

## THANKSGIVING DAY, 1944

November 1, 1944  
[No. 2629]

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

## A PROCLAMATION

In this year of liberation, which has seen so many millions freed from tyrannical rule, it is fitting that we give thanks with special fervor to our Heavenly Father for the mercies we have received individually and as a nation and for the blessings He has restored, through the victories of our arms and those of our Allies, to His children in other lands.

For the preservation of our way of life from the threat of destruction; for the unity of spirit which has kept our Nation strong; for our abiding faith in freedom; and for the promise of an enduring peace, we should lift up our hearts in thanksgiving.

For the harvest that has sustained us and, in its fullness, brought succor to other peoples; for the bounty of our soil, which has produced the sinews of war for the protection of our liberties; and for a multitude of private blessings, known only in our hearts, we should give united thanks to God.

To the end that we may bear more earnest witness to our gratitude to Almighty God, I suggest a nationwide reading of the Holy Scriptures during the period from Thanksgiving Day to Christmas. Let every man of every creed go to his own version of the Scriptures for a renewed and strengthening contact with those eternal truths and majestic principles which have inspired such measure of true greatness as this nation has achieved.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, President of the United States of America, in consonance with the joint resolution of the Congress approved December 26, 1941, do hereby proclaim Thursday the twenty-third day of November 1944 a day of national thanksgiving; and I call upon the people of the United States to observe it by bending every effort to hasten the day of final victory and by offering to God our devout gratitude for His goodness to us and to our fellow men.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this first day of November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-four [SEAL] and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and sixty-ninth.

FRANKLIN D ROOSEVELT

By the President:

E. R. STETTINIUS, Jr.  
*Acting Secretary of State.*

EMERGENCY BOARD, BINGHAM AND GARFIELD RAILWAY COMPANY—  
EMPLOYEES

November 8, 1944  
[No. 2630]

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

## A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the President, having been duly notified by the National Mediation Board that a dispute between the Bingham And Garfield Railway Company, a carrier, and certain of its employees represented by the following labor organization:

Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen which dispute has not heretofore been adjusted under the provisions of the Railway Labor Act, amended, now threatens substantially to interrupt interstate commerce within the State of Utah to a degree such as to deprive that section of the country of essential transportation service;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the power vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, and by virtue of and under the authority in me vested by Section 10 of the Railway Labor Act, amended, do hereby create a board to be composed of 3 persons not pecuniarily or otherwise interested in any organization of railway employees or any carrier, to investigate the aforementioned dispute and report its findings to me within thirty days from this date.

The members of this board shall be compensated for and on account of such duties in the sum of seventy-five dollars (\$75.) for every day actually employed with or upon account of travels and duties incident to such board. The members will be reimbursed for and they are hereby authorized to make expenditures for expenses for themselves and of the board, including necessary transportation expenses, and in conformity with Public No. 373-78th Congress, approved June 28, 1944, not to exceed six dollars (\$6.00) per diem in lieu of subsistence while so employed.

All expenditures of the Board shall be allowed and paid for out of the appropriation "Arbitration and Emergency Boards, National Mediation Board, 1945" on the presentation of itemized vouchers properly approved by the chairmen of the board hereby created.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and sixty-ninth.

FRANKLIN D ROOSEVELT

By the President:

E. R. STETTINIUS, Jr.  
*Acting Secretary of State.*

SPECIFICATION OF THE TERMINATION DATE AS PROVIDED IN THE  
RENEGOTIATION ACT

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

November 14, 1944  
[No. 2631]

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS subsection (h) of the Renegotiation Act (section 403, as amended, of the Sixth Supplemental National Defense Appropriation Act, 1942, approved April 28, 1942 (56 Stat. 226, 245), as amended by section 701 of the Revenue Act of 1943, enacted February 25, 1944 (58 Stat. 26, 78)), provides in part:

"This section shall apply only with respect to profits derived from contracts with the Departments and subcontracts which are attributable to performance prior to the termination date. For the purposes of this subsection—

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"(2) The term 'termination date' means—

"(A) December 31, 1944; or

"(B) If the President not later than December 1, 1944, finds and by proclamation declares that competitive conditions have not been restored, such date not later

44 Stat. 577.  
45 U. S. C. §§ 151-188; Supp. III, ch. 8.

Creation of board to investigate dispute.

44 Stat. 586.  
45 U. S. C. § 160.

Compensation of members.

*Ante*, p. 568.

Appropriation available.

*Ante*, p. 568.

*Ante*, p. 87.

"Termination date."