

For support, education, and civilization of the Pottawatomie Indians who reside in the State of Wisconsin, seven thousand dollars.

The time provided for bringing suits under the fifth paragraph of section twenty-six of the Act approved April fourth, nineteen hundred and ten, entitled "An Act making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes, and for other purposes, for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eleven (Thirty-sixth United States Statutes at Large, page two hundred and eighty-seven), be, and the same is hereby, extended to the thirtieth day of June, nineteen hundred and thirteen.

Pottawatomies.  
Support, etc.

Menominee Indians.  
Time extended for  
bringing suits against.

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## WYOMING.

Sec. 25. For support and civilization of Shoshone Indians in Wyoming, twelve thousand dollars.

For support and education of one hundred and seventy-five Indian pupils at the Indian school, Shoshone Reservation, Wyoming, and for pay of superintendent, thirty-one thousand and twenty-five dollars; for general repairs and improvements, four thousand dollars; in all, thirty-five thousand and twenty-five dollars.

For continuing the work of constructing an irrigation system within the diminished Shoshone or Wind River Reservation, in Wyoming, including the maintenance and operation of completed canals, fifty thousand dollars, reimbursable in accordance with the provisions of the Act of March third, nineteen hundred and five.

For continuing the work of road and bridge construction on the Shoshone Reservation, Wyoming, ten thousand dollars, reimbursable in accordance with the provisions of the Act of March third, nineteen hundred and five: *Provided*, That this amount shall be expended, as far as practicable, in the employment of Indian labor.

For support of Shoshones in Wyoming: For pay of physician, teacher, carpenter, miller, engineer, farmer, and blacksmith (article ten, treaty of July third, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight), five thousand dollars; for pay of second blacksmith, and such iron and steel and other materials as may be required, as per article eight, same treaty, one thousand dollars; in all, six thousand dollars.

Approved, August 24, 1912.

Wyoming.

Shoshones.  
Support, etc.

Shoshone Reserva-  
tion.  
School.

Irrigation system.

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Roads and bridges.  
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Indian labor.

Fulfilling treaty.  
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**CHAP. 389.**—An Act Making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and thirteen, and for other purposes.

August 24, 1912.  
[H. R. 21279.]

[Public, No. 336.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the following sums be, and they are hereby, appropriated for the service of the Post Office Department, in conformity with the Act of July second, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, as follows:

Postal service appro-  
priations.  
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### OFFICE OF THE POSTMASTER GENERAL.

Postmaster General.

For rent of suitable buildings for the use of the Post Office Department, including the mail-bag repair shop, lock repair shop, and the Division of Supplies, thirty-four thousand four hundred dollars.

Repair shops and  
supplies division.

For gas, electric power and light, and the repair of machinery, five thousand dollars.

Power, etc.

FOR SALARIES OF POST-OFFICE INSPECTORS: For salaries of fifteen inspectors in charge of divisions, at three thousand dollars each; ten inspectors, at two thousand four hundred dollars each; fifteen

Post-office inspec-  
tors.  
Salaries.

- inspectors, at two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars each; twenty-six inspectors, at two thousand one hundred dollars each; fifteen inspectors, at two thousand dollars each; twenty-nine inspectors, at one thousand nine hundred dollars each; sixty-five inspectors, at one thousand eight hundred dollars each; seventy-five inspectors, at one thousand seven hundred dollars each; seventy-five inspectors, at one thousand six hundred dollars each; and sixty-five inspectors, at one thousand five hundred dollars each; in all, seven hundred and four thousand four hundred and fifty dollars: *Provided*, That, for the purpose of inspecting and investigating rural delivery routes and proposed rural delivery routes, a number of inspectors not exceeding thirty shall be placed subject to the orders of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General whenever and for such periods as in his judgment they may be needed for that purpose.
- Per diem.** For per diem allowance of inspectors in the field while actually traveling on official business away from their home, their official domicile, and their headquarters, at a rate to be fixed by the Postmaster General, not to exceed three dollars per day, two hundred and sixty-one thousand four hundred dollars:
- Provided*, That the Postmaster General may, in his discretion, allow inspectors per diem while temporarily located at any place on business away from their home or their designated domicile, for a period not exceeding twenty consecutive days at any one place, and make rules and regulations governing the foregoing provisions relating to per diem: *And provided further*, That no per diem shall be paid to inspectors receiving annual salaries of two thousand dollars or more, except the twenty-six inspectors receiving two thousand one hundred dollars each.
- Clerks at division headquarters.** For compensation to clerks at division headquarters, fifteen, at one thousand six hundred dollars each; eleven, at one thousand four hundred dollars each; twenty-seven, at one thousand two hundred dollars each; eight, at one thousand one hundred dollars each; thirteen, at one thousand dollars each; and six, at nine hundred dollars each; in all, ninety-nine thousand dollars.
- Traveling, etc., expenses.** For traveling expenses of inspectors without per diem allowance, inspectors in charge, and the Chief Post Office Inspector, and expenses incurred by inspectors not covered by per diem allowance, unusual and extraordinary expenses necessarily incurred for maintenance by inspectors over and above per diem allowance while traveling on official business in connection with the postal service of the District of Alaska, and for the traveling expenses of two clerks performing stenographic and clerical assistance to post-office inspectors in the investigation of important fraud cases, forty-one thousand four hundred dollars.
- Livery hire.** For livery hire incurred by inspectors not covered by their per diem allowance, including livery hire in connection with the installation and inspection of rural routes, forty-five thousand dollars.
- Labor-saving devices.** For expenses incident to the investigation and testing of mechanical and labor-saving devices, under the direction of the Postmaster General, for use in the postal service, ten thousand dollars.
- Miscellaneous.** For necessary miscellaneous expenses at division headquarters, seven thousand five hundred dollars.
- Rewards, etc.** For payment of rewards for the detection, arrest, and conviction of post-office burglars, robbers, and highway mail robbers, fifteen thousand dollars: *Provided*, That of the amount herein appropriated not to exceed five thousand dollars may be expended, in the discretion of the Postmaster General, for the purpose of securing information concerning violations of the postal laws and for services and information looking toward the apprehension of criminals.
- Proviso.** Detail for rural delivery service.
- Proviso.** Temporary allowances.
- Limit.**
- Proviso.** Collecting information.

For travel and miscellaneous expenses in the postal service, office of the Postmaster General, one thousand dollars.

Travel, etc.

For printing, binding, and wrapping a revised edition of the Postal Laws and Regulations, such edition to be prepared under the direction of the Postmaster General and printed at the Government Printing Office and to consist of one hundred and ten thousand copies, five thousand of which shall be retained by the Public Printer for sale to individuals at the cost thereof and ten per centum added, the proceeds of such sales to be deposited in the Treasury as provided by law, fifty-five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary: *Provided*, That no part of this appropriation shall be used for the purpose of compiling the above publication.

Postal Laws and Regulations. Printing, etc., new edition.

*Proviso.* Restriction.

OFFICE OF THE FIRST ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL.

First Assistant Postmaster General.

For compensation to postmasters, thirty million dollars.

Postmasters.

For compensation to assistant postmasters at first and second class post offices, five, at not exceeding four thousand dollars each; thirty-eight, at not exceeding three thousand dollars each; six, at not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars each; six, at not exceeding two thousand dollars each; sixteen, at not exceeding one thousand nine hundred dollars each; forty, at not exceeding one thousand eight hundred dollars each; eighty-one, at not exceeding one thousand seven hundred dollars each; one hundred and thirty-one, at not exceeding one thousand six hundred dollars each; one hundred and fifty-five, at not exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars each; one hundred and forty-one, at not exceeding one thousand four hundred dollars each; three hundred and forty-one, at not exceeding one thousand three hundred dollars each; five hundred and twenty-eight, at not exceeding one thousand two hundred dollars each; four hundred and eighty, at not exceeding one thousand one hundred dollars each; one hundred and seventy-six, at not exceeding one thousand dollars each; one hundred and thirty-five, at not exceeding nine hundred dollars each; one hundred and twenty-five, at not exceeding eight hundred dollars each; and one hundred, at not exceeding seven hundred dollars each; in all, three million dollars. And the appointment and assignment of assistant postmasters hereunder shall be so made during the fiscal year as not to involve a greater aggregate expenditure than this sum.

Assistant postmasters.

Appointment, etc., restricted.

For compensation to clerks and employees at first and second class post offices:

Superintendents, clerks, etc.

Superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, and superintendents of registry, twenty, at not exceeding three thousand two hundred dollars each;

At \$3,200

Auditors, and superintendents of mails, seven, at not exceeding three thousand dollars each;

At \$3,000.

Assistant superintendents of mails, superintendents of delivery, and superintendents of mails, fifteen, at not exceeding two thousand seven hundred dollars each;

At \$2,700.

Assistant superintendents of mails, cashiers, superintendents of delivery, and superintendents of mails, eighteen, at not exceeding two thousand six hundred dollars each;

At \$2,600.

Assistant superintendents of mails, cashiers, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, and superintendents of stations, twenty-one, at not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars each;

At \$2,500.

Assistant superintendents of delivery, assistant superintendents of mails, assistant superintendents of money order, assistant superintendents of registry, bookkeepers, cashiers, finance clerks, stenographers, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails,

At \$2,400.

superintendents of money order, and superintendents of registry, thirty-five, at not exceeding two thousand four hundred dollars each;

At \$2,200.

Assistant superintendents of mails, bookkeepers, cashiers, chief mailing clerks, chief stamp clerks, finance clerks, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, superintendents of registry, and superintendents of stations, thirty, at not exceeding two thousand two hundred dollars each;

At \$2,100.

Assistant superintendents of mails, cashiers, chief stamp clerks, night superintendents, superintendents of carriers, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of inquiry, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, and superintendents of registry, twenty, at not exceeding two thousand one hundred dollars each;

At \$2,000.

Assistant cashiers, assistant superintendents of delivery, assistant superintendents of mails, assistant superintendents of money order, assistant superintendents of registry, bookkeepers, cashiers, examiners of stations, finance clerks, superintendents of carriers, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, superintendents of registry, superintendents of second-class matter, superintendents of inquiry, and superintendents of stations, one hundred and ten, at not exceeding two thousand dollars each;

At \$1,800.

Assistant cashiers, assistant superintendents of delivery, assistant superintendents of mails, assistant superintendents of money order, assistant superintendents of registry, assistant superintendents of stations, bookkeepers, cashiers, chief mailing clerks, chief stamp clerks, examiners of stations, finance clerks, stenographers, superintendents of carriers, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, superintendents of registry, superintendents of second-class matter, and superintendents of stations, eighty-five, at not exceeding one thousand eight hundred dollars each;

At \$1,700.

Assistant cashiers, assistant superintendents of delivery, assistant superintendents of mails, assistant superintendents of money order, assistant superintendents of registry, assistant superintendents of stations, bookkeepers, cashiers, chief mailing clerks, chief stamp clerk, examiners of stations, finance clerks, stenographers, superintendents of carriers, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, superintendents of registry, superintendents of second-class matter, and superintendents of stations, one hundred and forty, at not exceeding one thousand seven hundred dollars each;

At \$1,600.

Assistant cashiers, assistant superintendents of delivery, assistant superintendents of mails, assistant superintendents of money order, assistant superintendents of registry, assistant superintendents of stations, bookkeepers, cashiers, chief mailing clerks, chief stamp clerks, examiners of stations, finance clerks, foremen of crews, stenographers, superintendents of carriers, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, superintendents of registry, superintendents of second-class matter, and superintendents of stations, one hundred and forty, at not exceeding one thousand six hundred dollars each;

At \$1,500.

Assistant cashiers, assistant superintendents of delivery, assistant superintendents of mails, assistant superintendents of money order, assistant superintendents of registry, assistant superintendents of stations, bookkeepers, cashiers, chief mailing clerks, chief stamp clerks, examiners of stations, finance clerks, foremen of crews, stenographers, superintendents of carriers, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, superintendents of registry, superintendents of second-class matter, and superintendents of stations, two hundred and fifty-eight, at not exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars each;

Assistant cashiers, assistant superintendents of delivery, assistant superintendents of mails, assistant superintendents of money order, assistant superintendents of registry, assistant superintendents of stations, bookkeepers, cashiers, chief mailing clerks, chief stamp clerks, special clerks, examiners of stations, finance clerks, foremen of crews, stenographers, superintendents of carriers, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, superintendents of registry, superintendents of second-class matter, and superintendents of stations, five hundred and sixty, at not exceeding one thousand four hundred dollars each;

At \$1,400.

Assistant cashiers, assistant superintendents of delivery, assistant superintendents of money order, assistant superintendents of mails, assistant superintendents of registry, assistant superintendents of stations, bookkeepers, cashiers, chief mailing clerks, chief stamp clerks, examiners of stations, finance clerks, foremen of crews, special clerks, stenographers, superintendents of carriers, superintendents of delivery, superintendents of mails, superintendents of money order, superintendents of registry, superintendents of second-class matter, and superintendents of stations, one thousand five hundred and four, at not exceeding one thousand three hundred dollars each;

At \$1,300.

Assistant cashiers, assistant superintendents of delivery, assistant superintendents of mails, assistant superintendents of money order, assistant superintendents of registry, assistant superintendents of stations, bookkeepers, chief stamp clerks, clerks, finance clerks, foremen of crews, stenographers, superintendents of carriers, superintendents of second-class matter, and superintendents of stations, sixteen thousand four hundred and seventy-nine, at not exceeding one thousand two hundred dollars each;

At \$1,200.

Assistant superintendents of stations, clerks, stenographers, superintendents of carriers, superintendents of second-class matter, and superintendents of stations, six thousand seven hundred and forty, at not exceeding one thousand one hundred dollars each;

At \$1,100.

Assistant superintendents of stations, clerks, clerks in charge of stations, stenographers, superintendents of carriers, and superintendents of second-class matter, three thousand, at not exceeding one thousand dollars each;

At \$1,000.

Clerks, clerks in charge of stations, and stenographers, two thousand five hundred, at not exceeding nine hundred dollars each;

At \$900.

Clerks, and clerks in charge of stations, two thousand six hundred and thirty, at not exceeding eight hundred dollars each;

At \$800.

Clerks, and clerks in charge of stations, one thousand five hundred, at not exceeding six hundred dollars each;

At \$600.

Substitutes for clerks and employees absent without pay;

Substitutes.

And to provide for the promotion of seventy-five per cent of the clerks in first class post offices from the fifth to the sixth grade and for the promotion of seventy-five per cent of the clerks in second class offices from the fourth to the fifth grade;

Promotions provided for.

In all, thirty-seven million eight hundred and seventy-eight thousand dollars: *Provided*, That hereafter post offices of the first and second classes shall not be open on Sundays for the purpose of delivering mail to the general public, but this provision shall not prevent the prompt delivery of special delivery mail.

Provided. Sunday delivery restricted.

For compensation to printers, mechanics, and skilled laborers, ten, at one thousand two hundred dollars each; four, at one thousand one hundred dollars each; three, at one thousand dollars each; and twenty-eight, at nine hundred dollars each; in all, forty-four thousand six hundred dollars.

Printers, mechanics, etc.

For compensation to watchmen, messengers, and laborers, one hundred and fifty, at eight hundred and forty dollars each; seven hundred, at seven hundred and twenty dollars each; and six hundred,

Watchmen, messengers, etc.

Appointments restricted.

at six hundred and fifty dollars each; in all, one million eight thousand dollars. And the appointment and assignment of watchmen, messengers, and laborers hereunder shall be so made during the fiscal year as not to involve a greater aggregate expenditure than this sum.

Contract-station clerks.

For compensation to clerks in charge of contract stations, at a rate above three hundred dollars each, and not to exceed one thousand dollars each, three hundred and thirty thousand dollars.

Substitutes for employees on leave.

For compensation to clerks in charge of contract stations, at a rate not to exceed three hundred dollars each, six hundred thousand dollars.

Temporary and auxiliary clerks.

For compensation to substitutes for clerks and employees at first and second class post offices on vacation, one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars.

Separating mails.

For temporary and auxiliary clerk hire at first and second class post offices and temporary and auxiliary clerk hire at summer and winter resort post offices, eight hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Unusual conditions.

For separating mails at third and fourth class post offices, seven hundred thousand dollars.

Clerks at third-class offices.

For unusual conditions at post offices, one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars.

Proviso. Allowances.

For allowances to third-class post offices to cover the cost of clerical services, one million seven hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars: *Provided*, That no allowance in excess of three hundred dollars shall be made where the salary of the postmaster is one thousand dollars, one thousand one hundred dollars, or one thousand two hundred dollars; nor in excess of four hundred dollars where the salary of the postmaster is one thousand three hundred dollars, one thousand four hundred dollars, or one thousand five hundred dollars; and that no allowance in excess of five hundred dollars shall be made where the salary of the postmaster is one thousand six hundred dollars or one thousand seven hundred dollars; nor in excess of eight hundred dollars where the salary of the postmaster is one thousand eight hundred dollars or one thousand nine hundred dollars: *And provided further*, That the Postmaster General may, in the disbursement of this appropriation, expend not exceeding four hundred thousand dollars for the employment, at a maximum salary of six hundred dollars per annum, of assistant postmasters at post offices of the third class where the salary of the postmaster is one thousand eight hundred dollars or one thousand nine hundred dollars per annum.

Amount for assistant postmasters.

Rent, light, and fuel. Proviso. Ten-year leases.

For rent, light, and fuel for first, second, and third class post offices, four million five hundred and fifty thousand dollars: *Provided*, That the Postmaster General may, in the disbursement of the appropriation for such purposes, apply a part thereof to the purpose of leasing premises for the use of post offices of the first, second, and third classes at a reasonable annual rental, to be paid quarterly, for a term not exceeding ten years; and that there shall not be allowed for the use of any third-class post office for rent a sum in excess of five hundred dollars, nor more than one hundred dollars for fuel and light in any one year.

Allowances, third-class offices.

Miscellaneous.

For miscellaneous items necessary and incidental to post offices of the first and second class, three hundred and fifty thousand dollars, of which sum twenty-five thousand dollars may be used for the purchase of post-office equipment.

Canceling machines. Rent, purchase, etc.

For rental and purchase of canceling machines, including cost of power in rented buildings, motors, repairs to motors, and miscellaneous expenses of installation and operation, three hundred and ten thousand dollars: *Provided*, That hereafter no contract shall be made for any canceling machine for more than two hundred and seventy dollars per annum, including repairs on said machines, and that all

Proviso. Maximum rent.

contracts entered into shall be let after having advertised for bids, and shall be awarded on the basis of cheapness and efficiency.

For the purchase, exchange, repair, and maintenance of mechanical and labor-saving devices, fifty thousand dollars.

For additional labor-saving mechanical devices necessary for the economical handling and distribution of the mail matter in the post office at Chicago, twelve thousand dollars, to be immediately available.

The Postmaster General is hereby authorized to pay, in his discretion, rewards to postal employees whose inventions are adopted for use in the postal service, and for that purpose the sum of ten thousand dollars is hereby appropriated: *Provided*, That not to exceed one thousand dollars shall be paid for one invention.

For pay of letter carriers at offices already established, including substitutes for letter carriers absent without pay, and for the promotion of seventy-five per cent of the letter carriers in first class post offices from the fifth to the sixth grade and for the promotion of seventy-five per cent of the letter carriers in second class offices from the fourth to the fifth grade; City Delivery Service, thirty-two million seven hundred and fifty-two thousand one hundred and seventy-five dollars.

For pay of substitutes for letter carriers absent with pay, and of auxiliary and temporary letter carriers at offices where city delivery is already established, one million six hundred thousand dollars.

For pay of letter carriers, substitute and auxiliary letter carriers at offices where City Delivery Service is established, during the year, fifty thousand dollars.

For horse-hire allowance and the rental of vehicles, nine hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars.

For car fare and bicycle allowance, five hundred thousand dollars.

For street-car collection service, ten thousand dollars.

For Detroit River postal service, six thousand five hundred dollars.

For incidental expenses of the City Delivery Service, including freight and drayage on equipment, furniture, and supplies, and erecting, painting, and repairing letter and package boxes and posts, repairing clocks and other equipment, and for the purchase and exchange of time recorders and for the purchase of maps, thirty-five thousand dollars.

For car fare for special-delivery messengers in emergency cases, thirteen thousand dollars.

For fees to special-delivery messengers, one million six hundred thousand dollars.

For travel and miscellaneous expenses in the postal service, office of the First Assistant Postmaster General, one thousand dollars.

That the proviso at the end of section two hundred and thirty-three of the Postal Laws and Regulations be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

*"Provided, however*, That this provision shall not apply to the city of Cambridge, Massachusetts, or to Towson, Maryland, or to Clayton, Saint Louis County, Missouri."

OFFICE OF THE SECOND ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL.

For inland transportation by star routes in Alaska, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars: *Provided*, That out of this appropriation the Postmaster General is authorized to provide difficult or emergency mail service in Alaska, including the establishment and equipment of relay stations, in such manner as he may think advisable, without advertising therefor.

For inland transportation by steamboat or other power-boat routes, eight hundred and fifty-three thousand seven hundred dollars.

Labor-saving devices.

At Chicago.

Rewards to employees for inventions.

Proviso. Limit.

City delivery. Carriers. Promotions.

Substitutes, etc.

New offices.

Horse hire, etc.

Car fare and bicycles. Street car collections. Detroit River service. Incidentals.

Special delivery. Car fare.

Fees.

Travel, etc.

Clayton, Mo. Discontinuance of office authorized.

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Second Assistant Postmaster General.

Mail transportation. Star routes, Alaska. Proviso. Emergency service.

Steamboat, etc., service.

- Messenger service.** For mail messenger service, one million six hundred and eighty-one thousand nine hundred dollars.
- Pneumatic tubes, etc.** For the transmission of mail by pneumatic tubes or other similar devices, nine hundred and eighty-seven thousand four hundred dollars: *Provided*, That a commission consisting of two members of the Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads, United States Senate, and two members of the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads, House of Representatives, to be appointed by the chairmen of the respective committees, and the Second Assistant Postmaster General, is hereby authorized to investigate the feasibility and desirability of the Government purchasing and operating the equipment for pneumatic-tube service in the cities in which such service is now installed, together with rights to operate and extend equipment in such cities and elsewhere, and to ascertain the cost at which such purchase may be made. The employment of expert and other assistance is authorized, and the expense of such and of the inquiry shall be paid from the appropriation for service by pneumatic tubes, and said commission shall make a report, with recommendations, to Congress at the earliest practicable date.
- Expenses, etc.**
- Wagon service.** For regulation, screen, or other wagon service, one million seven hundred and thirty-two thousand dollars.
- Mail bags, etc.** For mail bags, metal for mail-bag attachments, cord fasteners, label cases, and material necessary for manufacture and repairing of equipment, and for incidental expenses pertaining thereto, two hundred and eighty-two thousand dollars: *Provided*, That out of this appropriation the Postmaster General is authorized to use so much of the sum, not exceeding five thousand dollars, as may be deemed necessary for the purchase of material and the manufacture in the mail-bag repair shop of such small quantities of distinctive equipments as may be required by other executive departments, and for service in Alaska, Porto Rico, Philippine Islands, Hawaii, or other island possessions, and for such special equipment for testing and for other purposes in connection with the reduction in the weight of mail equipment.
- Provided*. Distinctive equipment for departments, Alaska, island possessions, etc.
- Bag repair shops. Labor.** For compensation to labor employed in the mail-bag repair shop at Washington, District of Columbia, and Chicago, Illinois, one hundred and two thousand dollars.
- Equipment shop. Chicago.** For rent, light, fuel, electric power, and incidental expenses pertaining to the maintenance of a subworkshop for the repair of mail equipment at Chicago, Illinois, two thousand four hundred dollars.
- Locks, keys, etc.** For mail locks and keys, chains, tools, machinery, and material necessary for manufacturing and repairing same, and for incidental expenses pertaining thereto; also for making in the mail-lock repair shop such metal attachments as may be needed for use in the manufacture and repair of mail equipment, twelve thousand dollars.
- Lock repair shop. Labor.** For compensation to labor employed in the mail-lock repair shop at Washington, District of Columbia, thirty-six thousand five hundred dollars: *Provided*, That hereafter the employees of the mail-bag repair shop in Washington, District of Columbia, and Chicago, Illinois, and the employees of the mail-lock repair shop in Washington, District of Columbia, may be allowed thirty days annual leave of absence.
- Prorata*. Leaves of absence to repair shops employees.
- Railroad routes.** For inland transportation by railroad routes, forty-seven million six hundred and forty-six thousand dollars: *Provided*, That a joint committee shall be appointed composed of three members of the Senate Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads and three members of the House Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads, to be designated by the respective chairmen to make inquiry into the subject of postage on second-class mail matter and compensation for the transportation of mail and to report at the earliest practicable
- Provisos*. Joint Congressional committee on pay for second-class matter, etc.

date, and for this purpose they are authorized by subcommittee or otherwise to sit during the sessions or recess of Congress, at such times and places as they may deem advisable, to send for persons and papers, to administer oaths, to summons and compel the attendance of witnesses, and to employ such clerical, expert and stenographic assistance as shall be necessary, and to pay the necessary expenses of such inquiry there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars to be paid out upon the audit and order of the chairman or acting chairman of said committee. From and after the passage of this Act the Post Office Department shall not extend or enlarge its present policy of sending second-class matter by freight trains: *Provided further*, That no part of this appropriation shall be paid for carrying the mail over the bridge across the Mississippi River at Saint Louis, Missouri, other than upon a mileage basis, but, provided further, That the Postmaster General may in his discretion pay within the present law a fair and reasonable price for the special transfer and terminal service at the Union Station at East Saint Louis, Illinois, and at the Union Station at Saint Louis, Missouri, including the use, lighting and heating of the mail building and transfer service at Saint Louis, Missouri, provided the amount so paid shall not exceed thirty-five thousand dollars: *Provided further*, That on account of the floods in the Mississippi Valley commencing about April first, nineteen hundred and twelve, the Postmaster General, for the purpose of adjusting compensation on such railroad routes in the second section as were affected by the floods and the consequent diversion of mails, is hereby authorized and directed to take the weights of mails ascertained on such routes during the successive working days from February fifteenth to April third, nineteen hundred and twelve, both inclusive, and for the remainder of the weighing period from April fourth to May twenty-ninth, nineteen hundred and twelve, both inclusive, to estimate the weights by applying to the weights taken during the period from February fifteenth to April third, nineteen hundred and twelve, both inclusive, the ratio shown to exist between the weights taken on all routes during the first forty-nine days of the quadrennial weighing period of nineteen hundred and eight and the weights taken on such routes during the last fifty-six days of the said weighing period, the actually ascertained weights and the estimated weights to form the basis for the average daily weight upon which to adjust the compensation according to law on such railroad routes for the transportation of mails during the quadrennial term beginning July first, nineteen hundred and twelve, notwithstanding the provision of the Act of Congress approved March third, nineteen hundred and five, requiring that the average daily weight shall be ascertained by the weighing of the mails for such a number of successive working days not less than ninety, as the Postmaster General may direct.

For pay of freight or expressage on postal cards, stamped envelopes, newspaper wrappers, and empty mail bags, six hundred and forty-eight thousand two hundred dollars, of which the sum of one hundred and twenty-three thousand two hundred dollars shall be available for deficiency for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and twelve.

For railway post-office car service, four million seven hundred and seven thousand dollars: *Provided*, That no part of this amount shall be paid for the use of any car which is not sound in material and construction, and which is not equipped with sanitary drinking-water containers and toilet facilities, nor unless such car is regularly and thoroughly cleaned: *Provided further*, That after the first of July, nineteen hundred and seventeen, the Postmaster General shall not approve or allow to be used or pay for any full railway post-office car

Restriction on sending second-class matter by freight.

Transfer, etc., charges, Saint Louis, Mo.

Mississippi Valley floods, 1912.  
Readjustment of pay for transportation during.

Basis of compensation.

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Freight on postal cards, etc.

Post-office car service.

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Sound and sanitary cars.

Steel cars required after July 1, 1917.

Annual replacing.	<p>not constructed of steel or steel underframe or equally indestructible material, and not less than twenty-five per centum of the railway post-office cars of a railroad company not conforming to the provisions of this Act shall be replaced with cars constructed of steel annually after June, nineteen hundred and thirteen; and all cars accepted for this service and contracted for by the railroad companies after the passage of this Act shall be constructed of steel: <i>Provided further</i>, That the Postmaster General is authorized to pay for full railway post-office cars necessarily used in service by the Post Office Department from July first, nineteen hundred and eleven, to March first, nineteen hundred and twelve, when in his judgment reasonable and proper effort was being made by railroad companies to comply with the provisions of the Act of March fourth, nineteen hundred and eleven, but on account of insufficient time the requisite work could not be completed on July first, nineteen hundred and eleven.</p>
All new cars to be of steel.	
Pay for service between July 1, 1911, and March 1, 1912.	
Condition.	
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Railway Mail Service. Division superintendents, and assistants.	<p><b>RAILWAY MAIL SERVICE:</b> For fifteen division superintendents, at three thousand dollars each; four assistant superintendents, at two thousand two hundred dollars each; fifteen assistant division superintendents, at two thousand dollars each; one hundred and twelve chief clerks, at not exceeding two thousand dollars each; thirty-two clerks, grade ten, at not exceeding one thousand eight hundred dollars each; three hundred and four clerks, grade nine, at not exceeding one thousand seven hundred dollars each; one thousand five hundred and one clerks, grade eight, at not exceeding one thousand six hundred dollars each; five hundred and seventy-three clerks, grade seven, at not exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars each; two thousand seven hundred and sixty-seven clerks, grade six, at not exceeding one thousand four hundred dollars each; two thousand two hundred and ninety-seven clerks, grade five, at not exceeding one thousand three hundred dollars each; six thousand three hundred and sixty-nine clerks, grade four, at not exceeding one thousand two hundred dollars each; two thousand eight hundred and two clerks, grade three, at not exceeding one thousand one hundred dollars each; nine hundred and five clerks, grade two, at not exceeding one thousand dollars each; nine hundred clerks, grade one, at not exceeding nine hundred dollars each; in all, twenty-two million four hundred and sixty-five thousand one hundred and seventy-one dollars; and to enable the Postmaster General to reclassify the salaries of railway postal clerks, he may exceed the number of clerks in such of the grades as may be necessary: <i>Provided</i>, That the number of clerks in the aggregate as herein authorized be not exceeded.</p>
Reclassification.	
Proviso. Number limited.	
Travel allowances for clerks on duty over ten hours, authorized.	<p>That hereafter in addition to the salaries by law provided the Postmaster General is hereby authorized to make travel allowances in lieu of actual expenses, at fixed rates per annum, not exceeding in the aggregate the sum annually appropriated, to railway postal clerks, acting railway postal clerks, and substitute railway postal clerks, including substitute railway postal clerks for railway postal clerks granted leave with pay on account of sickness, assigned to duty in railway post-office cars, while on duty, after ten hours from the time of beginning their initial run, under such regulations as he may prescribe, and in no case shall such an allowance exceed one dollar per day.</p>
Allowance.	<p>For travel allowances to railway postal clerks, acting railway postal clerks, and substitute railway postal clerks, including substitute railway postal clerks for railway postal clerks granted leave with pay on account of sickness, one million three hundred and forty thousand seven hundred and forty-three dollars.</p>
Emergency service.	<p>For temporary clerk hire for emergency service, sixty-seven thousand five hundred dollars.</p>
Substitutes.	<p>For substitutes for clerks on vacation, eighty-three thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.</p>

For acting clerks in place of clerks or substitutes injured while on duty, who shall be granted leave of absence with full pay during the period of disability, but not exceeding one year, then at the rate of fifty per centum of the clerk's annual salary for the period of disability exceeding one year, but not exceeding twelve months additional, and to enable the Postmaster General to pay the sum of two thousand dollars, which shall be exempt from payment of debts of the deceased, to the legal representatives of any railway postal clerk, substitute railway postal clerk, or post-office inspector, who shall be killed while on duty or who, being injured while on duty, shall die within one year thereafter as the result of such injury, one hundred and thirty thousand dollars.

Acting clerks.  
Disability allow-  
ance.

Payments in case of  
death.

For actual and necessary expenses, division superintendents, assistant division superintendents, and chief clerks, Railway Mail Service, and railway postal clerks, while actually traveling on business of the Post Office Department and away from their several designated headquarters, sixty thousand dollars.

Traveling expenses.

For rent, light, fuel, telegraph, miscellaneous, and office expenses, schedules of mail trains, telephone service, and badges for railway postal clerks, eighty thousand dollars, including rental of offices for division headquarters, and chief clerks, Railway Mail Service, in Washington, District of Columbia.

Miscellaneous.

For per diem allowance of assistant superintendents while actually traveling on official business away from their home, their official domicile, and their headquarters, at a rate to be fixed by the Postmaster General, not to exceed three dollars per day, three thousand eight hundred and thirty-one dollars, and for their necessary official expenses not covered by their per diem allowance, not exceeding seven hundred dollars; in all, four thousand five hundred and thirty-one dollars.

Per diem, etc., as-  
sistant superintend-  
ents.

For inland transportation of mail by electric and cable cars, seven hundred and twenty-eight thousand dollars: *Provided*, That the rate of compensation to be paid per mile shall not exceed the rate now paid to companies performing such service, except that the Postmaster General, in cases where the quantity of mail is large and the number of exchange points numerous, may, in his discretion, authorize payment for closed-pouch service at a rate per mile not to exceed one-third above the rate per mile now paid for closed-pouch service; and for mail cars and apartments carrying the mails, not to exceed the rate of one cent per linear foot per car-mile of travel: *Provided further*, That the rates for electric-car service on routes over twenty miles in length outside of cities shall not exceed the rates paid for service on steam railroads: *Provided, however*, That not to exceed fifteen thousand dollars of the sum hereby appropriated may be expended, in the discretion of the Postmaster General, where unusual conditions exist or where such service will be more expeditious and efficient and at no greater cost than otherwise, and not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars of this appropriation may be expended for regulation, screen, or motor screen-wagon service, which may be authorized in lieu of electric or cable car service.

Electric and cable  
car service.  
*Provided*.  
Rate of pay.

Outside of cities.

Unusual conditions.

Substitution of wag-  
on service.

For transportation of foreign mails, three million seven hundred and forty-eight thousand four hundred dollars: *Provided*, That the Postmaster General shall be authorized to expend such sums as may be necessary, not exceeding one hundred and eleven thousand dollars, to cover the cost to the United States of maintaining sea-post service on steamships conveying the mails, and not exceeding eighty thousand dollars for transferring the foreign mail from incoming steamships in New York Bay to the steamship and railway piers, for transferring the foreign mail from incoming steamships in San Francisco Bay to the piers, and for transferring the foreign mail from incoming

Foreign mail.

*Provided*.  
Clerks on steam-  
ships.

Pier transfers, New  
York, San Francisco,  
and Honolulu.

Disability allowance, etc.      steamships at Honolulu from quarantine to the piers; also for transferring the mail from steamships performing service under contract for transporting United States mail: *Provided*, That acting clerks may be employed in place of clerks or substitutes injured while on duty who shall be granted leave of absence with full pay during the period of disability, but not exceeding one year, then at the rate of fifty per centum of the clerk's annual salary for the period of disability exceeding one year but not exceeding twelve months additional, and that the Postmaster General may pay the sum of two thousand dollars, which shall be exempt from payment of debts of the deceased, to the legal representative of any sea-post clerk or substitute sea-post clerk who shall be killed while on duty, or who, being injured while on duty, shall die within one year thereafter as the result of such injury: *Provided further*, That the sum of six thousand dollars be immediately available for the payment to the widow or next of kin of J. S. March, O. S. Woody, and W. L. Gwinn, sea-post clerks, who lost their lives on the S. S. Titanic, said sum to be equally divided, two thousand dollars to each widow or next of kin.

Pay in case of death.      For assistant superintendent, Division of Foreign Mails, with headquarters in New York, New York, two thousand five hundred dollars.

Clerks on "Titanic." Payments on account of death of.      For balances due foreign countries, four hundred and eighty-six thousand four hundred dollars.

Assistant superintendent.      For two delegates to the International Postal Union at Madrid, nineteen hundred and thirteen nineteen hundred and fourteen, to be appointed by the Postmaster General, from the Post Office Department, five thousand dollars.

Balances due foreign countries.      For travel and miscellaneous expenses in the postal service, office of the Second Assistant Postmaster General, one thousand dollars.

Delegates to International Postal Union.

Travel, etc.

Third Assistant Postmaster General.

OFFICE OF THE THIRD ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL.

Stamps.      For manufacture of adhesive postage stamps, special-delivery stamps, books of stamps, and for coiling of stamps, seven hundred and sixty-eight thousand dollars.

Stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers. Distribution, etc.      For manufacture of stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers, one million seven hundred and twenty-eight thousand dollars.

Postal cards.      For pay of agent and assistants to examine and distribute stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers, and expenses of agency at Dayton, Ohio, twenty-two thousand eight hundred dollars.

Ship, etc., letters.      For manufacture of postal cards, three hundred and seventy-one thousand dollars.

Indemnity lost registered matter. Domestic.      For ship, steamboat, and way letters, two hundred and fifty dollars.

International.      For payment of limited indemnity for the loss of pieces of domestic registered matter, first, third and fourth classes, forty-five thousand dollars, of which the sum of ten thousand dollars shall be immediately available for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and eleven.

Travel, etc.      For payment of limited indemnity for the loss of registered articles in the international mails, in accordance with convention stipulations, seventeen thousand dollars, of which seven thousand dollars shall be immediately available for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and eleven.

Second class matter. Additional publications admitted as Conditions.      For travel and miscellaneous expenses in the postal service, office of the Third Assistant Postmaster General, one thousand dollars.

That from and after the passage of this Act all periodical publications issued from a known place of publication at stated intervals, and as frequently as four times a year, by or under the auspices of a benevolent or fraternal society or order organized under the lodge system and having a bona fide membership of not less than one thousand persons, or by a regularly incorporated institution of learning, or by a regularly established State institution of learning supported in whole or in part by public taxation, or by or under the auspices of a

trades union, and all publications of strictly professional, literary, historical, or scientific societies, including the bulletins issued by State boards of health, and by State boards or departments of public charities and corrections, shall be admitted to the mails as second-class matter, and the postage thereon shall be the same as on other second-class matter; and such periodical publications, issued by or under the auspices of benevolent or fraternal societies or orders or trades unions, or by strictly professional, literary, historical, or scientific societies, shall have the right to carry advertising matter, whether such matter pertains to such benevolent or fraternal societies or orders, trades unions, strictly professional, literary, historical, or scientific societies, or to other persons, institutions, or concerns; but such periodical publications, hereby permitted to carry advertising matter, must not be designed or published primarily for advertising purposes, and shall be originated and published to further the objects and purposes of such benevolent or fraternal societies or orders, trades-unions, or other societies, respectively; and all such periodicals shall be formed of printed paper sheets, without board, cloth, leather or other substantial binding, such as distinguish printed books for preservation from periodical publications: *Provided*, That the circulation through the mails of periodical publications issued by, or under the auspices of, benevolent or fraternal societies or orders, or trades-unions, or by strictly professional, literary, historical, or scientific societies, as second-class mail matter, shall be limited to copies mailed to such members as pay therefor, either as a part of their dues or assessments, or otherwise, not less than fifty per centum of the regular subscription price; to other bona fide subscribers; to exchanges, and ten per centum of such circulation as sample copies: *Provided further*, That when such members pay therefor as a part of their dues or assessments, individual subscriptions or receipts shall not be required: *Provided further*, That the office of publication of any such periodical publication shall be fixed by the association or body by which it is published, or by its executive board, and such publication shall be printed at such place and entered at the nearest post office thereto.

Advertisements permitted.

Restrictions.

Proviso. Limitation of circulation.

Paid with dues.

Office of publication required.

Publications in raised characters for the blind carried free.

That hereafter magazines, periodicals, and other regularly issued publications in raised characters for the use of the blind, whether prepared by hand or printed, which contain no advertisements and for which no subscription fee is charged, shall be transmitted in the United States mails free of postage and under such regulations as the Postmaster General may prescribe.

OFFICE OF THE FOURTH ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL.

Fourth Assistant Postmaster General.

That a joint committee shall be appointed, composed of five members of the Senate to be designated by the chairman of the Senate Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads, and five Members of the House to be designated by the chairman of the House Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads, to make inquiry into the subject of federal aid in the construction of postroads and report at the earliest practicable date, and for this purpose they are authorized by subcommittee or otherwise to sit during the sessions or recess of Congress, at such times and places as they may deem advisable, to send for persons and papers, to administer oaths, to summons and compel the attendance of witnesses, and to employ such clerical, expert and stenographic assistance as shall be necessary, and to pay the necessary expenses of such inquiry there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars to be paid out upon the audit and order of the chairman or acting chairman of said committee: *Provided*. That there is hereby appropriated the sum of five hundred

Joint Congressional committee on Federal aid to construction of post roads.

Report, etc.

Expenses.

Proviso.

Appropriation for improving selected roads used by rural delivery.	thousand dollars, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be expended by the Secretary of Agriculture in cooperation with the Postmaster General in improving the conditions of roads to be selected by them over which rural delivery is or may hereafter be established, such improvement to be for the purpose of ascertaining the increase in the territory which could be served by each carrier as a result of such improvement, the possible increase of the number of delivery days in each year, the amount required in excess of local expenditures for the proper maintenance of such roads, and the relative saving to the Government in the operation of the Rural Delivery Service, and to the local inhabitants in the transportation of their products by reason of such improvement and report the results in detail to Congress: <i>Provided</i> , That the State or the local subdivision thereof in which such improvement is made under this provision shall furnish double the amount of money for the improvement of the road or roads so selected. Such improvement shall be made under the supervision of the Secretary of Agriculture.
Purpose, etc.	That the Secretary of Agriculture and the Postmaster General are hereby directed to report to Congress within one year after the ratification of this Act the result of their operations under this Act, the number of miles of road improved, the cost of same, and such other information as they may have acquired in connection with the operation of this Act, together with such recommendations as shall seem wise for providing a general plan of national aid for the improvement of postal roads in cooperation with the States and counties, and to bring about as near as possible such cooperation among the various States as will insure uniform and equitable interstate highway regulations, and for providing necessary funds for carrying out such plans of national aid, if it shall be deemed feasible to provide the same or any part thereof otherwise than by appropriation from the Treasury for that purpose.
State or local contribution required.	For stationery, including all money-order offices, one hundred thousand dollars.
Results to be reported within one year. Details, etc. Post, p. 800.	For official and registry envelopes, eighty thousand dollars.
Stationery.	For blanks, blank books, printed and engraved matter, binding and carbon paper for the money-order service, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.
Official and registry envelopes. Money-order supplies.	For blanks, books, and printed matter of urgent or special character, including the preparation, publication, and free distribution by postmasters to the public of a pamphlet containing general postal information, intaglio seals, and other miscellaneous items of immediate necessity for the registry system, four thousand dollars.
Registry blanks, etc.	For expenses of agency for inspection of manufacture of official envelopes at Cincinnati, Ohio, five thousand seven hundred dollars.
Inspecting envelope manufacture.	Supplies for the City Delivery Service, including letter boxes, letter-box fasteners, package boxes, posts, furniture, satchels, straps, baskets, time cards, time-card frames, time-recorder supplies, maps, transfer designs, and stencils, one hundred thousand dollars.
City delivery supplies.	For postmarking, rating, and money-order stamps and repairs to same, metal, rubber, and combination type, dates and figures, type holders, ink and pads for canceling and stamping purposes, fifty thousand dollars.
Postmarking stamps, etc.	For letter balances, scales, test weights, repairs to same, and for tape measures, fifteen thousand dollars.
Letter balances, etc.	For wrapping paper, fifteen thousand dollars.
Wrapping paper.	For wrapping twine and tying devices, two hundred thousand dollars.
Twine, etc.	For facing slips, plain and printed, including the furnishing of paper for same; and for card slide labels, blanks, and books of an urgent nature, sixty-five thousand dollars.
Facing slips, etc.	

For the purchase, exchange, and repair of typewriting machines, envelope-opening machines, computing machines, copying presses, numbering machines, and of miscellaneous articles purchased and furnished directly to the postal service, seventy thousand dollars.

Miscellaneous supplies.

Supplies for the Rural Delivery Service, including collection boxes, furniture, satchels, straps, map supplies, repairing satchels, furniture, and map supplies, repairing, erecting, and painting collection boxes in the Rural Delivery Service, forty thousand dollars.

Rural delivery supplies.

To defray expenses incident to the shipment of supplies, including hardware, boxing, packing, cartage, freight, and the pay of one carpenter and six laborers for assignment in connection therewith, one hundred and ten thousand dollars.

Shipping supplies.

For intaglio seals, tags, and linen labels, foreign mail service, ten thousand dollars.

Intaglio seals, etc., foreign mails.

For inland transportation by star routes (excepting service in Alaska), including temporary service to newly established offices, seven million and thirty-two thousand dollars: *Provided*, That no part of this appropriation shall be expended for continuance of any star-route service the patronage of which shall be served entirely by the extension of Rural Delivery Service, nor shall any of said sum be expended for the establishment of new star-route service for a patronage which is already entirely served by Rural Delivery Service.

Star-route transportation.

*Proviso.* Discontinuance if served by rural delivery.

For pay of letter carriers, substitutes for carriers on annual leave, clerks in charge of substations, and tolls and ferrage, Rural Delivery Service, forty-seven million dollars: *Provided*, That not to exceed twenty thousand dollars of the amount hereby appropriated may be used for compensation of clerks in charge of substations: *Provided further*, That on and after September thirtieth, nineteen hundred and twelve, letter carriers of the Rural Delivery Service shall receive a salary not exceeding one thousand one hundred dollars per annum: *Provided, however*, That because of the compensation herein provided no rural letter carrier shall receive less salary than before the passage of this Act: *Provided further*, That in the discretion of the Postmaster General the pay of the carrier on the water route on Lake Winnepesaukee who furnishes his own power boat for mail service during the summer months may be fixed at an amount not exceeding the maximum salary allowed rural carriers by law in any one calendar year.

Rural delivery. Carriers, etc.

*Provisos.* Station clerks.

Maximum salary.

No reductions.

Lake Winnepesaukee service.

Travel.

For travel and miscellaneous expenses in the postal service, office of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General, one thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. No contract for furnishing supplies to the Post Office Department or the postal service shall be made with any person who has entered, or proposed to enter, into any combination to prevent the making of any bid for furnishing such supplies, or to fix a price or prices therefor, or who has made any agreement, or given or performed, or promised to give or perform, any consideration whatever to induce any other person not to bid for any such contract, or to bid at a specified price or prices thereon; and if any person so offending is a contractor for furnishing such supplies, his contract may be annulled, and the person so offending shall be liable to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars nor more than five thousand dollars, and may be further punished, in the discretion of the court, by imprisonment for not less than three months nor more than one year.

Contracts with persons combining to fix prices, etc., forbidden.

Punishment.

That it shall be the duty of the editor, publisher, business manager, or owner of every newspaper, magazine, periodical, or other publication to file with the Postmaster General and the postmaster at the office at which said publication is entered, not later than the first day of April and the first day of October of each year, on blanks furnished by the Post Office Department, a sworn statement setting

Publications.

Sworn statements of names, etc., of editors, owners, stockholders, etc., to be filed semi-annually.

forth the names and post-office addresses of the editor and managing editor, publisher, business managers, and owners, and, in addition, the stockholders, if the publication be owned by a corporation; and also the names of known bondholders, mortgagees, or other security holders; and also, in the case of daily newspapers, there shall be included in such statement the average of the number of copies of each issue of such publication sold or distributed to paid subscribers during the preceding six months: *Provided*, That the provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to religious, fraternal, temperance, and scientific, or other similar publications: *Provided further*, That it shall not be necessary to include in such statement the names of persons owning less than one per centum of the total amount of stock, bonds, mortgages, or other securities. A copy of such sworn statement shall be published in the second issue of such newspaper, magazine, or other publication printed next after the filing of such statement. Any such publication shall be denied the privileges of the mail if it shall fail to comply with the provisions of this paragraph within ten days after notice by registered letter of such failure.

That all editorial or other reading matter published in any such newspaper, magazine, or periodical for the publication of which money or other valuable consideration is paid, accepted, or promised shall be plainly marked "advertisement." Any editor or publisher printing editorial or other reading matter for which compensation is paid, accepted, or promised without so marking the same, shall upon conviction in any court having jurisdiction, be fined not less than fifty dollars (\$50) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500).

Circulation of newspapers.

*Proviso.*  
Religious, etc., publications not affected.  
Small stockholders omitted.

To be printed in next issue.

Denied admission to mails on failure.

Paid editorials, etc., to be marked "advertisement."

Penalty for failure.

Navy mail clerks.

#### BONDS OF NAVY MAIL CLERKS.

Bond requirement modified.  
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SEC. 3. That every Navy mail clerk and assistant Navy mail clerk shall give bond to the United States in such penal sum as the Postmaster General may deem sufficient for the faithful performance of his duties as such clerk.

Mail transportation.  
Readjustment of pay for mail diverted at weighing periods.

SEC. 4. When, after a weighing of the mails for the purpose of readjusting the compensation for their transportation on a railroad route, mails are diverted therefrom or thereto, the Postmaster General may, in his discretion, ascertain the effect of such diversion by a weighing of such mails for such number of successive working days as he may determine, and have the weights stated and verified to him as in other cases, and readjust the compensation on the routes affected accordingly: *Provided*, That no readjustment shall be made unless the diverted mails equal at least ten per centum of the average daily weight on any of the routes affected: *Provided further*, That readjustment made hereunder shall not take effect before July first, nineteen hundred and twelve, and shall be for diversions occurring after January first, nineteen hundred and twelve.

*Proviso.*  
Minimum diversion affected.

Readjustments limited to diversions since January 1, 1912.

Workdays, first and second class offices, limited to eight hours.

SEC. 5. That on and after March fourth, nineteen hundred and thirteen, letter carriers in the City Delivery Service and clerks in first and second class post offices shall be required to work not more than eight hours a day: *Provided*, That the eight hours of service shall not extend over a longer period than ten consecutive hours, and the schedules of duty of the employees shall be regulated accordingly.

*Proviso.*  
Schedules of duty.

Excess to be paid for.

That in cases of emergency, or if the needs of the service require, letter carriers in the City Delivery Service and clerks in first and second class post offices can be required to work in excess of eight hours a day, and for such additional services they shall be paid extra in proportion to their salaries as fixed by law.

Compensatory time allowed for Sunday work.

That should the needs of the service require the employment on Sunday of letter carriers in the City Delivery Service and clerks in first and second class post offices, the employees who are required

and ordered to perform Sunday work shall be allowed compensatory time on one of the six days following the Sunday on which they perform such service.

SEC. 6. That no person in the classified civil service of the United States shall be removed therefrom except for such cause as will promote the efficiency of said service and for reasons given in writing, and the person whose removal is sought shall have notice of the same and of any charges preferred against him, and be furnished with a copy thereof, and also be allowed a reasonable time for personally answering the same in writing; and affidavits in support thereof; but no examination of witnesses nor any trial or hearing shall be required except in the discretion of the officer making the removal; and copies of charges, notice of hearing, answer, reasons for removal, and of the order of removal shall be made a part of the records of the proper department or office, as shall also the reasons for reduction in rank or compensation; and copies of the same shall be furnished to the person affected upon request, and the Civil Service Commission also shall, upon request, be furnished copies of the same: *Provided, however,* That membership in any society, association, club, or other form of organization of postal employees not affiliated with any outside organization imposing an obligation or duty upon them to engage in any strike, or proposing to assist them in any strike, against the United States, having for its objects, among other things, improvements in the condition of labor of its members, including hours of labor and compensation therefor and leave of absence, by any person or groups of persons in said postal service, or the presenting by any such person or groups or persons of any grievance or grievances to the Congress or any Member thereof shall not constitute or be cause for reduction in rank or compensation or removal of such person or groups of persons from said service. The right of persons employed in the civil service of the United States, either individually or collectively, to petition Congress, or any Member thereof, or to furnish information to either House of Congress, or to any committee or member thereof, shall not be denied or interfered with.

Classified civil service.  
No removals except for cause to promote efficiency.

Notice of charges, answer, etc.

Record of removal, etc.

*Proviso.*  
Postal employees not prohibited membership in society for improving conditions, etc.

Right to petition Congress not to be interfered with.

SEC. 7. That after September thirtieth, nineteen hundred and twelve, the Postmaster General may appoint railway postal clerks in such manner and of such respective grades and salaries as may be provided for in the annual appropriation acts for the service of the Post Office Department, for the purpose of sorting and distributing the mail in railway post offices, railway post-office terminals and transfer offices, and for service in the offices of division superintendents and chief clerks, and as transfer clerks and such other services as may pertain to the Railway Mail Service. Such clerks shall be designated as railway postal clerks and shall be divided into the following grades, with corresponding salaries per annum not exceeding the following rates:

Railway Mail Service.  
Grades and salaries of employees.  
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Designated railway postal clerks.

Salaries of grades.

- Grade one, at not exceeding nine hundred dollars.
- Grade two, at not exceeding one thousand dollars.
- Grade three, at not exceeding one thousand one hundred dollars.
- Grade four, at not exceeding one thousand two hundred dollars.
- Grade five, at not exceeding one thousand three hundred dollars.
- Grade six, at not exceeding one thousand four hundred dollars.
- Grade seven, at not exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars.
- Grade eight, at not exceeding one thousand six hundred dollars.
- Grade nine, at not exceeding one thousand seven hundred dollars.
- Grade ten, at not exceeding one thousand eight hundred dollars.
- Chief clerks, at not exceeding two thousand dollars.

Regulations of salaries, etc., to be made.

The Postmaster General shall classify and fix the salaries of railway postal clerks, under such regulations as he may prescribe, in the grades provided by law; and for the purpose of organization and of

- establishing maximum grades to which promotions may be made successively as hereinafter provided, he shall classify railway post offices, terminal railway post offices, and transfer offices with reference to their character and importance in three classes, with salary grades as follows: Class A, nine hundred dollars to one thousand two hundred dollars; class B, nine hundred dollars to one thousand three hundred dollars; and class C, nine hundred dollars to one thousand five hundred dollars. He may assign to the offices of division superintendents and chief clerks such railway postal clerks as may be necessary and fix their salaries within the grades provided by law without regard to the classification of railway post offices.
- Classification of offices.** After September thirtieth, nineteen hundred and twelve, clerks in class A shall be promoted successively to grade three, clerks in class B shall be promoted successively to grade four, and clerks in class C shall be promoted successively to grade five, at the beginning of the quarter following the expiration of a year's satisfactory service in the next lower grade. Promotions above these grades within the maximum grades of the classification may be made in the discretion of the Postmaster General for meritorious service. No promotion shall be made except upon evidence satisfactory to the Post Office Department of the efficiency and faithfulness of the employee during the preceding year.
- Assignment of clerks.**
- Promotions.**
- Qualifications.**
- Transfers permitted.** A clerk of any grade of any classification of railway post offices, terminal railway post offices, transfer offices, or in the office of a division superintendent or chief clerk, may be transferred and assigned to any classification of railway post offices, terminal railway post offices, transfer offices, or to an office of a division superintendent or chief clerk under such regulations as the Postmaster General may deem proper.
- Clerks in charge of crews.** Clerks assigned as clerks in charge of crews consisting of more than one clerk shall be clerks of grades five to ten, inclusive, and may be promoted one grade only after three years' continuous, satisfactory, and faithful service in such capacity.
- Promotion.**
- Clerks failing of promotion.** A clerk who fails of promotion because of unsatisfactory service may be promoted at the beginning of the second quarter thereafter or any subsequent quarter for satisfactory and faithful service during the intervening period.
- Promotion of higher grade clerks, etc.** Clerks in the highest grade in their respective lines or other assignments shall be eligible for promotion to positions of clerks in charge in said lines or corresponding positions in other assignments, and clerks assigned as assistant chief clerks and clerks in charge of crews consisting of more than one clerk, either assigned to the line, the transfer service, or to a terminal railway post office, and clerks in the highest grades in offices of division superintendents in their respective divisions, shall, after two years of continuous service in such capacity, be eligible for promotion to positions of chief clerks in said division for satisfactory, efficient, and faithful service during the preceding two-year period, under such regulations as the Postmaster General shall prescribe.
- Restoration of grade for faithful subsequent services.** Whenever a clerk shall have been reduced in salary for any cause he may be restored to his former grade or advanced to an intermediate grade at the beginning of any quarter following the reduction, for satisfactory and faithful service during the intervening period.
- Advancements limited.** In filling positions below that of chief clerk no clerk shall be advanced more than one grade in a period of a year.
- Clerks to reside on route.** All clerks appointed to the Railway Mail Service and to perform duty on railway post offices shall reside at some point on the route to which they are assigned; but railway postal clerks appointed prior to February twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, and now performing such duty shall not be required to change their residences,
- Exception.**  
Vol. 28, p. 692.

except when transferred to another line: *Provided, however,* That because of the reclassification herein provided, no clerk shall receive less salary than before the passage of this Act. All laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SEC. 8. That hereafter fourth-class mail matter shall embrace all other matter, including farm and factory products, not now embraced by law in either the first, second, or third class, not exceeding eleven pounds in weight, nor greater in size than seventy-two inches in length and girth combined, nor in form or kind likely to injure the person of any postal employee or damage the mail equipment or other mail matter and not of a character perishable within a period reasonably required for transportation and delivery.

That for the purposes of this section the United States and its several Territories and possessions, excepting the Philippine Islands, shall be divided into units of area thirty minutes square, identical with a quarter of the area formed by the intersecting parallels of latitude and meridians of longitude, represented on appropriate postal maps or plans, and such units of area shall be the basis of eight postal zones, as follows:

The first zone shall include all territory within such quadrangle, in conjunction with every contiguous quadrangle, representing an area having a mean radial distance of approximately fifty miles from the center of any given unit of area.

The second zone shall include all units of area outside the first zone lying in whole or in part within a radius of approximately one hundred and fifty miles from the center of a given unit of area.

The third zone shall include all units of area outside the second zone lying in whole or in part within a radius of approximately three hundred miles from the center of a given unit of area.

The fourth zone shall include all units of area outside the third zone lying in whole or in part within a radius of approximately six hundred miles from the center of a given unit of area.

The fifth zone shall include all units of area outside the fourth zone lying in whole or in part within a radius of approximately one thousand miles from the center of a given unit of area.

The sixth zone shall include all units of area outside the fifth zone lying in whole or in part within a radius of approximately one thousand four hundred miles from the center of a given unit of area.

The seventh zone shall include all units of area outside the sixth zone lying in whole or in part within a radius of approximately one thousand eight hundred miles from the center of a given unit of area.

The eighth zone shall include all units of area outside the seventh zone.

That the rate of postage on fourth-class matter weighing not more than four ounces shall be one cent for each ounce or fraction of an ounce; and on such matter in excess of four ounces in weight the rate shall be by the pound, as hereinafter provided, the postage in all cases to be prepaid by distinctive postage stamps affixed.

That except as provided in the next preceding paragraph postage on matter of the fourth class shall be prepaid at the following rates:

On all matter mailed at the post office from which a rural route starts, for delivery on such route, or mailed at any point on such route for delivery at any other point thereon, or at the office from which the route starts, or on any rural route starting therefrom, and on all matter mailed at a city carrier office, or at any point within its delivery limits, for delivery by carriers from that office, or at any office for local delivery, five cents for the first pound or fraction of a pound and one cent for each additional pound or fraction of a pound.

For delivery within the first zone, except as provided in the next preceding paragraph, five cents for the first pound or fraction of a

*Proviso.*  
No salary to be reduced.  
Conflicting laws repealed.

Fourth-class mail.  
Matter embraced as.  
Restriction on size,  
weight, etc.

Postal zones established for transmission.

First zone.

Second zone.

Third zone.

Fourth zone.

Fifth zone.

Sixth zone.

Seventh zone.

Eighth zone.

Rate of postage.

Delivery rates.

For rural or local delivery.

In first zone.

pound and three cents for each additional pound or fraction of a pound.

In second zone.

For delivery within the second zone, six cents for the first pound or fraction of a pound and four cents for each additional pound or fraction of a pound.

In third zone.

For delivery within the third zone, seven cents for the first pound or fraction of a pound and five cents for each additional pound or fraction of a pound.

In fourth zone.

For delivery within the fourth zone, eight cents for the first pound or fraction of a pound and six cents for each additional pound or fraction of a pound.

In fifth zone.

For delivery within the fifth zone, nine cents for the first pound or fraction of a pound and seven cents for each additional pound or fraction of a pound.

In sixth zone.

For delivery within the sixth zone, ten cents for the first pound or fraction of a pound and nine cents for each additional pound or fraction of a pound.

In seventh zone.

For delivery within the seventh zone, eleven cents for the first pound or fraction of a pound and ten cents for each additional pound or fraction of a pound.

In eighth zone and the Philippines.

For delivery within the eighth zone and between the Philippine Islands and any portion of the United States, including the District of Columbia and the several Territories and possessions, twelve cents for the first pound or fraction of a pound and twelve cents for each additional pound or fraction of a pound.

Special equipment, stamps, etc.

That the Postmaster General shall provide such special equipment, maps, stamps, directories, and printed instructions as may be necessary for the administration of this section; and for the purposes of this section, and to supplement existing appropriations, including the hiring of teams and drivers, there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Supplementary appropriation from the Treasury.

Readjustment of classification, rates, etc., hereafter.

The classification of articles mailable as well as the weight limit, the rates of postage, zone or zones and other conditions of mailability under this Act, if the Postmaster General shall find on experience that they or any of them are such as to prevent the shipment of articles desirable, or to permanently render the cost of the service greater than the receipts of the revenue therefrom, he is hereby authorized, subject to the consent of the Interstate Commerce Commission after investigation, to reform from time to time such classification, weight limit, rates, zone or zones or conditions, or either, in order to promote the service to the public or to insure the receipt of revenue from such service adequate to pay the cost thereof.

Consent of Interstate Commerce Commission.

Payment for lost, etc., articles. Collection on delivery for shippers.

The Postmaster General shall make provision by regulation for the indemnification of shippers, for shipment injured or lost, by insurance or otherwise, and, when desired, for the collection on delivery of the postage and price of the article shipped, fixing such charges as may be necessary to pay the cost of such additional services.

Star route and wagon service contractors.

Pay for increased weights. Accounts to determine.

The Postmaster General may readjust the compensation of star route and screen wagon contractors if it should appear that as a result of the parcel post system the weight of the mails handled by them has been materially increased. Before such readjustment, however, a detailed account must be kept as to the amount of business handled by such star route or screen wagon contractors before and after this section becomes effective for such a period as to clearly demonstrate the amount of the increase and that such increase in the weight of the mails was due to the adoption of the parcel post system.

In effect January 1, 1913.

That the establishment of zones and postage rates of this section shall go into effect January first, nineteen hundred and thirteen.

That this Act shall not in any way affect the postage rate on seeds, cuttings, bulbs, roots, scions, and plants, as fixed by section 482 of the Postal Laws and Regulations.

Rate on seeds, etc., not affected. Vol. 25, p. 347.

That for the purpose of a further inquiry into the subject of the general parcel post and all related subjects a joint committee of six persons (Members of Congress), three of whom shall be appointed by the President of the Senate, and three by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, is constituted, with full power to appoint clerks, stenographers, and experts to assist them in this work. That the Postmaster General and the Interstate Commerce Commission shall furnish such data and otherwise render such assistance to the said committee as may be desired or available. For the purpose of defraying the expenses of this committee the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars is hereby appropriated out of the moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. The committee shall report fully to Congress at the earliest date possible.

Joint Congressional committee on general parcel post, etc., constituted.

Appropriation for expenses from the Treasury.

Report.

That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this section are hereby repealed.

Conflicting laws repealed.

SEC. 9. That after June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and twelve, experimental mail delivery may be established, under such regulations as the Postmaster General may prescribe, in towns and villages having post offices of the second or third class that are not by law now entitled to free delivery service, and the sum of one hundred thousand dollars is hereby appropriated to enable postmasters to employ the necessary assistance to deliver the mail in such villages, and the amount to be expended at any office shall not exceed one thousand eight hundred dollars a year.

Experimental delivery in towns and villages.

Amount.

Limit.

SEC. 10. That the sum of four hundred thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated to enable the Postmaster General to continue the establishment, maintenance, and extension of postal savings depositories, including the reimbursement of the Secretary of the Treasury for expenses incident to the preparation, issue, and registration of the bonds authorized by the Act of June twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and ten: *Provided*, That out of such sum an amount not to exceed ten thousand dollars may be expended for the rental, if necessary, of quarters for the central office of the Postal Savings System in the District of Columbia: *And provided further*, That all expenditures in the Postal Savings System shall be audited by the Auditor for the Post Office Department: *And provided further*, That the Postmaster General shall select and designate the post offices which are to be postal savings depository offices, and shall appoint and fix the compensation of such superintendents, inspectors, and other employees as may be necessary in conducting, supervising, and directing the business of such offices, including the employees of a central office at Washington, District of Columbia, and shall prescribe the hours during which postal savings depository offices shall remain open. He shall also from time to time make rules and regulations with respect to the deposits in and withdrawals of moneys from postal savings depositories and the issue of pass books or such other devices as he may adopt as evidence of such deposits or withdrawals. The provisions of the Act approved June twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and ten, are hereby modified accordingly. The unexpended balance of the appropriation for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and twelve of five hundred thousand dollars made by section five of the Act approved March fourth, nineteen hundred and eleven, for the postal savings system, is hereby reappropriated and made available during the fiscal year nineteen hundred and thirteen for the purposes mentioned in this section.

Postal savings depositories.

Expenses for establishing, etc., payable from the Treasury.

Vol. 36, p. 817.

*Proviso.* Rent of central office.

Auditing accounts.

Designation of offices, compensation, etc.

Regulations for deposits, withdrawals, etc.

Vol. 36, p. 814.

Balance reappropriated.

Vol. 36, p. 1340.

Navy mail clerks,  
Marine Corps in-  
cluded.  
Vol. 95, p. 417,  
amended.

SEC. 11. That the provision in the Act making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department, approved May twenty-seventh, nineteen hundred and eight, authorizing the designation of enlisted men of the Navy as navy mail clerks and assistant navy mail clerks, be amended to include in such designation enlisted men of the Marine Corps, by the insertion in the said provision, after the words "United States Navy," the words "or Marine Corps."

Appropriation from  
Treasury to meet de-  
ficiencies.

SEC. 12. That if the revenues of the Post Office Department shall be insufficient to meet the appropriations made by this Act, a sum equal to such deficiency of the revenue of said department is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply said deficiencies in the revenues for the Post Office Department for the year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and thirteen, and the sum needed may be advanced to the Post Office Department upon requisition of the Postmaster General.

Restrictions on  
meetings of societies,  
not applicable.  
Act, p. 184.

SEC. 13. That the provisions of section eight of the Act making appropriations for the District of Columbia approved June twenty-sixth, nineteen hundred and twelve, shall not apply to the appropriations provided by this Act.

Expenditures for  
July and August.  
Post, pp. 638, 642, 642.

SEC. 14. That the Postmaster General may expend for the service of the Post Office Department during the months of July and August, nineteen hundred and twelve, a greater amount than that provided for by the joint resolutions extending appropriations for the necessary operations of the Government under certain contingencies, approved July first, August first, and August fifteenth, nineteen hundred and twelve: *Provided*, That the total expenditures under this Act for the whole of the fiscal year nineteen hundred and thirteen shall not exceed the amounts hereby appropriated.

Proviso.  
Not to exceed  
amounts hereby ap-  
propriated

Approved, August 24, 1912.

August 24, 1912.  
[H. R. 21908.]

CHAP. 390.—An Act To provide for the opening, maintenance, protection, and operation of the Panama Canal, and the sanitation and government of the Canal Zone.

[Public, No. 337.]

Panama Canal Act.  
Territory included  
in Canal Zone.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the zone of land and land under water of the width of ten miles extending to the distance of five miles on each side of the center line of the route of the canal now being constructed thereon, which zone begins in the Caribbean Sea three marine miles from mean low-water mark and extends to and across the Isthmus of Panama into the Pacific Ocean to the distance of three marine miles from mean low-water mark, excluding therefrom the cities of Panama and Colon and their adjacent harbors located within said zone, as excepted in the treaty with the Republic of Panama dated November eighteenth, nineteen hundred and three, but including all islands within said described zone, and in addition thereto the group of islands in the Bay of Panama named Perico, Naos, Culebra, and Flamenco, and any lands and waters outside of said limits above described which are necessary or convenient or from time to time may become necessary or convenient for the construction, maintenance, operation, sanitation, or protection of the said canal or of any auxiliary canals, lakes, or other works necessary or convenient for the construction, maintenance, operation, sanitation, or protection of said canal, the use, occupancy, or control whereof were granted to the United States by the treaty between the United States and the Republic of Panama, the ratifications of which were exchanged on the twenty-sixth day of February, nineteen hundred and four, shall be known and designated as the Canal Zone, and the canal now being constructed thereon shall hereafter be

Vol. 33, p. 2234.