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the cost of preparation of the body for burial (including the cost of a suitable casket) and transportation of same with escort to the home of the deceased. In the case of any mother or widow willfully failing to continue the pilgrimage of her particular group the United States shall not incur or be subject to any expense with regard to her pilgrimage after such failure."

Vol. 45, p. 1509, amended.

SEC. 2. That section 3 of said Act be, and the same is hereby, amended by adding two new paragraphs, as follows:

Full authority of Secretary of War to carry out provisions of Act.

"(a) In carrying into effect the provisions of this Act the Secretary of War is authorized to do all things necessary to accomplish the purpose prescribed, by contract or otherwise, with or without advertising, including the engagement by contract or otherwise of such personal services as may be necessary without regard to civil-service requirements and restrictions of laws governing the employment and compensation of employees of the United States, and to detail for duty in connection with the pilgrimage such officers of the Army of the United States for such time as may be necessary without regard to existing laws and regulations governing the detail of officers. Any appropriations for carrying this Act into effect shall be available for the payment in advance of such per diem allowance in lieu of subsistence and other traveling expenses as may be prescribed by the Secretary of War for the travel of pilgrims and for the payment of mileage, reimbursement of actual traveling expenses or per diem in lieu thereof, as authorized by law, to officers of the Army, and pay and traveling expenses of civilian employees, including civilian employees of the War Department who may be temporarily detailed for this service.

Appropriations available for payment of designated expenses in advance.

Detail of Maj. Gen. B. F. Cheatham, Army, retired, to execute Act.

Pay, etc.

"(b) The Secretary of War may detail to active duty in connection with the execution of the provisions of this Act and any amendments thereto Major General B. F. Cheatham, United States Army, retired, who while on such active duty shall receive the full pay and allowances of a major general on the active list, notwithstanding existing laws relative to the pay of officers of the Army."

Approved, April 19, 1930.

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[H. R. 8799.]
[Public, No. 156.]

CHAP. 199.—An Act To provide for a survey of the Choctawhatchee River, Florida and Alabama, with a view to the prevention and control of its floods.

Choctawhatchee River, Fla. and Ala. Survey, etc., of, for flood control.
Post, p. 911.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and directed to cause a survey to be made of the Choctawhatchee River, Florida and Alabama, with a view to preparing plans and estimates of the cost of such work as may be necessary for the prevention and control of its floods, in accordance with the provisions of section 3 of an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the control of the floods of the Mississippi River and of the Sacramento River, California, and for other purposes," approved March 1, 1917, and the recommendations of the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, contained in House Document Numbered 163, Seventy-first Congress, second session, and the sum of $14,000 is hereby authorized to be appropriated for this purpose.

Vol. 39, p. 949.
U. S. C., p. 1090.

Sum authorized.

Approved, April 19, 1930.