BATTLE FIELDS OF THE SIEGE OF PETERSBURG, VA.

COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

SUPPLEMENTAL ESTIMATE OF APPROPRIATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1926, TO REMAIN AVAILABLE UNTIL JUNE 30, 1926, FOR THE WAR DEPARTMENT, \$3,000.

January 13, 1926.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed

THE WHITE HOUSE, Washington, January 13, 1926.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of Congress a supplemental estimate of appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1926, to remain available until June 30, 1926, for the War Department, \$3,000.

The details of this estimate, the necessity therefor, and the reason for its submission at this time are set forth in the letter of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, transmitted herewith, with whose comments and observations thereon I concur.

Respectfully,

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

Bureau of the Budget, Washington, January 13, 1926.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration, and upon your approval for transmission to Congress, a supplemental estimate of appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1926, to remain available until June 30, 1926, for the War Department for the Commission for Inspection of Battle Fields of the Siege of Petersburg, Va., \$3,000.

Commission for Inspection of Battle Fields of the Siege of Petersburg, Va., fiscal year 1926. For every expenditure heretofore or hereafter made, including expenses and a per diem allowance to each of the two civilian members and other expenses requisite for and incident to the work of the commission authorized by the act entitled "An act to provide for the inspection of the battle fields of the siege of Petersburg, Va.," approved February 11, 1925, to remain available until June 30, 1926 (act February 11, 1925) (submitted)______

\$3,000

The act entitled "An act to provide for the inspection of the battle fields of the siege of Petersburg, Va." (Public, No. 392, 68th Cong.), approved February 11, 1925, authorizes an appropriation of \$3,000 for the purpose of inspecting the battle fields of the siege of Petersburg, Va., in order to ascertain the feasibility of preserving and marking such fields for historical and professional military study.

On February 28, 1925, an estimate in the sum of \$3,000 was submitted to the Congress and was published in Senate Document No. 228, Sixty-eighth Congress, second session, but no appropriation was made. However, on March 11, 1925, the Secretary of War appointed a commission and authorized the two civilian members to receive their actual expenses and a per diem of \$10. The commission filed a preliminary report and incurred necessary expenses amounting to approximately \$1,500. The purpose of this estimate is to meet the expenses already incurred and future expenses of the commission in the completion of its duties in carrying out the provisions of the above-mentioned act.

This estimate is required to provide for legislation which has been enacted since the transmission of the Budget for the fiscal year 1926, and its approval is recommended.

Very respectfully,

H. M. Lord, Director of the Bureau of the Budget.

The PRESIDENT.

Supplemental estimate of appropriation required for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1926, by the War Department

Commission for inspection of battle fields of the siege of Petersburg, Va.: For every expenditure heretofore or hereafter made, including expenses and a per diem allowance to each of the two civilian members and other expenses requisite for and incident to the work of the commission authorized by the act entitled "An act to provide for the inspection of the battle fields of the siege of Petersburg, Va.," approved February 11, 1925, to remain available until June 30, 1926 (act Feb. 11, 1925, vol. 43, p. 856) (submitted)

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