

appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President of the United States, the Governor of the State of Maryland, the Secretary of the Navy, the Superintendent of the United States Naval Academy, and five persons to be appointed by the President. The members of the Commission shall select from among their number, a Chairman and a Vice Chairman. The Superintendent of the United States Naval Academy shall appoint, subject to the approval of the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Commission, a secretary for the Commission. If any vacancy occurs in the office of secretary, such vacancy shall be filled in the manner provided for the original appointment. The authority of the Commission under this joint resolution shall cease and terminate on June 30, 1946.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Commission to formulate plans for the celebration to be held on or about October 10, 1945, in commemoration of such anniversary.

SEC. 3. The Commission is authorized to cooperate with the State of Maryland, the city of Annapolis, the Navy Athletic Association, and other organizations, in order to carry out the provisions of this joint resolution.

SEC. 4. The members of the Commission shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties as members of the Commission.

SEC. 5. The Commission is authorized to make such expenditures for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this joint resolution as it may deem advisable, but no expenditure shall be made except for the purposes authorized by a majority of the members thereof. Expenditures of the Commission shall be paid upon the presentation of vouchers approved by the Chairman of the Commission.

SEC. 6. The Commission shall make a report to the Congress, as soon as practicable, of the plans formulated and the recommendations of the Commission for the observance of such anniversary.

SEC. 7. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of \$5,000, to be expended by the Commission for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this joint resolution.

Approved May 3, 1945.

Plans.

Cooperation with other organizations.

Reimbursement for expenses.

Expenditures.

Report to Congress.

Appropriation authorized.

[CHAPTER 108]

AN ACT

To amend section 2, Public Law 140, Seventy-seventh Congress.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of Public Law 140, Seventy-seventh Congress, is hereby amended by adding a colon at the end thereof and the following: "*Provided*, That this Act shall apply to all former enlisted men of the Regular Army and the Philippine Scouts who have served for twenty years or more, and who were honorably discharged therefrom by reason of becoming permanently incapacitated for active service due to physical disability incurred in line of duty: *Provided further*, That any former enlisted man placed upon the retired list in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing proviso shall not be entitled to receive retirement pay for any period prior to the effective date of this amendment."

Approved May 4, 1945.

May 4, 1945
[H. R. 1701]
[Public Law 51]

Regular Army and Philippine Scouts.
55 Stat. 394.
10 U. S. C., Supp. IV, § 939.
Retirement for disability.

[CHAPTER 109]

AN ACT

Making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1946, and for other purposes.

May 5, 1945
[H. R. 2680]

[Public Law 52]

Department of Agriculture Appropriation Act, 1946.
Post., pp. 422, 423, 644, 645.

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 Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1946, hereinafter referred to as the current fiscal year, namely:

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For the Secretary of Agriculture, hereafter in this Act referred to as the Secretary, and other personal services in the Office of the Secretary in the District of Columbia, and elsewhere, and other necessary expenses, including the purchase of one and the maintenance, repair, and operation of four motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles; travel expenses, including examination of estimates for appropriations in the field; stationery, supplies, materials, and equipment; freight, express, and drayage charges; advertising, communication service, postage, washing towels, repairs and alterations, and other miscellaneous supplies and expenses not otherwise provided for and necessary for the practical and efficient work of the Department, \$1,450,000, together with such amounts from other appropriations or authorizations as are provided in the schedules in the Budget for the current fiscal year for such services and expenses, which several amounts or portions thereof as may be determined by the Secretary, not exceeding a total of \$131,390, shall be transferred to and made a part of this appropriation: *Provided, however,* That if the total amounts of such appropriations or authorizations for the current fiscal year shall at any time exceed or fall below the amounts estimated, respectively, therefor in the Budget for such year, the amounts transferred or to be transferred therefrom to this appropriation shall be increased or decreased in such amounts as the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, after a hearing thereon with representatives of the Department of Agriculture, hereafter in this Act referred to as the Department, shall determine are appropriate to the requirements as changed by such reductions or increases in such appropriations or authorizations: *Provided further,* That, of appropriations herein made which are available for the purchase of lands, not to exceed \$1 may be expended for each option to purchase any particular tract or tracts of land: *Provided further,* That no part of the funds appropriated by this Act shall be used for the payment of any officer or employee of the Department who, as such officer or employee, or on behalf of the Department or any division, commission, or bureau thereof, issues, or causes to be issued, any prediction, oral or written, or forecast, except as to damage threatened or caused by insects and pests, with respect to future prices of cotton or the trend of same: *Provided further,* That, except to provide materials required in or incident to research or experimental work where no suitable domestic product is available, no part of the funds appropriated by this Act shall be expended in the purchase of twine manufactured from commodities or materials produced outside of the United States.

Adjustments in amounts.

Options to purchase lands.

Employee predicting future price of cotton.

Purchase of twine.