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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, 1940, 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, 1940, namely:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Salaries: For personal services in the office of the President, including the Secretary to the President, and two additional secretaries to the President at $10,000 each; $136,500: 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 Executive 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, $25,000.
Total, Executive Office proper, $304,200.

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, $146,750.
Total, Executive Office, $450,950.
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, $140,000: 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: 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, $528,000.

For all printing and binding for the Board of Tax Appeals, $29,000. Total, Board of Tax Appeals, $557,000.

CENTRAL STATISTICAL BOARD

For every expenditure requisite for and incident to the work of the Central Statistical Board as authorized by law, including personal services in the District of Columbia; traveling expenses; materials; supplies; office equipment; mimeographing, special messenger, contract stenographic reporting, and other services; newspapers; periodicals and press clippings; repairs and alterations; and not to exceed $200 for expenses of attendance at meetings which in the discretion of the chairman are necessary for the efficient discharge of the responsibilities of the Board, $125,000.

For all printing and binding for the Central Statistical Board, $1,000. Total, Central Statistical Board, $126,000; Provided, That no other money appropriated in this or any other Act, except the money appropriated for the Board in the Independent Offices Appropriation Act for the fiscal year 1939, shall be available for the Central Statistical Board after the passage of this Act.

CIVIL AERONAUTICS AUTHORITY

Salaries and expenses: For salaries and expenses of the Civil Aeronautics Authority, including the expenses of operation, maintenance, and upkeep of air navigation facilities, in carrying out the duties, powers, and functions devolving upon it pursuant to the authority contained in the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938 (52 Stat. 973), including traveling expenses and expenses of employees detailed by the Chairman of the Authority or the Administrator to attend meetings of associations, organizations, or other properly constituted bodies concerned with the civil aeronautics industry or the art of aeronautics, in the United States or in foreign countries; personal services and rentals in the District of Columbia and elsewhere including expenses of the Air Safety Board other than those specifically provided for under "Salaries and Expenses Air Safety Board"; contract stenographic reporting services; fees and mileage of witnesses; examination of estimates of appropriations in the field, including actual expenses of subsistence or per diem allowance in lieu thereof; expenses of packing, crating, drayage, and transportation of household effects and other personal property (not exceeding in any one case five thousand pounds) of employees when transferred from one official station to another for permanent duty, upon specific authorization by the Chairman of the Authority or the Administrator; purchase and exchange of professional and scientific books, law books, books of reference, atlases and maps, periodicals and newspapers; purchase and exchange (not to exceed $400,000), operation, maintenance, repair, and overhaul of aircraft, aircraft power plants, propellers and equipment, and spare parts therefor; purchase and exchange (not to exceed $45,000), hire, maintenance, repair, and operation of passenger-
carrying automobiles, including two automobiles for use in the District of Columbia; and purchase of special clothing, wearing apparel, and suitable equipment for aviation purposes (including rubber boots, snowshoes, and skis), $13,738,000, of which $557,000 shall be available for the Technical Development Division: Provided, That this appropriation shall be available for payments, at a rate not to exceed 3 cents per mile, to maintenance and operating personnel, as reimbursement to such personnel of the expenses of necessary travel in their personally owned automobiles within the limits of their official posts of duty when such travel is performed in connection with the maintenance and operation of remotely controlled air navigation facilities.

Salaries and expenses, Air Safety Board: For salaries and expenses of the Air Safety Board in carrying out the duties and functions devolving upon it pursuant to the provisions of sections 701 and 702 of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, except clause (5) of subsection 702 (a) thereof (59 Stat. 973), including personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; rent and expenses incident to the operation of field offices; traveling expenses; contract stenographic reporting services; fees and mileage of witnesses; operation, maintenance, repair, and overhaul of aircraft; hire, maintenance, repair, and operation of passenger-carrying automobiles, including one automobile for use in the District of Columbia; and purchase of special clothing, wearing apparel, and suitable equipment for aviation purposes (including rubber boots, snowshoes, and skis), $380,000, of which amount not to exceed $25,000 may be expended for temporary employment in the investigation of aircraft accidents of consultants and experts on a contract or fee basis without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes.

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

Establishment of air-navigation facilities: For the establishment of additional 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, $7,000,000, of which amount $2,000,000 shall be available for the payment of contractual obligations authorized to be incurred prior to July 1, 1939: Provided, That in addition to the amount herein appropriated, the Administrator may, prior to July 1, 1940, enter into contracts for the purchase, construction, and installation of additional air-navigation aids not in excess of $2,000,000: Provided further, That this construction work may be accomplished either by contract or by purchase and hire: Provided further, That not to exceed 5 per centum of the amount herein appropriated shall be available for the temporary employment and travel in the field of personnel required in the supervision of this construction work.

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 when the aggregate amount involved does not exceed $100.

Total, Civil Aeronautics Authority, $21,218,000.
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 $1,000; 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 hereinafter provided for, $4,250,000, of which not to exceed $550,000 shall be immediately available: 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, without 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, 1940, 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, $150,000, of which not to exceed $20,000 shall be immediately available.

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 amendatory thereof (38 U. S. C. 11), $86,329,000, 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 amendatory thereof (48 U. S. C. 1371n), $500,000, 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, $91,404,000.

**CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS**

For all authorized and necessary expenses to carry into effect the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to establish a Civilian Conservation Corps, and for other purposes", approved June 28, 1937, including personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; the purchase and exchange of law books, books of reference, periodicals, and newspapers; rents in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; the purchase (including exchange), operation, maintenance and repair of motor-propelled and horse-drawn passenger-carrying vehicles to be used only for official purposes; hire, with or without personal services, of work animals, animal-drawn and motor-propelled vehicles, and watercraft; printing and binding; travel expenses, including not to exceed $2,000 for expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the work of the Corps when specifically authorized by the Director; construction, improvement, repair, and maintenance of buildings, but the cost of any building erected hereunder shall not exceed $25,000; and all other necessary expenses; $295,000,000, of which $174,281,000 shall be available only for pay, subsistence, clothing (and repair thereof), transportation, and hospitalization of enrollees; $3,000,000 shall be immediately available for the purchase of motor-propelled equipment; and $286,301 may be expended in the District of Columbia for salaries and expenses of the Office of the Director; Provided, That an enrollee in the Civilian Conservation Corps, or member, or former member of the Military Establishment, who shall furnish blood from his or her veins for transfusion to the veins of an enrollee or discharged enrollee of the Civilian Conservation Corps undergoing treatment in a Government or civilian hospital authorized to treat such patient, shall be entitled to be paid therefor a reasonable sum not to exceed $50 for each of such transfusions undergone: Provided further, That the Director
may authorize the exchange of motor-propelled and horse-drawn vehicles, tractors, road equipment, and boats, and parts, accessories, tires, or equipment thereof, in whole or in part payment for vehicles, tractors, road equipment, or boats, accessories, tires, or equipment of such vehicles, tractors, road equipment, or boats which the corps has purchased.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALLEY DWELLING AUTHORITY

The unexpended balance on June 30, 1939, 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 1940 to said fund under the provisions of said Act and of the United States Housing Act of 1937 shall be available until June 30, 1940, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of said District of Columbia Alley Dwelling Act.

EMPLOYEES’ COMPENSATION COMMISSION

For three Commissioners and other personal services in the District of Columbia, including not to exceed $1,000 for temporary experts and assistants in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, to be paid at a rate not exceeding $8 per day, and for personal services in the field; for furniture and other equipment and repairs thereto; law books, books of reference, periodicals; stationery and supplies; traveling expenses; fees and mileage of witnesses; contract stenographic reporting services; rent at the seat of government and elsewhere; and miscellaneous items; $510,000.

For all printing and binding for the Employees’ Compensation Commission, $8,400.

Employees’ compensation fund: For the payment of compensation provided by “An Act to provide compensation for employees of the United States suffering injuries while in the performance of their duties, and for other purposes”, approved September 7, 1916 (5 U. S. C. 785), including medical examinations, traveling and other expenses, and loss of wages payable to employees under sections 21 and 22; all services, appliances, and supplies provided by section 9 as amended, including payments to Army and Navy hospitals; the transportation and burial expenses provided by sections 9 and 11; and advancement of costs for the enforcement of recoveries provided in sections 26 and 27 where necessary, accruing during the fiscal year 1940 or in prior fiscal years, $4,500,000.

EMPLOYEES’ COMPENSATION FUND, CIVIL WORKS

For administrative expenses (not to exceed $8,370) and payment of compensation in connection with the administration of the benefits for employees of the Civil Works Administration in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled “An Act making an additional appropriation to carry out the purposes of the Federal Emergency Relief Act of 1933, for continuation of the Civil Works program,
and for other purposes," approved February 15, 1934 (48 Stat. 352), and in connection with the administration of the benefits authorized by title V of the Act entitled "An Act to liberalize the provisions of Public Law Numbered 484, Seventy-third Congress, to effect uniform provisions in laws administered by the Veterans' Administration, to extend the Employees’ Compensation Act with limitations to certain World War veterans and other persons, and for other purposes," approved June 29, 1936 (49 Stat. 2035), $208,870 of the special fund set up on the books of the Treasury pursuant to the provisions of said Act shall be available for expenditure during the fiscal year 1940.

EMPLOYEES’ COMPENSATION FUND, EMERGENCY CONSERVATION WORK

For administrative expenses (not to exceed $34,040) and payment of compensation in connection with the administration of the benefits for enrollees of the Civilian Conservation Corps in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "Emergency Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1935," approved June 19, 1934 (48 Stat., p. 1057), $677,640 of the special fund set up on the books of the Treasury pursuant to the provisions of said Act shall be available for expenditure during the fiscal year 1940.

EMPLOYEES’ COMPENSATION FUND, EMERGENCY RELIEF

For administrative expenses (not to exceed $537,000) and the payment of compensation in connection with the administration of the benefits authorized by section 2 of the Act entitled “Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935,” approved April 8, 1935 (49 Stat. 115–119), by the “Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1936,” approved June 22, 1936 (49 Stat. 1608), by the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1937, approved June 29, 1937 (50 Stat. 352–358), and by the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1938, approved June 21, 1938 (52 Stat. 809–815), $3,200,000 of the special funds set up on the books of the Treasury pursuant to the provisions of the said Acts shall be available for expenditure during the fiscal year 1940. Total, Employees’ Compensation Commission, $5,018,400.

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 $8,000), 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 law books, other books of reference, newspapers, periodicals and newspaper clippings; $2,330,000; of which amount not to exceed $1,225,000 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. 1213) including travel expenses; contract stenographic reporting services; supplies and office equipment; services; scientific instruments; $300,000, of which amount not to exceed $270,000 shall be available for personal services in the District of Columbia.

In all, salaries and expenses, Federal Power Commission, $2,630,000: 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, $85,000. Total, Federal Power Commission, $2,715,000.

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; $2,264,000: Provided, That not to exceed $20,000 of this amount shall be available for transfer to the Bureau of Standards of the Department of Commerce for scientific investigations required by said Commission in connection with its enforcement of said Act: Provided further, 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 Federal Trade Commission, $60,000.

Total, Federal Trade Commission, $2,324,000.
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, and for each and every object and purpose specified therein, $1,400,000, together with not to exceed $170,000 of the unexpended balance of the appropriation for the fiscal year 1939.

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, law books, 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; $271,140; 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, $2,522,000, of which amount not to exceed $2,328,000 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 Com-
mision 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 Com-
mmerce 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 sec-
tion 26 of the Interstate Commerce Act, as amended by the Trans-
portation Act, 1920 (49 U. S. C. 26), and the Act of August 26, 1937
(50 Stat. 835), 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 spec-
ifications 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, $102,000, 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 pro-
mote the safety of employees and travelers upon railroads by comp-
pelling common carriers engaged in interstate commerce to equip
their locomotives with safe and suitable boilers and appurtenances
thereof” (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 Commis-
sion 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, $473,000, 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 Com-
mmerce 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 car-
riers 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 $20,000), 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, $3,650,000: 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, $8,733,000: 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.

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, $175,000: 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, $8,908,000.

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; 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; $190,000; 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.

MOUNT RUSHMORE NATIONAL MEMORIAL COMMISSION

Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission: For completion of the work, except the inscription, authorized by the provisions of the Mount Rushmore Memorial Act of 1938, $175,000, together with the unobligated balance of the appropriation for this purpose for the fiscal year 1939: Provided, That no part of this appropriation shall be expended for work on any figure, in addition to the four figures authorized by law, upon which work had not commenced as of June 22, 1936; Provided further, That no part of this appropriation shall be available for any work on or toward the inscription provided for in section 3 of said Act.

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; office supplies and other miscellaneous expenses, including technical periodicals and books of reference; equipment, maintenance, and operation of the Langley Memorial Aeronautical Laboratory; purchase, maintenance, operation, and exchange of motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles, including not more than one for general administrative use in the District of Columbia; personal services in the field and not to exceed $123,000 for personal services in the District of Columbia; in all, $1,717,000, 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.

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, $23,000.

For completing the construction and equipment of the wind tunnel for which an initial appropriation of $200,000 was provided in the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1939, $240,000; for remodeling an existing wind tunnel, $100,000; in all, $440,000.

Total, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, $2,180,000.

NATIONAL ARCHIVES

500-503; U. S. C., Supp. II, title 44, ch. 8A), as amended; 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 work of The National Archives; repairs to equipment; purchase, exchange, maintenance and operation of motor vehicles; and all other necessary expenses, $850,000. 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 National Archives when the aggregate cost involved does not exceed the sum of $50.

Printing and binding: For all printing and binding for The National Archives, $14,000.
Total, The National Archives, $864,000.

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, $1,000,000, to be expended in carrying out the provisions of section 4 of said Act, and to remain available until expended.

NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

Salaries and expenses: For three Board members, and for all other authorized and necessary expenditures of the National Labor Relations Board in performing the duties imposed by law or in pursuance of law, including rent and personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; repairs and alterations; communications; contract
stenographic reporting services; law books; books of reference; newspapers; periodicals; operation, maintenance, and repair of one automobile; $3,039,600: 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 $50.

Printing and binding: For all printing and binding for the National Labor Relations Board in Washington and elsewhere, $150,000.

Total, National Labor Relations Board, $3,189,600.

NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

For three members of the Board, and for other authorized expenditures of the National Mediation Board in performing the duties imposed by law, including contract stenographic reporting services; supplies and equipment; not to exceed $200 for newspapers, books of reference, and periodicals, $148,700, of which amount not to exceed $115,000 may be expended for personal services in the District of Columbia.

Arbitration boards: To enable the National Mediation Board to pay necessary expenses of arbitration boards, including compensation of members and employees of such boards, together with their necessary traveling expenses and expenses actually incurred for subsistence while so employed, and printing of awards, together with proceedings and testimony relating thereto, as authorized by the Railway Labor Act, including also contract stenographic reporting service, and rent of quarters when suitable quarters cannot be supplied in any Federal building, the unexpended balance of previous appropriations for this purpose shall be available.

Emergency boards: For expenses of emergency boards appointed by the President to investigate and report respecting disputes between carriers and their employees, as authorized by section 10, Railway Labor Act, approved May 20, 1926 (45 U. S. C. 160), the unexpended balance of previous appropriations for this purpose shall be available.

For all printing and binding for the National Mediation Board, $2,300.

NATIONAL RAILROAD ADJUSTMENT BOARD

For authorized expenditures of the National Railroad Adjustment Board, in performing the duties imposed by law, including contract stenographic reporting services and supplies and equipment, $188,930, of which $35,000 shall be available only for services of referees and not more than $108,330 may be expended for other personal services.

For all printing and binding for the National Railroad Adjustment Board, $10,000.

Total National Mediation Board, $379,930.

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, $26,500, 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.

RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

For salaries and expenses, Railroad Retirement Board: For three Board members and for all other authorized and necessary expenditures of the Railroad Retirement Board in performing the duties imposed by law or in pursuance of law, including rent and personal and other services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; traveling expenses, including not to exceed $1,000 for expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the work of the Board when specifically authorized by the Board; not to exceed $2,500 for payment of actual transportation expenses, and per diem (not to exceed $10) in lieu of subsistence and other expenses, of persons serving while away from their homes without other compensation in an advisory capacity to the Railroad Retirement Board; repairs and alterations; contract stenographic reporting services; office appliances and labor-saving devices; supplies and equipment (including photographic equipment); not to exceed $5,000 for law books, books of reference, newspapers, press clippings, periodicals, and for payment in advance when authorized by the Board for library membership in organizations which issue publications to members only or to members at a price lower than to the general public; purchase (including exchange) of three motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles; operation, maintenance, and repair of motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles to be used only for official purposes in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; and other necessary expenses; $3,200,000: 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 does not exceed $50.

Railroad retirement account: For an amount sufficient as an annual premium for the payments required under the Railroad Retirement Act, approved August 29, 1935, and the Railroad Retirement Act, approved June 24, 1937, and authorized to be appropriated to the railroad retirement account established under section 15 (a) of the latter Act, $120,150,000: Provided, That such amount shall be available until expended for making payments required under said retirement Acts, and the amount not required for current payments shall be invested by the Secretary of the Treasury in accordance with the provisions of said Railroad Retirement Act of June 24, 1937.

For printing and binding for the Railroad Retirement Board, $54,000.

Total, Railroad Retirement Board, $123,404,000.
RURAL ELECTRIFICATION ADMINISTRATION

Salaries and expenses: For administrative expenses and expenses of studies, investigations, publications, and reports necessary to carry out the provisions of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, approved May 20, 1936, including the salary of the Administrator and other personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; traveling expenses, including expenses of attendance of officers and employees at meetings when determined by the Administrator to be necessary in furthering the work of the Administration; contract stenographic reporting services; expert witness fees; materials, supplies, equipment, and services; rentals, including buildings and parts of buildings and garages, in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; purchase and exchange of books, law books, books of reference, directories, and periodicals; not to exceed $200 for newspapers and press clippings; financial and credit reports; purchase, rental, exchange, operation, maintenance, and repair of typewriters, calculating machines, and other office appliances; operation, maintenance, and repair of one motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicle to be used only for official purposes; and all other expenses necessary to administer said Act, $2,700,000: 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 Rural Electrification Administration when the aggregate amount involved does not exceed $100.

Printing and binding: For printing and binding for the Rural Electrification Administration, $90,000.

Loans, Rural Electrification Administration: For loans in accordance with sections 3, 4, and 5, and the purchase of property in accordance with section 7 of the Rural Electrification Act of May 20, 1936 (7 U. S. C. 901–914), $40,000,000.

Total, Rural Electrification Administration, $42,790,000.

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 equipment; 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; purchase, operation, maintenance, and repair of one motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicle; and other necessary expenses; $5,300,000: 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 Securi-
ties 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, $5,370,000.

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, 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, $356,620.

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, purchasing and supplying uniforms to 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, $328,800.

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, $73,000, of which not to exceed $8,000 shall be available for printing the report of the American Historical Association.

Total, Smithsonian Institution, $1,058,420, of which amount not to exceed $871,000 may be expended for personal services in the District of Columbia.

SOCIAL SECURITY BOARD

Salaries and expenses: For all authorized and necessary adminis-
trative expenses of the Social Security Board in performing the duties imposed upon it in titles I, II, III, IV, VII, IX, and X of the Social Security Act, approved August 14, 1935, including three Board members, an executive director at a salary of $9,500 a year, and other personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; travel expenses, including not to exceed $10,000 for expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the work of the Board when specifically authorized by the chairman and not to exceed $5,000 for travel in foreign countries; not to exceed $10,000 for payment 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 home, without other compensation, in an advisory capacity to the Social Security Board; 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, when specifically authorized by the Board; supplies; reproducing, photographing, and all other equipment, office appliances, and labor-saving devices; services; advertising, postage, telephone, telegraph, and not to exceed $800 for teletype news services and tolls; newspapers and press clippings (not to exceed $1,500), periodicals, manuscripts and special reports, purchase and exchange of law books and other books of reference; library membership fees or dues in organizations which issue publications to members only or to members at a lower price than to others, payment for which may be made in advance; alterations and repairs; rentals, including garages, in the District of Columbia or elsewhere; purchase and exchange, not to exceed $25,000, operation, maintenance, and repair of motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles to be used only for official purposes in the District of Columbia and in the field; and miscellaneous items, including those for public instruction and information deemed necessary by the Board, $22,000,000: Provided, That section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U. S. C. 5) shall not be construed to apply to any purchase by the Board when the aggregate amount involved does not exceed the sum of $100: Provided further, That the Board may expend not to exceed $25,000 of the sum herein appropriated for temporary employment of persons or organizations, by contract or otherwise, for special accounting, actuarial, statistical, translating and reporting, engineering, and organizational services determined necessary by the Board, without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U. S. C. 5), and the provisions of other laws applicable to the employment and compensation of officers and employees of the United States: Provided further, That no salary shall be paid for personal services from the money herein appropriated under the heading "Social Security Board" in excess of the rates allowed by the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, for similar services: Provided further, That this latter proviso shall not apply to the salaries of the Board members nor to the compensation of persons or organizations temporarily employed for the special services described in the second proviso of this paragraph.

For printing and binding for the Social Security Board, $1,000,000.

Grants to States for old-age assistance: For grants to States for assistance to aged needy individuals, as authorized in title I of the Social Security Act, approved August 14, 1935, $225,000,000, of which sum such amount as may be necessary shall be available for grants under such title I for any period in the fiscal year 1939 subsequent to March 31, 1939: Provided, That payments to States for the fourth quarter of the fiscal year 1939 and for any quarter in the fiscal year 1940 under such title I may be made with respect to any State plan approved under such title I by the Social Security Board prior to or during such period, but no such payment shall be made with respect
to any plan for any period prior to the quarter in which such plan was submitted to the Board for approval.

Grants to States for unemployment compensation administration: For grants to States for unemployment compensation administration, as authorized in title III of the Social Security Act, approved August 14, 1935, including rentals in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, $49,000,000.

Grants to States for aid to dependent children: For grants to States for the purpose of enabling each State to furnish financial assistance to needy dependent children, as authorized in title IV of the Social Security Act, approved August 14, 1935, $45,000,000, of which sum such amount as may be necessary shall be available for grants under such title IV for any period in the fiscal year 1939 subsequent to March 31, 1939; Provided, That payments to States for the fourth quarter of the fiscal year 1939 and for any quarter in the fiscal year 1940 under such title IV may be made with respect to any State plan approved under such title IV by the Social Security Board prior to or during such period, but no such payment shall be made with respect to any plan for any period prior to the quarter in which such plan was submitted to the Board for approval.

Grants to States for aid to the blind: For grants to States for the purpose of enabling each State to furnish financial assistance to needy individuals who are blind, as authorized in title X of the Social Security Act, approved August 14, 1935, $8,000,000, of which sum such amount as may be necessary shall be available for grants under such title X for any period in the fiscal year 1939 subsequent to March 31, 1939; Provided, That payments to States for the fourth quarter of the fiscal year 1939 and for any quarter in the fiscal year 1940 under such title X may be made with respect to any State plan approved under such title X by the Social Security Board prior to or during such period, but no such payment shall be made with respect to any plan for any period prior to the quarter in which such plan was submitted to the Board for approval.

The appropriations herein made for "Grants to States for old-age assistance", "Grants to States for aid to dependent children", and "Grants to States for aid to the blind", shall be available interchangeably for transfer of appropriations, but no such transfer shall be made except upon approval of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget.

Total, Social Security Board, $350,000,000.

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. 1230-1341), $912,000, 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, $927,000.

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 (16 U. S. C. ch. 12a), including the continued construction of Pickwick Landing Dam, Guntersville Dam, Chickamauga Dam, Hiwassee Dam, Gilbertsville Dam, and for construction of a dam at or near Watts Bar on the Tennessee River, Tennessee, and for preliminary investigations of a site for a dam at or near Coulter Shoals on the Tennessee River, 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, law books, 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, fiscal year 1940, $39,003,000: Provided, That this appropriation and any unexpended balance on June 30, 1939, in the "Tennessee Valley Authority fund, 1939", and the receipts of the Tennessee Valley Authority from all sources during the fiscal year 1940 (except as limited by 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, 1940", to remain available until June 30, 1940, and to be available for the payment of obligations chargeable against the "Tennessee Valley Authority fund, 1939", and for contractual obligations for the procurement of equipment as authorized in the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1939.

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, $2,000,000, to remain available until expended.

UNITED STATES MARITIME COMMISSION

To increase the construction fund established by the “Merchant Marine Act, 1936,” $100,000,000, of which not to exceed $3,980,000 shall be available for administrative expenses of the United States Maritime Commission, including, but not limited to, 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; law books, books of reference, and not to exceed $2,500 for periodicals and newspapers; procurement of supplies, equipment, and services, including telephone, telegraph, radio, and teletype services; purchase and exchange (including one at not to exceed $1,500), 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 $10,000) 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; 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.

In addition to the contract authorization in the amount of $115,000,000 contained in the “Third Deficiency Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1937”, the Commission is authorized to enter into contract for further carrying out the provisions of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, in an amount not to exceed $230,000,000.

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, $97,000,000: Provided, That not to exceed $2,500 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 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 law books, 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, one of which may be replaced during the fiscal year 1940 at a cost, including exchange, of not to exceed $1,500; 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 Vet-
erans' 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 domiciliary care.

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, $432,063,000, 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, $26,791,000.

Adjusted service and dependent pay: For payment of adjusted-service credits of not more than $50 each and the quarterly installments due to dependents of deceased veterans, as provided in the Act of May 19, 1924, as amended (38 U. S. C. 631-632, 661-670; U. S. C., Supp. I, secs. 662-664), $1,104,000, to be immediately available and to remain available until expended.

Hospital and domiciliary facilities: For hospital and domiciliary facilities, $4,015,000 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, $561,093,000: **Provided,** That no part of this appropriation shall be expended for the purchase of oleomargarine or butter substitutes except for cooking purposes.
EMERGENCY AGENCIES

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; law books, books of reference, and not to exceed $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 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, $1,400,000, 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 1940 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).

HOME OWNERS' LOAN CORPORATION

Not to exceed $24,500,000 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 1940 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 $5,000) 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 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 Home Owners’ Loan Act of 1933, as amended (12 U. S. C. 1461–1468).

FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION

Not to exceed $9,000,000 of the mutual mortgage insurance fund and $3,500,000 of the funds advanced by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to the Federal Housing Administration, created under authority of the National Housing Act of June 27, 1934 (48 Stat. 1246), in all $12,500,000, shall be available during the fiscal year 1940 for administrative expenses of the 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 of one and maintenance, repair, and operation of three 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 (including services performed on a contract or fee basis, but not including other personal services) in connection with the operation,
maintenance, improvement, or disposition of real or personal property of the Administration acquired under authority of Title II of said National Housing Act, shall be considered as nonadministrative expenses for the purposes hereof, and shall be paid from the mutual mortgage insurance fund created by 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 during the fiscal year 1940 for purposes of the Public Relations and Education Division.

Not to exceed $7,000,000 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, shall be available during the fiscal year 1940 for the payment of losses under insurance granted under section 2, 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 1940 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. §21–833); expenses (not to exceed $1,000) of attendance at meetings concerned with the work of the Corporation when specifically authorized by the Board of Trustees; printing and binding; law books, 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).

FEDERAL EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATION OF PUBLIC WORKS

Not to exceed $20,000,000 of the funds appropriated by the Public Works Administration Appropriation Act of 1938 shall be available
for administrative expenses of said Administration, as follows: $16,000,000 for the fiscal year 1940 and $4,000,000 for the fiscal years 1939 and 1940, 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; law books, books of reference, and not to exceed $1,000 for periodicals, newspapers, and press clippings; procurement of supplies, equipment, and services; purchase and exchange (not to exceed $12,000), 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; not to exceed $1,000 for expenses of attendance, when specifically authorized by the Administrator, 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: Provided further, That section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U. S. C. 5) shall not apply to any purchase made or service procured when the amount involved is less than $300.

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 1940 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; law books, books of reference, and not to exceed $1,000 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 the provisions of section 4 hereof, 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).
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 that 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 accordance with the rules of section 6 of such Act; (3) to require the reduction in salary of any person who is transferred from one position 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 authorized 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, 1940, the salaries of the members of the Authority and the Administrator, Civil Aeronautics Authority, of the Commissioners of the Interstate Commerce Commission, the Commissioners of the United States Maritime Commission, and the Commissioners of the United States Tariff Commission shall be at the rate of $10,000 each per annum.

Sec. 4. None of the funds made available by this Act for administrative expenses of the agencies under the caption “Emergency agencies” 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 terms and provisions of the Budget and Accounting Act of 1921, as amended.

Sec. 5. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act or authorized hereby to be expended shall be used to pay the compensation 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 citizenship has filed a declaration of intention to become a citizen or who owes allegiance to the United States.

Sec. 6. This Act may be cited as the “Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1940”.

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