AN ACT

Making appropriations for the Department of Defense and related independent agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954, and for other purposes.

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 the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954, for military functions administered by the Department of Defense, and for other purposes, namely:

TITLE I

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary for the National Security Council, including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at rates not in excess of $50 per diem for individuals; acceptance and utilization of voluntary and uncompensated services; and expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with work related to the activity of the Council; $220,000.

NATIONAL SECURITY TRAINING COMMISSION

Salaries and expenses: For expenses necessary of the National Security Training Commission, including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), at rates for individuals not in excess of $50 per diem and contracts with temporary or part-time employees may be renewed annually; and expenses of attendance at meetings concerned with the purposes of this appropriation; $55,000.

TITLE II

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE MILITARY FUNCTIONS

Office of the Secretary of Defense

Salaries and expenses

For expenses necessary for the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Armed Forces Policy Council, the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Joint Staff, the Munitions Board, and the Research and Development Board, including purchase (not to exceed four for replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles; and not to exceed $60,000 for emergency and extraordinary expenses, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of Defense for such purposes as he deems proper, and his determination thereof shall be final and conclusive; $12,500,000.

CLAIMS

claims (not to exceed $1,000 in any one case) for damages to or loss of private property incident to the operation of Army and Air National Guard camps of instruction, either during the stay of units of said organizations at such camps or while en route thereto or therefrom; claims, as authorized by law, for damage to property of railroads under training contracts; and repayment of amounts determined by the Secretary of the Army, the Secretary of the Navy, or the Secretary of the Air Force, or officers designated by them, to have been erroneously collected from military and civilian personnel of the Departments of the Army, Navy, and Air Force or from States, Territories, or the District of Columbia, or members of National Guard units thereof; $6,000,000.

RETIRED PAY

For retired pay and retirement pay, as authorized by law, of military personnel on the retired lists of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and the Air Force, including the reserve components thereof; and retainer pay for personnel of the inactive Fleet Reserve; $865,000,000 and, in addition, the Secretary of Defense may transfer from other appropriations available to the Department of Defense such amounts (not to exceed $10,000,000) as may be necessary: Provided, That no part of such sum shall be used to pay the retired or retirement pay of any commissioned member of the Regular Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Air Force who is voluntarily retired after the date of enactment of this Act, unless such member was retired because of (1) being unfit to perform the duties of his office, rank, grade, or rating by reason of a physical disability incurred in line of duty, or (2) achieving the age at which retirement is required by law, or (3) unless the application of such member is approved in writing by the Secretary of Defense stating that the retirement will not be contrary to the best interests of the service or is required to avoid individual hardship, or (4) unless such member is retired as otherwise authorized by law and has had active service during the periods April 6, 1917, to November 11, 1918, and December 7, 1941, to September 2, 1945, in any capacity as a member of the military or naval forces of the United States.

CONTINGENCIES

For emergencies and extraordinary expenses arising in the Department of Defense, to be expended on the approval or authority of the Secretary of Defense and such expenses may be accounted for solely on his certificate that the expenditures were necessary for confidential military purposes, $75,000,000: Provided, That a report of disbursements under this item of appropriation shall be made quarterly to the Appropriations Committees of the Congress.

EMERGENCY FUND

For transfer by the Secretary of Defense, with the approval of the Bureau of the Budget, to any appropriation for military functions under the Department of Defense available for research and development, to be merged with and to be available for the same purposes, and for the same time period, as the appropriation to which transferred, $80,000,000.

OFFICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

For salaries and expenses necessary for the Office of Public Information, $450,000.
COURT OF MILITARY APPEALS

For salaries and expenses necessary for the Court of Military Appeals, $300,000.

RESERVE TOOLS AND FACILITIES

For transfer by the Secretary of Defense, with the approval of the President, to any appropriation for military functions under the Department of Defense available for procurement, to be merged with and to be available for the same time period as the appropriation to which transferred, for mobilization reserve purposes, including purchase of machine tools; and construction and acquisition of production facilities, including land, buildings, and appurtenances therefor; $250,000,000: Provided, That not more than $50,000,000 of the above amount may be used for the purchase or acquisition of existing production facilities including land, buildings, and appurtenances therefor.

TITLE III

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

MILITARY PERSONNEL, ARMY

For pay, allowances, individual clothing, interest on deposits, and permanent change of station travel, including transportation of dependents and household effects, for members of the Army on active duty (except those undergoing reserve training); expenses incident to movement of troop detachments, including rental of camp sites and procurement of utility and other services; expenses of military courts, boards and commissions; expenses of apprehension and delivery of deserters, prisoners, and soldiers absent without leave, including payment of rewards (not to exceed $25 in any one case), and costs of confinement of military prisoners in nonmilitary facilities; donations of not to exceed $25 to each prisoner upon each release from confinement in an Army prison (other than a disciplinary barracks) and to each person discharged for fraudulent enlistment; welfare, recreation and informational services; educational services for Army personnel; subsistence and clothing for resale, as authorized by law; authorized issues of articles to prisoners, other than those in disciplinary barracks; civilian clothing, not to exceed $30 in cost, to be issued each person upon each release from an Army prison, other than a disciplinary barracks; medals and awards; subsistence of enlisted personnel, selective service registrants called for induction and applicants for enlistment while held under observation, and prisoners (except those at disciplinary barracks), or reimbursement therefor while such personnel are sick in hospitals; subsistence of supernumeraries necessitated by emergent military circumstances; and chaplains' activities; $4,708,859,000: Provided, That section 212 of the Act of June 30, 1932 (5 U. S. C. 59a), shall not apply to retired military personnel on duty at the United States Soldiers' Home: Provided further, That the duties of the librarian at the United States Military Academy may be performed by a retired officer detailed on active duty.

MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS, ARMY

For expenses, not otherwise provided for, necessary for the maintenance and operation of the Army, including administration and rentals at the seat of government; medical and dental care of personnel entitled thereto by law or regulation (including charges of private facilities for care of military personnel on duty or leave, except elective
private treatment), and other measures necessary to protect the health of the Army; disposition of remains, including those of all Army personnel who die while on active duty; information and educational services for the Armed Forces; recruiting expenses; subsistence of prisoners at disciplinary barracks, and of civilian employees as authorized by law; expenses of apprehension and delivery of prisoners escaped from disciplinary barracks, including payment of rewards not exceeding $25 in any one case, and expenses of confinement of such prisoners in nonmilitary facilities; donations of not to exceed $25 to each prisoner upon each release from confinement in a disciplinary barracks; authorized issues of articles for use of applicants for enlistment and persons in military custody; civilian clothing, not to exceed $30 in cost, to be issued each person upon each release from a disciplinary barracks and to each soldier discharged otherwise than honorably, or sentenced by a civil court to confinement in a civil prison, or interned or discharged as an alien enemy; transportation services; communications services, including construction of communication systems; photographic services; maps and similar data for military purposes; military surveys and engineering planning; alteration, extension, and repair of structures and property; acquisition of lands (not exceeding $5,000 for any one parcel), easements, rights-of-way, and similar interests in land, and, in administering the provisions of 43 U. S. C. 315q, rentals may be paid in advance; payment of deficiency judgments and interest thereon arising out of condemnation proceedings; utility services for buildings erected at private cost, as authorized by law (10 U. S. C. 1346), and buildings on military reservations authorized by Army regulations to be used for a similar purpose; purchase of ambulances; hire of passenger motor vehicles; contingencies for the Commandant of the National War College, to be expended in his discretion (not exceeding $1,000); purchase, repair and cleaning of uniforms for guards at the National War College; tuition and fees incident to training of military personnel at civilian institutions; maintenance and operation of the United States Military Academy, including contingencies for the Superintendent (not exceeding $5,200), the Commandant of Cadets (not exceeding $1,200) and the Academic Board (not exceeding $1,000), to be expended in their respective discretions, expenses of the Board of Visitors, and liquidation of unpaid indebtedness of separated cadets to the Treasurer of the Academy; field exercises and maneuvers, including payments in advance for rentals or options to rent land; expenses for the Reserve Officers' Training Corps and other units at educational institutions, as authorized by law (10 U. S. C. 381–390; 441–443; 1180–1182a); exchange fees, and losses in the accounts of disbursing officers or agents in accordance with law (31 U. S. C. 95a; 50 U. S. C. App. 1705–1707; 61 Stat. 493); expenses of inter-American cooperation, as authorized for the Navy by law (5 U. S. C. 421f) for Latin-American cooperation; not to exceed $6,361,500 for emergencies and extraordinary expenses, to be expended on the approval or authority of the Secretary of the Army, and payments may be made on his certificate of necessity for confidential military purposes, and his determination shall be final and conclusive upon the accounting officers of the Government; $4,343,000,000.

PROCUREMENT AND PRODUCTION, ARMY

For expenses necessary for the procurement, manufacture, and modification of armaments, ammunition, equipment, vehicles, vessels, and aircraft for the Army and the Reserve Officers' Training Corps; purchase of passenger motor vehicles; expenses which in the discretion of the Secretary of the Army are necessary in providing facilities
for production of equipment and supplies for national defense purposes, including construction, and the furnishing of Government-owned facilities and equipment at privately owned plants; and ammunition for military salutes at institutions to which issue of weapons for salutes is authorized; $3,224,633,000, to remain available until expended.

**Military Construction, Army Civilian Components**

For construction, acquisition, expansion, rehabilitation and conversion of facilities for the training and administration of the reserve components, including contributions therefor, as authorized by the Act of September 11, 1950 (64 Stat. 829), without regard to sections 1136 and 3734, Revised Statutes, as amended, and land and interests therein may be acquired and construction prosecuted thereon prior to the approval of title by the Attorney General as required by section 355 of the Revised Statutes, as amended; and hire of passenger motor vehicles; $9,094,000, to remain available until expended.

**Reserve Personnel Requirements**

For pay, allowances, clothing, subsistence, transportation, travel and related expenses, as authorized by law, for personnel of the Army Reserve while on active duty undergoing Reserve training or while performing drills or equivalent duty, and for members of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps; subsistence for members of the Army Reserve for drills of eight or more hours duration in any one calendar day; $85,500,000.

**Army National Guard**

For pay, allowances, clothing, subsistence, transportation, and travel, as authorized by law, for personnel of the Army National Guard while undergoing training or while performing drills or equivalent duties; expenses of training, organizing and administering the Army National Guard, including maintenance, operation, and alterations to structures and facilities; hire of passenger motor vehicles; personal services in the National Guard Bureau and services of personnel of the National Guard employed as civilians without regard to their military rank, and the number of caretakers authorized to be employed under provisions of law (32 U. S. C. 42) may be such as is deemed necessary by the Secretary of the Army; subsistence for officers attending drills of eight or more hours duration in any one calendar day; travel expenses (other than mileage), as authorized by law for Army personnel on active duty, for Army National Guard division, regimental, and battalion commanders while inspecting units in compliance with National Guard regulations when specifically authorized by the Chief, National Guard Bureau; supplying and equipping the Army National Guard of the several States, Territories, and the District of Columbia, as authorized by law; and expenses of repair, modification, maintenance, and issue of supplies and equipment (including aircraft); $210,035,000: Provided, That $3,000,000 of the unexpended balance of funds appropriated under the head "Military Construction, Army Civilian Components" in the Department of Defense Appropriation Act, 1953, and $100,000 of funds appropriated under the same head in this Act, shall be available for the construction of buildings and facilities other than armories without regard to the 75 per centum restriction on contributions contained in section 4 (d) of Public Law 783, 81st Congress.
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, ARMY

For necessary expenses of basic and applied scientific research, evaluation, and development, including maintenance, rehabilitation, lease and operation of facilities and equipment, not otherwise provided for; $345,000,000, to remain available until expended.

NATIONAL BOARD FOR THE PROMOTION OF RIFLE PRACTICE, ARMY

For necessary expenses of construction, equipment and maintenance of rifle ranges, the instruction of citizens in marksmanship, and promotion of rifle practice, in accordance with the Act of August 29, 1916 (39 Stat. 643), and the provisions of law contained in 10 U.S.C. 1184-1185 and 32 U.S.C. 181-186, including travel of rifle teams, military personnel, and individuals attending regional, national, and international competitions, and not to exceed $18,000 for incidental expenses of the National Board, $100,000: Provided, That travel expenses of civilian members of the National Board shall be paid in accordance with the Standardized Government Travel Regulations, as amended.

ALASKA COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

For expenses necessary for the operation, maintenance, and improvement of the Alaska Communication System, including hire of passenger motor vehicles, $11,185,000, to remain available until the close of the fiscal year 1955, and, in addition, not to exceed 15 per centum of the current fiscal year receipts of the Alaska Communication System may be merged with and used for the purposes of this appropriation.

CIVILIAN RELIEF IN KOREA

For expenses, not otherwise provided for, necessary for emergency relief for the civilian population of Korea, including the procurement, operation, maintenance, and distribution of equipment, materials and services for informational and reorientation purposes; travel; and transportation; $58,000,000: Provided, That materials and supplies available to the Department of Defense may be used for the purposes of this appropriation without reimbursement therefor: Provided further, That none of the funds provided under this head shall be used for such purposes in any territory of Korea under Communist control: Provided further, That the unexpended balances of funds previously appropriated under this head shall be merged with this appropriation.

ARMY STOCK FUND

The amount available in the Army Stock Fund is hereby reduced by $285,000,000, such sum to be carried to the surplus fund and covered into the Treasury immediately upon the approval of this Act.

TITLE IV

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

MILITARY PERSONNEL, NAVY

For pay, allowances, subsistence, interest on deposits, gratuities, clothing, permanent change of station travel (including expenses of temporary duty between permanent duty stations), training duty travel of midshipman paid hereunder, and transportation of dependents, household effects, and privately owned automobiles, as author-
ized by law, for regular and reserve personnel on active duty (except those on active duty while undergoing reserve training), midshipmen at the Naval Academy, and aviation cadets, $2,541,000,000.

**Military Personnel, Naval Reserve**

For pay, allowances, clothing, subsistence, gratuities, and travel, as authorized by law, for personnel of the Naval Reserve on active duty while undergoing reserve training, or while performing drills or equivalent duty, regular and contract enrollees in the Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corps; and retainee pay authorized by the Act of August 13, 1946 (34 U. S. C. 1020h); $63,300,000: Provided, That, in addition, not to exceed $2,893,000 may be transferred to this appropriation from the appropriation for "Military personnel, officer candidates", fiscal years 1953-54.

**Navy Personnel, General Expenses**

For expenses necessary for general training, education and administration of regular and reserve personnel, including tuition, cash book allowances of not to exceed $50 for each Naval Aviation College program student, and other costs incurred at civilian schools, general training aids and devices, procurement of military personnel, and authorized annuity premiums and retirement benefits for civilian members of teaching staffs; maintenance and operation of Navy training and personnel facilities, including the Naval Academy, Naval Postgraduate School, Naval War College, Naval Home, Navy training schools and facilities, disciplinary barracks, and retraining commands; rent; hire of motor vehicles; not to exceed $30 per person for civilian clothing, including an overcoat when necessary, for enlisted personnel discharged otherwise than honorably; welfare and recreation; medals and other awards; research and development; and departmental salaries; $83,000,000.

**Military Personnel, Marine Corps**

For pay, allowances, clothing, subsistence, interest on deposits, gratuities, clothing, permanent change of station travel (including expenses of temporary duty between permanent duty stations), and transportation of dependents, household effects, and privately owned automobiles, as authorized by law, for regular and reserve personnel on active duty (except those on active duty while undergoing reserve training), $738,000,000.

**Military Personnel, Marine Corps Reserve**

For pay, allowances, clothing, subsistence, gratuities, and travel, as authorized by law, for personnel of the Marine Corps Reserve and the Marine Corps platoon leaders class on active duty while undergoing reserve training, or while performing drills or equivalent duty, $13,800,000.

**Marine Corps Troops and Facilities**

For necessary expenses of troops and facilities of the Marine Corps not otherwise provided for, including maintenance and operation of equipment and facilities, and procurement of military personnel; training and education of regular and reserve personnel, including tuition and other costs incurred at civilian schools; welfare and recreation; not to exceed $30 per person for civilian clothing, including an overcoat when necessary, for enlisted personnel discharged otherwise than honorably; research and development; procurement and manu-
facture of military supplies, equipment and clothing; hire of passenger motor vehicles; transportation of things; industrial mobilization; rent; medals, awards, emblems and other insignia; care of the dead; and departmental salaries; $195,000,000.

**MARINE CORPS PROCUREMENT**

For expenses necessary for the procurement, manufacture, and modification of armament, ammunition, military equipment and vehicles for the Marine Corps, including purchase of passenger motor vehicles; $151,127,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That the unexpended balances appropriated for the foregoing purposes under the head "Marine Corps Troops and Facilities" for the fiscal years 1951, 1952, and 1953 are hereby transferred to and merged with this appropriation.

**AIRCRAFT AND FACILITIES**

For expenses necessary for maintenance, operation, and modification of aircraft; maintenance, operation, and lease of air stations and facilities, testing laboratories, fleet and other aviation activities; procurement of services, supplies, special clothing, tools, materials, and equipment, including rescue boats; research and development; industrial mobilization; aerological services, supplies, and equipment for the Navy and Marine Corps; and departmental salaries; $943,000,000.

**AIRCRAFT AND RELATED PROCUREMENT**

For construction, procurement, and modernization of aircraft and equipment, including ordnance, spare parts, and accessories therefor; expansion of public and not to exceed $10,000,000 for expansion of private plants, including the land necessary therefor, without regard to section 3734, Revised Statutes, as amended, and such land, and interests therein, may be acquired and construction prosecuted thereon prior to approval of title by the Attorney General as required by section 355, Revised Statutes, as amended; procurement and installation of equipment in public or private plants; and departmental salaries necessary for the purposes of this appropriation, to remain available until expended, $1,379,000,000.

**SHIPS AND FACILITIES**

For expenses necessary for design, maintenance, operation, and alteration of vessels; maintenance and operation of facilities; procurement of plant equipment, appliances, and machine tools, and installation thereof in public or private plants; procurement of equipment, supplies, special clothing and services, including subsistence and other expenses of civilian crews of vessels; installation, maintenance, and removal of ships' ordnance; lease of facilities and docks; charter and hire of vessels; relief of vessels in distress; maritime salvage services; research and development; industrial mobilization; and departmental salaries; $896,400,000.

**CONSTRUCTION OF SHIPS**

For an additional amount for "Construction of Ships", to remain available until expended, $56,700,000: Provided, That the total of obligations incurred under this head for construction, conversion, or replacement, approved after July 17, 1947, shall not exceed $1,194,-261,000.
CONSTRUCTION OF SHIPS (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

For liquidation of obligations incurred pursuant to authority here­tofore granted under this head, $70,454,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That this amount may be disbursed through the appropriation “Construction of Ships, Navy”.

SHIPBUILDING AND CONVERSION

For expenses necessary for the construction, acquisition, or con­version of vessels as authorized by law, including armor and arma­ment therefor, plant equipment, appliances, and machine tools, and installation thereof in public or private plants; and departmental salaries necessary for the purposes of this appropriation; $720,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That the unexpended balance of the appropriation “Ordnance for shipbuilding and con­version” is hereby merged with this appropriation: Provided further, That the total of obligations incurred under the heads “Shipbuild­ing and conversion” and “Ordnance for shipbuilding and conversion”, including those incurred against reimbursements credited to these appropriations pursuant to section 403 (b) of the Mutual Defense Assistance Act of 1949, as amended (22 U. S. C. 1574 (b)), shall not exceed $3,313,839,000.

ORDNANCE AND FACILITIES

For expenses necessary for the production and procurement of Navy ordnance and ammunition (except ordnance for new aircraft, new ships, and ships authorized for conversion); alteration, preservation, and handling of ordnance and ammunition; maintenance of ordnance (except installation, maintenance, and removal of ships' ordnance, and line maintenance of ordnance installed in aircraft); maintenance and operation of ordnance facilities; procurement of equipment, supplies, special clothing and services; procurement of plant equipment, appliances, and machine tools, and installation thereof in naval or private plants; lease of facilities; research and development; industrial mobil­ization; and departmental salaries; $804,000,000.

ORDNANCE FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

For liquidation of obligations incurred pursuant to authority here­tofore granted under this head, $10,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That this amount may be disbursed through the appropriation “Ordnance for New Construction, Navy”.

MEDICAL CARE

For expenses necessary for maintenance and operation of naval hospitals, medical centers, clinics, schools, research facilities, and other medical activities; technical medical support of the supply sys­tem and other naval activities; procurement of ambulances, medical and dental supplies, equipment and services; rent; instruction of medical personnel in naval hospitals, naval schools, and civilian schools; research and development; industrial mobilization; care of the dead; and departmental salaries; $83,429,000.
CIVIL ENGINEERING

For expenses necessary for maintenance and operation of district public works offices, public works centers, construction battalion centers, defense housing projects, other civil engineering facilities, and shore activities not otherwise provided for; procurement of services, supplies and equipment for the foregoing activities; purchase and hire of passenger motor vehicles; research and development; engineering services; industrial mobilization; and departmental salaries; $115,000,000.


MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY CIVILIAN COMPONENTS

For construction, acquisition, expansion, rehabilitation and conversion of facilities for the training and administration of the reserve components of the Navy and Marine Corps, including contributions therefor, as authorized by the Act of September 11, 1950 (64 Stat. 829), without regard to section 3734, Revised Statutes, as amended, and land and interests therein may be acquired and construction prosecuted thereon prior to the approval of title by the Attorney General as required by section 355, Revised Statutes, as amended; $30,000,000, to remain available until expended.

FACILITIES

For expenses necessary for acquisition, construction, and installation of production facilities and equipment, and test facilities and equipment (other than those for research and development), including the land necessary therefor, without regard to section 3734, Revised Statutes, as amended, and such land, and interests therein, may be acquired and construction prosecuted thereon prior to the approval of title by the Attorney General as required by section 355, Revised Statutes, as amended, such amounts as may be determined by the Secretary of the Navy, and approved by the Secretary of Defense and the Bureau of the Budget, and said amounts shall be derived by transfer from any appropriations available to the Department of the Navy, during the current fiscal year for procurement of equipment for installation or use in private plants: Provided, That the total amount so transferred shall not exceed $25,000,000.

RESEARCH

For conduct and encouragement of research and development, not otherwise provided for; dissemination of scientific information; administration of patents, trade-marks, and copyrights; maintenance and operation of research and development facilities; development, installation, and maintenance of special devices (including specialized housing therefor); procurement of supplies, services, and equipment; departmental salaries; and other expenses necessary in carrying out the Act of August 1, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 475); $58,600,000, to remain available until expended.
SERVICE-WIDE SUPPLY AND FINANCE

For expenses necessary for maintenance and operation of service-wide supply and finance activities, including supply depots and centers, market and purchasing offices, supply demand control points, fleet fueling facilities, overseas air cargo terminals, regional accounting and disbursing offices, the material catalog office, the cost inspection service, and other service-wide supply and finance facilities, as designated by the Secretary; procurement of supplies, services, special clothing, and equipment; rent; intra-Navy transportation of things; transportation of household effects of civilian employees; research and development; industrial mobilization; losses in exchange and in the accounts of disbursing officers, as authorized by law; and departmental salaries; $382,500,000.

SERVICE-WIDE OPERATIONS

For expenses necessary for maintenance and operation of the Naval Observatory, the Hydrographic Office, Service-wide Communications, Naval Records Centers, Naval District Headquarters (except training offices), River Commands, and other service-wide operations and functions not otherwise provided for; procurement of supplies, services and equipment for activities financed hereunder; Latin-American cooperation; not to exceed $8,414,000 for emergencies and extraordinary expenses as authorized by section 6 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 419c), to be expended on the approval and authority of the Secretary, and his determination shall be final and conclusive upon the accounting officers of the Government; and departmental salaries; $104,000,000.

NAVAL PETROLEUM RESERVES

For expenses necessary for exploration, prospecting, conservation, development, use, and operation of the naval petroleum reserves, as authorized by law, $2,400,000, to be derived by transfer from the appropriation “Naval Petroleum Reserve Numbered 4, Alaska”, fiscal year 1953-1954.

NAVY STOCK FUND

The amount available in the Navy Stock Fund is hereby reduced by $250,000,000, such sum to be carried to the surplus fund and covered into the Treasury immediately upon the approval of this Act.

TITLE V

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

AIRCRAFT AND RELATED PROCUREMENT

For construction, procurement, and modification of aircraft and equipment, armor and armament, spare parts and accessories therefor; specialized equipment; expansion of public and private plants, Government-owned equipment and installation thereof in such plants, erection of structures, and acquisition of land without regard to section 1136, Revised Statutes, as amended, for the foregoing and other purposes, and such land, and interests therein, may be acquired and construction prosecuted thereon prior to the approval of title by the Attorney General as required by section 355, Revised Statutes, as amended; industrial mobilization, including maintenance of reserve plants and equipment and procurement planning; and other expenses
necessary for the foregoing purposes, including rents and transportation of things; $3,495,000,000, to remain available until expended.

**MAJOR PROCUREMENT OTHER THAN AIRCRAFT**

For procurement of supplies, materials, and equipment, and spare parts therefor, not otherwise provided for; electronic and communication equipment; and the purchase of passenger motor vehicles; $600,000,000, to remain available until expended.

**MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS**

For expenses necessary for the maintenance, operation, and administration of the activities of the Air Force, including the Air Force Reserve and the Air Reserve Officers' Training Corps; maintenance, operation, and modification of aircraft; transportation of things; rents at the seat of government and elsewhere, and in administering the provisions of 43 U. S. C. 315q payments of rents may be made in advance; repair of facilities; field printing plants; procurement of ambulances; hire of passenger motor vehicles; training and instruction of military personnel of the Air Force, including tuition and related expenses; pay, allowances, and travel expenses of contract surgeons; utility services for buildings erected at private cost as authorized by law (10 U. S. C. 1346), and buildings on military reservations authorized by Air Force regulations to be used for welfare and recreational purposes; rental of land or purchase of options to rent land without reference to section 3648, Revised Statutes, as amended, use or repair of private property, and other necessary expenses of combat maneuvers; organizational clothing and equipage; payment of exchange fees and exchange losses incurred by Air Force disbursing officers or their agents; losses in the accounts of Air Force disbursing officers as authorized by law (31 U. S. C. 95a; 50 U. S. C. 1705-1707); burial of the dead as authorized by law (10 U. S. C. 916-916d; 5 U. S. C. 103a), including remains of personnel of the Air Force of the United States who die while on active duty, travel allowances of attendants accompanying remains, and acquisition by lease or otherwise of temporary burial sites; conduct of schoolrooms, service clubs, chapels, and other instructional, entertainment, and welfare expenses for enlisted men and patients not otherwise provided for; expenses for inter-American cooperation as authorized for the Navy by the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 421f), for Latin-American cooperation; payments of deficiency judgments and interests thereon arising out of condemnation proceedings heretofore instituted; and special services by contract or otherwise; $3,155,000,000.

**MILITARY PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS**

For pay, allowances, clothing, subsistence, transportation, interest on deposits of enlisted personnel, and travel in kind for cadets and permanent change of station travel for all other personnel of the Air Force of the United States on active duty including duty under section 5, National Defense Act (other than personnel of the reserve components, including the Air National Guard, on active duty while undergoing reserve training), including commutation of quarters, subsistence supplies for issue as rations to enlisted personnel, cloth and materials and clothing for issue and sale, and clothing allowances, as authorized by law; and, in connection with personnel paid from this appropriation, for rental of camp sites and local procurement of utility services and other necessary expenses incident to individual or troop movements (including packing and unpacking and
transportation of organizational equipment); ice, meals for recruiting parties, monetary allowances for liquid coffee for troops when supplied cooked or travel rations, altering and fitting clothing, and commutation of rations, as authorized by law, to enlisted personnel, including those sick in hospitals; transportation, as authorized by law, of dependents, baggage, and household effects of personnel paid from this appropriation; rations for civilian employees when entitled thereto, applicants for enlistment, prisoners of war, and general prisoners; subsistence supplies for resale, as authorized by law; commutation of rations, as authorized by regulations, to applicants for enlistment, civilian employees entitled to subsistence at public expense, and general prisoners, while sick in hospitals; subsistence of supernumeraries necessitated by emergent military circumstances; issues of toilet articles and barbers' and tailors' material to general prisoners confined at military posts without pay and allowances, applicants for enlistment, and recruits upon first enlistment; civilian clothing and when necessary an overcoat, the cost of all not to exceed $30, for each person upon each release from a military prison, each enlisted man discharged otherwise than honorably, each enlisted man convicted by a civil court for an offense resulting in confinement in a civil prison, and each enlisted man interned, or discharged without internment as an alien enemy; expenses of apprehension and delivery of deserters, prisoners, and members of the Air Force absent without leave, including payment of rewards (not to exceed $25 in any one case); confinement of military prisoners in nonmilitary facilities; donations of not to exceed $25 to each civilian prisoner upon each release from a military prison, to each enlisted man discharged otherwise than honorably upon each release from confinement under court-martial sentence, and to each person discharged for fraudulent enlistment; expenses of courts, boards, and commissions; welfare; and medals and other awards; $3,285,000,000.

Research and Development

For expenses necessary for basic and applied scientific research and development, by contract or otherwise, and transportation of things, $440,000,000, to remain available until expended.

Reserve Personnel Requirements

For pay, allowances, clothing, subsistence, and travel for personnel of the Air Force Reserve and the Air Reserve Officers' Training Corps, while on active duty undergoing reserve training or while performing drills or equivalent duty, or undergoing training and instruction, as authorized by law; and the procurement and issue of uniforms to institutions necessary for the training of the Air Reserve Officers' Training Corps, as authorized by law; $14,900,000.

Air National Guard

For pay, allowances, clothing, subsistence, transportation (including mileage, actual and necessary expenses, or per diem in lieu thereof), medical and hospital treatment and related expenses, for members of the Air National Guard while undergoing Reserve training or while performing drills or equivalent duty, as authorized by law; travel expenses (other than mileage), on the same basis as authorized by law for Air National Guard personnel on active Federal duty, of Air National Guard commanders while inspecting units in compliance with National Guard regulations when specifically authorized by the Chief, National Guard Bureau; establishment, mainte-
nance, operation, repair, and other necessary expenses of facilities for
the training and administration of the Air National Guard, including
construction of facilities, and additions, extensions, alterations,
improvements, and rehabilitation of existing facilities, as authorized
by the Act of September 11, 1950 (Public Law 783); maintenance,
operation, and modification of aircraft; transportation of things;
purchase and hire of passenger motor vehicles; procurement and issue
to the Air National Guard of the several States, Territories, and the
District of Columbia of supplies, materials, and equipment, as author­
ized by law; and expenses incident to the maintenance and use of
supplies, materials, and equipment, including such as may be fur­
nished from stocks under the control of agencies of the Department
of Defense; $147,100,000: Provided, That the number of caretakers
authorized to be employed under the provisions of law (32 U. S. C.
42) may be such as is deemed necessary by the Secretary of the Air
Force.

CONTINGENCIES

For emergencies and military expenses, to be expended on the authority
or approval of the Secretary of the Air Force, and such expenses
may be accounted for solely on his certificate, $31,000,000.

TITLE VI

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 601. During the current fiscal year, the Secretary of Defense
and the Secretaries of the Air Force, Army, and Navy, respectively,
if they should deem it advantageous to the national defense, and if in
their opinions, the existing facilities of the Department of Defense
are inadequate, are authorized to procure services in accordance with
section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), but at rates
for individuals not in excess of $50 per day, and to pay in connection
therewith travel expenses of individuals, including actual transporta­
tion and per diem in lieu of subsistence while traveling from their
homes or places of business to official duty station and return as may
be authorized by law: Provided, That such contracts may be renewed
annually.

Sec. 602. Section 3648, Revised Statutes, shall not apply in the case
of payments made from appropriations contained in this Act, (1) to
payments made in compliance with the laws of foreign countries or
their ministerial regulations, (2) to payments for rent in such coun­
tries for such periods as may be necessary to accord with local custom,
or (3) to payments made for tuition.

Sec. 603. During the current fiscal year, provisions of law prohibiting
the payment of compensation to, or employment of, any person
not a citizen of the United States shall not apply to personnel of the
Department of Defense.

Sec. 604. Hereafter, appropriations for the Department of Defense
otherwise available for travel or transportation which are current
on date of relief from duty station of personnel traveling under orders
may be charged with all expenses in connection with such travel
including transportation of dependents and household effects, regard­
less of time of arrival at destination of such personnel.

Sec. 605. Hereafter, appropriations for the Department of Defense
available for travel shall not be available for expenses incident to
attendance at meetings of technical, scientific, professional, or other
similar organizations without the approval of the Secretary of the
department concerned, or his designee for the purpose.
SEC. 606. Hereafter, no part of any money appropriated to the Department of Defense in this or any other Act shall be expended for the payment of any commission on any land purchase contract in excess of 2 per centum of the purchase price.

SEC. 607. Such military and naval personnel as may be detailed for duty with agencies not a part of the Department of Defense on a reimbursement basis may be employed in addition to the numbers otherwise authorized and appropriated for.

SEC. 608. Appropriations contained in this Act shall be available for insurance of official motor vehicles in foreign countries, when required by laws of such countries; payments in advance of expenses determined by the investigating officer to be necessary and in accord with local custom for conducting investigations in foreign countries incident to matters relating to the activities of the department concerned; reimbursement of General Services Administration for security guard services for protection of confidential files; examination of estimates of appropriations and Department of Defense activities in the field and the use of such appropriations for such purpose shall be subject only to regulation by the standing committees concerned; and all necessary expenses, at the seat of government of the United States of America or elsewhere, in connection with (1) instruction and training, including tuition, specifically approved by the Secretary of the Department concerned and not otherwise provided for, of civilian employees, and (2) communication and other services and supplies as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act: Provided, That no appropriation contained in this Act, and no funds available from prior appropriations to component departments and agencies of the Department of Defense, shall be used to pay tuition or to make other payments to educational institutions in connection with the instruction or training of file clerks, stenographers, and typists receiving, or prospective file clerks, stenographers, and typists who will receive compensation at a rate below the minimum rate of pay for positions allocated to grade GS-5 under the Classification Act of 1949, as amended.

SEC. 609. Appropriations for the military departments available for procurement or manufacture of supplies, equipment, and materials shall hereafter be available for the purchase or other acquisition of (a) copyrights, letters patent, applications for letters patent, (b) licenses under copyrights, under letters patent, and under applications for letters patent, and (c) designs, processes, and manufacturing data; and shall also be available for the purchase or other acquisition of releases, before suit is brought, for past infringement of letters patent. Any such purchase or other acquisition shall pertain to supplies, equipment, materials, or processes produced or used by or for, or useful to, the department concerned.

SEC. 610. Any appropriation available to the Air Force, Army, or the Navy may, under such regulations as the Secretary concerned may prescribe, be used for expenses incident to the maintenance, pay, and allowances of prisoners of war, other persons in Air Force, Army, or Navy custody whose status is determined by the Secretary concerned to be similar to prisoners of war, and persons detained in such custody pursuant to Presidential proclamation.

SEC. 611. Hereafter, without deposit to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States and withdrawal on money requisitions, receipts of public moneys from sales or other sources by officers of the Department of Defense on disbursing duty and charged in their official accounts, except receipts to be credited to river and harbor and flood-control appropriations, may be used by them as required for current expenditures, all necessary bookkeeping adjustments of appropriations, funds, and accounts to be made in the settlement of their disbursing accounts.
SEC. 612. Appropriations available to the Department of Defense for the current fiscal year for construction or maintenance shall be available for minor construction (except family quarters), conversion of and extensions to existing structures, and improvements, at facilities of the Department concerned, but the cost of any project authorized under this section which is not otherwise authorized shall not exceed the following cost limitations, but only one allotment shall be made for any one project or unit: (a) any such project determined by the Secretary of Defense to be urgently required in the interests of national defense, $200,000; (b) any such project determined by the Secretary of the Department concerned to be urgently required in the interests of national defense, $50,000; and (c) any other such project, $25,000: Provided, That the cost limitations of this section shall not apply to amounts authorized to be expended for emergency expenses on the approval of the Secretary concerned: Provided further, That the cost of converting existing structures to family quarters pursuant to the authority contained in this section shall not exceed $50,000 during the current fiscal year at any single facility of the Department concerned.

SEC. 613. During the current fiscal year, appropriations otherwise available for construction of family quarters for personnel shall not be obligated for such construction at a cost per family unit in excess of $14,040 on housing units for generals; $12,040 on housing units for majors, lieutenant colonels and colonels, or equivalent; $11,040 on housing units for second lieutenants, lieutenants, captains, and warrant officers, or equivalent; or $10,040 on housing units for enlisted personnel, except that when such units are constructed outside the continental United States or in Alaska, the average cost per unit of all such units shall not exceed $25,850 and in no event shall the individual cost exceed $35,000, except units for the Alaska Communications System the individual cost shall not exceed $40,000.

SEC. 614. Appropriations for the Department of Defense for the current fiscal year shall be available, (a) except as authorized by the Act of September 30, 1950 (20 U. S. C. 236-244), for primary and secondary schooling for dependents of military and civilian personnel of the Department of Defense residing on military or naval installations or stationed in foreign countries, as authorized for the Navy by section 13 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 421d) in amounts not exceeding an average of $225 per student, when the Secretary of the Department concerned finds that schools, if any, available in the locality, are unable to provide adequately for the education of such dependents; (b) for expenses in connection with administration of occupied areas; (c) for payment of rewards as authorized for the Navy by the Act of August 2, 1946, for information leading to the discovery of missing naval property or the recovery thereof.

SEC. 615. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used directly or indirectly except for temporary employment in case of emergency, for the payment of any civilian for services rendered by him on the Canal Zone while occupying a skilled, technical, clerical, administrative, executive, or supervisory position unless such person is a citizen of the United States of America or of the Republic of Panama: Provided, however, (1) That, notwithstanding the provision in the Act approved August 11, 1939 (53 Stat. 1409), limiting employment in the above-mentioned positions to citizens of the United States from and after the date of approval of said Act, citizens of Panama may be employed in such positions; (2) that at no time shall the number of Panamanian citizens employed in the above-mentioned positions exceed the number of citizens of the United States so employed, if United States citizens are available in continental United States.
Employees with 15 or more years of service.

Hours of employment; pay rates.

Applicability of section.

Suspension of compliance.

Assistance to American small business.

States or on the Canal Zone; (3) that nothing in this Act shall prohibit the continued employment of any person who shall have rendered fifteen or more years of faithful and honorable service on the Canal Zone; (4) that in the selection of personnel for skilled, technical, administrative, clerical, supervisory, or executive positions the controlling factors in filling these positions shall be efficiency, experience, training, and education; (5) that all citizens of Panama and the United States rendering skilled, technical, clerical, administrative, executive, or supervisory service on the Canal Zone under the terms of this Act (a) shall normally be employed not more than forty hours per week; (b) may receive as compensation equal rates of pay based upon rates paid for similar employment in continental United States plus 25 per centum; (6) this entire section shall apply only to persons employed in skilled, technical, clerical, administrative, executive, or supervisory positions on the Canal Zone directly or indirectly by any branch of the United States Government or by any corporation or company whose stock is owned wholly or in part by the United States Government: Provided further, That the President may suspend from time to time in whole or in part compliance with this section if he should deem such course to be in the public interest.

SEC. 616. Insofar as practicable, the Secretary of Defense shall assist American small business to participate equitably in the furnishing of commodities and services financed with funds appropriated under this Act by making available or causing to be made available to suppliers in the United States, and particularly to small independent enterprises, information, as far in advance as possible, with respect to purchases proposed to be financed with funds appropriated under this Act, and by making available or causing to be made available to purchasing and contracting agencies of the Department of Defense information as to commodities and services produced and furnished by small independent enterprises in the United States, and by otherwise helping to give small business an opportunity to participate in the furnishing of commodities and services financed with funds appropriated by this Act.

SEC. 617. Hereafter, commuted rations for enlisted personnel of the uniformed services (as defined in the Career Compensation Act of 1949) on leave, or otherwise authorized to mess separately, shall be equivalent to the cost of the ration as determined by the Secretary of Defense.

SEC. 618. No appropriation contained in this Act shall be available for expenses of operation of messes (other than organized messes the operating expenses of which are financed principally from nonappropriated funds) at which meals are sold to officers or civilians except under regulations approved by the Secretary of Defense, which shall (except under unusual or extraordinary circumstances) establish rates for such meals sufficient to provide reimbursement of operating expenses and food costs to the appropriations concerned: Provided, That officers and civilians in a travel status receiving a per diem allowance in lieu of subsistence shall be charged at the rate of not less than $2.25 per day: Provided further, That for the purposes of this section payments for meals at the rates established hereunder may be made in cash or by deductions from the pay of civilian employees.

SEC. 619. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be available until expended unless expressly so provided elsewhere in this or some other appropriation Act.

SEC. 620. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be available for or on account of the supply or replacement of table linen, dishes, glassware, silver, and kitchen utensils for use in the residences or quarters of officers on shore (other than for field messes,
messes temporarily set up on shore for bachelor officers and officers
attached to seagoing or district defense vessels, to aviation units
based on seagoing vessels, to the fleet air bases, to the submarine bases,
or to landing forces and expeditions), except in accordance with
regulations approved by the Secretary of Defense, which shall pro-
vide for uniform practices among all of the services.

Sec. 621. Hereafter, provisions of the Act of February 9, 1946
(60 Stat. 3), shall be applicable to the appropriations of the Depart-
ment of Defense for military pay for the current fiscal year, upon
certification by the appropriate agency of the department concerned.

Sec. 622. Not more than $10,000,000 of the amounts received during
the current fiscal year by each of the Departments of the Army, Navy,
and Air Force as proceeds from the sale of scrap or salvage materials,
shall be available during the current fiscal year for expenses of trans-
portation, demilitarization, and other preparation for sale or salvage
of military supplies, equipment, and matériel: Provided, That a report
of receipts and disbursements under this limitation shall be made
quarterly to the Committees on Appropriations of the Congress.

Sec. 623. During the current fiscal year, the President may exempt
appropriations, funds, and contract authorizations, available for
military functions under the Department of Defense, from the provi-
sions of subsection (c) of section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as
amended, whenever he deems such action to be necessary in the
interest of national defense.

Sec. 624. No appropriation contained in this Act shall be available
in connection with the operation of commissary stores of the agencies
of the Department of Defense for the cost of purchase (including
commercial transportation in the United States to the place of sale
but excluding all transportation outside the United States) and main-
tenance of operating equipment and supplies, and for the actual or
estimated cost of utilities as may be furnished by the Government and
of shrinkage, spoilage, and pilferage of merchandise under the control
of such commissary stores, except as authorized under regulations
promulgated by the Secretaries of the military departments concerned,
with the approval of the Secretary of Defense, which regulations shall
provide for reimbursement therefor to the appropriations concerned
and, notwithstanding any other provision of law, shall provide for
the adjustment of the sales prices in such commissary stores to the
extent necessary to furnish sufficient gross revenue from sales of com-
missary stores to make such reimbursement: Provided, That under
such regulations as may be issued pursuant to this section all utilities
may be furnished without cost to the commissary stores outside the
continental United States and in Alaska: Provided further, That no
appropriation contained in this Act shall, after December 31, 1953,
be available in connection with the operation of commissary stores
within the continental United States unless the Secretary of Defense
has certified that items normally procured from commissary stores
are not otherwise available at a reasonable distance and a reasonable
price in satisfactory quality and quantity to the military and civilian
employees of the Department of Defense: Provided further, That
commissary stores are hereby authorized to be operated by private
persons and privately owned organizations under such regulations as
may be approved by the Secretary of Defense.

Sec. 625. 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 mem-
ber 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: 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, or who is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence and accepts employment the salary or wages for which are paid from any appropriation contained in this Act shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both: Provided further, That the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

SEC. 626. No part of any money appropriated to the Department of Defense for the current fiscal year shall be expended under any contract (other than a contract for personal services) entered into after the enactment of this Act unless such contract provides—

(1) that the Government may, by written notice to the contractor, terminate the right of such contractor to proceed under such contract if it is found, after notice and hearing, by the Secretary of the military department with which the contract is made, or his designee, that gratuities (in the form of entertainment, gifts, or otherwise) were offered or given by such contractor, or any agent or representative of such contractor, to any officer or employee of the Government with a view toward securing a contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to the awarding or amending, or the making of any determinations with respect to the performing, of such contract: Provided, That the existence of the facts upon which such Secretary makes such findings shall be in issue and may be reviewed in any competent court;

(2) that in the event any such contract is so terminated the Government shall be entitled, (A) to pursue the same remedies against the contractor as it could pursue in the event of a breach of the contract by the contractor, and (B) as a penalty in addition to any other damages to which it may be entitled by law, to exemplary damages in an amount not less than three nor more than ten times (as determined by the Secretary or his designee) the costs incurred by any such contractor in providing any such gratuities to any such officer or employee.

SEC. 627. No funds appropriated in titles II, III, IV, and V of this Act shall be used for the payment in excess of 475,000 full-time graded civilian employees (including (a) the full-time equivalent of part-time employment, (b) persons who are described as "consultants" or who are compensated on a "when actually employed" basis if such persons are employed on a contract basis or are paid on a per diem basis, and (c) persons employed without compensation if they are reimbursed for expenses) at any one time during the current fiscal year.

SEC. 628. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, executive order, or regulation, no part of the appropriations in this or any other Act shall be available for any expenses of operating aircraft under
the jurisdiction of the Armed Forces for the purpose of proficiency flying except in accordance with regulations issued by the Secretaries of the Departments concerned and approved by the Secretary of Defense which shall establish proficiency standards and maximum and minimum flying hours for this purpose, but not to exceed one hundred hours during the fiscal year 1954: Provided, That, during the fiscal year 1954, without regard to any provision of law or executive order prescribing minimum flight requirements, such regulations may provide for the payment of flight pay at the rates prescribed in section 204 (b) of the Career Compensation Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 802) to certain officers of the Armed Forces otherwise entitled to receive flight pay (1) who have held aeronautical ratings or designations for not less than twenty years, or (2) whose particular assignment outside the United States makes it impractical to participate in regular aerial flights.

Sec. 629. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be available for expense of transportation, packing, crating, temporary storage, drayage, and unpacking of household goods and personal effects in excess of an average of five thousand pounds net but not exceeding nine thousand pounds net in any one shipment: Provided, That the limitations imposed herein shall not be applicable in the case of members transferred to or serving in stations outside the continental United States or in Alaska under orders relieving them from a duty station within the United States prior to July 10, 1952, and who are returned to the United States under orders relieving them from a duty station beyond the United States or in Alaska on or after July 1, 1953.

Sec. 630. Vessels under the jurisdiction of the Department of Commerce, the Department of the Army, the Department of the Air Force, or the Department of the Navy may be transferred or otherwise made available without reimbursement to any of such agencies upon the request of the head of one agency and the approval of the agency having jurisdiction of the vessels concerned.

Sec. 631. (a) During the last quarter of the fiscal year 1954, no funds appropriated by this Act shall be used for the pay, compensation, or allowances of commissioned officer personnel on active duty in the Armed Forces (excluding Reserve officers on active duty training or Reserve officers and Retired officers ordered to active duty for periods of thirty days or less) in excess of the following numbers in each grade:

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(b) Vacancies within the allowances prescribed by subsection (a) of this section for any grade may be assigned to any lower grade or grades: Provided, That the officer of the Army now assigned as special assistant to the Comptroller, Department of Defense, shall, effective May 1, 1954, be considered to hold the grade of major general for all purposes, without regard to subsection (a) hereof, and while so serving shall receive the pay and allowances of an officer of that grade and his length of service, and when retired under any provision of law shall be advanced on the retired list to such grade and shall receive
retired or retirement pay at the rate prescribed by law computed on the basis of the basic pay which he would receive if serving on active duty in such grade.

SEC. 632. No funds contained in this Act shall be used for the purpose of entering into contracts containing article 15 of the Standard Government Contract until and unless said article is revised and amended to provide an appeal by the contractor to the Court of Claims within ninety days of the date of decision by the Department concerned, authority for which appeal is hereby granted.

SEC. 633. None of the funds provided in this Act shall be available for training in any legal profession nor for the payment of tuition for training in such profession: Provided, That nothing contained in this Act shall prohibit persons now attending law courses from completing same.

SEC. 634. Funds provided in this Act for public information and public relations shall not exceed $4,500,000.

SEC. 635. Not more than 20 per centum of the appropriations in this Act which are limited for obligation during fiscal year 1954 shall be obligated during the last two months of the fiscal year: Provided, That this section shall not apply to active duty training of civilian components.

SEC. 636. The Secretary of Defense is hereby directed to submit by January 1, 1954, revised tables of organization and tables of equipment of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps to the Congress, together with recommendations for decreasing the number of personnel positions, clerical positions, supply positions, and other administrative positions so that the combat effectiveness of our Armed Forces may be improved.

SEC. 637. During the fiscal year 1954, the agencies of the Department of Defense may accept real property, the use of real property, services and commodities from foreign countries for the use of the United States in accordance with mutual defense agreements or occupational arrangements; and such agencies may use the same for the support of the United States forces in such areas without specific appropriation therefor.

SEC. 638. The Secretary of Defense is hereby authorized to establish during the fiscal year 1954 forty-five temporary positions in grades GS-16, 17, and 18: Provided, That the total number of positions in these grades available to the Department during fiscal year 1954 shall not exceed one hundred seventy-five including those otherwise authorized.

SEC. 639. During the current fiscal year, appropriations available to the Department of Defense for research and development may be used for the purposes of section 4 of the Act of July 16, 1952 (66 Stat. 725).

SEC. 640. No part of the funds appropriated in this or any other Act shall be available for the payment to any person in the military service who is resident of a United States Territory or possession, of any foreign duty allowances above the authorized allowances for comparable rating in the continental United States unless such person is serving in an area outside the Territory or possession of which he is a resident.

SEC. 641. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used for the payment of tuition or expenses for off-duty training of officers above the grade of first lieutenant in the Army, or comparable grades in the other military services.

SEC. 642. Limitations in enrollments, when administratively required to be applied during fiscal year 1954 to membership in the Army, Navy, or Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps shall be
in effect only as to students in the third and fourth year of collegiate training.

Sec. 643. Hereafter, units and headquarters of the National Guard and the Air National Guard, whether or not they are in the active service of the United States, shall have the same privilege of free transmission of official mail matter as the Department of Defense.

Sec. 644. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be available for the procurement of any article of food, clothing, cotton or wool (whether in the form of fiber or yarn or contained in fabrics, materials, or manufactured articles) not grown, reprocessed, reused, or produced in the United States or its possessions, except to the extent that the Secretary of the Department concerned shall determine that a satisfactory quality and sufficient quantity of any articles of food or clothing or any form of cotton or wool grown, reprocessed, reused, or produced in the United States or its possessions cannot be procured as and when needed at United States market prices and except procurements outside the United States in support of combat operations, procurements by vessels in foreign waters and emergency procurements or procurements of perishable foods by establishments located outside the continental United States, except the Territories of Hawaii and Alaska, for the personnel attached thereto: Provided further, That nothing herein shall preclude the procurement of foods manufactured or processed in the United States or its possessions: Provided further, That no funds herein appropriated shall be used for the payment of a price differential on contracts hereafter made for the purpose of relieving economic dislocations.

Sec. 645. Effective July 1, 1954, the following statutes or parts thereof are repealed: The second paragraph under the heading "Clothing, and Camp and Garrison Equipage", Act of March 23, 1910 (36 Stat. 243, 257; 10 U. S. C. 1283); the last proviso under the heading "Subsistence of the Army", Act of April 27, 1914 (38 Stat. 351, 361; 10 U. S. C. 1281); the last proviso under the heading "Medical Department", Act of June 12, 1906 (34 Stat. 240, 256; 10 U. S. C. 1285); the first sentence of the twelfth paragraph under the heading "Ordnance Department", Act of April 23, 1904 (33 Stat. 259, 276; 50 U. S. C. 73); that part of the proviso in the twelfth paragraph under the heading "Ordnance Department" which reads as follows and funds arising from such sales shall be available to replace like ordnance and ordnance stores", Act of April 23, 1904 (33 Stat. 259, 276; 50 U. S. C. 65); the third paragraph under the heading "Office of the Chief Signal Officer", Act of April 27, 1914 (38 Stat. 351, 353; 10 U. S. C. 1282); the first proviso under chapter XX, Act of July 9, 1918 (40 Stat. 845, 893; 10 U. S. C. 1234); section 10, Act of June 26, 1934 (48 Stat. 1224, 1229; 31 U. S. C. 725i): Provided, That current applicable appropriations of the Department of Defense may be credited with moneys arising from the disposition of such supplies, goods, and materiel as are not financed under stock funds pursuant to section 405 of the National Security Act, as amended: Provided further, That obligations may be incurred against anticipated reimbursements to stock funds in such amounts and for such periods determined by the Secretary of Defense, with the approval of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, to be necessary to maintain required stock levels not inconsistent with planned operations for the succeeding fiscal year, without regard to fiscal year limitations.

Sec. 646. None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be used in the preparation or prosecution of the pending suit in the United States District Court for the Southern District of California, Southern Division, by the United States of America against Fallbrook Public Utility District, a public service corporation of the State of California, and others.
Passenger automobiles.

Sec. 647. None of the funds appropriated in this Act shall be used for the purchase of passenger automobiles except for replacement.

Sec. 648. None of the funds appropriated in this Act shall be used for the expenses of operating the Armed Services Textile and Apparel Procurement Agency after December 31, 1953.

Sec. 649. This Act may be cited as the "Department of Defense Appropriation Act, 1954".

Approved August 1, 1953.

Public Law 180

JOINT RESOLUTION

To amend the International Wheat Agreement Act of 1949.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the International Wheat Agreement Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 945) is amended by inserting before the parenthesis at the end of the first sentence thereof the following: "and the agreement revising and renewing the International Wheat Agreement for a period ending July 31, 1956, signed by Australia, Canada, France, the United States, and certain wheat importing countries".

Sec. 2. Reference in any law to the International Wheat Agreement of 1949 shall be deemed to include the agreement revising and renewing the International Wheat Agreement.

Approved August 1, 1953.

Public Law 181

AN ACT

To extend the authority of the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to establish and continue offices in the Republic of the Philippines.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of June 14, 1947, as amended (38 U. S. C. 693a note), is hereby amended to read as follows:

"That the authority in section 7 of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924 (43 Stat. 609; 38 U. S. C. 430), and section 101 of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 (58 Stat. 284; 38 U. S. C. 693a), to establish and continue regional offices, suboffices, contact units, or other subordinate offices may continue to be exercised by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs with respect to territory of the Republic of the Philippines on and after the date of its independence if he deems such offices necessary, but in no event after June 30, 1960."

Approved August 1, 1953.

Public Law 182

AN ACT

To amend section 365 of the Act entitled "An Act to establish a code of laws for the District of Columbia", approved March 3, 1901, as amended, to increase the maximum sum allowable by the court out of assets of a decedent's estate for funeral expenses.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 365 of