers; procurement of supplies, equipment and services; maintenance, repair, and operation of motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles, to be used only for official purposes; typewriters, adding machines, and other labor-saving devices, including their repair and exchange; rent in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; use of the services and facilities of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, Federal home-loan banks, and Federal Reserve banks; and all other necessary administrative expenses: Provided, That all necessary expenses (including services performed on a force account, contract or fee basis, but not including other personal services) in connection with the acquisition, protection, operation, maintenance, improvement, or disposition of real or personal property belonging to the Corporation or in which it has an interest, shall be considered as non-administrative expenses for the purposes hereof: Provided further, That except for the limitations in amounts hereinbefore specified, and the restrictions in respect to travel expenses, the administrative expenses and other obligations of the Corporation shall be incurred, allowed, and paid in accordance with the provisions of said Home Owners’ Loan Act of 1933, as amended (12 U. S. C. 1461–1468).

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

Not to exceed $9,250,000 of the funds of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, established by the Act of January 22, 1932 (47 Stat. 5), shall be available during the fiscal year 1941 for administrative expenses of the Corporation and of The RFC Mortgage Company, including personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; travel expenses, in accordance with the Standardized Government Travel Regulations and the Act of June 3, 1926, as amended (5 U. S. C. 821–833); printing and binding; lawbooks, books of reference, and not to exceed $1,500 for periodicals and newspapers; procurement of supplies, equipment, and services; typewriters, adding machines, and other labor-saving devices, including their repair and exchange, rent in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; use of the services and facilities of the Federal Reserve banks; and all other necessary administrative expenses: Provided, That all necessary expenses in connection with the acquisition, operation, maintenance, improvement, or disposition of any real or personal property belonging to the Corporation or The RFC Mortgage Company or in which they have an interest, including expenses of collections of pledged
collateral, shall be considered as nonadministrative expenses for the purposes hereof: *Provided further, That notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, except for the limitations in amounts hereinbefore specified, and the restrictions in respect to travel expenses, the administrative expenses and other obligations of the Corporation shall be incurred, allowed, and paid in accordance with the provisions of said Act of January 22, 1932, as amended (15 U. S. C. 601–617).

**FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION**

**SALARIES AND EXPENSES**

For every expenditure requisite for and incident to the work of the Federal Power Commission as authorized by law except for the work authorized by the Act of June 28, 1938, entitled "An Act authorizing the construction of certain public works on rivers and harbors for flood control and for other purposes" (52 Stat. 1215), including traveling expenses; expenses of attendance at meetings which in the discretion of the Commission are necessary for the efficient discharge of its responsibilities; contract stenographic reporting services; rent outside the District of Columbia; purchase and exchange (not to exceed $3,000), hire, maintenance, repair, and operation of motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles, including not more than one such vehicle for general administrative use in the District of Columbia; supplies and office equipment; services; scientific instruments; expenses incurred in packing, crating, drayage and transportation of household effects and other property (not to exceed in any case five thousand pounds) of officers and employees when transferred from one official station to another for permanent duty, when specifically authorized by the Commission; and not exceeding $6,000 for purchase and exchange of lawbooks, other books of reference, newspapers, periodicals and newspaper clippings, $2,235,000; of which amount not to exceed $1,163,000 shall be available for personal services in the District of Columbia, exclusive of not to exceed $25,000 which may be expended for consultants and special counsel.

For every expenditure requisite for and incident to the work of the Federal Power Commission as authorized by the provisions of the Act of June 28, 1938, entitled "An Act authorizing the construction of certain public works on rivers and harbors for flood control, and for other purposes" (52 Stat. 1215), including travel expenses; contract stenographic reporting services; purchase, maintenance, repair, and operation of one motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicle; supplies and office equipment; services; scientific instruments; $200,000, of which amount not to exceed $180,000 shall be available for personal services in the District of Columbia.

In all, salaries and expenses, Federal Power Commission, $2,435,000; *Provided, That the Commission may procure supplies and services without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U. S. C. 5), when the aggregate amount involved in any case does not exceed $50.*

For all printing and binding for the Federal Power Commission, including engraving, lithographing, and photolithographing, $45,500.

Total, Federal Power Commission, $2,480,500.
FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

For five Commissioners, and for all other authorized expenditures of the Federal Trade Commission in performing the duties imposed by law or in pursuance of law, including secretary to the Commission and other personal services, contract stenographic reporting services; supplies and equipment, law books, books of reference, periodicals, garage rentals, traveling expenses, including not to exceed $900 for expenses of attendance, when specifically authorized by the Commission, at meetings concerned with the work of the Federal Trade Commission, for newspapers and press clippings not to exceed $600, foreign postage, and witness fees and mileage in accordance with section 9 of the Federal Trade Commission Act; $2,240,000: Provided, That the Commission may procure supplies and services without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U. S. C. 5) when the aggregate amount involved does not exceed $50: Provided further, That no part of the funds appropriated herein for the Federal Trade Commission shall be expended upon any investigation hereafter provided by concurrent resolution of the Congress until funds are appropriated subsequently to the enactment of such resolution to finance the cost of such investigation.

For all printing and binding for the Federal Trade Commission, $60,000.

Total, Federal Trade Commission, $2,300,000.

FEDERAL WORKS AGENCY

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

Salaries and expenses: For salaries in the Office of the Administrator in the District of Columbia, including the salary of a General Counsel at $10,000 per annum, and other expenses of said office, including printing and binding (not to exceed $8,000); actual transportation expenses and not to exceed $10 per diem in lieu of subsistence and other expenses to persons serving, while away from their homes without other compensation from the United States, in an advisory capacity to the Administrator; purchase (including exchange) of law books and other books of reference, periodicals, and press clippings; not to exceed $700 for the purchase of a motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicle; not to exceed $1,500 for expenses of attendance, when specifically authorized by the Administrator, at meetings or conventions relating to the work of the Agency; not to exceed $10,000 for the employment of persons or organizations by contract or otherwise, for special services determined by the Administrator to be necessary, without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, and the civil-service and classification laws, $250,000: Provided, That the Administrator in order to effectuate part 3 of Reorganization Plan Numbered 1 submitted and approved pursuant to the Reorganization Act of 1939 may transfer to this appropriation from funds available for administrative expenses of the constituent units of the Federal Works Agency such sums as represent a consolidation in the Office of the Administrator of any of the administrative functions of said constituent units; but no such transfer of funds shall be made unless the consolidation of administrative functions will result in a reduction of administrative salary and
other expenses and such reduction is accompanied by savings in funds appropriated to the Federal Works Agency, which savings shall not be expended for any other purpose but shall be impounded and returned to the Treasury.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS ADMINISTRATION

For carrying into effect the provisions of the Public Buildings Acts, as provided in section 6 of the Act of May 30, 1908 (31 U. S. C. 683), and for the repair, preservation, and upkeep of all completed public buildings under the control of the Federal Works Agency, the mechanical equipment and the grounds thereof, and sites acquired for buildings, and for the operation of certain completed and occupied buildings under the control of the Federal Works Agency, including furniture and repairs thereof, but exclusive, with respect to operation, of buildings of the United States Coast Guard, of hospitals, quarantine stations, and other Public Health Service buildings, mints, bullion depositories, and assay offices, the Treasury, Treasury Annex, Liberty Loan, and Auditors' Buildings:

General administrative expenses: For architectural, engineering, mechanical, administrative, clerical, and other personal services; traveling expenses, including expenses of employees directed by the Federal Works Administrator to attend meetings of technical and professional societies and educational exhibits in connection with subjects related to the work of the Public Buildings Administration, and transportation of household goods, incident to change of headquarters of all employees engaged in field activities not to exceed five thousand pounds at any one time, together with the necessary expenses incident to packing and draying same; printing and binding (not to exceed $13,000), advertising, not exceeding $1,000 for expenses of educational exhibits, specifically approved by the Federal Works Administrator, testing instruments, lawbooks, books of reference, periodicals, and such other contingencies, articles, services, equipment, or supplies as the Commissioner of Public Buildings may deem necessary in connection with any of the work of the Public Buildings Administration; rent in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, including ground rent of the Federal buildings at Salamanca, New York, and Columbus, Mississippi, for which payment may be made in advance, and including such expenses necessary to wind up the affairs of the United States Housing Corporation and effect its dissolution; $876,340, of which amount not to exceed $518,500 may be expended for personal services in the District of Columbia and not to exceed $196,910 for personal services in the field: Provided, That the foregoing appropriations shall not be available for the cost of surveys, plaster models, progress photographs, test pits and borings, or mill and shop inspections, but the cost thereof shall be construed to be chargeable against the construction appropriations of the respective projects to which they relate.

Repair, preservation, and equipment, outside the District of Columbia: For repairs, alterations, improvement, and preservation including personal services employed therefor, of completed Federal buildings (including Marcus Hook), the grounds and approaches thereof, wharves, and piers, together with the necessary dredging adjacent thereto, and care and safeguarding, not otherwise provided for, of sites acquired for Federal buildings, including tools and materials
for the use of the custodial and mechanical force, wire partitions and insect screens, installation and repair of mechanical equipment, gas, and electric-light fixtures, conduits, wiring, platform scales, and tower clocks; vaults and lockbox equipment in all buildings completed and occupied, and for necessary safe equipments in buildings under the administration of the Federal Works Agency, including repairs thereto, and changes in, maintenance of, and repairs to the pneumatic tube system in New York City installed under franchise of the city of New York, approved June 29, 1909, and June 11, 1928, and the payment of any obligations arising thereunder in accordance with the provisions of the Acts approved August 5, 1909 (36 Stat. 120), and May 15, 1928 (45 Stat. 533), §3,016,900: *Provided*, That the total expenditures for the fiscal year for the repair and preservation of buildings not reserved by the vendors on sites acquired for buildings or the enlargement of buildings and the installation and repair of the mechanical equipment thereof shall not exceed 20 per centum of the annual rental of such buildings.

New York, New York, Customhouse: For the purchase of new furniture, furnishings, venetian blinds, shelving, counters, and filing equipment, and to make expenditures for services, supplies, and materials for the reconditioning of old furniture and equipment for the customhouse building, New York, New York, including moving and administrative expenses, $150,000.

Salaries and general expenses, public buildings and grounds in the District of Columbia: For administration, protection, maintenance, and improvement of public buildings and grounds in the District of Columbia maintained and operated by the Public Buildings Administration, including the National Archives Building; repair, preservation, and equipment of the Treasury, Treasury Annex, City Post Office, Auditors’ Building, Liberty Loan Building, and Customhouse; per diem employees at rates of pay approved by the Commissioner of Public Buildings, not exceeding current rates for similar services in the District of Columbia, and such employees in emergencies may be entered on duty subject to confirmation by the Federal Works Administrator; rent of buildings; demolition of buildings; expenses incident to moving various executive departments and establishments in connection with the assignment, allocation, transfer, and survey of building space; traveling expenses and carfare; leather and rubber articles and gas masks for the protection of public property and employees; furnishings and equipment; arms and ammunition for the guard force; not exceeding $40,090 for purchase, repair, and cleaning of uniforms for guards and elevator conductors; and the purchase of two motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles; $8,938,245, of which amount not to exceed $500,000 shall be available for major repairs and improvements to public buildings and grounds in the District of Columbia.

Salaries and expenses, public buildings outside the District of Columbia: For operation, protection, and maintenance, including cleaning, heating, lighting, rental of buildings and equipment, supplies, materials, furnishings and equipment, personal services, arms, ammunition, leather and rubber articles and gas masks for the protection of public property and employees, and every expenditure requisite for and incidental to such maintenance and operation of public buildings outside of the District of Columbia maintained
and operated by the Public Buildings Administration, $2,906,785: Provided, That in no case shall the rates of compensation for the mechanical labor force under this appropriation be in excess of the rates current at the time and in the place where such services are employed: Provided further, That all furniture now owned by the United States in other public buildings or in buildings rented by the United States shall be used, so far as practicable, whether or not it corresponds with the present regulation plan for furniture: Provided further, That this appropriation shall be available for contracts for telephone switchboards or equivalent telephone-switching equipment jointly serving in each case two or more Governmental activities in buildings operated by the Public Buildings Administration where it is found that joint service is economical and in the interests of the Government, and any Government activity receiving such service shall pay promptly by check upon the written request of the Commissioner of Public Buildings, either in advance or after the service has been furnished, for deposit to the credit of this appropriation, all or part of the estimated or actual cost thereof, as the case may be, and proper adjustment upon the basis of the actual cost shall be made for service paid for in advance.

Construction outside the District of Columbia: For continuation of construction of, and acquisition of sites for, public buildings outside of the District of Columbia, including the purposes and objects, and subject to the limitations, specified under this head in the Third Deficiency Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1937 (50 Stat. 773), as supplemented by the Federal Public Buildings Act, 1938, and also including those increases in the limits of cost of certain authorized projects, twenty-five in number, as specified in House Document Numbered 177, Seventy-sixth Congress, $15,000,000: Provided, That the provisions of section 322 of the Act of June 30, 1932 (47 Stat. 412), shall not apply with respect to the rental of temporary quarters for housing Federal activities during the replacement or remodeling of buildings authorized under this or previous Acts.


War Department Building: For continuation of the acquisition of land as a site for buildings for the War Department, and for continuation of the construction of the first building unit, $2,000,000.

PUBLIC ROADS ADMINISTRATION

General administrative expenses: For the employment of persons and means, including rent, advertising (including advertising in the city of Washington for work to be performed in areas adjacent thereto), printing and binding (not to exceed $32,000), purchase (including exchange) of law books, books of reference and periodicals, and the preparation, distribution, and display of exhibits, in the city of Washington and elsewhere for the purpose of conducting research and investigational studies, either independently or in cooperation with State highway departments, or other agencies, including studies of highway administration, legislation, finance, economics, transport, construction, operation, maintenance, utiliza-
tion, and safety, and of street and highway traffic control; investigations and experiments in the best methods of road making, especially by the use of local materials; and studies of types of mechanical plants and appliances used for road building and maintenance, and of methods of road repair and maintenance suited to the needs of different localities; for maintenance and repairs of experimental highways; for furnishing expert advice on these subjects; for collating, reporting, and illustrating the results of same; and for preparing, publishing, and distributing bulletins and reports; to be paid from any moneys available from the administrative funds provided under the Act of July 11, 1916 (39 Stat. 355–359), as amended, or as otherwise provided.

FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAY SYSTEM

For carrying out the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads, and for other purposes", approved July 11, 1916 (39 Stat. 355–359), and all Acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, to be expended in accordance with the provisions of said Act, as amended, including not to exceed $1,110,000 for departmental personal services in the District of Columbia, $99,990,000, to be immediately available and to remain available until expended, which sum is the amount authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year 1940 by section 1 of the Act approved June 8, 1938 (52 Stat. 633), less $10,000 transferred to the Federal Works Administrator for the administrative expenses of his office: Provided, That none of the money herein appropriated shall be paid to any State on account of any project on which convict labor shall be employed, except this provision shall not apply to convict labor performed by convicts on parole or probation: Provided further, That not to exceed $45,000 of the funds provided for carrying out the provisions of the Federal Highway Act of November 9, 1921 (23 U. S. C. 21, 23), shall be available for the purchase of motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles necessary for carrying out the provisions of said Act, including the replacement of one such vehicle for use in the administrative work of the Public Roads Administration in the District of Columbia: Provided further, That, during the fiscal year 1941, whenever performing authorized engineering or other services in connection with the survey, construction, and maintenance, or improvement of roads for other Government agencies the charge for such services may include depreciation on engineering and road-building equipment used, and the amounts received on account of such charges shall be credited to the appropriation concerned: Provided further, That during the fiscal year 1941 the appropriations for the work of the Public Roads Administration shall be available for meeting the expenses of warehouse maintenance and the procurement, care, and handling of supplies, materials, and equipment stored therein for distribution to projects under the supervision of the Public Roads Administration, and for sale and distribution to other Government activities, the cost of such supplies and materials or the value of such equipment (including the cost of transportation and handling) to be reimbursed to appropriations current at the time additional supplies, materials, or equipment are procured, from the
appropriation chargeable with the cost or value of such supplies, materials, or equipment: Provided further, That the appropriations available to the Public Roads Administration may be used in emergency for medical supplies and services and other assistance necessary for the immediate relief of employees engaged on hazardous work under that Administration: Provided further, That of the appropriations for the work of the Public Roads Administration, not exceeding $3,500 shall be available, when specifically authorized by the Commissioner, for the necessary expenses of packing, crating, drayage, transportation, and uncrating of household and other personal effects (not to exceed 5,000 pounds in any one case), of officers or employees transferred from one official station to another for permanent duty: Provided further, That the appropriations for the work of the Public Roads Administration shall be available for necessary expenses (not exceeding $9,000) of attendance at meetings and conferences of highway departments, associations, organizations, and other agencies concerned: Provided further, That not exceeding $15,000 of the appropriations for work of the Public Roads Administration shall be available for the temporary employment, by contract or otherwise, of technical consultants and experts without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, the civil service and classification laws.

INTER-AMERICAN HIGHWAY

For all necessary expenses to enable the President to utilize the services of the Public Roads Administration in fulfilling the obligations of the United States under the Convention on the Pan-American Highway between the United States and other American Republics, signed at Buenos Aires, December 23, 1936, and proclaimed September 16, 1937 (51 Stat. 152), for the continuation of cooperation with several governments, members of the Pan American Union, in connection with the survey and construction of the Inter-American Highway as provided in Public Resolution, approved March 4, 1929 (45 Stat. 1697), as amended or supplemented, and for performing engineering service in pan-American countries for and upon the request of any agency or governmental corporation of the United States, $75,000 to be derived from the administrative funds provided under the Act of July 11, 1916, as amended or supplemented (23 U. S. C. 21), or as otherwise provided.

FEDERAL-AID SECONDARY OR FEEDER ROADS

For secondary or feeder roads, including farm-to-market roads, rural free delivery mail roads, and public-school bus routes, $15,000,000, to be immediately available and to remain available until expended, which sum is the amount authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year 1940, by section 2 of the Act approved June 8, 1938 (52 Stat. 634).

ELIMINATION OF GRADE CROSSINGS

For the elimination of hazards to life at railroad grade crossings, including the separation or protection of grades at crossings, the reconstruction of existing railroad grade-crossing structures, and the relocation of highways to eliminate grade crossings, $25,000,000, to
be immediately available and to remain available until expended, which sum is composed of $10,000,000, which is the remainder of the amount authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year 1939 by section 8 of the Act approved June 16, 1936 (49 Stat. 1521), and $15,000,000 authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year 1940, by section 3 of the Act approved June 8, 1938 (52 Stat. 634).

PUBLIC LANDS HIGHWAYS

For the survey, construction, reconstruction, and maintenance of main roads through unappropriated or unreserved public lands, non-taxable Indian lands, or other Federal reservations other than the forest reservations, under the provisions of the Act of June 24, 1930 (23 U. S. C. 3), $1,000,000, to be immediately available and to remain available until expended, which sum is authorized for the fiscal year 1941 by section 6 of the Act approved June 8, 1938 (52 Stat. 635).

Total Public Roads Administration, $140,990,000.

PUBLIC WORKS ADMINISTRATION

Not to exceed $3,585,000 of the funds appropriated by the Public Works Administration Appropriation Act of 1938 shall be available for administrative expenses of said Administration, which administrative expenses shall include personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; travel expenses, in accordance with the Standardized Government Travel Regulations and the Act of June 3, 1926, as amended (5 U. S. C. 821–833); printing and binding; purchase including exchange of lawbooks, and books of reference, and not to exceed $500 for periodicals, newspapers, and press clippings; procurement of supplies, equipment, and services; not to exceed $500 for expenses of attendance, when specifically authorized by the Commissioner, at meetings concerned with the work of the Administration; rent in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; and all other necessary administrative expenses: Provided, That except for the limitations in amounts hereinbefore specified, and the restrictions in respect to travel expenses, the administrative expenses and other obligations of the Administration shall be incurred, allowed, and paid in accordance with the provisions of title II of the National Industrial Recovery Act.

UNITED STATES HOUSING AUTHORITY

Salaries and expenses: Not to exceed $4,510,000 of the funds of the United States Housing Authority, established by the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended (42 U. S. C., Supp. IV, 1401) shall be available for all necessary administrative expenses of the Authority in carrying out the provisions of said Act, including personal services and rent in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; printing and binding; reproducing, photographing, and labor-saving devices and office appliances; not to exceed $5,000 for the purchase and exchange of lawbooks and other books of reference, periodicals, newspapers, and press clippings; not to exceed $4,000 for purchase of seven motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles, to be used only for official purposes; not to exceed $2,500 for expenses of attendance, when specifically authorized by the Administrator, at meetings or-
conventions concerned with the work of the Authority; not to exceed $15,000 for the preparation, mounting, shipping, and installation of exhibits; not to exceed $25,000 for employing persons or organizations, by contract or otherwise, for special reporting, engineering, technical, legal, and other services determined necessary by the Administrator, without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, and the civil-service laws and the Classification Act of 1923, as amended: Provided, That of the funds made available under this paragraph, the amount used by the Authority in connection with its informational service functions, including press and related activities, photographic displays, exhibits, and other educational or descriptive pamphlets or materials, printing, binding, and reproduction of materials involving informational service functions, shall not exceed $125,000: Provided further, That all necessary expenses of providing construction advisers at the site of non-Federal projects, in connection with the construction thereof by public housing agencies with the aid of the Authority, shall be reimbursed or paid by such agencies, and expenditures by the Authority from such receipts shall be considered as nonadministrative expenses.

Annual contributions: For the payment of annual contributions to public housing agencies in accordance with section 10 of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended (42 U. S. C., Supp. IV, 1410), $10,000,000: Provided, That, except for payments required on contracts entered into prior to the date of enactment of this Act, no part of this appropriation shall be available for payment to any public-housing agency for expenditure in connection with any low-rent housing project, unless the public housing agency shall have adopted regulations prohibiting as a tenant of any such project by rental or occupancy, any person other than a citizen of the United States.

Any of the foregoing appropriations for general or administrative expenses under the Federal Works Agency shall be available for the maintenance, repair, and operation of motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles in the District of Columbia and in the field.

The Federal Works Administrator or other official designated by him may exchange motor-propelled vehicles, scientific apparatus, instruments, labor-saving office devices, and accessories in whole or in part payment for vehicles, scientific apparatus, instruments, labor-saving devices, and accessories.

Section 3709 of the Revised Statutes shall not apply to any purchase by or service rendered for, any office or agency of the Federal Works Agency, when the aggregate amount involved in any such case does not exceed the sum of $100.

FOREIGN-SERVICE PAY ADJUSTMENT

Foreign-service pay adjustment of officers and employees of the United States in foreign countries due to appreciation of foreign currencies: For the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize annual appropriations to meet losses sustained by officers and employees of the United States in foreign countries due to appreciation of foreign currencies in their relation to the American dollar, and for other purposes", approved March 26, 1934 (U. S. C. Supp. IV, Title 5, Sec. 118c), and for each and every object and purpose specified therein, $1,280,000.
GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE

Salaries: For Comptroller General, Assistant Comptroller General, and other personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, $4,954,600.

Contingent expenses: For traveling expenses, materials, supplies, equipment, and services; rent of buildings and equipment; furnishing of heat and light; purchase and exchange of books, lawbooks, books of reference, and periodicals, typewriters, calculating machines, and other office appliances, including their development, repairs, and maintenance, including one motor-propelled, passenger-carrying vehicle; and miscellaneous items, $272,140; Provided, That section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U. S. C. 5) shall not be construed to apply to any purchase or service rendered for the General Accounting Office when the aggregate amount involved does not exceed the sum of $50.

For all printing and binding for the General Accounting Office, including monthly and annual editions of selected decisions of the Comptroller General of the United States, $79,800.


INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

General administrative expenses: For eleven Commissioners, secretary, and for all other authorized expenditures necessary in the execution of laws to regulate commerce, including one chief counsel, one director of finance, and one director of traffic at $10,000 each per annum, field hearings, traveling expenses, and contract stenographic reporting services, $2,580,940, of which amount not to exceed $2,338,040 may be expended for personal services in the District of Columbia, exclusive of special counsel, for which the expenditure shall not exceed $50,000; not exceeding $3,000 for purchase and exchange of necessary books, reports, and periodicals; not exceeding $100 in the open market for the purchase of office furniture similar in class or kind to that listed in the general supply schedule.

Regulating accounts: To enable the Interstate Commerce Commission to enforce compliance with section 20 and other sections of the Interstate Commerce Act as amended by the Act approved June 29, 1906 (49 U. S. C. 20), and as amended by the Transportation Act, 1920 (49 U. S. C. 20), including the employment of necessary special accounting agents or examiners, and traveling expenses, $840,000, of which amount not to exceed $190,000 may be expended for personal services in the District of Columbia.

Safety of employees: To enable the Interstate Commerce Commission to keep informed regarding and to enforce compliance with Acts to promote the safety of employees and travelers upon railroads; the Act requiring common carriers to make reports of accidents and authorizing investigations thereof; and to enable the Interstate Commerce Commission to investigate and test appliances intended to promote the safety of railway operation, as authorized by the joint resolution approved June 30, 1906 (45 U. S. C. 35), and the provision of the Sundry Civil Act approved May 27, 1908 (45 U. S. C. 36, 37), to investigate, test experimentally, and report on the use and need
of any appliances or systems intended to promote the safety of railway operation, inspectors, and for traveling expenses, $506,000, of which amount not to exceed $90,000 may be expended for personal services in the District of Columbia.

Signal safety systems: For all authorized expenditures under section 26 of the Interstate Commerce Act, as amended by the Transportation Act, 1920 (49 U. S. C. 26), and the Act of August 26, 1937 (50 Stat. 885), with respect to the provision thereof under which carriers by railroad subject to the Act may be required to install automatic train-stop, or train-control devices which comply with specifications and requirements prescribed by the Commission, including investigations and tests pertaining to block-signal and train-control systems, as authorized by the joint resolution approved June 30, 1906 (45 U. S. C. 35), and including the employment of the necessary engineers, and for traveling expenses, $126,810, of which amount not to exceed $40,000 may be expended for personal services in the District of Columbia.

Locomotive inspection: For all authorized expenditures under the provisions of the Act of February 17, 1911, entitled “An Act to promote the safety of employees and travelers upon railroads by compelling common carriers engaged in interstate commerce to equip their locomotives with safe and suitable boilers and appurtenances thereto” (45 U. S. C. 22), as amended by the Act of March 4, 1915, extending “the same powers and duties with respect to all parts and appurtenances of the locomotive and tender” (45 U. S. C. 30), and amendment of June 7, 1924 (45 U. S. C. 27), providing for the appointment from time to time by the Interstate Commerce Commission of not more than fifteen inspectors in addition to the number authorized in the first paragraph of section 4 of the Act of 1911 (45 U. S. C. 26), and the amendment of June 27, 1930 (45 U. S. C. 24, 26), including such legal, technical, stenographic, and clerical help as the business of the offices of the chief inspector and his two assistants may require and for traveling expenses, $475,000, of which amount not to exceed $71,450 may be expended for personal services in the District of Columbia.

Valuation of property of carriers: To enable the Interstate Commerce Commission to carry out the objects of the Act entitled “An Act to amend an Act entitled ‘An Act to regulate commerce’, approved February 4, 1887, and all Acts amendatory thereof, by providing for a valuation of the several classes of property of carriers subject thereto and securing information concerning their stocks, bonds, and other securities”, approved March 1, 1913, as amended by the Act of June 7, 1922 (49 U. S. C. 19a), and by the “Emergency Railroad Transportation Act, 1933” (49 U. S. C. 19a), including one director of valuation at $10,000 per annum, and traveling expenses, $640,000.

Motor transport regulation: For all authorized expenditures necessary to enable the Interstate Commerce Commission to carry out the provisions of the Motor Carrier Act, approved August 9, 1935 (49 U. S. C. 301-327), including one director at $10,000 per annum and other personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; traveling expenses; supplies; services and equipment; not to exceed $1,000 for purchase and exchange of books, reports, newspapers, and periodicals; contract stenographic reporting services; purchase (not
to exceed $18,000), exchange, maintenance, repair, and operation of motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles when necessary for official use in field work; not to exceed $5,000 for the purchase of evidence in connection with investigations of apparent violations of said Act, $3,690,000: Provided, That Joint Board members may use Government transportation requests when traveling in connection with the duties as Joint Board members.

Not to exceed $2,500 of the appropriations herein made for the Interstate Commerce Commission shall be available for expenses, except membership fees, for attendance at meetings concerned with the work of the Commission, and not to exceed $5,000 shall be available for expenses of packing, crating, drayage, and transportation of household and other personal effects (not to exceed 5,000 pounds in any one case) of officers and employees when transferred from one official station to another for permanent duty when specifically authorized by the Commission.

In all, salaries and expenses, Interstate Commerce Commission, $8,858,750: Provided, That the Commission may procure supplies and services without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U. S. C. 5) when the aggregate amount involved does not exceed $50.

For all printing and binding for the Interstate Commerce Commission, including reports in all cases proposing general changes in transportation rates and not to exceed $17,000 to print and furnish to the States, at cost, report form blanks, and the receipts from such reports and blanks shall be credited to this appropriation, $200,000: Provided, That no part of this sum shall be expended for printing the Schedule of Sailings required by section 25 of the Interstate Commerce Act.

Total, Interstate Commerce Commission, $9,058,750.

MARITIME LABOR BOARD

Salaries and expenses: For three Board members and for all other authorized and necessary expenditures of the Maritime Labor Board in performing the duties imposed by law, including contract stenographic reporting services; supplies and equipment; lawbooks and books of reference; rental of equipment; travel expenses, in accordance with the Standardized Government Travel Regulations and the Act of June 3, 1926, as amended (5 U. S. C. 821–833); and not to exceed $200 for newspapers and periodicals; $175,000: Provided, That the Board may procure supplies and services without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U. S. C. 5) when the aggregate amount involved does not exceed $100.

NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AERONAUTICS

For scientific research, technical investigations, and special reports in the field of aeronautics, including the necessary laboratory and technical assistants; contracts for personal services in the making of special investigations and in the preparation of special reports; traveling expenses of members and employees, including not to exceed $1,500 for expenses, except membership fees, of attendance upon meetings of technical and professional societies; expenses of packing, crating, drayage, and transporting of household effects (not exceeding 5,000 pounds in any case) of employees when transferred from one
official station to another for permanent duty; office supplies and other miscellaneous expenses, including technical periodicals and books of reference; equipment, maintenance, and operation of the Langley Memorial Aeronautical Laboratory and the research laboratory provided for in the Third Deficiency Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1939, approved August 9, 1939; purchase, maintenance, operation, and exchange of motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles; personal services in the field and not to exceed $168,000 for personal services in the District of Columbia; in all, $2,775,000, of which amount not to exceed $2,000 may be expended for allowances for living quarters, including heat, fuel, and light, as authorized by the Act approved June 26, 1930 (46 Stat. 818), but not to exceed $1,700 for any one person: Provided, That the Committee is hereby authorized to pay the compensation, in accordance with the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, of a retired officer of the Army or Navy while performing service for the Committee, but while so serving such officer shall not be entitled to receive retired pay.

For all printing and binding for the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, including all of its offices, laboratories, and services located in Washington, District of Columbia, and elsewhere, $25,000.

For construction and equipment of additional laboratory buildings and research facilities on the United States military reservation at Langley Field, Virginia, including connections to public utilities and necessary rights-of-way, to be immediately available, $1,000,000.

Construction and equipment: For continuing construction and equipment of research laboratory (at Moffett Field, California) for which an initial appropriation of $1,890,980 was provided in the Third Deficiency Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1939, $4,200,000.

Total, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, $8,000,000.

NATIONAL ARCHIVES

Salaries and expenses: For the Archivist and for all other necessary and authorized expenditures in carrying out the provisions of the Act of June 19, 1934 (48 Stat. 1122–1124; 40 U. S. C. ch. 2A), as amended; the Act of July 26, 1935 (49 Stat. 500–503; U. S. C., Supp. II, title 44, ch. 8A), as amended; the Act of July 18, 1939 (53 Stat. 1062–1066), and the Act of August 5, 1939 (53 Stat. 1219–1221); including personal services in the District of Columbia; supplies and equipment, including scientific, technical, first-aid, protective, and other apparatus and materials for the arrangement, titling, scoring, repair, processing, editing, duplication, reproduction, and authentication of photographic and other records (including motion-picture and other films and sound recordings) in the custody of the Archivist; purchase and exchange of books, including law books, books of reference, maps, and charts; contract stenographic reporting services; purchase of newspapers, periodicals, and press clippings; not to exceed $100 for payment in advance when authorized by the Archivist for library membership in societies whose publications are available to members only or to members at a price lower than to the general public; travel expenses, including not to exceed $1,000 for the expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the furtherance of the purposes of the said Acts; exchange of scien-
tific and technical apparatus and labor-saving devices; repairs to equipment; purchase, including exchange, of one passenger-carrying motor vehicle and maintenance, operation, and repair of motor vehicles, $906,200: Provided, That section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U. S. C. 5) shall not be construed to apply to any purchase or service rendered when the aggregate cost involved does not exceed the sum of $50.

Printing and binding: For all printing and binding, $14,000.

Total, The National Archives, $920,200.

NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

For each and every purpose requisite for and incident to the work of the National Capital Park and Planning Commission necessary toward carrying into effect the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act for the acquisition, establishment, and development of the George Washington Memorial Parkway along the Potomac from Mount Vernon and Fort Washington to the Great Falls, and to provide for the acquisition of lands in the District of Columbia and the States of Maryland and Virginia requisite to the comprehensive park, parkway, and playground system of the National Capital", approved May 29, 1930: personal services, including real estate and other technical services, at rates of pay to be fixed by the Commission and not exceeding those usual for similar services and without reference to civil-service rules and the Classification Act of 1923, as amended; travel expenses; expenses of surveys and searching of titles, purchase of options, and all other costs incident to the acquisition of land, operation and maintenance of passenger-carrying vehicles for official use, $850,000, to be expended in carrying out the provisions of section 4 of said Act, and to remain available until expended.

PROTECTION OF INTERESTS OF THE UNITED STATES IN MATTERS AFFECTING OIL LANDS IN FORMER NAVAL RESERVES

Protection of interests of the United States in matters affecting oil lands in former naval reserves: For compensation and expenses of special counsel and for all other expenses, including employment of experts and other assistants at such rates as may be authorized or approved by the President, in connection with carrying into effect the joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution directing the Secretary of the Interior to institute proceedings touching sections 16 and 36, township 30 south, range 23 east, Mount Diablo meridian", approved February 21, 1924, $25,850, to be expended by the President: Provided, That no part of this sum shall be used to compensate any person at a rate in excess of $10,000 per annum.

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

For five Commissioners, and other personal services in the District of Columbia, and for all other authorized expenditures of the Securities and Exchange Commission in performing the duties imposed by law or in pursuance of law, including employment of experts when necessary; contract stenographic reporting services; supplies and equip-
ment; purchase and exchange of law books, books of reference, directories, periodicals, newspapers, and press clippings; travel expenses, including the expense of attendance, when specifically authorized by the Commission, at meetings concerned with the work of the Securities and Exchange Commission; garage rental; foreign postage; mileage and witness fees; rent of quarters outside the District of Columbia; rental of equipment; operation, maintenance, and repair of one motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicle; purchase of rubber gloves; and other necessary expenses; $5,330,000: Provided, That section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U. S. C. 5) shall not be construed to apply to any purchase or service rendered for the Securities and Exchange Commission when the aggregate cost involved does not exceed the sum of $50.

For all printing and binding for the Securities and Exchange Commission, $70,000.

Total, Securities and Exchange Commission, $5,400,000.

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

For expenses of the general administrative office; for the system of international exchanges between the United States and foreign countries; for continuing ethnological researches among the American Indians and the natives of Hawaii and the excavation and preservation of archeologic remains; for maintenance of the Astrophysical Observatory, including assistants, and making necessary observations in high altitudes; for cases, furniture, fixtures, and appliances required for the exhibition and safekeeping of collections; and for administration of the National Collection of Fine Arts; including personal services, purchase of books of reference and periodicals, traveling expenses, including not exceeding $1,000 for expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the work of the Institution when specifically authorized by the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution; uniforms for guards, supplies and equipment, preparation of manuscripts, drawings, and illustrations, supplying of heating, lighting, electrical, telegraphic, and telephone service, repairs and alterations of buildings, shops, sheds, and approaches, and other necessary expenses, $386,260.

Preservation of collections: For continuing preservation, exhibition, and increase of collections from the surveying and exploring expeditions of the Government, and from other sources, including personal services, traveling expenses, including not exceeding $1,500 for expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the work of the National Museum when specifically authorized by the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, purchasing and supplying, repairing and cleaning of uniforms for guards and elevator conductors, postage stamps, and foreign postal cards, and all other necessary expenses, and not exceeding $5,500 for preparation of manuscripts, drawings, and illustrations for publications, and not exceeding $3,000 for purchase of books, pamphlets, and periodicals, $627,470.

Printing and binding: For all printing and binding for the Smithsonian Institution, including all of its bureaus, offices, institutions, and services located in Washington, District of Columbia, and elsewhere, except the National Gallery of Art, $73,000, of which not to
exceed $8,000 shall be available for printing the report of the American Historical Association.

Salaries and expenses, National Gallery of Art: For the upkeep and operation of the National Gallery of Art, the protection and care of the works of art therein, and all administrative expenses incident thereto, as authorized by the Act of March 24, 1937 (50 Stat. 51), as amended by the public resolution of April 13, 1939 (Public Resolution Numbered 9, Seventy-sixth Congress), including personal services in the District of Columbia (except as otherwise provided in sec. 4 (c) of such Act); traveling expenses, including not exceeding $1,000 for expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the work of the National Gallery of Art, when specifically authorized by the treasurer of the gallery; streetcar fares; supplies; equipment including labor-saving machines and devices and the rental, repair, and exchange thereof; periodicals and books of reference; purchase, repair, and cleaning of uniforms for guards and elevator operators; not to exceed $8,000 for printing and binding; purchase or rental of devices for protecting buildings and contents thereof; and maintenance and repair of buildings, approaches, and grounds, $300,000: Provided, That section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U. S. C. 5) shall not be construed to apply to any purchase or service rendered for the Smithsonian Institution in all its branches when the aggregate cost involved does not exceed the sum of $100: And provided further, That said section 3709, the civil-service laws or the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, shall not apply to the restoration and repair of works of art for the National Gallery of Art, the cost of which shall not exceed $15,000.

Total, Smithsonian Institution, $1,386,730, of which amount not to exceed $1,055,000 may be expended for personal services in the District of Columbia.

TARIFF COMMISSION

For salaries and expenses of the Tariff Commission, including personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, purchase and exchange of labor-saving devices, the purchase and exchange of professional and scientific books, law books, books of reference, gloves and other protective equipment for photostat and other machine operators, rent in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, subscriptions to newspapers and periodicals, and contract stenographic reporting services, as authorized by sections 330 to 341 of the Tariff Act of 1930, approved June 17, 1930 (19 U. S. C. 1330–1341), $905,000, of which amount not to exceed $2,500 may be expended for expenses, except membership fees, of attendance at meetings concerned with subjects under investigation by the Commission; and not to exceed $7,500 for allowances for living quarters, including heat, fuel, and light, as authorized by the Act approved June 26, 1930 (5 U. S. C. 118a), but not to exceed $1,700 for any one person: Provided, That the Commission may procure supplies and services without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U. S. C. 5) when the aggregate amount involved does not exceed $50: Provided further, That no part of this appropriation shall be used to pay the salary of any member of the Tariff Commission who shall hereafter participate in any proceedings under sections 336,
337, and 338 of the Tariff Act of 1930, wherein he or any member of his family has any special, direct, and pecuniary interest, or in which he has acted as attorney or special representative.

For all printing and binding for the Tariff Commission, $15,000. Total, Tariff Commission, $920,000.

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the Act entitled “The Tennessee Valley Authority Act of 1933”, approved May 18, 1933, as amended by the Act approved August 31, 1935, and by the Act approved July 26, 1939 (16 U. S. C., ch. 12a), including the continued construction of Chickamauga Dam; Hiwassee Dam; Kentucky Dam at Gilbertsville, Kentucky; Watts Bar Dam; and for construction of a dam near Lenoir City, Tennessee, and the acquisition of necessary land, the clearing of such land, relocation of highways, and the construction or purchase of transmission lines and other facilities, and all other necessary works authorized by such Acts, and for printing and binding, lawbooks, books of reference, newspapers, periodicals, purchase, maintenance, and operation of passenger-carrying vehicles, rents in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, and all necessary salaries and expenses connected with the organization, operation, and investigations of the Tennessee Valley Authority, and for examination of estimates of appropriations and activities in the field, $40,000,000: Provided, That this appropriation and any unexpended balance on June 30, 1940, in the “Tennessee Valley Authority fund, 1940”, and the receipts of the Tennessee Valley Authority from all sources during the fiscal year 1941 (subject to the provisions of section 26 of the Tennessee Valley Authority Act of 1933, as amended), shall be covered into and accounted for as one fund to be known as the “Tennessee Valley Authority fund, 1941”, to remain available until June 30, 1941, and to be available for the payment of obligations chargeable against the “Tennessee Valley Authority fund, 1940”.

THOMAS JEFFERSON MEMORIAL COMMISSION

For carrying out the provisions of the Act entitled “An Act to authorize the execution of plans for a permanent memorial to Thomas Jefferson”, approved June 3, 1936 (49 Stat. 1397), including continuation of construction of such memorial, $480,000, to remain available until expended.

UNITED STATES MARITIME COMMISSION

To increase the construction fund established by the “Merchant Marine Act, 1936”, $144,500,000, of which not to exceed $5,000,000 shall be available for administrative expenses of the United States Maritime Commission, including the following: Personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; travel expenses in accordance with the Standardized Government Travel Regulations and the Act of June 3, 1926, as amended, including not to exceed $2,000 for expenses of attendance, when specifically authorized by the Chairman of the Commission, at meetings concerned with work of the Commission; printing and binding; lawbooks, books of reference, and not to exceed $4,000 for periodicals and newspapers; contract
stenographic reporting services; procurement of supplies, equipment, and services, including telephone, telegraph, radio, and teletype services; purchase and exchange (not to exceed $3,000), maintenance, repair, and operation of passenger-carrying automobiles for official use; typewriting and adding machines, and other labor-saving devices, including their repair and exchange; rent, including heat, light, and power, in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; expenses (not exceeding $15,000) of packing, crating, drayage, and transportation of household effects and other personal property (not exceeding 5,000 pounds in any one case) of employees when transferred from one official station to another for permanent duty, upon specific authorization by the Chairman of the Commission; expenses incurred in preparing and transporting, to their former homes in this country or to a place not more distant, the remains of employees who may die while in the discharge of their official duties abroad or in transit thereto or therefrom, and for the ordinary expenses of interment of such remains; necessary expenses (not exceeding $5,000) incident to the education and training of personnel of the Commission detailed at institutions for scientific education and research as authorized by the Act of August 4, 1939; compensation as authorized by said Act of August 4, 1939, for officers of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard, detailed to the Commission; allowances for living quarters, including heat, fuel, and light, as authorized by the Act of June 26, 1930; and including not to exceed $75,000 for the employment, on a contract or fee basis, of persons, firms, or corporations for the performance of special services, including accounting, legal, actuarial, and statistical services, without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes.

VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION

Administration, medical, hospital, and domiciliary services: For all salaries and expenses of the Veterans' Administration, including the expenses of maintenance and operation of medical, hospital, and domiciliary services of the Veterans' Administration, in carrying out the duties, powers, and functions devolving upon it pursuant to the authority contained in the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the President to consolidate and coordinate governmental activities affecting war veterans," approved July 3, 1930 (38 U. S. C. 11-11f), and any and all laws for which the Veterans' Administration is now or may hereafter be charged with administering, $101,228,240; Provided, That not to exceed $3,500 of this amount shall be available for expenses, except membership fees, of employees, detailed by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to attend meetings of associations for the promotion of medical science or for the betterment of insurance practices and conventions of organized war veterans; Provided further, That this appropriation shall be available also for personal services and rentals in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, including traveling expenses; examination of estimates of appropriations in the field, including actual expenses of subsistence or per diem allowance in lieu thereof; for expenses incurred in packing, crating, drayage, and transportation of household effects and other property, not exceeding in any one case five thousand pounds, of employees when transferred from one official station to another for
permanent duty and when specifically authorized by the Administrator; furnishing and laundering of such wearing apparel as may be prescribed for employees in the performance of their official duties; purchase and exchange of lawbooks, books of reference, periodicals, and newspapers; for passenger-carrying and other motor vehicles, including purchase, maintenance, repair, and operation of same, including not more than two passenger automobiles for general administrative use of the central office in the District of Columbia; 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; and notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, the Administrator is authorized to expend not to exceed $2,000 of this appropriation for actuarial services pertaining to the Government life-insurance fund, to be obtained by contract, without obtaining competition, at such rates of compensation as he may determine to be reasonable; for allotment and transfer to the Public Health Service, the War, Navy, and Interior Departments, for disbursement by them under the various headings of their applicable appropriations, of such amounts as are necessary for the care and treatment of beneficiaries of the Veterans’ Administration, including minor repairs and improvements of existing facilities under their jurisdiction necessary to such care and treatment; for expenses incidental to the maintenance and operation of farms; for recreational articles and facilities at institutions maintained by the Veterans’ Administration; for administrative expenses incidental to securing employment for war veterans; for funeral, burial, and other expenses incidental thereto for beneficiaries of the Veterans’ Administration accruing during the year for which this appropriation is made or prior fiscal years: Provided further, That the appropriations herein made for the care and maintenance of veterans in hospitals or homes under the jurisdiction of the Veterans’ Administration shall be available for the purchase of tobacco to be furnished, subject to such regulations as the Administrator of Veterans’ Affairs shall prescribe, to veterans receiving hospital treatment or domiciliary care in Veterans’ Administration hospitals or homes: Provided further, That this appropriation shall be available for continuing aid to State or Territorial homes for the support of disabled volunteer soldiers and sailors, in conformity with the Act approved August 27, 1888 (24 U. S. C. 134), as amended, for those veterans eligible for admission to Veterans’ Administration facilities for hospital or domiciliary care: Provided further, That the Administrator is hereby authorized to employ medical consultants for duty on such terms as he may deem advisable and without regard to the Classification Act of 1923, as amended: Provided further, That this appropriation shall be available for the purchase directly from sources authorized by the common carriers of printed reduced fare requests for use by veterans when traveling at their own expense from or to Veterans’ Administration facilities.

No part of this appropriation shall be expended for the purchase of any site for or toward the construction of any new hospital or home, or for the purchase of any hospital or home; and not more than
$2,500,000 of this appropriation may be used to repair, alter, improve, or provide facilities in the several hospitals and homes under the jurisdiction of the Veterans' Administration either by contract or by the hire of temporary employees and the purchase of materials.

For printing and binding for the Veterans' Administration, including all its bureaus and functions located in Washington, District of Columbia, and elsewhere, $120,000.

Pensions: For the payment of compensation, pensions, gratuities, and allowances, now authorized under any Act of Congress, or regulation of the President based thereon, or which may hereafter be authorized, including emergency officers' retirement pay and annuities, the administration of which is now or may hereafter be placed in the Veterans' Administration, accruing during the fiscal year for which this appropriation is made or in prior fiscal years, $456,492,304, to be immediately available.

For military and naval insurance accruing during the fiscal year for which this appropriation is made or in prior fiscal years, $20,000,000.

Hospital and domiciliary facilities: For hospital and domiciliary facilities, $2,165,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That this amount shall be available for use by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, with the approval of the President, for extending any of the facilities under the jurisdiction of the Veterans' Administration or for any of the purposes set forth in sections 1 and 2 of the Act approved March 4, 1931 (38 U. S. C. 438j): Provided further, That not to exceed 3 per centum of this amount shall be available for the employment in the District of Columbia and in the field of necessary technical and clerical assistants to aid in the preparation of plans and specifications for the projects as approved hereunder and in the supervision of the execution thereof, and for traveling expenses, rentals in the District of Columbia, field office equipment, and supplies in connection therewith.

Total, Veterans' Administration, $580,005,544: Provided, That no part of this appropriation shall be expended for the purchase of oleo-margarine or butter substitutes except for cooking purposes: Provided further, That no part of this appropriation can be used for hospitalization or examination of persons other than veterans unless a reciprocal schedule of pay is in effect with the agency or department involved.

Sec. 2. In expending appropriations or portions of appropriations contained in this Act, for the payment of personal services in the District of Columbia in accordance with the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, the average of the salaries of the total number of persons under any grade in any bureau, office, or other appropriation unit shall not at any time exceed the average of the compensation rates specified for the grade by such Act, as amended, and in grades in which only one position is allocated the salary of such position shall not exceed the average of the compensation rates for the grade except that in unusually meritorious cases of one position in a grade, advances may be made to rates higher than the average of the compensation rates of the grade but not more often than once in any fiscal year and then only to the next higher rate: Provided, That this restriction shall not apply (1) to grades 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the clerical-mechanical service; or (2) to require the reduction in salary of any person whose compensation was fixed, as of July 1, 1924, in accord-
ance with the rules of section 6 of such Act; (3) to require the
reduction in salary of any person who is transferred from one posi-
tion to another position in the same or different grade, in the same
or different bureau, office, or other appropriation unit; (4) to prevent
the payment of a salary under any grade at a rate higher than the
maximum rate of the grade when such higher rate is permitted by
the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, and is specifically author-
ized by other law; or (5) to reduce the compensation of any person
in a grade in which only one position is allocated.

Sec. 3. During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1941, the salaries
of the members of the Authority and the Administrator, Civil Aero-
nautics Authority, of the Commissioners of the Interstate Commerce
Commission, the Commissioners of the United States Maritime Com-
mission, and the Commissioners of the United States Tariff
Commission shall be at the rate of $10,000 each per annum.

Sec. 4. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act or
authorized hereby to be expended shall be used to pay the compensa-
tion of any officer or employee of the Government of the United
States, or of any agency the majority of the stock of which is owned
by the Government of the United States, whose post of duty is in
continental United States unless such person is a citizen of the
United States, or a person in the service of the United States on
the date of the approval of this Act who being eligible for citizen-
ship has filed a declaration of intention to become a citizen or who
owes allegiance to the United States.

Sec. 5. The total amount used on an annual basis for administra-
tive within-grade promotions for officers and employees under any
appropriation or other fund made available in this Act shall not
exceed the amount determined by the Bureau of the Budget to be
available for such purpose on the basis of the Budget estimate for
such appropriation or fund exclusive of new money in any such
Budget estimate for such administrative promotions.

Sec. 6. This Act may be cited as the "Independent Offices Appro-
priation Act, 1941."

Approved, April 18, 1940.