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CHAP. 242.—An Act Making appropriations for fortifications and other works of defense, for the armament thereof, for the procurement of heavy ordnance for trial and service, and for other purposes.

March 4, 1911.
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sums of money herein provided for be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be available until expended, namely:

Fortifications appropriations.

FORTIFICATIONS AND OTHER WORKS OF DEFENSE.

UNDER THE ENGINEER DEPARTMENT.

Engineer Department.

For construction of fire-control stations and accessories, including purchase of lands and rights of way, and for the purchase and installation of necessary lines and means of electrical communication, including telephones, dial and other telegraphs, wiring and all special instruments, apparatus, and materials, coast signal apparatus, and salaries of electrical experts, engineers, and other necessary employees connected with the use of coast artillery; for the purchase, manufacture, and test of range finders and other instruments for fire control at the fortifications, and the machinery necessary for their manufacture at the arsenals, one hundred thousand dollars.

Fire-control stations.

Range finders, etc.

For installation and replacement of electric light and power plants at seacoast fortifications, fifty thousand dollars.

Power plants.

For purchase and installation of searchlights for the defenses of our most important harbors, fifty thousand dollars.

Searchlights.

For the protection, preservation, and repair of fortifications for which there may be no special appropriation available, three hundred thousand dollars.

Preservation, etc.

For preparation of plans for fortifications, five thousand dollars.

Plans.

For tools, electrical and engine supplies and appliances, to be furnished by the Engineer Department, for the use of the troops for maintaining and operating electric light and power plants in gun and mortar batteries, forty-five thousand dollars.

Electric plants.

For preservation and repair of structures erected for the torpedo defense of the United States, twenty thousand dollars.

Torpedo structures.

Construction of mining casemates, cable galleries, torpedo storehouses, cable tanks, and other structures necessary for the operation, preservation, and care of submarine mines and their accessories, fifty thousand dollars.

Submarine mines. Care, etc.

UNDER THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER.

Signal service.

For operation and maintenance of fire-control installations at seacoast defenses, one hundred and eighty thousand dollars.

Fire-control installations.

ARMAMENT OF FORTIFICATIONS.

Armament.

For the purchase, manufacture, and test of mountain, field, and siege cannon, including their carriages, sights, implements, equipments, and the machinery necessary for their manufacture at the arsenals, four hundred and ninety-eight thousand dollars.

Mountain, field, and siege cannon.

For the purchase, manufacture, and test of ammunition for mountain, field, and siege cannon, including the necessary experiments in connection therewith and the machinery necessary for its manufacture at the arsenals, three hundred thousand dollars.

Ammunition.

For the purchase, manufacture, and test of ammunition for seacoast cannon, including the necessary experiments in connection

Ammunition for seacoast cannon.

therewith, and the machinery necessary for its manufacture at the arsenals, one hundred and forty thousand dollars.

Ammunition for seacoast artillery practice.

For the purchase, manufacture, and test of ammunition, subcaliber guns, and other accessories for seacoast artillery practice, including the machinery necessary for their manufacture at the arsenals, four hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars.

Altering mobile artillery, etc.

For the alteration and maintenance of the mobile artillery, including the purchase and manufacture of machinery, tools, and materials necessary for the work and the expenses of the mechanics engaged thereon, forty-five thousand dollars.

Ammunition for field, etc., artillery practice.

For the purchase, manufacture, and test of ammunition, subcaliber guns, and other accessories for mountain, field, and siege artillery practice, including the machinery necessary for their manufacture at the arsenals, one hundred and ten thousand dollars.

Altering to rapid-fire batteries, etc.

For the alteration of three and two-tenths inch batteries to rapid-fire field batteries, including sights, implements, equipments, and the materials and machinery necessary for alteration and manufacture at the arsenals, two hundred thousand dollars.

Altering, etc., seacoast artillery.

For the alteration and maintenance of the seacoast artillery, including the purchase and manufacture of machinery, tools, materials necessary for the work, and expenses of the civilian mechanics and extra-duty pay of enlisted men engaged thereon, three hundred thousand dollars.

Sandy Hook proving ground.

PROVING GROUND, SANDY HOOK, NEW JERSEY.

Expenses, etc.

For current expenses of the ordnance proving ground, Sandy Hook, New Jersey, comprising the maintenance of rail and water transportation, repairs, alterations, accessories, and service of employees incidental to testing and proving ordnance material, hire of assistants for the Ordnance Board, purchase of instruments and articles required for testing and experimental work, building and repairing butts and targets, clearing and grading ranges, fifty-six thousand two hundred dollars.

Temporary employment.
Per diem, etc.

For the necessary expenses of officers while temporarily employed on ordnance duties at the proving ground and absent from their proper station, at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents per diem while so employed, and the compensation of draftsmen while employed in the Army Ordnance Bureau on ordnance construction, eighteen thousand seven hundred dollars.

Submarine mines.

SUBMARINE MINES.

Purchases, etc.

For the purchase of submarine mines and necessary appliances to operate them for closing the channels leading to our principal seaports, and continuing torpedo experiments; for the purchase of the necessary machinery, tools, and implements for the repair shop of the torpedo depot at Fort Totten, New York, and for extra-duty pay to soldiers necessarily employed for periods not less than ten days on work in connection with the issue, receipt, and care of submarine mining material at the torpedo depot, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Fort Totten, N. Y. Repair shop, torpedo depot.

FORTIFICATIONS IN INSULAR POSSESSIONS.

Insular possessions.

ENGINEER DEPARTMENT.

Engineer Department.

For construction of seacoast batteries, as follows: Seacoast batteries.

In the Hawaiian Islands, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars; Hawaiian Islands.

In the Philippine Islands, one million one hundred and sixty-nine thousand dollars; Philippine Islands.

In all, one million three hundred and nineteen thousand dollars.

For installation of light and power plants at the defenses of the following localities: Electric plants.

In the Philippine Islands, one hundred and seventy-one thousand nine hundred and sixty-two dollars. Philippine Islands.

For purchase and installation of searchlights for the defenses of most important harbors, as follows: Searchlights.

In the Hawaiian Islands, forty thousand one hundred dollars. Hawaiian Islands.

For protection, preservation, and repair of fortifications at the following localities: Preservation, etc.

In the Philippine Islands, seven thousand dollars. Philippine Islands.

For preservation and repair of structures erected for torpedo defense at the following localities: Torpedo structures.

In the Philippine Islands, one thousand dollars. Philippine Islands.

For tools, electrical and other supplies and appliances, to be furnished by the Engineer Department for the use of the troops for maintaining and operating gun and mortar batteries— Operating power plants.

In the Hawaiian Islands, one thousand dollars.

In the Philippine Islands, two thousand five hundred dollars.

For land defenses, Philippine Islands, one hundred and eighty thousand dollars. Land defenses, Philippines.

UNDER THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER.

Signal Service.

For operation and maintenance of fire-control installations at seacoast defenses, twenty thousand dollars. Fire-control installations.

ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT.

Armament.

For the purchase, manufacture, and test of seacoast cannon for coast defense, including their carriages, sights, implements, equipments, and the machinery necessary for their manufacture at the arsenals, two hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars. Seacoast cannon.

For purchase, manufacture, and test of ammunition for seacoast cannon, including the necessary experiments in connection therewith, and the machinery necessary for its manufacture at the arsenals, four hundred thousand dollars. Ammunition.

For the alteration and maintenance of the seacoast artillery, including the purchase and manufacture of machinery, tools, and materials necessary for the work, and expenses of the civilian mechanics and extra-duty pay of enlisted men engaged thereon, thirty-four thousand and forty-five dollars. Altering, etc., seacoast artillery.

For the mechanical supervision of the installation of seacoast artillery, including the purchase and manufacture of machinery, tools, and materials necessary for the work, and expenses of civilian mechanics and extra-duty pay of enlisted men engaged thereon, four thousand two hundred dollars. Installing seacoast artillery.

That all material purchased under the provisions of this Act shall be of American manufacture, except in cases when, in the judgment of the Secretary of War, it is to the manifest interest of the United States to make purchases in limited quantities abroad, which material shall be admitted free of duty. Material to be of American manufacture.

Interchange of material allowed.

The Chief of Ordnance, in conducting manufacturing or similar operations under any particular appropriation heretofore or hereafter made, is authorized to use material procured under any appropriation and to replace the same in kind or otherwise: *Provided*, That in doing so the methods shall be such that each appropriation will be charged with the full value of the material used in carrying out its object.

Proviso. Accounting.

Board of Ordnance and Fortification.

BOARD OF ORDNANCE AND FORTIFICATION.

Purchases, etc.

To enable the board to make all needful and proper purchases, experiments, and tests to ascertain, with a view to their utilization by the Government, the most effective guns, small arms, cartridges, projectiles, fuses, explosives, torpedoes, armor plates, and other implements and engines of war, and to purchase or cause to be manufactured, under authority of the Secretary of War, such guns, carriages, armor plates, and other war material as may, in the judgment of the board, be necessary in the proper discharge of the duty devolved upon it by the Act approved September twenty-second, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight; to pay the salary of the civilian member of the Board of Ordnance and Fortification provided by the Act of February twenty-fourth, eighteen hundred and ninety-one, and for the necessary traveling expenses of said member when traveling on duty as contemplated in said Act; for the payment of the necessary expenses of the board, including a per diem allowance to each officer detailed to serve thereon, when employed on duty away from his permanent station, of two dollars and fifty cents a day; and for the test of experimental guns, carriages, and other devices procured in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Ordnance and Fortification, twenty-five thousand dollars, the expenditure of which shall be made by the several bureaus of the War Department heretofore having jurisdiction of the same, or by the board itself, as the Secretary of War may direct: *Provided*, That before any money shall be expended in the construction or test of any gun, gun carriage, ammunition, or implements under the supervision of the said board, the board shall be satisfied, after due inquiry, that the Government of the United States has a lawful right to use the inventions involved in the construction of such gun, gun carriage, ammunition, or implements, or that the construction or test is made at the request of a person either having such lawful right or authorized to convey the same to the Government.

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Civilian member.

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Per diem, etc.

Proviso. Right to use inventions.

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CHAP. 243.—An Act For the relief of John B. Lord, owner of lot eighty-six, square seven hundred and twenty-three, Washington, District of Columbia, with regard to assessment and payment of damages on account of changes of grade due to construction of the Union Station, District of Columbia.

District of Columbia. Changes of grade for Union Station.

Vol. 33, p. 250.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That under and in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Act of Congress approved April twenty-second, nineteen hundred and four, entitled "An Act to provide for payment of damages on account of change of grade due to construction of the Union Station, in the District of Columbia," as amended by the Act of Congress approved June twenty-ninth, nineteen hundred and six, the commission appointed under said Act is hereby authorized and directed to meet and view the property known as lot eighty-six, in square seven hundred and twenty-three, improved by premises numbered four hundred and nine First street northeast, city of Washington, District of Columbia, and hear testimony touching the damages to said property which have resulted from changes

Vol. 34, p. 619. John B. Lord. Commission to determine claim of, for damages.