EDWARD R. WILSON; NAVAL PRISON, PORTSMOUTH, N. H.; PROPOSED LEGISLATION

COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

A SUPPLEMENTAL ESTIMATE OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE NAVY DEPARTMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1926, AMOUNTING TO \$3,504.32, AND A DRAFT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION AFFECTING EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS PER-TAINING TO THE NAVY DEPARTMENT

APRIL 15, 1926.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed

THE WHITE HOUSE, Washington, April 15, 1926.

The SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of Congress supplemental estimates of appropriations for the Navy Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1926, amounting to \$3,504.32, and a draft of proposed legislation affecting existing appropriations pertaining to the Navy Department.

The details of these estimates, an explanation of the proposed legislation, the necessity therefor, and the reason for their submission at this time are set forth in the letter of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget transmitted herewith, with whose comments and observations thereon I concur.

Respectfully,

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

BUREAU OF THE BUDGET, Washington, April 14, 1926.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration, and upon your approval for transmission to Congress, supplemental NAVAL PRISON, PORTSMOUTH, N. H., PROPOSED LEGISLATION

estimates of appropriations for the Navy Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1926, amounting to \$3,504.32, and a draft of proposed legislation affecting existing appropriations of the Navy Department.

SUPPLEMENTAL ESTIMATES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1926

Reimbursement to Lieut. Commander Edward R. Wilson, Supply Corps, United States Navy: To reimburse Lieut. Commander Edward R. Wilson, Supply Corps, United States Navy, in the sum of \$1,504.32, as fully set forth and authorized by private act No. 240, Sixty-eighth Congress, approved Mar. 3, 1925_______\$1, 504. 32

This amount is necessary to carry out the intent of the act entitled "An act for the relief of Edward R. Wilson, lieutenant commander, Supply Corps, United States Navy," approved March 3, 1925 (43 Stat. 1592), which authorizes an appropriation of \$1,504.32 for the purpose of reimbursing this officer for private funds deposited in the Treasury of the United States to cover the loss of public funds which were stolen and for which he was accountable.

Reimbursement to certain persons for loss of Liberty bonds, etc.: To reimburse the several persons named in section 23 of the act approved Mar. 4, 1925, for Liberty bonds and Victory notes stolen by some person or persons unknown while deposited for safekeeping at the naval prison, Portsmouth, N. H., with interest thereon as provided in said act, \$2,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary. \$2,000.00

Section 23 of the act entitled "An act providing for sundry matters affecting the naval service, and for other purposes," approved March 4, 1925 (43 Stat. 1277), authorizes an appropriation of certain principal sums plus interest thereon for the reimbursement of certain persons for loss of Liberty bonds and Victory notes while naval general court-martial prisoners. It is estimated that \$2,000 will be required to carry out the purpose of this act.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION AFFECTING EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS

Administrative expenses, World War adjusted compensation act: The unexpended balance of the appropriation of \$450,000 for administrative expenses, World War adjusted compensation act, contained in the second deficiency act fiscal year 1924, approved December 5, 1924, shall remain available until June 30, 1927.

The second deficiency act, fiscal year 1924, approved December 5, 1924 (43 Stat. 688), appropriated the sum of \$450,000 under the title "Administrative expenses, World Waı adjusted compensation act," to enable the Sec.etary of the Navy to perform such duties as are required of him by the World War adjusted compensation act, approved May 19, 1924 (43 Stat. 121), to remain available until June 30, 1925. The availability of this appropriation was extended to June 30, 1926, by the second deficiency act, fiscal year 1925, approved March 4, 1925 (43 Stat. 1335).

Under the act of May 19, 1924, applications by the beneficiaries under said act may be submitted up to January 1, 1928, and an extension of the availability of the unexpended balances of this appropriation to June 30, 1927, will enable the Secretary of the Navy to maintain the additional personnel necessary to handle the applications which may be received in his department during the fiscal year 1927. It is estimated that the unexpended balance of this appropriation as of March 31, 1926, will amount to \$82,450.

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The above estimates of appropriations, comprising two items, and the draft of proposed legislation affecting existing appropriations, are required to meet unforeseen contingencies which have occurred since the transmission of the Budgets for the fiscal years 1926 and 1927, and their approval is recommended.

Very respectfully,

H. M. LORD,

Director of the Bureau of the Budget.

The PRESIDENT.

Supplemental estimates of appropriations required for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1926, by the Navy Department.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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