AN ACT

Making appropriations for the Treasury and Post Office Departments for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1949, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

TITLE I—TREASURY DEPARTMENT

That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Treasury Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1949, namely:

**Office of the Secretary**

Salaries: For personal services in the District of Columbia, $380,000: Provided, That no part of the money appropriated shall be used to pay the salaries of more than fifteen messengers assigned to duty in the Office of the Secretary.

Personal or property damage claims: For payment of claims pursuant to section 403 of the Federal Tort Claims Act (28 U. S. C. 921), $30,000.

Penalty mail costs: For deposit in the Treasury for penalty mail of the Treasury Department (39 U. S. C. 321d), $5,900,000.

Refunds under Renegotiation Act: To enable the Secretary of the Treasury to make refunds required by section 403 (a) (4) (D) (relating to the recomputation of the amortization deduction) and by the last sentence of section 408 (i) (3) (relating to excess inventories) of the Renegotiation Act; and to refund any amount finally adjudged or determined to have been erroneously collected by the United States pursuant to a unilateral determination of excessive profits, with interest thereon (at a rate not to exceed 4 per centum per annum) as may be determined by the War Contracts Price Adjustment Board, such interest to be computed to the date of certification of the amount to the Treasury Department for payment; $2,000,000: Provided, That to the extent refunds are made from this appropriation of excessive profits collected under the Renegotiation Act and retained by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation or any of its subsidiaries, the Reconstruction Finance Corporation or the appropriate subsidiary shall reimburse this appropriation: Provided further, That the War Contracts Price Adjustment Board or its duly authorized representatives shall certify the amount of any refunds to be made in pursuance hereof to the Secretary of the Treasury who shall make payment upon such certificate in lieu of any voucher which might otherwise be required.

**Division of Tax Research**

Salaries: For personal services in the District of Columbia, $125,000.

**Office of General Counsel**

Salaries: For personal services in the District of Columbia, $250,000.

Salaries and expenses, Office of Contract Settlement: For necessary expenses, including contract stenographic reporting services, to carry out the provisions of the Contract Settlement Act of 1944, $75,000.

**Division of Personnel**

Salaries: For personal services in the District of Columbia, $120,000.

Health service programs, Treasury Department: For health service
programs, as authorized by law (5 U. S. C. 150), for employees of
the Department in the District of Columbia, $70,000: Provided, That
other appropriations in this Act shall be available for health service
programs in the field.

OFFICE OF CHIEF CLERK

Salaries: For personal services in the District of Columbia, $300,000.

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES, TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Miscellaneous expenses: For necessary expenses of the Office of the
Secretary and the bureaus and offices of the Treasury Department,
not otherwise provided for, including operating expenses of the
Treasury, Treasury Annex, Auditors', and Liberty Loan Buildings,
and including not to exceed $25,000 for printing and binding and
purchase of materials for the use of the bookbinder located in the
Treasury Department; $240,000.

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF TREASURY BUILDINGS

Salaries: For personal services in the District of Columbia, includ-
ing the operating force of the Treasury Building, the Treasury Annex,
the Liberty Loan Building, the Auditors' Building, and the west and
south annexes thereof, $645,000.

FISCAL SERVICE

BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses in the District of
Columbia, including contract stenographic reporting services and not
to exceed $50,000 for printing and binding, $1,475,000: Provided, That
from the amount appropriated herein, the Federal Reserve banks and
their branches may be reimbursed for printing and binding and other
necessary expenses incident to the deposit of withheld taxes in Govern-
ment depositories pursuant to the Current Tax Payment Act of 1943.

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses of the Division of
Disbursement, including personal services in the District of Columbia,
and printing and binding, $10,000,000: Provided, That with the
approval of the Bureau of the Budget there may be transferred to this
appropriation from Railroad Retirement Board, "Conservation and
use of agricultural land resources, Department of Agriculture," and
from available corporate funds of Government-owned or -controlled
corporations, such sums as may be necessary to cover the expense
incurred in performing the function of disbursement therefor.

Contingent expenses, public moneys: For contingent expenses under
the requirements of section 3653 of the Revised Statutes (31 U. S. C.
545), for the collection, safekeeping, transfer, and disbursement of the
public money, transportation of notes, bonds, and other securities of
the United States, transportation of gold coin and gold certificates
transferred to Federal Reserve banks and branches, United States
mints and assay offices, and the Treasury, after March 9, 1933, actual
expenses of examiners detailed to examine the books, accounts, and
money on hand at the several depositories, including national banks
acting as depositories under the requirements of section 3649, Revised
Statutes (31 U. S. C. 548), also including examinations of cash accounts
at mints, $375,000.

Recoinage of silver coins: For expenses necessary to continue the
recoinage of worn and uncurrenct subsidiary silver coins of the United
States now in the Treasury or hereafter received, and to reimburse the
Treasurer of the United States for the difference between the nominal or face value of such coins and the amount the same will produce in new coins, $150,000.

Relief of the indigent, Alaska: For the payment to the United States district judges in Alaska (not to exceed 10 per centum of the receipts from licenses collected outside of incorporated towns in Alaska), to be expended for the relief of persons in Alaska who are indigent and incapacitated through nonage, old age, sickness, or accident, $18,000.

Refund of moneys erroneously received and covered: For meeting any expenditures of the character formerly chargeable to the appropriation accounts abolished under section 18 of the Permanent Appropriation Repeal Act of 1934, approved June 26, 1934, and any other collections erroneously received and covered which are not properly chargeable to any other appropriation, $700,000.

Payment of certified claims: For the payment of claims (not to exceed $500 in any case) which may be certified during the fiscal year 1949 by the Comptroller General of the United States to be lawfully due, within the limits of, and chargeable against the balances of the respective appropriations heretofore made which, after remaining unexpended, have been carried to the surplus fund pursuant to section 5 of the Act of June 20, 1874 (31 U. S. C. 715), $500,000.

Payment of unclaimed moneys: For meeting any expenditures of the character formerly chargeable to the appropriation accounts abolished under section 17 of the Permanent Appropriation Repeal Act of 1934, approved June 26, 1934, payable from the funds held by the United States in the trust fund receipt account “Unclaimed moneys of individuals whose whereabouts are unknown”, $100,000.

BUREAU OF THE PUBLIC DEBT

Administering the public debt: For necessary expenses connected with any public-debt operations authorized by the Second Liberty Bond Act, as amended (31 U. S. C. 760-762), and with the administration of any public debt or currency issues of the United States with which the Secretary of the Treasury is charged, including not to exceed $4,250,000 for promoting the sale of savings bonds, $52,000,000, to be expended as the Secretary of the Treasury may direct, and the Secretary is authorized to accept services without compensation: Provided, That from the amount appropriated herein, the Federal Reserve banks and their branches may be reimbursed for expenditures made by them as fiscal agents of the United States on account of public-debt transactions for the account of the Secretary of the Treasury, and advances to the Postmaster General may be made in accordance with the provisions of section 22 (e) of the Second Liberty Bond Act, as amended (31 U. S. C. 757c (e)), which section shall be construed as applying to this appropriation: Provided further, That the indefinite appropriation provided by section 10 of the Second Liberty Bond Act, as amended, shall not be available for obligation during the fiscal year 1949.

Distinctive paper for United States currency: For distinctive paper for United States currency, including transportation of paper, traveling, mill, and other necessary expenses, and salaries of employees and allowance, in lieu of expenses, of officer or officers detailed from the Treasury Department, not exceeding $30 per month each when actually on duty, $1,300,000: Provided, That in order to foster competition in the manufacture of distinctive paper for United States securities, the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized, in his discretion, to split the award for such paper for the fiscal year 1949 between the two bidders whose prices per pound are the lowest received after advertisement.
Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses of the Office of the Treasurer, including not to exceed $100,000 for printing and binding, $4,980,000; Provided, That with the approval of the Bureau of the Budget, there may be transferred to this appropriation, from Railroad Retirement Board, “Conservation and use of agricultural land resources, Department of Agriculture,” and from available corporate funds of Government owned or controlled corporations, such sums as may be necessary to cover the expenses incurred in the clearing of checks, servicing of bonds, handling of collections, and rendering of accounts therefor.

BUREAU OF INTERNAL REVENUE

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses in connection with the assessment and collection of internal-revenue taxes and the administration of the internal-revenue laws, including the administration of such provisions of other laws as are authorized by or pursuant to law to be administered by or under the direction of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, including one stamp agent (to be reimbursed by the stamp manufacturers) and the employment of experts; the securing of evidence of violations of the Acts, the cost of chemical analyses made by others than employees of the United States and expenses incident to such chemists testifying when necessary; necessary expenses incurred in making investigations in connection with the enrollment or disbarment of practitioners before the Treasury Department in internal-revenue matters, expenses of seizure and sale, and contract stenographic reporting services; for the acquisition of property under the provisions of title III of the Liquor Law Repeal and Enforcement Act, approved August 27, 1935 (49 Stat. 872–881), and the operation, maintenance, and repair of property acquired under such title III; purchase, for replacement (not to exceed three hundred and thirty-four) and hire of passenger motor vehicles, as follows: for personal services, $174,000,000, of which not to exceed $16,530,000 may be expended for personal services at the seat of Government; and for objects of expenditure other than personal services, $19,584,000, including printing and binding (not to exceed $2,576,500), stationery and printing and binding (not to exceed $1,500,000), ammunition, and not to exceed $500,000 for detecting and bringing to trial persons guilty of violating the internal-revenue laws or conniving at the same, including payments for information and detection of such violation; in all for salaries and expenses, $193,584,000; Provided, That not to exceed $150,000 of the amount appropriated under this head for the fiscal year 1949 shall be available for expenses by contract or otherwise, of such management and operational studies as are necessary in the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

Additional income tax on railroads in Alaska: For the payment to the Treasurer of Alaska of an amount equal to the tax of 1 per centum collected on the gross annual income of all railroad corporations doing business in Alaska, on business done in Alaska, which tax is in addition to the normal income tax collected from such corporations on net income, the amount of such additional tax to be applicable to general Territorial purposes, $4,500.

BUREAU OF NARCOTICS

Salaries and expenses: For expenses, including the securing of information and evidence, necessary to enforce sections 2550–2565; 2567–2571; 2590–2603; 3220–3228; 3230–3238 of the Internal Revenue Code; the Narcotic Drugs Import and Export Act, as amended (21 U. S. C. §§ 304f–304m).
U. S. C. 171–184); the Act of June 14, 1930 (5 U. S. C. 282–282c and 21 U. S. C. 197–198) and the Opium Poppy Control Act of 1942 (21 U. S. C. Supp. V, 188–188n), including the employment of attorneys; services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); the costs of chemical analyses made by others than employees of the United States; cost incurred by officers and employees of the Bureau of Narcotics in the seizure, forfeiture, storage, and disposition of property under the Act of August 9, 1939 (49 U. S. C. 781–788), and the internal-revenue laws; hire of motor vehicles; purchase of arms and ammunition; in all, $1,450,000, including personal services in the District of Columbia and printing and binding; not exceeding $10,000 for the collection and dissemination of information and appeal for law observance and law enforcement, including cost of printing, and not exceeding $10,000 for services or information looking toward the apprehension of narcotic law violators who are fugitives from justice.

**BUREAU OF ENGRAVING AND PRINTING**

For the work of engraving and printing, exclusive of repay work, United States currency and internal-revenue stamps, including opium orders and special-tax stamps required under the Act of December 17, 1914 (26 U. S. C. 1040, 1383), checks, drafts, and miscellaneous work, as follows:

Salaries and expenses: For the Director, two Assistant Directors, and other personal services in the District of Columbia, including wages of rotary press plate printers at per diem rates and all other plate printers at piece rates to be fixed by the Secretary of the Treasury, not to exceed the rates usually paid for such work; and other necessary expenses, including engravers' and printers' materials and other materials, including distinctive and nondistinctive paper, except distinctive paper for United States currency and Federal Reserve bank currency; purchase of card and continuous form checks; equipment of, repairs to, and maintenance of buildings and grounds and minor alterations to buildings; periodicals, examples of engraving and printing, including foreign securities and stamps, and books of reference, not to exceed $500; traveling expenses not to exceed $15,000; printing and binding; transfer to the Bureau of Standards for scientific investigations in connection with the work of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, not to exceed $15,000; $12,500,000, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury.

During the fiscal year 1949 all proceeds derived from work performed by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, by direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, not covered and embraced in the appropriations for such Bureau for such fiscal year, instead of being covered into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts, as provided by the Act of August 4, 1886 (31 U. S. C. 176), shall be credited when received to the appropriations for such Bureau for the fiscal year 1949.

**SECRET SERVICE DIVISION**

Salaries and expenses, Secret Service: For expenses necessary in detecting, arresting, and delivering into the custody of the United States marshal or other officer having jurisdiction, dealers and pretended dealers in counterfeit money, persons engaged in counterfeiting, forging, and altering United States notes, bonds, national bank notes, Federal Reserve notes, Federal Reserve bank notes, and other obligations and securities of the United States and of foreign governments (including endorsements thereon and assignments thereof), as well as the coins of the United States and of foreign governments, and persons committing other crimes against the laws
of the United States relating to the Treasury Department and the several branches of the public service under its control, and for the protection of the person of the President and the members of his immediate family and of the person chosen to be President of the United States, including personal services in the District of Columbia; purchase (not to exceed sixteen for replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles; printing and binding; and purchase of arms and ammunition; $1,715,000: Provided, That of the amount herein appropriated not to exceed $15,000 may be expended, with the approval of the Chief of the Secret Service, for the purpose of securing information concerning violations of the laws relating to the Treasury Department and for services or information looking toward the apprehension of criminals.

Salaries and expenses, White House Police: For salaries and expenses, including uniforms and equipment, purchase and repair of revolvers, and the purchase and issue of ammunition and miscellaneous supplies, to be purchased in such manner as the President may determine, $370,000.

Salaries and expenses, guard force, Treasury buildings: For expenses of the guard force for Treasury Department buildings in the District of Columbia, including the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, and elsewhere, including purchase, repair, and cleaning of uniforms, purchase of two passenger motor vehicles for replacement only, and the purchase of arms and ammunition and miscellaneous equipment, $645,000: Provided, That not to exceed $168,925 of the appropriation "Salaries and expenses, Bureau of Engraving and Printing", may be transferred to this appropriation to cover service rendered such Bureau in connection with the protection of currency, bonds, stamps, and other papers of value the cost of producing which is not covered and embraced in the direct appropriations for such Bureau: Provided further, That the Secretary of the Treasury may detail two agents of the Secret Service to supervise such force.

Reimbursement to District of Columbia, benefit payments to White House Police and Secret Service forces: For reimbursement to the District of Columbia on a monthly basis for benefit payments made from the revenues of the District of Columbia to members of the White House Police force and such members of the United States Secret Service Division as are entitled thereto under the Act of October 14, 1940 (54 Stat. 1118), to the extent that such benefit payments are in excess of the salary deductions of such members credited to said revenues of the District of Columbia during the fiscal year 1949, pursuant to section 12 of the Act of September 1, 1916 (39 Stat. 718), as amended, $84,600.

BUREAU OF THE MINT

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses at the mints at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, San Francisco, California, and Denver, Colorado; the assay offices at New York, New York, and Seattle, Washington; the bullion depositories at Fort Knox, Kentucky, and West Point, New York; the Office of the Director of the Mint; and for carrying out the provisions of the Gold Reserve Act of 1934 and the Silver Purchase Act of 1934, including personal services in the District of Columbia, printing and binding, new machinery and repairs, arms and ammunition, purchase and maintenance of uniforms and accessories for guards, protective devices, and their maintenance, training of employees in use of firearms and protective devices, cases and enameling for medals manufactured, net wastage in melting and refining and in coining departments, loss on sale of sweeps arising from the treatment of bullion and the manufacture of coins, not to exceed $1,000 for the expenses of the annual assay commission, and not exceeding $1,000 for the acqui-
sition, at the dollar face amount or otherwise, of specimen and rare coins, including United States and foreign gold coins and pieces of gold used as, or in lieu of, money, and ores, for addition to the Government's collection of such coins, pieces, and ores; $4,500,000.

Transportation of bullion and coin: For transportation of bullion and coin, between mints, assay offices, and bullion depositories, $5,000, including compensation of temporary employees and other necessary expenses.

**BUREAU OF FEDERAL SUPPLY**

Salaries and expenses: For necessary expenses, including personal services in the District of Columbia and in the field service, office supplies and materials, stationery, fuel, light, electric current, and other expenses for carrying into effect regulations governing the procurement, warehousing, and distribution by the Bureau of Federal Supply of the Treasury Department of property, equipment, stores, and supplies in the District of Columbia and in the field, $1,275,000: Provided, That the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to transfer to this appropriation from any appropriations or funds available to the several departments and establishments of the Government such amounts as may be approved by the Bureau of the Budget, not to exceed the sum of (a) the amount of the annual compensation of employees who may be transferred or detailed to the Bureau of Federal Supply, respectively, from any such department or establishment, where the transfer or detail of such employee is incident to a transfer of a function or functions to that Bureau and (b) such amount as the Bureau of the Budget may determine to be necessary for expenses other than personal services incident to the proper carrying out of functions so transferred: Provided further, That when there has been or shall be transferred from any agency of the Government to the Bureau of Federal Supply any function of warehousing, and the agency from which such function is being transferred is authorized at the time of such transfer to perform functions of procurement, warehousing, or distribution of property, equipment, stores, or supplies for non-Federal agencies the Bureau of Federal Supply is authorized to continue the performance of such functions for such non-Federal agencies where such functions are to be discontinued by the agency from which the warehousing function has been transferred, and the receipts, including surcharge, for all issues to and all advances by all non-Federal agencies shall be credited to the general supply fund: Provided further, That payments to the general supply fund for materials, and supplies (including fuel), and services, and overhead expenses for all issues shall be made on the books of the Treasury Department by transfer and counterwarrants prepared by the Bureau of Federal Supply of the Treasury Department and countersigned by the Comptroller General, such warrants to be based solely on itemized invoices prepared by the Bureau of Federal Supply at issue prices to be fixed by the Director of Federal Supply: Provided further, That payments covering transactions between the Bureau of Federal Supply and field offices of other Government agencies whose detailed appropriation or fund accounts are maintained elsewhere than within the District of Columbia, may be made on the basis of itemized vouchers or invoices prepared by the Bureau of Federal Supply and sent through the appropriate field offices to the disbursing officers for the agencies involved, who are hereby authorized to make payment based (1) upon certification of the Bureau of Federal Supply, which shall include the specific statement that the vouchers are issued pursuant to and in conformity with purchase orders or requisitions duly executed by the agency billed, and (2) upon approval and certification of such vouchers by the
agency billed, which action shall be based upon acceptance of the
Bureau of Federal Supply certification as made, subject to later
adjustment if necessary, the responsibility of the certifying officer to
be limited to the availability of the funds to be charged: Provided
further, That the general supply fund may be used to purchase from
or through the Public Printer standard forms and blank-book work
for field warehouse stocking and issue, but issues thereof shall be made
only to Government agencies and shall be chargeable to applicable
appropriation authorizations or limitations of such agencies for
printing and binding, and reports of such issues shall be made as the
Public Printer may require: Provided further, That advances received
pursuant to law (31 U. S. C. 686) from departments and establish-
ments of the United States Government and the government of the
District of Columbia during the fiscal year 1949 shall be credited to
the general supply fund: Provided further, That per diem employees
engaged in work in connection with operations of the fuel yards may
be paid rates of pay approved by the Secretary of the Treasury not
exceeding current rates for similar services in the District of Columbia:
Provided further, That the term “fuel” shall be held to include “fuel
oil”: Provided further, That the reconditioning and repair of surplus
property and equipment for disposition or reissue to Government
service, may be made at cost by the Bureau of Federal Supply, pay-
ment therefor to be effected by charging the proper appropriation and
crediting the general supply fund.

Repairs to typewriting machines (except bookkeeping and billing
machines) in the Government service in the District of Columbia
and areas adjacent thereto may be made at cost by the Bureau of
Federal Supply, payment therefor to be effected by charging the
proper appropriation and crediting the general supply fund.

No part of any money appropriated by this or any other Act shall
be used during the fiscal year 1949 for the purchase, within the
continental limits of the United States, of any typewriting machines
(except bookkeeping and billing machines and typewriting machines
for veterans under public laws administered by the Veterans' Administra-
tion).

Each agency in the executive branch of the Government (which
shall include all departments, independent establishments, and wholly
owned Government corporations) is authorized and directed (1) to
report within thirty days after the enactment of this Act, or by July 1,
1948, whichever is the later, to the Director of the Bureau of Federal
Supply the total number of typewriting machines in the possession
or custody of such agency and the number thereof surplus to its
requirements, and (2) to surrender and ship such surplus typewriting
machines as the Director of the Bureau of Federal Supply may direct.
Costs of packing and shipping hereunder shall be charged to the
general supply fund. Each agency shall furnish the Director of
the Bureau of Federal Supply such information regarding type-
writing machines as he may from time to time request. The Bureau
of Federal Supply is authorized and directed to receive and hold all
typewriting machines surrendered to it hereunder and to distribute
same to any of such agencies as the Director of the Bureau of Federal
Supply may determine. Notwithstanding the foregoing paragraphs,
in the event the Director of the Bureau of Federal Supply is unable to
furnish any such agency with suitable typewriters out of stock on hand,
his may purchase typewriters for the account of such agency: Provided,
That the price paid during any quarter of the fiscal year for such type-
writers shall not exceed ninety per centum of the lowest net cash price,
plus applicable Federal excise taxes, accorded the most favored cus-
tomer (other than the Government of the United States, or any agency
thereof, and purchasers of typewriters for educational instruction

Standard forms and
blank-book work.

Crediting of

Per diem employees
at fuel yards.

“Fuel.”

Reconditioning of
surplus property.

Typewriting ma-
chines, repairs.

Restriction on use
of funds.

Report of number of
typewriters by agen-
cies.

Purchase price.
purposes only) of the manufacturer of such machines during the six-month period immediately preceding such quarter.

The Director of the Bureau of Federal Supply is authorized and directed at such times as he may determine to be necessary to survey and determine the number and kinds of typewriters which are at any time surplus to the requirements of any agency. Upon such determination the Director of the Bureau of Federal Supply is authorized to direct, upon such notice and in such manner as he may prescribe, the head of any agency to surrender to the Bureau of Federal Supply any and all typewriting machines, surplus to its requirements, and such determination and direction by the Director of the Bureau of Federal Supply shall be final and conclusive upon all agencies, officers, and employees of the executive branch of the Government of the United States.

The Director of the Bureau of Federal Supply is authorized to charge each agency to which typewriting machines are supplied hereunder amounts equal to the fair value thereof, as determined by him, and such amounts shall be credited to the general supply fund.

General supply fund, Bureau of Federal Supply: To increase the general supply fund established by the Act approved February 27, 1929, as amended (41 U.S.C. 7c), $1,500,000.

Printing and binding: For printing and binding for the Bureau of Federal Supply, including printed forms and miscellaneous items for general use of the Treasury Department, the cost of transportation to field offices of printed and bound material and the cost of necessary packing boxes and packing materials, $170,000, together with not to exceed $30,000 to be transferred from the general supply fund, Treasury Department.

Net renegotiation rebates: For necessary expenses, including personal services in the District of Columbia, in connection with the processing and determination of net renegotiation rebates under section 403 (a) (4) (D) of the Renegotiation Act, $125,000.

No part of any appropriation or authorization in this Act shall be used to pay any part of the salary or expenses of any person whose salary or expenses are prohibited from being paid from any appropriation or authorization in any other Act.

This title may be cited as the "Treasury Department Appropriation Act, 1949".

TITLE II—POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

The following sums are appropriated in conformity with 5 United States Code 361, 380; 39 United States Code 786, for the Post Office Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1949, namely:

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

OFFICE OF THE POSTMASTER GENERAL

Salaries: For the Postmaster General and other personal services in the office of the Postmaster General in the District of Columbia, including a health service program as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 150), $395,000.

SALARIES IN BUREAUS AND OFFICES

For personal services in the District of Columbia in bureaus and offices of the Post Office Department in not to exceed the following amounts, respectively:

Office of Budget and Administrative Planning, $65,000.
Office of the First Assistant Postmaster General, $1,162,500.
Office of the Second Assistant Postmaster General, $968,000.
Office of the Third Assistant Postmaster General, $1,350,000.
Office of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General, $323,000.
Office of the Solicitor for the Post Office Department, $250,000.
Office of the Chief Inspector, $405,000.
Office of the Purchasing Agent, $85,000.
Bureau of Accounts, $505,000.

CONTINGENT EXPENSES, POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

For necessary, contingent and miscellaneous expenses not otherwise provided for; purchase and exchange of lawbooks and books of reference; newspapers; and travel expenses of the purchasing agent and of the solicitor and personnel connected with his office, not exceeding $2,100; $172,150.

For printing and binding for the Post Office Department and Postal Service, $2,114,000.

Appropriations hereinafter made for the field service of the Post Office Department, except as otherwise provided, shall not be expended for any of the purposes hereinbefore provided for on account of the Post Office Department in the District of Columbia: Provided, That necessary expenses of officials and employees of the Post Office Department and Postal Service, when traveling on official business, may be paid from the appropriations for the service in connection with which the travel is performed: Provided further, That appropriations hereinafter made, except such as are exclusively for payment of compensation, shall be available for expenses in connection with the examination of estimates for appropriations in the field including per diem allowances in lieu of actual expenses of subsistence: And provided further, That the appropriations for the Post Office Department and the Postal Service shall be available for expenditures in connection with accident prevention, but no appropriation made for the field service shall be expended on account of the Post Office Department in the District of Columbia.

FIELD SERVICE, POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE POSTMASTER GENERAL

Travel and miscellaneous expenses: For travel and miscellaneous expenses in the Postal Service, offices of the Postmaster General and Assistant Postmasters General, $3,000.

Damage claims: For the payment of claims for damages to persons or property occurring in the fiscal year 1949, or in prior fiscal years, pursuant to section 403 of the Federal Tort Claims Act (28 U. S. C. 921), and in accordance with the provisions of the Deficiency Appropriation Act, approved June 16, 1921 (5 U. S. C. 392), as amended by the Act approved June 22, 1934 (31 U. S. C. 224c), $175,000.

Adjusted losses and contingencies: To pay to postmasters, navy mail clerks, and assistant navy mail clerks, coast guard mail clerks, assistant coast guard mail clerks, army mail clerks, and assistant army mail clerks, or credit them with the amount ascertained to have been lost or destroyed during the fiscal year 1949, or prior fiscal years, through unavoidable casualty resulting from no fault or negligence on their part, as authorized by the Act approved March 17, 1882, as amended by the Act approved December 7, 1945 (39 U. S. C. 49), $75,000.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INSPECTOR

Salaries of inspectors: For salaries of fifteen inspectors in charge of divisions and eight hundred inspectors, $4,350,000.

Travel and miscellaneous expenses: For necessary travel and miscellaneous expenses incurred in the operation of the post office
inspection service, not to exceed $27,600 for chemical and other investigations, and not to exceed $500 for books of reference, $958,000.

Clerks: For compensation of not exceeding three hundred and eighty-nine clerks in the post office inspection service, $1,178,000.

Rewards: For payment of rewards for the detection, arrest, and conviction of post office burglars, robbers, highway mail robbers, and persons mailing or causing to be mailed any bomb, infernal machine, or chemical, or other device or composition which may ignite, or explode, fiscal year 1949 and prior years, $55,000: Provided, That rewards may be paid in the discretion of the Postmaster General, when an offender of the classes mentioned was killed in the act of committing the crime or in resisting lawful arrest: Provided further, That no part of this sum shall be used to pay any rewards at rates in excess of those specified in Post Office Department Order 28673, dated July 28, 1945: Provided further, That of the amount herein appropriated not to exceed $20,000 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.

OFFICE OF THE FIRST ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL

Compensation to postmasters: For compensation to postmasters, including compensation as postmaster to persons who, pending the designation of an acting postmaster, assume and perform the duties of postmaster in the event of a vacancy in the office of postmaster of the third or fourth class, and to persons who perform the duties for postmasters of the fourth class absent on sick or annual leave or leave without pay, and for allowances for rent, light, fuel, and equipment to postmasters of the fourth class, $87,900,000.

Compensation to assistant postmasters: For compensation to assistant postmasters at first- and second-class post offices, $12,600,000.

Clerks, first- and second-class post offices: For compensation to clerks and employees at first- and second-class post offices, including auxiliary clerk hire at summer and winter post offices, printers, mechanics, skilled laborers, watchmen, messengers, mail handlers, and substitutes, and the maintenance of health service program as authorized by law (5 U. S. C. 150), $530,000,000.

Contract station service: For contract station service, $3,500,000.

Separating mails: For separating mails at fourth-class post offices, $180,000.

Unusual conditions: For unusual conditions at post offices, $25,000.

Clerks, third-class post offices: For compensation to clerks at third-class post offices, $25,500,000.

Miscellaneous items, first- and second-class post offices: For expenses necessary for the operation and protection of post offices of the first and second classes, and the business conducted in connection therewith, not provided for in other appropriations, $3,850,000.

Village delivery service: For village delivery service in towns and villages having post offices of the second or third class, and in communities adjacent to cities having city delivery, $300,000.

Detroit River service: For Detroit River postal service, $12,750.

Carfare and bicycle allowance: For carfare and bicycle allowance, including special delivery carfare, cost of transporting carriers by privately owned automobiles to and from their routes, at rates not exceeding regular streetcar or bus fare, and purchase, maintenance, and exchange of bicycles, $2,900,000.

City delivery carriers: For pay of letter carriers, city delivery service, and United States official mail and messenger service, $326,000,000.
Special delivery service: For compensation and fees to special delivery messengers, $16,000,000.

Rural delivery service: For pay for rural carriers, auxiliary carriers, substitutes for rural carriers on annual and sick leave, clerks in charge of rural stations, tolls and ferriage, and necessary expenses of the rural delivery service, $135,719,000, of which not less than $200,000 shall be available for extensions and new service.

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Star route service: For inland transportation by star routes, including temporary service to newly established offices, $25,501,000.

Powerboat service: For inland transportation by steamboat or other powerboat routes, including ship, steamboat, and way letters, $2,133,000.

Railroad transportation and mail messenger service: For inland transportation by railroad routes and for mail messenger service, $165,881,000: Provided, That separate accounts be kept of the amount expended for mail messenger service.

Railway mail service, salaries: For fifteen general superintendents, fifteen assistant general superintendents, two assistant general superintendents at large, one hundred and twenty district superintendents, one hundred and twenty assistant district superintendents, and other employees in the railway mail service, $109,188,000.

Railway mail service, travel allowance: For travel allowance to railway postal clerks and substitute railway postal clerks, $5,237,000.

Railway mail service, travel expenses: For travel expenses of departmental officials and supervisory employees of the railway mail service, and railway postal clerks, $66,000.

Railway mail service, miscellaneous expenses: For necessary expenses of the railway mail service not provided for in other appropriations, $490,000.

Electric car service: For electric car service, $220,000.

Foreign mail transportation: For transportation of foreign mails, except by aircraft, $23,762,800: Provided, That not to exceed $12,500 is hereby made available for expenses of delegates designated from the Post Office Department by the Postmaster General to the Sixth Congress of the Postal Union of the Americas and Spain, The Executive and Liaison Commission and the Transit Commission of the Universal Postal Union, and the conference on revision of the 1929 “Prisoners of War” Convention, to be expended in the discretion of the Postmaster General and accounted for on his certificate, which certificate shall be deemed a sufficient voucher for the sum therein expressed to have been expended, which amount shall be available until December 31, 1949.

Balances due foreign countries: For balances due foreign countries, fiscal year 1949 and prior years, $3,000,000: Provided, That there shall be established immediately, by transfer of $5,000,000 from the appropriation for “Balances due foreign countries” for the fiscal year 1948, a revolving fund which shall be available without fiscal year limitation for advances to air carriers for the transportation of air mail from foreign countries to the United States as authorized by section 2 of the Act of July 27, 1940 (49 U. S. C. 485b), and payments hereafter received from foreign countries on account of air carriers for the transportation of air mail from foreign countries to the United States shall be credited to such fund.

Indemnities, international mail: For payment of limited indemnity for the injury or loss of international mail in accordance with convention, treaty, or agreement stipulations, fiscal year 1949 and prior years, $17,500.
Foreign air mail service: For transportation of foreign mails by aircraft, as authorized by law, $23,042,000.

Domestic air mail service: For expenses necessary for the inland transportation of mail by aircraft, as authorized by law, including not to exceed $176,000 for supervisory officials and clerks at field headquarters, $32,000,000.

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Stamps and stamped paper: For manufacture and distribution of stamps and stamped paper, and not to exceed $30,000 for compensation to employees and other necessary expenses of the United States Stamped Envelope Agency, $9,335,000.

Indemnities, domestic mail: For payment of indemnity for the injury or loss of domestic registered, insured, and collect-on-delivery mail, and for failure to remit collect-on-delivery charges, fiscal year 1949 and prior years, $3,775,000.

Unpaid money orders: For payment of domestic money orders after one year from the last day of the month of issue of such orders, $900,000.

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Miscellaneous supplies and equipment: For the purchase, manufacture, repair, and installation of necessary miscellaneous equipment and supplies for the Postal Service not provided for in other appropriations; for the purchase of atlases and geographical and technical works not to exceed $1,500; and not exceeding $191,400 for personal services, including salaries of fourteen traveling mechanics; for rental of canceling machines and motors, mechanical mail-handling apparatus, and other labor-saving devices; and for travel expenses; $7,658,000, of which $400,000 shall be available exclusively for the purchase of modern mechanical postal devices, and of which $50,000 shall be available exclusively for mechanizing devices for separation of mails, and $50,000 shall be available exclusively for the necessary research, and for the design, manufacture, and installation of pilot mail-sorting equipment, as recommended on page 73 of House Report Numbered 1656, Eightieth Congress, second session, and for the necessary supervision of the installation and operation of such equipment: Provided, That the Postmaster General may authorize the sale to the public of post-route maps and rural-delivery maps at the cost of printing and 10 per centum thereof added.

Equipment shops: For the purchase, manufacture, and repair of mail bags and other equipment for the postal service not provided for in other appropriations; necessary expenses for the operation, maintenance, and protection of the mail equipment shops building, grounds, and equipment, and a health service program as authorized by law (5 U. S. C. 150); $12,853,625, of which not to exceed $1,255,000 may be expended for personal services in the District of Columbia and not exceeding $15,000 for the purchase of material and the manufacture in the equipment shops of such small quantities of distinctive equipments as may be required by other executive departments; and for services in Alaska, Puerto Rico, Hawaii, or other island possessions.

Rent, fuel, and utility services: For rent, light, power, fuel, and water, for first-, second-, and third-class post offices, and the cost of advertising for lease proposals for such offices, $14,750,000.

Pneumatic tube service: For rental of not exceeding twenty-eight miles of pneumatic tubes, hire of labor, communication service, electric power, and other expenses for transmission of mail in the city of New York including the Borough of Brooklyn; and for rental of not exceeding two miles of pneumatic tubes, not including labor and
power in operating the same, for the transmission of mail in the city of Boston, Massachusetts; $740,000: Provided, That the Acts of April 21, 1902, May 27, 1908, and June 19, 1922 (39 U. S. C. 423), relating to contracts for the transmission of mail by pneumatic tubes or other similar devices shall not be applicable to the city of New York, and the provisions not inconsistent herewith of the Acts of April 21, 1902, and May 27, 1908 (39 U. S. C. 423), shall be applicable to the city of Boston.

Vehicle service: For the hire, purchase, maintenance, repair, and operation of vehicles for use in the collection, transportation, delivery, and supervision of the mail, including the repair of vehicles owned by, or under the control of, units of the National Guard and departments and agencies of the Federal Government where repairs are made necessary because of utilization of such vehicles in the Postal Service; the rental of garage facilities; lease of quarters not exceeding a term of ten years for the housing of Government-owned motor vehicles, and including compensation to necessary employees in the motor vehicle service, $42,457,000, of which $4,400,000 shall be available exclusively for the purchase of trucks: Provided, That the Postmaster General may purchase and maintain from this appropriation such tractors and trailer trucks as may be required in the operation of the vehicle service: Provided further, That no part of this appropriation shall be expended for maintenance or repair of motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles for use in connection with the administrative work of the Post Office Department in the District of Columbia.

Transportation of equipment and supplies: For the transportation and delivery of equipment, materials, and supplies for the Post Office Department and Postal Service by freight, express, or motor transportation, and other incidental expenses, $1,000,000.

Operating force, public buildings: For compensation to employees in the custodial service, $44,600,000.

Operating supplies, public buildings: For necessary miscellaneous articles, services and supplies, including transportation thereof, required for the operation of completed and occupied public buildings and grounds operated by the Post Office Department, $7,320,000, which shall not be available for personal services except for work done by contract, or for temporary job labor under exigency not exceeding at one time the sum of $250 at any one building: Provided, That the Postmaster General is authorized to contract for telephone service in public buildings under his administration by means of telephone switchboards or equivalent telephone switching equipment jointly serving in each case two or more governmental activities, where he determines that joint service is economical and in the interest of the Government, and to secure reimbursement for the cost of such joint service from available appropriations for telephone expenses of the bureaus and offices receiving the same.

Equipment, public buildings: For the procurement, including transportation, of furniture, carpets, safes, safe and vault protective devices, and repairs of same, for use in public buildings which are now, or may hereafter be, operated by the Post Office Department, $950,000: Provided, That excepting expenditures for labor for or incidental to the moving of equipment from or into public buildings, the foregoing appropriation shall not be used for personal services except for work done under contract or for temporary job labor under exigency and not exceeding at one time the sum of $100 at any one building: Provided further, That all furniture now owned by the United States in other public buildings or in buildings rented by the United States shall be used, so far as practicable, whether or not it corresponds with the present regulation plan of furniture.
Deficiency appropriation.

Deficiency in postal revenues: If the revenues of the Post Office Department shall be insufficient to meet the appropriations made under title II of this Act, a sum equal to such deficiency in the revenues of such Department is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply such deficiency in the revenues of the Post Office Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1949, and the sum needed may be advanced to the Post Office Department upon requisition of the Postmaster General.

Reports to Congressional committees.

During the fiscal year 1949, the Postmaster General shall make quarterly reports to the Senate and House Committees on Appropriations, showing for each quarter the amount paid from each appropriation for overtime, the number of employees receiving such overtime, and the number of hours of overtime worked by such employees, together with a statement as to the necessity for such overtime work.

Transfer of funds, restriction.

Not to exceed 5 per centum of any appropriation for the Field Service, Post Office Department, may be transferred, with the approval of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, to any other appropriation or appropriations under the said Service, but no appropriation shall be increased more than 10 per centum by such transfers.

Citation of title.

This title may be cited as the “Post Office Department Appropriation Act, 1949”.

TITLE III—GENERAL PROVISIONS

Persons engaging, etc., in strikes against or advocating overthrow of U.S. Government.

Sec. 301. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided, That for the purposes hereof an affidavit shall be considered prima facie evidence that the person making the affidavit has not contrary to the provisions of this section engaged in a strike against the Government of the United States, is not a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or that such person does not advocate, and is not a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence:

Affidavit.

Provided further, That any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: Provided further, That the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

Penalty.

Sec. 302. This Act may be cited as the “Treasury and Post Office Departments Appropriation Act, 1949”.

Approved June 14, 1948.