Provided, That the expenditures hereunder shall not exceed $15,000 during the fiscal year 1923.

The commissioners are further authorized to employ temporarily such laborers, skilled laborers, and mechanics as may be required in connection with water-department work, and to incur all necessary engineering and other expenses, exclusive of personal services, incidental to carrying on such work and necessary for the proper execution thereof, said laborers, skilled laborers, and mechanics to be employed to perform such work as may not be required by existing law to be done under contract, and to pay for such services and expenses from the appropriation under which such services are rendered and expenses incurred.

Sec. 5. That the commissioners are authorized to employ in the execution of work the cost of which is payable from the appropriation account created in the District of Columbia appropriation Act, approved April 27, 1904, and known as the "Miscellaneous trust-fund deposits, District of Columbia," all necessary inspectors, overseers, foremen, sewer tappers, skilled laborers, mechanics, laborers, special policemen stationed at street-railway crossings, one inspector of gas fitting, two janitors for laboratories of the Washington and Georgetown Gas Light Companies, market master, assistant market master, watchman, bookkeeper in the auditor’s office, clerk in the office of the collector of taxes, horses, carts, and wagons, and to hire therefor motor trucks when specifically and in writing authorized by the commissioners, and to incur all necessary expenses incidental to carrying on such work and necessary for the proper execution thereof, and including the maintenance of motor vehicles, such services and expenses to be paid from said appropriation account.

Sec. 6. That the commissioners and other responsible officials, in expending appropriations contained in this Act, so far as possible, shall purchase material, supplies, including food supplies and equipment, when needed and funds are available, from the various services of the Government of the United States possessing material, supplies, passenger-carrying and other motor vehicles, and equipment no longer required because of the cessation of war activities. It shall be the duty of the commissioners and other officials, before purchasing any of the articles described herein, to ascertain from the Government of the United States whether it has articles of the character described that are serviceable. And articles purchased from the Government, if the same have not been used, shall be paid for at a reasonable price, not to exceed actual cost, and if the same have been used, at a reasonable price based upon length of usage. The various services of the Government of the United States are authorized to sell such articles to the municipal government under the conditions specified and the proceeds of such sales shall be covered into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts: Provided, That this section shall not be construed to amend, alter, or repeal the Executive order of December 3, 1918, concerning the transfer of office materials, supplies, and equipment in the District of Columbia falling into disuse because of the cessation of war activities.

Approved, June 29, 1922.

CHAP. 250.—An Act To provide additional compensation for certain civilian employees of the Governments of the United States and the District of Columbia during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1923.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all civilian employees of the Governments of the United States and the District of Columbia who receive a total of compensation at the rate of
$2,500 per annum or less, except as otherwise provided in this Act, shall receive during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1923, additional compensation at the rate of $240 per annum: Provided, That such employees as receive a total of annual compensation at a rate more than $2,500 and less than $2,740 shall receive additional compensation at such rate per annum as may be necessary to make their salaries, plus their additional compensation, at the rate of $2,740 per annum, and no employee shall receive additional compensation under this Act at a rate which is more than 60 per centum of the rate of the total annual compensation received by such employee: Provided further, That the increased compensation at the rate of $240 per annum for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1922, shall not be computed as salary in construing this Act: Provided further, That where an employee in the service on June 30, 1921, has received during the fiscal year 1922, or shall receive during the fiscal year 1923, an increase of salary at a rate in excess of $200 per annum, or where an employee, whether previously in the service or not, has entered the service since June 30, 1921, whether such employee has received an increase in salary or not, such employees shall be granted the increased compensation provided herein only when and upon the certification of the person in the legislative branch or the head of the department or establishment employing such persons of the ability and qualifications personal to such employees as would justify such increased compensation.

Sec. 2. That the provisions of this Act shall not apply to the following: Employees paid from the postal revenues and sums which may be advanced from the Treasury to meet deficiencies in the postal revenues, except employees of the Post Office Department in the District of Columbia, who shall be included; employees whose pay is adjustable from time to time through wage boards or similar authority to accord with the commercial rates paid locally for the same class of service; employees of the Panama Canal on the Canal Zone; employees of the Alaskan Engineering Commission in Alaska; employees paid from lump-sum appropriations in bureaus, divisions, commissions, or any other governmental agencies or employments created by law since January 1, 1916, except employees of the United States Tariff Commission, the United States Veterans’ Bureau, the Bureau of the Budget, the General Accounting Office, and the Bureau of Accounts of the Post Office Department, who shall be included, but the additional compensation granted herein shall not be paid to any person employed in the United States Veterans’ Bureau who did not receive the additional compensation during the fiscal year 1922; employees whose duties require only a portion of their time, except charwomen, who shall be included; employees whose services are utilized for brief periods at intervals; persons employed by or through corporations, firms, or individuals acting for or on behalf of or as agents of the United States or any department or independent establishment of the Government of the United States in connection with construction work or the operation of plants; employees who receive a part of their pay from any outside sources under cooperative arrangements with the Government of the United States or the District of Columbia; employees who serve voluntarily or receive only a nominal compensation, and employees who may be provided with special allowances because of their service in foreign countries.

Sec. 3. That section 6 of the Legislative, Executive, and Judicial Appropriation Act approved May 10, 1916, as amended by the Naval Appropriation Act approved August 29, 1916, shall not operate to prevent anyone from receiving the additional compensation provided in this Act who otherwise is entitled to receive the same.
SEC. 4. That such employees as are engaged on piecework, by the hour, or at per diem rates, if otherwise entitled to receive the additional compensation, shall receive the same at the rate to which they are entitled in this Act when their fixed rate of pay for the regular working hours and on the basis of three hundred and thirteen days in the said fiscal year would amount to $2,500 or less: Provided, That this method of computation shall not apply to any per diem employees regularly paid a per diem for every day in the year.

SEC. 5. That the secretary of the Civil Service Commission shall be deemed an employee for the purposes of this Act.

SEC. 6. That to pay the additional compensation provided in this Act to employees of the Government of the United States, there are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the following sums, respectively:

**LEGISLATIVE.**

United States Senate, including seventeen employees who are authorized to be paid from the contingent fund, $188,520; House of Representatives, $315,000; Library of Congress, $105,600; Library Building and Grounds, $30,036; Architect of the Capitol, $85,940; Botanic Garden, $12,000.

**EXECUTIVE AND JUDICIAL.**

Independent Offices.—Bureau of Efficiency, $7,200; Civil Service Commission, $87,936; Commission of Fine Arts, $480; Executive Office, $10,560; Federal Trade Commission, $50,600; General Accounting Office, $506,400; Government Printing Office, $957,260; Interstate Commerce Commission, $315,812; National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, $15,600; National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, $894,000; Panama Canal, $16,800; Rock Creek and Potomac Parkway Commission, $720; Smithsonian Institution, $109,044; State, War, and Navy Departments Buildings, $372,000; Tariff Commission, $20,000; United States Employees' Compensation Commission, $15,800; United States Veterans' Bureau, $4,013,480.

Executive Departments.—Department of Agriculture, $3,232,863; Department of Commerce, $1,835,159; Department of the Interior, $2,803,092; Department of Justice and the Judiciary, $779,484; Department of Labor, $566,832; Navy Department, $458,640; Naval Establishment, $78,480; Post Office Department, employees engaged in connection with the distribution, sale, and keeping of accounts of Treasury savings certificates, as provided in the Deficiency Appropriation Act approved November 4, 1918, $12,000; Department of State, $144,000; Treasury Department, $10,724,326; War Department, including the Military Establishment and all other field activities, $8,122,548.

Post Office Department, payable from the revenues of the Post Office Department, $352,800.

In all, $37,241,012: Provided, That the additional compensation granted in this Act shall be applied by administrative officers in such a manner that the appropriations made herein will not be exceeded.

SEC. 7. That to pay the additional compensation provided in this Act to employees of the Government of the District of Columbia, the following sums are hereby appropriated: $1,399,081, of which 40 per centum is appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated and 60 per centum out of the revenues of the District of Columbia; $24,960 from the revenues of the water department on account of employees of that department; $52,000 from the revenues of the water department on account of employees of the
Washington Aqueduct; $17,520 wholly out of the revenues of the District of Columbia on account of employees of the Minimum Wage Board, the playgrounds department, and the community center department of the public schools.

In all, $1,494,161.

Sixty per centum of any amounts expended under the provisions of this Act on account of employees of the United States whose basic compensation is payable 60 per centum from the revenues of the District of Columbia and 40 per centum from the Treasury of the United States shall be reimbursed to the Treasury of the United States from the revenues of the District of Columbia.

SEC. 8. That so much as may be necessary to pay the increased compensation provided in this Act to persons employed under trust funds who may be construed to be employees of the Government of the United States or of the District of Columbia is authorized to be paid, respectively, from such trust funds.

Approved, June 29, 1922.

CHAP. 251.—An Act To abolish the office of Superintendent of the Library Building and Grounds and to transfer the duties thereof to the Architect of the Capitol and the Librarian of Congress.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the office of Superintendent of the Library Building and Grounds is abolished on and after July 1, 1922. Thereafter the Architect of the Capitol shall have charge of all structural work at the Library Building and on the grounds, including all necessary repairs, the operation, maintenance, and repair of the mechanical plant and elevators, the care and maintenance of the grounds, and the purchasing and supplying of all furniture and equipment for the building. The employees required for the performance of the foregoing duties shall be appointed by the Architect of the Capitol. All other duties required to be performed by the Superintendent of the Library Building and Grounds shall be performed thereafter under the direction of the Librarian of Congress, who shall appoint the employees necessary therefor. The position of administrative assistant and disbursing officer is hereby created in the Library of Congress, effective on July 1, 1922. The salary of such position shall be at the rate of $3,000 per annum, and appointments thereto shall be made by the Librarian. The administrative assistant and disbursing officer shall disburse the appropriations for the Library of Congress and the Botanic Garden and shall perform such services in connection with the duties hereby imposed upon the Librarian as he may direct, and shall give bond payable to the United States in the sum of $30,000, with sureties approved by the Secretary of the Treasury for the faithful discharge of his duties.

SEC. 2. That all books, documents, papers, furniture, and equipment of the office of Superintendent of the Library Building and Grounds shall be divided between and transferred to the Architect of the Capitol and the Librarian of Congress on the basis of duties transferred.

SEC. 3. That the appropriation of $3,600 for the fiscal year 1923 for the salary of the Superintendent of the Library Building and Grounds is made available for the payment of the salary of the administrative assistant and disbursing officer at the rate of $3,000 per annum during such fiscal year. All appropriations for the fiscal year 1923 for the Library Building and Grounds shall be apportioned between, transferred to, and made available for the Architect of the Capitol and the Librarian of Congress on the basis of duties transferred.