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[Public, No. 119.]

CHAP. 125.—An Act To authorize and direct Colonel George W. Goethals, Governor of the Canal Zone, and formerly chairman and chief engineer of the Isthmian Canal Commission, to investigate certain claims of the McClintic-Marshall Construction Company.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Colonel George W. Goethals, Governor of the Canal Zone, and formerly chairman and chief engineer of the Isthmian Canal Commission, is hereby authorized and directed to investigate the claims of the McClintic-Marshall Construction Company, a corporation of the State of Pennsylvania, having its principal office in the city of Pittsburgh, in said State, and to ascertain what amount, if any, is in justice, equity, and fairness due and owing to the said McClintic-Marshall Construction Company from the Isthmian Canal Commission for work and labor done and materials furnished in connection with the construction and erection of lock gates and appurtenances for the Panama Canal, and in connection with or incidental to the doing of the work and furnishing of the materials provided for in a certain contract between the Isthmian Canal Commission and said McClintic-Marshall Construction Company, dated June twenty-first, nineteen hundred and ten, taking into consideration the claim of the contractors that the work was done under requirements as to character and finish not fairly within the meaning of the specifications.

The said Colonel George W. Goethals, Governor of the Canal Zone, is further authorized and empowered, either personally or through such commission as he may appoint, to investigate such claims and the various items thereof in such manner as to him may seem best, and either personally or through such commission is hereby empowered to administer oaths and affirmations to witnesses, and to issue subpoenas and to compel the attendance of witnesses. He shall report in detail to the Congress of the United States his findings.

Approved, June 24, 1914.

June 27, 1914.

[Public, No. 129.]

CHAP. 129.—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.

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 immediately available and to continue available until expended, namely:

FORTIFICATIONS AND OTHER WORKS OF DEFENSE.

UNDER THE ENGINEER DEPARTMENT.

Gun and mortar batteries, Modernizing emplacements.

For construction of gun and mortar batteries, $250,000.
For modernizing older emplacements, the sum of $100,000 is reapropriated and made available out of the aggregate unexpended balance of the appropriations for repair and protection of defenses of Pensacola, Florida, made in the Fortifications Appropriation Acts approved March second, nineteen hundred and seven, and March third, nineteen hundred and nine, respectively.

For the construction and installation of methods of Coast Artillery war instruction at Coast Artillery posts, including necessary material and labor therefor and for extra-duty pay to soldiers necessarily employed for periods not less than ten days, $25,000.