ties, under the various headings of appropriations made to said departments as may be necessary.

Hereafter section 3648 of the Revised Statutes shall not apply to subscriptions for publications for the United States Veterans' Bureau and the director is authorized to pay in advance for any publications for the use of the Bureau.

Vocational rehabilitation: For carrying out the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the vocational rehabilitation and return to civil employment of disabled persons discharged from the military or naval forces of the United States, and for other purposes," approved June 27, 1918, as amended, $89,000,000: Provided, That no part of the foregoing sum shall be used for the establishment, maintenance, or operation of training schools at any . Army camp or cantonment acquired for use as a training center: Provided further, That no part of the foregoing appropriation shall be expended for construction work except necessary extensions, additions, and repairs, which may be accomplished either by contract or by hire of temporary employees and the purchase of materials: Provided further, That this appropriation shall be available for the purchase and distribution of embossed literature in Revised Braille for the use of blinded ex-service men and for procurement of equipment and supplies for the production of such literature: Provided further, That under such regulations as the director may prescribe he is hereby authorized to sell at 90 per cent of the appraised valuation to trade, technical, and public schools and universities, and other recognized educational institutions, upon application in writing, such surplus material, supplies, and equipment acquired for the purpose of vocational training as are suitable for their use which are now owned by the United States of America and under control of the United States Veterans' Bureau and are not needed for Government purposes.

For military and naval insurance, $88,000,000.

Sec. 2. In expending appropriations or portions of appropriations contained in this Act for the payment for personal services in the District of Columbia in accordance with the Classification Act of 1923, the average of the salaries of the total number of persons under any grade or class thereof in any bureau, office, or other appropriation unit shall not at any time exceed the average of the compensation rates specified for the grade by such Act: Provided, That this restriction shall not apply (1) to grades 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the clerical-mechanical service, or (2) to require the reduction in salary of any person whose compensation is fixed as of July 1, 1924, in accordance with the rules of section 6 of such Act, or (3) to prevent the payment of a salary under any grade at a rate higher than the maximum rate of the grade when such higher rate is permitted by the Classification Act of 1923 and is specifically authorized by other law.

Approved, June 7, 1924.

CHAP. 293.—An Act To provide for a girls' dormitory at the Fort Lapwai Sanatorium, Lapwai, Idaho.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, There is hereby authorized to be appropriated out of the Treasury of the United States the sum of $50,000 for the purpose of constructing and equipping a girls' dormitory for the housing of patients being treated for tuberculosis in the Fort Lapwai Sanatorium, said dormitory to be erected on the grounds now occupied by the sanatorium, at Lapwai, Idaho.

Approved, June 7, 1924.