

parts shall be paid into the reclamation fund and credit therefor shall be given to the organization representing the water users of the Yuma auxiliary project toward the construction costs assumed by it pursuant to such contract.

SEC. 8. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be required for the purposes of this Act.

Approved June 13, 1949.

Appropriation au-
thorized.

[CHAPTER 199]

AN ACT

To repeal that part of section 3 of the Act of June 24, 1926 (44 Stat. 767), as amended, and that part of section 13a of the Act of June 3, 1916 (39 Stat. 166), as amended, relating to the percentage, in time of peace, of enlisted personnel employed in aviation tactical units of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Corps, and for other purposes.

June 13, 1949

[S. 1270]

[Public Law 103]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraph 8 of section 3 of the Act of June 24, 1926 (44 Stat. 767), as amended by the Act of June 30, 1932 (ch. 326, 47 Stat. 451), and so much of section 13a of the Act of June 3, 1916 (39 Stat. 166), as amended by the Act of July 2, 1926 (44 Stat. 781), reading "On and after July 1, 1929, and in time of peace, not less than 20 per centum of the total number of pilots employed in tactical units of the Air Corps shall be enlisted men, except when the Secretary of War shall determine that it is impractical to secure that number of enlisted pilots.", are hereby repealed.

Enlisted personnel
in aviation tactical
units.

34 U. S. C. § 735,
par. 8.

41 Stat. 768,
10 U. S. C. § 291f.

SEC. 2. Nothing in this Act shall be construed as affecting the status of enlisted personnel of the armed services, including the reserve components thereof, designated as aviation or enlisted pilots or engaged in training relating to or leading to such designation.

Status.

SEC. 3. Nothing in this Act shall be construed as affecting the eligibility of enlisted men of the Regular Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or the reserve components thereof, for designation as aviation cadets: *Provided*, That, except in time of war or emergency hereafter declared by the Congress, at least 20 per centum of the total number of aviation cadets designated by the Navy and the Air Force, respectively, during each fiscal year after the date of enactment of this Act shall be designated from among those enlisted men of the Regular Army, Navy, Air Force, or Marine Corps eligible and qualified for such designation: *And provided further*, That such designations shall be with the consent of such enlisted men.

Eligibility for des-
ignation as aviation
cadets.

Approved June 13, 1949.

[CHAPTER 203]

AN ACT

Relating to the pay and allowances of officers of the Naval Establishment appointed to permanent grades.

June 13, 1949

[S. 779]

[Public Law 104]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That permanent appointments issued after August 7, 1947, to officers of the Navy, Marine Corps, and reserve components thereof, incident to the transition from temporary to permanent grades, shall in no case be effective for pay purposes prior to August 7, 1947, irrespective of the date of rank assigned for precedence purposes and notwithstanding the provisions of section 312 of the Naval Reserve Act of 1938, as amended, and the provisions of the Act of March 4, 1913 (37 Stat. 892, 34 U. S. C. 870).

Naval Establish-
ment.
Pay and allowances
of certain officers.

52 Stat. 1183.
34 U. S. C. § 855k.

Approved June 13, 1949.

[CHAPTER 218]

AN ACT

June 16, 1949
[S. 714]
[Public Law 105]

To provide for comprehensive planning, for site acquisition in and outside of the District of Columbia, and for the design of Federal building projects outside of the District of Columbia; to authorize the transfer of jurisdiction over certain lands between certain departments and agencies of the United States; and to provide certain additional authority needed in connection with the construction, management, and operation of Federal public buildings; and for other purposes.

Public Buildings
Act of 1949.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Public Buildings Act of 1949".

TITLE I—COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING OF FEDERAL PUBLIC BUILDINGS OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Acquisition of lands.

SEC. 101. The Federal Works Administrator is authorized to acquire, by purchase, condemnation, donation, exchange, or otherwise, lands or interests in lands as sites or additions to sites for Federal public building projects previously authorized and for such new projects as may be selected in the manner designated in this section, to make investigations and studies and to prepare plans, sketches, working drawings, and specifications for such projects. Whenever the Federal Works Administrator shall determine such action to be necessary, such investigations, studies, preparation of plans, sketches, working drawings, and specifications, may be undertaken prior to the approval of title to the sites by the Attorney General. When buildings to be used in whole or in part for post-office purposes are involved, the Federal Works Administrator shall act jointly with the Postmaster General in the selection of towns or cities in which buildings are to be constructed, and in the choice of sites therein for such projects. The Federal Works Administrator and the Postmaster General shall submit to the Congress a comprehensive report of all eligible projects and their limits of cost when in excess of \$200,000, without regard to the time in which they may be undertaken, which report shall be printed as a public document. When the estimated cost of a project does not exceed \$200,000 the limit of cost shall be determined by the Commissioner of Public Buildings. Selection of projects for the purposes of this title shall be made by the Federal Works Administrator and the Postmaster General from such report and they may also select such other projects not included in such report which in their judgment are economically sound and advantageous to the public service: *Provided*, That in making such selections they shall distribute the selected projects equitably throughout the country with due regard to the comparative urgency of projects in various sections of the country.

Report to Congress.

Participation in
benefits by congress-
sional districts.

SEC. 102. It is the intent of the Congress that the equitable distribution of selected projects required by section 101 of this title shall provide for the participation by each congressional district in the benefits that will accrue from the future construction of one or more of such selected projects. It is the further intent of the Congress that those congressional districts in which are located projects previously authorized and selected for construction (including those for which sites have been acquired), but which have been deferred, shall be entitled to such project or projects, or the equivalent thereof, in addition to the projects authorized and selected under this title.

Appropriation au-
thorized.
Post, p. 976.

SEC. 103. For carrying out the purposes of this title, including administrative, supervisory, traveling, and other expenses in connection therewith, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of \$40,000,000 to remain available until expended.