

Basis of annuity, etc. shall be determined according to the method prescribed in the foregoing schedules, except that no annuity shall hereafter be granted to exceed the per centum nor the maximum provided for the respective periods of service. It is provided that this class of employees shall otherwise be subject to the provisions of the Act of May 22, 1920."

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Approved, June 17, 1922.

June 17, 1922.
[S. J. Res. 204.]

[Pub. Res., No. 60.]

CHAP. 223.—Joint Resolution To authorize the loan by the Secretary of War to the Commander in Chief of the United Confederate Veterans of cots for the use of the members of the United Confederate Veterans during the sessions of the national encampment of the United Confederate Veterans at Richmond, Virginia, from June 19 to 22, 1922.

United Confederate
Veterans.

Army cots loaned to
national encampment
of, at Richmond, Va.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War is authorized to lend one thousand cots to the commander in chief of the United Confederate Veterans at their national encampment to be held in Richmond, Virginia, from June 19 to June 22, 1922, upon receiving a bond satisfactory to the Secretary of War to indemnify the United States of America from loss or injury to such cots, or any of them, such indemnity bond to be drawn by and approved by the Secretary of War.

Approved, June 17, 1922.

June 19, 1922.
[H. R. 9859.]

[Public, No. 244.]

CHAP. 227.—An Act Making appropriations for the Post Office Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1923, and for other purposes.

Post Office Depart-
ment appropriations.
Vol. 5, p. 81.

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 in conformity with the Act of July 2, 1836, for the Post Office Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1923, namely:

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

SALARIES.

Office of Postmaster
General.
Postmaster General,
chief clerk, etc.

Chief inspector, pur-
chasing agent.

Director, Postal Sav-
ings, etc.
Clerks, etc.

Messengers, watch-
men, engineers, etc.

OFFICE, POSTMASTER GENERAL: Postmaster General, \$12,000; chief clerk, including \$500 as superintendent of buildings, \$4,000; private secretary, \$2,500; disbursing clerk, \$2,250; appointment clerk, \$2,000; assistant to chief clerk, \$2,000; confidential clerk to Postmaster General, \$2,000; chairman, board of inspection, \$2,000; chief inspector, \$4,000; chief clerk to chief inspector, \$2,000; purchasing agent, \$4,000; chief clerk to purchasing agent, \$2,000; assistant attorneys—one \$4,500, one \$3,500, two at \$2,750 each, one \$2,500, one \$2,000; bond examiner, \$2,500; division of postal savings—director, \$4,800; assistant director, \$3,000; chief clerk, \$2,500; clerk in charge of administrative section, \$2,000; clerk in charge of audit section, \$2,000; law clerk, \$1,800; clerks—one hundred and eighteen at \$1,800 each; one hundred and seventy-two at \$1,600 each, two hundred and seventy-eight at \$1,400 each, three hundred and fifty-six at \$1,200 each, one hundred and thirty-eight at \$1,000 each, twenty-six at \$900 each; skilled draftsmen—three at \$1,800 each, eight at \$1,600 each, five at \$1,400 each, seven at \$1,200 each; map mounter, \$1,200; assistant map mounter, \$1,000; blue printer, \$900; assistant blue printer, \$840; telegrapher, \$1,400; typewriter repairer, \$1,200; three telephone switchboard operators at \$720 each; six messengers in charge of mails,

at \$900 each; thirty messengers at \$840 each; eighteen assistant messengers at \$720 each; captain of the watch, \$1,200; additional to three watchmen acting as lieutenants of watchmen, at \$120 each; thirty-four watchmen at \$720 each; two engineers at \$1,200 each; nine assistant engineers, at \$1,000 each; two blacksmiths or steam fitters, at \$1,000 each; three oilers, at \$840 each; sixteen firemen, at \$720 each; twenty elevator conductors, at \$720 each; chief engineer, \$1,600; assistant electricians—two at \$1,200 each, three at \$1,000 each; two dynamo tenders, at \$900 each; carpenters—one \$1,600, one \$1,200, etc. Carpenters, laborers, etc.

two at \$1,000 each; plasterer and mason, \$1,200; awning maker, \$1,000; painters—one \$1,200, one \$1,000; plumbers—one \$1,200, one \$1,000; laborers—foreman \$900, assistant foreman \$840, two at \$840 each, seventy-eight at \$720 each, four at \$660 each; female laborers—one \$540, three at \$500 each, seven at \$480 each; fifty-eight char-women at \$240 each; actual and necessary expenses of the purchasing agent while traveling on business of the department, \$500; in all, \$1,798,730. Readjustment of salaries.

In making readjustments under the foregoing paragraph, the salary of any clerk in any class may be fixed by the Postmaster General at \$100 below the salary fixed by law for such class and the unused portion of such salary shall be used to increase the salary of any clerk in any class entitled thereto by not more than \$100 above the salary fixed by law for such class. The Postmaster General shall assign to the several bureaus, offices, and divisions of the Post Office Department in the District of Columbia such number of the employees authorized in the foregoing paragraph as may be necessary to perform the work required therein; and he shall submit a statement showing such assignments and the number employed at the various salaries in the Budget following the estimates for salaries in the Post Office Department. Assignments to bureaus, etc.

OFFICE FIRST ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL: First Assistant Postmaster General, \$5,000; chief clerk, \$2,500; division of post office service—superintendent \$4,000, assistant superintendent \$3,000, assistant superintendent \$2,750; division of postmasters' appointments—superintendent \$3,000, two assistant superintendents at \$2,000 each; superintendent, division of dead letters, \$2,500; chief, division of correspondence, \$2,000; in all, \$28,750. First Assistant Postmaster General, superintendents of divisions, etc.

OFFICE SECOND ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL: Second Assistant Postmaster General, \$5,000; chief clerk, \$2,500; division of railway adjustments—superintendent \$3,000, assistant superintendent \$2,250; assistant superintendent \$2,000; division of foreign mails—superintendent \$3,000, assistant superintendent \$2,000; division of railway mail service—general superintendent \$4,000, assistant general superintendent \$3,500, chief clerk \$2,000; in all, \$29,250. Second Assistant Postmaster General, superintendents of divisions, etc.

OFFICE THIRD ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL: Third Assistant Postmaster General, \$5,000; chief clerk, \$2,500; superintendents of divisions—stamps \$2,750, finance (who shall give bond in such amount as the Postmaster General may determine for the faithful discharge of his duties) \$2,250, classification \$2,750, registered mails \$2,500, money orders \$2,750; chief clerk, division of money orders, \$2,250; in all, \$22,750. Third Assistant Postmaster General, superintendents of divisions, etc.

OFFICE FOURTH ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL: Fourth Assistant Postmaster General, \$5,000; chief clerk, \$2,500; division of rural mails—superintendent, \$3,000, assistant superintendent \$2,000, chief clerk \$2,000; division of equipment and supplies—superintendent \$3,000, chief clerk \$2,000; topographer, \$2,400; skilled draftsman, \$2,000; in all, \$23,900. Fourth Assistant Postmaster General, superintendents of divisions, etc.

Total, salaries, \$1,903,380.

Contingent expenses. Stationery.	CONTINGENT EXPENSES, POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT: For stationery and blank books, index and guide cards, folders, and binding devices, including purchase of free penalty envelopes, \$30,000.
Heating plant, etc.	For fuel and repairs to heating, lighting, ice, and power plant, including repairs to elevators, purchase and exchange of tools, and electrical supplies, and removal of ashes, \$60,000.
Telegraphing. Miscellaneous.	For telegraphing, \$6,500.
Vehicles.	For miscellaneous items, including purchase, exchange, maintenance, and repair of typewriters, adding machines, and other labor-saving devices; not to exceed \$3,000 for purchase, exchange, hire, and maintenance of motor trucks and motor-driven passenger-carrying vehicles; street car fares not exceeding \$540; plumbing; floor coverings; postage stamps for correspondence addressed abroad which is not exempt under article 11 of the Rome convention of the Universal Postal Union, \$55,000, of which sum not exceeding \$14,500 may be expended for telephone service, and not exceeding \$1,800 may be expended for purchase and exchange of law books, books of reference, railway guides, city directories, books necessary to conduct the business of the department, and repairs to department buildings.
Furniture.	For furniture and filing cabinets, \$8,500.
Official Postal Guide.	For publication of copies of the Official Postal Guide, \$65,000.
Printing and binding.	For printing and binding for the Post Office Department, including postal savings and the money-order office, \$1,000,000.
Heating, etc., city post office building. <i>Post</i> , p. 768.	For reimbursement of the Government Printing Office for the cost of furnishing steam for heating and electric current for lighting and power to the Post Office Department Building at Massachusetts Avenue and North Capitol Street, District of Columbia, \$50,000.
Bureau of Accounts.	BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS.
Comptroller, assistant, chiefs of divisions, etc. <i>Ante</i> , p. 24.	Salaries: Comptroller, \$5,000; assistant and chief clerk, \$3,000; law clerk, \$3,000; expert accountant, \$3,000; four chiefs of division, at \$2,250 each; four assistant chiefs of division, at \$2,000 each; three principal bookkeepers, at \$2,000 each; clerks—seventeen of class four, nine of class three, one of class two, seven of class one; skilled laborers—sixteen at \$840 each, nine at \$720 each; messenger boys—five at \$540 each, four at \$480 each, four at \$420 each; forewoman, \$480; seventeen charwomen, at \$240 each; in all, \$122,580.
Auditing accounts, etc.	For compensation of such number of employees as may be necessary to audit the accounts and vouchers of the Postal Service, \$592,790.
Contingent expenses.	CONTINGENT AND MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES: For miscellaneous items, including purchase, repair, and exchange of typewriters and adding machines, of which not exceeding \$200 may be used for furniture and repairs, not exceeding \$850 may be used for rental of telephones, and not exceeding \$200 may be used for the purchase of law books, books of reference, and city directories, \$7,700, to be expended under the direction of the Comptroller of the Post Office Department under rules and regulations to be prescribed by the Postmaster General and to operate as a specific exception of the said office from the appropriation for contingent expenses, Post Office Department, unless otherwise provided by law.
Tabulating equipment expenses.	For purchase of cards and tabulating equipment for use in auditing accounts and vouchers of the Postal Service, including exchange and repairs, \$200,000, to be expended under the direction of the Comptroller of the Post Office Department under rules and regulations to be prescribed by the Postmaster General: <i>Provided</i> , That not exceeding \$44,000 may be expended for the rental of tabulating and card-sorting machines.
Proviso. Rental limit. Field service appropriations not to be used for the Department. <i>Vol. 5, p. 81.</i>	Appropriations hereinafter made for the field service of the Post Office Department, except as otherwise provided, shall not be expended for any of the purposes hereinbefore provided for on account of the Post Office Department in the District of Columbia.

FIELD SERVICE, POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF POSTMASTER GENERAL.

For gas, electric power and light, and the repair of machinery, United States Post Office Department equipment shops building, \$7,500.

The Postmaster General is hereby authorized to pay a cash reward for any invention, suggestion, or series of suggestions for an improvement or economy in device, design, or process applicable to the postal service submitted by one or more employees of the Post Office Department or the Postal Service which shall be adopted for use and will clearly effect a material economy or increase efficiency, and for that purpose the sum of \$5,000 is hereby appropriated: *Provided*, That the sums so paid to employees in accordance with this Act shall be in addition to their usual compensation: *Provided further*, That the total amount paid under the provisions of this Act shall not exceed \$1,000 in any month or for any one invention or suggestion: *Provided further*, That no employee shall be paid a reward under this Act until he has properly executed an agreement to the effect that the use by the United States of the invention, suggestion, or series of suggestions made by him shall not form the basis of a further claim of any nature upon the United States by him, his heirs, or assigns: *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall be available for no other purpose.

For compensation of a special assistant to the Attorney General to assist in the defense of cases against the United States arising out of the transportation of the mails, and in other cases and matters affecting the postal revenues, \$6,000.

For travel and miscellaneous expenses in the Postal Service, office of the Postmaster General, \$1,000.

For traveling and miscellaneous expenses in the service of the Postal Savings System, office of the director, \$500.

For printing, binding, and wrapping a revised edition of the Postal Laws and Regulations, such edition to be prepared under the direction of the Postmaster General and printed at the Government Printing Office, \$45,000.

To enable the Postmaster General to pay claims for damages to persons or property in accordance with the provisions of the Deficiency Appropriation Act approved June 16, 1921, \$35,000.

OFFICE OF CHIEF INSPECTOR: For salaries of fifteen inspectors in charge of divisions, at \$4,200 each; and four hundred and seventy inspectors, \$1,482,800; in all, \$1,545,800: *Provided*, That the appointment of additional inspectors shall be made upon certification of the Civil Service Commission, as heretofore practiced.

For compensation of one hundred and fifteen clerks at division headquarters, \$244,050.

For traveling expenses of inspectors, inspectors in charge, and the chief post-office inspector, and for the traveling expenses of four clerks, performing stenographic and clerical assistance to post-office inspectors in the investigation of important fraud cases, \$424,500.

For necessary miscellaneous expenses at division headquarters, \$16,000.

For payment of rewards for the detection, arrest, and conviction of post-office burglars, robbers, and highway mail robbers: *Provided*, That rewards may be paid, in the discretion of the Postmaster General, when an offender of the class mentioned was killed in the act of committing the crime or in resisting lawful arrest: *And provided further*, That of the amount herein appropriated not to exceed \$5,000 may be expended, in the discretion of the Postmaster General, for

Field service.

Postmaster General.

Equipment shops.

Cash rewards for inventions by employees for improvement of service, etc.

Proviso.
In addition to regular pay.

Amount limited.

Agreement for Government use required.

Restriction.

Special assistant to Attorney General in postal cases.

Travel, etc.

Postal Savings System.

Postal Laws and Regulations.
Printing, etc.

Damages claims.
Ante, p. 63.

Post office inspectors.

Proviso.
Civil service eligibles for new appointments.

Clerks at division headquarters.

Traveling expenses, etc.

Miscellaneous.

Rewards, etc.
Proviso.
Death of offender.

Securing information.

the purpose of securing information concerning violations of the postal laws and for services and information looking toward the apprehension of criminals, \$25,000.

First Assistant Postmaster General.

OFFICE OF THE FIRST ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL.

Postmasters.

Assistant postmasters.

Employees, first and second class offices.

Printers, mechanics, etc.

Watchmen, messengers, etc.

Contract station clerks.

Temporary, auxiliary, and substitute clerk hire.

Separating mails.

Unusual conditions.

Clerks, third class offices.

Rent, light, and fuel.

Proviso. Claims for canceled leases.

Vol. 23, p. 386.

Requirement for ending leases when public building available, repealed.

Miscellaneous, first and second class offices.

City delivery. Carriers.

Substitute carriers.

Carriers at new offices.

Village delivery.

Car fare, etc.

Street car collections.

Detroit Riverservice.

Special delivery.

Car fare.

Fees.

Proviso. Delivery without receipt.

For compensation to postmasters, \$43,000,000.

For compensation to assistant postmasters at first and second class post offices, \$6,000,000.

For compensation to clerks and employees at first and second class post offices, including substitutes for clerks and employees absent without pay, \$101,000,000.

For compensation to printers, mechanics, and skilled laborers, five at \$1,400 each, five at \$1,500 each, five at \$1,600 each, seven at \$1,700 each, thirty-five at \$1,800 each; in all, \$97,400.

For compensation to watchmen, messengers, and laborers, at \$1,350 each, and at \$1,450 each; in all, \$4,765,000.

For compensation to clerks in charge of contract stations, \$1,300,000.

For temporary and auxiliary clerk hire and for substitute clerk hire for clerks and employees absent with pay at first and second class post offices and temporary and auxiliary clerk hire at summer and winter resort post offices, \$8,000,000.

For separating mails at third and fourth class post offices, \$790,000.

For unusual conditions at post offices, \$150,000.

For allowances to third-class post offices to cover the cost of clerical services, \$4,000,000.

For rent, light, and fuel for first, second, and third class post offices, \$11,750,000: *Provided*, That the Postmaster General may use not exceeding \$10,000 of this appropriation for adjusting claims arising under section 1 of the Act entitled "An Act making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1886, and for other purposes," approved March 3, 1885:

And provided further, That that part of the Act approved March 3, 1885 (Twenty-third Statutes at Large, page 386), which provides that a lease for premises for use as a post office shall cease and terminate whenever a post office can be moved into a Government building, is hereby repealed.

For miscellaneous items necessary and incidental to post offices of the first and second classes, \$725,000.

For pay of letter carriers at offices already established, including substitutes for letter carriers absent without pay, City Delivery Service, \$70,200,000.

For pay of substitutes for letter carriers absent with pay, and of auxiliary and temporary letter carriers at offices where city delivery is already established, \$8,000,000.

For pay of letter carriers, substitute and auxiliary letter carriers at offices where City Delivery Service is established during the year, \$100,000.

For village delivery service in towns and villages having post offices of the second or third class, and in communities adjacent to cities having city delivery, \$1,500,000.

For car fare and bicycle allowance, \$900,000.

For street car collection service, \$1,700.

For Detroit River postal service, \$14,400.

For car fare for special-delivery messengers in emergency cases, \$17,000.

For fees to special-delivery messengers, \$6,500,000: *Provided*, That the Postmaster General may, under such rules and regulations as he shall prescribe, authorize the delivery of special-delivery matter

without obtaining a receipt therefor: *Provided further*, That nothing herein contained shall be construed as excusing the delivery of special delivery matter by messenger in the first instance. First delivery by messenger.

For travel and miscellaneous expenses in the Postal Service, office of the First Assistant Postmaster General, \$1,000. Travel, etc.

OFFICE OF THE SECOND ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL.

Second Assistant Postmaster General.

For inland transportation by star routes in Alaska, \$230,000: *Provided*, That out of this appropriation the Postmaster General is authorized to provide difficult or emergency mail service in Alaska, including the establishment and equipment of relay stations, in such manner as he may think advisable, without advertising therefor. Star routes, Alaska.

For inland transportation by steamboat or other power-boat routes, \$1,450,000. Steam or power boat service.

For mail-messenger service, \$7,000,000. Messenger service.

For inland transportation by railroad routes, \$90,000,000: *Provided*, That not to exceed \$1,500,000 of this appropriation may be expended for pay of freight and incidental charges for the transportation of mails conveyed under special arrangement in freight trains or otherwise: *Provided further*, That not exceeding \$500,000 of this appropriation may be expended for mail messenger service in lieu of payments to railroad companies for side and terminal service. Railroad routes.

For pay of freight or expressage on postal cards, stamped envelopes, newspaper wrappers, and empty mail bags, \$120,000. Proviso.

For the operation and maintenance of aeroplane mail service between New York, New York, and San Francisco, California, via Chicago, Illinois, and Omaha, Nebraska, including necessary incidental expenses and employment of necessary personnel, \$1,900,000. Emergency service.

RAILWAY MAIL SERVICE: For fifteen division superintendents, fifteen assistant division superintendents, two assistant superintendents, one assistant superintendent in charge of car construction, one hundred and twenty-one chief clerks, one hundred and twenty-one assistant chief clerks, clerks in charge of sections in the offices of division superintendents, railway postal clerks, substitute railway postal clerks, joint employees, and laborers in the Railway Mail Service, \$44,580,000. Freight on postal cards, etc.

For travel allowances to railway postal clerks and substitute railway postal clerks, \$2,750,000. Travel allowances to clerks.

For actual and necessary expenses, general superintendent and assistant general superintendent, division superintendents, assistant division superintendents, assistant superintendents, and chief clerks, Railway Mail Service, and railway postal clerks, while actually traveling on business of the Post Office Department and away from their several designated headquarters, \$57,000. Traveling, etc., expenses, away from headquarters.

For rent, light, heat, fuel, telegraph, miscellaneous and office expenses, schedules of mail trains, telephone service, and badges for railway postal clerks, including rental of offices for division headquarters, and chief clerk, Railway Mail Service, in Washington, District of Columbia, and rental of space for terminal railway post offices for the distribution of mails when the furnishing of space for such distribution can not under the Postal Laws and Regulations properly be required of railroad companies without additional compensation, and for equipment and miscellaneous items necessary and incidental to terminal railway post offices, \$2,000,000. Miscellaneous.

For inland transportation of mail by electric and cable cars, \$700,000. Rent for terminal offices.

For transportation of foreign mails by steamship, aircraft, or otherwise, \$6,500,000: *Provided*, That not to exceed \$150,000 of this sum may be expended for carrying foreign mail by aircraft. Electric and cable cars.

Foreign mails.

Proviso.

Aircraft allowance.

Balances to foreign countries.. For balances due foreign countries, \$500,000.
Travel, etc. For travel and miscellaneous expenses in the Postal Service, office of the Second Assistant Postmaster General, \$1,000.

Third Assistant Postmaster General. OFFICE OF THE THIRD ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL.

Stamps. For manufacture of adhesive postage stamps, special-delivery stamps, books of stamps, and for coiling of stamps, \$1,300,000.
Stamped envelopes and wrappers. For manufacture of stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers, \$5,000,000.
Distribution. For pay of agent and assistants to examine and distribute stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers, and expenses of agency, \$19,875.
Postal cards. For manufacture of postal cards, \$750,000.
Ship, etc., letters. For ship, steamboat, and way letters, \$150.
Indemnity, lost registered, etc., mail. For payment of limited indemnity for the injury or loss of pieces of domestic registered matter, insured and collect-on-delivery mail, \$4,365,000.
Domestic. For payment of limited indemnity for the injury or loss of international registered, insured, and collect-on-delivery mail, in accordance with convention stipulations, \$75,000.
International. For travel and miscellaneous expenses in the Postal Service, office of the Third Assistant Postmaster General, \$1,000.
Post, p. 1546.

Fourth Assistant Postmaster General. OFFICE OF THE FOURTH ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL.

Stationery, etc. For stationery for the Postal Service, including the money-order and registry systems; the pay of one assistant envelope inspector, at \$1,200 per annum; and also for the purchase of supplies for the Postal Savings System, including rubber stamps, canceling devices, certificates, envelopes and stamps for use in evidencing deposits, and free penalty envelopes; and for the reimbursement of the Secretary of the Treasury for expenses incident to the preparation, issue, and registration of the bonds authorized by the Act of June 25, 1910, \$980,000.
Postal Savings supplies. For miscellaneous equipment and supplies, including the purchase and repair of furniture, package boxes, posts, trucks, baskets, satchels, straps, letter-box paint, baling machines, perforating machines, duplicating machines, printing presses, directories, cleaning supplies, and the manufacture, repair, and exchange of equipment, the erection and painting of letter-box equipment, and for the purchase and repair of presses and dies for use in the manufacture of letter boxes; for postmarking, rating, money-order stamps, and electrotype plates and repairs to same, metal, rubber, and combination type, dates and figures, type holders, ink pads for canceling and stamping purposes, and for the purchase, exchange, and repair of typewriting machines, envelope-opening machines, and computing machines, copying presses, numbering machines, time recorders, letter balances, scales, test weights, and miscellaneous articles purchased and furnished directly to the Postal Service; for miscellaneous expenses in the preparation and publication of post-route maps and rural-delivery maps or blue prints, including tracing for photolithographic reproduction; for other expenditures necessary and incidental to post offices of the first, second, and third classes, and offices of the fourth class having or to have rural-delivery service, and for letter boxes, \$1,000,000; and the Postmaster General may authorize the sale to the public of post-route maps and rural-delivery maps or blue prints at the cost of printing and 10 per centum thereof added; of this amount \$1,500 may be expended in the purchase of atlases and geographical and technical works.
Vol. 36, p. 817.
Bond expenses. For wrapping twine and tying devices, \$440,000.
Miscellaneous equipment and supplies. Letter boxes, etc. Postmarking, etc., stamps. Post route, etc., maps. Sale, etc., of maps. Twine, etc.

For defraying expenses incident to the shipment of supplies, including hardware, boxing, packing, cartage, freight, and the pay of employees in connection therewith at the following annual rates: Storekeeper, \$2,650; freight clerk, \$2,000; foreman, \$1,800; ten requisition fillers, at \$1,600 each; two requisition fillers at \$1,200 each; ten packers, at \$1,600 each; two packers at \$1,200 each; and two chauffeurs at \$1,400 each; in all, \$286,050.

For rental, purchase, exchange, and repair of canceling machines and motors, mechanical mail-handling apparatus, and other labor-saving devices, including cost of power in rented buildings, and miscellaneous expenses of installation and operation of same, including salaries of five traveling mechanicians and for per diem allowance of traveling mechanicians while actually traveling on official business away from their homes and their official domiciles at a rate to be fixed by the Postmaster General, not to exceed \$4 per day, \$376,500: *Provided*, That not exceeding \$26,500 of this appropriation shall be expended for completing the purchase and installation of one letter-distributing machine, if upon test such machine is found by the Postmaster General to be satisfactory and efficient, and for no other purpose.

For the purchase, manufacture, and repair of mail bags and other mail containers and attachments, mail locks, keys, chains, tools, machinery, and material necessary for same, and for incidental expenses pertaining thereto; also material, machinery, and tools necessary for the manufacture and repair in the equipment shops at Washington, District of Columbia, of such other equipment for the Postal Service as may be deemed expedient; for compensation to labor employed in the equipment shops at Washington, District of Columbia, \$2,150,000: *Provided*, That out of this appropriation the Postmaster General is authorized to use as much of the sum, not exceeding \$15,000, as may be deemed necessary for the purchase of material and the manufacture in the equipment shops of such small quantities of distinctive equipments as may be required by other executive departments; and for service in Alaska, Porto Rico, Philippine Islands, Hawaii, or other island possessions.

For inland transportation by star routes (excepting service in Alaska), including temporary service to newly established offices, \$12,850,000.

For pay of rural carriers, substitutes for rural carriers on annual and sick leave, clerks in charge of rural stations, and tolls and ferriage, Rural Delivery Service, and for the incidental expenses thereof, \$86,900,000.

For vehicle allowance, the hiring of drivers, the rental of vehicles, and the purchase and exchange and maintenance, including stable and garage facilities, of wagons or automobiles for, and the operation of, screen-wagon and city delivery and collection services, \$15,000,000: *Provided*, That the Postmaster General may, in his disbursement of this appropriation, apply a part thereof to the leasing of quarters for the housing of Government-owned automobiles at a reasonable annual rental for a term not exceeding ten years.

For travel and miscellaneous expenses in the Postal Service, office of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General, \$1,000.

SEC. 2. That the joint commission authorized under section 6 of the Act approved April 24, 1920, entitled "An Act making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1921, and for other purposes," is hereby continued until June 30, 1923, to complete the investigation and to prepare a detailed report containing a summary of its findings thereof, and such recommendations as to legislation as it may deem proper:

Shipping supplies, etc.

Employees.

Cancelling, and labor-saving machines, etc.

Traveling mechanicians.

Proviso.
Purchasing letter distributing machine.

Mail bags, locks, etc.

Equipment shops, material, etc.

Labor.

Proviso.
Distinctive equipments, departments, Alaska, and insular possessions.

Star route transportation.

Rural delivery.

Vehicle allowance, wagon service, etc.

Proviso.
Garage leases.

Travel, etc.

Postal Commission.
Continued until June 30, 1923.
Vol. 41, p. 583.

Proviso.
Expenses limited.

Postal service reclassification.
Vol. 41, p. 1052, amend-
ed.

Leaves of absence to
employees hereafter.

Sick leave with pay,
etc.

Physician's certifi-
cate.

Rural post roads.
Additional authoriza-
tions of appropriations.
Vol. 39, p. 355; Vol.
40, p. 1201.

Post, p. 1157.

For 1923.
For 1924.
For 1925.
Immediate apportion-
ment for 1923.
Ante, p. 217.

Proviso.
Approval of project
by Secretary deemed
Federal obligation.

Federal Highway
Act.
Additional authoriza-
tion for roads and
trails in national for-
ests.
Ante, p. 218.

For 1924.
For 1925.
Railroad grade cross-
ings included as bridges.

Rural post roads.
Vol. 40, p. 1201, amend-
ed.

Payments per mile
allowed States for 1923.

Subsequent years.

Provided, That the said commission shall not expend a greater sum than \$125,000 during the fiscal year 1923.

SEC. 3. That the paragraph of the Act entitled "An Act to reclassify postmasters and employees of the Postal Service and readjust their salaries and compensation on an equitable basis," approved June 5, 1920, providing for leaves of absence, be amended to read as follows:

"Hereafter employees in the Postal Service shall be granted fifteen days' leave of absence with pay, exclusive of Sundays and holidays, each fiscal year, and sick leave with pay at the rate of ten days a year, exclusive of Sundays and holidays, to be cumulative for a period of three years, but no sick leave with pay in excess of thirty days shall be granted during any three consecutive years. Sick leave shall be granted only upon satisfactory evidence of illness and if more than two days the application therefor shall be accompanied by a physician's certificate."

SEC. 4. That for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads, and for other purposes," approved June 11, 1916, and all Acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the following additional sums, all such sums to be expended in accordance with the provisions of such Act:

The sum of \$50,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1923.

The sum of \$65,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1924.

The sum of \$75,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1925.

The Secretary of Agriculture is hereby authorized, immediately upon the passage of this Act, to apportion the \$50,000,000 herein authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1923, among the several States as provided in section 21 of the Federal Highway Act approved November 9, 1921: *Provided*, That the Secretary of Agriculture shall act upon projects submitted to him under his apportionment of this authorization and his approval of any such project shall be deemed a contractual obligation of the Federal Government for the payment of its proportional contribution thereto.

PAR. 2. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of section 23 of the Federal Highway Act, approved November 9, 1921, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated for forest roads and trails, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the following additional sums, to be available until expended, in accordance with the provisions of said section 23:

The sum of \$6,500,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1924.

The sum of \$6,500,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1925.

PAR. 3. For the purposes of this section and of the Acts heretofore making appropriations to aid the States in the construction of rural post roads the term "bridges" includes railroad grade separations, whether by means of overhead or underpass crossings.

PAR. 4. The provision of section 5 of the Act entitled "An Act making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1920, and for other purposes," approved February 28, 1919, fixing the limitation of \$20,000 per mile which the Secretary of Agriculture may make, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"That the payments which the Secretary of Agriculture may make from sums appropriated under this Act or any Act amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1923, shall not exceed \$16,250 per mile exclusive of the cost of bridges of more than twenty feet of clear span; and that the payments which the

Secretary of Agriculture may make from any sums appropriated under the provisions of this Act or any Act amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto, after the fiscal year ending June 30, 1923, shall not exceed \$15,000 per mile exclusive of the cost of bridges of more than twenty feet of clear span: *Provided*, That the limitation of payments herein provided shall apply to the public-land States, except that the same is hereby increased in proportion to the increased percentage of Federal aid authorized by section 11 of the Act entitled "An Act to amend the Act entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads, and for other purposes,"" approved November 9, 1921."

PAR. 5. Section 24 of the Act entitled "An Act to amend the Act entitled 'An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads, and for other purposes,'" approved November 9, 1921, is amended to read as follows: "That in any State where the existing constitution or laws will not permit the State to provide revenues for the construction, reconstruction, or maintenance of highways, the Secretary of Agriculture shall continue to approve projects for said State until five years after November 9, 1921, if he shall find that said State has complied with the provisions of this Act in so far as its existing constitution and laws will permit."

PAR. 6. If any officer, agent, or employee of the United States, or any officer, agent, or employee of any State or Territory, or any person, association, firm, or corporation or any officer or agent of any person, association, firm, or corporation shall knowingly make any false statement, false representation, or false report as to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of the material used or to be used, or the quantity or quality of the work performed or to be performed, or the costs thereof in connection with the submission of plans, maps, specifications, contracts, or costs of construction of any project submitted for approval to the Secretary of Agriculture under the provisions of the Federal Highway Act, or shall knowingly make any false statement, false representation, or false report or claim for work or materials for the construction of any project approved by the Secretary of Agriculture under said Federal Highway Act and all amendments thereto, or shall knowingly make any false statement or false representation in any report required to be made under said Federal Highway Act or Acts supplementary thereto with the intent to defraud the United States shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by imprisonment not to exceed five years or by a fine not to exceed \$10,000, or by both fine and imprisonment within said limits.

PAR. 7. If any provision of this section, or the application thereof to any person or circumstances, shall be held invalid, the validity of the remainder of the section and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

PAR. 8. All Acts or parts of Acts in any way inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby repealed.

SEC. 5. For the transmission of mail by pneumatic tubes or other similar devices in the city of New York, including the Borough of Brooklyn of the city of New York, at an annual rate of expenditure not in excess of \$18,500 per mile of double line of tubes, including power, labor, and all other operating expenses, \$513,911.50: *Provided*, That the provisions not inconsistent herewith of the Acts of April 21, 1902, and May 27, 1908, relating to the transmission of mail by pneumatic tubes or other similar devices, shall be applicable hereto: *Provided further*, That either party to the contract for the transmission of mail by pneumatic tubes or other similar devices may apply to the Interstate Commerce Commission at any time after October 1, 1922, and before July 1, 1923, for a revision of this rate, its decision to be

Proviso.
Application to public
land States.
Ante, p. 214.

Temporary approval
of projects when State
laws do not allow use
of its funds, extended.
Ante, p. 218, amend-
ed.

Punishment for mak-
ing false statements of
material, work, costs,
etc., of projects.

False claims for work,
etc.

False statements in
reports.

Invalidity of any pro-
vision, etc., not to af-
fect remainder of sec-
tion.

Inconsistent laws re-
pealed.

Pneumatic tube serv-
ice, New York and
Brooklyn.

Proviso.
Application of former
Acts.
Vol. 32, p. 114; Vol.
35, p. 412.

Revision of rates by
Interstate Commerce
Commission.

effective after July 1, 1923, but in no case shall the rate exceed \$19,500 per mile.

Clerks and carriers in
first and second class
offices.
Vol. 41, p. 1152, amend-
d.

Employees in Army,
etc., during World War
to have service credit
therein in Postal Serv-
ice.

Applicable to postal
employees in service
October 1, 1920.

Appropriation from
the Treasury to supply
deficiency in postal rev-
enues.

SEC. 6. That the provisions of that paragraph of the Act entitled "An Act making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1922, and for other purposes," approved March 1, 1921, which amends the Act to reclassify postmasters and employees of the Postal Service and readjust their salaries and compensation on an equitable basis, approved June 5, 1920, and which provides that postal employees and substitute postal employees who served in the military, marine, or naval service of the United States during the World War and have not reached the maximum grade of salary shall receive credit for all time served in the military, marine, or naval service on the basis of one day's credit of eight hours in the Postal Service for each day served in the military, marine, or naval service and be promoted to the grade to which such postal employee or substitute postal employee would have progressed had his original appointment as substitute been to grade one, shall be amended by adding the following: "shall apply to such postal employees and substitute postal employees who were in the Postal Service on October 1, 1920."

SEC. 7. That if the revenues of the Post Office Department shall be insufficient to meet the appropriations made by this Act, a sum equal to such deficiency in the revenues of such department is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply such deficiency in the revenues of the Post Office Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1923. And the sum needed may be advanced to the Post Office Department upon requisition of the Postmaster General.

Approved, June 19, 1922.

June 19, 1922.

[S. J. Res. 7.]

[Pub. Res., No. 61.]

CHAP. 228.—Joint Resolution Authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to designate depositaries of public moneys in foreign countries and in the Territories and insular possessions of the United States.

Depositaries of pub-
lic moneys.
Designation of, in
foreign countries, etc.,
authorized.

Proviso.
Preference to Ameri-
can institutions.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury may designate such depositaries of public moneys in foreign countries and in the Territories and insular possessions of the United States as may be necessary for the transaction of the Government's business, under such terms and conditions as to security and otherwise as he may from time to time prescribe: *Provided*, That in designating such depositaries American financial institutions shall be given preference wherever, in the judgment of the Secretary of the Treasury, such institution is safe and able to render the service required.

Approved, June 19, 1922.

June 21, 1922.

[H. R. 8785.]

[Public, No. 245.]

CHAP. 229.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the Mobridge Bridge Company, of Mobridge, South Dakota, to construct a pontoon bridge across the Missouri River.

Missouri River.
Mobridge Bridge
Company may bridge,
Mobridge, S. Dak.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to the Mobridge Bridge Company, of Mobridge, South Dakota, and its successors and assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a pontoon bridge and approaches thereto across the Missouri River at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near Mobridge, in the county of Walworth, in the State of South