

Genealogical, etc., data.

Special compilations, etc.

*Proviso.*  
Use restricted.

Use of receipts.

Laws continued.  
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Inconsistent laws repealed.  
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error or court of record with certified copies of so much of the population or agricultural returns as may be requested, upon the payment of the actual cost of making such copies and \$1 additional for certification; and that the Director of the Census is further authorized, in his discretion, to furnish to individuals such data from the population schedules as may be desired for genealogical or other proper purposes, upon payment of the actual cost of searching the records and \$1 for supplying a certificate; and that the Director of the Census is authorized to furnish transcripts of tables and other records and to prepare special statistical compilations for State or local officials, private concerns, or individuals upon the payment of the actual cost of such work: *Provided, however,* That in no case shall information furnished under the authority of this Act be used to the detriment of the person or persons to whom such information relates. All moneys hereafter received by the Bureau of the Census in payment for labor and materials used in furnishing transcripts of census records or special statistical compilations from such records shall be deposited to the credit of the appropriation for collecting statistics.

SEC. 34. That the Act establishing the permanent Census Office, approved March sixth, nineteen hundred and two, and Acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, except as are herein amended, shall remain in full force. That the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the thirteenth and subsequent decennial censuses," approved July second, nineteen hundred and nine, and Acts amendatory thereof, and all other laws and parts of laws inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, are hereby repealed.

Approved, March 3, 1919.

March 3, 1919.  
[H. R. 13026.]

[Public, No. 326.]

**CHAP. 98.**—An Act To authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to provide hospital and sanatorium facilities for discharged sick and disabled soldiers, sailors, and marines.

Hospital facilities. To be furnished discharged sick and disabled soldiers, etc.

Employees, etc., entitled.

Public Health Service.  
Army camp hospitals, etc., permanently transferred to.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to provide immediate additional hospital and sanatorium facilities for the care and treatment of discharged sick and disabled soldiers, sailors, and marines, Army and Navy nurses (male and female), patients of the War Risk Insurance Bureau, and the following persons only: Merchant marine seamen, seamen on boats of the Mississippi River Commission, officers and enlisted men of the United States Coast Guard, officers and employees of the Public Health Service, certain keepers and assistant keepers of the United States Lighthouse Service, seamen of the Engineer Corps of the United States Army, officers and enlisted men of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, civilian employees entitled to treatment under the United States Employees' Compensation Act, and employees on Army transports not officers or enlisted men of the Army, now entitled by law to treatment by the Public Health Service.

SEC. 2. There are hereby permanently transferred to the Treasury Department for the use of the Public Health Service for hospital or sanatoria or other uses the following properties, with their present equipment, including sites and leases, or so much thereof as may be required by the Public Health Service, including mechanical equipment in connection therewith, and approaches thereto, with authority to lease or purchase sites not owned by the Government, as follows: Hospitals, with such other buildings and land as may be required, at Camp Cody (New Mexico), Camp Hancock (Georgia), Camp Joseph E. Johnston (Florida), Camp Beauregard (Louisiana),

Camp Logan (Texas), Camp Fremont (California), and nitrate plant, Perryville (Maryland), and such hospitals, with other necessary buildings, hereafter vacated by the War Department, as may be required and found suitable for the needs of the Public Health Service for hospital or sanatoria purposes. And for the purpose of such remodeling of or additions to the above-named plants as may be required to adapt them to the needs and uses of the Public Health Service, the sum of \$750,000 is hereby authorized.

Amount authorized for remodeling, etc.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of War is hereby authorized and directed to transfer without charge to the Secretary of the Treasury for the use of the Public Health Service such hospital furniture and equipment, including hospital and medical supplies, motor trucks, and other motor-driven vehicles, in good condition, not required by the War Department, as may be required by the Public Health Service for its hospitals, and the President is authorized to direct the transfer to the Treasury Department of the use of such lands or parts of lands, buildings, fixtures, appliances, furnishings, or furniture under the control of any other department of the Government not required for the purposes of such department and suitable for the uses of the Public Health Service.

Hospital equipments, etc., transferred from Army.

Lands, buildings, etc., to be transferred.

SEC. 4. So much of the Battle Mountain Sanatorium at Hot Springs, South Dakota, the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, with its present equipment, as is not required for the purposes for which these facilities were provided, is hereby made available for the use of the Public Health Service for a period of five years from the approval of this Act, unless sooner released by the Surgeon General of the Public Health Service.

Hot Springs, S. Dak. Sanatorium of Volunteer Soldiers' Home, may be used.

SEC. 5. The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to contract with any existing hospital or sanatorium, by lease or otherwise, for immediate use, in whole or in part, of their present facilities, so as to provide bed capacity and facilities for not exceeding one thousand patients, and for such purposes the sum of \$300,000 is hereby authorized.

Hospitals and sanatoria. Authorization of additional contracts with.

SEC. 6. The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized, if in his judgment the same will be for the best interests of the Government from the standpoint of cost, location, and of the emergency needs of the Public Health Service, to purchase the site, buildings, and hospital facilities and appurtenances, at Corpus Christi, Texas, known as General Hospital Numbered 15, and for such purpose the sum of \$150,000 is hereby authorized.

Corpus Christi, Tex. Purchase of hospital at, authorized.

The sum of \$1,500,000 is hereby authorized to be held as an emergency fund for the purchase of land and buildings suitable for hospital and sanatoria purposes, which the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to select and locate, and to make additions and improvements suitable to adapt them to the uses of the United States Public Health Service, if in his judgment the emergency requires it.

Emergency fund for purchases of land, buildings, etc.

SEC. 7. By the construction of new hospitals and sanatoria, to include the necessary buildings with their appropriate mechanical and other equipment and approach work, including roads leading thereto, for the accommodation of patients, officers, nurses, attendants, storage, laundries, vehicles, and live stock on sites now owned by the Government, or on new sites to be acquired by purchase or otherwise, at the places hereinafter named: *Provided*, That if the Secretary of the Treasury shall make a finding that any hospital project hereinafter specifically authorized is not to the best interest of the Government from the standpoint of cost, location, and of the emergency needs of the Public Health Service, he is hereby authorized to reject such project or projects and to locate, construct, or acquire hospitals at such other locations as would best subserve the interest of the Government and the emergency needs of the Public Health Service within the limits of cost of such authorization.

Construction authorized, of buildings, roads, equipment, etc.

*Proviso.* Projects not deemed acceptable may be rejected, and others selected.

Cook County, Ill.  
Contract for hospital  
buildings in, accepted.

Cost.

Changes to be made,  
on execution.

Dawson Springs, Ky.  
Donated land, etc.

Cost.

Norfolk, Va.  
Cost.

District of Columbia.  
Cost.

Marine Hospital, Sta-  
pleton, N. Y.  
Cost.

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p. 467.

General construction,  
equipment, etc., condi-  
tions.

Appropriations for  
construction, equip-  
ment, etc.

Technical, etc., serv-  
ices, to be regardless of  
civil service laws, etc.

a. At Cook County, Illinois, by taking over the land and executing the contract for the construction thereon of hospital buildings specified therein of a certain proposed contract executed by the Shank Company, August thirty-first, nineteen hundred and eighteen, and in accordance with such contract and the plans and specifications, identified in connection therewith August thirty-first, nineteen hundred and eighteen, by the signature and initials of Brigadier General R. C. Marshall, junior, Construction Division, Quartermaster Department, United States Army, by Lieutenant Colonel C. C. Wright, and the Shank Company, by George H. Shank, president, at the cost stated therein, namely, \$2,500,000, with such changes in said plans and specifications as may be required by the Secretary of the Treasury to adapt said specified buildings to the needs and purposes of the Public Health Service, at a total limit of cost not to exceed \$3,000,000.

b. In carrying the foregoing authorization into effect, the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to execute the contract with The Shank Company hereinbefore specified, with such verbal changes as are made necessary by a change in the contracting officers, and to assume all obligations in said contract contained, and to purchase materials and labor in the open market, or otherwise, and to employ laborers and mechanics for the construction of such buildings and their equipment as in his judgment shall best meet the public exigencies, within the limits of cost herein authorized.

c. At Dawson Springs, Kentucky, on land to be acquired by gift, the necessary buildings for a sanatorium having a capacity of not less than five hundred beds. The sum of \$1,500,000 is hereby authorized for the construction of such sanatorium.

d. The sum of \$900,000 is hereby authorized for the construction, including site, of a hospital plant complete at Norfolk, Virginia.

e. The sum of \$550,000 is hereby authorized for the construction, on land owned by the Government, on a site to be selected by the Secretary of the Treasury with the approval of the President, of a hospital plant complete in the District of Columbia or vicinity.

f. The sum of \$190,000 is hereby authorized for additional hospital accommodations, including such minor alteration in and remodeling of existing and authorized buildings as may be necessary to economically adapt them to the additional accommodations herein authorized for the Marine Hospital at Stapleton, Staten Island, New York, the sum appropriated for additions to the said hospital by the Act approved March twenty-eighth, nineteen hundred and eighteen, is authorized to be expended in full without the construction of psychiatric units.

SEC. 8. In carrying the foregoing authorization into effect, all new construction work herein authorized shall, as far as feasible, be of fire resisting character, and the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to enter into contracts for the construction, equipment, and so forth, of such buildings on Government owned lands, or lands acquired for such purpose, to purchase materials and labor in the open market, or otherwise, and to employ laborers and mechanics for the construction of such buildings and their equipment as in his judgment shall best meet the public exigencies, within the limits of cost herein authorized.

SEC. 9. For the purpose of carrying the foregoing authorization into effect, there is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be immediately available and remain available until expended, the sum of \$8,840,000, and for furniture and equipment not otherwise provided for, the sum of \$210,000; in all, \$9,050,000.

SEC. 10. And the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized, in his discretion, to employ, for service within or without the District

of Columbia, without regard to civil-service laws, rules, and regulations, and to pay from the sums hereby authorized and appropriated for construction purposes, at customary rates of compensation, such additional technical and clerical services as may be necessary, exclusively to aid in the preparation of the drawings and specifications for the above-named objects and supervision of the execution thereof, for traveling expenses, and printing incident thereto, at a total limit of cost for such additional technical and clerical services and traveling expenses, and so forth, of not exceeding \$210,000 of the above-named limit of cost. All of the above-mentioned work shall be under the direction and supervision of the Surgeon General of the Public Health Service, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury.

SEC. 11. There is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for necessary personnel, including regular and reserve commissioned officers of the Public Health Service and clerical help in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, and maintenance, hospital supplies and equipment, leases, fuel, lights, and water, and freight, transportation, and travel, and reasonable burial expenses (not exceeding \$100 for any patient dying in hospital), \$785,333 for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and nineteen.

Approved, March 3, 1919.

Limit.

Supervision.

Appropriation for Public Health Service, 1919.

CHAP. 99.—An Act Making appropriations for fortifications and other works of defense, for the armament thereof, and for the procurement of heavy ordnance for trial and service, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1920, and for other purposes.

March 3, 1919.  
[H. R. 15979.]

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*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for fortifications and other works of defense, for the armament thereof, and for the procurement of heavy ordnance for trial and service, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1920, and for other purposes, to be available immediately, namely:

Fortifications appropriations.

FORTIFICATIONS AND OTHER WORKS OF DEFENSE.

ENGINEER DEPARTMENT.

For construction of gun and mortar batteries, \$380,000.  
For modernizing older emplacements, \$37,250.

Engineer Department.

Gun and mortar batteries.  
Emplacements.  
Electric plants, etc.  
Balances reappropriated for, covered in.  
*Ante*, p. 815.

The sum of \$1,250,000 of the unexpended balance of the appropriation "For the installation and replacement of electric light and power plants at seacoast fortifications in the United States; the purchase and installation of searchlights for seacoast defenses in the United States, including searchlights for anti-aircraft defenses and accessories therefor; and the procurement and installation of sound-ranging equipment for use in the United States, the insular possessions, and the Panama Canal, and for salaries of electrical experts, engineers, and other employees necessary to procure and install the same," shall be covered into the Treasury immediately upon the approval of this Act.

For protection, preservation, and repair of fortifications for which there may be no special appropriation available, and of structures for the torpedo defense of the United States and for maintaining channels for access to torpedo wharves, \$250,000.

Preservation, etc.

For preparation of plans for fortifications and other works of defense, \$25,000.

Plans.

For maintenance and repair of searchlights and electric light and power equipment for seacoast fortifications, and for tools, electrical

Supplies for electric plants.