

CHAP. 3544.—An Act To authorize the village of Oslo, Marshall County, Minnesota, to construct a bridge across the Red River of the North.

June 25, 1906.
[H. R. 20119.]

[Public No. 296.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the village of Oslo, a municipal corporation organized under the laws of the State of Minnesota, its successors and assigns, be, and they are hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a pontoon bridge and approaches thereto across the Red River of the North at a point in said village to a point opposite in the State of North Dakota, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March twenty-third, nineteen hundred and six.

Red River of the North. Oslo, Minn., may bridge.

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SEC. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Amendment.

Approved, June 25, 1906.

CHAP. 3546.—An Act Making appropriations for the service of the Post-Office Department for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and seven, and for other purposes.

June 26, 1906.
[H. R. 16953.]

[Public, No. 297.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and they are hereby, appropriated for the service of the Post-Office Department, in conformity with the Act of July second, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, as follows:

Postal service appropriations.

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OFFICE OF THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

Postmaster-General.

For advertising, three thousand five hundred dollars.

Advertising.

SALARIES OF POST-OFFICE INSPECTORS: For salaries of fifteen inspectors in charge of divisions, at three thousand dollars each; ten inspectors, at two thousand four hundred dollars each; fifteen inspectors, at two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars each; fifteen inspectors, at two thousand dollars each; ten inspectors, at one thousand eight hundred dollars each; one hundred and thirty inspectors, at one thousand six hundred dollars each; one hundred and ten inspectors, at one thousand four hundred dollars each; and seventy-two inspectors, at one thousand two hundred dollars each; in all, five hundred and ninety-nine thousand one hundred and fifty dollars: *Provided*, That all persons employed on the thirtieth day of June, nineteen hundred and six, as superintendents of division, rural delivery, shall, on July first, nineteen hundred and six, be appointed as post-office inspectors of the grade of one thousand eight hundred dollars per year: *And provided further*, That all persons employed on June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and six, as rural agents shall, on July first, nineteen hundred and six, be appointed as post-office inspectors, except not to exceed one hundred and forty-seven of such agents shall be so appointed as post-office inspectors.

Post-office inspectors.

Salaries.

Proviso. Rural delivery superintendents made inspectors.

Rural agents made inspectors.

Limit.

For per diem allowance of inspectors in the field while actually traveling on official business away from their home, their official domicile, and their headquarters, at a rate to be fixed by the Postmaster-General, not to exceed four dollars per day, three hundred and fifty thousand dollars: *Provided*, That the Postmaster-General may, in his discretion, allow inspectors per diem while temporarily located at any place on business away from their home, or their designated domicile, for a period not exceeding twenty consecutive days at any one place, and make rules and regulations governing the foregoing provisions relating to per diem: *And provided further*, That no per diem shall be paid to inspectors receiving annual salaries of two thousand dollars or more.

Per diem.

Proviso. Temporary allowances.

Limit.

Clerks, etc.	For compensation to clerks and laborers at division headquarters, ninety-five thousand dollars.
Traveling, etc., expenses.	For traveling expenses of inspectors without per diem, and of inspectors in charge, expenses incurred by inspectors not covered by per diem allowance, and traveling expenses of the chief post-office inspector, seventy thousand dollars.
Miscellaneous.	For necessary miscellaneous expenses at division headquarters, six thousand dollars.
Rewards, etc.	For payment of rewards for the detection, arrest, and conviction of post-office burglars, robbers, and highway mail robbers, twenty thousand dollars: <i>Provided</i> , That of the amount herein appropriated not to exceed two thousand dollars may be expended, in the discretion of the Postmaster-General, for the purpose of securing information concerning violations of the postal laws, and for services and information looking toward the apprehension of criminals.
<i>Proviso.</i> Obtaining information, etc.	
Travel, etc.	For travel and miscellaneous expenses in the postal service, office of the Postmaster-General, one thousand dollars.

First Assistant
Postmaster-General.

OFFICE OF THE FIRST ASSISTANT POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

Postmasters. Assistant postmasters.	For compensation to postmasters, twenty-four million dollars. For compensation to assistant postmasters at first and second class post-offices: Two, at three thousand five hundred dollars each; twenty-five, at three thousand dollars each; five, at two thousand five hundred dollars each; two, at two thousand dollars each; twelve, at one thousand nine hundred dollars each; twenty, at one thousand eight hundred dollars each; fifty-five, at one thousand seven hundred dollars each; one hundred, at one thousand six hundred dollars each; ninety, at one thousand five hundred dollars each; one hundred, at one thousand four hundred dollars each; two hundred and ten, at one thousand three hundred dollars each; three hundred and fifty, at one thousand two hundred dollars each; three hundred and forty, at one thousand one hundred dollars each; two hundred and fifty, at one thousand dollars each; sixty, at nine hundred dollars each; sixty, at eight hundred dollars each, and sixty, at seven hundred dollars each; in all, not to exceed two million one hundred and twenty-three thousand eight hundred dollars.
Superintendent, clerks, etc. At \$3,200.	For compensation to clerks in first and second class post-offices; Superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, and superintendents of registry, eight, at not exceeding three thousand two hundred dollars each;
At \$3,000.	Auditors, two, at not exceeding three thousand dollars each;
At \$2,700.	Superintendents of delivery and superintendents of mails, seventeen, at not exceeding two thousand seven hundred dollars each;
At \$2,600.	Cashiers, superintendents of delivery, and superintendents of mails, twenty-one, at not exceeding two thousand six hundred dollars each;
At \$2,500.	Superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, and superintendents of stations, six, at not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars each;
At \$2,400.	Assistant superintendent of delivery, assistant superintendent of mails, assistant superintendent of money order, assistant superintendent of registry, bookkeeper, cashiers, finance clerk, private secretaries, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, and superintendents of registry, twenty-six, at not exceeding two thousand four hundred dollars each;
At \$2,200.	Assistant superintendents of mails, bookkeepers, cashiers, chief mailing clerks, chief stamp clerks, finance clerks, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, superintendent of registry, and superintendents of stations, twenty-nine, at not exceeding two thousand two hundred dollars each;

Chief stamp clerks, night superintendents, superintendents of carriers, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of inquiry, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, and superintendents of registry, sixteen, at not exceeding two thousand one hundred dollars each; At \$2,100.

Assistant cashiers, assistant superintendents of delivery, assistant superintendents of mails, assistant superintendents of money order, assistant superintendents of registry, bookkeepers, cashiers, examiners of stations, finance clerks, superintendents of carriers, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, superintendents of registry, superintendents of second-class matter, superintendent of inquiry, and superintendents of stations, seventy-seven, at not exceeding two thousand dollars each; At \$2,000.

Assistant cashiers, assistant superintendents of delivery, assistant superintendents of mails, assistant superintendents of money order, assistant superintendents of registry, assistant superintendents of stations, bookkeepers, cashiers, chief mailing clerks, chief stamp clerks, examiners of stations, finance clerks, private secretaries, superintendents of carriers, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, superintendents of registry, superintendents of second-class matter, and superintendents of stations, sixty, at not exceeding one thousand eight hundred dollars each; At \$1,800.

Assistant cashiers, assistant superintendents of delivery, assistant superintendents of mails, assistant superintendents of money order, assistant superintendents of registry, assistant superintendents of stations, bookkeepers, cashiers, chief mailing clerks, chief stamp clerks, examiners of stations, finance clerks, private secretaries, superintendents of carriers, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, superintendents of registry, superintendents of second-class matter, and superintendents of stations, one hundred and eighteen, at not exceeding one thousand seven hundred dollars each; At \$1,700.

Assistant cashiers, assistant superintendents of delivery, assistant superintendents of mails, assistant superintendents of money order, assistant superintendents of registry, assistant superintendents of stations, bookkeepers, cashiers, chief mailing clerks, chief stamp clerks, examiners of stations, finance clerks, foremen of crews, private secretaries, superintendents of carriers, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, superintendents of registry, superintendents of second-class matter, and superintendents of stations, one hundred and five, at not exceeding one thousand six hundred dollars each; At \$1,600.

Assistant cashiers, assistant superintendents of delivery, assistant superintendents of mails, assistant superintendents of money order, assistant superintendents of registry, assistant superintendents of stations, bookkeepers, cashiers, chief mailing clerks, chief stamp clerks, examiners of stations, finance clerks, foremen of crews, private secretaries, superintendents of carriers, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, superintendents of registry, superintendents of second-class matter, and superintendents of stations, one hundred and twenty-two, at not exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars each; At \$1,500.

Assistant cashiers, assistant superintendents of delivery, assistant superintendents of mails, assistant superintendents of money order, assistant superintendents of registry, assistant superintendents of stations, bookkeepers, cashiers, chief mailing clerks, chief stamp clerks, clerks, examiners of stations, finance clerks, foremen of crews, private secretaries, superintendents of carriers, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, superin- At \$1,400.

tendents of registry, superintendents of second-class matter, and superintendents of stations, three hundred and sixty-nine, at not exceeding one thousand four hundred dollars each;

At \$1,300.

Assistant cashiers, assistant superintendents of delivery, assistant superintendents of money order, assistant superintendents of mails, assistant superintendents of registry, assistant superintendents of stations, bookkeepers, cashiers, chief mailing clerks, chief stamp clerks, clerks, finance clerks, foremen of crews, private secretaries, superintendents of carriers, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, superintendents of registry, superintendents of second-class matter, and superintendents of stations, four hundred and forty-five, at not exceeding one thousand three hundred dollars each;

At \$1,200.

Assistant cashiers, assistant superintendents of delivery, assistant superintendents of mails, assistant superintendents of money order, assistant superintendents of registry, assistant superintendents of stations, bookkeepers, chief stamp clerks, clerks, finance clerks, foremen of crews, printers, private secretaries, superintendents of carriers, superintendents of second-class matter, superintendents of stations, and machinist, one thousand eight hundred and twenty, at not exceeding one thousand two hundred dollars each;

At \$1,100.

Assistant superintendents of stations, clerks, printers, private secretaries, superintendents of carriers, superintendents of second-class matter, and superintendents of stations, one thousand seven hundred and twenty, at not exceeding one thousand one hundred dollars each;

At \$1,000.

Assistant superintendents of stations, clerks, clerks in charge of stations, printers, private secretaries, superintendents of carriers, and superintendents of second-class matter, two thousand seven hundred and thirty-five, at not exceeding one thousand dollars each;

At \$900.

Carpenters, clerks, clerks in charge of stations, pressmen, printers, private secretaries, and oilers, three thousand four hundred and ninety, at not exceeding nine hundred dollars each;

At \$800.

Carpenters, clerks, clerks in charge of stations, and pressmen, five thousand and ten, at not exceeding eight hundred dollars each;

At \$700.

Carpenters, clerks, clerks in charge of stations, janitors, laborers, messengers, porters, pressmen, and watchmen, four thousand five hundred and sixty-five, at not exceeding seven hundred dollars each;

At \$600.

Carpenters, clerks, clerks in charge of stations, janitors, laborers, messengers, porters, pressmen, and watchmen, four thousand, at not exceeding six hundred dollars each: *Provided*, That one hundred of the additional clerks of this grade shall be immediately available and designated for service at the Chicago office;

Proviso.
Additional for Chicago.

At \$500.

Clerks, clerks in charge of stations, janitors, laborers, messengers, porters, and watchmen, nine hundred, at not exceeding five hundred dollars each;

At \$400.

Clerks, clerks in charge of stations, janitors, laborers, messengers, porters, and watchmen, three hundred and twenty-five, at not exceeding four hundred dollars each;

Contract-stations
clerks.

Clerks in charge of contract stations, at a rate of compensation above three hundred dollars each, and not to exceed one thousand dollars each, two hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars;

At \$300.

Clerks in charge of contract stations, at a rate of compensation not to exceed three hundred dollars each, four hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars;

In all, twenty-two million seven hundred thousand dollars.

Restrictions.

And the appointment and assignment of clerks hereunder shall be so made during the fiscal year as not to involve a greater aggregate expenditure than this sum, and the assignment of the several grades of compensation to the various offices shall be made, so far as practicable, in proportion to the amount of business transacted through such offices and the respective divisions thereof.

Assignments of
grades.

For compensation to substitutes for clerks at first and second class post-offices on vacation, one hundred thousand dollars.

Substitutes for clerks on leave.

For temporary clerk hire at first and second class post-offices, including temporary clerk hire at summer and winter resorts, one hundred and fifty-two thousand dollars: *Provided*, That the Postmaster-General may, in the disbursement of this appropriation, allow postmasters at first-class offices to employ temporary clerks at the rate of twenty-five cents an hour during the rush or busy hours of the day.

Temporary clerks.

Proviso.
During busy hours.

For separating mails at third and fourth class post-offices, eight hundred thousand dollars.

Separating mails.

For unusual conditions at second, third and fourth class post-offices, one hundred thousand dollars.

Unusual conditions.

For allowance to third-class post offices to cover the cost of clerical services, seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars: *Provided*, That no allowance in excess of two hundred dollars shall be made where the salary of the postmaster is one thousand dollars, one thousand one hundred dollars, or one thousand two hundred dollars; nor in excess of three hundred dollars where the salary of the postmaster is one thousand three hundred dollars, one thousand four hundred dollars, or one thousand five hundred dollars; nor in excess of four hundred dollars where the salary of the postmaster is one thousand six hundred dollars, one thousand seven hundred dollars, one thousand eight hundred dollars, or one thousand nine hundred dollars.

Clerks, third-class offices.
Proviso.
Allotments.

For rent, light, and fuel for first, second, and third class post-offices, three million dollars: *Provided*, That there shall not be allowed for the use of any third-class post-office for rent a sum in excess of four hundred dollars, nor more than eighty dollars for fuel and light in any one year: *And provided further*, That the Postmaster-General may, in the disbursement of this appropriation, apply a part thereof to the purpose of leasing premises for the use of post-offices of the first, second, and third classes, at a reasonable annual rental, to be paid quarterly, for a term not exceeding ten years.

Rent, light, and fuel.
Proviso.
Limit.

Ten-year leases.

For necessary miscellaneous and incidental items directly connected with first and second class post-offices and money-order service, including furniture, cleaning, and all other matters not specifically provided for in other appropriations, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Miscellaneous.

For rental or purchase of canceling machines, including cost of power in rented buildings, motors, repairs to motors, and miscellaneous expenses of installation and operation, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Canceling machines.

For compensation to ten assistant superintendents, salary and allowance division, at the rate of two thousand dollars per annum each, and for their per diem allowance when actually traveling on business of the Post-Office Department, at a rate to be fixed by the Postmaster-General not to exceed four dollars per day, and for other necessary official expenses, thirty-four thousand six hundred dollars.

Assistant superintendents.

For pay of letter carriers and substitute letter carriers at offices already established, and for pay of substitute and temporary letter carriers for holiday, election, emergency, and summer and winter resort service, city delivery service, twenty-two million two hundred and twenty-eight thousand dollars.

City delivery.
Letter carriers.

For pay of letter carriers and substitute letter carriers at new offices entitled to city delivery service under existing law, fifty thousand dollars.

New offices.

For horse-hire allowance, seven hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars.

Horse hire.

For car fare and bicycle allowance, three hundred and forty thousand dollars.

Car fare and bicycles.

For compensation to twenty-two mechanics, at not exceeding nine hundred dollars each, nineteen thousand eight hundred dollars.

Mechanics.

Marine service, Detroit.	For marine postal service, Detroit, Michigan, four thousand five hundred dollars.
Incidentals.	For all incidental expenses of the city delivery service, including freight and drayage on equipment, furniture, and supplies, painting, repairing, and erecting letter and package boxes and posts, repairing clocks and other equipments, maps, and miscellaneous items, forty thousand dollars.
Special delivery. Car fare.	For car fare for special-delivery messengers in emergent cases, ten thousand dollars.
Fees.	For fees to special-delivery messengers, nine hundred and fifty thousand dollars.
Travel, etc.	For travel and miscellaneous expenses in the postal service, office of the First Assistant Postmaster-General, one thousand dollars: <i>Provided</i> , That a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars may be used for the purchase of city directories and books of reference.
<i>Proviso</i> . Directories, etc.	

Second Assistant Postmaster-General.

OFFICE OF THE SECOND ASSISTANT POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

Transportation. Star routes.	For inland transportation by star routes, including temporary service to newly established offices, seven million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars: <i>Provided</i> , That no part of this appropriation shall be expended for continuance of any star route service the patronage of which shall be served entirely by the extension of rural delivery service, nor shall any of said sum be expended for the establishment of new star route service for a patronage which is already entirely served by rural delivery service: <i>Provided</i> , 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.
<i>Provisos</i> . Discontinued if served by rural delivery.	
Alaska service.	
Steamboat routes.	For inland transportation by steamboat, or other power-boat routes, eight hundred thousand dollars.
Messenger service.	For mail-messenger service, one million three hundred and fifty thousand dollars.
Pneumatic tubes, etc. Contracts.	For the transmission of mail by pneumatic tubes or other similar devices, nine hundred thousand dollars, and the Postmaster-General is hereby authorized to enter into contracts not exceeding, in the aggregate, one million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, under the provisions of the law, for a period not exceeding ten years: <i>Provided</i> , That said service shall not be extended in any cities other than those in which the service is now under contract under authority of Congress, except the Borough of Brooklyn, of the city of New York, and the cities of Baltimore, Maryland; Cincinnati, Ohio; Kansas City, Missouri; Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, and San Francisco, California.
<i>Proviso</i> . Limitation to cities.	
Wagon service.	For regulation, screen, or other wagon service, one million two hundred and twenty-seven thousand dollars.
Mail bags, etc.	For mail bags, cord fasteners, label cases, and labor and material necessary for repairing equipment, and for incidental expenses pertaining thereto, four hundred and fifty thousand dollars.
Locks, keys, etc.	For mail locks and keys, chains, tools, and machinery, and labor and material necessary for repairing same, and incidental expenses pertaining thereto, forty-five thousand dollars.
Repair shop.	For rent of buildings for a mail-bag repair shop and lock repair shop, and for fuel, electric power, light, gas, watchmen, charwomen, oil, and repair of machinery for said shops, fourteen thousand dollars.
Railroad routes. Fines for delays.	For inland transportation by railroad routes, forty-three million dollars. That the Postmaster-General shall require all railroads carrying the mails under contract to comply with the terms of said contract, as to time of arrival and departure of said mails, and it shall be his

duty to impose and collect reasonable fines for delay, when such delay is not caused by unavoidable accidents or conditions.

For pay of freight or expressage on postal cards, stamped envelopes, newspaper wrappers, empty mail bags, furniture, equipment, and other supplies for the postal service, except postage stamps, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. And the Postmaster-General shall require, when in freightable lots and whenever practicable, the withdrawal from the mails of all postal cards, stamped envelopes, newspaper wrappers, empty mail bags, furniture, equipment, and other supplies for the postal service, except postage stamps, in the respective weighing divisions of the country immediately preceding the weighing period in said divisions, and such postal cards, stamped envelopes, newspaper wrappers, empty mail bags, furniture, equipment, and other supplies for the postal service, except postage stamps, shall be transmitted by either freight or express.

Freight on supplies.

Withdrawal of freight, etc., during weighing seasons.

And the Postmaster-General shall require a record from July first to December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and six, of all second-class mail matter received for free distribution, and also at the one cent a pound rate, so as to show the weights in pounds, respectively by classes, of daily newspapers, weekly and other than daily newspapers, magazines, scientific periodicals, educational periodicals, religious periodicals, trade-journal periodicals, agricultural periodicals, miscellaneous periodicals, and sample copies of said newspapers, magazines, and periodicals, and make report to Congress of such information by February first, nineteen hundred and seven, together with an estimate of the average length of haul of said respective classes above named. And the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to cover the expense of compiling such information.

Record to be made of second-class free distribution and one cent a pound matter.

Report to Congress.

The chief officer of each of the several Executive Departments, independent bureaus, and Government establishments, having headquarters in Washington, District of Columbia, shall maintain from July first to December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and six, a record of all mail entered at Washington by each under the penalty privilege during said period, so as to show the character and quantity of said mail by the several classes of mail as defined by law, and report to Congress not later than February first, nineteen hundred and seven, the number of pieces and weight by the said several classes of mail, and the amount of postage which would have been required for each of said respective classes calculated at the regular postage rates as provided by law.

Record of penalty matter sent by Departments, etc., in Washington.

Report to Congress.

For railway post-office car service, five million eight hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars.

Post-office car service.

RAILWAY MAIL SERVICE: One general superintendent, at four thousand dollars; one assistant general superintendent, at three thousand five hundred dollars; one chief clerk, office of general superintendent, at two thousand dollars; one assistant chief clerk, office of general superintendent, at one thousand eight hundred dollars; eleven division superintendents, at three thousand dollars each; eleven assistant division superintendents, at one thousand eight hundred dollars each; five assistant superintendents, at one thousand eight hundred dollars each; nineteen assistant superintendents, at one thousand six hundred dollars each; one hundred and twenty-five chief clerks, at one thousand six hundred dollars each; two hundred and fifty-nine clerks, class six, at not exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars each; one thousand two hundred and fifty clerks, class five, at not exceeding one thousand four hundred dollars each; five hundred and twenty-eight clerks, class five, at not exceeding one thousand three hundred dollars each; one thousand eight hundred and fifty clerks, class four, at not exceeding

Railway mail service.

General superintendent, superintendents, clerks, etc.

one thousand two hundred dollars each; one thousand seven hundred and fifty clerks, class four, at not exceeding one thousand one hundred dollars each; five thousand four hundred clerks, class three, at not exceeding one thousand dollars each; two thousand one hundred and seventy clerks, class two, at not exceeding nine hundred dollars each; nine hundred and five clerks, class one, at not exceeding eight hundred dollars each; in all, fifteen million dollars: *Provided*, That the Postmaster-General may, in his discretion, under such regulations as he may provide, allow a clerk who is sick leave of absence with pay, his duties to be performed without expense to the Government during the period for which he is granted leave, not exceeding thirty days in any fiscal year.

Proviso.
Sick leave.

Appointments limited.

And the appointment and assignment of clerks hereunder shall be so made during the fiscal year as not to involve a greater aggregate expenditure than this sum.

Assignments to office duty.
Proviso. Preference for civil war service.

In the assignment or transfer of clerks from the railway mail service, however, preference shall be given to the persons honorably discharged from the military or naval service who served in the civil war and who are now serving as clerks on the railway-mail cars in order that they may be transferred to clerical service in the Department or in the post-offices and relieved from service on said cars as rapidly as practicable, provided they are found to possess the business capacity necessary for the proper discharge of the duties of the offices to which they may be transferred.

Emergency service.

For temporary clerk hire in classes one and two for emergency service, fifty thousand dollars.

Substitute clerks.
Proviso. Annual vacation.

For substitutes for clerks on vacation, fifty thousand dollars: *Provided*, That the Postmaster-General may allow railway postal clerks whose duties require them to work six days or more per week, fifty-two weeks per year, an annual vacation of fifteen days with pay.

Acting clerks.
Allowance in case of death.

For acting clerks, in place of clerks injured while on duty, and to enable the Postmaster-General to pay the sum of one thousand dollars, which shall be exempt from the payment of debts of the deceased, to the legal representatives of any railway postal clerk or substitute railway postal clerk who shall be killed while on duty or who, being injured while on duty, shall die within one year thereafter as the result of such injury, one hundred thousand dollars.

Traveling expenses.

For actual and necessary expenses of general superintendent, assistant general superintendent, chief clerk, and assistant chief clerk, office of general superintendent division of railway mail service, division superintendents, assistant division 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, twenty thousand dollars.

Miscellaneous.

For rent, light, fuel, telegraph, and miscellaneous office expenses, schedules of mail trains, telephone service, and badges for railway postal clerks, fifty-eight thousand dollars.

Per diem, etc., assistant superintendents.

For per diem allowance of assistant superintendents, twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars; and for their necessary official expenses not covered by their per diem allowance, not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars; in all, thirty thousand dollars: *Provided*, That assistant superintendents may receive a per diem allowance in lieu of actual and necessary traveling expenses at the rate of four dollars per day while actually traveling on business of the Department.

Proviso.
Allowance.

Electric and cable car service.
Proviso. Compensation.

For inland transportation of mail by electric and cable cars, eight hundred and seventy thousand dollars: *Provided*, That the rate of compensation to be paid per mile shall not exceed the rate now paid to companies performing such service, except that the Postmaster-General, in cases where the quantity of mail is large and the number of exchange points numerous, may, in his discretion, authorize pay-

ment for closed-pouch service at a rate per mile not to exceed one-third above the rate per mile now paid for closed-pouch service; and for mail cars and apartments carrying the mails, not to exceed the rate of one cent per linear foot per car mile of travel: *Provided further*, That the rates for electric-car service on routes over twenty miles in length outside of cities shall not exceed the rates paid for service on steam railroads: *Provided, however*, That one hundred and seventy-two thousand six hundred dollars of the sum in this item appropriated is hereby made available for the purpose of covering the cost of mail service by underground electric cars in the city Chicago, Illinois, now under contract.

Outside of cities.

Chicago, Ill.
Underground cars.

For necessary and special facilities on trunk lines from Washington to Atlanta and New Orleans, one hundred and forty-two thousand seven hundred and twenty-eight dollars and seventy-five cents: *Provided*, That the Postmaster-General shall not be authorized to use the money hereby appropriated, or any part thereof, unless it be necessary in order to provide the same or as good a service as is now provided.

Special facilities,
Washington to Atlanta
and New Orleans.
Proviso.
Condition.

For continuing necessary and special facilities on trunk lines from Kansas City, Missouri, to Newton, Kansas, twenty-five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary: *Provided*, That no part of this appropriation shall be expended unless the Postmaster-General shall deem such expenditure necessary in order to promote the interest of the postal service.

Kansas City, Mo., to
Newton, Kans.

Proviso.
Condition.

For transportation of foreign mails, three million dollars: *Provided*, That hereafter the Postmaster-General shall be authorized to expend such sums as may be necessary, not exceeding one hundred and five thousand dollars, to cover one-half of the cost of transportation, compensation, and expense of clerks to be employed in assorting and pouching mails in transit on steamships between the United States and other postal administrations in the International Postal Union, and not exceeding forty thousand dollars for transferring the foreign mail from incoming steamships in New York Bay to the steamship and railway piers, and for transferring the foreign mail from incoming steamships in San Francisco Bay to the piers.

Foreign mails.
Proviso.
Clerks on steam-
ships.

For assistant superintendent, division of foreign mails, with headquarters in New York, New York, two thousand five hundred dollars.

Pier transfers New
York and San Fran-
cisco.

Assistant superin-
tendent.

For balances due foreign countries, one hundred and fifty-three thousand dollars.

Balances due for-
eign countries.

For travel and miscellaneous expenses in the postal service, office of the Second Assistant Postmaster-General, one thousand dollars: *Provided*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars may be used for the purchase of railway guides, city directories, and other books and periodicals necessary in connection with mail transportation.

Travel, etc.

Proviso.
Directories, etc.

OFFICE OF THE THIRD ASSISTANT POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

Third Assistant Post-
master-General.

For manufacture of adhesive postage stamps, special-delivery stamps, and books of stamps, five hundred and fifty thousand dollars: *Provided*, That no contract for the manufacture of adhesive postage stamps, special-delivery stamps, or books of stamps shall be made by the Government with any Department or Bureau of the Government below the cost of such work to the Government.

Stamps.

Proviso.
Restriction on con-
tracts.

For manufacture of stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers, one million seventy-five thousand dollars.

Stamped envelope
etc.

For pay of agents and assistants to distribute stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers, and expenses of agency, twenty thousand two hundred dollars.

Distribution.

For manufacture of postal cards, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Postal cards.

Distribution.	For pay of agents and assistants to distribute postal cards, and expenses of agency, five thousand seven hundred and twenty dollars.
Ship, etc., letters.	For ship, steamboat, and way letters, five hundred dollars.
Indemnity, lost registered mail.	For payment of limited indemnity for the loss of pieces of first-class registered matter, five thousand dollars.
Travel, etc.	For travel and miscellaneous expenses in the postal service, office of the Third Assistant Postmaster-General, one thousand dollars.
Special counsel, second-class mail privilege suits. Vol. 33, p. 1090.	The appropriation for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and six of twenty-five thousand dollars for the employment of special counsel to prosecute and defend suits affecting the second-class mailing privilege is hereby reappropriated and made available for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and seven.

Fourth Assistant
Postmaster-General.

OFFICE OF THE FOURTH ASSISTANT POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

Supplies.

SUPPLIES FOR POSTAL SERVICE.

Stationery.	For stationery, including all money-order offices, eighty-five thousand dollars.
Official envelopes.	For official, registry, and dead-letter envelopes, two hundred thousand dollars.
Envelope contracts.	The Postmaster-General is authorized to extend, for a period not exceeding six months, the contract for official, registry, and dead-letter envelopes for the postal service for the calendar year ending December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and six; and thereafter the Postmaster-General shall contract, for a period not exceeding four years, for all envelopes, stamped or otherwise, designed for sale to the public, or for use by the Post-Office Department, the postal service, and other Executive Departments, and all Government bureaus and establishments, and the branches of the service coming under their jurisdiction, and may contract for them to be plain or with such printed matter as may be prescribed by the Department making requisition therefor: <i>Provided</i> , That no envelope shall be sold by the Government containing any lithographing or engraving, nor any printing nor advertisement, except a printed request to return the letter to the writer.
Envelopes for all Government service to be contracted for.	
<i>Proviso.</i> Printed matter limited.	
Money-order blanks, etc.	For blanks, blank books, printed and engraved matter, binding and carbon paper for the money-order service, one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars.
Registry blanks, etc.	For blanks, books, and printed matter of urgent or special character, including the preparation, publication, and free distribution by postmasters to the public of a pamphlet containing general postal information, intaglio seals, and other miscellaneous items of immediate necessity for the registry system, five thousand dollars.
City-delivery supplies.	Supplies for the city-delivery service, including letter boxes, package boxes, posts, furniture, satchels, straps, baskets, time cards, time-card frames, time-recorder supplies, freight, package and cartage charges, maps and transfer designs and stencils, one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars.
Postmarking, etc., stamps.	For postmarking, rating, and money-order stamps, and repairs to same, ink and pads for stamping and canceling purposes, and year blocks for old postmarking stamps, not to exceed four consecutive years for each stamp, thirty-five thousand dollars.
Scales, etc.	For letter balances, scales, and test weights, and repairs to same, and for tape measures, fifteen thousand dollars.
Wrapping paper.	For wrapping paper, thirteen thousand dollars.
Twine.	For wrapping twine and tying devices, two hundred thousand dollars.
Packing boxes, etc.	For packing boxes, sawdust, paste, and hardware, two thousand dollars.

For facing slips, plain and printed, including the furnishing of paper for the same; also for card slide labels, blanks, and books of an urgent nature, sixty-five thousand dollars.

Facing slips, etc.

For rubber stamps and type, metal-bodied rubber type, dates, figures, and holders, and inking pads for rubber stamps, six thousand dollars.

Rubber stamps, etc.

For the purchase or exchange of typewriting machines, envelope opening machines, computing machines, and for the purchase of copying presses, numbering machines, and for miscellaneous articles purchased and furnished directly to the postal service, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Miscellaneous supplies.

For pay of letter carriers and clerks in charge of substations of rural delivery service, twenty-eight million two hundred thousand dollars: *Provided*, That not to exceed fifteen thousand dollars of the amount hereby appropriated may be used for compensation of clerks in charge of substations.

Rural delivery. Carriers, etc.

Providos. Substation clerks.

Provided further, That rural letter carriers after twelve months' service be allowed annual leave, with pay, not to exceed fifteen days; the substitutes for carriers on vacation to be paid during said service at the rate of six hundred dollars per annum: *And provided further*, That in the discretion of the Postmaster-General the pay of any rural carrier on a water route who furnishes his own power boat and is employed during the summer months, may be fixed at an amount not exceeding seven hundred and twenty dollars in any one calendar year.

Annual leave.

Power boats.

Supplies for the rural-delivery service, including collection boxes, furniture, satchels, badges, straps, freight, packing and cartage charges, repairing satchels, repairing, erecting, and painting collection boxes, map supplies, and for the making of maps, and tolls and ferry charges in the rural-delivery service, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Supplies.

For travel and miscellaneous expenses in the postal service, office of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General, one thousand dollars.

Travel, etc.

That hereafter no article, package, or other matter, except postage stamps, stamped envelopes, newspaper wrappers, postal cards, and internal-revenue stamps, shall be admitted to the mails under a penalty privilege, unless such article, package, or other matter, except postage stamps, stamped envelopes, newspaper wrappers, postal cards, and internal-revenue stamps would be entitled to admission to the mails under laws requiring payment of postage.

Penalty privilege. Limited to strictly mail matter.

That hereafter it shall be unlawful for any person entitled under the law to the use of a frank to lend said frank or permit its use by any committee, organization, or association, or permit its use by any person for the benefit or use of any committee, organization, or association: *Provided*, That this provision shall not apply to any committee composed of Members of Congress.

Franks. Loans to committees unlawful.

That there shall be appointed a joint commission of Congress, consisting of three Senators, to be appointed by the President of the Senate, and three Members of the House of Representatives, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House, whose duty it shall be to investigate, consider, and report, by bill or otherwise, to Congress its findings and recommendations regarding the second class of mail matter. The said joint commission shall have power to employ clerks and stenographers, administer oaths, send for persons and papers, and do all things necessary for the carrying out of its objects. For the payment of such actual and necessary expenses as may be incurred by the said joint commission in traveling and for the rental of quarters, printing, and other miscellaneous expenses of the joint commission the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be paid out on the order of the chairman of the joint commission.

Proviso. Committees of Congressmen excepted.

Second-class mail matter. Joint commission to investigate and report on.

Powers, etc.

Appropriation for expenses.

That the appropriations herein made for the officers, clerks, and persons employed in the postal service shall not be available for the

No payment to permanently incapacitated persons.

Pension roll etc., prohibited
 Appropriation to meet deficiencies.

compensation of any persons permanently incapacitated for performing such service. The establishment of a civil pension roll or an honorable service roll, or the exemption of any of the officers, clerks, and persons in the postal service from the existing laws respecting employment in such service is hereby prohibited.

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 of the revenue of said Department is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply said deficiencies in the revenues for the Post-Office Department for the year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and seven.

Approved, June 26, 1906.

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CHAP. 3547.—An Act For the protection and regulation of the fisheries of Alaska.

Alaska.
 Salmon, etc., canneries.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That every person, company, or corporation carrying on the business of canning, curing, or preserving fish or manufacturing fish products within the territory known as Alaska, ceded to the United States by Russia by the treaty of March thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, or in any of the waters of Alaska over which the United States has jurisdiction, shall, in lieu of all other license fees and taxes therefor and thereon, pay license taxes on their said business and output as follows: Canned salmon, four cents per case; pickled salmon, ten cents per barrel; salt salmon in bulk, five cents per one hundred pounds; fish oil, ten cents per barrel; fertilizer, twenty cents per ton. The payment and collection of such license taxes shall be under and in accordance with the provisions of the Act of March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, entitled "An Act to define and punish crimes in the district of Alaska, and to provide a code of criminal procedure for the district," and amendments thereto.

License tax on products.

Collection.
 Vol. 30, p. 1336.

Private hatcheries.
 Exemption for fry liberated.
 Rate.

SEC. 2. That the catch and pack of salmon made in Alaska by the owners of private salmon hatcheries operated in Alaska shall be exempt from all license fees and taxation of every nature at the rate of ten cases of canned salmon to every one thousand red or king salmon fry liberated, upon the following conditions:

Inspection.

That the Secretary of Commerce and Labor may from time to time, and on the application of the hatchery owner shall, within a reasonable time thereafter, cause such private hatcheries to be inspected for the purpose of determining the character of their operations, efficiency, and productiveness, and if he approve the same shall cause notice of such approval to be filed in the office of the clerk or deputy clerk of the United States district court of the division of the district of Alaska wherein any such hatchery is located, and shall also notify the owners of such hatchery of the action taken by him. The owner, agent, officer, or superintendent of any hatchery the effectiveness and productiveness of which has been approved as above provided shall, between the thirtieth day of June and the thirty-first day of December of each year, make proof of the number of salmon fry liberated during the twelve months immediately preceding the thirtieth day of June, by a written statement under oath. Such proof shall be filed in the office of the clerk or deputy clerk of the United States district court of the division of the district of Alaska wherein such hatchery is located, and when so filed shall entitle the respective hatchery owners to the exemption as herein provided; and a false oath as to the number of salmon fry liberated shall be deemed perjury and subject the offender

Approval.

Proof of amount liberated.